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### The Temperance Question in England.

The war, with all its horrors, has been productive armed with the Maunlicher, of good in some things. Not least of these is the est in use, weighing only # lbs. 5 est. however, some misconception as to the extent to warfare. which the reform movement is likely to go. It is too hastily assumed that there will be, for the a total prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating liquors. Those who think that this is likely to occur have little knowledge of the strength of the interests on the other side of the question. The influence of the distillers in Great Britain is by no means small, but the greater power is that of the brewers and the allied interests. For England to prohibit the use of beer would be something almost marvellous. So great is the power of those engaged in the manufacture and sale of malt liquors that it used to be said that beer and the Bible-the brewers and the church-were the sheet anchors of one of the great political parties. The drink habit is so widespread and in various ways so influential that any movement against it must meet with much resistance. But if some drasprobable that a distinction will be marked between spirituous and malt liquors. It may be claimed that the drunkenness among skilled workmen, which is now the subject of chief complaint, is the result of intoxicants, but still leaving the beer trade to less exciting diversion. flourish, though probably under more restrictions as to hours of sale. A reform of this kind is about The more the anti-tipping crusade can be extendthe side of beer.

That it is whiskey and similar strong liquors rather than beer that are the cause of so much drunk. Would you like to do something to help in the an evil as whiskey drinking. This question was and a half. very fully discussed in our Canadian Senate some years ago, when the late Honorable W. J. Almon, of Halifax, an eminent medical man, sought to obwhich, while still prohibiting the stronger beverages, too bad that the rust and barnacles which have accuwould permit the sale of light wines and beer. An mulated on the German fleet in the Kiel Canal presides. It was argued by opponents of the proposed have cold feet on that the habitual use of beer did much harm to the bodily health. In support of this view it was strongly alleged that the experience of the London hospitals showed that the most difficult patients to treat were those who were large consumers of beer, these being found to have lost the power to resist the attacks of serious disease.

These and similar views so impressed the Canadian Senate that Doctor Almon's case for beer and wines was not approved. In Great Britain beer has been more kindly regarded. To guard

The reports that have appeared in the press con. worst is over. cerning the King's action are likely to be misleading. "Teetotalism will be enforced in the King's great honor to the King and there can be no doubt vor votes for women. that it will have a wide influence upon the British people everywhere. But even the King does not propose to deny the members of his household their much." Some time ago the Journal of Commerce glass of beer.

## Rival Rifles.

nations. At the outset it was stated that the Ger- when a woman boasts of her virtue, or a man of his man artillery surpassed anything in existence. Cer. patriotism. tainly the effect of the shell fire of the heavy howwas remarkable. Lately, however, the Brit- That there is nothing new under the sun

long without the bayonet, the shortest rifle in use. perfumes, and bricks. Manuscripts have been dis yet one that would do for all mrantry requirements.

The rifle is light, strong, simple in construction, century.

while the fact that its magazine contains ten cart-ridges as Compared with five in most other rifles gives it an added advantage. The British rifle can be fired thirty-four times a minute, the builet which is fired weighing 2 is grains, and has a muzzle ve-locity of 2,668 feet a second. It has an effective range of two and a haif miles; which is considerably greater than that of any other weapon used in the war: The weight of the rifle without the bayonet

HON: W. S. FIREDING, President and Editorin-Chief:

J. U. ROSS, M.A. Managing Editor:

The French riffe is the famous Label introduced in 1886. It is tell Churces heavier than the British riffe and is hearly sevent inches riffe, and is nearly sevent inches longer, which ren-ders it particularly effective in bayonet charges. The chief defect of the French rifle is that it can only be fired blue times a minute: The Russ knowl as the "three-line," or Nagan, was designed than the British weapon; and seven inches longer: London, Eng.—W. E. Bowding, 25 Victoria Street, The magazine, which is of the best type, helds but The magazine, which is of the best 1790, noise of five cartridges. The Belgiah army uses a Mauser rifle. It is two concess lighter than the Lee-Enfield, and fires a Bullet weighing his grains:

