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Congressman Littlefield says that "congressmen are cowards." Mr. Littlefield was warming his feet when he said it.

Congressmen now have private offices, but every two years they have to emerge from the bomb-proofs and take their chances.

One advantage of being a federal judge is that if you do not know what the law is for the case in hand you can make one to suit you.

"The millionaire is touched as never before," said Mr. Fairbanks in his Chicago speech. What, is the g. o. p. committee frying the fat this early in the game?

"The gap between Aldrich and Vreeland is something more than alphabetical," says the Birmingham Age-Herald. Yes, but it is plenty big enough for the people to fall into.

The depositors who promptly received their deposits from that defunct Oklahoma bank are prepared to offer convincing proofs that the guaranty of bank deposits is a most desirable and doubtless

Paterson, New Jersey, is going to institute libel suits against newspapers that accuse her of harboring anarchists. It is so much easier detecting and punishing the anarchists, you

Among other amusing things is the spectacle of a republican congressman who dare not call his congressional soul his own talking about the incapacity of the Filipinos for self government.

"Once more," remarks the Salt Lake Herald "we rise to inquire as to the whereabouts of one Leslie M. Shaw." Gracious, is the Herald unable to accumulate enough grief without going out and looking for it?

The Boston Herald says the failure of the anti-injunction bill leaves the country at the mercy of the law. That is not true. It merely leaves the country at the mercy of federal judges appointed for life.

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Mr. Forgan of Chicago is overdue with his explanation of that Oklahoma bank deposit guarantee object lesson.

However, Mr. Forgan would insist upon the enforcement of the law if some outsider got away with the bank's money.

Perhaps Senator Burrows was selected as chairman of the Chicago convention as a sort of sly dig at the "nature fakirs."

Russia wants to borrow \$400,000,000 for the extension and improvement of the Siberian railroad. Harriman or for sure?

Mr. Littlefield of Maine, who resigned rather than face the American Federation of Labor again, says "all congressmen are cowards."

President Mellen of the New York and New Haven railroad now knows what it is to be considered in White House circles as a "practical man."

With the congressional directory in front of us Senator Platt's use of the word "old" in his admission was tautological, redundant and unnecessary.

Walter Wellman is confident that the north pole will be discovered some day. When it is the friends of the tariff will use it as a summer resort while they are engaged in the strenuous task of tariff revision.

The New York judge who issued an injunction against a couple of goats deserves a few thanks from organized labor. Organized labor has been the "goat" in this injunction business about long enough.

The dispatches which conveyed the news that a Brooklyn recluse willed \$10,000 to President Roosevelt omitted to explain whether it was in real money or republican prosperity money in the shape of cashier's checks.

Noting that a New York judge has enjoined a couple of goats from eating a cherry tree, the New York Tribune remarks that "Mr. Gompers may now count on the support of the goats for his anti-injunction bills" And Mr. Gompers may also continue to count on the opposition of other four-footed and longer-eared animals.

Representative J. Warren Keifer of Ohio also deprecates the treatment the negro receives in the south. Mr. Keifer is a republican and believes in reducing southern representation in order to protect the negro. Mr. Keifer also lives in Springfield, Ohio, where, it will be remembered, negroes were so warmly treated a year or so ago.

Noting a report from Washington that there is hard feelings between Senator Aldrich and Speaker Cannon, the Chicago Record-Herald wonders if it can be possible that Aldrich has expressed the belief that there may be things on which the tariff is too high. Of course not. Probably Speaker Cannon expressed the belief that there are things on which the tariff is too low.

PARAGRAPHIC PUNCHES

There is such a thing as misgovernment by injunction.—Charleston News and Courier.

That is a pretty hot fire they are building under Uncle Joe Cannon to make him move.—Chicago News.

Woodrow Wilson wants to "revitalize the states." Mr. Wilson resides in New Jersey.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

However, it should be easier for Prince Helle to change "his religion" than to change a \$5 bill.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Many things are coming Speaker Cannon's way, but he feels it necessary to dodge most of them.—Philadelphia Press.

Winking in the direction of 'tother end of Pennsylvania avenue the Speaker smilingly observes, "My house is my castle."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

At last a nugget of gold has been discovered in a vermiform appendix. This must be what the ardent surgeons have been so long looking for.—Boston Herald.

Another evidence of the return of confidence is shown by the way the rubber trees are once more venturing to stay out all night on the front porch.—Indianapolis News.

Fossils are reported to have been found on the Columbia University campus. Well, it is better to have them there than in the professorial lecture rooms.—New York Tribune.

Senator Aldrich lets a fairly obvious cat out of a very gauzy bag when he announces that if the Dingley schedules are revised at all they will be increased.—Nashville Tennessean.

The Standard Oil company is now reported to be extending its ramifications into Central Africa. Carrying the kerosene light into the "dark continent," as it were.—Washington Herald.

James J. Hill, who says the forests are fast diminishing, is a practical man. Joe Cannon, who says it does not matter a tinker's dam if they are, is a practical politician.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

From the way the congressmen are clambering upon the Taft bandwagon, it looks as if the Ohio man has promised not to send in a daily message to congress if he is elected.—Washington Post.

It is said that the steel trust lobby earnestly supports the president's demands for more battleships. Is a lobby all right when it supports my policies and only wrong when it rebels and conspires?—Florida Times-Union.

There are some streaks of lean and some streaks of fat in the "pork barrel" just completed by congress. For instance, Danville, Ill., gets \$275,000; that's one of the streaks of fat. By the by, who is it that lives in Danville?—Washington Herald.

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