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In these days of tornadoes the path between the house and the storm cellar is kept pretty warm.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this nd day of May, 1899.

H. I. PLUMB, Notary Public.

There is more gold to be mined in the corn and wheat fields of Nebraska than in the gold fields of the Klondike.

When the World-Herald is rasped in its most tender part it exhibits its natural instinct by Jew-baiting cartoons,

Nebraska crops will from now on grow under the very eyes of people who

Jew-baiting cartoons may gratify the malice of mediocrity, but cannot destroy public confidence in men of approved integrity.

harvest.

The Board of Health is to be commended for its effort to protect the community, and especially the children, from the traffic in impure milk.

Omaha has interceded in his behalf according to the correspondent of a with the weather clerk to make his second visit more agreeable than the first,

Railroad construction work in this section is said to have taken every able-bodied laborer away from Omaha, so great is the demand. Only another prosperity straw which he who runs may read.

In enumerating American expositions of the near future the Chicago Times-Herald has doubtless unwittingly omitted the Philadelphia exposition of 1899, which opens only a few weeks after the Greater America Exposition.

Governor Poynter is suffering from indigestion and has gone home to recuperate. There are many of his followers whose digestive organs are capable of assimilating a vastly larger quantity of ple than has yet been served out to them.

While the fusionists are debating the availability of certain statesmen for the nomination to a seat on the supreme bench, an all-wise Providence is sending unexampled prosperity which is breeding republican votes in a fashion most prolific.

The United States authorities do not fall in with the Canadian suggestion that possession be given them pending a settlement of the disputed territory in Alaska. Possession is generally conceded to be nine points in the law and in this instance there are no more points.

The attorney general of Missouri has brought suit under the anti-trust law against druggists who are members of the Apothecaries' association. No matter what else happens the attorney general is determined the people of Mis. American authorities have kept consouri shall not be bound up by any combination on pills.

A good many people cannot understand why men scramble for places on island to its people. Every declarathe Board of Education which are tion and every action has been in acpurely honorary and without emolument. But the periodic controversies the people have shown an appreciation inside of the board throw a side light of our attitude. In Santiago and one upon the inspiring motive and the pos- or two other provinces there appears sible opportunities for business expan- to be general popular satisfaction with

News from the United States is evidently slow in reaching the Orient. Admiral Dewey, in an interview, ex- province it is most essential to secure pressed the opinion that Hobson was an overly modest young man. Evidently the story of the kissing performances of the hero of the Merrimac has not reached that far-off land.

A higher degree of solemnity characterized the celebrations of Memorial day have declared that a firmer and less say cloudbursts, only emphasize the throughout the west than was ever manifested before. Too often the day is necessary, that the malcontents and zone and give promise of another hitherto was devoted to holiday sports mischief-makers should be more abundant yield. and anything but the spirit of com- sternly dealt with.

THE PHILIPPINE ARMY.

that figure.

to be murdering and plundering a force as he named, but it seems plain | ple. that the army now in the Philippines is not adequate, notwithstanding the fact that the Washington authorities to are said to have information which disposes them to concur in the judgment of Otis. The Importance of holding all the territory taken from the enemyall, at least, that has strategic valueis manifest and this we are not doing. Until we can do so efforts to establish o peace and order in the Philippines will not be wholly effective.

It is understood to be the policy to push the campaign with all possible vigor. The rainy season is on, increasing the difficulties and enabling the insurgents to recuperate. The American troops have had a severe experience in pursuing the enemy and there is reason to apprehend that the effective fighting force will be materially reduced under the unfavorable elimatic conditions now prevailing. The promise of peace negotiations seems to have vanished. Every military consideration appears to warrant the conclusion that the army in the Philippines should be considerably increased.

## CONSIDERING ARBITRATION.

The branch of the peace conference to which was referred the subject of to be promise of a practical result. The comprehensive and probably go further than most of the other powers will be disposed to go, a fact strongly indicative of the desire of the Russian government to bind the nations to a policy in the interest of peace. It is said that even the American delegates are not prepared to accept in full the Russian proposals, so that it is safe to say some modified plan, if any, will be agreed upon. It is reported that the Americans will present a distinct Admiral Schley must realize that proposition regarding mediation, which London paper is original, ingenious and practical.

