Fasting by Force.

American Suffragette Describes Her Strange Experience in English Jail.

Miss Alice Paul, an American, who is a master of arts of the University of Pennsylvania and the daughter of a prominent Quaker family, was discharged from Holloway prison in London the other day after serving thirty days at hard labor for taking the suffragette disturbance and smashing windows at the lord mayor's banquet.

While in prison she refused to eat or lie in bed to prevent her jailers making her well. She says she was fed by force in this manner:

"The largest wardresses in Holloway sat astride my knees. Two other wardresses sat on either side and held my arms. A towel was placed around my throat, and one doctor from behind forced my head back, while another doctor put a tube in my nostril. When it reached my throat my head was pushed forward. The tube came through my mouth, and I got it between my teeth.

"My mouth was then pried open with an instrument. Sometimes they tied me to a chair with sheets. Once I managed to get my hands loose and snatched the tube, tearing it with my teeth. I also broke a jug, but they succeeded in forcing me to eat."

Rich Men's Gifts Are Poor

beside this: "I want to go on record as saying that I regard Electric Bitters as one of the greatest gifts that God has made to woman, Writes Mrs. O. Rhinevault, of Vestal Center, N. Y., "I can never forget what it has done for me." This glorious medicine gives a woman buoyant spirits, vigor of body and jubilant health. It quickly cures Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Headache, Backache, Fainting and dizzy Spells; soon builds up the weak, ailing and sickly. Try them. 50c. at Brundage Drug Co.

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"I have awful spells of Neuralgia and have doctored a great deal without getting much benefit. For the last two years I have been taking Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills and they always relieve me. I have been so bad with Neuralgia that I sometimes thought I would go crazy. Sometimes it is necessary to take two of them, but never more, and they are sure to relieve me." MRS. FERRIER, 2434 Lynn St., Lincoln, Neb.

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We have the largest line of Stand Lamps ever shown in Andover. Come early and get your first pick.

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Vest Pocket and in sets, one of the finest presents for a man.

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We have nothing in our line but what is USEFUL and DURABLE. All we ask of you is to come in and look over our line before you buy. Our prices are as low as the lowest.

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Good shopping weather.

Busy days for our Merchants.

Millinery below cost at Trainors.

Trimmed hats at your own prices at Trainor's Millinery.

Fancy velvets and feathers at special prices at Trainor's Millinery.

Attend the matinee at the Sherwood Stock Co. theatre, Wednesday.

All accounts due Trainors Millinery must be paid in by Jan. 15, 1910.

Why not make it a good magazine. We can quote you rock bottom prices.

Special films afternoon and evening at the moving picture show, Wednesday.

Look over the advertisements in the News you'll find timely Xmas suggestions.

Miss Irene Graham and Fred Yale of Friendship were united in marriage December, 9th.

Being on the advisory board of your own affairs is an excellent position to hold provided you are qualified.

It is reported that another gas well has been struck near Canaseraga, with a pressure of one hundred pounds.

A surprise party was given to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Updyke Friday evening at the home of M. D. Kibbie. Many nice gifts were presented and games were played. Afterward refreshments were served, and report a nice time.

Cards have been received by Canastota friends for the wedding of Miss Myrtle Milburn, formerly of this village, to Prof. D. L. Baker of the faculty of the Rome High School, which is to take place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Milburn, at Grand Rapids, Mich., Tuesday, December 28.

The Wilson & Crowley lease of 120 acres with 28 wells, located near Alleytown, N. Y., was sold on Monday through the Herrick Agency to the Empire Gas & Fuel Company. A lower gas sand has been developed on this property and the property can be handled to excellent advantage by the new owners.

A daughter was welcomed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Burdick in East Valley, December, 2nd.

Weinhauer—Elliott

Miss Viola Elliot of Andover and were united in marriage, December 1 Edward Weinhauer of Wellsville They will reside in Los Angles, Cal.

Benefit entertainment

The Eastern Star Chapter have made arrangements with the Sherwood Stock Company to give a special benefit entertainment, Wednesday afternoon and evening. Special films. Special music. Admission 10c.

Cheap Land

Tionesta, Pa., Dec. 9.—All the wild lands advertised to be sold at commissioner's sale were disposed of on Tuesday at 2 p. m. at an exceedingly low price. One piece of 750 acres in Howe township, oil and gas rights reserved going for the insignificant sum of $3.

Woman's World for January

It is always excruciatingly funny to see a man wash dishes. Rex Beach, who made a fortune from his The Spoilers, The Barrier and The Silver Horde, and who now receives upwards of 5c. a word for his writings, contributes the leading article in the January Woman's world, Chicago. The title is "Homeless housekeeping" in which Mr. Beach crankically and humorously describes how men kept house in Alaska during the rush for cold. Every woman will en for reading "Homeless Housekeeping" and she will facetiously pass it along to the men members of her household.

Advertised Letters

For week ending Dec. 11 1909.

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SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST.

R. J. Severance, Pastor.

Regular preaching service at 10:30, Sermon by the pastor.

Bible school at 11:45.

Christian Endeavor meeting at 2 p. m. Leader, Isabelle Loughhead.