The German weapon is the Mauser of the 1898 attern, firing & pointed bullet Weighing only grains: It fires farth shots a minuse, while the bul: et has an initial velocity of 2,882 feet bei second The German rifle, however, has not as effective a range as the British gun, probably on account of the lightness of the bullet. At any rate, it falls short of the British range by 6764 Six hundred yards. The rifle is half a pound heavier than the British rifle. The Austrian Hungarian forces are The ride is the light.

a wakening of the people of the mether country to a The fighting has shown that the British are the keener realization of the widespread evils of intembest marksmen of any of the nations in Europe. It is because the drink habit amongst Part of this may be due to the superior training the workmen is proving a grave danger to the nation. British have received in rifle shooting, but undoubtas respects the supply of war materials and the edly a good deal depends upon the very effective performance of service which plays an important rifle with which they are armed. It is somewhat performance of service which plays an important part in the great conflict, that Britain has become unfortunate that the Canadian troops did not have chines have been placed in commission. An exchange alarmed, and has begun to grapple more vigorously an opportunity to try out the Ross rifle. Apparentslarmed, and has begun to grappic more regular to the state of the sta his sympathy with the new movement, and his de regarded by the British. War Office as strong mercial. sire to help by his personal example. There is, enough to withstand the rough usage incidental to

Every nation apparently has Hunnish proselytizperiod of the war at least, if not for a longer time, ers. A pro-German weekly paper called "Trekonist" has been founded at The Hague by Dutchmen:

> It was Sydney Smith, if we mistake not, who have been severely punished.

rich, was afraid to face the music. His forte, like mighty glad to have those clothes," he said. "She most of the German naval commanders, consists in says now she'll have something to hang out on the sinking unarmed merchant ships. They hesitate line Mondays." about facing British naval guns.

slumming and give more real assistance to the dulging in for the past few minutes. tice measures of reform are deemed necessary, it is morality squad if they were to follow the example of New York City, which designs to introduce patrolmen.

excessive use of spirits. If this be established, in cording to a highly-colored narrative from Sarasota. reality or apparently, it will be made the ground Fla., a 1,100 pound shark that had to be landed with for regulations discriminating against the stronger a mule team was caught by a party in search of

as much as can be expected, even under war coneed the more everyone will be gratified. An antiditions, in a country where there is so much of tipping bill, applying to hotels, restaurants, dining wealth and rank and power and public opinion on and sleeping cars, was passed by the lower House of the Iowa Legislature.

enness will no doubt be contended, and this view war, say, for example, to bear the burden for a brief is likely to influence whatever action the authoritime? Mr. Herbert Samuel, in a recent speech in no lack of argument that beer drinking is as much dollars pays Britain's war bills for just a minute

> "The expected relief did not appear," is the exvented them coming out, or else Von Tirpitz must

Before the Willard-Johnson fight at Havana, the former must be glad now that the sporting fraternity was disposed on this occasion to display a lit- why he was signaled. tle restraint in its betting proclivities. Comparatively little money was wagered.

The "ticker" service, which has been suspended Philadelphia Ledger. against the adulteration of beer has been considered for several months in connection with stock exa sacred duty by the British authorities. It is hard, change transactions, was resumed to-day. In so far ly within the bounds of probability that such a steep back to their normal. In New York a stock within so well that he was much averse to the pros-

household" is the statement that comes over the approve of equal rights, evidently do not admire the cable. But this is not borne out by a careful read. Propaganda of the British suffragettes. Less strenuit into a cup of hot tea, replacing it at the first sign. They are under no necessity of getting up in the ing of the official announcement of April 6th, which ous methods of impressing the masculine mind are of the medico's turning. When that worthy examinsays: "By the King's command no wines or spirits to be adopted. Suffrage advocates in Washington ed in any of His Majesty's houses at agreed to plant big beds of yellow flowers in their then back at the thermometer and gasped: It is an announcement that has done yards this year to show all passers-by that they fa-

