### INSECURITY.

Every prop on which I lean, Every earthly prop. I mean, Of whose power I chance to boast, Fails me whon I need it most.

Lover, brother, sister, friend, On whose nearness I depend, Those whose very presence gives Strength by which my spirit lives,

Fall away by some mischance, Death or other circumstance, And I find myself indeed Leaning on a broken reed.

When these earthly fetters part. All these clasps around my heart Fall away, and I am left Of life's sweetest joys bereft.

To what depths of woe I drop, Seeking vainly for some prop All sufficient to sustain One in loneliness and pain.

Like a drowning man I reach Upward and for aid beseech. "Help me, Lord!" I cry and stand Well supported by his hand.

Through the desert, through the tide He has promised to abide Ever near; where'er I be, Whispers gently, "Lean on me."

Earthly ties, how insecure! Heavenly ties alone endure, And my idols all were slain That I might this knowledge gain. -New York Ledger.

THEY GAVE THE BALLS.

And the People Danced to Pay the Debts of Louis XLV.

In 1712 Louis XIV favored the Opera, 'em after our crew put it on so many CCCFor then established in the first salle of the other man-o'-war crews, giving them a Palais Royal (there have been two) couple of minutes the start of us, too, with a special mansion for the better on numerous occasions and still beating is the only cure and will reach the most accommodation of its administration, them disgracefully. archives and rehearsals. This hotel is situated in the Rue Nicaise. The buildsin") subsequently not only to the fe- nington's crew figured in it largely. male choristers and supers, but the fe- Our ship's colors were at the fore in the male dancers themselves. It so happen- two races that were run with picked ed that the king forgot to pay his archi- Hanaka crews, and the third and last NEW ADVERTISEMENTS tects and workmen. In order to satisfy race of the day was one in which our them the Chevalier de Bouillon conceiv- | crackajack eight was to figure, the other ed the idea of giving balls in the opera races having been won by subcrews house, for which idea he received an practically picked at random from annual pension of 6,000 francs. He was among the strongest seamen. paid, but the king's debtors were not, for, although the letters patent were mercy. It was to be'a four sided affair-

granted somewhere about the beginning one crew of Kanaka sugar field workers, of 1713, not a single ball had been given a crew of Kanaka policemen and the when the most magnificent of the Bour- facing crew of the yacht Eleanor, bebon sovereigns descended to his grave. longing to Mr. Slater of Providence, One day, shortly after his death, that had pulled into Honolulu harbor d'Argenson, the then lieutenant of po- from Japan a few days before. Our to housekeeperslice, was talking to Louis' nephew, crew didn't pay much attention to the Philippe d'Orleans, the regent. "Mon- yacht's racing crew and were only figseigneur," he said, "there are people uring on the distance they could beat who go about yelling that his majesty the crew of Kanaka policemen, which of blessed memory was a Sankrupt and seemed the most formidable. a thief. I'll have them arrested and "The race was over the four mile have them flung into some deep under- course carefully blocked out in the harground dungeon." "You don't know bor-which was very smooth-by the COK BOOKwhat you are talking about," was the Honolulu aquatic sportsmen, and the answer. "Those people must be paid, start was first rate. There wasn't a man, and then they'll cease to bellow." "But fore or aft, on the Bennington that how, monseigneur?" 'Let's give the didn't stand to go broke to the extent balls that were projected by Bouillon." of at least a month's pay on the success So said, so done, and the people danced of the Bennington's crew, and we had to pay Louis XIV's debts, as, according | to give 3 to 1, too, for it was generally to Shadwell, people drank to fill Charles conceded that we had the race at our II's coffers: mercy.

### A GREAT BOAT RACE. Eczema! The Only Cure. THE BENNINGTON'S CRACK CREW GOT A COSTLY SURPRISE.

the Story of a Fourth of July Rowing Contest at Honolulu Which Emptied the doctors are unable to effect a cure, and Pockets and Lacerated the Feelings of their mineral mixtures are damaging Uncle Sam's Jackies.

