rty in the United States is inreasing out of all proportion to the accesse in aggregate wealth, and almoy the advance prophets of evil are predicted trouble at no distant

given now, it is said that by a strange paradox the very amount of wealth, especially in the United States, where most of the population is morey-mad, is responsible for this condition, it people who have wealth not only spend it while they have it ker's on spending it after they have it ast.

In fact there are instances on reord where they have spent more after they have it not.

This constitutes a class of pauperism all by itself, and a few anecdotes related here show how the "busted" rich cling to an apartment in a swell notel, even though they may not have the price of coffee and rolls at a cheap restaurant.

Every story is a fact, and many more might be told. A peculiar species of madness seizes the victims, who labor under the delusion that they still have millions, and they frequentby hypnotize the managers of hotels until the spell is broken by rude reality.

In the effort to keep up appearan ces, almost incredible sufferings are sometimes endured, actual hunger gnawing the smiling human sacrifice to false pride, while all the finer sensibilities of life are trampled under foot.

The great bluff put up is to live at a prominent hotel, use the stationary, parlors, telephone, lie, always lie about

This might be a joke, were it not for the fact that it has led to forgery. suicide, theft, has caused madness, loss of self-repect, and has led indirectly to many crimes. But little of the darker side is shown here, for even a passing view is sad enough. This particular phase of life in New York is increasing, and the constant victimizing of the hotels is explained by the fact that the management does not find it polite to refuse credit to persons while an old patron who goes broke would, of course, have consideration. It is also one of the reasons for the exorbitant prices charged everywhere, for somebody must pay for the dishonest ones,

It was but a short time ago that a mother and daughter, who had had great wealth and known every luxury. found themselves at the end of their string. They were literally stranded, with but little cash left and only a pitifully slender income for the two. They invested every cent they could spare in clothes, pawned some of their jewels, disposed of all the family heirof fortune, and went to an ultra fashionable New York hotel.

There they took the smallest room in the hotel, and began a life of the most rigid economy. They adhered to a definite plan, as the object was the marriage of the daughter to the best catch they could get.

They lived, or existed, there for a but two meals in the dining-room ests of friends Every morning they had coffee and rolls served in their room, and out of the generous portion served for two they saved enough rolls and butter for their lunch.

After that they trusted to the caprice of fate for dinner, and as they were good schemers and had many social connections, they were able to secure many an excellent square meal in swell restaurants or in private homes. The wine and truffles of these festive feasts happily tided over the day of much thinking and pain eating at cheap restaurants.

A year of this strenuous fake was kept up, and then they gave up the game. The daughter almost caught a millionaire, but at the last moment he married a show girl, and in the depression caused by this incident they flitted to other quarters

In relating the story of their experiences to confidential friends, the mother was went to say that she was frequently reminded of the shipwrecked sallor who declared that he had lived for a forinight on the smell of a knife that had cut meat.

An historic case, well known to a large circle of bon-vivants of New York, was that of a bachelor who, after squandering a large fortune and living for years on the bounty of a when his small, regular check did not arrive. A number of years ago, when he was wealthy-burdened with a fortune he had inherited-he lived in royal state at one of the big hotels, and thither, in his handsome suite, he brought his boson companions, men of the world, like himself, with noth-

a large and valuable ellentele to the

manner of life, his lavish and uncon- was almost starved. aldered expenditures, exhausted his share of the family fortune, and after had never had a wish denied in her that he began to draw on the share life, was left alone in New York by of other members of the house, and the death of her father. He left more spend borrowed money with the same her, but when the estate was settled freedom that he had spent his own, up, she ound that the entire amount Presently the end came. After repeat- had been stolen, and that the defauled expostulations on the subject, the ter had fied to Europe. She had neithother members of his family flatly or money nor resources, for her edurefused to pay his enormous bills at cation was of the fashionable order, the hotel, and, one by one, they ceas- and she could do nothing to earn a

ed to advance money to him. All this time he had made no change in his habits of life. He still ed existence, accepted invitations, dinoccupied his expensive suite, and still ed out or went without, sat in her wined and dined his friends; but the friends' boves as long as her clothes situation was radically altered when lasted, pawned nearly everything she he woke one morning to find that there was no one left in the world to ent comfort in actual want. Then the give him a penny save one sister, who invitations fell off; friends began to dvanced the ultimatum of fifty dol- forget her,

lars a month. waive decline in his mode of living. s gave up his suite and took a single his prestige and the custom he had to Delmonico's, Sherry's, Martin's, or