Mr. Veitch, concert promoter, "doth protest too published an extract from the Toronto Saturday Night, in which Mr. McCormack was accused of holding very pronounced pro-German views. Since that time Mr. Veitch has been inserting in the papers all kinds of stories bearing on the loyalty and Some interesting comparisons are being made in unselfish devotion to the British cause shown by regard to the respective arms used by the warring Mr. McCormack. Suspicions are at once aroused

ish and French are using artillery surpassing in be once more demonstrated by Prof. C. M. Cobern, effectiveness anything possessed by the Germans, explorer and archaeologist, who asserts that the palace of Nero in ancient Rome had three elevants. Especially is this true of field artillery.

In the matter of rifles, the British army have the most modern and probably the most effective arm.

The British rifle, known as the short Lee-Enfield, money in Rome. In St. Paul's time there were 70 labor the British rifle, known as the short Lee-Enfield, money in Rome. Several monopolies neid sway, was only designed seven years ago. It is 44½ inches the greatest being in the olive oil business, eggs payonet is 17 inches long. The shorter rifle covered showing that one Roman spent \$12,000,000 was the outcome of lessons taught in the South upon decorations for his house, and another masan War, which showed the need for a rifle nate spent \$99,000,000 in one year. Professor net too long for cavalry and mounted infantry, and bern also discovered that the Jews had three different would do for all infantry requirements. [erent systems of shorthand reporting in the first

In adventing & these Secretaries of liques selling in the Erlinia Lives, particularly ill feetiber; surround-ng the Trustment and equipment Senters, Chancellor

In the British lites, particularly in Certifier, surrounding the similarit and equipolent Sentes at Chancellor Eloyd George is not proposing brothbiddless Chancellor Choyd George is not proposing brothbiddless as social or most theory, but as a wer measure. Excessive drinking oil the part of the men is limiting the hours of labor, cutting from the volume of production and making it directive for the Mor Department to bend troops to the front as fast as they are required.

Already the leading journals or all barries have promised to support the Characteria have hitherte been very toyal, can be depended upon to scand by the autherities about the trades unions, which have hitherte been very toyal, can be depended upon to scand by the autherities about it is in an way are depived at liquer become restive. Mr. Idoyd George's speech marks a new opech in the history of the actified of manking lower in toxicants; and coming from Great Bettalin, where the toxicants; and coming from Great Britain, where the destrine of personal liberty is almost a fetish, it is the

### more significant:—Pulludelphia Public Ledger. WAR HERBEA.

Not to be sutdene by the British, who put Sergeant Michael O'Leary to the front as a hero slaving eight German soldiers and taking a trench single-handed, the Russians offer Captain Suvareff, who accomplish ed even mere on the Ornec River; for he not only eaptured a trench, but played a machine gun on an advancing German company until it broke and fled with heavy casualties. It is the turn of the French, the Belgians, the Austrians, the Servians, or the Turke. The bigger the war the greater the schievements of individual heroes. Not even D'Artagnan, in the pages of Dumas, killed men by the dozen.-New York Sun.

Automobile manufacturing may be said to have really begun in 1902, and since that time, according to the records, more than a million and a half ma-

### \*\*\*\*\*\* "A LITTLE NONSENSE NOW AND THEN"

fight, for it usually means that two blackguards derciothes from one who had helped the family, says the Boston Record. The woman's husband thanked given—the power of pardoning should be taken from spurious, and arranged with a view to trading on the the donor's husband, and a whole drama of humble Commander Thierichens, of the Prinz Eitel Fried, ambitions might be built round his words: "Mary's

Young James was obviously disturbed by the almost

motherly woman, bending over the carriage.

acrawst any one wot looks upon the dark side o' Already the fish-story season has commenced. Ac. things as he does," rejoined James, with a frown,— ceived \$30,000. The singers received from \$2,000 a compromises. A fairly good disposition is as much

> it was met by a lady who remarked pleasantly: "Ah. my lord, I am glad to see you able to drive out."

