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THE Grain Blockade is so serious at
the head of the great lakes that at great
expense the ice is being cut away at the
evapor wharves and the vessels laid up
for the winter are being loaded from the
alging elevators. It is said that in this
room is being found for four million
bushels, but that there are still nine mil-
lion bushels in the elevators, or cars or
sheds in the West. The complaint is
so made that much of the grain is quite
rot, owing to poorly-constructed eleva-
tors. The present Government seems to
have utterly failed in meeting the emer-
gency, although the probability of such a
lockade was evident soon after Mr. Borah
took office. All that is now needed
to complete the Borden Cabinet's indiffer-
ence to the needs of the west is to appoint
a commission to investigate the blockade.

Mr. Lloyd George, Britain's Chan-
cellor of the Exchequer, has once more rail-
ed his voice against the mad race for big
navies and bigger armies in which
European powers are engaged. He
declared that Britain was never better
repared than at present to meet any en-
gagement with a foreign power or pow-
ers. At the same time, he thought Rus-
sia, France, Germany and Great Britain
could come to an understanding on in-
ternational questions, and on a great cur-
rentment of their naval and military ex-
penditures. These sentiments were loud-
cheered by a large audience, composed
most entirely of business and financial
men in the City of London.—Tor. Globe.

Capitalization of the Cement Merger.

(Manitoba Free Press)
In connection with the matter of the
capitalization of the cement Merger, for
nearly about one half of which there is a
responding physical value, it is inter-
esting to note how the figures compare
with those of the Lehigh Portland Cem-
ent Company, the Chicago concern with
which the City Council has made the con-
tract for the 25,000 barrels of cement
needed for civic construction work in
Minneapolis this year. The Lehigh Port-
land Cement Company has eleven mills
with a total capacity of 11,000,000 barrels
of cement yearly. The Canada Cement
company, which is the legal title of the
merger, has ten mills with a total capacity
of 3,500,000 barrels yearly. The Free Press
takes these figures from the prospectus
published in the London papers, in which
the information is set forth in detail.

The capitalization of the Canada Cem-
ent Company is \$24,000,000 in stock and
5,000,000 in bonds, a total of \$29,000,000
that is to say, while the Chicago concern
has nearly two and a half times the cap-
acity of the combination engineered by
the "high finance" genius of Sir Max
Arden the Napoleonic superiority of our
Canadian cement-knight stands out mon-
umentally in the fact that the capitaliza-
tion of the Canada Cement Company is
more than three and a half times the cap-
italization of the Chicago concern, which
is furnishing cement to the city of
Minneapolis at a price less than the ten-
th of the Canada Cement Company, the du-

ty of 51 3/4 cents per barrel being includ-
ed in the price. This, of course, is
plain proof that the duty is not "adequate"
to meet the "Canada For The Cana-
dians" idea of Sir Max and his cement
associates.

Sinks Ships Rather Than Sell Them to England.

New York, Feb. 8. A report circulat-
ed in steamship circles recently said that
the North German Lloyd Steamship Co.,
had been absorbed by English steamship
lines controlled by Mr. J. Pierpont Mor-
gan.

Asked either to affirm or deny this re-
port, an officer of the North German
Lloyd Company yesterday replied:

"When Mr. J. P. Morgan formed this
International Mercantile some years ago,
the North German Lloyd was asked to
enter that combination. The Emperor
of Germany heard of the offer, and called
the director general of the line before
him for an explanation.

"The director declared his company
had never entertained the idea of selling
to Englishmen for one minute.

"That is good," replied the Emperor.
"Before I would allow a German steam
ship company to be bought by an English
or foreign concern, I would order the
German navy to sink every ship the com-
pany owned."

Alleged Land Swindle in Florida.

Washington, Feb. 7. The House Com-
mittee on Expenditures in the Agricul-
tural Department today formally ordered
an immediate investigation to ascertain
to what extent government officials have
used their positions to assist land exploi-
ters in selling more than a million acres
of water covered lands in the Florida
Everglades.

Senators Fletcher and Bryan of Florida
have taken a great interest in the inquiry
today. It is positively denied that they
had any knowledge that the land scheme
was improper, or that they used any in-
fluence to aid the promoters. It is this
phase inquiry that will be taken up by
the committee.

The two Senators from Florida were
closeted with Chairman Moss of the House
Committee this morning. Neither Sena-
tor would make a statement following
their conference with Mr. Moss.

Sold To Small Purchasers.
The committee expects to show that
former Governor Broward, who died in
1910, and former Governor Jennings of
Florida were heavy holders of this land,
which was sold to small purchasers in all
sections of the country with the guaran-
tee that the Department of Agriculture
stood sponsor for its future value.

The land promoters paid about fifty
cents an acre. They spent \$1.50 more
for drainage. The total cost to the pro-
moters was \$2 an acre. They sold it to
distant purchasers at from \$24 to \$100 an
acre.

Representative Clark of Florida, who
has been instrumental in starting the
probe, receiving letters today from sev-
eral engineers who investigated the prop-
erties. They advised Mr. Clark that
the lands were valuable: in their present
condition, that the alleged improvements
which were sanctioned by the State au-
thorities did not add any value.

It is understood that Florida State of-
ficials and members of Congress from
that State have been so heavily interest-
ed in the sale of the properties that no
investigation was ever demanded before.
As the money for the purchase of the
lands came from the other sections of
the country, the Florida authorities never
questioned the activities of the pro-
moters.

Girls' Big Hats.

It was a man who made this remark:
"Girls are now wearing hats so big, and
they are brought down so far that they
conceal the brow, the very eyes and nose.
Everything is hidden but the smile, and
I'm afraid that'll go pretty soon, if they
keep on."

The man didn't look as if he worked
in a millinery store or that he would find
anything to interest him in the latest fash-
ion magazine, but he did look as if he
saw things. Whether he knew it or not,
however, he struck the key note of the
latest fashion—a woman says.

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Why Do Men Advertise.

The man who conducts his business on
the theory that it doesn't pay and he can't
afford to advertise, sets up his judgement
in opposition to that of all the best busi-
ness men in the world. Says an experi-
enced advertising authority: "With a few
years' experience in conducting a small
business on a few thousands of capital,
I assume to know more than thousands
whose hourly transactions aggregate more
than his do in a year, and who have made
their millions by pursuing a course that
he says doesn't pay."

If advertising doesn't pay, why is it
that the most successful merchants of every
town, large or small, are the heaviest
advertisers? If advertising doesn't pay,
who does the most business? If it does
not pay, business firms in the world spend
millions in that way. Is it because they
want to donate those millions to the news-
paper and magazine publishers, or because
they don't know as much about business
as the six-for-a-dollar merchant who says
money spent in advertising is thrown away
or donated to the man to whom it is
paid? Such talk is simply ridiculous, and
it requires more than the average patience
to discuss the proposition of whether ad-
vertising pays or not with that kind of a
man. His complacent self-conceit is as-
suming that he knows more than the
whole world is laughable, and reminds
us of the man who proved that the world
doesn't revolve by placing a pumpkin on
a stump and watching it all night.—Ex.

Trials Of Married Men.

A Paris husband has applied for divorce
upon the ground that he will no longer
baton his wife up the back. The phrase

is an awkward one, but there seems no
way to improve it. Let it go. We all know
what it means, those of us who are initi-
ated. This particular victim suggests that
he would not mind the task occasionally,
but he had to do it a half a dozen times a
day. One of the gowns had forty-nine
buttons, and he invariably finds that
when he gets near the south pole that
there is a lack of symmetry in the oppos-
ing halves and that somewhere or other
there has been a faulty connection. Then
he has to work backward, find the un-
mated hole, and do it all over again.
Therefore he asked for legal release from
a slavery worse than death.

The case is exactly as stated! It is even
more so. Buttons are by no means the
worst of the contrivances that women use
to shut themselves up behind. Buttons
are had enough in all conscience, but how
about hooks, frisky little abominations
impossible to grasp, still more impossi-
ble to insert into their receptacles that are
usually made of cotton and indistinguish-
able from the surrounding landscape? A
more heart-breaking task can hardly be
imagined, and it will always be found
that the moment success seems to be with-
in sight the woman will begin to breathe.
The first time this task was set to us, we
halved the difficulties by driving the hook
firmly and resolutely into the fabric of
the dress, but there were reasons why
this was never attempted again.—Ex.

