LOOK TO AMERICA

Frenchmen After New Commercial and Industrial Ideas.

Beheme of Minister of Commerce, M. Millerand, to Establish Industrial College in United States Highly Commended.

Franco-American commercial relations and the proposed French industrial college in America were warmly discussed at a meeting of the French Industrial and Commercial society at Paris, which is composed of prominent manufacturers and business men. Senator Jules Siegfried, the former minister of commerce, who recently wisited the United States, greatly impressed his hearers with his arguments in favor of reciprocity between the two countries. Hequoted President Boosevelt's allusion to that subject In his message to congress, and said that in case of the miners executing their threat to declare a general ptrike, French industrial interests could reckon on big supplies of Amer-

tean coal. Francis Kimble, president of the American chamber of commerce, who was the guest of honor, said the chamber was equally desirous of Franco-American reciprocity, and announced abat he had written to the minister of commerce, M. Millerand, offering the chamber's cooperation in the projected French industrial college in Amer-

Other speakers expressed warm praise of M. Millerand's college scheme and the choice of America as the field for experiment.

Jacques Siegfried said the union of higher commercial schools had forwarded to M. Millerand an appeal to extend the scheme to the study of American business methods, and send a number of commercial students to America on the same conditions as the Industrial students.

M. Siegfried also said that Amer-Ica was as equally ahead in commercial ideas as in industry and proposed that the society send M. Millerand a mimilar appeal. The suggestion was

Mr. Neiderlein, a representative of the Commercial museum, of Philadelphia, then read a letter which had been sent to M. Millerand in behalf of the museum, offering the use of a lab-Foratory and workrooms, and even a site for the proposed college. He said The had just received a reply from M. Millerand, thanking him for the offer, which was under consideration, and msking for further particulars as to how the establishment of the college would be received by the various Philadelphian institutions, and making inquiry as to the estimated expenses of the college, etc.

The French government has decided to make a special investigation of American trusts. Lazare Weiller, councillor of foreign commerce, and Maurice La Gotellerie, an engineer, have been intrusted with the mission. They will proceed to the United States to investigate the economic, fiscal and social consequences which the trust mystem may have to Europe and especially to France.

SPEED INCREASES COST.

Prof. Hutton Shows That the Running of High Speed Trains is a Railroad Luxury.

At the convention of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers the other day a paper on the cost of runming high speed frains was presented. by Prof. F. R. Hutton. An increase of speed of 53 per cent., he said, results in a 93 per cent, increase in coal consumption. Mr. Hutton showed that a track which withstood the pounding of heavy trains running mt a slow speed is often damaged by trains running over it more rapidly. The consequences of accidents are more serious, too, both in money loss and in moral effect.

F. E. Nickell offered a new decimal system of measurements based on the length, one-eighth of an inch. Ten of these, or one and one-quarter inches, he suggested for the unit, to be called the "lin."

Mr. Nickell said that the main objection to the metric system is that all our standards are in inches and the cost of changing them would be enormous. The new system, he said, would not change the sizes, though it might change the manes and figures in which they are expressed.

SAVED TWO CITIES.

Tolored Pastor of Freehold, 4, J., to Petition Congress for a Reward.

Rev. John W. Lekins, a colored minister of Freehold, N.J. (subout to send a petition for reward to congress. claiming he saved the cities of Washington and Baltimore from capture during the civit was. He ways he had to leave Baltimore because of his disclosures, which places his life in danger, and that he had to leave valuable

The persion will be to imprined by an affidavit that in 1963 he was a waiter an the Fountain hotel, on Light street, Baltimore. One exching a Mr. Spate and a friend came in late to real It fell to his lot to wait on them and he accordingly overheard a conversation between them which revealed Gen. Lee's plans to capture Washington and Baltimore.

Next morning, Tokins, asserts, he went to Col. Hoffman, collector of the port of Baltimore, and told him what be had heard. Cel Hoffmero pot officpers on Spate's trail and he was ar-

CORONATION ROBES.

Designs for the Gorgeous Apparel of King and Queen Decided Upon.

Rich Fabrics and Rare Jewels to Be Wrought in the Garments-Over Three Thousand Precious Stones in King's Crown.