> "I am not driving out, madam," answered Chesterfield; "I am simply rehearsing my funeral."—Boston

One of the new stories about a certain make of car is likely to influence whatever action the author. time: Mr. Herbert Sanden, in a local state of the state of In less than the minute he was in possess him. of a brand new machine and had given his check for it. He climbed in and started for home. When 20 freedom with which we are able to go about our standing that this influx "en masse" commenced by miles from Detroit the car stopped. The owner liftof Halirax, an eminent medical man, sought to cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the Frinz Enter ed the noon and found in the cuse given by the commander of the cuse given by the cuse given by the commander of the cuse given by the cuse gi cuse given by the commander of the Prinz Eitel ed the hood and found he had no engine. "Well, I'll warfare we are exercising sea command with a succiate the achievement of the Polish race in this co

> The new flagman could not leave until the limited express, due at two minutes of 7, had safely passed. One night it was late. About 12 minutes past the ing victory of Trafalgar we continued to suffer on freedom than the Polish race. The advantages gateman heard it in the distance and selzed his red the average at the rate of 50 ships annually." then black champion offered to bet \$20,000 to \$15. lantern. The engineer was making up lost time, but 600 that he would defeat the white challenger. The brought his train to a standstill at the wave of the red light. He jumped off and ran ahead to find out "What made you signal?" he demanded, angrily,

seeing no danger

"What kept ye?" calmly questioned the gateman.-

Private Tommy Sims had had prebeen seriously contemplated by the British Gov. exchange seat has just sold for \$49,500, a gain of delphia Public Ledger. One day the doctor was takexchange seat has just sold for \$49,500, a gain of pect of being discharged as cured, relates the Philaing his temperature, and while Tommy had the thermometer in his mouth the doctor moved on, and hap-Women in the capital of the United States who pened to turn his back. Tommy saw his chance. He and compelled to pay alimony sufficient to keep up ed the thermometer he looked first at Tommy and "Well, my man, you're not dead, but you ought to be!"

OUR OWN.

If I had known in the morning How wearily all the day The words unkind would trouble my mind That I said when you went away, i had been more careful, darling, Nor given you needless pain; But-we vex our own with look and tone We might never take back again

For though in the quiet evening You may give the kiss of peace Yet it well might be that never for me The pain of the heart would cease! How many come forth in the morning Who never go home at night And hearts have been broken for harsh words

That sorrow can ne'er set right

We have careful thought for the stranger, And smiles for the sometime guest, But oft for our own bitter tone, Though we love our own the best , lips with the curce impatient, Ah, lips with the curve impatient. Twere cruel fate were the night too late

To undo the work of morn. -Margaret E. Sangster. THE BIBLE IN THE SOMOOLS

senator W: P. Greiner has introduced a bill at Al-bany to have the Bible read in the public sensolis. He does not starte stone in believing that children should be taught something of intraility and religion, and his sincerity is beyond doubt. Catholics, Protestants and Jews who practice their religion agree on this but they cannot agree on how to do it. More but they cannot agree on how to do it. More than a million Jews live in New York city alone and nearly one-fourth of all the children in its public schools are of that race. Their parents ciergy would not submit to the reading and teach-ing of the New Testament: Catholics object to the use of the King James Version of the Bible and retestants object to the Cathelia "pausy !" it contains books they regard as apecryphal.

compromise mide of instruction few would oppose Many competent authorities believe the public schools should be turned ever to the clergy of the various churches at certain hours for the struction of pupils in religion and merals. Others believe the separate school system is the solution of the problem Both plans are bitterly opposed by these who insist that schools shall be non-sectarian How can these warring factions be reconciled? Senater Greiner can de it he will have done something that has been regarded as impossible for five centuries. New York Commercial.