At last, owing to increasing patronge, he gave up the room and took a email one only a block away. He still ter and ice-water. of his time there-it was all and to spend. Old habits clung to him, annoyance at the delay of a recreant

cent statistics show that individu-jand his sister finally threatened to the regular monthly check did not arrive. The next morning the maid could not get into the room, and there was no reply to knocks. They broke open the door. He was dead. The disconnected gas-tube was still in his mouth. He owed the Hoffman

House seventesa thousand dollars. About a year ago a man who had seen a fortune of a million vanish into thin air went with only a few dollars in his pocket to the Hotel Imperial and took a room. Himself and his family were threatened with ruin if he could not recoup, and he was engaged in a mining deal that seemed to promise well. His wife and children were in Paris, floating on the ragged edge of starvation, and, desperate, he returned to New York. Handsome, suave, with the manner of a prince and an immaculate wardrobe of the latest fashion, he grappled with fate in the brain alone. Each cell is an barehanded and discussed details of archive in which some impression is latest fashion, he grappled with fate business involving millions, while fear gnawed at his heart and undermined

his nerves. He strolled through the corridors as easily as if they were lined with money, and wothout so much as a glance at the palm-room sauntered gaily to the nearest cheap restaurant and stayed the pangs of hunger with coffee and wheat-cakes.

Weeks passed, and he could raise a dollar to pay on his bill or to send to Paris for debts there.

There was no more prosperous-look ing man in the hotel than he, but his handsome room was simply a prishave the service, receive friends in the on-cell, to which he returned every evening, exhausted in mind and body, everything, keep enough clothes to to pace the floor all night in agony. bear out the fake, and then eat at At last he owed seven hundred and cheap restaurants-if they have the fifty dollars at the hotel, and was pressed for payment.

That day the mining deal fell through. Urgent cablegrams had some from Paris. He had scarcely the price of a cheap meal in his pocket. Almost maddened he passed several torturing days and nights. Then, as he crossing the street, so distracted that he carcely knew his own name, he greeted by one of the capitalists with whom he was dealing, who offered him a salaried position of ten thousand dollars a year, an drew a check who are supposed to have money, for a month's salary in advance. The shock was so great that he slept almost a week.

A clever trick, worked by a woman, has possibly never been duplicated. She was a dashing and beautiful widow from a Southern city. Her husband was worth considerably over a millian, and her extravagant tastes had been gratified to the utmost. They were in San Francisco, returning from a tour of the world, when he sudden ly died. Instead of the large fortune she thought she inherited, she found herself virtually penniless, and when the funeral expenses were paid she had but little left. At the end of a looms that were left from the wreck year, social ambition and the desire for luxury and display impelled her to come to New York, where she took a suite at one of the most fashionable hotels.

There, with little more than a pretense of mourning left in her rainment, she attracted much attention and became a popular patron. At first she paid, then she was expecting a little over a year, and they never ate check, then one excuse and another, As usual, the management was lenient while they were there, being the but at last she was modestly but firmdred dollars must be paid at once. The widow was all smiles and dimples. Why, certainly! How careless of her to overlook it so long. She would settle it immediately, or, at least, in a

day or two. That evening a friend of the widow, woman, arrived at the hotel and rooms. She was going to London and had much shopping to do. On the morning of the second day

the widow, carrying a dress-suit case, accompanied her friend to the ship t ee her sail. They both sailed.

When the tardy investigation of the widow's rooms was made, her empty trunks and the entire absence of her wardrobe was explained. She had packed everything in the empty trunks of her friend, and both birds had flown. She loft a beautiful note expressing her regret.

