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more serious sufferers than the gov-

ernment, and yet it is said that there

that they can afford to leave the gov-

It is stated that the banks outside of

the great financial centers have signified

of the new loan as they can, and it is

estimated that these institutions may be

able to subscribe for from \$20,000,000

to \$30,000,000. But nothing has been

heard from the banks of the chief

financial centers. The New York banks

now hold about half the amount of gold

called for by the new loan and the

banks of Philadelphia and Boston hold

perhaps one-fourth of the amount. Yet

cated that they are disposed to respond

to the invitation of the secretary of

the treasury to bid for the new loan,

but on the contrary are believed to be

united in an understanding to hold off,

for the new bonds. The obvious sugges-

tion of this is that a syndicate has been

formed among eastern bankers for the

purpose of defeating the popular plan

of disposing of the new loan and it is

can dispose of \$100,000,000 of bonds

in this country, and the chances of sell-

It will be a mistake on the part of the

banks to adopt the policy which it now

seems to be their intention to adopt.

Any combination on their part to force

the hand of the government cannot fail

to ultimately react to their disadvan-

tage. Their plain duty in the present

emergency is to come to the relief of the

government with all the resources at

their command and to do so promptly

at this time. They hold not less than

\$150,000,000 of gold and they can readily

obtain as much more. If they fail to

utilize their resources in this respect

they must expect to suffer a loss of

to their disadvantage in the not far

THE THREATENED EUROPEAN WAR.

cate that war between England and

Germany is imminent, although every-

far has come from the former country.

ter and of resisting any attempt on the

part of Germany to interfere with the

suzerainty of Great Britain over the

South African republic, which the course

of the German emperor is believed to

contemplate. According to the reports

the most warlike preparations have been

set on foot by the British government

and popular sentiment in England is

bitter against Germany. Naval opera-

tions are active and men are freely of-

tions have been largely superficial, but

at any rate it is evident that England

does not intend to be found napping

in this matter and that if Germany

really intends any hostile movement

she must meet a foe fully prepared at

anything of the kind cannot now be

determined, but it is easy to see that

she may be goaded into war by the

course of the British government or

forced into it by the attitude she has

assumed toward the South African re-

It is impossible to say whether the

ection of the German emperor out of

which this crisis grew was taken im-

pulsively or with deliberation, and the

question is important, since if he acted

deliberately it is a reasonable inference

that he had assurance of the support

of other European powers. Austria and

were taken from her nearly a quarter

port of that power, although the Eng-

the German emperor will receive no

consider most desirable in the event of | The new school board started out by

thing of a really warlike nature thus

future.

ing any of them abroad are very small.

protect their own interests.

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GEORGE B. TZSCHUCK

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 2d day of January, 1896.

(Seal.) N. P. FEIL, Notary Public.

If we can only get Great Britain to fighting with Germany or with any other continental power we may rest assured that it will be less insistent upon pressing its alleged claims for Venezuelan territory.

The member of the last legislature who has not procured some elective or appointive office or is not nursing a boomlet for some promising nomination is not doing the right thing by his constituents who sent him to Lincoln a year ago.

It is now said that the removal of the city jail to the city hall basement will to be apprehended that it will be suceffectually put an end to the agitation cessful, for it is hardly possible that for a city electric lighting plant in that without the assistance of the banks building by occupying the space such a in these financial centers the treasury plant would require. That fact is very

The street car company will probably be in full accord with Electrician Schurig's recommendation that all telegraph telephone and electric light wires be placed underground. On the other hand, it is pretty well known what those companies think of motor wires and priority rights.

President Cleveland has grown so great since his second advent into the white house that he can no longer deal with small matters. If he can't float a loan of \$100,000,000 he won't float a loan at all. Borrowing a few millions at a time as the treasury needs it is altogether too small business for him.

