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If this rate cutting keeps on it may soon become cheaper to travel than to stay at home,

Besides being a famous culture center Boston is now distinguished as a February snewstorm bub.

is just now giving the finest exhibition perity. of bifurcated politics on the stage.

Our popocratic friends seem to be unhappy because the government revenues do not continue to show a constant

It is to be hoped that congress will find something more important to discuss Last Wednesday they had an interview this week than the origin of Mr. Dingley's new bat.

Although Greece was badly beaten in the war over Crete, a Greeian prince is to be governor of the island province, which is almost as good as to have whipped the Turks.

The consolidation stories seem to be for the railroads the same as the diamond robbery yarns for the actressessimply a device to work the newspapers for a little free advertising,

Japan may no longer have serious obfections to the annexation of Hawaii by the United States, but the withdrawal of Japan's protests does not make annexation any more desirable for the American people.

Rapid increase in the deposits in the the near approach of an era of investment and development of business enter prises. The owners of money do not like to have it lying idle in the banks.

It is suggested that all that is necessary to get water for the exposition grounds is for the management to ask the water works company to turn the water on. That can easily be done, but it is another thing to get the water

Belgium last year exported to the United States over 135,000,000 pounds of sugar. Every ounce of this can be and ought to have been produced in this tion any more desirable for the American labor in American fields and factories.

Ex-Chairman Harrity may be removed from the place he occupied on the democratic national committee, but he cannot be removed as a factor in Pennsylvania politics. A man may remove a mole, but the scar often proves a worse distigurement.

Now if someone will be so kind as to furnish reliable information as to whether Great Britain has or has not backed down before aggressive Russian resumed on the question, Is it right for Germany to steal a part of China?

One refreshing change enjoyed in pass ing from the senate to the house lies in tures. finding the lower house of congress to be substantially free from so-called silver republicans. The republicans in the house vindicate their title to the name by standing squarely on the St. Louis

There has been more intemperate talk other sort, if President Patton is to be credited, and if the critics of the university will check their intemperate language the university faculty may be deamong the students.

Attention is called to the priority, com-Bee has printed all the essential features. and developments of this most remarkcompetitors. The Bee is second to none in enterprise as a newspaper,

Senator Lindsay of Kentucky declines to resign, notwithstanding the peremptory demand of the Kentucky legislature for his resignation. The senator has of exterritoriality. most of the precedents on his side. The members of the United States seifate who have resigned for any reason have extreme in upholding the authority of the pensioners, a course which it is believed | Omaha next spring and take the credit always been few and far between.

One of the problems which the manbeen launched for the purpose of adverposition on a cash compensation basis.

tory of the ploneer transcontinental state law. traffic.

gage train to overtake a band of mounted with its divided jurisdiction. Indians on the war path. To insure efficlency in every branch of the service while minimizing expenses some radical changes had to be made and the pruning knife fearlessly applied. While not is the indirect cause of dark by the conditions under which he assumed control, President Burt has signalized his first month under his new should be highly appreciated by the patrons of the Union racific.

The new fast passenger train with its magnificent equipment which begins tois the first move made by the new president on the railway chess board which the lines competing with the Union Pacific must meet. The very first result is the restoration of the fast through train been discontinued three years ago, so that even the patrons of that road are proved passenger facilities. It is not likely that the reorganized Union Pacific railroad under the management of Presi- flour can only be milled by taking out dent Burt will be permitted to fall behind any other road in enterprise or in The populist party of South Dakota follow public favor and general pros-

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. The representatives of commercial and industrial interests who are in Washing ton urging the creation of a new execu tive department, to be called the depart ment of commerce and industries, speak for a very large and influential element, with the president, who it is understood is in sympathy with the project and will take such action as he deems proper in furtherance of it. On Friday these gentlemen were given a hearing by the interstate commerce committee of the house and if the reasons they gave for the creation of the proposed depart ment are admitted to be sound there is urgent necessity for this addition to the executive branch of the government.