### THE LUXURY OF GRAND OPERA.

The presentation of grand opera is not a business but an extravagance. No grand opera company em-"Oh, I dun'no'; he's alw'ys cryin'. I never came bankruptcy court. The sum of \$66,000 was paid in performance down. There were several who got \$1,000 as experience could hope for and as much as erring for each time they sang.

Grand opera as at present offered is an expensive Fairly good is the way of the world and a wise lad dying, and so before him did Lord Chesterfield. The luxury. It cannot be put on a paying basis until asked for no more. Youth wants perfection an latter, when he had only a short while to live, was, the salaries given to the singers and to the managers maturity gets along fairly well with fairly good. W on the advice of his physician, taken out for an easy are computed with some reference to the possible in- suspect that maturity would rebel at perfection come from the sale of seats and boxes. But per- finding it, would also find it intolerable. haps the backers of the opera season would rather irritating around the house as impeccability have grand opera remain an exclusive luxury than never a human flaw in its thought or act? to make it show an even balance sheet .- Philadelphia What could so upset a rational housewife Public Ledger.

## A HUNDRED YEARS OF PEACE.

"A hundred years of peace on the seas have somewhat blinded us." says the London Telegraph. can hardly realize the blessings which we are enjoying from day to day-our relatively cheap food, our was desultory and insignificant. After the France ample supplies of raw material for industry, and the Prussian war the mass emigration began. business on the world's seas. After six months of a generation ago, the reader will the better approcess which our ancestors did not experience after try. The Poles, long deprived of their c sixteen years of superhuman effort, marked by a in their mother country, especially under Prosuccession of victories. During the Revolutionary and Russian rule, promptly availed themselves and Napoleonic wars over ten thousand merchant civic opportunities here. We dare say there is not vessels were captured or sunk; even after the crown- race appreciating to a fuller extent the blessings

### The Day's Best Editorial

## CONSIDER THE HOBO.

Tramps have few vicissitudes They do not hav to cater to fickle constituen receiver, as corporations often do, or into bankruptcy. where many individuals fetch up after entering with high hopes and fine confidence upon profitable and honorable projects. Tramps are not sued for divorce early morning, when all of the consolations of paradise are claimed by the fortunate few who can awaken just sufficiently to be able to realize their luck and then turn over to pick up again the golden thread of unfinished dreams. They are not pinned to one pitiful spot in a world of wonders and delights to vegetate in a depleted soil and become stunted. The ramp is a gentleman of unlimited leisure,

The crumpled rose leaf in the hobo's bouquet of arthly pleasures has been the inhospitable attitude of the conventional world toward those who have un ocked the treasure house of idleness, and turned their backs upon the tawdry prizes hung up for toilers. Now the great and good state of New York has set aside a fund out of which every wanderer may be provided for, to the extent of 45 cents a day, while being furnished a free bed.

Who is the happy warrior? Who is he whom every man-in-arms should wish to be? The hard worked barrister, getting his fees from the strife of his neighbor? The overworked physician, getting his bread and cheese by prescribing physic to a melancholy horde of complaining patrons who will blame him if he does not work a miracle? The business man with the hot cog-wheels in his head and the fear of the bank hanging over him like the sword of Damocles? The honest farmer, spurned by Jupiter Pluvius, scourged by Æolus, smitten by the plague, complaining like an elderly fishwife of Billingsgate afflicted with rheumatism? The officeholder, harassed by hangers-on, responsible to everybody, defenceless against criticism? Or the merry hobo -From the Louisville Courier-Journal.