The people of northwestern Nebraska are anxious to enlarge their railroad facilities and are actively at work to stimulate railroad building in that section of the state. This is an indication that the people in northwestern Nebraska are preparing for a vigorous campaign to attract new labor and capital.

Every new councilman, with the exception of Carr Axford, voted to over- The British newspapers, of all shades of ride the veto of Mayor Bemis of Meat | political opinion, speak with one voice Inspector Frank's salary grab. Mr. in favor of resenting the attitude of the Axford is entitled to credit for starting German emperor in the Transvaal matout right and standing up for good government and honest methods in the transaction of public business. But what of his associates?

Sheriff Drexel is not without blame

in permitting Convict Ford to leave the jail in charge of Miller. If it was a humane act to permit Ford to go to his mother to bid her farewell it was also in violation of law. Public sentiment respecting two recent jail deliveries is fering their services for military duty. not such as the sheriff would want to It would seem from this that the hear expressed. It borders on indigna- friendly relations between the two na-

Another local bank has filed bonds with the county commissioners and has been designated as a county depository entitled to receive deposits of county money at 3 per cent interest. The every point. That she really purposes banks, however, continue to credit the city with only 2 per cent on monthly balances of city funds. It makes a great difference to the banks whether the money deposited with them belongs to the city or county.

There are some sensible suggestions in the report of the city electrician. One is that which pertains to a redis tribution of electric lamps. It is quite time the council as a body take up this question in the interest of the whole city. As a rule electric lights have been located by ambitious councilmen with a view to vote-getting and with little regard to actual necessities. The result is well known.

Two notorious counterfeiters who converted into \$400 of good money bogus \$10 notes which were shoved upon the Britain. Such a conflict, it is not difpeople of this city have been sentenced ficult to understand, France might reto penal servitude at Sioux Falls. A federal court jury has also convicted out her dream of revenge upon Germany | board business without additional exan old woman of making and disposing and recovering the provinces which of spurious coin in this city. With these two notable examples of merited punof a century ago. It would seem, thereishment it may be presumed that illicit money making will become somewhat go to war with Great Britain without unpopular in this vicinity.

The present school board of Omaha was notoriously elected as the special lish papers assert that the attitude of champion of the flag waving over the special attorney a man who, although closer and more friendly than with fought against the flag from the begin- main neutral as long as her interests generation of Omaha school children herself on the side of Germany. Doubt-

The issue of \$100,000,000 of new bonds war, in which event it is more than pay roll to pay off political debts. by the government will afford an op- probable that all the continental powers portunity to test the willingness of the would be arrayed against Great Britain. come to the relief of the national treasury in a time of great emer- her allies. gency, and the response of these institutions will be awaited with unusual in-

terest. A leading financial journal, sup- would have the advantage on account why the subject should arouse discusposed to be in close touch with the of her greatly superior naval power, and sion at all. "Recent practice has been principal financial institutions of the her much greater facilities for increas- invariably in favor of two conventions, country, said in anticipation of an is- ing it. Germany ranks fifth among the and there is nothing in the political sue of bonds by the government that naval powers and her great inferiority horizon at this moment to require a deit was generally conceded if the treas- to Great Britain in this respect is parture from the customary proceeding. ury is to have its needed replenishment shown in the fact that while that na- If circumstances should acise that counof gold it can come only from the tion has 274 war vessels in service Ger- sel a single convention it will be time stocks in the banks of the country. many has but seventy-four. Thus in a enough to discuss the question then, The question with these institutions single-handed fight between these therefore is whether they shall under- powers England could defend her colo-

of gold payments. If they elect to take the latter course the banks would be A MOST CREDITABLE RECORD. is a feeling among some of the banks in the east holding large stocks of gold ernment to take care of itself and yet their readiness to take such proportion of the situation of the municipal government. It affords a comprehensive review of the relations of the city to the various franchised corporations and notion and protection of the city's innecessity of radical retrenchment in none of these institutions have indithat vitally concern the taxpayers, equal to the expenditures, This is particularly true as regards with a view to making their own terms public works contractors, tax shirkers

