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THE CONTEST IN FRANCE.

As far as can be judged from a distance, the Vatican has the better of the argument in the controversy with \$402,000.000. The total immigration for the state. The bishops, with one exception we believe, have obeyed the instructions of the Pope and become "passive resisters." Their position is one of quiet dignity. The officers of the law have no difficulty in carrying out their orders, and their proceedings, therefore, have all the appearance of persecution.

Undoubtedly the church will emerge from this struggle, as it has from so many others, with flying colors. The French clergy will remain faithful to the head of the church, and the majority of the people will stand by the clergy. The time will come when the government will need the support of the people, and then it will be found that the breaking off of diplomatic relations with the Vatican in a rather insulting manner, was a grave mistake. It will be necessary to resume those relations before any compromise can he effected.

The question of obedience to the law is brought up by this controversy. Some of the secular papers hold that the Pope ought to have advised his followers to abide by the enactments of the legislative body, right or wrong. To this criticism the Catholic papers reply:

"When England more than a century "When England more than a century and a quarter ago strove to enforce unjust laws upon the American col-onists they, too, refused to accept them. The Pope is doing practically the very same thing as Washington and the oth-er American patriots did. They sought justice: so is he seeking it. They er American patriots did. They sought justice: so is he seeking it. They strove to defend their rights. That is precisely what the Pope and the French hierarchy are doing. Wash-ington in the estimation of all hon-est men was a hero and a patriot. But the Pope is set down as a lawbreaker. There is no moral obligation to obey network laws and men who have resistunjust laws, and men who have resist-ed them in all ages have been pro-claimed as benefactors of mankind."

This is indisputable. It is the duty of every citizen to obey the law. But, if it is true that in France atheism has succeeded in diverting the law from the purposes for which every law should be framed, and that they are using it as an instrument of persecution and graft, then it is heroism to resist in every honorable way, even to martyrdom. For, above all human law stands the obligation to obey God more than man. That is, in fact, not resistance to law but a protest against the abuse of the legal machinery of a state.

The French controversy furnishes another illustration of the folly of res strife. A church cannot be deapace for the reception and entertainment of the city's guesis, who will be men of influence, wealth and intelligence. It is perhaps needless to assure them in advance that a warm welcome awaits them. But such is the and city council so much as a duly apcase and when they arrive they will be made to feel the truth of the statepointed guardianship for the entire ment in a manner that will leave no party whose ship is upon the rocks, and whose leadership is crying for help doubt about it. as it starts for the bottom. No, gentlemen, no guardian or any number of

A RECORD-BREAKING YEAR.

them can save your bark now. It has commenced to go to pieces and its doom Bradstreet's review of the business of the past year shows it to have been a trip without this additional graft which record-breaker in every respect. The is so "raw" as to excite the disgust of total value of the farm products was all honest men. \$5,794,000,000, as against \$6,309,000,000 in 1905. This item alone shows an increase of \$485,000,000. The bank clearings amounted to \$150,000,000,000 as as against \$143.045,775,850 the previous ence of opinion as to the real mean-The railway earnings for ten

ing of the anti-pass clause in the inmonths the last year were, \$1,588,453,706. terstate commerce law. It is as fols compared to \$1,401,528,726 in 1905 or \$186,924,980 more. And thus the list "Nor shall any carrier charge or continues to show record-breaking busidemand or collect or receive a greater or less or different compensation for any such transportation of passenness. Only in business fallures it fell behind previous records. In 1906 there were only 9,400 failures as against 15,560

gers or property or for any services in connection therewith between the in 1903, and the Habilities for the two points named in such tariffs, than the rates, fares and charges which are specified in the tariff filed and in efyears respectively were, \$120,000,000 and 1906 was 1,227,000 as against 1,055,834 for fect at the time.' Some interpret the word "different" as relating to the kind of compensa-

As a remarkable circumstance is tion rather than the amount, and hold noted "the reaching, in time of profound world's peace, of a war-time level that all transportation must be paid of prices of commodities without the for in cash only. Others contend that the object of the law is merely slightest apparent effect upon demand, to prevent unjust discrimination, and which, throughout the year, pressed hotly upon supply and caused from the that the word "different" therefore beginning of the year to its close genrefers to the amount of compensation eral complaints of the backward deand not the kind. It appears, howliveries of goods." ever, that even strict adherents to