Last summer a woman living in one of the expensive apartments on Central Park West was invited to visit at Newport. She had spent all the money left by her husband, and, although she kept the apartment, she had gone hungry more than once. She was also

She decided that shelmfigfslllinds She decided that she might as well strong men always stand flat-footed. rowing sufficient money from a friend her visit, she floated away in the tour

His expenditures for ordinary en- pawned some jewels and kept up aptertainments mounted up into the pearances for a while and not one of

hotel; he introduced men of influence in the park, bubbling to herself. They and capital, and to be seen with him took her to helievue to the psychopa was as good as a letter of credit, be- thic ward, where her identity was discause his associates were all wealthy covered, and she was taken away

A beautiful and cultured girl, who had never had a wish denied in her spite their protests, proceeded to than a hundred thousand dollars to living.

For a year she eked out a wretchhad-knew all the misery of appar-

At the crisis she rose to her old form. Every evening, about the dinner-hour, she put on a handsome gown, attended to every detail of her m, and for a long time, owing to toilet with the utmost care, and went aght the house, he had room and some other fashionable restaurant, ard without paying a penny, al- where, seating herself at a table and his accumulated bilis were at explaining to the assiduous waiter that she was expecting her escort every moment, she was promptly served with an abundance of rolls and but-

Then, in a leisurely manner, with an occasional showof wel-bred

at all improbable that every one of the great gilded carvanuaries of New York, that take the place of homes, conceal every day a number of wretched human beings on the vergo of despair, apparently living in lux-ury, but in reality needing food, and suffering untold tortures of menta agony.

WONDERFUL NERVE CELLS.

Estimated That the Spine Alone Con trols Three Billions of Them.

New York Press. Dr. Alfred Wenzel delivered a short lecture before the members of the Mug House Club which set brains a-working. His remarks open-ed brain cells that had been hermetically sealed for years. We are supposed to have 600,000,000 nerve cells

stored away for safe-keeping. takes a mental burglar to open the cells and let loose their contentswhich we style memory. A mental burglar is a man who creates thought. He sets the rusty cog-wheels of your brain turning this way and that; and presently you wake up with a min! refreshed and an appetite for mental Dr. Wenzel is a "chiro; practor."

We have dictionaries to-day which contain half a million words; yet the average vocabulary of an educated man is less than 5.000 words. Scientist are the ablest linguists, because hey are manufacturers of words and Now, you are a smart man You have 600,000,000 little nerve cells in your caput. Of these you may make 600,000 useful in the course of

foints in your backbone positively con- and went ashore in a tug of the spinal cord) some particular part most as hard as his language. of your body. It is estimated that there are 3,000,000,000 nerve cells under such control. Osteopathy is bas- "opened" a football

based on restoration of nerve action. Tribune tells the thrilling story:
If the spinal column is displaced "Speaker Cannon was escorte and a single vertebra presses on the the field, introduced to the players dimensions.

The following statement by Dr. Weusel made members of the Mug-House Club gasp: A young boy, about eleven, suffered from paralysis of the right arm. He could not lift it to the horizontal to save his life, and the member was otherwise useless. His parents had spent much money to have him cured, but in vain. Profes-sor — undertook to effect at least a partial cure, and the demonstra-grown within the last seven years is

in the left. And—in a few weeks banks chartered by them.

The total number of national banks well as his left; life had been restornow in the South is 1,421, and their Doesn't that make you think?

MR. CANNON AS A FOOTBALLIST. Thrilling Story of Youthful Septuagenarian's Stunt at Vermilion

New York Sun. a long life. The rest-599.400,000 Uncle Joe Cannon's gymnastic exare of no especial value. Sometimes ercises began to become famous as they dry up. Sometimes they get soon as his boom was let loose upon filled with water. Your brain becomes a heartless world. When he was go- cate very plainly the Southern as a dismantled industrial plant. It ing through the country in a palace is easy to understand that the man car the toes of visiting delegations, who makes use of the greatest num- mayors and aldermen and members ber of brain cells possesses a higher of the Republican town committee order of intelligence than one who were often smashed by the jolting of makes use of the smallest number. his dumbbells and throwing hammers. The most wonderful of all mech- On his celebrated voyage he danced anisms is the spine, which is designed all night, turned double flipflaps most principally for the protection of the of the day, boxed the compass, wrestspinal cord, or marrow—an integral led with the bill of fare, and swam part of the brain. The chiropractor in the daily pool. He rowed in the believes that each of the twenty-six galley, wanted to rob the crow's nest, rols by means of nerves (attached to When he got back his arms were al-

game between I on the principle that circulation Carthage College and Lombard Col-

"Speaker Cannon was escorted to

## Here and There

BY TROJAN.