While the citizens of Omaha may not their interests during the past four years, they must concede to him the merit of conscientious and faithful public service and fearless discharge of duty as he saw his duty. In the never-ceasing struggle with council combines dominated by boodling contractors and grasping corporations Mr. Bemis never flinched from defending the public and never bartered away the rights of the taxpayers. Whatever the shortcomings of his administration may have been, they must be ascribed to conditions over which he had no control and the lack of honest co-operation on the part

of subordinates and councils. It will be many a year before Omaha secures another mayor who will be as and in the most liberal spirit. It is in the power of the banks to give the courageous in the discharge of duty as constitutionality he denied. treasury the help and protection it needs George P. Bemis.

THE INAUGURAL OF MAYOR BROATCH. The inaugural message of Mayor W. J. Broatch will commend itself to the people of Omaha for the promises it public confidence which will operate makes of enforced economy and retrenchment. If these promises shall be fulfilled, Mayor Broatch will be cheerfully accorded due credit for carrying nto effect the recommendations be has made. It is to be hoped that the new mayor will have the courage and the integrity to oppose raids upon the treasury, whatever form they may take, and it is to be hoped also that he will encounter no obstacles to his program of retrenchment.

What that program is to be, his mes sage does not divulge. The only specific recommendation he ventures is the consolidation of the offices of veterinarian and meat inspector, which he says will save not less than \$660 per annum. In this Mayor Broatch evidently labors under a delusion. The office of city veterinarian was abolished more than a year ago. Hence there can be no saving effected by reviving t in conjunction with another office. There are, however, other offices and sinecures that can and should be abolished, or consolidated.

The suggestion that the city take steps to acquire the water works plant by purchase when the impending sale in foreclosure takes place merits con sideration, if made in good faith. Th problem will be to raise the money to buy it. Another serious question will be whether the city can outbid the prices for the plant.

While Mr. Broatch is afflicted with a virulent case of chronic Rosewateropho bia, he will find The Bee ready at all times to commend any official act which is in line with his message, and to co-operate with him in every effort to carry out any real reform that he may

PROMISE AND PERFORMANCE.

Retrenchment and economy are the Italy he could probably rely upon under the city hall and from all the departany circumstances, but there are France | ments thereof, but men must be judged and Russia whose neutrality at least, by their acts and not by their profesit is reasonable to assume, he would sions.

Germany engaging in a war with Great reviving the \$500 sinecure of attorney for the Board of Education, although the legal department of the city is will gard as her opportunity for carrying ing and able to attend to all school The new council listened to the mes-

sages of the retiring and incoming fore, that Germany would hesitate to mayors, the keynotes of both being economy and retrenchment in every branch of municipal government, and would practically amount to the sup-then turned around and elected a useless sergeant-at-arms at a salary of \$900 a

There is no more need of a paid counlittle red school house. The very first countenance from France. As to Rus- cil sergeant-at-arms than there is of a act of the board was to select as its sia, her relations with Germany are special attorney for the school board. For years the chief of police or an born in a loyal northern state, went | England and in case of war between officer designated by him attended counsouth to join the confederates, and those powers she would doubtless re- cil meetings and preserved order and summoned the presence of absentees. ning of the war to its end. With such seemed to warrant, with the chances The city incurred no expense for this an example before them the growing that sooner or later she would array service. The same thing could be done for peace and righteous justice when now if the council were disposed to quarrel in which the weak has asked and the must form a very low estimate of less the inevitable outcome of a conflict between Germany and Great business on business principles instead simple remedy?