There is a bill now pending before the house interstate commerce committee; introduced by Mr. Hepburn of Iowa, which is in all respects the same as the one introduced in the senate by Senator Frye, providing for the creation of a department, the head of which shall be a member of the cabinet and which shall be made up of a number of bureaus now distributed among the existing departments. The work of the proposed debanks of the country is a good sign of partment would be to look after and promote the commercial and industria interests of the country and it is urged that this could be better done than through the bureaus as now constituted It is also said that it would relieve departments, particularly the treasury. which are overcrowded with work that does not come within their respective spheres.

We have never been able to perceive any such necessity for a new department as its promoters urge and the reasons given by the representatives of business interests to the interstate commerce committee do not impress us as by any means conclusive. It is by no means certain that the work now done by the various bureaus which would any better done than at present, but there is no question that the proposed department would increase the cost of government, though its promoters claim that this increase would not be large. Advancement of the commercial and industrial interests of the country is to be desired, but it may reasonably be doubted whether a new executive department could accomplish much in this direction. Commercial and industrial diplomacy in the Orient debate will be growth depends upon the energy and enterprise of the people. At all events this question of a new department can very well wait until the receipts of the government at least equal its expendi-

NOT HOUSES OF REFUGE States, in cases where there is a conflict between federal and state jurisdiction, is recognized by everyone as right and the sum that she might have received. proper. The theory upon which it is It has been stated that pensions of this founded is that federal property and at Princeton than intemperance of the federal officers must be privileged from seizure or interference by state authorities, otherwise in case of conflict the child of a deceased soldier, who never supremacy of the federal government might be endangered. But the doctrine pended on to prevent intemperance may be applied absurdly, so as to violate fustice and defeat its original object. This appears to have been done in the Such an applicant may be 40 years old St. Louis decision, according to which today and yet if he was entitled to a pleteness and accuracy of The Bee's one may thrash a man in a federal buildnews reports of the Grable case. The ing and escape the usual penalty for file a claim at the pension bureau that such an assault by pleading that any federal building is a government reservajurisdiction. The case referred to was of young women marrying old veterans while posing as an injured person. If one in which a colored porter made an ment under state laws was secured be- as we have observed there has been

nity of the United States government, roll by exposing those who have no At best it is a perversion of the princi- claim to the bounty of the government. exhibit at the Transmississippi Exposiagers of the exposition will soon have ple, doubtless good enough law under Other reforms are urged which would tion that will eclipse all others. to solve is whether the exposition has strict interpretation of the statutes, but operate to materially diminish the pennot in accord with common sense. On sion account as it stands under existing tising a Boston architect or whether this plan one has but to step inside a faw. the architect in question was employed federal building or an office controlled It is to no purpose to make comparito supervise the architecture of the ex- by the federal government to escape the son, as has been done, of the pension | the supreme bench were doubtless good

THE RECORGANIZED UNION PACIFIC. Of course federal laws will apply, some- United States, with liberal policy of work slipped a trolley and the train The advent of Horace G. Burt as chief times more severe in their penalties than our government toward the union sol- failed to make the connection. In nine executive of the reorganized Union Pa- state laws, but they do not cover all the diers is in the highest degree honorable cases out of ten where such fraud is cific railroad marks an epoch in the his- misdemeanors and crimes punishable by to the American people and that policy attempted some one on the inside sooner

trunk line. Mr. Burt is pre-eminently It would be better to invoke the su- a war veteran to be benefited by it. fitted for inaugurating reforms that will perior furisdiction of the federal courts But it is unquestionable that reforms insure the operation of the Union Facilic only where the question involved relates can be effected which would do no in- tracted the attention of the British tradupon strictly business principles and to the federal business. In the St. Louis Jury or injustice to the old soldiers and ers in recent years and now it is an place it in position to regain the prestige case the federal government was not in- would materially reduce the demand nounced that the British Board of Trade which it enjoyed when it was without a terested in the fight between a porter from this source on the national treas- is about to establish a bureau of inforrival in competing for transcontinental and a Janitor, and no harm could have ury. come to the United States had the state As a thoroughbred railway manager courts had jurisdiction. The federal the new president realizes that a rail- buildings and offices are not designed road weighted down with supernumer- to be houses of refuge for offenders aries or incompetent favorites can no against state laws, and by so regarding more hope to win in a race against a them the courts bring into disrepute well manned competitor than a regiment laws and legal principles of vital imof regulars burdened with a long bag- portance to our system of government

