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Subject: "Comfort for Business Men."

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What an awnil six weeks in commercial circles! The crashing of banks from San Francisco to New York and from coesan to coesan. The complete uncertainty that has halted all styles of business for three months and the pressure of the money market for the last year have put all bargain makers at their wits end. Some of the best men in the land have fathered—men whose hearts are enlisted in every good work and whose hands have blessed every great charity. The church of God can afford to extend to them her sympathies and plead before heaven with all availing prayer. The schools such men have established, the churches they have built, the asylums and beneficent institutions they have fostered, will be their culcey long after their banking institutions are forgotten.

Buch men can never fail. They have their treasures in banks that never break and will be millionaires forever. The stringency of the money market, I am glad to say, begins to relax. May the wisdom of Almighty God come down upon our National legislature at their convening next month in Washington and such results be reached as shall restore confidence and fevive trade and multiply prosperities! Yet not only now in the time of financial disasticr, but all through life, our active business people have a struggle, and I think it will be appropriate and useful for me to talk about their trials and try to offer some curative prescriptions.

In the first place, I have to remark that a great many of our business men feel ruinous trials and limited capital in business. It is everywhere understood that it takes now three or four times as much to do business were furned into goods—the memchant would be his own store sweeper. He would manages have come. Costly apparatus, extensive advertisting, exorbitant store rents, heavy taxtation, expensive asgencies, are only parts of the denand made upon our commercial men, and when they have found themselves in such circumstances with small sapital they have some dimenses bent empted to run against the rocks of moral and fina

run against the rocks of moral and financial destruction.

This temptation of limited capital has ruined men in two ways. Sometimes they have shrunk down under the temptation. They have yielded the battle before the first shot was fired. At the first hard gun they surrendered. Their knees knocked together at the fall of the auctioneer's hammer. They blanched at the financial peril. They did not understand-that there is such a thing a heroism in merchandise, and that there are Waterloos of the counter, and that there are an an fight no braver battle with the sword than. Their souls melted in them because sugars

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Their souls melted in them because sugars were up when they wanted to buy and down when they wanted to sell and unsalable goods were on the shelf and bad debts in their ledger. The gloom of their countenances overshadowed even their dry goods and groceries. Despondency, coming from illmited capital, blasted them. Others have felt it in a different way. They have said: "Here I have been trudging along. I have been trying to be honest all these years. I thad it is of no use, Now it is make or break."

inded it is of no use. Now it is make or break." It is of no use. Now it is make or break." The small craft that could have stood the stream is put out beyond the lighthouse on the great sea of speculation. Stocks are the idice with which he gambles. He bought for a few dollars vast tracts of western land. Bome man at the east living on a fat homestead meets this gambler of fortune and is persuaded to trade off his estate here for lots in a western eithy with large avenues and costly palaces and lake steamers smoking at the wharves and rall trains coming down with lightning speed from every direction. There it is all on paper! The city has never been built nor the railroads constructed, but everything points that way, and the thing will be done as sure as you live. And that is the process by which many have been tempted through limitation of capital into labyrinths from which they could not be extricated.

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I would not want to chain honest enterprise. I would not want to block up any of the avenues for honest accumulation that open before young men. On the contrary, I would like to cheer them on and rejoice when they reach the goal, but when there are such multitudes of men going to ruin for this life and the life that is to come through wrong notions of what are lawful spheres of enterprise it is the duty of ministers of religion and the friends of all young men to uter a plain, emphatic, unmistakable protest, heese are the influences that drown man in a destruction and perdition.

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Are tample, and the day. Smitten with the live of quick gain commercial businesses are excedue in this day. Smitten with the live of quick gain our cities are crowded with men recoved to refire a recoved with men recoved to refire a recoved with men recoved to refire a recoved with men of more means and less conscience, and if an opportunity our cities are crowded with men of more means and less conscience, and if an opportunity of the substant in restlessness, nor to a brain that with storaging on the surface of the substant in restlessness, nor to a brain that with storaging on the surface of the sulface of the sulfa

Sabbath day resolve that you will give to the winds your fears, and your freshiness, and your distresses. You brought nothing into the world, and it is very certain you can carry nothing out. Having food and raimant, be therewith content.

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The merchant came home home there.

There half been great disaster there. He opened the front door and said in the midst of his family circle: "I am ruined! "He wife said, "I am left," and the little child threw no lis hands and said. "Appar I am here. The aged grandmother seated in the room said, "Then you have all the promises of God beside, John." And he burst into tears and said: "God torgive me that I have been so ungrateful. I find I have a great many things left. God forgive me.