Britain would be a general European of maintaining supernumeraries on the

Members of the Nebraska congresbanks of the country, and es though the fact must be recognized sional delegation are said to be discuspecially the national banks, to that she is in a position to offer to some sing the question of one or two reof them great inducements to become publican state conventions for the nomination of a state ticket and for the In a war waged by Germany single- selection of delegates to the national handed against Great Britain the latter convention. There is no good reason

The effort that is soon to be made to take the task of saving the treasury, or nies and have war vessels to spare for locate the Nebraska state encampment The Bondsmen of the City Treaspermit it to lapse into the suspension operations against the colonies of Ger. of the Grand Army of the Republic at one place for five years will likely encounter vigorous opposition from the more pretentious towns of the state, The proudest title to which any man which might hope to get it now and then can aspire is that of an American citi- if the location were decided upon anzen. George P. Bemis, who for four nually. All of these towns insist that years past has served as mayor of they can provide the necessary facili-Omaha, may now pride himself on the ties for the meeting and that they are assumption of his title, "Citizen." His entitled to consideration even if they message as retiring mayor is a most have not the temerity to ask for a five creditable public document. It is a years' location. In the meanwhile the clear cut and businesslike presentation preliminary canvass is progressing with vigor.

Senator Vest says that the income tax decision of the supreme court is the embodies recommendations for the pro- most remarkable that has ever been delivered by that tribunal. This is excrests in dealing with them in the pressing it rather forcibly when we confuture. It points out the imperative sider the long list of remarkable decisions that have emanated from that every branch of the municipal govern- court. Suppose the income tax had ment and suggests appropriate reme- not been declared unconstitutional. dies for existing abuses. While the That would merely have delayed the message is dignified throughout and necessity for a bond issue a month or moderate in its tone, Mr. Bemis does two, but it would not have made the not mince words in discussing questions rational revenues of the past year

It is to be noted that the late war scare over the disputed British claims to Venezuelan territory has not pre fully appreciate the difficulties under vented the house of representatives which Mayor Bemis has labored in from voting permission to two United States army officers to accept honorary medals presented them by the British government. Here is a chance for the spurious patriots to deny the ability of American soldiers decorated with British medals to fight loyally against Great Britain without a mental reservation.

Attorney General Churchill and Land Commissioner Russell, who have for besides the apportionments, Belgium owns the Congo state with a population of 15,600,lovernor Holcomb to meet with him as a state appointing board to name a new police commissioner for Omaha, ought tion 7,980,000 and area 836,000. Liberia is to read over once more some of the a black republic, with an area of 37,000 graceful compliments they bestowed Swaziland, under the protection of the Boers, on the governor when he declined last includes an area of 6,370 square miles and August to join with them in appointing 60,000 people under a tribal monarchy. The devoted to its welfare and as police commissioners under a law whose a population bordering on 1,000,000, and an area of 162,640 miles, within which lie some

> A Glut of Glee. Chicago Times-Herald.

The number of college glee clubs that are being stranded all over the country indicates that the market is already glutted with glee. Counseling Sensickness. Allow your thoughts to dwell for one brief,

agonizing moment on the state legislatures the country is now about to have on its hands.

They Are Winners, Cleveland World, The United States has several chips on its coulders, and by singular coincidence they are red, white and blue. They are all of the

Keep an Eye on Mearagua. Chicago Tribune. It will pay every American citizen to re-flect carefully upon how much more securely

Philadelphia Times: Jameson in South Africa didn't have such an easy time as he expected after the Boers got their Dutch up. the United States could "bluff" England i the Nicaragua canal were open for business and we were in control of it. Cleveland World: England carried the war nto Africa all right. The trouble will now be to get it back out again. It will be done backing out.

If Campos and \$0,000 troops are to be shut

up in Havana, whose normal population is 200,000, the problem of feeding such a multitude will be difficult. The city will soon by on short rations if it depends entirely on a supply by ships. Millions of Gold Honrded.

St. Paul Pioneer Press.

There ought to be gold enough among the people to take up the lan, if investments are wanted. The national banks hold about \$165,-000,000 in gold, the state and savings banks about \$65,000,000 more, and there is in gen-eral circulation about \$300,000,000 more.