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The Bennington's cutter was one of the best in the navy, and she had been built for a racer. Before we left the Mare Island navy vard for south Pacific Mare Island navy yard for south Pacific waters the ship's racing crew had easily

beaten all of the other crews of the Don't expect local applications of ships lying at the yard, including the soaps and salves to cure Eczema. They tiptop crew of the Olympia and the reach only the surface, while the di-Boston's fine crew. We thought that sease comes from within. Swift's we were about as warm as they make Specific

obstinate case. It is far ahead of all "The people of Honolulu arranged similar remedies, because it cures cases an aquatic festival for the Fourth of which are beyond their reach. S. S. S. is ing was generally designated under the July-the Americans down there cele- purely vegetable, and is the only blood name of "Magasia," whence the term "Filles du Magasin" (not "de maga-ally as we do up here—and the Ben-Beaks mercury or other mineral. Company, Atlanta, Georgia.





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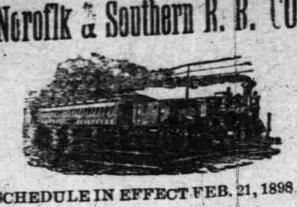
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There is an American hotel at Limon, Porto Rico. It is called the Grand. It to make the thing more galling, the rests on piers set in the coral reef where ceaseless spray from the nearby surf refects rainbow tints in the sunlight.



New York.

"The start, as I said, was good, and the Bennington's crew showed in front first and started out apparently to make a runaway race of it. The Kanaka policemen's crew trailed after them, pulling steadily, then the Kanaka sugar workers and, a good ten lengths to the rear, the Eleanor's crew. This was the way it looked for the finish when the Bennington's crew rounded the stakeboat and started for the return trip.

"Some of the Honolulu men who had their money up on the two Kanaka crews actually began to square accounts, and the cry, 'It's all over-Bennington! was heard all over the bay. When the stakeboat was rounded, it was noticed that the Eleanor's boat was sort of getting a move on itself, and the men were working like machines at a long, steady stroke that certainly looked as if it was cutting down the Bennington's

boats. "Two minutes after the stakeboat was rounded the Eleanor's gang were right abreast of the Kanaka cutters and gaining on them with every stroke, and the cox'un of the Bennington's cutter, hearing the yells of warning from the Bennington bluejackets ashore, looked behind him and saw the Eleanor cutter only two lengths behind him and coming like an electric launch. Our crew was tired, and that's all there was about it.

"The Eleanor's crew had held themselves in for the finish, and they certainly did make a Garrison finish of it. The yacht's cutter shot ahead of our cutter a good mile from home, and then, crew actually stopped rowing until the Bennington's crew was alongside again. Then they took to the oars again, and from then on it was a howling farce. The Eleanor's crew just romped their cutter in ten lengths ahead of our cut-

ter and the Kanakas a quarter of a

mile in the rear. "You never saw such, a disgusted lot of men in your life as the men and officers on the Bennington. The Eleanor's ship company had taken all of the 8 to 1 money they could get on board our ship, for they knew they had a good thing up their sleeve. The Eleanor's pressed and painful menstruation. crew on the whole trip around the For Change of Life it is the best medicine made. It is beneficial world that was wound up at San Franduring pregnancy, and helps to bring children into homes barren cisco had not been beaten once in a cutfor years. It invigorates, stimu-lates, strengthens the whole syster race, and the yacht's sailors had made all kinds of money in betting on tem. This great remedy is offered to all afflicted women. Why wi'l any woman suffer another minute with certain relief within reach? Wine of Cardui only costs \$1.00 their crew. It was a minor sort of consolation for us when we found out that five of the Eleanor's racing crew were per bottle at your drug store. ex-American man-o'-war's men."-Washington Star. The allowance of the lord mayor of London, up to the mayoralty of Sir Sidney Waterlow in 1872, was \$40,000 annually, but it was increased in that year to \$50,000, at which sum it has cured her. ever since remained. Opals