The designs for the coronation robes have finally been decided upon. King Edward will wear a cloth-of-gold under-jacket embroidered with palm branches and the shamrock, rose and thistle. On the king's stole the cross of St. George, the royal crown and the rose, shamrock and thistle will be woven in gold thread. His cape will be a magnificent garment, decorated with silver eagles and fleur de-lis and the national floral emblems.

The queen will wear robes almost exactly similar to those of Queen Adelaide, which will be brought to Marlborough house from Brodie castle, where they are kept as heirlooms. In spite of their age they are in excellent condition. They are of black velvet, manufactured on hand looms, elaborately embroidered and laced, having gold trimmings, and with huge hanging sleeves.

The coronation rites will last four hours. After the sacrament has been administered to the king he will discard the church vestments and put on his state robes.

Over 3,000 precious stones, diamonds, pearls, rubies, sapphires and emeralds, will be included in the king's crown. There will be 1,360 pure white diamonds, and 1,270 rose diamonds. The historic ruby which the king of Castile gave the Black Prince in 1367, and which was subsequently worn by Henry V. at-Agincourt, is in the center of the crown, placed in the heart of a maltese cross.

STUDENTS ARE WITH CUPID.

Prospective Benedicts in a College Organise to Fight "Knights of Marble Heart."

Men students of the senior class at Northwestern university at Evanston who are engaged to be married met the other day and formed a secret organization for the encouragement of matrimony. This alliance with Dan Cupid was made to counteract any move that may be contemplated by the anti-marriage club recently formed at the uni-

versity. Among the prospective benedicta who are charter members are Hasse O. Enwall, J. E. Smiley, A. J. Elliott, A. W. Campbell, L. P. Kincaid, Martin Crawford, G. P. Parkinson, Albert D. Sanders and H. B. Smith. They have plighted their troth with fair "co-eds" and many weddings are looked for dur-

ing commencement week. It was reported at the meeting that there were many "cases" at the university where only a little encouragement was needed to bring the couples, to an understanding and so add to the membership of the prospective benedicts. These "cases" will be assigned to various members and pressure will be brought to bear to aid Cupid. This will be a favorite mode of attack to put to route the Knights of the Marble Heart, as the anti-marriage men are called.

SMALL GIRL AVERTS WRECK.

Runs Down the Track and with Jacket Warns Engineer of Horse on the Track.

A little blue-eyed heroine of eight years in the person of Clara Schlosser is receiving homage from scores of thankful travelers and the members of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul crew of passenger train No. 4. By her presence of mind and bravery she averted a wreck that must have been disastrons but for her act.
The railway through Greenville, In.,

makes a sharp turn near the Schlosser home and the little girl knows as well as the trainmen when the train should arrive. A large dray horse in crossing the track became fastened in the culvert just before the train was due. Without a thought of danger to herself the little girl threw off her red jacket and ran down the track till she met the passenger train. Wildly waving the red jacket as she ran she warned the engineer, who managed to stop the train within a few feet of the child. When it was all over the passengers had cheered her and cried over her and showered her with silver and some gold coins. She told the engineer that she did not think about the people on the train. She was thinking only of the danger

the "poor horsie" was in. Severed Fingers Restored.

A surgical operation said to have been performed at the maritime hospital at Cherbourg, France, is attracting the attention of Paris surgeons. Gunner Robert lost three of his fingers. in an accident. The members were completely severed from the hand at their see and joints. The hospital surgeons merely joined the severed ends. of the fingers to the stumps, and, it is said, the wounds healed by first intent on and Robert will suffer nothing by his accident. Paris surgeons say that osness in this manner is by no means impossible, but it is rare even when the bood of the patient is in prime condition.

A Suggested Explanation,

Mr. Testa's prolonged and unusual silence may perhaps be accounted for on, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, the theory that he has discovered something the announcement of which he is afrail might challenge our credulity.

A Hint to Queen Wilhelmins What Queen Wilhelmina's husbard seems to need is, declares the Chicago. Record-Herald, a good, swift jab with a royal hat pin.

REPORT ON GUN TESTS.

Army Board Highly Commends the 13-Inch Rife But Calls Gathmann Gun a Failure.