Weekly Prayer meeting Friday night at 7:30.

BAPTIST.

Rev. A. L. Boynton, Pastor.

Regular Sunday morning service at 10:30

Bible School following the morning service.

Christian Endeavor service at 6:00

Regular evening service at 7.00.

Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30.

METHODIST CHURCH.

J. W. Wright, Pastor

Preaching at the usual hours of 10:30. and 7.00.

Sunday School at noon.

Jr. League at 3 o'clock.

Sr. League at 6 o'clock.

Prayer meeting, Thursday evening at 7:30.

Preparations are being made in the Sunday School for the observance of Christmas. The exercises will be held Christmas eve.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. Hiram D. Bacon, Pastor.

Sunday morning service at 10:30.

Sunday School at 11:45.

Christian Endeavor meeting at 6 o'clock.

Prayer meeting on Thursday night at 7:30. Every member of the church should make an extra effort to attend the Prayer Meeting, next week.

Sunday morning there will be a Christmas sermon with special music and Sunday night the Boy's Choir will sing.

Preparations are being made for the Christmas Tree for the children of the Sunday School and a short program will be given. It will probably be held on Christmas Eve.

The Bible Class will hold a meeting next Sunday after the morning service, and every member of the class is requested to be present. Important matters will be discussed and the hope is that there will be a full attendance.

BIRTHS INCREASE

State Health Department Makes Monthly Report—Many Suicides.

An increase in births in this state, especially in cities, is reported by the State Health Department in its monthly bulletin issued December 8th.

During October, 17,173 births were recorded, while those in September numbered 16,797. This is 6,000 more than the total death during October. While the city birth rate is considerably in excess of the rural rate, the mortality in the cities has increased over the country districts.

Deaths during October numbered 11,466, of which 670 were accidental. Suicides increased, 135 having been reported. Pneumonia and other acute respiratory diseases caused an increased number of deaths as compared with October of last year.

The State Department announces that beginning January 1 it will require the use of the new standard death certificates.

New Standard Certificate of Death

Beginning with the first day of January, 1910, the New York State Department of Health will require the use of the recently Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death. This form has been approved by the United States Census Bureau, and by the American Public Health Association, and will come into general use in a large number of states on January 1. The adoption of a uniform certificate will greatly facilitate the study and comparison of mortality statistics. No additional questions are asked, except that fuller details of occupation are requested. Upon the back of the certificate are paragraphs giving detailed instructions as to the sort of information required in the statement of cause of occupation and in the statement of cause of death. Copies of the new certificates will be in the hands of local registrars of vital statistics before the close of the year.

Up-to-date type for up-to-date work

Will the Very Existence of the House of Lords Be Jeopardized by the Fight on the British Budget.

What the Budget Is and Taxes That Caused the Trouble—Extraordinary Debate That Has Amazed a Nation.

By JAMES A. EDGERTON.

Is the British house of lords about to be abolished or radically shorn of its power? That is the larger question looming up behind the fight over the budget in England. The warning of Lord Rosebery that the very existence of the upper chamber is in jeopardy was not an idle threat. It was given all the more force by the fact that Rosebery himself is opposed to the budget. He would like to see it defeated, but questions either the right or the policy of the lords to bring about that defeat. He regards the stake as too great. In destroying the budget they destroy themselves. He was ably seconded by Lord Balfour of Burleigh, who in plain English told the peers that if they won in their fight against the budget their victory would be but temporary, while if they lost the defeat would be permanent. They would not only fail in killing the budget, but would end their own power.

In adopting Lord Lansdowne's motion to reject the budget pending an appeal to the nation it is contended that the peers are guilty of a twofold usurpation of power—one against the commons and the other against the king. Since 1688 the exclusive control of financial matters has been in the house of commons. For the lords now to assume the right to reject a financial measure is the first act of usurpation. Lord Lansdowne's motion requires a dissolution of parliament. The right to dissolve parliament, however, belongs to the crown. This is the second act of usurpation.

The Day of Settlement.

The rejection of the budget is not the first offense of the lords. Several other reform measures proposed by the present government and passed by the commons have met their death in the upper chamber, just as Gladstone's home rule bill was killed a few years ago. All these things have been allowed to accumulate against the day of wrath. They have not been forgotten. They were kept in abeyance only to be presented as different counts in the indictment when the people of England came to pass judgment on their house of peers. Has the day of settlement finally come?

The British budget is the omnibus financial measure of each year, containing the taxation and revenue provisions. The present one, over which all this fight has been raised, is denounced as socialistic, but the definition is not accurate. The budget is more in line with Henry George's single tax, which is quite another thing from socialism. The single tax, or a modified form of it known as the land tax, has already been adopted in portions of the British empire, notably in New Zealand and Australia. This measure would put it in force in England, Scotland and Ireland. The tax is laid with especial emphasis on the "unearned increment"—that is, the value which is put into the land by the community and not by the owner. For example, a man owns a farm near which or on which springs up a city. Because of the city the land increases immensely in value, although the individual owner has contributed nothing to that increase. It is made wholly by the community. This is the unearned increment, and on such social value accruing in future the budget lays its impost. There are other provisions in kind; also a considerable tax on liquor. It is the land tax and liquor tax that have caused the trouble.