Record confessed that the Lord had ilways been good to him, and taken rembles under the weight of his years. felt like giving up, although taught paid him better?
never to doubt. But right in the nick Impressions it of time something turns up indicating that Providence is still looking after him. The coal trust has had him by the throat, but a new fuel by th name of coalite has been discovered. In burning, it makes no smoke, and gives off, it is claimed, something like twice the heat of coal and the fire wil last 40 per cent, longer than the ortook the suite adjoining. Several dinary coal fire, and the stuff is cheaplarge, empty trunks were sent to her er and altogether a long-site better than coal. So Brother Reece will keep warm at reduced rates and his faith brightened in a never-failing Provdence. But where is the coalite?

One of the curious things in politic the apparent interest of many Dem rats in President Roosevelt and the ontinued expression of opinion as t again, Certainly it would be very discomforting to many if he should be. because from all indications his elecion would be certain. However, Mr. Roosevelt is not in It any more and Colonel Bryan will not be called to contend with the present President. in all probability Mr. Taft is the next man. The splits in the Republican party are never serious. The organizaon is complete and when voting time omes the votes count. This very characteristic has been the crown of vic tory for the Republican party On the leading planks of its platform the

depends upon the talker and his ability to make his tongue or pen a valtable asset. The Observer quite a while igo called attention to the wealth of Mr. Bryan, \$400,000, or more, and all of it made by virtue of the publicity given him as a perpetual presidential few years ago he was poor, now he is rich if ever a man has received full been Mr. Hryan. And this writer is slad of it for he is always pleased in he success of others.

Some of the papers have been critcising Colonel Bryan a little bit because he is to get about \$1,000 for his

speeches he has been invited to make. The criticism is not in good taste. piece of property, fetching him a for-tune and he continues to talk for publication and for pay. North Carolina Colonel Bryan and has been food to there is no reason why he should not fee for doing this kind of work speech-making is down-right refresh-Ing to him. The colonel does not hurt himself or any one else by his fre quent speeches, and his friends are pleased that he is well paid in the coin that maketh glad the heart. Easy to make a living that way if you know

how. The colonel does.

Sometime ago the able and versatile | ed to his ideas, but in what sense has ditor of the sparkling Greensboro his life been a sacrifice? Money! Money! the power, of which all his care of him—which has been for a derful rapidity. His life is like a fairy long time although he by no means tale, Nobody is sorry that he gathers in the gold and silver but don't use

been made on him to preach. He would make good no doubt in this calling and be popular and get a salary of \$10,000, probably. Of course preachers are not supposed to think much on this item but they can always reach better with a little money he pocket. But ien thousand would be small compensation with his present ccupation-the Democratic candi-The old banker was ruffled when the young man asked the hand t his daughter in marriage and said: You don't mean to tell me that you ant my daughter?" "Yes, sir, I do: ut not any worse than she wants me." vas the young man's reply. That was he truth. This writer is not wanting in respect for the subject of this little sketch when he writes only the truth The big man is always interesting but him. But, why should he care?

