

OLDER BUTCHER: "HERE, TAKE IT; YOU'VE OUT-HERODED HEROD." —Bradley in Chicago News.

The ease and quiet with which this change of government has been effected makes England the envy of Europe. Without a ripple of tumult the keys of of empire pass from one party to another, while the endeavor to substitute a constitutional government for an autocracy in Russia convulses the realm and threatens to deluge it with blood. The casting out of the devil of despotism rends the body politic.

## THE RUSSIAN CHAOS.

In Russia things go from bad to worse. The tragic story of the fugitives from

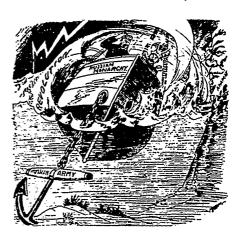


IF HE GETS IT, WHAT THEN?

-Rehse in the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Russian butchery and barbarism reveals an abyss of horrors that well-nigh curdles the blood. It seems indisputable that the myrmidons of tyranny, the hated secret police, actually instigated and led the massacre of the Jews in order to create a reaction in favor of a stern dictatorship. Well may the cartoonists say that Herod has been out-Heroded.

Except for the atrocities of the Cossacks and their masters the revolution has been an almost bloodless one. A new weapon has been found. The labor strike paralyzed the empire, carried dismay to the heart of the bureaucrats, sent down the Russian monetary barom-



WILL THE ANCHOR HOLD?

-Maybell, in Brooklyn Eagle.

eter almost into the bulb, threatened the nation with bankruptcy and society with disorganization and dissolution. How cruel must have been the wrongs wreaked upon these dumh millions to force them to face famine and fever and cruel death in order to break their yoke of bondage! The sympathies of the civilized world must be with this great giant who, bound with fetters, grinds like Samson in the prison-house.

"There is a poor blind Sampson in the land, Shorn of his strength and bound in bands of steel,

Who may in some grim revel raise his hand? And shake the pillars of the commonweal.'

This prophecy, fulfilled in the disruption of the United States, may find a larger fulfilment in the disintegration of the world's greatest territorial empire.