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"Our merchant shipowners, as a rule, do not wish to be bothered with the care of apprentices, most of whom, by the time they have acquired the use of their 'sea legs,' leave the sea.

"To man our navy we must enlarge our apprenticeship system, for we cannot rely on the mercantile marine in time of peace. In a popular war volunteers would come forward faster than they would be required. In a very short time our navy will be manned by men who have been trained in our schoolships, and who regard the navy as their home for life.

"The men employed in our coasting trade are steady and hardy, and most of them have families, the responsibility of which keeps them on their good behavior. Many of our fishermen, who in a very short time make excellent sailors, belong to the British provinces of North America and become citizens and settle among us.

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"When the advantage of a seafaring life is better understood there will be no difficulty in procuring an ample supply of poor, healthy boys to train for it. The flogging and starving of other days have ceased afloat, and if men or boys will discharge their duty faithfully they will find life at sea pleasant and profitable.

"Most of the talk about the hardships of life at sea is nonsense. Many an able mechanic suffers more hardship and privation looking for work than a seaman endures in a whole life. The cowardly fear of being drowned ought never be permitted to enter the mind. Besides, drowning is the easiest death a man can die.

"A boy who has no higher ambition than to be a laborer through life cannot do better than enter the navy and never leave it. In old age he will have a pension, and in the event of accident will be taken care of liberally.

"A law might be passed for the encouragement of the ambitious to present themselves for examination for officers at certain periods, but it is well known that the navy must train its own officers, for much of their education at present is scientific and unknown to merchant officers. The old yarn that most of our officers were trained in the merchant service before they entered the navy will not apply in this age of dynamite, electricity and steam."—Boston Herald.

Good For His Business.

"Twenty dollars is rather high for a mite of a room like this," said the doctor.

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GOOD ENOUGH FOR A STORY.

A Tragedy in a Rural Hotel, but the Boarders Never Stopped Eating.

A party of engineers sat out in the light of the campfire on the leeward side of a hill in Dakota exchanging reminiscences.

"Let me tell you of an enjoyable supper I once had," spoke up the youngest member of the group, whose English had not yet been corrupted by the vernacular of the West.

"I was on my way to join an engineering party at Boise City. I had taken the stage and traveled about forty miles, when we drew up at one of those mushroom towns, where we waited an hour and a half for supper.

"Smoky Creek settlement, like many towns," he went on by way of explanation, "is famous for some single characteristic. This particular town is notorious for its lynching parties. It is about forty miles from a railroad, but occasionally an eastern bound traveler stops over for an hour or two on his way to a neighboring mining town. It is in close proximity to some of the largest ranches in the country, and is of course a great rendezvous for cow punchers, miners and the attendant retinue of fakirs, road agents, faro tricksters and representatives of nearly every calling who proceed to collect the living which the world owes them in the easiest way. There are several hotels. I stopped over at the Crossroads House. I went in and took a seat at the long table.

"Several glanced up giving me a quick scrutinizing glance as if to size me up, then paid no more attention to me. While apparently engaged in consuming the bacon, corn bread, sorghum and dried apples, I had an opportunity to take in my surroundings. At one end of the table sat a gruff, sullen looking fellow who glared now and then at an inoffensive man seated across the table from him. From the fragments of conversation of those nearest me I learned that the two had had some disagreement over a game a few hours before, and there were possibly old scores to settle. Some one at my left remarked, 'That air nighthawk for once got the best uv the day wrangler.'

"The sullen looking fellow, evidently the day wrangler, looking across at the nighthawk, said gruffly, 'Pass me the m'lasses!'

"The other looked up at him coolly, muttered something about 'a feller bein a little more perlite,' and shoved the pitcher across the table. The pitcher upset, and the brown liquid oozed over the table. The day wrangler evidently took this as an intentional insult. Without saying a word and with scarcely a moment's hesitation he took out his revolver and shot the man dead."

"It must ha' broken up that air supper," remarked one of the group, shifting his cud of tobacco to the starboard side of his mouth.

"Indeed it didn't," was the answer. "The other boarders looked up, but not a word was said, and the meal went on as if nothing had happened."
—New York Herald.

Seaside Confidences.

"Yes," remarked a stranger to the editor, as the two sat on the veranda sipping lemonade and looking out upon the rolling sea; "yes, head work is very trying, and the man who earns a living by it needs a vacation now and then."

"Yes," said the editor, "head work is very trying. I find it so, especially when the hours are long."

"How many hours a day do you work?" asked the stranger.

"Four," said the editor.

"Heavens! I work ten."

"Head work?"

"Yes, every bit of it."

"Newspaper or general literature?"

"Neither. I'm a barber."

Then the editor—for editors are not all wise—shut himself up as close as the sun umbrella which he carried.—New York Press.

Zola and the Late Emperor.

M. Zola, in The Figaro, in reply to some critics, insists that the emperor rouged his cheeks at Sedan. The emperor's friends, he says, have talked as if to have done so would have been humiliating—"the role of a buffoon." "On the contrary, this seems to me a great mistake. I find the act superb—worthy of a hero of a Shakespearean play, heightening the figure of Napoleon III to a tragic melancholy of an infinite grandeur." That is a characteristically French exaggeration. We presume M. Zola means that it was noble of the emperor to take the trouble to conceal from his troops his desperate physical weakness. But even granted that it was a prudent thing not to show a cheek of ghastly pallor, we fail to see that it was heroic.—London Spectator.

A Story of Hard Luck.

"The latest 'hard luck' story that I have heard," said a racing man in an up town cafe the other evening, "is that of a young man who went to the track and lost $180. He had ten dollars left. He liked a 20 to 1 chance in the last race. He went into the betting ring, got into a crowd at a bookmaker's stand and was holding his ten dollar note high in the air when the wind caught it and blew it away. His horse won in a canter."
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