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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts 84 Cars, 2272 Cattle; 73 Cars, 5292 Hogs; 1 Car, 185 Sheep.

NATIVE STEERS HELD STEADY

Heavy Kinds Latest Sellers, But Good and Seasonable Clearance Was Made.

RANGERS ACTIVE SELLERS

No Change Noted in General Market For Shee—Veal Calves Steady to Easier—Stocker Supplies Increase, Best Kinds Held Steady—Hogs Strong to Nickel Higher, Demand Active—Sheep Supply Small, Prices 10 to 15 Cents Higher.

Receipts from January 1, 1910. The following table shows the receipts from January 1, 1910, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1909:

	1910	1909	Dec.	Inc.
Cattle	259,911	243,816	...	16,096
Hogs	805,024	908,101	...	103,077
Sheep	22,626	33,947	...	11,321
Horses	15,602	13,919	...	1,683

Live Stock in Sight.

The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal western markets:

	Chicago	Kansas City	South Omaha	St. Joseph	Last St. Louis
Cattle	6,000	12,000	20,000	10,000	3,700
Hogs	6,000	7,300	16,800	5,000	200
Sheep	5,000	12,500	2,500	...	...

Receipts by Cars.

The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the stock yards:

	C, B & Q, west	C, B & Q, east	M, K & T	M, C & St. L.	M, C & St. L., Grand Island	A, T. & S. F.
Cattle	74	21	19	8	8	22
Hogs	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sheep	...	...	...	...	...	...

CATTLE.

Trade Steady As to Prices But Heavy Steers Slow. The marketward movement of cattle is running a little heavier than last week but not enough so as yet to materially effect the trade to the detriment of the selling interest. The total for the two days at the five markets is \$7,000 and shows an increase of \$900 compared with the same time last week and is about the same as for a year ago. On the local yards the receipts of 5299 for two days are 1000 ahead of the same time last week but are 1100 less than for the like period last year.

There was a fair movement to the trade from the start this morning but it was noted that the buyers were disposed to pick out the light weights and take them before they would make much effort to trade in the heavier weights. The supply on the native side included a fair show of Kansas rangers and these got quick attention from the buyers on a steady basis of prices. There was a fair contingent of fat native cattle here but nothing as good as the top getters of yesterday. There were a good many fat steers that were on heavy order and, while the buyers were slower to take hold of these than they were with the lighter weights, prices finally realized were steady compared with the opening market of the week and there was a reasonable clearance made. The best cattle were in the \$7.50 classes and the bulk of the steers here went at a range of \$6.50 to \$7.25 with fair light and medium weight grassers selling at a range of \$5.00 to \$6.25. The market is considered in quite good tone and can evidently use fairly liberal supplies for the middle and final days of the week.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers. 36... 1403... 7.55 19... 1243... 6.50 49... 1354... 7.15 19... 1223... 6.00 18... 1312... 6.00 1... 1230... 5.00 75... 1184... 7.00 250... 1045... 5.25 41... 1186... 6.90 1... 1050... 5.25 4... 1270... 6.00 1... 910... 5.25 20... 1229... 6.85 8... 862... 5.00 13... 1373... 6.75 1... 860... 5.00 49... 1282... 6.60 4... 1060... 5.00

COVS, BULLS AND MIXED.

In the cow and heifer line there was a fair showing of offerings today. In fact, the proportion of this class of stock seemed to be a little larger than yesterday but there was a pretty good demand and trade had a free movement from the start at around steady prices compared with the previous day. There is a pretty good demand for canner stock and prices for these are being well sustained. Nothing prime or fancy on the heifer order was offered this morning but any such would meet a ready call at full up to steady prices.

Red heifers sold at \$3.50 to \$6.00

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higher than yesterday's average, \$7.00 being the top price paid today against \$6.85 yesterday for the same class of stock. Bulk of this stock sold at a range of \$6.50 to \$7.25 with a few of the better kinds selling up to \$7.00. Sheep sold steady with a good strong feeling prevalent. Following are about current quotations:

Pat lambs \$6.50 to \$6.85 and some fancy kinds at \$7.00. Pair to good at \$5.75 to \$6.25, common culls at \$4.00 to \$4.50. Feeding yearlings at \$4.25 to \$4.75, good to choice fat ewes at \$3.50 to \$3.75, fair to good ewes at \$3.25 to \$3.50, fair to choice wethers at \$4.00 to \$4.50, common to fair wethers at \$3.75 to \$4.00.