We know a man who by hard work in a few years a cumulated a fortune His character was all right and in every respect a worthy citizen. It reached his ears that he was spoken of as andidate for a certain office. He did not want it but still the talk was flattering. The convention met and in a while the nomination was made and o committee appointed to notify the nominee. They found him hard a work in one of his industries made him lots of money. He put on his coat and went to the convention hall. The handsome, upright, vigorous man was greeted with great applanse as he entered. It made his face little pale for a few moments but his heart was glad. His speech was entirely impromptu but pointed, good and lively. With flattering comment it was published in all the town papers. He soon had the reputation of being one of the best stump speakers in the State. His county was redeemed and time after time did the falthful servant of the people give his best service n the office to which he was frequentelected. He had no vices and his office to him was a sacred trust and he so considered it. He gave of his means freely and as a result of the close aptrip to North Carolina and the few plication to the good of the people is business suffered daily and when through serving his country the busi-That is the way the colonel makes ness was crippled beyond recovery. his living and he has the right to get Here was sacrifice—a devotion with all he can by his oratory. From the loss He gave everything and received all he can by his oratory. From the loss He gave everything and received time he made the famous "crown of nothing. How many politicians of this gold, cross of thorns, bleeding-brow day serve that way? This writer is no of tabor" speech his tongue has been believer in working for nothing, but incorporated with power to act and it remember, personal sacrifice always has proven for him a most valuable means loss. Plenty of men who abuse wealth and corporations make their living and become fat and rich on public pap. They have houses, lands, horses, cattle, bonds and coupons all coming as a result of office and yet delight to visit this territory where the people are glad to give him the sanctity do they hold up their hands price. There is nothing in the world a talking man loves to do more than to a talking man loves to do more than to a talking man loves to do more than to a talking man loves to do more than to a talking man loves to do more than to the plutocrats and the radicals." These gentlemen know their game and the chores to shirk. They are wise in their generation.

Well, we are beginning to look up in the fifth congressional district. You have heard about the different candidates for the nomination. Who will get it? This scribe guesses, A. L. himself to the real good of his fellowmen that is giving unto God. Another
idea of sacrifice is devotion with loss.
The word is so commonly used by
public men that its meaning is not
considered. Take Mr. Bryan, he has
been entirely devoted, fully consecrat-

SMALL BANKS IN THE SOUTH.

Rapid Increase Shown by Recent port of Compiroller—1,421 Natio Banks. Manufacturers' Record.

tion in chiropractic was made before shown, at least in part, by a recent a large class. The boy was asked bulletin issued by the Comptroller of to hold a thermometer in each hand, the Currency. This reveals incidenand the temperatures were found to tially the great increase in the number seven degrees apart. The good ber and total capitalization of naarm, of course, was the warmer, because of its better circulation.

Professor —— said: "Now, gentlemen, when I have discovered the which places were without banking dorsal vertebra whose nerves control accommodations before the establishthis boy's arm, I shall give it the chi-ropractic thrust; you will please to The bulletin does not, however, give note the result." After fingering a figures on State banks or trust commoment along the boy's spine the panies, of which there is a large thrust was given. No pain accom-number in the South; in fact, there thrust was given. No pain accom-number in the South; in fact, there panied it. In a few seconds the ther- are no complete figures concerning mometer in the paralyzed hand regis- such institutions, as all the States do tered the same temperature as that not keep statistics concerning the

ed to it by a very slight adjustment total capital is \$154,066.735. More of a single joint of the backbone than two-thirds of this number, or 959, have been established since approval of the act of March 14, 1990, which permitted the organization of national banks with less than \$50,000 capital. The total capital of comparatively new banks is \$54,723,-500, of which amount \$39,315,000 represents 383 banks with capital of over \$50,000 each, the remainder of \$15, 408,500 being distributed among 576 banks with capital of less than \$50,-000 each. These latter figures indimand for national banks with capital of between \$25,000 and \$50,000, and

how well it is being supplied. Small national banks are numerous In Texas, for instance, out of a total of 392 national banks organized since the act of 1900, there are 275 of the smaller class. In Kentucky, out of 74 so organized there are 49 of the little ones. In Virginia there are 43 out of 69, in Alabama 34 out of 63, in West Virginia 33 out of 62, Georgia 32 out of 64, in Maryland 27 out of 38, in Tennessee 24 out of 42, in North Carolina 20 out of 35. Yet in some of the Southern States the little national banks are in the minority, State banks or trust comthe essence of life; chiropractice is lege. A dispatch to The Chicago panies of small capital affording bank. ing facilities to communities which would not support institutions of large

Promoter Keeps Away From Wall Street and Prays For Funds. Kansas City Dispatch.

Wall street will not be asked to help in the building of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad; which is being constructed by A. E. Stilwell, from this city to Topolobampo, Mexico Christian Science is to build the road.