1905

Looking to the future, the authority the letter of the law are of the opinquoted regards three features as having ion that an already existing, or established, claim can be paid by transan important bearing; these are, labor, portation, although that kind of conprices and money. Scarcity of the first. sideration would be illegal in a conthereby favoring further insistent demands, and the higher tendency of the tract relating to a future transaction. What that opinion is based on, second, may push matters to a point where production and consumption does not appear, but it stands to reaalike might be checked. The strain son that a railroad ought to have the in money-a world-wide condition, right of paying a debt with transperhaps, but one felt here most, beportation, as long as it is not against cause prosperity has been so prolaw to exchange one commodity for nounced, seems to have so far only another without any medium of exbrought a small measure of conservatchange, such as money

According to the Boston Herald, the President of the Boston & Maine an-Unfortunately, the year also shows a tendency to increase in crimes of nounces that he will continue giving the New Hampshire Legislature anviolence. The lynching statistics for nual passes until that body forbids the year give an increase of seven itself to accept them. Since the cusvictims over the number of the previous year, the total being 72. Of these tom has gone on so long, he says, and 70 were colored-one being a womanevery member gets one, no relation "is established which can affect in the and only two were white. remotest way the deciding of any

It used to be urged in defense of legislative question." If this resolumob murder that there was no other tion is adhered to, there will in all lequate punishment for the unspeakprobability be an excellent chance of able crime, but the statistics show that such murders are committed at times having the constitutionality of the law tested. for the most trivial offense. One negro was killed in Louisiana for stealing a When the people cry for coal they are calf, and another in the same state for stealing a dollar. The following are the not even given a stone. crimes apportioned: Disorderly conduct, theft of one dollar, theft of a fraudulent animal bounty warrants? yearling calf, carrying a loaded pistol, petty robbery, improper proposals

miscegenation, one lynched for each crime. The more serious offenses were: Triple criminal assault, 1; criminal assault, 13; attempted criminal assault, 19; assault and murder, 1; murder, 14; attempted murder, 11: murder and robbery, 1; dual murder, 1; quadruple murder. 3; quintuple murder, 1. It will be seen from this that lynchings are resorted to for any crime in the scale, from murder and assault to "disorderly conduct." Where will this end? The country faces a danger in

this mob rule that will have to be met fect it is well to heed the warning sooner or later. given in "Excelsior." "Beware the pass.'

Hine.

account for a car shortage.

strikers must be attitudinizing.

"Will it make us sick to fly?" asks

are actually being accomplished for the "American" party has been weighed in efft of our fellow citizens. the balance and it has been found In politics it is much more importwanting after as full an opportunity ant that right policies be carried out and as square a deal as ever a political than by whom they are carried out. organization had. What is needed is not a set of guardians for the mayor

is certain. Besides you must make the

THE ANTI-PASS LAW.

There is, it appears, quite a differ-

ENGLAND'S LOST IDOL INDUSTRY

From the London Daily News.

The interesting details of the slumi in brass idols at Birningham make it plain that here once more the British manufacturer has gone down before the menufacturer has gone down before the pian that pere once more the before the conquering American. The manufac-turers say that there used to be a trade in idols, but that compe-tition has "killed the industry in Birmingnam." "We make brass images," said one of the idol-founders of the city, "and really they are so beautiful that I don't wonder the heathen falls down and worships them." A curlo dealer who stocks idols said that idols are still made in Bir-mingham. There was a certain de-mand for them, but it was a small one." mand for them, but it was a small one They were made for curlo dealers, and were sold by them, not to th-heathen but to Christians interested in missionary work, who liked to have on their mantelpicees a "real" heathen idol. Years ago brass images were freely made for foreign agents, and. Etshop Thofnton notwithstanding. I fear they would he made today if an order came for a supply of them.

t's inspection of the canal invinced him of the successful of this greatest engineering of modern times. It is by work. outcom president interesting articles upon the Cuban in-surrection which appeared not long ago in Harper's Weekly. There are now twenty-five thousand men at work on twenty-five thousand men at work on the canal, of whom three thousand are skilled Americans. Within one year, possibly within six months, there will be fifty thousand men "on the job," that is to say, an army of workers as large as the entire population of the cities of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, or of Portland, Maine. The sanitation of the canal zone included the drain-age and sewage of Panama and Colon, and in all two millons of dollars have been spent already to make the coun-try fit to live in. try fit to live in.