The prominence given to this subject s something of a concession to the United States, since it was well understood that the American delegates were more interested in this than in any other question that would be considered by the conference, and it is highly probable that the views of our repre sentatives at The Hague will have more influence in connection with this subject than those of any other country. The attitude of Russia is certainly most encouraging to the advocates of international arbitration and fustifies hope of practical result, though hardly on lines so broad as the Russian proposals.

# THE CUBAN SITUATION.

It is stated that President McKinley regards with no little concern the situation in Cuba. It was expected that some of the Cuban soldiers would decline the money offered by this government on the condition that they give up their arms, but the very general refusal shows that the obstructive element exerts an influence which is felt to be a serious menace to the work of pacification and to counteract every occasion. which may require of the American authorities a firmer and more decisive policy than has thus far been pursued. No outbreak against the authority of the United States is apprehended, though there have been threats of it, but it is realized at ters "do not affect the national honor the most careful consideration and declaration would put the stamp of apsagacious treatment in order to pre- proval on arbitration, it would be no vent its becoming more complicated assurance against war, for a power and dangerous.

What to do is the perplexing ques tion. The policy of the United States has been wholly conciliatory. The stantly in view the pledge of this government to establish peace and order in Cuba, assist in forming an independent government and then leave the cord with this promise. A portion of the new conditions. There is, indeed, no serious trouble anywhere, according to the latest authentic advices, outside of Havana province. But it is in that acquiescence in the American policy and the question is whether a different course should be adopted there from that so far observed. This has been advised by conservative newspaper correspondents and by Americans having business interests in Cuba. They

memoration of deeds of fallen heroes This may be sound advice. It is was exemplified. There is a time for possible that sooner or later it will muster rolls of the Cuban army is beall things, and it is pleasing to note have to be adopted. But our governthis revision of the popular conception | ment should exhaust every means of distributing the money progresses.

flexible exercise of American authority

Soon after going to the Philippines of the Cuban people, before having re-General Lawton expressed the opinion course to repressive measures. It is that an army of 100,000 would be rather discouraging that Cuban solneeded to put down the insurrection diers decline to receive the money magand properly garrison the country. He nanimously tendered them and which said that with 15,000 soldiers he could they sorely need. It is somewhat irrimarch from one end to the other of tating to have the work of pacification Luzon, but that it would be necessary obstructed and retarded by politicians to leave troops all along the route to and "generals" whose aims, there is hold the territory from which the in- reason to think, are wholly selfish, surgents were driven and protect the We had a right to expect that a pecinhabitants. General Otis, on the other ple for whom we have done so much hand, has uniformly stated that he has would be grateful and have cona sufficient force to subdue the insur- fidence in us. But this nation can afgents and he still adheres to this view. ford to be as magnanimous in the ex-According to Washington advices the ercise of patience as it has been genlatest opinion of Otis is that an army erous in other respects toward the of 30,000 will be adequate and he asks Cuban people, remembering their deonly that his force be maintained at feets of temperament and the hard conditions of the past which fostered His present force is stated to be in them the spirit of discontent and somewhat larger than that and yet it distrust. Having assumed the task of is not sufficient to garrison all of the educating these people in the princicountry our troops have taken, a por- ples of self-government we must tion of which is being reoccupied by meet the difficulties presented with all the insurgents, who are reported possible patience, yet with a firm insistence upon whatever policies shall be the natives who showed friendli- deemed necessary to the attainment of ness to the Americans. This is the end in view. This appears to be a situation which appears to vindicate the position of the administration and the judgment of General Lawton. we have no doubt it is approved by Perhaps there is not required so large a large majority of the American peo-

THE DEADLY PARALLEL. "You may fool all the people part of the time, and part of the people some of the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time." This applies to men engaged in the newspaper publishing business as it does to men engaged in any other business.

For a long time the World-Herald has been trying to fool all the people by impudent brag and bluster concerning its phenomenal growth. Part of the people have doubtless been fooled, but the confidence game cannot be played much longer. The cold facts embodied in a few figures of comparative city circulation have knocked the pinning from under the impostor. The desperate effort at dust-throwing to confuse the minds of advertisers by meaningless figures can have no effect upon intelligent business men. In order that there may be no confusion or misunderstanding concerning the deadly parallel. The Bee will take its patrons into full confidence by publishing the names of subscribers, with their respective addresses, Friday morning, and afford full opportunity for all concerned to verify the lists. In the meantime we present the revised exhibit of arbitration and mediation is giving it relative circulations showing morning earnest consideration and there appears and evening carrier delivery for eight routes, the eighth covering the terriare anxiously waiting for an abundant Russian proposals are elaborate and tory between Farnam and Dodge streets, Seventeenth to Twenty-fifth, in

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These figures represent eight out of eighty-four actual carrier delivery routes of The Bee in the city of Omaha and sixteen in South Omaha. Merchants who have goods to sell and people who have wants to satisfy may judge for themselves where they may confidently expect to get the largest returns for their money.