> The Loot of the Treasury. Des Moines Leader.

It is a characteristic thing which the city council of Omaha did in regard to the discovered shortage of some \$110,000 of City Treasurer Bolin. The finance committee of the council admits that for two months the council, or several members of it, knew of the condition of affairs; nevertheless, the bondholders, in whose interest the sale secret was guarded until The Omaha Bee has been ordered, without paying two made the exposure. Nothing more irritates the public than the way officials make common fortune under such circumstances.

Philadelphia Record. The London Chronicle's American correspondent has discovered that the Venezuelan issue has "enormously emphasized the line of cleavage between the east and west. The correspondent would have made his letter more interesting had he given facts to establish any such line. It is certainly not apparent in the unanimity of congress. nor in the utterly unsectional spirit with which the newspaper press has sustained the administration. There is of course some watchwords proclaimed from the top of newspaper opposition; but it would be utterly impossible to trace in its manifestations such

a thing as a "line of cleavage."

Licutenant Cree in North American Review. We may say, then, that the invention of a successful air ship will cause an entire revo-lution in the art of war-more stupendous than that caused by any invention since that of gunpowder, and even surpassing that, since it only increased the distance between the lines of the combatants, while the principles of at-tack and defense, strategy and supply, re-mained unchanged, or were only slowly modified. A flying machine however, will nullify strategy, make vital changes in the principles of attack and defense diminish the importance of navies and sea coast fortifications and by bringing the theater of operations to the doors of palaces and legislatures, rende speedy settlement of national grievances im-

Deluded Pulpiteers.

Arbitration is exactly what Lord Salisbury fiatly refused to Venezuela even after a treaty had been negotiated to this effect which he fused to ratify. Various well-meaning but ignorant clergymen who are condemning a "war fever" and urging arbitration will learn. if they will acquaint themselves with the facts, that there can be no "war fever" if England grants arbitration. This is all Venezuela asks. This is all this country insisti upon. Is there any Christian clergymen who will venture to say that it does not work

JOURNALISTIC APOLOGIST FOR PUBLIC THIEVES.

BOLLN'S TREASURY SHORTAGE NOT LESS THAN \$115,000

MR. BOLLN IS HONEST HIS SHORTAGE NOT GROWING THEY CLAIM IT TO BE FALSE

urer do Not Question His Integrity.

While There is an Overdraft and a Shortage in Salaries, They Are Not Alarmed.

The Former They Assert to Be Quite Natural and the Latter is According to Precedent.

A Full Examination of the Books is Deemed Necessary to Bring Things Up to the Mark.

Thomas Swobe Likely to Look After Things Till Election Time-A Suicide That Did Not Materialize.

DIVIDING THE SPOILS.

Dimensions of the European Grab in

Africa. Chicago Times-Herald.

The continent of Africa has been carved

out by Great Britain, France, Portugal,

The area claimed by each of these is as

000 and an area of 865,400 square miles. Tur-

key claims, but England practically owns

everything in Egypt and Tripoli-popula-

whose fidelity cannot always be relied upon.

readjust or British premiers to refuse to ar-

THE AFRICAN RUMPUS.

Indianapolis Journal: It looks as if the war emperor of Germany may have been looking after something like the Boers' affair by the liveliness with which he picked it up. It may

divert attention from internal dissensions at

New York Tribune: South African repub

lics do not seem to have any better protection than South American republics against the

incurgions of Great Britain into their terri-

tory in support of settlers who have gone there to make money.

Chicago Timez-Herald: There is an old

proverb that "a man may not marry his grandmother," but Emperor William's tele-gram to Mynheer Krueger would indicate that

he is not aware of any proverb forbidding

Cincinnati Enquirer: The congratulatory dispatch of Emperor William to the presi-

dent of the Transvaal republic has given

much offense in England. Will Victoria send for her grandson and spank him?