AN INSTINCT FOR DEATH. Prof. Metchnikoff in Harper's.

The most convincing fact in proof of the existence in man of an instinct of natural death seems to me that reported by Toxarsky, in relation to an old woman. In the lifetime of Toxarported by Toxarsky, in relation to an old woman. In the lifetime of Toxar-sky, I begged an acquaintance of his to obtain for me the details of this most interesting case, of which I had found but an incomplete statement. Toxar-sky unfortunately could add nothing to what he had published in his article. I believe, however, that I have found the source from which his instance had been taken. In his book upon the physiology of taste, which had its day of celebrity, Brillat-Sarvarin re-lates the following: "I had a great-aunt, ninety-three years old, who was dying, Although for some time con-fined to her bed, she had retained all her faculties, and her condition was dying. Although for some time con-fined to her bed, she had retained all her faculties, and her condition was only betrayed by her loss of appetite and the weakening of her voice. She had always shown a fondness for me, and I was near her bed, affectionately ready to wait on her, which did not prevent my watching her with the philosophical eye I have ever had for the things and events surrounding me. 'Are pou there, nephew?' she asked, in a scarcely audible volce. 'Yes, aunt; I am here at your service, and I think you would do well to take a little good old wine.' 'Give, mon ami; one can always swallow liquid.' I hastened; raising her gently, I made her take half a glass of my best wine. She brightened for a moment, and looking at me with eyes which had once been very fine. 'Thank you,' she said, 'for this last favor: if ever you reach my age, you will find that death becomes a need, just like sleep.' These were her last words; half an hour later she had failen asleep forever. We unmis-takely have here an instance of the instinct of natural death. The instinct was shown at a relatively early age, in a person who had retained all her intellectual faculties.'' Is it not encouraging fraud to pay New York's new governor's first message shows that he Hughes to the As lack of votes always accounts for a lost election so does a lack of cars The Southern Pacific strike situation 'in Texas remains unchanged. The The new law having gone into ef-

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OVER PRESIDENT'S SHOULDER.

The leading article in the current issue of Harper's Weekly is "The Progress and Promise of the Work at Panama." which relates the facts and conditions which, during President william Inglis, special correspondent who accompanied the president throughout his journey, and will be re-membered as the author of the severa

stroyed by the power of the secular arm. Even if the French government should confiscate all the property of the Catholic church in France, including every church building and every seminary, the church would remain. The church was never stronger, spiritually, than when to be a Christian was to endanger life and property, and when the worshipers assembled in caves and catacombs instead of costly cathedrals. We may not believe in the doctrines of the Catholic church, or accept the authority of the Roman pontiff, but the principle of power in persecution is always true. It is also true that religious freedom is the prerogative of every man and woman, since each individual is responsible for himcell, or herself, to the Creator of all. When that prerogative is invaded, it becomes a sacred duty to defend those whose rights are threatened, for the icause of liberty is the cause of humanity and civilization.

UTAH'S BIG SHEEP SHOW.

A good many years ago Utah took her place among the biggest sheep and wool producing states of the Union. She still holds that position and is very close to the top of the list. Just now she is very much in the eye of the wool men of the country,

This month they are to meet here, two or three thousand strong. They are coming from all directions, represenfatives of the National Wool Growers' association, from New England to California and from Montana to Texas. Altogether it is to be the biggest and most important gathering of the kind that ever took place in the great west. It is distinctively a feather in the cap of Utah that this city was chosen for the gathering, earnestly contended for last year by cities much larger and richer than our own. But there are conditions here that do not prevail elsewhere, and it is to study these, in a measure at least, that the sheep and wool raisers are to meet in Utah this year.