37 nat lambs... 79 7 00 27 nat lambs... 52 6 50 12 nat lambs... 70 6 50 15 nat lambs... 60 6 50 26 nat lambs, culls... 52 4 35 2 nat lambs, culls... 75 4 25 7 nat lambs, culls... 55 4 25 1 yrl ewe... 80 4 00 23 ewe... 119 3 75 5 stock ewes... 77 3 00 15 cull ewes... 67 0 00 7 cull ewes... 85 1 00

Yesterday's Late Sales. Steers. 5 sh... 667... 5 50 Packers' Sheep Purchases. Swift & Co... 100 Morris & Co... 123 Total... 223

OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS. CHICAGO. CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., July 19.—The Live Stock World reports. Cattle—Receipts, 6000. Market slow dull steady, cows weaker, feeders steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,000. Light 5c higher, packers 10c lower. Top \$9.10, bulk \$8.30 to \$9.20. Sheep—Receipts, 26,000. Market steady, lambs 10c higher.

KANSAS CITY. KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 19.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers' Telegram reports. Cattle—Receipts, 10,000. Best steady, top \$8.00 and heifers up to even, stockers firm to higher, calves opened steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,000. Market steady to 5c higher, ewes weak. Top \$8.75, bulk \$8.45 to \$8.70. Sheep—Receipts, 3700. Market strong, lambs \$6.35.

SOUTH OMAHA. SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., July 19.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers' Journal-Stockman reports. Cattle—Receipts, 6000. Best steady, others 10c to 15c lower.

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For Presiding Judge.
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of presiding judge, county court of Buchanan County, Missouri, subject to the decision of the Democratic primary to be held Aug. 2, 1910.
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LANDS IN ACTION.

Journal Stockman: Judge Landis is going after the "beef trust" again and as usual starts out announcing what the grand jury must find out and punish. This grandstand prosecution is the very worst thing that the live stock trade has to contend with. It has never seriously hurt the big packers but has worked great injury to the men who have the stock to sell. The public gets an entirely erroneous idea of the business and the markets are more or less demoralized in consequence. If the packers would go into politics and maintain a lobby down in Washington they might secure immunity from this eternal harrasing by the politicians as well as by the courts.

CONSULT YOUR HELP.

National Provisioner: The employees with the interest of his firm at heart is invaluable. The greatest mistake an employer can make is not to show the proper spirit of appreciation. Don't hold your men off at arm's length. We live in a fast, progressive age, an age of new ideas, new methods, new ways, and we who sit in our offices are apt to become foggy and have moss-grown backs. One never comes in contact with a person that he does not get some kind of a new idea. Consult your help. They can give you excellent pointers—pointers that you, from your isolated position may not see. The relationship of employer and employee cannot be too close in a business sense. It is the exchange of ideas, and ideas move the world from darkness to light, from foggyism to progress—Sample Case.

MEAT EXPORTS AT LOW EBB.

According to preliminary figures announced by the government bureau of statistics, exports of meat and dairy products for June were the lowest for any one month in many years. They aggregated in value \$8,844,136, compared to \$12,293,600 for June 1909. For the twelve months ending with June the total value of such exports is given as \$109,826,528, compared to \$146,280,220 for the preceding twelve months.

Exports of meat animals for June are valued at \$227,009, compared to \$1,158,469 a year ago. For the twelve months the totals for meat animal exports are given at \$11,880,243, compared to \$17,926,055 a year previous. This is a loss in meat exports of 23 per cent for the month and over 50 per cent for the twelve months. It comes as startling official confirmation of the statement of J. Ogden Arnsperger, quoted in the last issue of The National Provisioner, that "Meat export business from the United States to Europe is dead." The cheap live stock of other countries apparently is crowding our high-cost and high-grade meat out of European markets.