The twin cities of Minnesota are making extensive preparations for a great popular ovation to the returning volunteers from the Philippines whose valor has added so much to the renown of American arms. It is expected that not only the troops recruited in Minnesota and states immediately contiguous, but also those of Nebraska, Kansas and the southwest are to participate. It goes without saying that the people of St. Paul and Minneapolis have the best wishes of the people of this section in the success of the proposed reunion. Nebraska remembers and appreciates the generous treatment accorded the Transmississippi Exposition and will ever hold itself ready to reciprocate on

The peace conference has before it for consideration a very comprehensive plan for the arbitration of international disputes which provides for this mode of settlement when the matwhich really desired a conflict or whose people were excessively wrought up would naturally conclude that national honor and vital interests were involved. It looks more and more as though the conference would accomof warfare which will mitigate its

The island of Jamaica is truly in a serious plight. Reciprocal trade relations with the United States are the only thing which offers any relief to the industrial depression which is pauperizing the people. The needs of government are such that any sacrifice of revenue appears to be an impossibility, though the people have determined to make the effort. The United States is willing to trade if the islanders have anything to offer worth striving for.

The official state weather report con veys the information that the soil of Nebraska generally is in fine condi tion for growing crops. Frequent, allpervading, heavy rain storms, not to exemption of Nebraska from the arid

The outrageous padding of the coming more apparent as the work of of the sentiments attending the day. | conciliation, every proper expedient | Had the Cuban officers been allowed | whatever to do with the case.

for winning the confidence and respect to distribute the money, as they had hoped to do, what a snap it would have been.

> One of him Philadelphia, Times. Buying bonds is an airship in one way in to the Philippines-that is, a determination which an investor may see his money go up. to get away from the country as quickly

If the democrats were not in doubt about reaffirming silver they would not be so vielent in protesting that they will never omit it under any conceivable circumstances.

Well-Founded Surmise. Baltimore American. The fulsomeness with which the foreign

## Peffer's Slide for Home.

anxious to court her favor.

his descent into the republican party. He white man's burden, got there by using that part of his anatomy purposes of locomotion.

Forgotten Galety. Boston Transcript

# Two Can Play at the Game.

San Francisco Chronicle. If Canada invites a tariff war with the United States she will have to take with it an era of hard times and a consequent

## An Imperialistic Poser.

Here are more Filipinos who want to land already refused to admit ten Filipines on today. the ground that they are allens and were coming to this country under contract to labor, and this will have to be the ruling apparently in the case of the fifty. But if they are aliens, how can the natives in Luzon be rebels?

## "No Gun, No Mon."

Globe-Democrat, The Cuban insurgents are giving up their guns and accepting their money. There will be no difficulty on this score. A few malignants are in Cuba, and their influence will be used against the Americans. Their influence, however, will not prevail against the spirit of the business element and of the intelligent people in general, who want stable and progressive government, The only way in which such government can be had is in making the American connection permanent. These two ingredients of the Cuban population will be found to have the majority on their side when the voting takes place which is to decide the island's future form of government.

## Predicament of the Paris. Philadelphia Ledger.

The Paris was driven on the rocks of the Manacles with the full force of her engines and within an hour of high tide. Divers issuing calls for a subscription to a fund a solid wall. If this theory is correct, the than to any other section of the country, only way to get her off the rocks is either some similar device. Meanwhile, there is no answer to the question, How did she get of her course?