WHEAT CORNER AND DARK BREAD. It is probable that the corner in wheat controlled by a Chicago man shirking the disagreeable task imposed bread the Chicago bakers admit they are turning out of their ovens, though Mr. Leiter waves aside his responsibility with the suggestion that the commission by inaugurating an improved | millers can get good wheat for making transcontinental passenger service that good flour by applying to his agents and paying his price. Without waiting to determine whether the farmers, the millers, the bakers or the speculators are at fault, the Chicago commissioner of day to run between Chicago and Denver health has commenced investigation to determine the wholesomeness of the dark bread, and this is the important thing from the viewpoint of the consumer. Whether the bread is dark or pure white is of less importance than the question of on the Burlington system which had its life-sustaining qualities and freedom from injurious elements.

Most persons prefer bread of snowy under obligations to Mr. Burt for im- whiteness, yet it does not follow that such bread is more healthful nor more nutritious than darker bread, for white of the grain some of its valuable elements. Again it is not always true that facilities for the increased traffic sure to flour made from second grade wheat is unwholesome, however it may be unpalatable. If the grain is ripe and clean and has not been spoiled before it eaches the rolls of the miller, it is not likely there will be anything about the flour dangerous to health, even though it lacks some of the qualities so highly prized by the bakers. It is from wheat that has been partially developed or is unclean or has been exposed to the elements so that it is spoiled that flour omes from which bread is made that is harmful. Such flour, although unadulterated, is not as good as the flour which has been mixed with corn products or other adulterants. In fact, it would be better for Americans to make much greater use of cornmeal and other corn products on their tables than to use wheat bread dangerously dark or pay inordinately high prices for good bread for the benefit of wheat speculators.

If the wheat corner has the indirect result of encouraging the substitution of cornmeal for wheat flour in American homes it will prove to be not wholly an evil.

PENSIONS AND THE DEFICIT. According to the last treasury state ment there was paid out for peusions during the seven months of the current this period was in round numbers \$52,-000 000 so that omitting pensions there penses of the government of \$37,000,000. June 30, 1887, the disbursements for pensions aggregated \$574,418,184 and for the subsequent ten years the aggregate was \$1,256,266,302, or more than double the amount for the preceding ten years. In 1888 the expenditure for pen sions was in round numbers \$80,000,000. be \$141,000,000. Since 1866 the government has paid out for pensions \$2,178,

000.000. These are stupendous figures and s not surprising that they command serious attention, or that men who have always been earnest friends of the pen would operate to reduce the account without doing any injustice to those who deserve a pension. People who give no great credence to alleged frauds-though no one doubts that pensions have been fraudulently obtained-still think that there is room for reform and that legis the commissioner of pensions is desirable. For instance, under the present law it is possible for the widow of a union soldier who has married again to procure a pension, even though supported by a second husband. She may not have applied for a pension during her The superior authority of the United widowhood, but at the instigation of her new husband she may now legally collect from the government as back pay class, paid to former widows, are now costing the treasury \$10,000 a day, Again, it is now possible for a minor applied for a pension during the term of his minority, to file a claim for the money that he would have received from the government up to the age of 16. pension twenty-five years ago he can must be allowed under the law. An abuse to which the commissioner of pencause of the application of the doctrine no dissent to the recommendation of the commissioner that this abuse be reme-To the ordinary man this seems to be died. There is also a very general sengoing to an unnecessary and ridiculous timent in favor of publishing the list of mometer keeps rising we can annex federal courts and preserving the dig- would result in reducing the pension for holding the exposition." A better

pains and penalties of the criminal code; policy of Great Britain with that of the from a partisan standpoint, but their clusively established,

will be maintained so long as there is or later gives the plot away.