Willie has been spoiling for a fight ever since he got out of short trousers.

few days that it is high time for her to stop

grabbing territory and take care of what she

already has-if she can. Her thieving pro-

St. Louis Republic: England's gains are

Her ministers are building perplexities and

her bullying ways are making enemies con-

tinually. Every few years the perplexities bring her up short in a tangle and the ene-

mies hegin to bristle up. Then she must either back out or shut her intellectual eyes

and drive forcibly through the encompassing

Chicago Record: In short, there is not one of the world's great powers—the United States included—which is not at the present

neutrality or open ie British empire.

having a finger in everybody's else pie.

an attitude of

condition either anomalous or illogical.

Cincinnati Commercial: The laceration to

peror William's Transvaal telegram that there may be serious thought of divesting Lord Saliebury of his yellow jacket and his

three-eyed peacock feather. In which case it is understood that His Assistant Royal

Highness, Li Hung Chang of China, will telegraph his sympathy in appropriate tea

Kansas Banks Want Bonds.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 8 .- A special to the

Star from Independence, Kan., says: Local

banks have stated their desire to invest in

the government's new issue of bonds to the following extent: Commercial National

\$25,000; First National, \$15,000; Citizens National, \$19,000.

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Square miles, Population

Spain, Germany and Italy.

at 22,000,900 square miles.

follows:

World-Herald, June 20, 1895.

Him to be Very Far Back.

The Amount Still Appears to Be Confined to the Salaries Advanced in His Good Nature.

Coulter Is Not Yet Suspended Despite the Statements That He Has Been Permanently Let Out.

World-Herald, June 25, 1895. WILL SERVE OUT HIS TERM GROWN TO BE A MOUNTAIN

Bondsmen of Treasurer Bolln Come to that Conclusion After Investigating.

Are Not at all Pleased with the Manner in Which Comptroller Olsen Has Been Acting.

Facts About the Condition of the Office Have Been Reserved for a Chosen Few-Tell-Tale Slips.

World-Herald, June 21, 1895.

Henry Bolln's Books do Not Show | The Bondsmen and Examiners of Henry Bolln's Books so Pronounce Evil Inference.

> Sensational Stories Implying Theft of Funds Are Declared to be Utterly Without Foundation.

The Man Is Short Just the Amounts Advanced in Unearned Salaries and Thus Far Nothing More.

World-Herald, January 7, 1896.

Deficit in ex-Treasurer Bolln's

Accounts May Reach \$125,-000 to \$135,000.

Expert Accountants Solve All the Financial Puzzles and Make Their Final Report.

Comptroller Olsen Is Exonerated From All Responsibility by the Council-Last

Meeting of the Year.

IOWA PRESS COMMENT. Des Moines Leader: Judge Husted of Du-

buque has advised the indictment of the mayor and aldermen of Dubuque who participated in the recent "salary grab" there. The lesson must be taught that public officers are not given carte blanche to do what they please with public funds. Sioux City Times: The Iowa Indians are

bright fellows and show that they are pos-sessed of some business sense. They have leased their lands to white farmers and have rented a patch of ground of the Kaws on which they will erect a village and live off the rental paid them by the white farmers. It has taken the aborigine a long time to realize the value of land ownership, but he is getting around to ft now.

Sloux City Journal: The irrigationists are loing great work in Nebraska. At the office of the secretary of the state board of irrigation claims for water rights are being filed in great numbers and already these claims over more than 2,600,000 acres of land. By the first of next May it is believed the claims will cover at least 3,000,000 acres and a large proportion of this vast area will this year be irrigated and will produce Des Moines Capital: Congressman Clark is

