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Senator Quay declares his supreme satisfaction with the situation at Harrisburg, but--

The next step in the elevation of the stage will probably be the acquisition of the Hon. Tom Sharkey.

The czar has again emphasized his desire for general disarmament by ordering another powerful new cruiser.

One king may not be a good thing to draw to, but it begins to look as though Mataafe got a full house on the deal.

The state central committee of Nevada has read Frank Newlands out of the silver party just as though he were an ordinary mortal.

Legally the people cannot be taxed for the cost of teaching children under 5 years of age. Were the Nebraska law rigidly enforced there could be no public nurseries, otherwise known as kindergartens.

In the last national campaign the republican party promised that if it was successful in the election it would give the country a policy that would revive industries and make a market for labor. It also gave assurance that it would maintain the credit of the nation and are pushing this way and will soon uphold the standard of values then ex- enter into competition for the trade of isting. It promised the restoration of financial confidence and of prosperity. Omaha manufacturers and jobbers That these promises have been fulfilled no man famillar with the financial and commercial history of the last two years will question. In a speech in the house of representatives last week, Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio contrasted present conditions with those of 1896. He declared that there were more idle men in the United States with the American administration of It seems to be a fact that the worst epion the election day of 1896, or the day preceding it, than on any other day in its history prior to that time. In that anarchy, asserting that each military year there was everywhere gloom and governor and each garrison commander despondency, uncertainty and hesitais a military dictator, acting indetion. "Long lines of railroads were in pendently of the governor general and the hands of receivers, more miles of exercising administrative, legislative, railroad entered the courts for adjudicajudicial and even ecclesiastical function and management during the period of depression than in any other period in the history of the country in the general code of administration for the same proportion. Idle men and valueless rolling stock and dividendless sestantial ground for this criticism it curities stood in the places of the counwould seem that the instructions from try and money was idle and enterprise Washington are not being strictly carhad been well nigh forgotten." Mills ried out, but the probability is that and factories were closed, machinery there is no good reason for it. Some representing the investment of hundiscretion must be allowed the milidreds of millions was rusting in inactary governors and they are apt to exertivity, labor sought employment in vain. cise this in military fashion, but that What a change has been wrought in this should tend to anarchy rather than the short period of two years. With order is not credible. There is some disthe advent of the republican party to satisfaction, also, with some of the ap-3.416 power financial confidence revived, anipointments to civic positions made by mation was infused into the industries General Brooke, but it is quite imposof the country and a demand was cresible that he should satisfy everybody ated for labor. Said Mr. Grosvenor: in this respect. The fact appears to be "There never was a period in the histhat General Brooke has been most tory of this country or of any other careful in selecting men for these offices country when so mighty a change took and of course he has been influenced enplace in the same length of time as has tirely by a desire to secure the most intaken place in the condition of this telligent and efficient service. country between the 4th day of March, It is quite possible that the American 1897, and the period in which we are authorities have made some mistakes. living this hour." Railroads are not They have a most difficult task and it now going into the hands of receivers, would be extraordinary indeed if they but on the contrary are paying divishould commit no errors in meeting its dends, while most of them are taxed to their utmost capacity to carry the reason to believe that they are enertraffic. The great iron and steel industry, which for several years had work of pacifying and regenerating been almost prostrated, has been greatly Cuba with a high sense of duty and a enlarged and its products are going into conscientious purpose. the markets of the world as never before. Nearly every industry is realizing a fair measure of prosperity and American labor was never so fully employed. The wealth of the nation has been increased within the last two years more than a thousand million dollars, the balance of international trade in our favor is greater than ever before in the history of the country and there is the unprecedented fact of American money loaned in Europe and the United States practically dictating the price of money in London and on the continent.

REPUBLICAN PROMISE FULFILLED.

the Mississippi. Whether the club against the annexation policy; the Denver pursues the let-alone policy or ventures Republican has come out against it and the to assert itself on more aggressive Omaha "labor temple" has voted 93 to 3 lines, it should by all means map out a against it. plan of campaign for the annexation Suggestive of Pressure and Peace. of new territory on the lines of the lill-Brussels being chosen for the place of the

nois Central and other railroads that czar's universal peace conference, further emphasizes the fact that this idea brings something new on the carpet. Omaha. No more promising field for could have been laid out than will be California, Montana and Delaware are entitled to first place in the matter of furnishwithin their reach during the coming ing the largest number of arguments in favor year, and the Commercial club can put

of the election of senators by popular vote. a feather into its hat by blazing the path for its mercantile members, DISSATISFACTION IN CURA There is some dissatisfaction in Cuba

Two of a Kind Abroad. Globe-Democrat. The grip is said to have started in Turkey and Asia Minor, in November, and spread westward along established lines of travel.

affairs. The leading Havana news- demics and the worst governments are papers complain that it tends to closely related. A Fly on the Wheel.

Philadelphia Ledger. Our government will not be alarmed at the news that Spain is likely to recognize the Filipino government, with a view to embarrassing the United States in its dealings with the insurgents. In the first place

tions, with the result that there is no the Filipinos have learned to distrust Spain uniformity of action in details and no thoroughly and, in the second place, she is not in a position to worry this country various localities. If there is any subby anything she may or may not do. It will simply ignore her and go its own way.

#### A Model American. Washington Post.

The death of John Russell Young is a national loss. Quiet and unobtrusive in his personality, he nevertheless left a marked impress upon the times in which he lived, and his influence was always exerted in the direction of good citizenship, of national majorities in the presidential election of progress. He was a man of wonderful versatility and attainments. His greatest genius was, undoubtedly, in the line of literary expression, but he was also a statesman, a diplomat and, in the broadest sense, a historian.

#### An Embarrassment of Riches. Boston Transcript.

The United States treasury is now in the peculiar position of having to compel people to take gold in payment of current public obligations, as it is short of the paper money they prefer. Heavy payments in the last three weeks have taken about \$12,000,000 in gold out of the treasury, which has still tion in 1897; neither was there one in about \$235,000,000 in that metal on hand. Gold continues to flow into this country. One Australian steamer now on its way to San Francisco has \$2,250,000 in gold on board, in payment of bills due to Americans. perplexing problems. But there is every As a great deal of the gold brought into this country finds its way into the treasury, that getically devoting themselves to the department is likely for a long time to come to find itself suffering from an embarrassment of riches.

of Empire.

000,000 a year. Averaging these two ex-

tremes the result is \$150,000,000, which are

the figures that Senator Hoar has fixed upoa

as an approximation of what imperial con-

COST OF THE ENLARGED ARMY.

Proposal Vastly Increasing the Ex-

penses of the Government. Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

the Philadelphia Record, which says:

military machine in the world."

is in the United States.

alone of the old army of 25,000 officers and

and then descritions were so numerous and

recruiting so difficult in the American serv-

ice as to cause remark and remedial sug-

gestion in each annual report of the secre-

tary of war. It can be very safely asserted

that the proposed army of 100,000 will cost

four times that of the old, or \$120,000,000,

this apart from the additional expenses in-

curred in tropical campaigning and occupa-

tion, such as increased hospital and medical

expense, transportation, and pensions grow-

# IN THE MINING GROUP.

Notable Increase in the Republican Vote in Two Years. New York Sun,

The mining group of states is usually made o include Colorado, Nevada, Utah, Montana size and efficiency of the Russian army. and Idaho. Colorado, Nevada and Utah are Ever since the famous proclamation was issilver states. Montana exceeds all others in sued report has followed report of new regthe product of copper, and Idaho ranks iments raised and equipped, of old ones supsecond among the states in the product of plied with better guns and both kinds conlead. The relation of minerals to one centrated in unwonted strength on this or another under modern methods of mining is that frontier of the great Muscovite empire. such that the production of one metal gies Now comes the news that 11,000,000 rubles hand in hand necessarily with that of an- | have been appropriated for use in adding to other, and as a consequence both Idaho and the pay of the army officers, a step excel-Montana have large silver products. All lently well calculated to augment the zeal five of these states in the St. Louis re- and trustworthiness of the most important publich convention of 1896 were favorable to part of the military class. The details of the consideration of a silver plank in def- the "raise" are interesting. It seems that erence to their local interests, and in them immediately after his accession to the throne there was a formidable revolt of the silver Nicholas saw that his officers were underrepublicans, as they call themselves. In paid. So he appointed a special commission hat convention the votes of these five states to investigate the matter and it has advised were cast solidly against the platform an advance all around. The higher scale of adopted, and on the balloting for president pay will take effect this summer, but only the Colorado delegates, the Idaho delegates for officers actually serving with the troops. and some of the Nevada, Utah and Montana Staff officers and noncombatants must wait delegates refused to participate, withdrawanother year at least before enjoying its ing to take part in the silver republican benefits, owing to the difficulty of providing convention which indorsed the nomination all at once the requisite funds. By far the of Bryan and Sewall. In the election sucgreater part of the additional 11,000,000 ruseding Bryan carried Colorado by 135,000 bles will fall to the share of the lower grades of the service, beginning with a minmajority; Idaho by 16,000 in a total vote

total vote of 10,000, Montana by 32,000 in a lieutenant, irrespective of allowance for total vote of 53,000, and Utah by a plurality house rent. Civil servants of the Russian government are also wretchedly paid, but of 51,000 in a total of 96,000. the good czar doesn't seem to be worrying These five states, under such conditions. about anybody except his soldiers. did not furnish a very encouraging outlook for the republican party at succeeding elec-

of less than 30,000, Nevada by 6,500 in a

... tions, the first defection of populists from Arabia, or so much of it as is under the

the republicans having been followed by a sovereignty of the sultan, has been in a chronic state of disaffection for a long time subsequent and larger defection of republicans to the silver republican party. and military compulsion has kept the tribesthe votes of which made possible the large men in sullen subjection. Open revolt has existed in Yemen during five or six years 1896. Though without influence upon the repast as a result of extortion on the part of sult of the presidential election of 1896, the Turkish administrators; but the fighting these five states have ten of the United has hitherto been desultory and has consisted of unimportant skirmishes. The re-States senators, besides six representatives cent encounter between Turks and Arabs at in congress in the lower house. The obstacles to republican success in them seemed Shanel, however, attained the proportions

of a battle, the losses on both sides having two years ago to be almost insurmountable, but the republicans, adhering to a deterbeen 6,000 in killed and wounded. Although the victory seems to have been mination to regain the ground which they

with the Turks, the end is not yet in sight. had lost, set themselves about the task of restoring their broken column by recovering The insurgents are strongly intrenched at former supporters or gaining new recruits. Saabeh, 150 miles northwest of the scene of In Colorado there was, in 1897, an election the recent battle; and to make matters worse for the sultan's ghasis their troops for judicial office only. In Idaho there was no contest. In Montana there was no elec- are deserting to the enemy in large numbers. The commander of the faithful would Nevada or Utah. The republicans had therebe in a bad way if the original followers of fore two years to recover lost ground, and the prophet should succeed in shaking off how well they did it is to be seen in the their allegiance. But for the immemorial following table of votes in these five states, lack of cohesion among the Arabs the dominion of the Turks in Arabia would ere comparing the republican vote in each in the now have been at an end and Mecca would presidential election of 1896 with that cast for the republican candidate for the head of have become the political, as well as the spiritual, capital of Islam. the state ticket in 1898:

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adopt in the case of war with England. 14,823 3,548 Captain Vignot, who formerly held an important post in the ministry of marine, pro-Totals ...... 58,511 112,406 A gain from 58,000 to 112,000 is very nearly, tests strongly against the government proposal to build a number of line-of-battle hough not quite, 100 per cent in two years. ships, which will require four or five years When this gain is considered in connection to construct. The urgent need, he says, is with the fact that the election of 1896 was a for fast cruisers, which could be constructed presidential contest, at which a full vote in a year or two, to prey on English comwas polled, and that the election of 1898 was merce in all parts of the world. Another a state contest, at which congressmen were the only federal officers voted for, it will be prominent naval officer, on the other hand, seen that the republican vote was even more maintains that to abandon the construction of battleships would be to abandon all means important than it seems otherwise, and shows a diligent determination of the repubof defensive action. It must be rememlican leaders in these five states, whose bered, he says, that France may have other forces suffered most severely from the "silenemies besides England, or may have alver craze," to put themselves in line with lies in a war against her, in both of which their party associates before the next nacases battleships would be essential. France tional presidential election, and in advance ought at least, he thinks, to have enough

of the next republican national convention; As has been before pointed out, \$150,000,000, they have done so in what may be called per cent, would be equal to an addition of \$5,000,000,000 dollars to our great style. national debt. Capitalizing Senator Caffrey' POLITICAL DRIFT. figures at the same rate it would virtually The debts of our farmers have been be the same as a debt of \$7,000,000,000, or

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

imum annual pay of about \$350 for a sub-

An eager discussion is going on in the

French journals devoted to naval questions

concerning the strategy which France should

of them to make diversions in the Channel

dominion a rampart against the onward

march of Russia through Asia. Russian gold

The lot of thousands of Spanish soldiers

brought home from Cuba is said to be

vorse, in their own land, than it was while

they were walting, unpaid and victims of

disease, for transportation to Spain. Now

they have neither pay, employment nor

rations. Meanwhile the Spanish people con-

tinue to lavish money upon bull fights

and other amusements which might save

from sheer misery many thousands of sol-

diers who have suffered much and risked

everything for their country and give them

a fair start in life as civilians. Spanish

than patriotism in any other civilized coun-

LAW FOR LIFE-SAVING.

Abolition of Man-Killing Appliances

on Railroad Cars.

Chicago Record. The law passed by congress in 1893 re-

quiring the equipping of railroad cars with

automatic couplers and adequate train

brakes has proved by actual trial and ex-

perience to be a law for the saving of

has as much virtue as British gold.

June 30, 1893. In coupling and uncoupling While the czar and his ministers are cars alone 219 fewer men were killed and waiting to see what action Europe will take 4,994 fewer injured during 1897 than during on the disarmament proposition, they are 1893. The number of such employes killed busily engaged at home in increasing the has been reduced one-half, and the number injured has also been reduced nearly one-

half. This comparative statement is full of significance: "The reduction in the number of accidents from all causes largely exceeded in a single year the entire casualties during the late war." This means casualties on the American side, which were 298 killed and 1.645 wounded.

June 30, 1897, than during the year ended

A law that will conduce to such results may truly be called beneficent and a credit to the spirit of progressive civilization. The saving of human life from destruction or injury should be one of the chief aims of government, and in no way can that aim be better accomplished than in the requiring of adequate safety appliances for the protection of life and health. The standard of civilization of a people is measured very largely by the efficiency shown in keeping down to a minimum the number of accidents that may be prevented by the general adoption of precautionary methods and proper life-saving appliances.

#### BREEZY LINES.

Indianapolis Journal: "Befo' the wah," said the colonel, picking at his frayed cuffs, "befo' the wah, I used to have a sover-eign contempt foh the man who would get drunk on less than a quaht, sah, Now, I envy him his ability to save money."

Chicago Tribune: Customer-Are these eggs strictly fresh? Grocer's Clerk-Yes, sir. You haven't found anything wrong with the eggs you've been getting here for the last month, have you?

Customer-No. Grocer's Clerk-Well, these are a part of the same lot.

Chicago Tribune: "Yes, he made his first lucky strike in eggs. He bought 10,000 dozen at a low figure, put them in coid storage and sold them at a profit of more than 200 per cent. That was the cornerstone of his enormous fortune." "And the hens laid it. How strange!"

Washington Star: "I am in favor of giv-ing the Filipinos independence," said one debater, "So am I." answered the other. "And I'm satisfied that the United States controls the only reliable brand, and that if we can get them to hold still and try it, they will like it."

Washington Star: "Which do you con-sider proper," said the man who is very precise; "'canned beef' or 'tinned beef?" "Weil," answered the young man, "I'm afraid I can't give an unprejudiced answer. I was in the army and I didn't feel much like having anything to do with either of like having anything to do with either of

Chicago Post: "You use dots and dashes Chicago Post: "You use dots and dashes in sending messages," remarked the idle young person who was watching the man at the telegraph instrument. "Yes," answered the operator, who was quite busy, "except when we are sending reports of what some of these army people say about one another. Then we don't use anything but the dashes."

THE ALL-PREVALENT.

W. J. Lampton in the New York Sun, Zip! And the Grip Has got its nip On your neck, And you're a wreck. You cough Your head and your heels off, Your head and your heels off, And your arms and your legs off, And your hands and your feet off. And still you cough; And your remains Are full of aches and pains. You take no pleasure in your friends, And all the ends Thou aim'st at are the Grip's. Thou alm'st at are the Grip's. From Maine to California. From the mountains to the sea. From the mountains to the The old sweet song Has all gone wrong And the chorus is misery. Oh, for a ray of sunshine, Oh, for a ray of sunshine, Oh, for a spot of blue In the leaden sky In To tickle the eye d pull our Hvers

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#### IMPERIALISM COMES HIGH. Some Stunning Estimates of the Cost THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. The Portland Oregonian of last Mon-Boston Transcript. The cost of empire on the scale thus far

of it.

day contained an elaborate review of the progress of Oregon during 1898 and marked out is of itself enough to make us an exhibit of the resources of the state. shrink from venturing upon the new road that many are urging the country to take. The facts and figures presented make a The estimates of this cost vary widely. The surprising showing and one that should lowest, coming from the friends of the movebe highly gratifying and encouraging ment, places it at a trifle over \$80,000,000 anto every citizen of Oregon interested in | nually. The highest yet made on the basis its progress and prosperity. of definite calculation is by Senator Caffery of Louisiana and is something over \$220.-

The Oregonian says that never in the history of the Pacific northwest has productive capacity been greater than These are incontestible facts. They during the last two years, especially are known of all men familiar with 1898. Never has production of crops trol in the Philippines would cost us each current business history. Admit that and commodities been greater. Never twelvemonth. they are measurably due to causes out-

have producers been so well paid for

their labor. "The result of this vast

development," says that paper, "is that

there is prosperity in every section.

and factories, which had been burdened

with mortgages throughout the depres-

sion, have been freed from obligations.

Countles report that debt is unknown

within their boundaries." This section

of the country is not only in better con-

dition than ever before, but there is a

brighter outlook than it has ever known

for continued progress and prosperity.

growth of a new party in Turkey. As could not have been realized without one of its objects is to prepare a blog- the confidence in financial stability and raphy of the commander of the faithful security which republican success Abdul's perturbation is perfectly comprehensible.

Music hath charms to soothe the savexpounded for kindergarten children on but the taxpayer's pocketbook.

How a kindergarten teacher who re ceives \$50 or \$60 per month can impart high training in the music of the silver and another year of prosperity, masters is one of the enigmas which only people gifted with Paderewski in- duce the number of the supporters of stiucts and hair dressing can explain.

The champions of expansion who want the Philippines as a field for unemployed labor would furnish some valuable information by discovering a few American laborers who would work for It has been said, and there are memthe wages paid in that quarter of the bers of the club who endorse the sentiworld.

The German consul at Samoa seems to have all of his royal master's ability for doing those things he should not have done, without any of the latter's judgment as to when he has done enough to get out without serious consequences,

The ambassadorship to the Court of St. James is the first office that Joseph | Omaha's commercial rights and preroga-H. Choate has ever held. He has been tives. However this may be, no one too busy fighting corruption and bosses to be elected to office and besides the office does not usually hunt that kind of tested. Should the prediction prove a man in New York.

The kindergarten as an institution has organization it would then be in order of course long ago justified itself, but it should be made a part of private lines. A river never rises above its school instruction along with other fads source. Inasmuch as the Commercial that have come to stay, or, if maintained as part of the public school system, kept within baby school bounds.

Governor Roosevelt, in refusing to restore the political franchise on one of John Y. McKane's henchmen, who has just finished his term at Sing Sing, did a very commendable thing. A man who is sent to the penitentiary for violating the election laws should never again be permitted to vote.

As Philadelphia has never been particularly noted as an agricultural community it may surprise some to know that her farmers are now holding a convention. Advices are silent as to whether the topic for discussion is rotathat territory. Is it because the Iowa tion in the crops of ward bosses or how lines want the long haul? Why do they much cash it will require to fertilize a put every obstacle in the way of our vote in an off year.

ing laden cars in transit in the hope When Uncle Sam went into partnerof discouraging the dealers in Iowa ship with Emperor William and Queen from ordering goods in Omaha? Victoria to set up a kingdom in one of It goes without saying that the club the South Sea islands, he lowered the would encounter very little difficulty standard of the great American repubin inducing manufacturers who conlic, which prides itself in being a govtemplate relocating in a western diserument by the people, for the people. tributing center to give Omaha the Moral: When you go to bed with preference whenever they are condogs you must expect to be wakened by flea bites. And that is what is are better or at least equal to those plaguing us now in Samoa.

side of republican policy, yet every fair-The sultan is greatly worried over the minded man will concede that they created and the reinvigorating effect upon our industries of republican policy.

But in spite of these facts the advocates of currency debasement still find age breast, but the music of the masters hearers and adherents and threaten to renew in the next presidential contest third-rate planos is not likely to leave the battle of the standards. The Amerian enduring impression upon anything can people, however, will not soon again be deluded to the extent they were in 1896 by theories whose fallacy has

The Pacific northwest will realize a been demonstrated. There are not generous share of whatever increase in today 6,000,000 voters in favor of free trade this country shall have with Asia, while it offers inducements for the inwhich is assured, will still further revestment of capital which will not be overlooked. It is a section of the councurrency debasement and repudiation. try in which the possibilities of reward for enterprise and industry are nowhere

WORK FOR THE COMMERCIAL CLUB. surpassed. The annual banquet of the Commer-Having been tendered the appointcial club marks another milestone in the history of this useful organization. ment of consul at Apla, Samoa, a certain eminent Nebraskan declined that honor for the reason, as confidentially ment, that the Commercial club, in its

stated, he did not care to be banished into a four years' exile with nothing to size of our former peace establishment is general policy, is not as aggressive as might be, and for this reason does not do but go down to the wharf to meet multiplied by four the cost must be multicompare favorably with similar organian occasional ship touching at the port. zations in competing cities. Others con-Happily, however, the Hon. Lloyd W. tend, on the other hand, that the club Osborne of Blair did not take this view in pursuance of a passive policy accomof the matter and accepted the appointplishes more in the end than would be ment. Since that time Samoa has been the case if its officers were constantly making history. You can't lose a Ne-

donning the war paint in defense of braskan. West Farnam street property owners have paid for their folly in laying cedar can form a definite conclusion until an block pavements and should be comaggressive policy shall have been mended for laying a pavement in keeping with the high qualities of abutting true that such an attitude would inproperty. The wood pavement first evitably work the ruin of this worthy laid was at best but a temporary makeshift. At the lower end of the street, to build anew upon broader and firmer

however, property owners are complaining that the granite pavement there \$30,000,000; and the second is of a quality too lasting-too hard and would make would be that the United States club is patronized chiefly by the jobnoisy. The question is, When will these now pays its soldiers six times what the bers and manufacturers of Omaha it two extremes meet? must of necessity be very largely what

they make it-or its shortcomings may We view with approval the order of an army of 100,000 men recruited to the be justly chargeable to them. The club the military governor of Havana requir- The pay of the German soldier amounts to was originally organized as a jobbers' ing his sanitary engineers to inspect about \$2.16 a month, and nearly half of this freight bureau to mediate with the railevery dwelling and every store build- is taken back by the government in payment roads entering Omaha for fair and ing, requiring it to be put into for such subsistence as is furnished above equitable rates. For a time much good a healthful condition. We pretend to the barest requirements of life. Besides, was accomplished, but of late years the believe that this kind of work is charprime objects of the club seem to have acteristic of Americans and congratubeen overlooked. That there is much late ourselves thereupon. Yet there is work awaiting the club along these lines a crying need in Omaha today of just living in Germany is, moreover, less than it is known to every member of it. For such house-to-house inspection and of

instance, it is for the club to ascertain sanitary inspectors who shall inspect. why our jobbers cannot get goods ifito northwestern Iowa in less time than The republicans in the California leg-Chicago jobbers can lay them down in islature appear determined to fight the

senatorship contest to a finish in the open. They commenced balloting the supervision of the War department, which day ofter New Year's and have conlocal jobbers by withholding and delaytinued from day to day without intermission and without calling upon King men called for more money each year than is received by the 500,000 German soldiers.

Are They Worth It? Buffalo Courter. Putting aside all moral consideration for

the moment, are the Philippines really worth fighting for? Signs of the Times. Springfield Republican

vinced that its facilities for distribution Straws showing the popular drift: Twentythree members of the faculty and officers of enjoyed by competing points west of Chicago university have signed a protest ing out of the larger death rate.

Senator Quay is painfully long on hopes paid almost to the last dollar. Homes about three times the civil war debt of the and short on votes. United States. Now taking the highest, the

It takes 378 employes to look after the middle or the lowest estimate, we ask the wants of Missouri's lawmakers. gentlemen who regard this question solely Last year New York state spent nearly from a commercial point of view, whether they are willing to risk their business repu-\$22,000,000 on various public charities. The tations by answering affirmatively the quesbeneficiaries of this enormous sum numtion, "will it pay?" Put duty and destiny, bered 2.500,000 persons.

and improved type. San Francisco's city hall is completed at benevolent assimilation and all the other pretty but meaningless phrases aside, and last. It was begun twenty-seven years ago let us know how long it will take to pay a

and the salary of the men in charge of it was sufficient inducement for them to propublic debt of \$5,000,000,000 on a trade of \$30,000,000 a year, provided we get the whole long it to the limit. There are sixty-five democrats in the lower branch of the Massachusetts legisla- | ish allies many a bad quarter hour. He

ture to 165 republicans, though at last year's election the republicans carried every county in that state and had a popular plurality of \$3,000.

Judge Van Wyck, who ran for governor The cost of a permanent army establishlast fall and lost a seat on the bench in ment of 100,000, as provided in the pending consequence, has been taken care of by army bill, has been estimated by the op-Croker. He is general counsel for the new ponents of the measure at \$150,000,000 year. This may or may not be an extreme to operate vehicle with compressed air. estimate, but it is practically admitted by Senator Cockrell of Missouri has been re the friends of the bill that the proposed army would cost nearly \$100,000,000 annually, which is merely saying that if the Senator Vest, entered the senate in 1879. plied by substantially the same figure. All such estimates are discredited, however, by "A really useful public service would be performed if somebody in congress would Anaconda (Mont.) Standard. That editor

subject the War department estimates to a is now editing a comfortable job in the critical analysis, with a view of discovering water works department of New York City. why an American army of 100,000 men In order to prevent sneak legislation, Governor Roosevelt insists on the lawshould cost \$150,000,000 or so per annum, while Germany maintains an army of upmakers observing strictly the rule requiring all parts of bills which change existing

islation cost per man of the most highly organized Judge Ross, successor in the senate of the late Justin S. Morrill, has long flowing The first discovery made by such an inwhite whiskers, surpassing the crop that vestigator would be that Germany maindrew attention to Senator Peffer. The sentains an army of 500,000 men at a cost of ator is very proud of them. He parts them not less than \$120,000,000 a year, instead of in the middle and rolls them over his

Eugene Higgins, a noted democratic boss of Maryland, is dead. During Cleveland's German soldier receives and will probably first term his appointment as a clerk in have to pay more than it does now to keep Washington almost ruptured the civil service law and threw the reformers into convulsions. After the epidemic subsided Hig gins resigned.

The present state government of Indiana. executive and judicial, is for the first time in many years solidly republican. Both many of the German soldiers, those from the branches of the Indiana legislature well-to-do classes who are let off on a single have republican majorities, and the republicans had a clear majority on the congress year's service, provide their own equipment, vote. Indiana, long doubtful, seems now to clothing and subsistence, and the cost of be securely in the republican column.

human life. Although the cars are not all Ex-Governor Leedy of Kansas expresses equipped yet, nor will they be until Janu-These consideration render judgments publicly the private opinion that officeary 1, 1900, the statistics kept by the Interbased upon international comparisons rather holding is unprofitable-for an honest man. state Commerce commission show large reuncertain. The standard to go by is the Speaking about his late job he says: "It's ductions in number of accidents to trainmen cost of the former establishment of 25,000 only \$3,000 a year, and the way they pull a in consequence of the introduction of the men, and this was not less than \$30,000,000. governor's leg he has little left. In fact | safety appliances required by law. excluding all matters coming under the the porter sweeping out the office has more money than a governor can save out of his were not relevant to the pay, maintenance and equipment of the army. The pay list



And pull our livers through. Say, Grip, Won't you get onto our tip And skip? Or must we say In a vigorous way, "D-n!" and "D-n!" again, And the whole land Join in a grand "Amen," He, too, is in favor of building fast cruisers, but points out that if France should begin ten such vessels tomorrow, England would straightway begin thirty and the thirty, he adds rather dolefully, would be ready long before the ten. This is England's great advantage, that she can build war ships twice as quickly as any other power and thus cannot only hold or in-

last crease the numerical superiority of her fleets, but can always oppose to the newest ship of rival navies vessels of a still later Chance. Abdurahaman Khan, the ameer of Afghanistan, who was reported the other day to be at the point of death, seems to have life enough in him to provide for his Brit-You will regret has just signed a convention with Russia permitting the extension of the Kushk rail-

not taking Central Asia, into Afghan territory. It may be true, as stated by the ameer in his advantage of our proclamation announcing the convention with Russia, that the railway will conduce to the prosperity of Afghanistan. But what great pants was the use of Great Britain subsidizing him to maintain his country as a buffer state between Asiatic Russia and British India, sale. if the buffer is to be penetrated in all directions by strategic railways of the czar? Moreover, why did the ameer conclude his Because you will proclamation with a slur on "evil-disposed foreigners uttering calumnies" against the czar and cause the screed to be expose never have at all the crossways and in all the villages of Afghanistan? Evidently Great Brit-

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auto-truck company organized by Croker turned to the senate and if he completes the new term he will have served continuously for thirty years. He was first chosen to succeed Carl Schurz in 1875. His colleague, When Van Wyck was nominated for mayor of New York fifteen months ago his most enthusiastic supporter was the editor of the ain is hanging upon a frail reed if she expects the subsidized ameer to make of his

ward of 500,000 men at an annual outlay of \$30,000,000. There must be something radilaw shall be printed in italics. That is one cally wrong in a system under which the effective way of checking mischlevous legcost per man of our army is 25 times the

discovery he shoulders.