Stilwell says there are two ways to speeches touch upon has been rolling build a railroad. One way is to go to into his coffers all the time with won- Wall Street and tell the financiers lay in a pool of blood, that had flowed about it. If they like it they'll buildit, and let you be a secretary. Another way is to build it without Wall street's But recently with prices of everythe word sacrifice. Quit it! What could had, then keep the road and operate it he have gone into that would have yourself.

Stilwell miles is being finacced by faith. addition to its promoter and builder, there are a number of Christian Scientists on the direcorate and among the shareholders

ing to financial matters the pnirciples which members of the Christian Science religion apply to physical, mental and spiritual difficulties. It well runs out of money in railway

ways gets it. Men who have had dealings with had no funds at that particular mo- the key was missing. On the bed lay ment and did not know where he was a small drawer taken from the safe, going to get them, but he was positive containing nothing but a few copper needed by the end of the week-and, a small tin box containing papers, also hundreds listen who do not vote for sure enough, his faith was always jus- taken from the safe.

> Stilwell is always indigant charged with using hypnotism upon pany, drawn on the Union admits that he is sincere in the Chris- bore the memorandum: tian Science belief. He says that some years ago he was given up by physicians as having an incurable di- Bank." sease. Christian Science cured him in four days, and he has never since had an ache or a pain.

He admits he takes his religion into religion and business are both founded on faith, and without faith in your fellowman life is empty and

Thought She Was a "Cullud Lady."

Macon Telegraph. The story printed in our news columns to-day from Lake Park, in Lowndes county, giving the almost tragic, yet in a way comic, account of the journey of a young white woman all the way from the barren hills of Vermont to southern Georgia to marry an unknown man, the engagement having been made through one of these infamous matrimonial murder. bureaus, again calls attention to that nefarious business.

As the story goes, and it is well authenticated, the young woman came the long journey to marry Rev. J. J. who turned out to be "Burnt-Eyed-Jake," burnt-faced, but rather harmless negro, who, when confronted with the situation, declared that he thought the coming "bride-to-be" was a "cullud lady." If the prudence of single women

does not put these so-called matrimonial bureaus out of business, the laws of the land ought to.

Does It Rain Frogs? New York Press. Positive evidence is wanting

this all-important subject. The controversy waxes warm. the nature fakers, that they do arise to explain? If left to the farmers, 99 per cent. will answer Most naturalists say Without drawing too fine a dis-tinction, by "frogs" is meant "toads." have seen the ground perfectly dry It is said that he would be willing to again make the sacrifice of himself.

Why, certainly, but do you ever stop to think of the meaning of the word?

An offering made to God, and of course where one unselfishly gives himself to the real good of his fellow. for weeks, with not a toad in sight serted that these tonds are

## A Murder That Didn't "Ou

rank M. White in The Scrap Book.

on himself exclusively.

No man was more unselfish, mere generous in charity than he, and none worked industigably in all good works. His purse and time were equally at the service of the needy, and organized charities had the benefit of both, and also of his admirable administrative ability. He was almost the creator of the Mount Sinai Hospital,, and to his management as its president was largely due the great service

In this time, in many ways, he has given away to this and other eleemosy nary institutions a large fortune, esti mated at five hundred thousand dollars, and his charity was all absorbing, for it was not confined to his own faith or race, but reached and light-ened the loads of men of all creeds and

lineages. Upright in all his business relations kindly in his ways, Benjamin Nathan, who was a native of New York City, Thursday morning had reached the mature age of fifty-six years and seven inches, in diameter, made by Ed Permonths, almost without an enemy. He rigame; or for the chain and seals was yet in the very prime of life, a man of large size, full habit, imposing appearance, with no sign of age upon carries a pendant chann with two him, save a tinge of gray in his hair seals, one of them having the monograph with whiters and with him save and bushy whiters and with him save and such a seals one of them having the monograph. and bushy whiskers, and with his gram "B. N." cut thereon. mental and physical powers unimpair