W: P: Greiner has introduced a will at Ai.

if all were of one faith or could agree on some

It may be a matter of reasonable doubt to say that Wo do not despise a man who finds in practical the death penalty does not stay the slayer because redicine the means of his livelihood. We look wi in states where capital punishment exists he has almest 98 chances out of 100 to escape. It would make the a big killing. But, if we employ strenuous term a far more telling argument to the opposite opinion we denounce the doctor who does business on to say: "Give expital punishment a trial first before you attempt to abolish it." New York and
a faker and an enemy of society. We look down or Chicago together have a population about equal to him for regarding his patients as raw material. In 1913 these two cities had a total of 417 say he is commercialized. The same term w murders: just twenty times as many as London, to any free man who arranges his opinions with which, out of its twenty murderers, nad hanged fif- loud a view to profit. May it not be possible that the slackness of "commercialized" because what he sells is mater the law, the misuse of its criminal proceedings, vast- not spiritual. He deals in raw product. We do ly more than the law itself must be blamed? Society despise the lawyer for arranging his owes to itself adequate protection. What guarantee purpose in arranging them is supposed to be has society against the murderer who, escaping the tice as well as the major portion of his client's a nose, goes to jail in the confidence that sooner or But we do despise the revivalist who salts away later he will be turned back on it? There are many tune, the politician who profits by politic awful features to capital punishment that are shock- power, the press agent of the big corpor ing and abhorrent, but we prefer these rather than mercenary newspaper man, the subsidized m a mawkish sentimentality that might leave us a prey pert, the woman who simulates love for the sai wrote many years ago: "I like to hear of a prize A certain poor woman had received some new un- to weak doctrinaires. Should capital punishment money, or any one else who puts forth as genuin be abolished in this state, one safeguard should be disinterested any spiritual expression which is rea the governor.-From the New World. public and making money rather than manifesting sincere personality.-Francis Hackett, in the New Re

## public.

WISDOM OF MATURITY ploying the great singers pretends to give perform- One describing herself as a little lady of good referances unless it is backed by a group of capitalists ences and arrived, by forty years, at maturity, bas Perhaps the aldermen in Montreal would do less incessant yells which his baby brother had been in- willing to pay several thousand dollars apiece each written to the Chicago detective bureau to obtain. year to cover a deficit. The reason for this ap- possible, a western gentleman as a husband. The "What is the baby crying for?" asked a kind-faced, pears in the list of salaries paid to the singers in the qualities desired are set forth, among them a "fairly Philadelphia-Chicago company, now in the Illinois good disposition." The wisdom of forty considered that specification. salaries to four of the managers, one of whom re- At twenty, one is stubborn for ideals. At forty, one

nature would provide.

moral fashion plate that always had its deper ironed and its temper serene? The unerringly go can be possible only in a vacuity. Chicago Tribune

Prior to 1870 Polish emigration to the United Sta equal rights, of equal opportunities, of freedom assembly, of speech, of press, have been quickly \*\*\*\*\*\*\* cognized, and the United States has no more appr ciative citizens than the countrymen of Fosciusz and Pulaski.-Kuryer Polski.

## AN ARISTOCRACY OF DANGER

Among the most impressive records of the wat a the pages of portraits published by the British wee Whatever sinister part kings and castes have

in making ware, when ways are waging they ha paid their fuil share, at least in modern times. the present war the rate of mortality among offic is very high, and if hostilities continue a long wh as many experts have prophested, the aristocracies all belligerent countries will be bled to exhaustion In war there is an aristocracy of danger, since deers of the line at least take more chances as a rule than their men, an aristocracy that ends in the gre emocracy of death.—Chicago Tribune.

## BREAK UP AT HAND?

Only in one way can Austria-Hungary escap-complete annihilation that will come from prob Perhaps the influences that have b resistance. paramount will still prevail, but there is a strong robability that the partners in the great war m separate. The time for such a separation hand .- New York Herald.

## TOO MUCH POWER.

The experience of Germany should be a lesson the world. Never give any man too much power, invariably creates tyranny or insanity.-Greenwo Ledge.