Again, I remark that many of our business men are tempted to neglect their home duties. How often it is that the store and the home seem to clash, but there ought not to be any collision. It is often the case that the tather is the mere treasurer of the family, a sort of agent to see that they government he does not touch, Once or twice in a year he calls the children up on a Sabbath afternoon when he has a half hour he does not exactly know what to do with, and in that half hour he disciplines the children and gives them agreat deal of good advice, and then wonderful advantage of that semi-annual castigation.

The family table, which ought to be the place for pleasant discussion and observations, and the place for pleasant discussion and observations, and the calls the permanent of the family has reserved the repost. The work done the hand on the carving knife. He counts on his fingers, making estimates in the interestices of the repost. The work done the hand on the table he has bundled uu another home street, and before the family has risent the interestices of the head, and be starts to make your children fartended to unless the father looks to it. He must sometimes lose his dignity. He must unlimber his joints. He must sometimes lose his dignity. He must number the loop, and chase the saver duties of life sometimes to the right of the work of the hall, and jump the rope with his children and giving them a drawing master and music feacher. The physical cultures of the children and giving them

day teach them that religion is a great glad-ness that them should of gold about the sole; that tours a spring from the foot, no blitheness from the heart, no sparkle from the eye, no ring from the laughter, but that "her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."

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I sympathize with the work being done in I sympathize with the work being done in any of our eities by which beautiful rooms are set apart by our Young Men? Christian Associations, and I pray God to prosper them that higher than the properties of the properties. The set of t

Homespus and a threatbare cost have sometimes been the shadow of coming robes made white in the blood of the Lamb. The it is choked in the louder booming of the sea. A few passengers escaped, but the steamer gave one great lurch and was gone! So there are some men who sail on prosperously in life. All's well, all's well. But at last some financial disaster comes—a curcelydon. Down they go! the bottom of this commercial sas strews with shattered huks.

But because your property goes do not let your soul go. Though all else perish, save that, for I have to tell you, of a more stupendous shipwreck than that which I have list mentioned. God launched this received the strength of mountains and immortals, but the sail of t

sometimes monetary disaster comes to a man when there is something in his age or something in his age or something in his health or something in his aurroundings which make him know well that he will never get up again.

In 1897 it was estimated that for many years previous to that time annually there had been 30,000 failures in the United States. Nany of those persons never recovered from the mistorium. But let me give a word of comfort in passing. The sheriff may sell you out of many things, but there are some shiaga of which he cannot sell you out. He cannot sell out your health, He cannot sell out your Bible. He cannot sell out your health, He cannot sell out your health, He cannot sell out your health. He cannot sell out your fall.

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Ged has lever it, and every thus you sould be to charge the King of heaven and earth with perjucy Instead of complaining how hard you have it, go home, take up your lible full of promises, get down on your knees before God and thank Him for what you have instead of spending so much time in complaining shout what you taye not. Some of you remember the shipwreck of the Central America. This noble steamer had, I think, about 500 passengers aboard. Suddenly the storm came, and the surges trampled the decks and swung into the hatches, and there went up a hundred volsed death shriek. The foam on the jaw of the wave; the pitching of the steamer as though it were leaping a mountain; the dismal flare of the signal rockets; the long cough of the steam pipes, the hise of the extinguished turnsoes; the walking of God on the wave! The steamer went not down without a struggle.

gle.
As the passengers stationed themselves in rows to bale out the vessel, hark to the thump of the buckets as men unused to toll, with filtstered hands and sträined muscle, tug for theis-lives. There is a sail seen against the sky. The flash of the distress gun is sounded. Its voice is heard not, for

DID MEYER KILL HER?

One of His "Wives" Died Mysteriously at Newton, Mass.

A MOST REMARKABLE CRIMINAL

New York Police Officials Are Glad that the Poisoner and His Paramoug Are to he Brought to the Metropolis for Trial-The Murder of Bann.

Boston, July 15 - The notorious Dr. Henry Meyer-lived in Newton about two years ago. He had obscure lodgings on Washington street. The doctor was liber ally supplied with money. He spent most of his mornings in Boston and would return at noon with elaborate dinners, prepared and packed in a tin case at a Boston hotel

After the first two weeks the doctor brought a woman with him, who, he said

actor the riss two weaks the decay incoming the woman with him, who, he self, was his wite. The supposed Mrs. Mever was a woman of fine presence and was beautifully dressed. She wore a great number of jewels.

