Cretans

If is hardly believeable that a people simple-minded enough to worship idols would have the temerity to try to cheat them by oftering them false sacrifices. Recent discoveries in Crete made by Mrs. Harriet Boyd Hawes of Boston, reveal, however, that that is just what the ancient Cretans used to do.

Among the ruins of a prehistoricely discovered by Mrs. Hawes, which dates back some thirty-five hundred years, she came across a number of earthenware sacrificial wases made to resemble metal vases and the workmanship was so good

PURELY VISIONARY.

with him. econd Walter-What makes you First Walter—He picked up the quarter and left me the dime, and she was looking right at him all the time.

How the Ancient

by a Woman Archeologist;

meat, were no doubt valuable, these artificial figures of bronze and earthenware were used instead, their value lying in the fact that they could be used indefinitely, where live stock could be used but once.

In addition to these articles, Mrs. Hawes discovered a number of conshaped vessels with a hole in the bottom, the exact use of which has not yet been positively determined by archeologists. They seem too good to have been used for sprinking floors, and though it has been suggested and though it has been suggested.

Ployed in a similar manner. Filled with wine or grain, they may have been offered to their gods in such a way that their contents escaped through the hole in the bottom to another vessel which they fook away with them when they left the altar. At various times in the history of Crete a hundred different cities are supposed to have flourished, being sacked and destroyed by the powerful nations which successively controlled the destinles of the island. At the height of its power, Greece



Remarkable Idol-Worship Discoveries

Daysey Mayme She Arranges Her Christmas Gifts

CRY OF YANKEE DOLLARS BY PENNILESS PEERS AMUSING SPECTAGLE

Since When Has Flower of English Aristocracy Spurned American Gold? Asks Well-known Political Writer.

By W. B. Thompson. LONDON, Dec. 24.-Tile democrat

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who has a sense of humor cannot help laughing at the children straits to which the yellow press and the Torp party were driven in the election. Except for tariff reform the opposition went to the country bankrupt in the same to the country bankrupt in everything which should commend them to sober and earnest-minded electors. They were bankrupt in everything except abuse and vituperation. If the unrestrained use of Baingsgate were argument the party of English "gentlemen" would be very rich linded.

And even for personal abuse they were driven to refly on the inventiveness of the journalists with foreign mames who scribble in the yellow press, or on the irresponsible vaporings of rhetorical upstarts like F. E. Smith, and above all on the frantic incoherencies of one Garvin.

Old Leaders in Rear.

The Balfours, the Lansdownes, the Curzons, the Chamberlains, retired to the rear and left the battle line in charge of party hirelings in the press and on the platform, who no more un-

derstand the true Tory point of view than they can appreciate the spirit of taking a personally disinterested view of national politics. These obscurs writers are the intellectual bigots who set the tone of the Tory speeches in this election. Like so many parrots one sees the tited nobedies and the blue-blooded noodles whom the Tory headquarters put up on the political platform repeating night after night the cant phrases and the abusive spittlets which these journalistic hires adoration of titles degrades them so low, and so long as American women's adoration of titles degrades them so low, and so long as the English and the Tory party through its history. Because the Irisimen in the United States and in Canada were helping their native land in the struggle for self-government. Mr. Redmond was an American-bribed diciator, plotting for the downfall of the British empire. Did ever a political party which is presumably same places such trash, as the absurd drivel, in the forefront of its appeal.

Trifle Double-edged.

Coming from the lips of the dukes and marquises and the viscounts who pride themselves on being the flower of the British aristocracy, was not this reference to American doliars a trifle double-edged? One wonders what the flamily coffers of half our aristocracy wull be like but for American doliars. Eyery year a dozen heirs to noble families cross the Atlantic Ocean for the sole purpose of seeking American wives whose dollars may replenish their family fortunes. This noble aristocratic habit on the part of England's alleged choicest flowers has snown into an international institution. It is the subject of mirth in the comile papers of America and Europe, it is a sore question with hard-work-ting parents in the United States. It

THE MAN WITHOUT A CHRISTMAS

What kind of Christmas is comin to the man who has made hundreds of women and children suffer every day on the city streets this hard winter? women and children suffer every day on the city streets this hard winter? Even crediting him with a good intention, can he hold himself guiltless when he sees the offences that have come thru him? Some one sald once of such a man that it would be better for him were a millstone hanged about his neck. He may even have read this saying himself—is it so long ago that he does not recognize the application? But the Christmas spirit is forgiving as well as generous, and thousands of women and children will for Christ's sake, forgive this man who has made them suffer. For this reason and this alone, he may not have to pay as he enters. Meantime, what a miserable Christmas the poor creature will have! For his soui's peace, may he mend his ways and hearken to the old Christmas spirit singing,

God rest you, merry gentleman,

Let nothing you dismay.

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