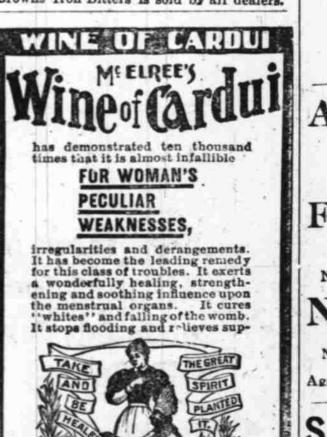
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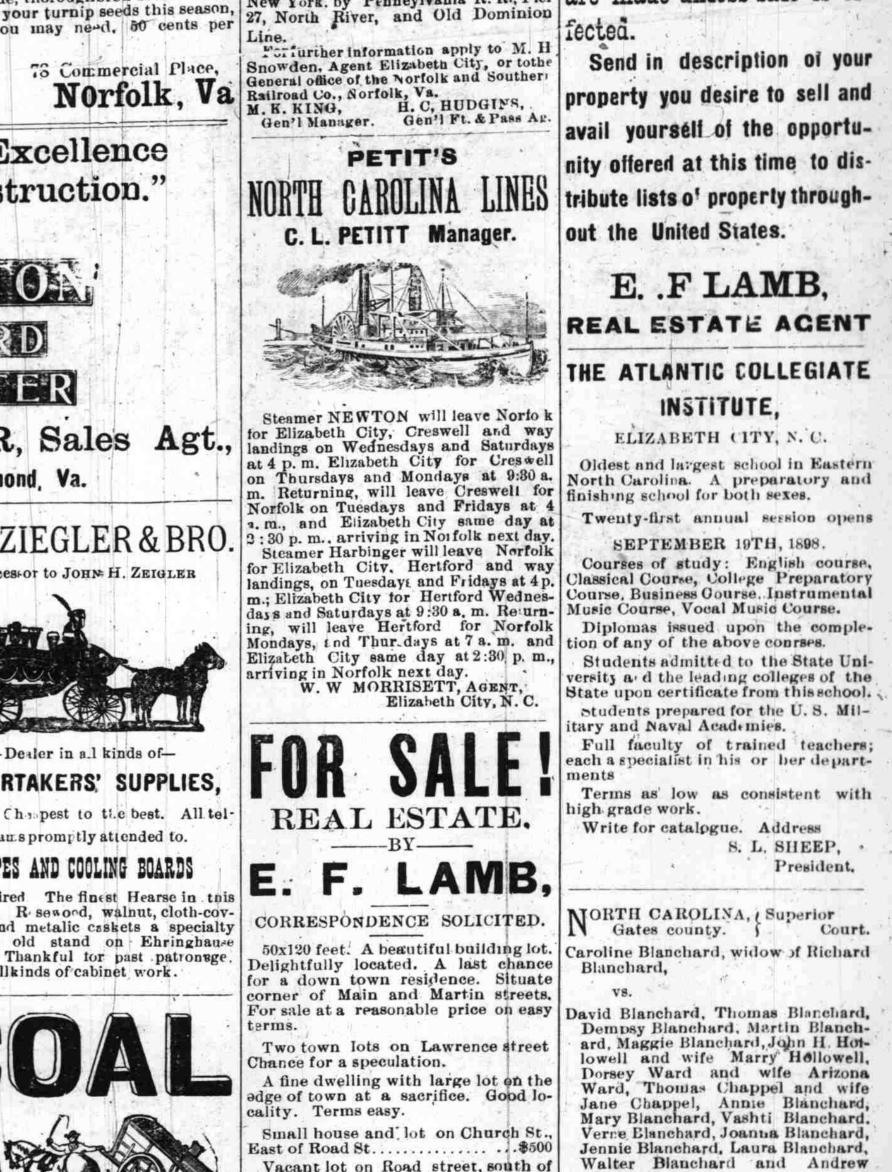
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