After a residence of a few months in this place Mrs. Meyer hecame iti, and a physician announced that there was no loope of her recovery. On the day before she died Dr. Meyer brauth, a gentleman and a young lady to the hourse and took them to the room of the dying woman. From conversation that was overpeard it was inferred that the woman who, had been living with Meyer was not his wife, and that he had brought her real husband to visit her on her death bed. The jewels which the woman wore were given to the visitors. After the death of his companion Dr. Meyer left Newton.

CRIMES OF THE MEYER COUPLE. Evidence to Show that the Husband is

New Youk, July 15.—The announcement that Dr. and Mrs. Henry C. W. Meyer, the poisoners, will be turned over to the New York authorities has caused rejoicing at police headquarters, as the officials believe they have captured two of the most notorious criminsis of the century.

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The criminal versatility that Dr. Meyer has displayed in his many poisoning schemes to defraud life insurance companies stamps him as a most remarkable and calculating murderer. His original plan was to poison his wives, but he varied from this when he met his third and last wife, now under arrest with him, an equally shrewd and willing assistant.

When he arrived in Chicago from Prussia, 15 years ago, he studied inedicine and received a diploma from a homeopathic college. Soon after his graduation his first wife, a young woman, died, and it is believed that he poisoned her. An intimate acquaintance, a wealthy German grocer, soon afterward died in a similar manner as had Mrs. Meyer, and the young doctor was arrested for poisoning him.

He was acquainted with and married the grocer's widow. Her son died of poison and again Dr. Meyer was arrested, but escaped. The second wite discovered that she was dying of poison and left him.

Five years ago he married the young woman who is now jointly accused with him. Her name was Miss Gressen, and Meyer was soon arrested again, this time for trying to poison her father and collect on a forged insurance policy.

While in the Illinois State Prison he met Baum, whose true name is Ludwig Brandt. Killing this man is the charge upon which they are under arrest. Baum was imprisoned for swindling operations, and when both got out, they joined forces in the life insurance pilot.

Bigany on the part of Mrs. Meyer is believed to have been resorted to at this point. She was really married to Dr. Meyer, according to tho best information, and yet she was also married to Baum, in Chicago by the Rev.F. Wenry, Mer Park Street Church. It would seem, however, that Baum must have been kept in ignorance of the previous marriage, and was probably told that the woman had been merely maintained by Meyer.

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Naturally Baum was not told that he ras to be made a victim of by his two con-

was to be made a victim of by his two confederates.

The theory is that when he got out the insurance policies in favor of Mrs. Meyer, he was informed that another man, perhaps Wimmers, who boarded with them, would really die, and his body be passed off on the insurance companies as that of Baum, just as the Meyers had done in Toledo with the unknown girl after May Neiss had been insured.

Those who came in contact with Mrs. Meyer are astonished at the evidence, which shows her to be a cold-blooded accomplies in nurder and other crimes. They say that she is an unsophisticated appearing young German womar, with Hord half, light emplexion and blue eyes. Her husband is a thin, nervous man, 35 years old.

The insurance compenies that the Reyers have awindled or attempted to swindle are the Germania, the Euten the Washington, the Mutmil Life and the Equipable. His streets than anywhere else, for he worst enemia they and

USE AND ABUSE OF SLANG.

How New Blood is Infused into our Language.

Language.

Brander Matthews, professor of Engilen av Columbia, a noveits of distinctions, a playwright of repute, has a good word to say for stang in the current number of Harper's Magazine. As may be expected from a man of his experience, he approaches the subject from the side of common sense. He points out that a sloven in speech is as offensive as a sloven in manuers or in dress," for the use of words is, after all, a matter of taste and refinement. It is difficulty besides, to distinguish sometimes between the slang and the words which bear the mark of correctness and dignity. Mr. Matthews divides slang into four broad classes. Into-two of these classes fall the survivors of "thieves" Latin," as it is called, and "the catch words of the mount," as Mr. Matthews aptly calls them, such expressions, for example, as "Where did you get that hat?"—phrases which are common, vulgar and ephemeral. In the two other classes we find old and fargotten words, which by some curfous trick come into full uso again, and the new words which are coined to express some new meaning or to emphasize an new words which are coined to express new words which are coined to express some new meaning or to emphasize an old one. Mr. Matthews gives some in-teresting examples of old words and phrases revived, and it adds to one's knowledge to learn that Shakespeare used "deck" in the sense of "pack of cards," and "fire out" in the sense of expel. expel. The chief interest attaches, however,

