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No one nowadays conducts business in the old fashioned ways—not even in the Drug Business. Years ago Druggists sang very low about prices; to-day the best pharmacists buy direct from the manufacturers, save freights and jobbers' profits, and sell to customers at CUT-RATE PRICES.

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General Fitz Hugh Lee is receiving much commendation from newspapers all over the country for the discretion, coolness and courage which he has maintained in what is at present the most difficult post in our diplomatic service. To carry out our governmental policy of "masterly inactivity" in the midst of scenes of riotous excitement and of heartrending distress requires both courage, coolness and patience.

President Whitaker, of the New York State Bar association, asserted in his address at the annual meeting of the association last week that "perjury is committed in at least five out of every ten litigated cases," and he followed this startling statement with the remark that "if the lawyers of this state would discourage false swearing by their own clients and honestly endeavor to have it punished when committed by the clients of their adversaries, the crime of perjury would grow suddenly less."

The venerable and esteemed Dr. Lyman Abbott touched upon several interesting social topics in his pulpit discourse Sunday: the use of alcohol, dancing, fashion and the theatre. Of dancing he said "it is one of the most natural things in the world," and that "the Christian's duty is not to condemn all dancing, but to use the instructive element of the dance and turn it to God's use and praise." "Patronize the theatre if it sends you back to life refreshed and invigorated," he said. "Taste in dress," he added, "is right, but fashion is mostly wrong. Dressmaking should be an art, not an imitation. Women might wear diamonds, but to strive to outshine one's neighbors is unchristian.

THE DEPTHS OF PUERILITY.

One of the most nauseating pieces of extravagant silliness that has ever been recorded by "sassiety" periodicals is the "dog wedding" of the poodle of Mme. Ephrussi, daughter of Baron Alphonse de Rothschild, the wife of the multi-millionaire, Maurice Ephrussi, and the poodle of her mother, the Baroness de Rothschild. Mme. Ephurissi sent out formally engraved invitations to several hundred of her friends, announcing the approaching nuptials. Not only were the recipients of these invitations asked to come themselves, but requested to bring their dogs also.

It is recorded that not a single invitation to this most singular wedding was refused, and not one of the guests who owned a dog, from the tiny, four-ounce black and tan to the giant St. Bernard, left it at home. Such a gathering as it was no one has ever seen before. It is often remarked at many particularly swell gatherings of humanity that a given number of millions are represented by the guests present. At least the same might be said of these dogs, when it comes to the thousands. There were dogs there which were valued any where from $50 up to $20,000.

Many of these visiting dogs—in truth, the majority of them—were in full evening dress. Not evening blankets, but if the dog was male, in the swallow-tail and trousers of the human, together with the standing collar, dress shirt and unspeakable tie. The paws were adorned with patent leather evening shoes; and, in fact, the gentlemen guests, even though canine, were a credit to their respective tailors.

As for the feminine dogs, their dresses were in all instances decollette. Trains and demi-trains were worn by these specimens of canine aristocracy.

With all this gorgeousness on the part of the guests, what must have been the wordly splendor that surrounded the bride and groom! Diane, we are told, "wore a white satin dress trimmed with beautiful lace; a long tulle veil, decorated with orange blossoms, and white kid shoes. Major, the bridegroom, wore full evening dress, swallow-tail coat, low cut vest, trousers not creased, because it is not fashionable to crease the trousers at weddings; patent leather shoes and gloves of the appropriate shade. On the buttonhole of Monsieur Major's very swell coat was a dainty orchid. Gleaming from the center of his immaculate front was a diamond of the purest ray serene. Could anything be more swell?" and more revolting to common-sense and decency? unless it was the performance of the marriage ceremony which the illustrious company witnessed over these two pampered poodles. When one thinks that the families which represent the greatest amount of accumulated wealth in the world cannot find anything more sensible or entertaining upon which to lavish their riches than to travesty the sacredness of the most sacred of human ceremonies with two poodles as principal actors, the follies of Marie Antoinette and her frivolous court in the midst of a starving populace, sink into insignificance, and one does not wonder that anarchy should show its teeth in rotten old Europe today.

The account from which we quote ends: "And so passed off the first dog wedding of which Dame Fashion ever acted as chief guest. It is among the probabilities that the United States will see a repetition of the event before many weeks."

The Lord forbid! The millionaires and the millionairesses of this country still have some common-sense left. Most of them know at least how to amuse themselves rationally and many of them have nobler ways of spending their money.

TOPICS OF TODAY.

Our restudent contemporary is throwing its whole soul into the elucidation of the currency system and more interesting reading cannot be found outside the city directory. Examining with its keenest eye the question whether greenbacks cost the government anything since it began to redeem them in gold the restudent says:

"If a man takes to the treasury a $10 greenback or $10,000 or $1,000,000 in those notes for the purpose of having them redeemed in gold, he must first hand over the legal tender notes before he receives the gold."