THE DECREE MODIFIED.

Contrary to expectation the protest of the American ambassador at Berlin against the decree of the Prussian minister of finance prohibiting the importation of American fresh fruit was not without effect. The decree was modified to the extent of permitting fruit to be admitted which has been inspected and found to be in satisfactory condition. This is a concession, but it may not be particularly valuable if the inspection officials should be in sympathy with those who favor the exclusion of American fresh fruits. It is hardly possible, therefore, that this trade will not suffer from the new conditions imposed. Shippers of fruits to Germany will hesitate to take the risk under the existing requirement and it can be confidently with that country will experience a large falling off.

be entirely proper and clearly within side of the line. its right, since it is a fact that certain well known fruit diseases could be carried on the fruit itself and thus the infection could be communicated to healthy trees at a great distance. In this view of the matter it is necessary the cabbage. to acquit the Prussian finance minister of the charge of taking this action in a spirit of hostility to American commercial interests, or by way of retaliation. It seems that the feeling of the president and cabinet was that if the action should be found to have been prompted by a desire to retaliate it should be met with retaliation. This could be done very promptly. The president is authorized by law to close our ports to all imports from countries which discriminate against our commerce. By a simple proclamation, therefore, President McKinley could shut German products out of our markets and while there is no probability that so extreme a course will ever be adopted, it is possible that German commercial hostility will be

carried so far as to provoke it. Meanwhile there appears to be, ac cepting the view of the secretary of agriculture, no substantial ground of complaint at the action of the Prussian minister of finance. He did no more than has been done by certain states of the union, which Secretary Wilson said had in times past prohibited the bringing within their borders of particular kinds of fruit from infected sections of other states. The fact remains, however, that the feeling of commercial hostility toward the United States is strong in Germany.

Prison records show that life sentences are not very long on the average. Of fiscal year \$89,000,000. The deficit for the forty-two prisoners that have been received at the prison in Joliet, Ill., under ife sentences fourteen have died in prison was a surplus above the ordinary ex- there, but fourteen have died in prison, nine were pardoned, six were sent to insane asylums, eleven had their sening the last ten years represents fully tences cut short and two were discharged four-fifths of the increase in public ex- by reversal of judgment. The average penditures. For the ten years ending time in prison of the life men has been five years, ten months and thirteen days. This is one of the facts men use in justifying lynching and in favor of the ndeterminate sentence plan of punishing guilty persons. It is plain, however, the indiscriminate use of the pardoning power is one of the greatest draw while for the current fiscal year it will backs to the systematic administration

of justice. Nebraska machine populists pretend that there will be but one place on their state ticket to be fought over in convention this year. But there are eight offices to be filled, and there is nothing in law or custom that says that each office holder shall have two terms. If ther are no populists who want the minor executive offices except the present incumbents, the capacity of the party to produce officeseekers has been sadly

overestimated. The Virginia legislature is making a record with freak legislation. First it was the anti-foot ball bill, then a bill to prohibit flirting, later one to tax bachslors, and now a member has prepared a bill to create colonels by law on payment of a fee of \$1 and taking the oath to abjure dueling. But freak legislators usually come singly, or at most two or three in a bunch, and their crazy notions seldom get into the statute books.

Russian treatment of news of famine and distress in the interior provinces is not up to the standard of enlightened nations. An order has been issued forbidding the newspapers publishing anything about the suffering of the people. In the United States the newspaper publishers would be invited to co-operate with the authorities in making known the facts and assisting in the work of alleviating the suffering.