Secretary Root transmitted to congress the other day the report of the board of officers which conducted the test of the Gathmann gun at Sandy Hook. The report says: "The method used in the 12-inch army service rifle contemplated, first, the penetration of the armor, and then the detonation of a high explosive contained in a thick-walled projectile. Thus there is included the destruction of the armor, of the structure of the vessel, of the armament, of the interior mechanism, and of the per-

"After a careful consideration of the effect of the various impacts on the respective targets of the Gathmann gun and the 12-inch army service rifle the hoard finds that none of the impacts from the Gathmann gun would have endangered a modern battleship; that the Gathmann system is not effective as a means of attacking armored vessels; and that any one of the shots from the 12-inch army service rife would have wrought serious injury to a modern battleship as regards its buoyancy, the interior mechanism, the armament and per-

"It may be said in this connection that the destructive effect of the 12inch army service rifle surpasses anything hitherto obtained from any gun so fer as this board has knowledge or as the records show. Both in initial and sustained velocities the 12inch army service rifle of both models is so far superior as to give all other ranges a much greater probability of hitting, and the remaining velocity at four miles is sufficient to perforate the heaviest armor now being put on battleships.

"There is nothing in the Gathmann system to recommend its adoption in the public service of the United States or to warrant further experi-

THE NEW PRINCE OF WALES.

His Attempt at Oratory in His Guild Mail Speech Calls Forth Payorable Comment.

The evolution of the prince of Wales from a sailor into an orator causes more comment and satisfaction than any event of the week. His Guild Hall speech was perfectly free from that platitudinous element usually noticeable in royal utterances in England. His declaration that the old country must wake up if it wanted to hold its own almost took his hearers' breath away, but it has produced in all sections of the press praise quite untainted by servility. It is probable that the prince was not entirely responsible for the struction of the speech, as he used copious notes. Yet his delivery, earnestness and willingness to commit himself to such sentiments have raised him higher in the estimation of the people than any previous action. Indeed, several of the papera declared that the election of Lord Salisbury, Lord Rosebery and Mr. Chamberlain fell quite flat after the prince of Wales' effort. "Unquestionably the best speech delivered at the breakfast," is the Spectator's com-

"He used his opportunity by saying things of distinct political import, constitutional propriety being none the less punctiliously saved."

HAS MOTHER-IN-LAW STORY.

Rockefeller, Jr., Thus Early in His Marriell Career, Geta Off a Popniar Witticiam.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., was the principal speaker at the annual dinner of the Young Men's Bible Class. Mr. Rockefeller, who has only been married a few weeks, made so bold as to talk of women and mothers-in-law. He was the last speaker, but he was loudly applauded. Mr. Rockefeiler told this mother-in-law story:

"A young man and his wife had lived for years, and not always pleasantly, with the wife's mother. At last the old lady died -or, at least, they thought she had died. The pallbearers carried her coffin down the front steps and one of them slipped. The coffin struck a tree, the lid came off, and then it was found that the mother-in-law had not died at all, but was only in a trance.

"Well, she lived for some years affer that, and then she died again this time permanently. And as the pallbearers approached that same tree at the foot of the steps the young man stopped weeping, turned to the man who had slipped, and whispered: Be careful, Sam; don't slip this time."

Lord's Prayer Forbidden.

Attorney General Dong as has upheld a ruling of former Attorney Generai H. W. Childs in an opinion given to State Superintendent O'son that under the state constitution he Lord's Prayer cannot be used in the public schools. This ruling is because of section 16, article 1, of the state constitution, which says: "Nor shall any man be compelled to attend, erect or support any place of worship." The question came to Superintendent O.son, of the department of public instruction, from a school director of Pierz, Morris son county, Minn.

Trinis of Christman Turkey, Corn is becoming so valuable, says the Chicago Record-Berala, that the Christmas turkey may as well prepare to be fattened on something else.

The "White House" tow. It may have struck young so, says the Chicago Tribune, that he didn't call it "executive mansion." but "white

A PREHISTORIC DOG.

Yale Scientist Reconstructs Skeleton of Canine of Eocene Age.