### THE GHOST OF THE SUBMARINE. dreamed when the war was ended Still wandered the waters green The ghost of a blood stained rover. A butchering submarine.

face of the sea refused her A glimpse of the sun to save; The bed of the sea denied her The rest of a dreamless grave.

More cursed than the Flying Dutchman Forever she fled her fate, But never a good ship feared her. For she was as blind as hate. McLandburgh Wilson, in New York

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Value of St GENERAL MOTOR

of Activity in American for a Considerable Time Past Neglected.

(Exclusive Leased Wire to the Jon New York, April 8 .- At the strong and active, but str were much greater in industrial ndard issues. More than fix without a transaction in either Pacific, and when these finally was 4 up, and the latter 1/4 down Bethlehem Steel was the strong 3½ points to 91. It was conceded ctation of immediate dividends

Motors opening 11/4 up at 136, an at 128, these prices being a new h case. U. S. Rubber opened 1/2 up % additional on the next few tra n the prospect of the early a plan to provide for the maturing n offic opened 14 up at 14.

The motor and rubber stocks w

our of trading the market showed apse into dullness with prices off earlier figures.

Traders were decidedly bearish on ing that the decision of the I. C. C aracite rates would be handed dow of the week and that it would be t roads, also that there was heavy so by Philadelphia, possibly represent Stotesbury or Widener holdings. The strength of stocks at present ders seemed to indicate that the

greatly impressed by reports that A end within a few weeks. New York, April 8.—Although star

neglected during first hour they haction of the market notwithstanding ss was largely in a few specialti store confidence in the advancing an to increase expectation of a r Weakness in the wheat market reflable crop report published on Wedn crease the optimism of bulls on we s Chalmers stocks advanced rapidly ying demand, based on business wh doing in bar orders not receiv brough the Bethlehem Steel Co. T nced 5 points to 48 and common ga General Motors was the strongest ing 8% to 143 on reports that after r d under the plan of purchase rece there would be a substantial stock d the inauguration of cash dividend

ommon at the rate of 10 p.c. a year New York, April 8.—The advance in ommon is accompanied by various istributions in the way of stock or General Motors this year will earr a balance for common stock as la amounted to 37.6 per cent., and perha understood that sales up to March

75 per cent. of total sales for It can be stated that it is the intentitake up the matter of dividends results for the current fiscal year fuly are known. It is likely that this ner will witness at last a substant General Motors common stockholders. uction in amount of the 6 per ce standing has been made in accordance ently announced by the company ar notes at present outstanding is unders

New York, April 8 .- While there was strength and activity in a number of standard stocks did little during the se though it is in these and not in the less would like to trade. Not until the st takes a prominent place in the upward i he public buying reach large proporti Bethlehem Steel issues were strong. a short interest but few seriously reg basis of the advance. The common ompany which in about three years can roperty out of earnings an amount equ Value of that issue may not be dear whi

American Hide and Leather Pfd., bec feature advancing 2 points to 31. The ri favorable reports in regard to earning

### ADVANCE OF RUSSIAN ARMY HAS PIERCED AUSTR

grad, April 8.—The advance of the Carpathians has cut the Austrian eral Boerrovitch in two places. The this army is in a precarious position. ians have captured Smolnik, which cont ad through the Besdik Mountains betw ooroz and Uzsok, a distance of 60 miles. The Russians have also thrown back t in the district of Bartfeld and in the dist , having advanced through the Rosto hey have forced a wedge between the Aus

COMMERCIAL PAPER MORE AC New York, April 8.—A little more activ

commercial paper market and the ised by a greater inclination on the Anks to purchase there is no sign of an dency in rates, which continue at 31/2 t names. A slight increase is n volume of offerings but the supply of at per is still exceedingly scarce.

## BID \$50,000 FOR SEAT.

New York, April 8.—A bid of \$50,000 for the New York Stock Exchange is rumo floor of the exchange. A seat sold yesterd