Hennessy.
"Oh, I knew ye don't agree with

does Father Kelly. He's got it into

his head that whin a man's marrid he's marrid, an' that's all there is to it. He puts his hand in th' grab-bag an' pulls out a blank an' he don't

ness with ye, I'd niver let th' sun go down on a quarrel," he says. 'But if

ye had a bad month I'd go into coort

MR. DOOLEY'S DISCOURSES

By FINLEY PETER DUNNE

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THE DIVORCE PROBLEM.

"Well, sir," said Mr. Dooley, "I shey've been holdin' a Divorce agress."

What's that," asked Mr. Hennessy.

"Ye wudden't know," said Mr. Dooley. "Divoorce is th' on'y luxury supplied be th' law that we don't infiye in Ar-rchey Road. Up here whin a marrid couple get to th' pint where



"In Kentucky baldness is grounds for divoorce."

each other over th' ham an' oggs. No wife iver laves her husband while he has th' breath iv life in him, an' snny gintleman that took a thrip to Soo sir, whin our people grab hands at face had grown too bleak f'r his taste. th' altar, they're hooked up f'river. Be hivins, I'd go farther. Rather Marredge with us is a life sintince at hard labor. There's on'y one decree iv divoorce that th' neighbors will recognize, an' that's the wan that entitles ye to a ride behind th' pall bearers. That's why I'm a batch. 'Tis th' fine skylark iv a timprary husband I'd make bringin' home a new wife ivry Foorth iv July an' discharg-in' the old wan without a charackter. But th' customs iv th' neighbors are

"But 'tis different with others, Hinnessy. Down be Mitchigan Av-Hinnessy. Down be Mitchigan Avaoo marredge is no more binding thin a dhream. A short married life an' an onhappy wan is their motto. Off with th' old love an' on with th' new an' off with that. Till death us do part, says th' preather, 'Gr th' jury,' whispers the blushin' bride.

"Th' Divoorce Congress, Hinnissy, that I'm tellin' ve about was assetted.

that I'm tellin' ye about was assem-bled to make th' laws iv all th' States on divoorce th' same. It's a tur-rble scandal as it is now. A man shakes his wife in wan State on'y to be grabbed be her an' led home th' minnyit he crosses th' border. There's no safety f'r anny wan. In some places it's aimost impossible f'r a man to get rit iv his fam'iy onless he has good raison. There's no regularity at all about it. In Kentucky bald-ness is gruonds fr divoorce; in Ohio th' inclemency iv th' weather. In Illinye a woman can be freed fr'm th' gallin' bonds iv mathrimony bese her husband wears Congress gaiters; in Wisconsin th' old man can get his maiden name back because his wife tells fortunes in th' taycup.

"In Nebrasky th' shackles ar-re busted because father forgot to wipe his boots; in New York because mother knows a judge in South Da-kota. Ye can be divoorced f'r anything if ye know where to th' complaint. Among the grounds ar'e snorin', deefness, because wan if th' parties dhrinks an' th' other doesn't, because wan don't dhrink an th' other does, because they both dhrink, because the husband is losin his teeth, because th' wife is addicted to sick headaches, because he asked her what she did with that \$10 he gave her, because he knows some wan else, because she injyes th' society iv th' young, be-cause he f'rgot t' wind th' clock, because she wears a switch. A hus-

'tis impossible f'r thim to go on liv-in' together theg go on livin' to-gether. They feey that way some mornin' in ivry month, but th' over again with th' second choice iv "It wud be a grand thing if it cud be strightened out. Th' laws ought to be th' same ivrywhere. In anny

his wild, glad heart.
part iv this fair land iv ours it shud
be th' right iv anny man to get a Falls in ordher to saw on the successor divoorce, with alimony, sumply keepin' expinses on a rash successor in' before a justice iv th' peace an' wud find throuble ready fr him whin in' before a justice iv th' peace an' makin' an affidavit that th' lady's grown too bleak fr his taste.