BACK TO THE FARM.
The difficulty in getting help on the farms is the hardest problem the ag-

Daddy's Bedtime Story—King Midas and the Golden Touch

ONE day daddy overheard Jack say to Evelyn, "I wish I was very, very rich, so that I could buy anything I wanted." This reminded daddy of an old, old story, which he told to Evelyn and Jack that evening.
He began: "Once upon a time, children, a very long time ago, there was a king named Midas, who was a very wise man. He was also very rich, but he wanted to be richer than any other man in the world. At one time he had done a great favor to a powerful fairy, and when the fairy asked him what he wanted in return King Midas said:
"Grant me that everything I touch shall be turned to gold."
"The king was no doubt sincere in his request and was quite insistent that he should have his wish."
"Now, the fairy was as wise as the king and tried to tell him that he would be sorry if his wish was granted, but the king would not listen to him, so the fairy said, 'Very well; you shall have your wish.'
"it was in the morning the fairy said this, and for a time King Midas was quite happy with his gift. He went around his palace touching things that he wanted changed to gold. A gave him great pleasure to see the chairs and the tables, the curtain and the walls and everything else change into the bright, beautiful color of pure gold as he touched them. 'If this thing keeps on,' he said to himself, 'I shall soon be the richest man in the whole world. I think I shall have more money and valuable things than all the rest of the world put together.'
"but after awhile King Midas became tired of touching things and began to feel hungry. 'Now for a good meal for the richest man in the world,' said he to himself. He rang the bell for his servant and was pleased to see that the bell turned to gold as he rang it. 'Bring me some luncheon,' said the king, and the servant went out.
"when he returned with a tray of food the king lifted a morsel to his lips. But—borders!—no sooner did it touch his lips than it, too, turned to gold. Of course the king could not eat gold. He tried to drink some wine, and that also turned to gold when it touched his lips.
"Then King Midas saw that he had made a mistake. Of what value was it to be able to turn things to gold with his touch if he had to starve or die of thirst? So he prayed the fairy to take away his gift.
"The fairy thought much of the king and reappeared. 'I told you that you would be sorry,' he said. 'You must go and bathe in the River Pactolus to take away the golden touch.' The king did so and lost the golden touch, but ever since that time the sands of the river have been of gold."

IN WOMAN'S REALM

ALL AROUND THE HOUSE.
Cheese Help.—When preparing cheese for macaroni put it through your meat grinder instead of grating it and you will be surprised how easily and quickly you can grind up your scraps of stale cheese. It will also keep for weeks if put in a glass jar and sealed.

To Clean Straw Hats.—Cut a lemon in half and rub the surface over the soiled straw, squeezing the juice out while rubbing. The straw will soon be as bright as when new; then rub dry corn meal over the straw with a sponge or rag to remove any particles of lemon. Or you can strain lemon juice through a fine fabric and dip an old toothbrush into the juice and cover the straw. Or you can dissolve tartaric acid in water to make what is practically lemon juice.

Grapefruit Hint.—The grape fruit for breakfast should be cut in half the night before, the seeds all carefully removed, and sugar sprinkled over the fruit, which should then be placed in the refrigerator over night. The result is a delicious fruit for breakfast, sans all bitterness.

Cuffs and Collar Set.—Get two hand crochet doilies, rip out linen center, and open one on one end for collar and cut the other one in half for cuffs.

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Spiced Grape Jelly.—Eight quarts of grapes picked from stem, one quart of vinegar (if strong, dilute), two ounces of cinnamon bark, one ounce of whole cloves, Cook well, strain, and let stand over night, strain again. To one pint of juice use one pint of sugar.

TO PROTECT IMPORTERS.

Percheron Society Compiling List of Horses Imported.
The Percheron Society of America is sending out the following letter from the office of Secretary Wayne Dinsmore:

Gentlemen: The Percheron Society of America has since December 1908, endeavored to induce the Federal authorities to furnish promptly a list of the names and numbers of all horses imported, so as to provide the Secretary with a check list with which to compare foreign certificates sent in for record. June 16, 1910, the board went still further and urged that the Federal Government provide an inspector at ports of entry, to see whether the horses and foreign certificates agreed, and submit a report on same. Immediately to the Secretary of the association. The government has indicated a willingness to do this, but has so far failed to carry out such a plan and the situation is now such that the society has found it necessary to make such inspection for identification at its own expense. This will be confined entirely to seeing whether the horses and pedigrees correspond, will be made at the port of entry by a competent inspector employed by the association, and will start at once. The society regrets the necessity of undertaking work which the Federal Government very properly do to help the breeders and importers, but until the Federal authorities will take charge of this the society must protect itself. In cases when the horses and foreign certificates do not agree, registration will be withheld until the importer straightens matters out. If he cannot, no American certificate will be issued, and the Federal government will collect duty on the animal in question. The establishment of such inspection at port of entry will preclude any possibility of mistake or fraud, and will materially increase promptness and accuracy in the work of the as-

sociation. It will also, within a short time, enable the society to clear most of the imported horses as soon as they hand, to simplify application blanks and to cut out some of the "red tape" incident to all registration work.