This was the character of the man on that summer night in 1870. A few from the center, and with ransed figminutes after 6 o'clock on the morning of Friday, July 29, a policeman Tobias, and which was taken at the on post at the corner of Twenty-third same time as the above articles. street and Fifth Avenue heard "Murder!" shouted from the former thoroughfare, and discovered two young the front porch, calling for help. They of presentation not precisely known, were Frederick and Washington Nathan, and when the policeman ran down the street to them they scream-Hospital," or "To Benjamin Nathan, ed to him that their father had been President of the Jews' Hospital." murdered

The policeman followed the wellclad in a white night-gress. The head writing-desk.

family, with the exception of the two sons, Washington and Frederick, whose business kept them in the city, were at his country seat in Morris town, N. J., and a hed had been fitted up in the front parlor for the old gentleman's use when he had occasion to stay in town overnight. Adjoining this room was a library, which was connected with it by a short passage. has often been said that when Stil- The writing disk and a small safe, as well as the bee, had been added to the building he prays for more and al- ordinary parlor furniture in the front

The door of this safe was open when him say he often told them that he the policeman entered the room, and that he would have all the money he coins. On the floor near the desk was

On the desk lay a partly written check to the order of Lapsley & Comhis clients and financial backers, He Bank. The stub in the check-book "July 28, tenthousand-dollar subscription hundred shares German-American

It was surmised from the position of

the body and the chair, that Mr. Nathan must have been stricken down from behind while writing this check. his business, and he believes that oth- The first blow had, however, been iner people ought to do the same, for sufficient to produce unconsciousness, for a fearful struggle had ensued, as overturned furniture and blood-stained walls and carpets plainly showed. It was also found that two fingers of the left hand had been fractured, evidently in warding off a blow. No fewer than a score of wounds on the head, most of them being on the top and back of the skull. For At the first cursory view of the body the police thought that, owing to varying character of these injuries, some having evidently been made with a blunt and others with a sharp instru-ment, two weapons had been used, and this led to the theory that more than one person had been concerned in the for Ella Wheeler Wilcox, she blunt and others with a sharp instruone person had been concerned in the

This view of the case was disposed of, however, when the instrument with which the crime had been committed was found. It was what is known as a "Have you been defly done in prose or rhyme?" She eyed me close iron bar sixteen inches long, and turned down and sharpened at one and sharpened at one and sharpened at one and somewhat in the share of a large Hegan Rice."

Without any been defly done in prose or rhyme?" She eyed me close in prose or rhyme?" She eyed me close in prose or rhyme? "Have you been defly done in prose or rhyme?" She eyed me close in turned down and sharpened at one end, somewhat in the shape of a staple. The incised wounds had been inflicted with the sharp end of the weapon, while the others had been weapon, while the others had been the blunt of the sharp the blunt to the sharp the blunt of the sharp the

The only persons known to have been in the house at the time of the murder were the two sons, who slept on the floor above their father; a man servant, who occupied an adjoining room on the same floor, and the housekeeper, who slept in the basement. None of these heard any noise during the night, a fact which was explained by the architect of the before the coroner's jury, who testified that the walls and floors had been deadened by Mr. Nathan's orders. No trace could be discovered of the manner in which the assassin had gained access to the premises; and, at the inquest, there was conflicting evidence as to whether the front door had been found open in the morning the two young men rushed out

to call the police. Every effort was made to discover was committed had come from, but
without success. "It was a tool that is
often used in building, and might have
been left in the house years before by
a workman," says Inspector Byrnes in
his book, "Professional Criminals of
America," "but it certainly was not
the kind of a weapon that a deliberate
assassin or professional burglar would

third steect. New York, on the hight of July 38th, 1870. It is a mystery yet.

So far as any one knew or knows. Mr. Nathan had not an enemy in the world. He was murdared for money. The crime attractal the attention of the city almost to the exclusion of every other topic of conversation, but its perpetrator was never discovered, and the case remains a mystery.

The following extract from the New York Times of July 38th, 1870, brings back the atmosphere of the crime and recalls the personality of the victim:

Benjamin Nathan was one of the most prominent, wealthy, public-spirited and best beloved of our Jewish citizens. Years ago he amassed an immense fortune in Wall Street, and for some time past has been practically out of businees. In his home he was lavish to excess, surrounding himself and his family with every comfort and luxury money could procure, but he did not spend his substance upon himself exclusively.