# Democracy on a Rocky Road.

Louisville Courier-Journal. With respect to the political outlook for 1900, and the relation of the democratic party thereto, it is to be observed in a general way that Jordan is a hard road to travel and that the gearing and appurtenances of the democratic carry-all are not in the best get-up for the journey. Better men than those who have been putting their heads together at St. Louis might look upon the scene aghast. It does, indeed, recall the description given by the Irish sailor who, caught stranded on land, hired himself for a plowman and was put in charge of a spike team, consisting of a yoke of oxen with a little mule they called "Jinny" in the lead. Pat had never plowed before, and, to crown his ill-fortune, he stirred up nest of yaller jackets; then he broke for the house. "Arrah, master!" said he, "come right out into the field. Sure, the divil's to pay! The lairboard ox is on the stairboard side, and 'Jinny's afowl of the rigging, an' they're all drifting to hell as fast as

# OLD PRINCIPLES RIDICULED.

Ex-Senator Gray Gives the Immortal Declaration a Parting Kick. New York Evening Post.

the republic and their prowess in the forum | man of considerable wealth. Washington that the situation calls for or vital interests." While such a and on the battlefield. It is to them that Congressman George W. Ray of New York we owe, among other things, the preservation and marking of some of our Revolu- believe that Thomas B. Reed is going to tionary battlefields and the rebuilding of In- leave politics and settle in New York. Mr. dependence hall. It must be becoming plain, Ray, who is intimate with the Maine stateshowever, even to them that the pinnacle of man, says he has yet to find a man to whom fame upon which they placed their ances- Mr. Reed has confided his intention to get tors has been entirely too lofty. In the out of congress before his term expires. light of the sudden learning and awaken- "You will note," says Mr. Ray, "that he has ing of the twelve months just behind us, it not yet resigned." is evident that we have forgotten that after all the forbears were nothing less than berg, S. J., both of the Shawmont Catholic plish nothing more than to adopt rules traitors to the regularly constituted government set over them; that Washington, and Adams and Jefferson, and all the rest belong, in fact, in the same despicable Cleveland, class with Hoar, Bishop Potter, Edward Atkinson and the others who dare to question the wisdom of our present rulers and dare to say things not fit for our "thinking bayonets" in the Philippines to read. We have already heard our present minister to Germany, Andrew D. White, declare that the revolution tself was a grave mistake, in that it cut but forestalled a probably peaceful separatoo, from various quarters that the constitution of the United States can be connew foreign policy has plunged us, and that are printed on Saturday night. ts many shortcomings can be fixed in time.

## ECHOES OF THE WAR.

ter from Charles Cahill, a member of the Wyoming battalton, dated San Fellpiners, P. L. April 26.—The letter echoes the general feeling of the volunteers with respec as the government provides the means, All the alleged charms of climate, fertility of soil, chances for making a fortune and other boom claims of home imperialists have made no impression on the teers. They have been there nearly a year and like it so little that they cannot get back to "God's country" any too soon. conditions were settled," writes Private Cahill, "a number of men would stay here, nations are flattering Columbia would lead but with the few dollars at their command one to believe that there are several princes they do not care to stay and run the risk of going broke, although the government will pass a man home any time within a year from the date of his discharge. But from the various commands there will be quite Mr. Peffer did not employ a parachute in a number who will stay and 'take up the

"We are now in the rainy season. The usually utilized by the humble worm for thunder and lightning are very severe and | 000. our tents fail to shed water, it comes down so hard. To the man doing outpost duty this weather is very disagrecable, for he is compelled to lie out in the fields with no enues of the postoffice department, which there is no market for tobacco and sugar compelled to lie out in the fields with no enues of the postoffice department, which there is no market for tobacco and sugar is produced at a loss. Thus the Porto tobacco and sugar their whatever. Everyone hopes for a furnish the most reliable barometer of trad-Admiral Schley's ascent of Pike's Peak shelter whatever. Everyone hopes for a orings to mind a picture in the Frement speedy termination of the trouble, for if campaign book of 1854 representing the gen- men are compelled to be out in these rains record, while the receipts from the patent have apparently gained nothing to compeneral at the top of Pike's Peak. One of the long it is bound to cause sickness. We are democratic papers remarked at the time that better able to stand it than the new arthat was as high as Fremont would ever get. rivals, but even so we do not relish the idea of being out here during the entire rainy season.