The veterinary inspection has been misunderstood by many. It is merely provided for in the new by-laws, and has not yet been put into effect. The details of such veterinary examination are yet to be worked out. Some such provision is necessary for the protection of importers and breeders of Percheron horses. Eleven states now have stallion boards and several of these states have laws requiring veterinary inspection of all stallions standing for service. At present, however, these laws are not uniform, and a certificate from one state will not be accepted in another. A man may buy a stallion in Wisconsin, bearing a certificate of soundness showing that he has been inspected but two weeks before by Dr. Alexander, or the State Veterinarian; yet, if this horse is taken to Illinois, he must be re-inspected before he can stand for service, and even then the horse may be rejected by some Illinois veterinarian who knows, or thinks he knows more than the Wisconsin veterinarian. The present system is unreasonable and works hardships on every breeder and importer. The society desires to cooperate with the stallion boards and will do anything reasonable in work looking to the improvement of horses; but any society, in each state, practicing veterinary inspection, has not yet been started, and will not be begun until the details have been fully considered and settled by the Percheron breeders of America.

A few members have objected to the increase in fees, because the cost of recording has been advanced more than imported in an American bred horse. Such objection is questionable. Importers' papers are given precedence over all others in the secretary's office, because of the importance of a prompt clearance at the custom's house. The inspection for identification increases the expenses of the society, but has been found necessary, and will really benefit every man whose horses are inspected. It gives the buyer definite assurance that the certificate of registry and horse correspond, and that the animal is really imported. No other organization gives breeders such complete protection. Charging more for recording imported animals has long been the rule with the Jersey and Shorthorn associations. Imported Shorthorns must pay a fee of \$100.00 per head before they can be recorded in this country. If the rate on Percherons were made as high as on Shorthorns, in proportion to selling price, the recording fee would be from \$150.00 to \$250.00. The increase is very reasonable and has been made only because of the need of additional revenue for this work of the society. The board of directors made the change after very careful consideration of the entire matter. Seven of the eleven members of the board are active importers. The society is broadening its work in behalf of the breed, and will in the future furnish its members and friends with all possible information that is of practical value. Until October 15, 1910, the fees for recording will remain as they are, so that all parties concerned have ample notice of the change.

I am sure that you will be interested in knowing that 2726 breeders are members of the society and are transacting all their business with it. Since June 25, 1909, 739 more breeders of Percherons have become members of this association, and new applications for membership are coming in daily. The total number of members possessed by the other two associations amounts to but 241, according to their last published lists, so that 91 per cent of the men who are members of the Percheron record associations of America are members of this society.

This letter will give you a more comprehensive idea of the work we are undertaking and I hope you will give the public the benefit of this information through the columns of your publication. I shall be glad to be of service to you at any time.

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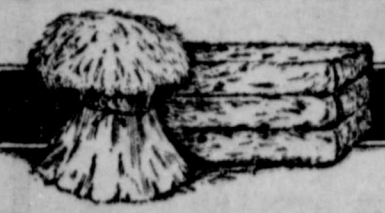
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It is the belief of some metallurgists that traces of metal indicate that not far distant is the original mother lode and if this supposition is true, then somewhere in the heart of the Ozarks is the lost cave of silver Indian tradition deals with, ready to enrich the lucky man or woman who locates it.

Missouri Silver. The 1910 Red Book of the bureau of labor statistics will devote a chapter to the interesting subject of "Missouri silver, where found and what the annual production amounts to."

It takes a high grade of refining to "recover" Missouri silver from the lead ores which contain it and this work is at present done entirely by eastern smelters.

"Silver in Missouri, just think what this means," says Commissioner Hiller's advance information. "It is missing to make our natural resources complete, is the finding of a large deposit of gold and this may also happen as traces of this more valuable substance have several times been reported by prospectors in several counties."

In the lead. In the free silver movement of 1896 Missouri was one of the leading states and had its favorite son, "Silver Dick" Bland, to put forward as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for president, but it was not then generally known that silver ore was one of our natural resources and that there was enough here to pay a handsome profit on the task of "recovering" it.