of the richest mines on the continent. There certainly not disposed to get into ruts, what-ever els; may be said of him. His measure for the establishment of postal savings banks emains unappropriated a total estimated Great Britain has been openly anxious to for the establishment of postal savings banks is in accordance with the opinions of meny who have given the subject a considerable amount of attention. Indeed, may it not be that the government could in that way obtain all the money it would need with which to meet deficiencies? If the funds thus obextend her protectorate by intrigue, stealth or fillbustering, but if France, Italy and Ger-many shall combine to preserve the balance of power in Africa further aggression on her part will be checked effectually. Numbers, it is true, are in her favor. Population to the square mile is sixteen for British Africa against eight for French, seven for Germany tained were not needed for such purpose, they could be invested in the obligations of the government, and thus at least some interest could be saved. The rate of interest and ten for Italian Africa. Fleets, however, and diplomatic menace will be convincing gainst a disparity of colonizers and natives would not be made a competitor with private The other partitioning powers are likely to enterprise. One thus entrusting his money with the government should be satisfied profit by the Venezuelan contention and leave with a very moderate return for his invest-

> Dubuque Telegraph: In his charge to the jury Judge Husted instructed that body that it was its duty to investigate newspapers, that the city council had increased the salary of the mayor and those of he aldermen, and, if it found the statements of the press to be true, to return indictments parties. . against the responsible When the present council began its career the aldermanic salary was \$300 and the mayoralty \$1,000. Early last summer a proposition to increase the salaries was made, and subsequently the pay of the aldermen was advanced to \$500, with extra allowance for service on the Board of Health and the equalization committee, and \$1,000 additional was voted to the mayor, \$500 of the amount for health committee work. These facts are undenied, and as under the law the salaries fixed when the new council entered upon its task were full payment for all services, the grand jury will be likely to return indict-

have drawn the increased palary, and these, with the mayor, are liable. PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

All but three of the ten aldermen

St. Joseph, Mo., boasts of a new union depot. Happy old burg! The masterly activity of Spain in Cuba is chiefly confined to the cable. Chicago's beer war is a thing of the past.

The collar remains as a stiffener of the Mr. Gladstone thinks that the surest way for Englishmen of wealth to earn fame and New York Advertiser: England ought to understand from the developments of the past immortality is to build cathedrals.

> There is some consolation for the admin-In the fact that England is accumulating an endless chain of trouble. No matter what history may say, Mr. leveland has linked his administration and the future with bonds of doubtful affection. Chulalongkorn, king of Siam, has been xperimenting with the fashionable toothpick

> hoes now in vogue. Already he rides a President Krueger of the Dutch republic well nigh invincible. He wears decolwhiskers thick enough to flatten a Even Dr. Jameson admits it a hopebullet. ess task to "give it to him in the neck."

South Carolina is making money in the a hisky business. To date the profit is \$210,-000, and for the current year a profit of is were \$44,000; in September, \$50,500; in October, \$111,000. Total assets in the business It is directly due to the traditional foreign are \$284,000, and the liabilities are \$74,000 policy of Great Britain, which consists in Why should Dunraven object if he Why should Dunraven object if he is crowded a little occasionally? He began life New York Times: Although the emperor

that way. The day he was born he was called Windham-Thomas Wyndham-Quinn, of Germany has behaved more diplomatically called Windham-Thomas Wyndham-Quing, it is difficult to account for his dispatch of earl of Dunraven and Mount-Earl, viscount of Mount-Earl of Dunraven and Mount-Earl, viscount Adare, Baron Adare of Adare, Baron Kenry of Kenry, knight of St. Patrick and baron of Great Britain.

European opinion of the merits of the chief basis for the reports.

the matrimonial intentions of ex-President Venezuelan question, and that effect will not Harrison is the fact that he is renovating the be favorable to Great Britain. shutters others. I the feelings of the British caused by President Cleveland's Venezuelan message has serve their liberty and independence and been intensified to such an extent by Emavoid the gossiping menaces of leap year,

they should give house renovators the marble hearts for twelve months to come. The other night at a club dinner Sir Henry Irving was requested to sign his name on menus by 100 men till he finally protested and asked that a collection be made and sent to his hotel. It is no secret that the inde-fatigable Brown Stoker can sign his illustrious chief's name in a manner to satisfy the autograph fiend-but not a bank cashier, as those familiar with Sir Henry's chirog

the latter always makes. Cornelius Vanderbilt was elated the other day because he was able to eat a few stowed oysters and not be distressed. Mr. Vanderbilt has for years suffered from acute dyspepsia and has been pleased enough when a bit of graham cracker and a sip of malted milk did not bring agony to him. The gen-tleman who told of Mr. Vanderbilt's happ'ness over the stewed oysters remarked that they were as much of a feast to him as a great course dinner and wines galore would be to a tramp.