not to the survivals or revivals of the past, but to the new words and phrases, past, but to the new words and phrases, those attractive strangers that win recognition so quickly. What so nonsensical, and yet so full of meaning, as the operation described as "rushing the growler?" It is not elegant, and its origin is obscure and lowiy, but everyone knows what it means. Equally apparent is the purport—of the phrases "catch on," in the sense of understand, and "in it," as an indication of intimate connection. Mr. Matthews speaks of the use of blizzard, and of understand, and "in it," as an indication of intimate connection. Mr. Matthews speaks of the use of blizzard, and
since his article was written he must
have noticed the wild efforts for the
newspaper reporters to incorporate its
opposite, "sizzard," into the language.
Mr. Matthews, in his entertaining and
informing article, directs attention to the
slang, which comes to us by abbreviation and cites cab and mob as examples.
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cablegram or cable dispatch have sprune tion and cites cab and mob as examples. "Phone" for telephone and "cable" for cablegram or cable dispatch have sprung into general use in form of verb and moun. The use of electricity has given many new words to the language. Many of them, have obtained immediate acceptance; others are not so fortunate. We have "live" and "dead" wires, for instance. Electricians know what is meant when reference is made to a drink as so "live", as a member of the Lotos Club did at a recent banquet to Russian officers. Speaking of a Russian drink, he said "Vodka is live wire when you don't know how to drink it, and when you do it is comparativelytame," Is it possible that "live wire" will take the place of "Jersey lightning?" Coming into popular use also, are such picture esque, if not disprified, expressions at "You're off the trolley." and "shocked to death," a tribute to the new system of legal execution.

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The list of slang might be indefinitely extended beyond the apt selections which Mr. Matthews has made. "Out of sight," "up to date." "nerve," in the sense of backbone, "dead easy," showing a new use of the intensive dead, which can also be found in "dead level," "dead sure thing," etc.; "stand in with." "to have a skate on." "chump," "barrel" and "soap," two slang expressions from the world of politics; "wire," expressing the act of telegraphing; "size up."—these and countless other slang words and phrases occur on a casual reading of Mr. Matthews's most entertaining paper. Our language would be much imposerished were it not for the new blood thus infused from time to time as circumstance, or caprice direct. Indeed, our stock of words must of necessity be replenished and added to, otherwise we would have a staguat vocabulary, and staguation means death in language as in any other domain. The tendency to the indiscriminate use of slang is to be guarded against, for as this capable critic remarks: "A man should choose his words t lenst as carefully as he chooses his lothes; a hint of the dandy even is unobjectionable, if it be but a hint. But when a man gives his whole mind to his dress, it is generally because he has but little mind to give; and so when a man spends his force wholly in rejecting and aphrases of which he does approve.' The list of slang might be indefinitely

Kentucky Frog Farms.

Among the many toothsome luxuries now coming into market to satisfy the cravings of our epicures are large_gream. Frogs. They are received here in coops covered with netted wire tops and are sold just like live poultry. These frogs have become articles of stock in the large produce houses of late, and are shipped principally from southern Kentucky, where there are several frog farms in operation. One enterprising gentleman, principally from southern kentucky, where there are several frog farms 'in operation. One enterprising gentleman, a Mr. Ford, who lives near Rocky Hill. Ky. on the line of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, is the owner of two large ponds, in which he cultivates the green frog to perfection. They are fed principally on corn meal, files and worms, and are taken when quite young and fattened until they stitals an enormous size. There are many other shippers of this delicacy to the city, and enter of them end thoir from all delicacy to cooking. They are accounted to the city, and enter of them end thoir from all delicacy to the city, and enter of them end thoir from all delicacy to the city, and enter of them end thoir from all delicacy to the city, and enter of them end thoir from all delicacy to the city, and enter of them end thoir from all delicacy to the city, and enter of the city and enter of the city and enter of the city of the ci A LA CAMPAIA POWER

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They did not me Freddie, the elder from a toy's point of Things went mo of two, and then and again the terrible canno the terrible canno unfortunate victim, legs was shot off, by making a bed u rooms of her doll's many days I was ne little dell you ever Now I am quite I dread those boys!

A TIGER PI An English trav