While a good deal of attention has been given the approaching convention it is doubtful if its importance is fully appreciated by anyone not directly engaged in the industry. There is to be something more than a mere meeting of men, reading of papers and discussion of subjects that pertain to business. A Fine and Fat Sheep Show is generally, unanimously, that the presscheduled to take place during three days of the convention, January 17, 18 and 19. And from all accounts it is to be an eye-opener to those who see it. Thoroughbred animals from far and true but not the creation of a steering near, prize winners from many sections, owned by men who have made it their business for a generation to improve the strains of the flocks, are to he shipped to Sait Lake to compete for it at the next election. In the meanthe awards offered.

GRAFT AND GUARDIANSHIP!

the London Lancet. The surest way Not many things politically could be to settle the question is to try it and more amusing at this time than the open admission of "American" administration incompetency which is made in The clockmakers have raised the its own public prints, coupled with the price of their wares. They must earnest declaration of one of its "old anticipate a regular Sam Slick busiwar horses," that two or three men should be employed to fully acquaint ness. themselves with every department of The Standard Oil company looks upon the city's business to give pointers to Judge Landis as anything but an overthe mayor, members of the council and ruling providence, when it comes to dethe various heads of the municipal service---to tell them what to do, in fact, murrers. and to see that they do it.

New York's health commissioner Shades of the patriots, what another says that consumption can be stamped hance for graft! Surely here is someout in one generation. That being so thing new in the feather-your-nest, getthere should be no delay in beginning rich-quick-at-the-public expense line. What a field of exploration and forage the stamping. it opens up for adventurous and clever When the President read all those bosses. Yes, that's the word-bosses. compliments the Sultan of Morocco Oh, what a snap that would be-for bestowed upon him, he must have the bosses. But how would his honor, thought his letter was a leaf from the the mayor, take to that sort of thing? Arabian Nights. Suppose this new and exalted order of commissioners should call upon him

Commissioner Bingham has ordered and say, "Mr. Thompson, It is a well the New York police to use common known fact that you spend more time sense. Unless "the finest" are all with your race horses than you do at Platos and Aristotles and Franklins your office. In the future you must rethey will never be able to obey the verse this habit. Unless you do we will be compelled to report you to Chairman Darmer, Tom Kearns, and the Minis-Mr. George Gould does not share Mr. terial association." It is not likely he Fish's pessimistic views regarding the would reply in language that members business outlook. He only sees enof the latter fraternity would approve couragement while Mr. Fish sees noth-

ing but a crisis. It makes it clear And then as to the council, beginthat the great financers are not agreed ning with Martin, the storm-starter as to what the future holds for the busifrom the First, and ending with Black, ness world. the bolsterous from the Fifth. Fancy how they would receive orders as their Not in recent years, except in war preserves were being invaded by party times, has the army been so badly in guardians! But it may be that the time need of men as at present. One of the has really arrived when they and other causes for this state of things is said to of their confreres should be looked art. be the lack of canteens. It is a strange er. They would enjoy one distinction, and anomalous condition of army afthat is certain. Not every extern of a fairs that cannot be explained by the hospital for the mentally deficient has absence of the post canteen. guardians to watch over them and see

that they do not go astray.

But inasmuch as the proposition is

made in all seriousness, in all serious-

ness it should be considered. The idea

of naming a set of men whose specific

duty it shall be to watch over, report

upon and tell the regularly elected of-

ficers of a community what they shall

and shall not do, is something unique

in American politics. It is admitted,

ent city administration has been a

failure: that it is lamentably hopeless

inefficient and honeycombed with graft.

That a change is needed is emphatically

committee, or a committee of steerers,

"James Bryce's remark that the sailing of the British colony for Jamestown was 'the acorn from which the great American commonwealth has grown,' may have been partially true. but still more was due to the magnificent fruitage of the Mayflower." says the Boston Transcript. Up in the Old Bay state it is the fixed belief that the Mayflower did more for mankind than did Noah's ark.

One doesn't go to W. R. Hearst for wise words any more than one goes to thisiles to gather figs, but the following from some remarks of his before the ity committee of the Independence