raphy can distinguish certain flourishes that

CURRENT PLEASANTRIES.

Brooklyn Life: "Brown is weak, finan-cially, isn't he?" "He hasn't much money, but he gives employment to a great many men." "Who are they?" "Other people's bill collectors."

Truth: Brown—This hypnotism is a con-founded humbug. I've looked into it thor-oughly and there's nothing in it. Mrs. Brown—How did you get interested n.it? Brown-I thought it might come in handy to put baby to sleep.

Washington Star: "Folks am bery self-deceptious," said Uncle Eben. "Twon't be long 'fch you hyahs people sayin' dat de aigs in de algnog didn 'gree wir 'em."

Indianapolis Journal: Mr. N. Peck-Of course, like all women, you have an inordinate curiosityMrs. N. Peck-Got a curiosity, have 1? I've got a freak!

Detroit Free Press: "Isn't that a very slow horse of yours?"
"Well, he isn't much for speed, but he's easily frightened and runs away a good deal, so he gets there just the same."

Hartford Times: Magistrate—You must be subjected to a great many temptations, you are up before me so often. Prisoner— Dat's de fac', boss. Dis here am de world of temptations and trials. But de trials hit me de hardest, boss.

Yonkers Statesman: Mrs. Killum (bride of four months)-I think I'll learn to cook while you are away, dear.

Mr. Killum-All right, love; I'll take the dog along with me, I guess.

Philadelphia Record: "Don't be fooled by the man who says nothing and looks wisc," remarks the Manayunk Philosopher. "He may be a deaf mute or a professional hu-morist,"

Detroit Tribune: "Can I ever wear it out?" he faltered.
His eyes filled with tears.
"No!" he sighed. "Ah, no!"
Thus it chanced that he gave his wife a great talk to the effect that the necktle she had given him was too sacred to be worn anywhere except in the privacy of their home.

their home. Washington Star: "Dear me," said a South American republic as it looked at Great Britain's map of Venezuela, "It is really very astonishing if it is not misrepre-sented."

sented."
"What is?" inquired a sister country.
"The manner in which a country is liable
to shrink in this warm climate."

Harper's Bazar: Bostonian-It is a for-tunate thing for the English language that these distressing accidents on the trolley roads occur in Brooklyn and Philadelphia, where the reporters have ample time to write, instead of in your city. New Yorker-Why? Bostonian-Because your reporters would refer to the victims as having been trolley-cuted.

THE RUSH.

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Kansas City Journal.

"I've often said." said Diogy Dick,

"And now ag'in repeat it.
Dat rushin' growlers is great sport—
Dere's nothin' dat kin beat it.

It's vastly differ'nt, though, my lads
As I will freely state.

When growlers is a-rushin' you
Out through de kitchen gate."

A MULTIPLICATION TABLE.

New York Truth Twice as white
Is your throat tonight
As feathers from angels wings;
Three times blue
Are those eyes that you
Can use to say such things.

Four times red Are your cheeks, 'tis said, As a blood-rose dipped in dew; Five times fair Is your wavy hair With its delicate golden hue.

Six times sad.
Nay, almost mad,
Are gallants seven times elght;
And nine times all
Are yet to fall
At your feet and learn their fate.

So here I sigh
As the hours pass by
Till the blue hills hide the su
And yonder, Miss,
Why you can't be this;
Once, ever and aye, for one!



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