Table with 3 columns: Year, Silver (1900-1909), Lead (1900-1909), Total (1900-1909).

There are several legends in circulation in connection with Missouri's lost silver mines, some dating back centuries to the period when explorers first reached the meeting of the waters of the Missouri and Mississippi.

made pointed to the southwest and made signs which meant that the mines were four or five days' journey away.

More Indian lore locates the long sought-for cavern in the mountains of Barry county not far from the White river. Its exact location was known to the Indians only a hundred years ago.

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THEY LIKE AMERICANS. "Our People the Whole Thing in Argentine," Says General Wood.

New York, July 18.—Major General Leonard Wood returned from the Argentine by way of Southampton on the American liner St. Paul yesterday.

FOREST FIRES IN ALBERTA Dominion Rangers Using Every Effort to Save Timber.

Calgary, Alberta, July 18.—Forest fires are assuming alarming proportions. They are raging in several places in the foothill country of the Rockies southeast of here.

THE CROP OUTLOOK. Threshing Delayed by Rains in Many Sections of Wheat Belt.

St. Louis, Mo., July 18.—Reports to the Modern Miller say: Threshing winter wheat continues to be delayed by frequent rains in many sections.

There is little prospect of the olive industry of this country being overdone, or there are but three localities in this country where the olive will thrive.

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The Man Who Failed

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"It's all up with me," Safford said, dull; "I have lost my money and I have lost the girl."

Dunham smoked in sympathetic silence. "If she is worth her salt she won't let you give her up."

"I shan't leave the decision to her," Safford said, quickly. "I wrote her this morning that I couldn't drag her down to poverty. Besides she couldn't love a man who has failed."

"Oh, look here," Dunham expostulated. "You haven't failed in anything except an investment that has taken all your money. But you've got your profession."

"Yes," Safford laughed, bitterly, "and you know what that means. Dunham? I have got to make a good appearance before the world. I have got to keep my office up, and my automobiles—although everything I have is mortgaged up to the limit. It's all very well for a man living alone to economize closely, but you can't ask a woman to do a thing like that."

"Then don't try to bluff it out," Dunham advised, bluntly. "Wind up your affairs and start in a humble way in a different neighborhood."

"No," was the stubborn reply. "Do you think Margaret Dare would care to marry a man that the world called a failure? She is too proud for that."

"She is a loving woman before she is a proud one," was Dunham's shrewd estimate.

"She is loving—" a light came into Safford's eyes, then flickered and died—"but I can't take advantage of her affection, Dunham."

"You have already taken advantage of it," Dunham said, quietly; "you won her love knowing that your investments were uncertain."

"But I was so sure," Safford said. "There was the doubt," Dunham insisted. "There is always a doubt when a man puts money into gold mines. And you were too busy looking after other people's bills to watch the men who were managing your affairs. It isn't your fault that you lost—but it is

eyed Persian cat. Everywhere there was the evidence of luxury. The thought of Margaret driven to economize stabbed him. She was born for power, for position. He would not take them from her.

Even as he thought of her she came toward him swiftly, a little graceful figure in her clinging gown of dull blue.

"As if you could get rid of me," she said, and lifted her face for his kiss.

"Don't," he said hoarsely.

She turned very white. "Do you mean," she said slowly, "that you are going to let a little thing like losing your money stand between us?"

"It is not a little thing," "Oh," she flung out her hands. "Do you think I am made only for ease, for softness? Do you think that I am a woman who can't work by your side—who wouldn't be glad to show you how I can help?"

"But you don't know," he told her, "what it means. If I take you into my life the world must know that I have failed. But I could not let you suffer."

"Oh," her eyes blazed. "It is your pride, not your love for me, that stands between us."

"No," he said, "it is not that; but I have failed, Margaret."

She saw the pain in his eyes, the working of his strong features, and she gave a little cry. "Let me help, dear heart; let me help."

For just one moment he gathered her into his arms.

Then he said: "There is no other way, dearest. I must win the money back, and I can't ask you to spend all your youth in waiting."

"Why shouldn't I wait?" she asked quickly. "There never will be any other man, Philip."

He looked at her. "I am a man who has failed," he repeated bitterly.