This will be news to the great bulk of the epople who have not been restudying the monetary question. Under the act of 1800-and-froze-to-death this process of redemption was not laid down. The act entitled "An act regulating the handing over of greenbacks before you can get gold" provided a different system. Under that act a man who thought he had $10 or $10,000 somewhere in his pocket, but had not, could go to the reasury and get that much in gold on the promise he would be around Saturday and bring his greenbacks. This necessitated keeping a tab, which was not only annoying but resulted in many bad accounts. The banks got in the habit of taking to the treasury bonds on which they drew 5 per cent interest and allowing the government to keep them. Then they would issue notes and lend them at 5, 6 or 7 per cent for ninety days. This is the origin of the saying "Playing both ends against the middle." The custom still obtains with some banks of taking a man's $10 or $10,000 in greenbacks and allowing the receiver to fix it up with the man. But, if as the restudent says, a man has got to produce his $10 or $10,000 or $1,000,000 before he can get gold it means that future generations will find it more difficult to get gold. Anyhow the restudent is entitled to praise for going so deep in the financial question and its discovery will make men more thoughtful when they go to the treasury.—Chicago News.

The most conservative and even-tempered Americans will approve of the president's action in sending the warship Maine to Havana. The state of popular feeling in that city, coupled with the riotous outbreaks that occurred there recently, make it apparent to every one that General Lee's life is not safe there now without the presence of one or more of our most formidable battleships. His chivalrous courage will not permit him to ask the government to send a ship there for his protection, but the government's duty to shield him thoroughly and completely from any possibility of harm so far as it can is none the less imperative upon that account. The president was right, therefore, to send the Maine to Havana, and if the Maine is unequal to the task of thoroughly guarding both General Lee and other American citizens there, he should add the Indiana, the Massachusetts and as many more ships as are necessary. The Spanish are themselves responsible for the conditions in Havana that makes our warships necessary there, and if they choose now to regard our act as a belligerent one we shall have to stand the consequences and accept war. We have not the slightest idea that war will be the result of our action. Our action is reasonable, and no nation that submits itself to the rule of reason can take exceptions to it.—Richmond Times.

POSTSCRIPTS.

It is announced in New Bedford, Mass., that three mill superintendents are to sail for England on short notice to buy yarn in England for the striking mills and thereby enable the mills to make cloth without the aid of spinners.

—The senate South Carolina dispensary bill is still before the house committee on judiciary. Senator Tillman and State Attorney Barber appear in advocacy of the bill, which has already passed the senate.

—Postmaster General Gary has issued an order changing the color of the one-cent stamp from blue to green. In about two weeks he will follow this by another order, changing the brown five-cents stamp to a dark blue. This action is in accord with the resolution adopted at the meeting last summer of the universal postal congress making uniform the colors of the one-cent, two-cent and five-cent stamps, or their equivalents. No change will be made in the color of the two-cent carmine stamp because the postmaster general thinks that it sufficiently conforms to the color decided upon for that issue, viz, red.

—The business men of Savannah do not propose to let the appointment of Deveaux get through the senate without a fight. Today both Senators Bacon and Clay received telegrams from President Williams of the cotton exchange, protesting against the appointment of a negro in that office or the postoffice. "We call upon you," the telegrams read, "to do all in your power to prevent the appointment of a negro to the collectorship or to the postmastership of this city." The senators can only make formal protest against the appointment, as they have already done, and then fight confirmation in the senate. There is no doubt that Deveaux will get the appointment to the collectorship.

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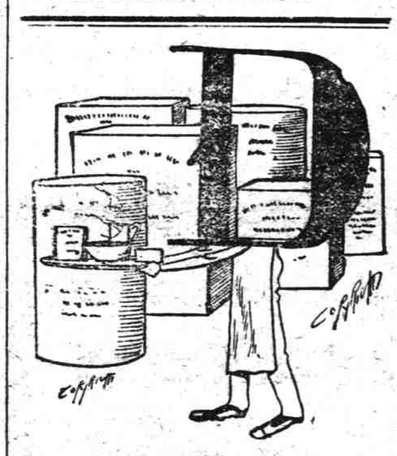

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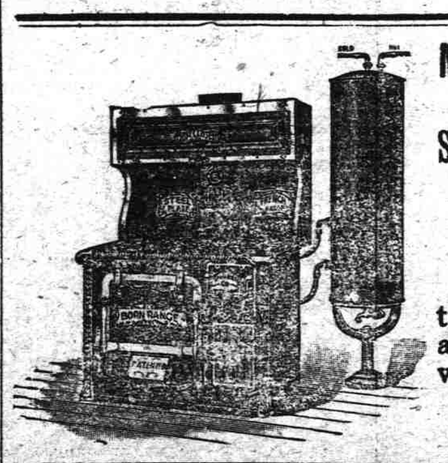

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