No man was more unselfish, mers

The widow determined to increase the rewadrs heretofore offered by me, and no result having yet been obtained, and suggestions having been made that the rewards were not sufficiently distributive or specific, the offers in the previous proclamation are hereby superseded by the following: A reward of thirty thousand dollars will be paid for the arrest and convic-tion of the murderer of Benjamnn Na-

than, who was killed in his house, No. which that excellent institution has York, on the night of Thursday, July A reward of one thousand dollars will be paid for the identification and

recovery of each and every one of three shirt studs which were taken from the clothing of the deceased on the night of the murder. A reward of one thousand five hun-dred dollars will be paid for the iden-tofication and recovery of one of the watches, being the gold anchor, hunting case, stew-winding watch, No. 5,-637, nineteen lines, or about two

A reward of three bundred dollars will be given for information leading to the identification and recovery of an who met his death at the hands of an old-fashioned open-faced gold watch, unknown assassin, in his own house, with gold dial, showing rays diverging

A reward of three hundred dollars will be given for the recovery of a oughfare, and discovered, two young gold medal of about the size of a silver men at No. 12. in their nightgowns, on dollar, and which bears an inscription

To enumerate the theories propounded as to the identity of the murnigh distracted young men up to a derer or murderers of Benjamin Nafront parlor on the second floor, where than would require volumes. While the body of a man was stretched out, many clung to the idea that the crime clad in a white night-gress. The head was committed by a member of the household, others insisted that it was from numerous wounds in the skull, the work of a burglar who had secretand blood was spattered over the floor, ed himself in the house, and, being door-posts and the furniture. Close to discovered by his victim, had slain him the body lay an overturned chair, to prevent an outcry; while others which had been placed in front of a held such wild theories as that the deed had been done by some business entered the house.

The police never found any real clu to the perpetrator of the murder of Benjamin Nathan, though they made many arrests at the time. the matter was revived in 1873, however, when JJohn T. Irving gave him-self up to the authorities in San Francisco as an accessory to the crime, He declared that a man named Daniel Kelly actually killed Nathan while he (Irving) and two other burglars were waiting in the cellar. Irving's story

was disproved, however. The present building at No. 12 West Twenty-third street is the one that was once the residence of Benjamin Nathan and in which he met his tragic death, though it is now used for business purposes.

TOO LATE.

J. W. Foley, in New York Times.
All day I chased the grizzly through
Its native woods and crags.
To get some sort of interview—
My clothes were half in rags.
And when I rounded up the brute
Within his lair, so grim.
I found that Seton Thompson had
A coypright on him.

I plunged into an Arctic waste
To write of welves from life,
Through barren flees of ice I chased, Through barren floes of ice I A stern and stubborn strife; And when I caught The shaggy monst cornered one The shaggy monster said:
"I'm doing all my growling for Jack London, Limited." Then, coming nearer home, I thought

To write of tamer things.

And foll in with a drove of swine.

"I'll be the bard who sings
Of animated pork." I cried.

But still misfortune damns, For Ellis Butler owns the pigs And Up Sinclair the hams. Alas, my patience half worn out, A song rose to my lips Of passionate appeal that

For Ella Wheeler Wilcox, st Does all the passion stunts. "Good woman," plaintively I cried Unto a slattern one. Whom in my wanderings I spled,

Them not for me-instead.

They were Jim Riley's children, an
Bought up for months ahead.

HEART WHERE KINDNESS

Leslio's Weekly

There's beauty in the glorious sky
When morn her rosy hue displays,
And when at eve the western cloude
Reflect in gold the sun's last rays.
The star-bespangied heaven is fair,
But there's a beauty far excels
Night's Brilliant gens or gorg

A summer rose is fair to me,
With pearly dewdrops glittering bright,
And beautiful the sweet spring flowers.
Blue violets and lilles white;
They lend rich fragrance to the morn;
Of innocence and joy it tells!
I love them well, but dearer far
I love the heart where kindness dwells.