Lords and Liquor Interests.

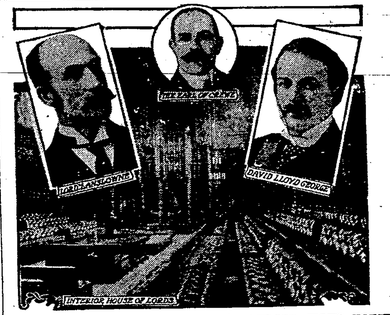
In Great Britain the land is largely owned by the lords, and it now transpires that these scions of nobility are financially interested in the liquor concerns. Between the two they get it both ways. They are being hit in the pocketbook, and that is the reason they are usurping a power that no British house of lords has dared assume in more than 200 years. Dare they assume it? This momentous question is now to be answered by the electors of England, Scotland and Ireland.

There are more than 600 peers in the three realms, but ordinarily only a few attend the sessions of parliament. Most of them are never seen within the precincts of the house of lords. They are not only absentee landlords, but absentee legislators. The budget fight, however, brought practically all of them to London. They swarmed out of their castles as the rats swarmed out of Hamelin town at the call of the Pied Piper. Hundreds of strange faces appeared in the upper chamber that never were seen there before and perhaps never will be again. It was the holders of special privilege rushing to the defense when an attack on privilege was threatened.

The ensuing debate is one that will be long remembered in England, though not for its brilliancy. It amazed the nation. To call it a schoolboy affair would be to insult the schools. One minister termed it babyish. Outside of a few men like Rosebery and Balfour, Lord Salisbury and the Earl of Crewe it displayed lack of grasp, breadth and statesmanlike qualities. It was rabid, personal, sordid. It was the whine of a spoiled boy. When not petulant it was deadly dull. It was an attempt at argument by men unfamiliar with intellectual habits. Yet the spectacle had its educational value. It showed to the British people their so called nobility in its true light. It stripped off the glamour of name and tradition. At the disillusionment the people at first gasped and then laughed.

The Feet of Clay.

That debate doomed the house of lords—if not next year, then in the near future. It revealed these peers of the realm as selfish and allied to the worst elements in the kingdom. It showed them to be not only common clay, but as beneath the average in intelligence and morality. Today English-



NOTABLE PARTICIPANTS IN ENGLISH BUDGET FIGHT—HOUSE OF LORDS, SCENE OF THE DEBATE.

men are gathering by the thousand and cheering for the budget and David Lloyd-George, its author, the Welsh schoolteacher who rose to be chancellor of the exchequer. They are singing as the French sang the "Marseillaise" more than a century ago, and the burden of their song is that the land is for the people. Lloyd-George and Winston Churchill are ridiculing the dukes with a sarcasm that is spreading a grin over the three nations. It reminds one of the days when Thomas Paine wrote his "Rights of Man" in defense of the principles of the French revolution, in which he scored the aristocracy in words that ring yet. Paine has been dead a century, but the truths he voiced are the most living things in England.

HUNTING TRIP IN AIRSHIP.

Latham Carried His Gun There and Bag of Game on His Return.

Hubert Latham performed a sensational feat in his monoplane the other day. He was invited by the Marquis de Polignac, president of the committee on aviation, to join in a hunt at Berru, near Rheims, France. Latham went thither from his aviation garage at Mourmelon, a distance of about nineteen miles, in his Antoinette monoplane in just half an hour. He took a double barreled shotgun and a supply of ammunition with him in the aeroplane.

He landed at the Marquis de Polignac's shooting box, breakfasted with the party, took part in the hunt and flew back to Mourmelon four hours later, carrying on the monoplane not only the shotgun, but also the bag of game, mostly pheasants, which he had killed.

Great interest in the feat was shown by the hunting party. The members of it were watching for Latham, and the monoplane was made out while it was still far away. It appeared very small when first seen, but rapidly grew larger and soon was above the heads of the huntsmen. Latham made two circles before he chose a landing place and then came down easily and landed without the slightest trouble. It was almost sunset when he started on his return journey.

The Chimney Climber.

Quoth Santa Claus: "I'm getting fat,
And, though I'm not a churl,
I think the person for this job
Would be the hipless girl."
—Harper's Bazar.

Those Stylish Dresses

We have just fifteen left, both Cloth and Silk, all this Fall's Models to be closed out according to the following schedule:

Dresses from $13.50 to $17.00 at $9.49

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Take advantage of this cut and have your dress for the coming Holiday Season.

More new Fur Coats on Consignment three days.

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The Ladies appreciate the unusual offerings we are making. Think of buying such handsome garments at end-of-season prices with the winter practically before you. All grouped into four lots: $9.50—$12.50—$17.50 and $23.50 and must be seen to be appreciated.

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NEW Materials for evening wear in Wool Silk or Cotton. We call attention to the new Serges, Batistes, and Checked Goods, for dresses and waists. White Shirt Waist Patterns in separate Christmas boxes 66c. to $1.50.

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Suggestions for Christmas

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$400.00	Bush and Lane for	$325.00
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