Was Dug Out of the Mountains of Wyoming and is Probably the Only Specimen of Its Kind on This Continent.

The scientists of the Peabody museum at Yale have set up a prehistoric log, which is certainly the only specimen of the kind on this continent, and is probably the only one in the world. Its scientific name is dromocyon vorax. It was dug out of the mountains of Wyoming and is supposed to have lived in the Eucone tertiary period.

It was discovered by the late Prof. O. E. Marsh in 1872 and it lay in the Peabody museum's cellar until last spring, when the professor determined to bring it to the front to show to Yale visitors what the ancestors of the dog of to-day looked like. This dog had a skull one-half larger than the skull of a Siberian bloodhound. The brain cavity is very small. The spine is elevated high above the body and ends in a tail that is slender and of unusual length.;

The forepaws bear a general resemblance to those of a rat, while the hind legs are longer that the forelegs. On each foot there are four toes. This dog, in a straight line measurement from his tail to his nose, has a length of about 72 inches. The length of his tail is 40 inches, that of his body 30, his neck is 12 inches long and he bas a head 18 inches in length. His foreleg measures 30 inches and his hind leg 36

WEDDED TO A PICTURE.

Illinois Farmer, Taken Ill on a Journey, In Married by Prosy to the Willing Bride.

To save an estate a monuling wedding was solemnized a Tives. Pa., the other day, when Miss Mich Harris was married by proxy to Carleton Wells, a young farmer of De Kalb. Ill., a picture being used to represent the bridegroom.

The young people were engaged to be married Christmas, but recently an uncle of the bride died and it was found that he had left a large part of the estate to Miss Harris on the condition that she marry Wells within 30 days. Wells was taken ill with pneumonia on his way east. As the 30 days expired on that day it was arranged that Willis Johnson, a friend of the groom, should act as

The bride had a large photograph of the groom on a table in front of which the ceremony was performed. beside which stood Johnson, who answered the questions addressed to the photograph. At the the ceremony Rev. Mr. Clementa pronounced Mina Harris and Carleton Wells, represented by the photograph. husband and wife.

LIVES ON ROOTS AND FRUIT.

New Jersey Man Ascribes His Good Health and Vigor to Vegetable Diet.

"I have attended the funeral of a lot of people who laughed at me for what they call my peculiar way of living and eating," exclaimed Rodolfus Bingham, 75 years old, of Merchantsville, N. J. Mr. Bingham is a believer in roots, herbs and fruit as a diet and works hard every day with no meat to nerve his arms and back to the toil. He has studied the diet question with himself as the subject of experiments until he is able to live comfortably on seven and threequarters cents a day.

"Those who think they must have meat are mistaken," he continued. "It was never intended that man should eat mest. The best energy for labor and study is developed on a diet entirely of vegetables, seeds and fruits. In my own community my sons and others regard me as a crank. But those who reviled me in times past lived to see me healthy and strong, while to many of them death came early. I attended their funerals."

To Reorganize the Police,

A royal commission has been appointed to elaborate plans for the reorganization of the Swedish police. A series of awful crimes have been reported during the last few months from various parts of the country. The country police, organized in the seventeenth century and still following the methods of that age, have proved scandalously inefficient, having completely failed to discover the criminals. It is anticipated that the commission will recommend a system modeled on the English independent county police, a centralized gendarmerie being incompatible with the Swedish system of local self-government.

Drive at English Prereases.

There is a smart saying current in London that nowa as all the peeresses are either actresses or Americans, and that the ne mbers of the old aristocracy have all gone into trade. The latest recruit for the latter is the dake of Cambridge's daughter-inlaw, Mrs. George Fitzgeorge, whose husband is a colone'. This lady will shortly start a hygi-nic beautifying concern in the heart of Mayfair, where she hopes to rid her fashionable friends faces of wrinkles and other bemishes.

The Chinese Drummer,

The Chinese drummer has appeared on the scene, says the Chicago Tribune. Being a Chinese luborer of a most uncommon kind, he hardly seems to come within the provisions of the exc.u. on act.

POOR AMERICAN CORN.

Italy to Insist Upon Consular Cortificates Herenfter as to the Grade of the Cereal.