Writing about the battle of the blockhouses near Manila a correspondent of Scribner's says: A picket standing upon a oss of population. This country is Canada's stone wall, so that he might get better chief and best market. Without it she aim, suddenly went down in a heap, crycannot do much more than make a living. ing out, "Boys, I've got it;" but he was It would not be long after the effects of a up again in a minute, hopping about on tariff war had been felt before Canada would one leg, and shouted, 'I'll be d—d if I concede almost any point for the sake of re- care; I'm not a rookle any more." He had establishing her former commercial status. been shot through the ankle. The "Rookeis" is a term applied to the recruits who came to Manila after the fighting and they have always been joshed and shut out of discussion among soldiers with some such at San Francisco-fifty of them, consigned slighting remark as, "What can a rookle to the pan-American exposition at Buffalo. know? He wasn't here for the scrap. The federal immigration commissioners have Well, there are no more rookies in Manila

> Freedom of Manila discredits reports circulated in this country alleging that the Filipinos mutilated the bodies of American soldiers. Says Freedom: "Let us not try to distance the Spaniards as liars; let us tell the truth. If one native was killed and a shack burned, let us say so and stop. These yarns about our men being mutilated are generally false. It was reported in type that soldiers who fell in the fight on Tuesday along the railway were mutilated, and there is absolutely no truth in the report. The story about hundreds of natives being killed at Santa Cruz is also a fairy

There is a little-known record in the War department, which reads: "Medal of honor to Arthur MacArthur for coolness and onspicuous bravery in action in seizing the colors of his regiment at a critical moment and planting them on the captured works on the crest of Missionary Ridge, Tenn., November 25, 1863, while serving as first lieutenant and adjutant, Twenty-fourth Wisconsin infantry."

A citizens' committee of San Francisco is report that her bottom is pierced and several of \$100,000 for the erection of a Dewey of her compartments ripped open. In this monument by the people of California in state of things it is not surprising that the Golden Gate park. The subscription for the efforts of half a dozen tugs, assisted by her first day amounted to \$25,000. California own steam, failed to get her off. She is has certainly as much reason as any state probably hung up on one or more points of in the union to feel satisfied with Dewey's rock in such a mainer that trying to haul achievements, for the holding of the Philipher off is like trying to pull her through | pines will mean more to the Pacific coast

Captain Sigsbee, when forced to make a speech at a reception in New York last week, said the three things a sailor thinks upon the rocks, which are many miles out he can do thoroughly well on shore are riding a horse, managing a farm and holding a baby. Speechmaking has not heretofore been among his fancied accomplishments, but if there is no flagging in the invitations of the public, the United States navy will soon, he said, have a fine collection of trained orators.

At the surrender of Santiago an officer of the Rough Riders who had been sent forward on dangerous scouting was at once recalled. He indignantly sought an interview with Colonel Roosevelt. He was splashed with mud from head to foot, "Why a I deprived of this chance?" he cried. What am I to do?" "Well," said Roosevelt, smiling, "the thing I'd advise you to first is to wash your face,"

# PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE,

Taxes are to be assessed upon Chicago bill

boards. General Wheeler's voice is still for war, and if he cannot fight in the Philippines he will go to congress.

his laurels in the Philippines, though years older than he. When he gets back to brought up in Colorado, is of New England the United States and recovers from the stock, and the great-grandson of Colonel strain of the responsibility of the last year John Hale, who at the age of 16 fought at Bunker Hill.

Brigadier General Asa B. Carey, pay-We extend our respectful sympathies to master general of the army, has been the Sons and Daughters of the Revolution, granted leave of absence to July 12 next, and of the American Revolution, and to the when he goes upon the retired list. He has Colonial Dames and to the various other lately been military attache to the United societies which have of late years labored States embassy at London, but has been to inculcate in the youth of this country a connected with the pay department since reverence and respect for the founders of 1875. He is a native of Michigan and a rian element that will seriously interfere

refuses, despite all that has been said, to

Rev. John Jutz and Rev. Alexander Ashchurch, Boston, have been decorated by Emperor William of Germany for meritorious The former nursed smallpox cases at Metz this constitutes a most tients. Father Jutz did as much for American soldiers at the battle of Wounded Knee.

tinuing the issue of a Sunday edition, gives no reason for thus following so speedily the example of its rival, the Daily Mail. It must off English immigration to these states, and | not be inferred from these two notable failures that the citizens of London refuse to tion from the motherland. We have heard, read anything else but their Bibles on Sunday. Perhaps something of the real reason is to be found in the declaration made by strued so as to cover any of the unforeseen | the Archbishop of Canterbury that the Moncovernmental contingencies into which our day morning's editions of the London papers