She swayed toward him a little. "Do you call it failure," she demanded, "simply because you have lost a little money? If you had failed to answer the call of those who suffer; if you had neglected the boy with the broken leg or the baby who is going blind—that would have been failure. If you had refused to go where there was contagion—that would have been failure."

He looked at her in amazement. Was this the gentle, little girl whom he had loved with a half-indulgent love—this wonder-woman with the inspired bearing?

"Margaret," he whispered, and his voice wavered.

"Your life and mine," she went on, "must be dedicated to those who need us. The poor need you more than the rich. Then let us go to them—we will live quietly in a downtown district. You shall grow old in service, and I will shine in your reflected light."

"Dreams," he murmured. She came and knelt beside him. "Aren't they dreams worth making true?" she said. "There would be love and service in our home, and that would be success."

She was in his arms now. "Dearest," he said.

After that there wasn't much to say. But when a little later he left her, Margaret knew she had won.

The next morning he said to Dunham: "I shall marry Margaret. Maybe we are a pair of fools, but we are going to try living for humanity—I shall practise among the poor."

Dunham stared, then dropped his hands on the other's shoulders. "Old fellow," he said, and his voice deepened and broke, "old fellow, last night you said you were a man who had failed, but you would all court failure for a future like that—of love and service and happiness with Margaret Dare."

The Brighter Side.

One of the easiest things in the world is to form the habit of grumbling. The occasional discontent at one's lot soon develops into chronic pessimism, a state of mind that sheds gloom around and completely overshadows the natural brightness of every normal, healthy being.

There's an old saying that puts the matter in a nutshell: "If you can't have what you like, like what you have." Try to see the good that may lie far beneath the surface of your lot, but in the effort to unearth it there will be developed a greater strength to withstand the harder knocks of the world.

The grumbler is a very unwelcome person. He is in a constant state of displeasure with everything in general and with himself in particular; it is a reputation that few of us envy or covet, and one that if care be not used in the daily attitude toward life, will grow upon us until we are the slaves of a disagreeable habit.

Wise Little Mice.

Educated mice are not altogether uncommon about the capitol and its office buildings, but Congressman Rodenberg of Illinois says that those that inhabit his room are more learned than any others. "You know my word is good," said Rodenberg, indicating that the story he was about to tell was a bit fishy. "Well, when my secretary and I were looking over the seeds that came to us from the agricultural department, we were on the verge of doing some tall cussing at the mice that gnawed a hole in the corner of nearly every package. Now, you know, the large envelopes contain several smaller seed packages, and I want to tell you our wrath gave place to admiration when, after opening several of the large packages, we found that none of the small packages in any of them had been touched except the packages of lettuce seed. I'll wager something pretty that there isn't another member of congress who has mice in his room that are trained as well as that."—Washington Correspondence ST. LOUIS STAR.



"You Have Already Taken Advantage of It."

Margaret's right to say whether she will share your misfortunes as well as your fortunes.

"But I am as proud as Lucifer," the doctor began, "and to feel that I am dragging her down—"

"I know—" Dunham smoked for a moment thoughtfully, his eyes on the fire, then he said with some hesitation, "that's the reason I never tried to win her. I am only half a man, Safford. I am down and out as far as my ambitions are concerned. Since the days you and I studied medicine together you have gone up, but I am known as a man who can't be trusted—because he—drinks."

His voice sank and died away, but presently he went on. "But I want Margaret Dare to be happy, and you have no right to turn her away now, Philip."

"Well, I won't let her marry a man who has failed," was Safford's dogged reiteration.

He was interrupted by the tinkle of the telephone. There was a baby ill somewhere in the suburbs. He threw on his coat and started. "Good, old man," he said before he left, "I know you want us both to be happy—but somehow life has cheated me of happiness."

"Perhaps it is we who cheat ourselves," said Dunham wisely, and stared once more into the dying fire.

There was a fight for the baby's life and Safford drove home at dawn. He felt that the bleakness of the cold morning was symbolic of the life that stretched before him with Margaret.

He had a few hours' sleep and came down to find that the morning mail had come. There was a letter from Margaret. "Come to me this morning," she said. "If you have ever loved me—come."

His pride fought against going. He felt that he could not face her. He had held his head so high. He had lavished upon her all the bounty of his wealth and now he was to present himself to her as a man who had failed.

But he went, and she received him in the great library. A fire burned on the hearth. Beside it baked a wood-

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