The Italian consul general in New York city, G. Branchi, has written to the secretary of the produce exchange to notify all the members and other traders in New York city interested in exporting grain to Italian merchants that, by a recent decision of the Italian government, any cargo of maize imported into Italy without a consular certificate as to its quality will be rejected by the health authorities and its landing absolutely prevented.

Consul General Branchi, when asked about the matter, said: "Our grain traders have received, during the past year, such a very miserable quality of corn when they had every reason to expect a superior grade that they have been compelled to resort to this expedient to insure obtaining better grades in future. The usual consuls fees will be all the extra charge that the American shippers will have to

It appears that in many cases it has been impossible to obtain grain of firstclass or "contract" quality, as the entire corn erop has graded far below the standard

Walter Munn, the New York representative of Norton, Switzer & Co., of Chicago, which firm is among the largest shippers to foreign countries, said, when asked why this extra certificate was demanded:

"I suppose that the Italian government considers that Italy is the only country which has had to put up with the poor grades of corn this year. In reality the same state of affairs exists everywhere all over the world. Undoubtedly the consul's certificate will guarantee the receivers in Italy that the grain is as represented on the reglar grain inspection certificate, though I cannot see why the latter is not of itself sufficient."

TALKS OF FASHION'S RULE.

Prof. Vincent, of University of Chicago, Lectures Women on the Vagaries of Dress.

Vagaries in the fashion of women's dress were analyzed by Prof. George. A. Vincent, of the University of Chicago, in a lecture at the Lewis institute the other night.

"Styles grow," he said, "by slow degrees to extremes and then go out rapidly. They are beyond even the jurisdiction of the Federation of Women's Clubs. They are beyond anticipation. and can only be awaited in fear and trembling and with resignation."

The women who listened to the professor's speculations, reflections and theories concerning the modes did so with the good-humored toleration of anperior knowledge, but when he approached the dangerous topic of bird trimmings in hats one or two whose headgear was feather-hedecked betrayed some uneasiness and were apparently relieved when it was presed easily over with the assertion that if he had control of ten leaders of fashion the Audubon society would be able to breathe a sigh of relief within three years and song birds would warble undisturbed.

"Fads and Fashions," the lecturer asserted, originated largely in the spirit. of reverent imitation inherent in the human race, which was kept from degenerating into a common type by the leaven of individuality. It was the spirit of imitation, he said, that induced the fashionable mistress to reonire her servants to attire themselves in cap and apron and that impelled the servant to reject these badges of servitude.

STOP CHEATING AT CORNELL. Students Assembled in Mass Meeting Pledge Themselves to the

Honor System.

President Schurman, of Cornell uniwerenty, suspended all exercises for two hours the other day in order to permit the students to hold a mass meeting to determine the student attitude

on the matter of the evil of cribbing,

which has grown up at the university. Nearly 1,500 students attended and it was almost unanimously decided by the students to reestablish the honor system on a firm basis, the students pledging themselves to detect students guilty of fraud and to organize acoust to deal with these offenders. These pledges were embodied in the form of resolutions and were sent to the faculty, which body in its meeting promptly referred them to the committee on student conduct. The matter will be decided at an early date.

The question is specially pertinent, as Dean Crane announced that a junior in the arts course had been summarily dropped from the university rolls because of plagiarism. It was proved that he copied verbatim a speech from a well-known volume of collections of orations, handed it in and delivered it as his own production. Another student caught cheating in mathematics will be summarily dismissed.

Slavery to Be Abolished. The Reichsanzeiger, official, of Berlin, publishes a degree preparing for the gradual abolition of slavery in German East Africa. The duties of masters toward existing slaves, especially their obligations to care for them. in sickness and old age, are warefully defined. Rules are prescribed enabling slaves to purchase their freedom. Owners are compelled to grant two days weekly, on which days slaves can work for themselves or alternatively to give them equivalent compensation.

Rather Severe. Judging from Queen Wilhelmina's husband's performance with the sticker, says the Chicago Record-Heraid, a good stock yards hand was spoiled in making a very inferior sort of prince.

ZOOLOGICAL ENIGMA.

Black Ape Creates Big Stir with His Jungle Jargon.

