

BRADLEY MARTIN BALL IN GOLD AND GLOOM.

Bright View Taken by Many Journal Readers, While Others Draw Sombre Pictures Emphasized by Contrast.

PASTOR RAINSFORD'S POSITION ASSAILED. The Affair, to Those Who Look Below the Surface, Furnishes an Impressive Study of Social and Economic Conditions.

Will Mrs. BRADLEY MARTIN'S bal masque on February 10 at the Waldorf be a blessing or, the reverse? Rev. WILLIAM S. RAINSFORD aroused discussion on this question by denouncing the ball as wanton extravagance.

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say and do, but I have a plan that I like better; I would say, "Mr. B. M., we had a meeting last evening when you were burning up those nice fat deer, and after a careful consideration, for humanity in general and this island in particular, we have decided that that gun and ammunition is community property, and as it must be very irksome for you to take care of so much, we have decided to relieve you of a part of it, and if you object, as you probably will, rather than see any more of our people starve we will arrange matters so your objections will be reduced to a minimum."

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hands, which are more in need of it, as payment for the labor which the rich man had bought. There are a great many real causes of our troublesome times. If we want to ameliorate the condition of our people, then we must get at the foundation of it and wipe out the causes of our hard times and not the show of them. One of the main factors is that business is too monopolized.

What would be the result of such a license? In short time all our storekeepers would get more trade; trade would be more evenly divided, prices will not be out as much, as competition among hundreds of stores will not be as large, than among the few department stores. Manufacturers will get better prices for their merchandise, and will be able to pay better wages to the workmen. The many storekeepers will become fairly well to do, will become large consumers, which will cause more demand of labor. The workmen will in consequence get more work at better wages and become themselves large consumers again. As a result of such legislation throughout the land we would have a very large number of well-to-do storekeepers; a very large number of well-to-do storekeepers, employed and more prosperous workmen. Manufacturers, storekeepers, workmen, professionals, etc., would be large consumers, and this country would regain its lost prosperity. READER. Troy, N. Y., Jan. 27.

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