young man he marrid. He was a fireman in thim days, an' th' objict ly his etarnal affection was th' daugh ter iv. th' most popylar saloon keeper in town. A gr-reat socyal gulf opened between thim. He had fine prospects iv tvinchooly bein' promoted to two-fifty a day, but she was helress to a cellar full iv Monongahela rye an' a pool table, an' her parents objected, because iv th' difference in their positions. But love such as his is not to be denied. The bold suitor won. Together they eloped to Pittsburg an' were marrid. "F"r a short time all wint well. They lived together happily frtwinty years an' raised wan iv the popylous fam'lies iv people who expect to be supported in their old days. Th' impechuse lover, spurred on be th' desire to make good with his queen, slugged, cheated, an' wurruked his way to th' head iv th' railroad. He was no longer Greasy Bill, th' Oll Can, but William Altch Bliggens, th' Prince ly Industhree. All th' diff'rent kinds iv money he iver heerd it rolled into him, large money an' small, other people's money, money he'd labored f'r an' money he'd wish-ed f'r. Whin he set in fils office ed fr. Whin he set in his office countin' it he often left a call-fr tin o'clock f'r fear he might be house on time. But, bein' an American citizen, he soon felt as sure iv himsilf as though he'd got it all in th' Probate Coort, an' th' arly spring saw him on a private car speedin' to New York, th' home to Mirth. He was was raycieved with open ar-rms be ivry wan in that gr-reat city that knew th' combination iv th' safe. He was taken f'r yacht rides be his fellow-Kings of Fi-nance. He was th' thing more thin a kind iv suspension principal guest iv honor at a modest bridge between quarrels?' he says. 'In but tasteful dinner, where there was a large a tificval lake iv champagne into which th' comp'ny cud dive. He wan iv th' best-timpered men in th' to which th' comp'ny cud dive. He become th' prize package iv th' Wal-dorf. In th' on'y part iv New York ye iver read about—ar-re there no churches or homes in New York, but



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than have people endure this sar- | York ye read about he cud be seen vichood I'd let anny man escape be jumpin' th' conthract. All he'd have to do if I was r-runnin' this governmint wud be to put some clothes in th' grip, write a note to his wife that afther thinkin' it over f'r forty years he had made up his mind that his warm nature was not suited to marty his childher, and go out to return no more.

"I don't know much about marrid life, except what ye tell me an' what I r-read in th' pa-apers. But it must be sad. All over this land onhappi-ly mated couples arre sufferin' now an' thin almost as much as if they had a sliver in their thumb or a slight headache. Th' misfortunes iv these people ar-re beyond belief. I say, Hinnissy, it is th' jooty iv th' law to marcifully release thim. Ye take th' case iv me frind fr'm Coke City that I was readin' about th' other day. There was a martyr f'r ye. band can get a divoorce because he day. There was a martyr f'r ye. because he has less. Ye can always tears thinkin' about him. Whin a

anny night sittin' where th' lights cud on his baid but youthful head An' little Angelica Gumdrop, th' lady next to th' end iv th' first row on th' right, looked on him with those big eyes iv hers that said so little an meant so much.

"An' haw was it all this time in dear old Coke City? It is painful to say that th' lady to whom our frind was tied f'r life had not kept pace with him. She had taught him to r-read, but he had gone on an' taken what Hogan calls th' postgrajate coorse. Women get all their book larnin' befure marredge; men afther. She'd been pretty active about the more iddycation in th' way iv business than she'd iver dhream iv knowin'. She had th' latest news about th' trouble in th' Methodist Church, but he had a private wire into his office.

