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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of May, 1899. H. I. PLUMB, Notary Public. (Seal.)

The legislature having adjourned, Lincoln is about to indulge in its regular biennial social purity spasm.

County Attorney Shields should have fortified himself with a blank resignation of Deputy Dunn before he appointed him.

A shower of mud is reported to have visited many portions of Nebraska and Iowa, and no political campaign on at this time, either.

Now it is a peanut trust. It must not be inferred that this is a small affair, as it requires \$5,000,000 to float it, peanut politicians not included.

Colonel Funston has richly earned the star which the president has placed upon his shoulder strap. He is the ideal of the dashing soldier whom no obstacle daunts.

If Aguinaldo could get into cable communication with General Toral he could probably learn considerable as to how much he is liable to gain by dickering over terms.

Mr. Hitchcalfe's modesty is reaching larming proportions. He tal which he prints.

NEGOTIATIONS RENEWED. hardly possible that General Otis failed public credit, destroy confidence and rine qualities. to convince them on their first visit of the hopelessness of obtaining a cessa- the business of the country. The plain tion of hostilities until the Filipino con- and imperative duty of the party in gress could determine whether there should be peace and hence their repetiwarrant the opinion of some that they are sluply sparring for time to rehabilitate their forces. The envoys expressed confidence that the congress would declare for peace, saying that the people want peace, but they seem not to appreciate the fact that the American authorities cannot now recognize a do so.

gress to perform and we believe it will MEMORIAL DAY PREPARATIONS. ing distinctly taken the position that the Filipinos are in insurrection against The committee of the Grand Army of American authority, with whom there

with the work of preparing for the can be no negotiations that do not Memorial day celebration in Omaha has contemplate unconditional surrender. issued the following address: Hence it is useless to urge that Agui-To the Generous and Patriotic Public: naldo cannot surrender without the The observance of Memorial day to comauthority of the congress.

memorate the memory of the nation's fallen The indications are that the renewal heroes is at hand. As a patriotic people let of negotiations will have no practical us keep alive the sacred associations of this result, though it is possible that the time-honored service. To this end we, the finance committee, appeal to you to conenvoys did not disclose at the first contribute a sufficient fund to defray the necesference their full instructions. Our be sary expenses of a suitable demonstration lief is still that the Filipinos earnestly in honor of the occasion. The amount and desire peace, but naturally wish to sename of each contributor will be published cure as favorable terms as possible. It and as soon as possible after Memorial day is not probable that General Otis will the expense account will be published, showing what use has been made of your make any material change in the condimoney. Send your contributions as early tions he has named, which are fully as possible to L. S. Skinner, treasurer, 309 objection. New York Life building.

It is sincerely to be hoped this ap-MR. ATKINSON'S MISTAKE. peal will meet with a generous response The postmaster at San Francisco has upon the part of public-spirited and been directed by the postmaster general patriotic citizens. This year, more than to exclude from mail for the Philippines any other in the last decade, calls for certain pamphlets forwarded by Edspecial recognition of the sacrifices of ward Atkinson, an officer of the Boston

the fallen heroes of both the war of Anti-Imperialist league and quite well 1861 and the war of 1899, whose memknown to the country as a writer on ories can be revered in no more approeconomic subjects. The pamphlets are priate manner than by the annual regarded at Washington as seditious in decoration of their graves with flowers character and calculated, if allowed to emblematic of the tender regard in be sent to their destination, to create which they are held by a thankful and dissatisfaction and possibly mutiny appreciative people, among the soldiers. Atkinson acknowl

edges their authorship and it is said A CHANCE FOR SOUTH OMAHA. that he is liable to fine and imprison-If the county board encounters any ment under the statutes providing for difficulty in inducing the depository the punishment of any one giving aid banks to renew their bonds under the and comfort to insurgents against the law it might possibly persuade the na-

authority of the United States. tional banks of South Omaha to take Unquestionably Atkinson has made a a hand in the matter. The law does very serious mistake, if the pamphlets not restrict the board to the selection in question are of the character repreof depositories from among banks at sented. It is an exceedingly grave matthe county seat, but throws the door ter to attempt to incite dissatisfaction open to all banks in the county, the among soldiers in the field facing an only restriction being that the bond enemy. The administration, therefore, must be double the amount of the depos-

has taken the proper course in not its, which shall also not exceed 30 per allowing the objectionable documents cent of the paid up capital stock. to be forwarded. Yet it may be doubted The capital stock of the South Omaha whether they could have done any national banks aggregates \$400,000 and harm. The brave and patriotic soldiers no one questions the stability of those skill and a gratifying sign of advancing in the Philippines are not likely to be institutions. They are constantly payinfluenced by any appeals designed to ing the equivalent of 3 per cent on a sign, but there is room to hope that it may

ncite them against their government deposits of outside banks and would and we have no doubt that they would doubtless be glad to pay that rate of have repudiated with most indignant interest on county deposits, providing scorn so palpable an insult to their lovthey are not cajoled by the Omaha alty and patriotism. They are as inbanks with which they co-operate. telligent as they are valorous and know The idea that the Omaha banks should

their duty. It is doubtless true that most of them would like to see a it must violate the law to give them Coghlan episode. Many of them candidly

money in compliance with the depos-

stock yards will watch with interest the

trimming in regard to this question. Douglas county farmers can open up The return of the envoys from Gen- There should be no more attempts to se- a new and profitable field by experieral Luna was somewhat sooner than cure "international bimetallism," since menting in beet sugar culture to an expected, but the chief matter of sur- they would certainly prove futile. There extent that will demonstrate the adapprise is that they had nothing new to must be no quarter shown those who tability of our soll and climate to the submit in renewing negotiations. It is would debase the currency, impair the growth of the beets of strongest sachar

introduce disorder and confusion into General Ludlow either does not appreclate Spanish character or he is one of power is to make such a declaration of the most hard-hearted wretches who the gold standard as will remove all ever wore a uniform. He has called betion of the first proposals appears to doubt respecting the future basis of the fore him the Havana editors who have currency-a declaration which, even in been printing lurid fakes about disturbthe event of the election of a silverite ances and outrages and warned them president would render him powerless they must tell the truth in the future or to injure the public credit. This duty, suffer consequences. A Spanish editor the sound money men of the country tell the truth! 'Never, except in case confidently expect the Fifty-sixth con- of accident.

> The appointment of half the official roster of the state house, together with several officers of state institutions, to be delegates to the National Conference the Republic which has been charged of Charitles and Corrections at Cincinnati betokens another large junket with its concomitant raid on the free railway pass distributors. Charity, it will be remembered, has always been relied on to cover a multitude of sins.

# Needs Revision.

Washington Post The "few die and none resign" description cannot truthfully be applied to the Nebraska colonels.

> Effect of the Gold Cure. Globe-Democrat.

In 1893 Nebraska added \$8,000,000 to its land mortgage debt and in 1898 reduced the same debt \$6,000,000. That state is taking

Everything Goes There.

Philadelphia Ledger. One day we get news that the military telegraph is kept well up with the advancing columns, and the next comes word that advices from the front are brought by courcourse, are adjuncts of the flying column.

### Home-Made Problems. Boston Transcript.

The postmaster general having expressed he opinion that the United States is big and strong enough to meet any situation or problem, old school republicanism offers the imely suggestion: "Suppose, then, it meets the negro problem in the south. Doesn't Mr. Smith think it is about time?"

The Remedy for Trusts.

Philadelphia Ledger. Whether the states are competent to deal

Few of them have shown any disposition to attack the subject. It is undeniable, how ever, that the United States bave the power to deal with the trusts. Let congress swing its ax at every customs tax upon which a monopoly gorges and the American workman and the American consumer will be rescued from thralidom.

### Things Coming Our Way. Philadelphia (Record.

Now comes the sultan and desires Minis ter Straus to find him two American experts who can teach the people of Turkey how to raise the American grops on their farios. This is at once a fresh triumph of American

civilization in Turkey. As yet, it is only grow into something tangible and comprehensive.

Friendly Relations with Germany. Springfield Republican The sincerity of Germany's desire just now

to cultivate friendly relations with America appears conspicuously in the continued be allowed to tell the county board that comments of German newspapers on the the proudest titles and handsomest fortunes in Spain.

ECHOES OF THE WAR.

#### With peace prospects brightening in the Great Value and Wide Application of byways and jungles of Luzon, gossipers are iscussing what the country will do when Dewey comes home. To borrow the gag of a year ago, "We won't do a thing to him." But there is one feature of the home coming which will be closely watched by those favored with front seats, and that is the admiral's visit to Washington. In the midst of the nation's jollity last May it was latimated that the admiral wiped out an cld personal score with the Spaniards at Manila bay. He had played the gallant to a Washington woman years before. A Spaniard appeared on the scene, cut out Dewey and married the belle. Wherefore the American ommander put his heart into that job at Manila and scored at the expense of the dation than all legislation. Spanish nation. The woman whom Dewey is said to have lost comes now to Washington as Duchess de Arcos, wife of the new Spanish minister to the United States.

Who can say what must be the feelings of the several parties to this romance in contemplating the possibilities of a meeting in Washington.

The real story behind Spain's diplomatic move dates back a quarter of a century, relates the St. Louis Republic. At that time the present Duchess de Arcos was pretty Virginia Woodbury Lowery, social favorite in Washington society. George Dewey, who had just reached a taught and their effect upon after life. captaincy in the navy, was her sultor. The Duke de Arcos was then plain Juan Brunettl, whose first name his American friends familiarized into "Jack." "Jark'

Brunetti was an attache of the Spanish legation. He, too, was paying court to the captivating Virginia Lowery." He won and Dewey lost in that game of hearts.

Miss Lowery, then in the first flush of her girlhood, did not lack for attentions, even as a convenient source from which to prothough it was known that she was downits gold standard medicine without much cast over the transfer of Brunetti to another station.

the new education recognizes the neces-First among those whose attentions the sity for cultivation in the aesthetic and gay world of Washington said at that time moral as well as in the physical and intelwas likely to woo her away from her Spanlectual. ish lover was Admiral Dewey, then a captain in the navy, a widower, with one little son. No sooner did he see the coast clear ters and carrier pigeons. The latter, of than he pushed his own claims with an ardor that, according to all accounts, must have discounted that of the absent Spaniard.

It certainly looked as if he were in to nurture can do much, nature can do most. win. But no. Miss Lowery would not have Arbor day gives Nature, the great teacher Captain Dewey as a husband, however a chance to put her touch upon impressible much she thought of him as a friend. He minds. Most important of all, Arbor day was a constant caller at the house, a man affords the opportunity to the careful infar more attractive personally than the silent, scholarly Spaniard, who was almost

dumb in general society. handling of our forest treasures has been All that could be done by Judge and Mrs. Lowery to further the suit of Captain Dewey they did, but without avail. It was railroad the worth 35 cents \$1.87 worth of

Time went by and the years sped on. Brunetti saved money at long intervals to come to this country for a short visit to his sweetheart. But even with the most scrupulous economy his visits numbered far short of half a dozen in eighteen years. Meanwhile Dewey, whenever he went to Washington, made his first call at the Lowerys, and invariably renewed his pleading with

Suddenly, after fifteen years or more of valting, during which the young girl had leveloped into a talented woman of mature middle age, came a sudden and unexpected spare that tree," expressed in the words, change. An old uncle, who had borne the 'Woodman, cut that tree judiciously." When title of Duke de Arcos, together with the the school children learn this lesson, wiliful, estates that went with the title, died, and ignorant forest destruction will receive its both name and title fell upon Juan Brunetti's quietus. The tree planting movement will

a keener love of nature and a higher, across the Atlantic, and then, more unexbroader knowledge and appreciation of the pected still, came one deeply bordered with value of trees. black from the absent Spaniard to his sweet-

PLAGUE OF BILLBOARDS.

#### MORTGAGES IN NEBRASKA. ARBOR DAY AND THE SCHOOLS.

a Beautiful Constructive Idea.

Boston Transcript.

the school house is no longer looked upon

Pertinent Points on Prosperity Shown by the Records.

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Philadelphia Press. returns of mortgages filed and re-It is a matter of congratulation that for The leased in Nebraska during the last few one day in the year our public schools become modern colleges of the academeia, years are likely to prove a serious embarlooking to the development of the love of rassment to Mr. Bryan when he starts out the true, the good and the beautiful on his calamity campaign for the presidency through contact with nature. Viewed from next year. It does not appear now how he this standpoint Arbor day is a monumen- is going to use these returns to prove that tal institution. It embodies not only the the farmer is overburdened with indebiedpractical, but also the sentimental and the ness, that the poor are getting poorer and that the only way to prevent the whole thical. It replaces the destructive by the country from going to ruin is to coin the onstructive. It presents the ideal of negaentire product of the silver mines into tive teaching, substituting for the negative dollars. 'Do not destroy" the positive "Plant." In

Pertinent facts and figures on this subits general observance it seems to have ject are given in the recently published relone more to stem the tide of forest denuport of the Nebraska Labor bureau. The comparative figures of real estate mortgages The movement instigated by ex-Secretary filed and released in the state for the seven Morton a score of years ago to plant trees

the great treeless areas of Nebraska-a years past are as follows: scheme now extended to nearly every state Released, \$31,912,267 26,178,745 26,438,090 22,648,917 18,213,389 22,215,759 27,498,070 F 11ed. 338, 847, 633 34, 601, 218 , 31, 690, 054 , 25, 753, 364 , 16, 474, 606 and territory-gave us Arbor day. Its observance is now only second in popularty to Christmas and Easter. Through its afluence barren tracts have been made 16,630,721 21,303,855 habitable. But the real value of the day, There is no mistaking the meaning of it is to be noted, does not inhere, after all, these figures. They show that Nebraska Is in the setting out of so many trees within

prescribed limit. The secret of its great surely recovering from the burden of mortgage indebtedness piled up in the past. This influence lies in the thoughts and feelings engendered by its observance, the lessons could not occur if the state were not prosperous and if the cloud of Grover Cleve-While Arbor day has had general oband's free trade period of disaster and business wreckage had not passed away. A

ervance, it is as a school holiday, through result of this improved situation was seen the initial efforts of Hon, B, G, Northrop in the election last fall when the demoof Massachusetts that it has attained its eratic-populist candidate for governor carhigh degree of utility and influence. Not ried the state by only 2,721 plurality and only are the school house grounds adorned about 700 majority. It is evident Mr. Bryan with trees, vines and flowers, but this culwill have considerable difficulty in keeping tivation extends to the families and homes his own state in line in 1900. represented in the schools. A tree near

TICKLISH THOUGHTS.

cure disciplinary aids. It is regarded as Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Who is your a thing of beauty and a joy forever. For tallor now?" "I haven't quite decided which it will be "I haven't quite are only two left who You see there are only two haven't trusted me."

Somerville Journal: Nobody knows how the woman who is speechless with indig-It is gratifying to note the progress which nation suffers. nature study is making in our schools. It

is coming to be realized that children should Detroit Free Press: "You live next door to that distinguished planist, don't you, Simpson?" "No: he lives next door to me, and he is spend more of their younger days in the open world. It is now known that with

children as with trees and plants, though distinguished in this neighborhood only f pounding his plano fifteen hours a day.

Indianapolis Journal: "Did it ever occur to you to wonder how the interrogation mark originated?" "Huh! Any one can see that it is a con-ventionalized rubber neck."

Chicago Record: "How is your new

"Just perfect. She has sense enough on sweeping day to hang the best rug on the

Philadelphia Record: "I hope, poor man," said the phi'anthropic old lady, as she passed the pilgrim a half dollar, "that you will always stay honest and never stoop to the sig-test theft." Yes, mun, I will." responded Weary Walker, "what's de use ov stealin' when yer can git mon dis easy?"

Detroit Journal: There are burglars in he house. Of that no doubt remains. The man has risen and is searching for something in the darkness. "Have you mislaid your revolver?" falters be wife

he wife "No, my necktle," falters the man. For after all he is only a man

Chicago Record: "Henry, we'd get along setter together if you had more will-Martha; we'd get along better if you didn't have quite so much."

Somerville Journal: A petrified man has been found in Indiana. Perhaps his wife showed him a fine new Easter hat and told tim that it cost only \$2,25.

Chicago Post: "Very few people," she said. "know how to shake hands properly." "Well," he returned somewhat expect-antly, "there are other forms of greeting, you know" antly you know.

Washington Star: "Money," said the philosopher, "may often do more harm than good. Sometimes the mighty dollar is a man's worst enemy," "Yee," answered Senator Sorghum: "and I often feed that a number of people love me for the enemics I have made."

Brunetti Miss Lowery loved, not Dewey, with the trust problem is a serious question. she told them.

terial is made use of and the waste is only one-eighth. Even a child can understand the lesson of these facts. It would be a good thing for the future

if the school children of today could be impressed with the economic value, of tak ing only the percentage of tree growth,

letting the great principal, the forest itself, remain intact. Schools of higher education the lady he so ardently longed to make his have taken this up. The great College of wife Forestry in New York state, with a demonstration area of 30,000 acres in the Adirondack region, has for its motto the economic application of the poet's appeal, "Woodman

father.

then add economic force and application to There was a speedy interchange of letters

heart. His father had died. Brunetti was now Duke de Arcos and was heir to one of

Magnitude of the Public Affliction in

structor to point the practical lesson of economy. There is no denying that our unspeakably wasteful. In the great redwood forests of the Pacific coast, in procuring a the substance of the tree is wasted. In Europe, where sad experience has taught better ways, seven-eights of the forest ma-

The report of school attendance shows nearly 200 more pupils in the public schools of Omaha today than there were at the same time last year. This is another irrefutable proof of Omaha's steady growth.

How can County Attorney Shields ask a jury to convict prisoners so long as he keeps in his own office a deputy who refuses to testify in a gambling case on the ground that his evidence might incriminate himself?

As long as the regents of the Nebraska State university continue to enforce the rule against dancing in any of the university buildings they will, of course, he justified in resenting every insinuation reflecting on the morality of the institution.

So the popocratic state officials propose to ignore the senate investigating committee and as far as possible to obstruct its work. This looks as if the state house reformers have repented of their loud invitations to everyone to examine the records.

A town meeting has been called to discuss the question, Are the people of Omaha capable of governing themselves? We thought Governor Poynter had already decided that question for us when he vetoed the charter bill unanimously agreed upon by the duly elected representatives of Douglas county.

Hayti and San Domingo have decided to settle their differences by arbitration. The late war between Spain and the United States and the trouble in the Philippines so completely overshadow them that any disturbance they could create would not attract enough attention to make it pay.

The Filipino junta at London has eclipsed all records at wireless telegraphy. It asserts a telegram has been received from Aguinaldo under April 30 of the silverites. With the restoration date in which he repudiates the peace of industrial and commercial prosperity. overtures as having been made by with the great expansion of trade, with General Luna without orders. Inasmuch as General Otis controls the only and the wages of labor, with the rapid cable from the Philippines the junta growth of national wealth-all conmust be in possession of a method of transmission which outdoes that of the advocates of currency debasement-Marconi, the Italian savant.

The hungry popocrats and renegade a single point in the contention of the republicans who have been trying to break into the county clerk's office with by the experience of the past two years. the assistance of the popocratic mem- There is not a single proposition urged bers of the county board have discovered that injunction and mandamus national campaign that has not been work both ways. Having failed in utterly demolished by events. With the their attempt to connect with the county | gold standard this country has made treasury by mandamus they will now during the last two years the most mardenounce the interposition of the court velous progress in its history for a like to protect the county clerk from their period and its people as a whole were interference as another terrible exhibition of government by injunction.

ermination of hostilities, but while of the five best newspapers of America there is fighting to do they are ready without once mentioning the organ to do it and no amount of appeals of the Atkinson sort cours incite them to any conduct prejudicial to their country. It is not stated whether the pamphlets for them to make good their representa-

were approved by the Anti-Imperialist tions by putting in a bid for the county league, but we are quite sure that Atkinson's course will not be approved itory law. by anti-expansionists generally, who recognize the difference between criticising the policy of the government and tampering with the soldiers who are fighting its battles.

charge exacted on all live stock ship-MAINTAIN THE GOLD STANDARD. ments. The terminal fees at the va-What currency legislation, if any, will rious stock yards are essential elements be enacted by the Fifty-sixth congress in the price paid for cattle and hogs cannot now be predicted with certainty. marketed at the different points. If re-The probability is that the generally apduced or removed at Chicago the change

proved recommendation of the presimust be followed by similar reductions dent, that greenbacks redeemed in gold at all other live stock markets, which shall be reissued only in exchange for will equalize prices realized upon shipgold, will be adopted. Sound money ments. It is plain that there can be men are practically unanimous in favor of this, which it is conceded on all hands at competing live stock markets for would effectually safeguard the treas-

any length of time without diverting ury against raiding by means of the the traffic. "endless chain." It is possible that

there will be legislation looking to an The widow of the novelist, Robert increase of national bank circulation, Louis Stevenson, writes a long but this is not likely. The demand letter complaining of the extreme from portions of the country for legislacruelty of the tion that will give such sections needed Samoan villages by the United banking facilities may receive recognition and there will certainly be a very strong pressure for it. But the paraa holiday diversion and it was doubtless mount duty devolving upon the next somewhat severe in its effects. The congress is that of settling the gold head-hunting practices of the Samoans, standard, by a direct and unequivocal however, called forth no word of condeclaration that the obligations of the demnation from Mrs. Stevenson. It government are payable in gold. must not be forgotten that war is a

The country is prepared for such a cruelty that cannot be refined. declaration and the pledge of the repub-

lican party to maintain the gold stand-Having decided on the amount of ard requires that a republican congress bonds that will be required of their shall enact legislation which will make architects the next thing for the school that standard secure. Most of the reboard to decide is upon the plans for publican representatives in the next house were elected on gold standard buildings are to be ready for occupancy platforms. The result of the elections in time for the opening of the new of 1898 showed that the popular sentiment is strongly for gold. Opposition tracts will have to be taken up at once. to the gold standard has been steadily

diminishing for the last two years, The torpedo boat Somers, purchased under the conclusive demonstration which events have given of the fallacies its delicate constitution some body of water amply protected from the wind the rise in the prices of commodities and small enough to enable its crew to be provided for it.

futing the theories and the prophecies of The prospects are that public work the vindication and justification of the in the nature of street improvements gold standard is complete. There is not will cost more in Omaha this year than it has for several years past, the silverites that has not been overthrown reason being that labor and materials have both gone up. The difference, however, is not so great as to afford against the gold standard in the last mossbacks an excuse to obstruct public

improvements. Omaha should have a beet sugar factory before another year rolls around. The way to insure its erection is to show never more prosperous. The time has gone by for triffing or

dmit that the sending of so large a Ger the benefit of holding the county's man fleet to Manila last spring was an irrimoney at reduced interest is not to be tation to the United States, and that the countenanced. South Omaha banks are German admiral's conduct was far from pretending to be independent of their agreeable to Admiral Dewey. With such Omaha connections. Here is a chance onfessions our people ought to be satisfied.

> Conspicuous Tax Dodging. Chicago Chronicl

Lowery accompanied his daughter from The decision of New York's corporation Washington, where so many sad memories counsel that William Waldorf Astor need

clustered about their home, to the summer not pay \$90,000 of personal taxes into the place at Manchester-by-the-Sea. There the The patrons of the South Omaha city treasury on the ground that he is a marriage was quietly performed, and almost non-resident will be hailed with uniform immediately thereafter the duke and his acclamation by the large colony of rich outcome of the litigation in Chicago to bride started for Mexico, where he had been New Yorkers who spend most of their time test the legality of the special switching and wealth in Europe. There are more sent as minister by his country And Admiral Dewey? Well, he did not at-

ways than one of exhibiting American patend the marriage. He was away at sea at triotism and the suggestion that our exiled hat time, trying his best to forget the ropatriots should pay their taxes on this side willy nilly savors of rudeness, not to say mance he had for so many years hopelessly cherished in his heart. vulgar mercenary tendencies. Mr. Astor

After a year of married life the clouds of is one of those blue-blooded patriots who the Spanish-American war began to gather give Americans to understand that they should feel complimented by his refusal to The Duke and Duchess de Arcos, after a short visit in Washington on their way from accept British naturalization. As the latter might also entail too frequent visits from Mexico, salled for Spain. George Dewey, then a commodore, next the British tax collector, there is thus a urned up at Hong Kong, and when he

clear demonstration that Mr. Astor is opno great difference in the prices paid posed to taxpaying on general principles.

# **OPPOSITION TO IMPERIALISM.**

#### Well-Grounded and Widespread Disforces of love and disappointment influenced like of the Policy of Conquest. that memorable battle? Denver Republican

The declared opposition of the German-American press to a policy of imperialism gives no occasion for surprise. It is in line bombardment of with the sentiment which caused many Ger-

mans to leave their native land and make States and English war ships. The their homes in the United States. They bombardment was not intended as left Germany that they might escape imperialism. They will not become its advocates here.

When the war with Spain was at its height there was a strong feeling in favor of extending the jurisdiction of the United States to remote parts of the world. It found expression in the declaration that where the flag was raised it should continue

sentiment changed and the people began to

develop the civilian soldier. There was a pienie excursion to Santiago, there a few days of irregular and eccentric fight-

tional honor and prestige should be mainthe new school buildings. If these tained the mission of the United States shall be one of peace rather than of foreign con- the stalking ghost of yellow fever, magnified quest. With this sentiment German-Amerischool year the work of letting the concans are in sympathy.

themselves.

and maintained. The Philippine islands will and mother. He is a man, a patriot, a be reduced to subjection and Cuba will be soldier. occupied until a stable government shall be

tory is ready to start operations. and influence at home will be adopted.

No sooner had he attended to the business Chicago Times-Herald arrangements necessary upon his changed In response to the public protest against condition in life than he took passage for

the unsightly advertising billboard nuithis country, arriving here to find that Mis sance, which is now invading nearly every Lowery's mother, who had been an invalid street and avenue in the city, an ordinance for many years, had recently died. Nothing has been presented to the city council limit would deter him from his intention of maring the size of the billboard to fifty square rying his sweetheart, however, and so Judge

During the consideration of this ordinanc one of the city billposters urged the coun cil to adopt an ordinance requiring the pay ment of a license fee not exceeding \$1,00 a year for the privilege of operating adver tising billboards. While the proposition t limit the size of the billboards to fift square feet is a commendable one, it canno

be said that a license fee, however large would abate their unsightliness or reconcilthe public to the disfigurement of the streets Neither will the \$1,000 license fee removi the objections urged by the building com missioner.

The principal objection to the license fe proposed, however, is the fact that it is urged in order to give one billposting firm a monopoly of the business. The firm that is intrenched behind the largest billposting area already leased or constructed could picked up the cable at Manila the news way easily afford to pay a heavy license and lashed under the seas that he had smashed control the business rather than sacrifice Who shall say how much or how little the

the heavy investments made. The high "double-deckers" that are being erected all over the city should be abolished by an ordinance making the disfiguremen of the city in this manner punishable with heavy penalties. It is a question whether any citizen has a right to deface the city in this way for his personal profit, even though he is able to rent the vacant ground for that purpose. Chicago can never shake off the habili-

ments of an overgrown country town so long as it tolerates the nuisance. A billboard of fifty square feet will an swer all the legitimate requirements of this the Americans have in them the material of kind of advertising in Chicago. And an

> come and a restraint on the plague of bill boards.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The late ex-Governor Oglesby of Illinois was once asked what he got by his overland were trip to California, in 1847, in search of gold. "No gold," he replied, "but enough experi ing, and then came disease, homesickness, ence to make me what I am."

100 times by the noisy alarums of the The Arkansas anti-trust law has been declared unconstitutional by the court or "Roozevolt round-robin," and the consequent There is strong opposition to a policy outeries and lamentations of the hysterical the ground that it was an attempt on the which would involve the maintenance of a element of the country. The record was one part of the state to exercise an extraterri large standing army. A large standing army of complaint, of maudlin reproaches against torial jurisdiction by bringing within the is attended by dangers to the liberties of the government, of general panic and de- scope of its penal laws acts done by indiin Germany, has arrived in the United the people at home which might counter- moralization inspired by official inexperience viduals and corporations in other states. The supreme court of Pennsylvania has of a transatlantic steamer. In view of and imperial power abroad. There is now fighting on their hands, with no time to declared the inheritance tax unconstitutional no danger that the country will adopt a listen to silly whimpering and tales of im- It is estimated that this will deprive the course which would commit it to the policy aginary hardships, our volunteers have ex- state of \$1,000,000 revenue and that it creates of maintaining a formidable army, clothing panded to the proportions of those of 1861. a necessity for an extra session of the legisthe national executive with power which he | They have become soldiers, and their ex- lature, especially as there was already a swim ashore in case of accident should might some time turn against the people ploits are worthy of a place, and a high deficit of \$3,000,000 in the state treasury place, in the category of true heroism. The when the legislature convened.

But while this is true there will be no man who, eight months ago, complained of Colonel Tasker H. Bliss, representing the temporizing with the inhabitants of con- his rations and his bedding and his cloth- Treasury department in Havana, has put quered provinces who may be disposed to ing, is now a soldier, knowing a soldier's forth some figures and estimates concerning resist the authority of the American gov- duty and a soldier's chances, and the logical the revenues of Cuba which seem to show ernment. There will be no yielding to for- concomitants of army life. He has been conclusively that for some time prior to the eign interference. A strong navy is de- trained as the warriors of 1861-65 were war Spanish officials completely withheld manded. But it is for protection and not trained-in the school of hardship, danger about \$19,000,000 of the customs receipt: for conquest that such a navy will be built and adversity. He no longer cries for home from their government every year. For the physical purification of Coney

Island the New York Health department It is unnecessary to amplify or illustrate going to spend \$10,000 in disinfectants. The established in the island. But public senti- the proposition. The achievements of our residents of the island object to the movement as strongly as they have hitherto ob manently annexing the Philippines or of for themselves. We have had no statement jected to any attempts at moral purification. Mrs. George, whose trial for the murder shricks of George Saxton has just come to a close, that all the necessary raw material will the fear that the kind of imperialism which part-that of patient discipline, of arduous trial began and three offers of a place on tion of the German-Americans need have lit- of martyrdom. They have played the heroic has had four offers of marriage since the he at hand by the time the new fac- involves a great increase in military strength performance, of brilliant elan, and of valor- the stage. One of the offers of marriage is ous endurance. from Allegheny City, Pa.

Spring.

Indianapolis Journal. Among the branches of the trees the merry robins toot; ar out, upon the bleacheries, Far out, upon the bleach The merry rooters root

The biking girl is out again Upon a wheeling spree; he knocks down timid gentlemen And mocks their misered

The winter cider barrel lies Deplete, without a bung: Also, the farmer's out of meat. And gentle Spring has sprung.

TIMELY WARNING.

Somervilles Journal The open cars are out again. The pear-tree buds are white. Forsythias and daffodils The gardens fill with light. The robins run along the grass. The peach-tree buds are pink. The lawns have changed from brown to green.

And Spring is here, you think,

The leaves are showing on the eims, Stirred by the gentle breeze. And soon a dainty pink and white Will clothe the apple trees. Yes, Spring is here, but don't be rash; Death lurks behind a cough. So wait a while before you take Your winter flannels off.

"Dont Put Off **Till Tomorrow** What Should **Be Done** Today"

THAT applies to our splendid showing of spring suits at

\$10.00

Mixtures, stripes, plain colors and checks, without doubt the best selection ever shown in Omaha, at that price-their real value being \$15. Style, fit and quality warranted and all for \$10.

browning hing & Co.

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Light in Luzon. Washington Post The action of the volunteers in the Philippines, while it fills the country with pride and gratitude, will surprise no one who paricipated in the civil war of 1861-65. It proves what every veteran of that glgantic

Montojo's fleet to smithereens.

OUR VOLUNTEERS.

Their Splendid Qualities Brought to

conflict has persistently prophesied-that splendid soldiers, and that this country need annual license fee for each billboard would fear no foreign foe, however powerful, so serve as a police measure, a source of inlong as the race retains its present attributes. to float. But with the return of peace public

The campaign last year-tremendous in take a more conservative view of imperialits consequences, but trivial so far as conism. So that now there is little of the war cerned its purely military aspect-did not spirit of imperialism left.

Public sentiment demands that while na-

States, being brought over on the deck balance all that could be gained of glory and yellow journalism. But now, with real

ment does not approve the policy of per- volunteers during the last few weeks speak acquiring the island of Cuba. It may, there- of grievances from them; no puling whines, fore, be said that people who take the posi- no letters to the newspapers, no