The Chicago association has yet to

deal with the case of Rev. C. O. Brown, who confessed to the Bay conference in California the guilt which he had able incident twelve hours ahead of its tion over which state laws have no sions directed especial attention is that steadfastly denied for nearly three years who are on the verge of the grave, in the Chicago association does its duty attack upon the fanitor in the internal order to acquire widows' pensions on all that Mr. Brown can do is to form a revenue office. Immunity from punish- the decease of their husbands. So far partnership in retirement with the late Mr. Breckinridge of Kentucky.

that "If the Denver real estate therthing than that would be to make an

The intentions of the populists who last year engineered the recount scheme to put two additional populist judges on

The South American trade has at mation for the benefit of persons engaged in commerce, one object of which is to ascertain the condition of the South American market and keep the British traders informed. In many respects this bureau will correspond to the Bureau of American Republics, having headquarters in Washington, A practical, experienced commission will be sent to South America charged with the duty of investigating the markets and learning what s being done by the traders from other countries in those markets. If the American business men take advantage of their opportunities and no adverse political action intervenes, the American markets can and will be preserved for Americans.

The Canadian authorities are doing something toward encouraging prospecting in Alaska by an order forbidding predicted that this growing business anyone entering the Klondike region without at least a half ton of provisions. This may prove to be an unintentional The matter was discussed at the cabi-kindness to many who would be tempted net meeting Friday and Secretary of to go over into British territory to seek Agriculture Wilson is reported to have gold, but who will thus be forced to said that the action of Prussia might develop the gold fields on the American

> Cause and Effect. New York Press The Egyptians cat boiled cabbage to avoid ntoxication. It is perhaps just as probable hat their friends get intoxicated to avoid

> > A Large Contract.

There are all sorts of jobs, but the char who is expected to say something new to the American public every twenty-four hours has one that keeps him reasonably busy.

Opening the Debate.

A scientist has discovered that a man has 5,000,000 blood corpuscles, while a woman has only 4,000,000. Now, will the women stop talking of their superiority to men?

A Tip on Heiress Bargains.

If the titled foreign adventurers who comto this country to go on the market at \$1,000,-000 each had only the shrewdness to mark themselves down to \$999,999.98 they would matrimonial shoppers.

Bump Reading in Boston.

The newest form of amusement in Boston s called the phrenological party. After a professor of the science of bumps has deivered an introductory lecture or prelude he proceeds to "demonstrate the science by a brief reading of the mental endowments" of the guests. The danger is that the professor's inatinet of urbanity will tarnish the clear truth of his bump commentaries. Even at a phrenological party in Boston there is a possibility of heads that were best left unread.

An Aretic Combination.

Dr. Nansen has given Americans a sur prise by announcing at the close of his last lecture in New York Friday evening that he might accompany Lieutenant Peary on his next polar journey. Such a combination would be unprecedented. Who would command? Who claim the honors of discovery? Who write, the book and do the ecturing? Nansen's exact words were: "I may go north next year with the Ameri can expedition." A great combination, surely, if it could be made to work with eatness, precision and dispatch. The old cole would have to tumble.

Insurance Against War. It is an exceedingly pretty idea, if the water instead of a more proverbial Kentucky liquid, that the water should be taken fro the clear, cold spring on the farm where Abraham Lincoln was born. His quality character speaks infinitely better for his native state than anything else. There s a wholesome and appealing symbolis in thus making Lincoln, who so deeply de plored "the mighty scourge of war." sponsor for the battleship which is to aid in preserving our national peace. As Theodor-Roosevelt said at the "Constitution" cele bration at the Old South, and as Secretary long has often said in his work in building up our navy, these battleships are our strong est form of insurance against war.

EDUCATION AND IMMIGRATION.

Assumption of the Advocate of the Educational Test.

Washington Post, Now that the house has come to be regarded, and justly, as the conserv branch of the national legislature, friends of justice read common sense look to it for a conclusive and emphatic decut of Mr. Lodge's bill to restrict immigraion through the medium of an educational It is a victous proposition that the ability to read or write a few lines in the English or any other language constitutes guaranty of moral worth or social use proposition should be repudiated by an over-We have shown on several occusions pre

viously that even the advocates of the o not make out a case that commends it to any rational creature. We have quoted enator Hour and Senator Chandler to prove. y their own arguments, that the measure is a humbug, and we have produced Mr. Lodge in the character of its doting parent, with logic that consists chiefly in offensive and insolent insintations against those who ave astagonized it. Mr. Hoar admitted in his speech before the senate that "but fo existing necessities" the plan proposed by Mr. Lodge would be "exceedingly repug-nant" to him. He protested, however, that it was necessary to purify the ballot by ex-cluding illiterate persons. And then in the cluding illiterate persons. And then in the next breath he declared that men of the highest education were to be found on side of dishenest and corrupt legislation: "Men of education men of intelligence, men of wealth, scholars in universities, men who are now uniting in remonstrance against this are now intensity in temonate are against the proposed legislation, when they could accomplish their own political purposes have been found the willing, facile and subservient allies to the men who have attempted to verthrow the honsety of legislation in this What, then, is left of Mr. Hoar's plea fo

a virtuous ballot box? What protection against correct politics is to be found in the exclusion of Illiterate persons? Chandler was more direct. He con-

fessed the humbug without evasion: 'If the senator will allow me, we do no propose to keep anybody out by this provision. Every human being can come here inder this proposed law who could come without it. We simply say before they come the shall learn the rudiments of reading and writing. The senator says that is all right as to reading, but we should not requitem to write. It seems to me as we or ask them to stay abroad one month or tw months or three months until they get thes-rudiments of education, it is just as reason able to have those physically capable—and this proposed law applies to no one else— learn to read and write as it is to say that

they may come in if they can read, although they cannot write." For whose benefit, then, is this measure really designed? It operates a cruelty viding and dismembering families. cludes honest, industrious and frugal corsons, while it opens wide the doors to the whole cestiferous brood of half-educated agitators and inesodiaries. It sets up a false relation between illiteracy and crime—a relation which notoriously does not exist. It is a dis-bonost preteose, as Mr. Chandler has conPERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

A Baltimore man named Hugg is seeking divorce. A man with two g's in his hus should not be restricted by conventional

The deep silence prevailing at Wolfert's

Roost is said to be due to a test of a ma-chine capable of sawing twelve cords of wood per hour. With the thermometer ranging from 112 to 160 in the shade in Australia, whistling the notes of "A Hot Time" is justifiable provocation for a funeral.

Henry Watterson is extracting considerable gayety from his position on the rear benches He remarks that the star-eyed goddess con-tinues to be the belle of the ball, "with store clothes to burn and back hair to throw to the birds." Charlotte Smith evidently regards as hopeess the case of bachelor politicians and

she is now giving her undivided attention to the reformation of Chinese laundrymen. From bachelor politicians to Chinamen is iot a long step. That Chicago man who claims to hold the | Walker &

secret of transmuting baser metals into gold will learn something to his advantage by consulting the Philadelphia promoters of Edgement, S. D. His system, however, can not approach in celerity and magnetic power that of Messrs. Grable and Kurtz. While Abe Stupsky, Pod Dismuke and Jake Chin are securely enshrined in fame's temple, Hon. Michel Stoskopf, an Illinois statesman, plods the weary path of duty.

accumulating more jeers than joyous appreciation. Such chilly treatment of budding worth and manly devotion serves to remind a forgetful world that Charles A. Dana is no more. A gentleman of color, distinguished neither for literary or oratorical talent, danced around a pug of ebony hue in Chicago one evening last week, intending to impress th latter that he was born to wear the champion belt. Suddenly the big fellow's Jaw collided with a trip hammer, and he fell

big dub." The event puts him on the first round of the oratorical ladder. LIVE STOCK VALUES.

among the "has beens," muttering, "I'm

Enormous Increase in the Aggregate Throughout the Country. Kansas City Journal,

The most authentic report on farm stock and its values for the year 1897 shows an increase over the aggregate value of the pre-ceding year of \$150,053,000, the figures for the two years being \$2,037,012,000 and \$1,885,

The enhancement of values applies to horses, cows, cattle, sheep and hogs, mules being the only class showing a decrease The largest increase is in sheep, which show

Although it has been apparent on all live tock markets that there was an improve nent during the last year, both in supplies and prices, even those in closest touch with he situation were hardly prepared for such a favorable showing. The increase for the current year promises to be even greater than that of last, and with such an outlook t is reasonable to hope that we shall soon each the previous high water mark that of 1889, when the value of farm stock in the United States was placed at \$2,507,050,000. To the large increase in the value of cereals has been added that of live stock making the last year one of the most gratiying in the agricultural history of the cour

Yet the advocates of Bryanism dinned into he ears of the farmers that the heir years of adversity was the failure of the republican party to adopt the free silver policy, and prophesied that a failure to elect the ticket pledged to that doctrine in the last campaign meant the complete prostration of agricultural interests for the ag grandizement of the money power. These same housetop alarmists are even now pro-

claiming that there is no prosperity.

The western farmers should know, and in the main they have learned, that no national eministration which falls to protect the agicultural classes can do any substantial ood for any other interests. By the end of he McKinley administration the wisdom of epublican policies as applied to all classes of the American people will be more ap-parent and more powerful than ever before.

IS THE GOOD . TIME COMING? A Panegyric on the Approaching Millennium. Chicago Chronicle

Some day, when honesty and moral courage have supplanted humbug and hypocrisy, men will cease to interfere with the rights and opinions of other men. It will be no eproach to a man-it will rather be an honor to maintain in public the opinion he holds private. Men will say what they think istead of lying for conventionality's sake. In that day there will be less hypocrisy and more moral courage. There will be no reformers, because it will be recognized that the citizen is the best judge of his civil obligations. There will be no assumption coon the part of a few men that they are commissioned to instruct the community in its duties, or, if there should be such an assumption, it will speedily be rebuked as impudent and pharisaical. It will be a of personal liberty and individual responsibility.

In that day the man who likes to see prize fight or a dog fight or a cock fights nine men in ten do-will out only go to e it, but he will make no concealment of

In that day, moreover, there will be no aws forbidding those exhibitions. There will e no cant about their "brutalizing effects." The residuum of that puritanism which, as Macaulay says, forbade bear bailing, not beause it gave pain to the bears, but because gave pleasure to the people, will not be he governing influence in the enactment of laws affecting sports and entertainments. In that day the man who wishes may go o a horse race and may bet on it if he will He may play poker or "shoot craps" out fear of the police, and he may, et or hindrance, drink or sell whisky durng any or all of the twenty-four hours of he day so long as he does not disturb the oublic peace.

In that day, in short, it will be recog nized that it is not the province of gov ernment to enforce a conventional code of morals and that a men may and should lo exactly as he pleases so long as he does ot infringe upon the rights of some other

day. We are merely too cowardly to ac knowledge them-publicly. When we shall have attained the courage of our convictions the era of personal liberty will begin and the reign of humbug will end.

ANOTHER INDIGNANT PROTEST

The Ambitious Architect-in-Chief Inslats on Being Advertised. The recent publication by Leslie's Weekly

or an illustrated article upon the Transmississippi exposition seems to have provoked another outburst of architectural indignation from the Boston end of the long distance elephone in the shape of the following letter addressed to its publishers:

BOSTON, Jan. 31, 1898 .- Editor of Leslie's Weekly: Dear Sir-in your issue of February 3 in the article upon the Ousaha exposition here is mention made of the architects of his exposition but their names are not given, As the success of the work is very largely due to these gentlemen and as their collaboration has been productive of exceptional success I ask that their names be published a an early number of the Weekly, and for that curpose enclose the front page of a pamphlet issued by the Department of Promotion with a full list of the exchitects of the crincipal buildings. Yours very truly. CHARLES HOWARD WALKER

Transmississippi Exposition.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Kimball, Architects-in-Chief

Boston Transcript: Some of the pastors of evangelical churches in New York state are complaining that the travelling evangelists are trespassing upon their preserves. Why not get up a circh trust, and provide that salvation shall be dispensed only by members of the combination? It looks as hough it might come to this.

Chicago Tribune: The record-breaking case of modesty occurred at Elizabeth, N. J., the other day when Rev. Martin Gessner, a Roman Catholic clergyman, ran away to avoid receiving a purse containing \$2,500 in gold in honor of his twenty-fifth antiversary as a priest. It is probably the only case on record where a man has run only case on reco

Chicago Post: Bishop Vincent of the Methodist Episcopal church wasts gum-chewing stopped. Why doesn't the bishop want something that is within the range of possibility? Or, if he must express a wish tor something of this sort, why does he not come out boldly and demand the abolishment of girls' boarding schools? Does he not know that this is the quickest way to strike at the root of the evil?

Kansas City Star: Much joy is felt in the anks of the Salvation Army over the action Archbishop Kain of St. Louis, in consent ng to act as a vice president of the meet-ing to be held to welcom General William Booth. The archbishop and the general ome degether easily enough, not as be-levers in the same church dectrines, but is the archbishop expresses it, "co-laborers n the work of relieving and uplifting the falling and distressed of our common hu-

DOMESTIC IDYLS.

Puck: Penclope-And what do you think? writes me that the count has at Ethel-H'm. C. O. D., I suppose,

Philadelphia Record: It's the economical daughter who needs but one chair in the parlor when her young man is calling, Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Without a word warning he threw himself at my feet "Oh, well, you know he couldn't miss

Chicago Record: Waiting for a man to ropose is even more diresome than waiting or a street car. When a woman truly loves her husband the likes to hear him snore,

Philadelphia North American: Young Parent—Come right in, old man, and have t drink, I'm a happy father, Old Parent—No, my boy; I'm much biliged, but I can't encourage you in your ledgetons.

Detroit Free Press: "No. George, you and better not try and speak to papa in the evening. He always comes home completely average." after his day's work "Th-that's the time I want to s-see him." Chicago Tribune: Mrs. Rambo (next morning)—Absalom, do you know you tried to go to bed last night with your boots on? Mr. Rambo (applying more lee to his head)—I was trying to protect myself from

Indianapolis Journal: "I don't see why You call them a typical married couple."
Well, they're both down at the heel, most of the time she's down at the mouth while he is down at the corner grocery."

Atlanta Constitution: A colored woman went into a store in the rural district and raid to the clerk; "I wants de fines' suit er men's cloza you got in de sto; I wants ter make my husban' a present of 'em." "Why didn't you bring him along with you?" asked the clerk, "so we could fit him?" "Kase I couldn't was the reply, "You see, it's dis way: I had five husbands," "Yes?" "En I buried all er dem 'cept dis one, "You did?" "I sho' did, suh! En de present one is 'bout ready to bury now, en reein' ez I made de former ones a present er a new suit fer dey funerals, I doan want ter make no distinction between 'em, so I gwine tor fit de las' one out in de bes' en lates' style, I done took his measure myself, Heah It is En If you kin fit him, heah's Heah it is, En if you kin fit him, heah's yo' money!"

GOOD POSTLE PAUL.

Nixon Waterman in L. A. W. Bulletin. An,' I tells you, hits a mighty fine story; fabrillar with the gospels, of an new, of I low I's a-walkin in de slory. like fo to read bout the biessed Holy Ghos',
An' de sains an' de mahacles an' veesions,
But de part ob de boek dat I likes de mos'
Is where Paul p'ints his 'pistie at de
'Phesians,

When I looks down deep in mah po' ol' heart, I wondah ef de Lo'd kin eyah like me! Out ob de thundah-cloud ter strike me. But I know ef we's good an' does what's right,

right,

De great Judge is kin' in his decessions,

th' I turns to de book an' I gits man light

Where Paul p'ints his 'pistle at de

Ef yo' faith 's kinder shaky an' you don' jes' know

10 yo' feet is on de rock or in de mire,

11 Postle Paul kin tell you de way y u arter

12 Fo' to keep you from gettin' in de fire

You kin slip by Satan ez slick ez a dart you won't hey no wrecks or no col-Ef you read de good book till you git it all by heart.

Young Men.



We appeal especially to young men because they have a regard for appearances and know what is what in dress. That is why we want them to see our winter suits and overcoats. We have our windows full of them for their inspection, but we hope they will come inside.

The window display is made up largely of the better grades, but we have plenty of lower priced suits that are just as carefully cut and tailored.

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