"A life spint in nourishin's th' young, Hinnissy, while fine to read about, isn't anny kind to a beauty restorer, an' I've got to tell ye that th' lady prob'bly looked dif'rent fr'm th' gazelle he used to whistle three times f'r whin he wint by on Number Iliven. It's no alsy thing to rock th' cradle with wan hand an' ondy late th' hair with another. Be th' time he was gettin' out iv th' sellin' class in New York she was slowin' down even fr Coke City. Their tastes was decidedly dissimilar, says th' paaper. Time was whin he carried th', wash pitcher down to th' corner i'r a quart iv malt, while she dandled th' baby an' fried th' round steak at th' same time. That day was past. She hadn't got to th' p'int where she cud dhrink champagne an' keep it out iv her nose. Th' passin' years had im-paired all possible foundations fr a new crop iv hair. Sometimes conver-sation lagged.

"Coke City (lovely haunt ly th' thrust as it is) is a long way fr'm th' Casino. Th' last successful exthravaganza that th' lady had seen was a lecture be Jawn B. Gough. She got her Eyetalian opry out iv a music box. What was there f'r this joint intelleck an' this household tyrant to talk about? No wondher he pined. Think iv this Light iv th' Tenderloin bein' compelled to set down fyry Think iv this Light iv th' Tenderloin bein' compelled to set down ivry month or two an' chat about a new footh that Hiven had just sint to a fam'ly up th' street! Nor was that all. She give him no rest. Time an' time again she asked him was he comin' home that night. She tortured his proud spirit be recallin' th' time whip she used to flag him fr'm th' window iv th' room where papa had locked her in. She aver wint so far as to dhraw on him th' last cow-rdly weapon by brutal wives—their far as to dhraw on him th' last cowrdly weapon to brutal wives—their
tears. One time she thraveled to New
York an' wan iv his frinds seen her.
Oh it was erool, crool. Hinnissy, tell
me, wud ye condim this gr-reat man
to such a slavery just because he'd
made a rush promise whin he didn't
have a cent in th' wurruid? Th' law
said no. Whin th' Gr-reat Financeer
cud stand it no longer he called upon
th' judge to strike off th' chains an'
make him a free man. He got a divorce."



an' wriggle out iv th' partnership because ye're a cantankerous old villain that no wan cud get on with,' he says. "If people knew they cudden't get away fr'm each other they'd settle down to life, just as I detarmined to like coal smoke whin I found th' collection wasn't hig enough to put a new chimbley in th' parrish house. I've acchally got to like it,' he says. There ain't anny condition iv human

pretty uniform degrees year by year; from mere prospects to a stage of commercial productiveness. TOWN BUYS WOMAN A HAT.

The city of Indianapolis, as a muniipal corporation, bought a woman a Merely for convenience she may be

called Mrs. Smith, because for the sake of her feelings James D. Pierce the Assistant City Attorney, who made the deal, would not divulge her name.

A contractor who was at work on a street improvement left some bricks in the street. Mrs. Smith, with her

husband, was on her way to the theatre and as luck would have it she stumbled over those bricks and fell quite heavily.

Her husband helped her to her feet

and half carried her back home. The next day a report of the accident reached the office of the city attor-ney. No claim had been filed for damup ye'er mind that ye've got to endure it. he says. Th' trouble with th' rich, he says, is this, that whin a rich man has a perfectly nach.

it, an' that afthernoon they're in their He was ushered in and after being lawyers' office,' says he. 'But whin informed that the woman before him



house an' say thim things," said Mr. | in these ten months of \$38,868,115. There has been a steady gain in the Alaska business, nearly all of which is carried on through the port of Se-attle, for several years, and there has been no period of twelve months in which a substantial increase did not occur. The growth of business has been of the substantial kind, just the sort of growth which might be expected in a country whose great resources are unquestioned, but which are necessarily not of rapid development in the early stages. Until within the st year the increase in the but in the last ten months the ratio of growth has been quickened. This is not surprising, in view of the ful-filiment of large plans for operating nines in several placer districts, and



"In Nebrasky th' shackles are busted because father forgot to wipe h is boots."

a poor gintleman an' a poor lady fall was Mrs. Smith he began to talk.
out. the poor lady puts all her anger Mrs. Smith did not want to go to out, the poor lady puts all her anger into rubbin' th' sine o th' washboord into rubbin' th' sinc o th' washboord an' th' poor gintleman alsos his be murdhrin' a siag pile with a shovel, an' be th' time night comes ar-round he says to himself: "Well, I've got to go home annyhow, an' it's no use I shud be onhappy because I'm misjudged," an' he puts a pound iv candy into his coat pocket an' goes home an' finds her standin at th' dure with a white apron on an' some new ruching around her neck, he says.

"An' there ye ar-re. Two opinions."

court. She did not want to sue the city and have all the papers say that she stumbled and rolled over and over in the street. Se did not want to face a judge and jury and have a dozen lawyers firing questions at her.

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"He would not wear the her," said

"I see on'y wan," said Mr. Hennessy, "What do ye rasky think?"
"I think," said Mr. Dooley, "if people wanted to be divorced I'd let thim, but I'd give th' childher th' custody iv th' parents. They'd larn thim to behave."

ALASKA MADE \$50,000,000.

Washington Special to The New York

That Will Be The Amount for the Year—Gold, as Usual, the Largest

Commercial. Commercial.

The prediction of \$50,000,000 as the grand total of the Alaska trade for this calendar year seems to have been well founded. In the first ten months of the year, the official figures for which are now complete, this commerce amounted to more than \$46,000,000, these statistics including gold and silver and foreign as well as domestic merchandise. Gold, as

court.

Pierce. "No, that's so," she said and she smiled.

"Well, we'll do that." she said. She signed a release. Her husband came a moment later. He signed,

That afternoon the young woman bought her hat and paid for it with a ten dollar bill Pierce had given

In some of the ultra exclusive London clubs it is a serious breach of etiquette for some member to speak to another without obtaining a ceremonious introgaction beforehand. An American just returned from abroad tells how he almost exploded while witnessing a scent in an old-established Fall Mall caravaman's not long ago. Of course, he did not dare show a vestige of amusement. A newly

TANGLEWOOD

Tom Tangler's Column of Odd and Curious Quizzes



S-ILLUSTRATED ACROSTIC. THE DREAM OF SANTA CLAUS. To fell fast askeep on a deep bed of snow; dreamed it was TOTAL, and high He went to the house you can see in the lane.

And left for tall William a handsome

Then looked round the room, and declared it was jolly.

For Lulu had bung it with ground-pine and seed.

"She's done her work bravely, the dear little thing."

He said, as he picked out his prattiest

The was petty larceny; his attempt to shutcher a clergyman's seed was burglary; but when a clergyman's was burglary; but when a clergyman's was that was shortlege.

WM. WILSON.

And snowflakes were flying, like white birds a flocking.

So he thawed his cold fingers, and filled every

Away and away went the oheery old

mines in several placer districts, and the transition of quartz mines in the southeastern part of the territory from mere prospects to a stage of all came soon, and his dream all came true.

26-IN A GARDEN. WHAT PLANTS?

WHAT PLANTS?

1. Won. 2. Jump. 3. Brought together.

4. A money-maker. 5. One hundred homes of bees. 6. Made by a tight shoe.

7. Comes in the roof of an old house.

8. A drawer of water and those nearest and dearest.

9. What young Thomas did to a letter.

10. What the grammar teacher told the pupil to do with a vohicle used in winter.

27-SUBTRACTIONS. One hundred from a seat adorns
The head of man or maid.
One hundred from a man here stalks
Beneath the forest's shade.

One hundred from a fraud or trick Next makes a furnace glow. The hundred from coarse earthenware Moves gently to and fro.

One hundred from what women wear In circuses we find. One hundred from a prison leaves A century behind.

28-DROPPED CONSONANTS. ages, but the lawyers who look after the city's legal business believed the city's legal business believed the city's legal business believed there would be one, so Pierce decided to see Mrs. Smith.

That noon, which was the first of last week, Pierce hurried out to the North Side flat where the woman the fore the was the stays at home an' does nawthin' but think about it, an' he goes out an' does nawthin' but think about it, an' that afthernoon they're in their the city's legal business believed the city's legal business believed the city's legal business believed there would be one, so Pierce decided to see Mrs. Smith.

That noon, which was the first of last week, Pierce hurried out to the North Side flat where the woman and her husband and her mother live, or trampling the street. The light of the "oo" had hardly been paled by day, and I caught the last "oo" of the settring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" of the setring and I caught the last "oo" and went out at the front "oo" and w

FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE.

Electric Light Outfits Now Staple Articles of Sale-Festoon Lights.

New York Sun. Not many years ago electrically lighted Christmas trees were a great novelty and peoplé flocked around the windows of electrical supply stores to look at them, therein displayed. Now electrical Christmas tree outfits are regular items of electrical supplies production and staple articles of sale at this season.

You can now buy such an out of for a small tree, on with eight lamps, all neatly packed in a pasteboard box no bigger than could comfortably be carried home in one's pocket.

It can be bought complete for \$5 and would include a sufficient length of wire with the lamp sockets all attached, ready to receive the lamps.

The eight little incandescent lamps, each of one candle power, would in-include lamps of various colors, green

and white, and red and frosted. there goes with the outfit a little dry battery that will keep the lamps glowing for six hours, or an hour a day for six days. For bigger trees any number

such outfits may be bought as might be required; as, for instance, with five such sets a tree could be pro-vided with 40 lights. And there are to be had odd little incandescent lamps of one candle power each, these coming in sets of 24 at \$6 a set, which can be attached to the electric wires for their variety, these little lamps being of many colors, and in many forms, as in the shape of fruit, pears, apples and acorns.

There is sold nowadays for use in house decoration, or for fairs, fes house decoration, or for fairs, fes-toon electric light equipment, with tiny electric lamps of various colors, the common unit of sale being 30 feet of wire with 24 lamps, which would make three festoons of eight lamps each, such an outfit costing \$12. Of course, any number of such festoon lengths can be bought as may be required.

The Christmas tree outfits are operated by battery; the festoon wires

End of His Romance.

Chicago News. "That settles me," said the street car bonductor, as he returned to the rear platform after having made his collection of fares.

"Anything wrong?" was asked.
"I should remark! There was an inspector looking through the front loor at me while I was collecting fares, and there are two spotters on the car besides."

"But you are an honest man."
"Certainly, but that has nothing to
do with it. The girl I love is there.
I had to hold out my paw for her
nickle as well as the rest. I passed
her free a score of times, but this
time I couldn't. She blushed and
paid, but that ends the romance.
This evening when I appear at the
house as usual I shall find it in
darkness, and as I ring away at the
will a head will be thrust from a
chamber window and a voice will
call out:

"Go away! We have no umbrellas to mend here!" But you are an honest ma

owl. How different all would be in glare of "oo"! "oo" the noises of would be upon me and I should ret to some cosy "oo" within with an in esting "doo"! I should even need "oo" the body also, but now such please seemed "oo" as compared with those awakening nature. I "oo" may way on to a little "oo" and sat down the gnarled "oo" of an oak. To was a glassy "oo" at my haunted by "oo" and heron, beyond a wide "oo" where gro and "oo" were to be found. What a I should be to "oo" myself up in house at such an bour or let any be over head but that of the groughs, smid which an old black was cawing!

29-FINAL CHANGE.

TO OUR PRESIDENT.

If Teddy would but take the place,
And be a ONE of Yankee TWO.

The Yanks would but take the place.

If Teddy would but take the place.

You'd see a smile on every face,
This country's troubles would be through

If Teddy would but take the place.

And be a ONE of Yankee TWO.

KAPPA KAPPA.

30-HOMONYMS.

The warmth from the fire felt exceed- The ONE is a goat of the mountains ingly nice.

For out on the housetop the air was like That Alles on the rocks in the liveliest very mildly.

His frents are too numerous even mention;
He TWO at whatever attracts his attention;
He climbs to the most inaccessible

chap.
To visit all places put down on the see places,
With presents of every dimension and shape;
In passing, he even threw nuts to an see.
Away and away, not a moment to lose;
O, what lazy fellow would be in his seed.