Excites the East African Baboons in the New York Zoo by a Certain

Series of Sounds Which Convey

Tantalizing Suggestion, "Hist, Pek-k-k-k. Hu-huh." This from the victous little black aps In the monkey house at the New York zoological park. Instantly there is & rumpus fu the cage of the East African baboons opposite. They throw themselves against their wire bars in a valu attempt to get at the wicked

little aimian, who sits saucily grinning at them from the safety of his cage. The strangest part of it all is that the black ape's voice is not at all loud. What he says is in a low tone. The other monkeys, apes and chimpanzees may laugh, yell, chatter or whisper among themselves to their heart's content and the ugly East. African baboons pay no attention. The black ape talks with his neighbors by the hour and there is nothing doing. But when time hangs heavily on his hands and the grotesque people of the monkey house get aleepy, he looks across at the baboons and exclaims: "Hist, Pek-k-k, Hu-huh." And there is a

row on at once. Now one of the policemen has imitated the speech so well that he can occasion the same rumpus in the ba-

boon cage. What all the keepers at the zoo now want to know is: "What is the correct translation of "hist, pek-k-k-k. Hubuh" in East African jungle talk."

It was suggested the other day that Prof. Garner be asked to visit the garden and translate the jargon. One thing has been agreed on, that the sentence refers to something about race, religion or polities, for the babboons act precisely, like men when some one yells at them something derogatory of their views on one of these important subjects.

MOVING SIDEWALK URGED.

Novel Underground System Which Has Been Suggested to Relieve the Streets of Paris.

A novel plan to relieve the congested. condition of Paris streets has just been submitted at a meeting of prominent engineers which was held to discuss further improvements in public transportation. M. Cassalouga, a wellknown civil engineer, auggested that an underground moving sidewalk similar to that at the Paris exposition of 1900, but much larger, be constructed. According to his plan there would be four platforms, each moving at a different rate of speed from the others, the fastest going at the rate of 13 males

ac hour. M. Cassalongs convinced his hearers. that such a scheme would be cheaper thin an electric underground railway. and that it would multiply greatly the accommodation of the public. He said. to the correspondent of the Chicago.

Da v. News: "Part of the platform might be given up to the use of heavy trans, the city thus gaining both from an exthetic and a pecuniary point of ven, since the paying department would save hundreds of thousands of france anmaal'y by the reduction of wear on the street surfaces. I am sore also that the public would prefer the rolling sidewalk to stuffy cars, not to mention. the elimination of danger from col-

Paus and estimates of the curious undertaking were submitted to the traction members of the municipal council, members of which reported that they were vastly attracted by the idea, provided electric power for it would not prive too costly.

PRETTY COEDS FAST.

Students of University of lows 48stain from Food for Three Days on a Wager.

Miss Helen Louise Morton, of Iowa Falls, Ia.; Miss Alice Gilchrest Peters, of Ottumwa, and Miss Mabel V. Hoffman, of Muscatine, prefty coeds of the University of Iowa, engaged in a 31/2 days' fast. They drunk nothing but water during the time they were fasting, and by going the allotted length of time without eating they are to receive 36 pounds of chocolate creams. The girls reported that "fasting is all right after you get used to it," and the young men who made the wager with the young women have ordered ! the candy and are ready to pay their

The young women spent most of the second day in bed to stave off the pangs of hunger by sleep and inaction, and they spent the entire time of the third day sleeping. At midnight they had a grand feast.

Aerenaut's Daring Preposition.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Paris says: The journals are nounce that M. Capazza, the first aeronaur who crossed the Mediterraneau ; from Marseilles to Corsica, is about { to undertake a most daring journey.

M. Capazza, when interviewed, said: "The project which I desire to carry out and which I have studied with M. Elisee Renclus and Baron Berger, the lecturer on physical geography at the Sorbonne, is that of traversing the Atlantic in a balloen, starting from the Canaries and landing at the southeast of Panama. As to my steerage balloon. I hope to have it constructed next усат."

And Uncle Sam Pays the Bills. It will be no fun to dig the isthmian canal, says the Chicago Tribune. There will be a lot of hard dredgery

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLÉANS