#### THE MONEY KINGS OF ANCIENT ROME

That the accumulations of vast fortunes was as possible in ancient Rome, which knew neither the railroad nor Standard Oil, as it is in the United States to-day, is shown by the following table that has been compiled from authoritative historical records.

While it may be true that the wealth of the Czar of Russia and John D. Rockefeller may exceed nearly all of these old-time hoards there can be no question of the fact that as spenders Antony and Caligula have never been surpassed.

Crassus's landed estate was 8,333,330 valued at .....\$ His house was valued at ... 400,000 Caecillius Isidorus, after 5,235,800 having lost much, left Demetrius, a freedman of 3,875,000 Pompey, was worth ...

Lentulus, the augur, no less 16,666,066 than ..... Clodius, who was slain by 700,000 Milo, paid for his house. He once swallowed a pearl 40,000  $\mathbf{Worth}\ \dots\dots\dots\dots$ Apicius was worth more 5,000,000 than ..... He poisoned himself after he had spent in his kitchen and otherwise squan-

dered immense sums to the amount of ...... The establishment belonging to M. Scarus, and burned at Tusculum, was 4,150,000 valued at ...... Gifts and bribes may be considered signs of great riches.

Caesar presented Servilia, the mother of Brutus, 200,000 with a pearl worth ....\$ Paulus, the consul, was bribed by Caesar with 292,000 the sum of Curio contracted debts to 2,500,000 the amount of ..... Milo contracted one debt of 2,915,000 Antony owed at the Ides of March, which he paid be-

1,666,666 fore the Kalends of April Seneca had a fortune of .. 17,500,000 Tiberius left at his death and Caligula spent in less

than 12 months ...... 118,120,000 -The Scrapbook.

#### A SAINT AT HOME

This brief sketch of a Catholic saint is penned by Dr. Earrar, late Protestant Dean of Canterbury.

St. Frances of Rome was a Roman lady of noble birth. She was married in 1396 to a Roman nobleman, Laurence Ponzani. "Her obedience and condescension to her husband was inimitable," such a return of affection, that for the leaves them bewildered in regard to forty years which they lived together, there never happened the least disagreement; and their whole life was a constant strife and emulation to antici-Pate each other in mutual complaisance and respect." "A married woman," she used to say, "must, when called upon, quit her devotions at the altar to find them in her household affairs."

a woman's religious pursuits must never of it they would give a good deal to be suffered to interfere with her obligations to provide for the welfare and comfort of her husband and children. It was the daily custom of this lady to spend one of the early hours of the morning in prayer and the study of the Holy Scripture. On one occasion she had sat down at her desk for this pur-Pose, when some domestic trifle—the requirements of one of her servants or one of her children-demanded her attention. Mindful of the true rule, "Do the next thing," and ready to to the claim of duty, she arose, did what was named a sound color. iovial spirits and sound control what was named to the claim of duty, she arose, did color. what was necessary and returned to her reading. But no sooner had she sat down than a second interruption occurred. Again she rose with quiet dignity, attended to the needs of her household, and went back to her Bible. But before she had begun to read she was again called and again did her task. This happened seven times in succession Yet she never delayed, nor uttered one murmur, nor showed the smallest fretfulness. When for the seventh time she came back to the Psalm which lay open before her, she found that angel hands, high in approval of her cheerful faithfulness had inscribed the verse for her in letters of shining gold. Pitts-

"It's too bad about those crullers You made, "said the new husband, sadly. "Why?" asked his wife, quickly.

burgh Catholic.

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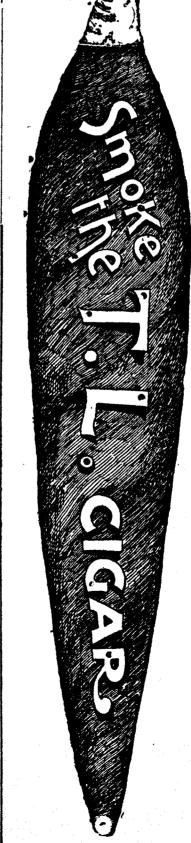
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