He climbs to the most inaccessible places,
And with we stand calling, he stands making faces.

He laughs at all fences; goes over or through 'em;
And her no conception of meum and no conception of meum and

tuum.
The periener came with a sad tale of woe,
"That ONE TWO my TOTAL as fast as they grow." We settled the matter before it grew dark;
The ONF was packed off to the Zoo at the Park;

He has green a great pet of the little folks there,
And the TOTAL have won the first prize at the Fair.

M. C. S. 32-ENIGMA. LETTER PORTENDING DISASTER

A LETTER PORTENDING DIRASTER.
Long long ago by the old home hearth,
You've heard the legend old;
How where the rainhow touches earth
You'll find a cup of gold;
But where I thich earth on every hand
Is heard the wall and moan,
And smilling Competence flees the land
While Famine usurps her throne,
WM. WILSON,

ANSWERS.

17-Elephant. 18—Santa Claus' answer: Gloves, book, game, picture, ring, umbrella, man, album, watch, locket knife, fan, carda, scarf, pecktie, slippers, sled, clock. 19-Deed, deer; bean, beam, hall, halo; belt, bell; barb, bark; navy, nave. 20—Rhodes, Naples, Winchester, Athens, India Tyre, Russia, China, Kiel, Nubia, Berlin, Troy, Asia, Rome, Cubs, Sweden, Eden.

21-Glass. 22-1. Nid. din. 2. Don, nod. 3. Dee-Aar. Wry (d-r-y).

23-Miracle, reclaim. 24-Now Mistress Ann asserts I'm won.

JUDGE NOT.

Judge not, the workings of his brain And of his heart thou canst not see: What looks to thy dim eyes a stain In God's pure light may only be A scar, brought from some well-won

field Where thou wouldst only faint yield.

The look, the air, that frets thy sight, May be a token that below The soul has closed in deadly fight With some infernal flery foe, Whose glance would scorch thy smilin And cast thee shuddering on thy face.

The fall thou darest to despise-Maybe the angel's slackening hand Has suffered it, that he may rise And take a firmer, surer stand; Or, trusting less to earthly things, May henceforth learn to use his wings

and judge none lost; but wait and see With hopeful pity, not disdain; The depth of the abyss may be The measure of the height of pain And love and glory that may raise
This soul to God in after days!
—ADELAIDE ANNE PROCTOR.

Modern Indian Brides. Depere Correspondence Milwaukee

Sentinel. The "Kansas money recently distributed among the Oneidas has given great impetus to the pranks of Cupid. Weddings galore have taken place this fall on the reservation, Hobert's Episcopal church alone claiming a score in the last two months.

This stately stone structure, which succeeded the little log church erected in 1822 by the Oneldas when they first came to Wisconsin and whose first paster was Eleazor Williams, the lost Dauphin" of France, in scene of as elaborate functions as the average white deems fitting on such occasions.

occasions.

The bridegroom assumes all the responsibilities of the wedding, including the wedding gown, probably a relic of old custom when the brave substantially recompensed the father for the loss of his daughter.

Most open-handed must many of

them be, as a fair average of the nut brown maidens carry bride ros and trail silken gowns up the s of their church to the strains of "Lohengrin," as brides do the world over. The bridesmaids as well as the brides wear vells.

Humor in Afghanistan. Grand Magazine.
Abdurrahman, the late Amir

Abdurrahman, the late Amir of Afghanistan, had a grim sense of humar, which was sometimes exercised without serupis. On one occasion a durbar he was holding with interrupted by a man who, in a statiof the greatest excitement, rushed it declaring that the Russians were as vancing to invade Afghanistan.

Turning saids for a moment from the business in progress the later in the most unconcerned to a cordered his Shahgassi to conduct the man to the summit of a certain watch tower. "Look you out we for the Russians," commanded Aldurrahman, "for you do not sat a till you see them arrive."