Freedom In Germany.

"Your German citizen who has lived
for any length of time in the fatherland
misses in these days the liberties he en-
joys in his native country," remarked F.
A. Herold of Hof, Bavaria, at the New
Ebbitt. "In saying this I am not criticising
America, which is the greatest country in
the world, but the wave of reform that
has spread over the United States has
caused many a German to wish that he
was back on his own soil again, especially
on Sunday. The Germans enjoy a greater
measure of personal liberty, I believe,
than the people of any other nation.

"It cannot be gained that Germany is
quite as religious as the United States.
Its people are pious, church-going citizens
who are as devout in their religious be-
liefs as any others, but they are not so
narrow in their views that they must ab-
stain from all enjoyments on the Sabbath.
All through German Sunday is observed
by religious services in the churches, but
in the evening the people gather in the
beer gardens and enjoy themselves over
their beverages. Heads of families take
their entire flock to the gardens after ser-
vices at church and sit and listen to the
music. The Germans do not drink beer as
the Americans do. A German may sit in a
garden from 8 in the evening until 12 at
night and drink no more than three sice-
les of beer. I have seen religious services
held in the rear of a saloon in Hof, where
the minister sat with his parishioners
drinking beer until the services began."

THE WIZARD OF THE FORGE

By Harry Dixon

One summer morning little John
Anderson was drawing his wooden
horse up and down in the sunshine
outside the door of his father's forge.
By and by, feeling rather tired, he
sat down on his good little horse's
back, and nursing his chin in his
hands, listened to the song of the
hammer as it beat and beat on his
father's anvil. Gradually words be-
gan to connect themselves with the
music it made, and the question was
repeated again and again. "What will
you be when you grow to a man? Rat-
tapan — rattapan — rattapan — paa!"

Johnny's eyes opened wide. He got
upon his feet and stole timidly to the
door of the forge, to see a queer old
man, dressed in a light red cloak and
a tall steple hat, pounding away on
the anvil.

"Ah, John Anderson, you have come
like a brave boy," said the old man.
"Now, tell me, when you grow up,
are you going to be a draper or a
butcher?"

Johnny twisted his fingers behind
his back and looked shy.
"I'm the wizard of the forge," said
the old man sharply, "and I cannot
take silence for an answer."

"Soldier," said Johnny, quickly, "I
thought everybody knew that I was
going to be a soldier."

The wizard looked just a little bit
hurt as he drew himself into a mere
upright position.

"Then there is no time to be lost,"
said he. "If you are going to be a
soldier, of course you know what a
soldier is?"

Johnny smiled. There was nothing
he liked better than talking about
soldiers, so he told the Wizard right
away that he had a whole regiment
of them. They were made of tin, and
he ordered them about while he sat on
his galleant wooden charger. Wellington
(he nodded towards the door of the
forge, round the corner of which
Wellington's head was peeping), and

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as amended by Chapter 27, 9 Edward 7th
1909, which reads as follows:

"9. Any person may kill (a) any dog
which he sees pursuing, worrying or
wounding any sheep or lamb; or (b) any
dog giving tongue and terrifying any
sheep or lamb on any farm; or (c) any
dog which any person finds straying up-
on his or her property at any time; pro-
vided always, that no dog so straying,
either when securely muzzled or accom-
panied by any person owning or posses-
sing or having the charge or care of said
dog, shall be so killed, unless there is
reasonable apprehension that such dog
if not killed is likely to pursue, worry,
wound or terrify sheep or lambs then on
said farm."

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F. H. Grimmer, Secretary Treasurer.

Airy, North Carolina, and spent the last
years of their lives. For many years
they had been star attractions in P. T.
Barnum's "greatest show on earth." Re-
tiring, they resided near Mount Airy for
many years having married sisters, and
each was the father of ten children. Over
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mally developed, live in the section and
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