It is unfortunate that the French should And now, on top of all this, comes the start a discussion of the question "Was speech of George Gray, who declares the Hamlet Fat or Lean?" just as the peace con-Declaration of Independence and the words ference assembled. But great problems canof Thomas Jefferson. "A just government not be shelved to suit the caprices of em-rests upon the consent of the governed." to perors and princes. The question of armies who is charged with the duty of keeping be a "phrase and a glittering generality." and humanized war is of little moment com- the home government informed as to the If the ancestral societies referred to are pared with the physique of Shakespeare's character of the food products that leave wise, they will take time by the forelock ghostly creation. The high dignituries of our ports for Germany. The result of all and recognize that they have worshiped nations could not do a greater service to these inspections has been entirely satisalse gods and brazen idols. The fact that mankind then to summon the immortal factory to the German government. a few years ago any man ultering such shade and take its measure. Mankind loves The refusal of the German government sentiments as Judge Gray's would have a ghost walk. Peace? There can be no to consider the agrarian meat inspection been declared to have taken British gold, peace until the Hamlet question is settled, bill may be taken as convincing proof that and to be a traducer of the noblest inheri-tance of the American people, has nothing whether the Twentieth century begins in closest commercial relations with this coun-1990 or 1991.

SURE SIGNS OF PROSPERITY.

The Laramie Boomerang publishes a let-Business Activity Demonstrated by Increased Treasury Receipts. If the treasury receipts may be regarded

> that we are entering a period of almost States troops last year, and have since given inprecedented business activity. mitted to congress. The receipts from im- customed to revolution, yet the results acport duties are considerably in excess of complished speak highly for the system of the predictions made by the author of the government that we have introduced.

> exchange all over the country. exceed \$41,000,000. As the disbursements island are worth hardly more than onefor twenty-seven days-which were unus- half the prices they commanded under ually heavy-amount to \$38,238,000, it is safe Spanish rule. As the result of annexation to say that the month's receipts will show an the market of Spain has been closed to excess over expenditures of at least \$2,000,- Porto Rican products, while the duty on

> The evidences of prosperity, however, are United States. ing activity, have gone beyond the highest Ricans have lost their market and they office indicate that the good times have sate for it, except, perhaps, those blessstimulated the mechanical ingenuity of the ings and privileges of American civilization country to an unprecedented extent.

The revenues of the government were never so large before, and it must also be noted that they were never so easily and willingly paid.

## TYPICAL TRUST CASE.

## Margin of Profit Necessary to Pay Interest on Inflated Capital.

New York World. Thirteen manufactories with a total capialization of \$21,580,000 have organized hemselves into a trust with a capital of 80,000,000. Of this \$40,000,000 is to be in preferred stock paying 7 per cent a year and \$40,000,000 is to be in common stock paying whatever may be left after the preferred stock has paid its \$2,800,000 in annual

What do these promoters propose? They go into the money market, where the rate of interest on good security is less than 4 per cent, and ask the public-

First-To lend them \$40,000,000 at 7 per cent interest, or more than 3 per cent above the market rate when the security or collateral is sound, and they offer as security property which even at their own valuation s worth only \$21,580,000.

Second-To lend them \$40,000,000 more on no security whatever and with no interest on the loan until after the first \$40,000,000 shall have earned 7 per cent.

The demand for the articles which these gentlemen make is limited and is not greater than the present facilities for making them can readily meet. True, prices can be put up, but surely not enough to give the huge margin of profit necessary to the success of this "trust." This case is not isolated. It is typical of

what is going on in practically every branch of American manufactures today

## IS DEWEY AN OLD MAN! How His Age Compares with that of Other Notables of the World.

Brooklyn Eagle. Admiral Dewey has lately been calling nimself an old man, and so some of the papers which have been commenting on the reposition to give him a home in Washingon have said that a man of his age would prefer to live away from the excitements of he national capital. The fact is that the admiral is not old. He has reached what the naval regulations call the retiring age and his characterization of himself as old is, doubtless, the survival of an impression which he received in his youth that a man did not go on the retired list till he had passed the days of his usefulness and was ncapacitated for active service.

If Admiral Dewey will recall the age of many well known and active men he will cease calling himself old. He is only a year older than John Hay, the secretary of state, who is commonly regarded as a man just in the fullness of his powers. James Bryce and John Morley are also years old, the same as Secretary Hay; Grover Cleveland, Whitelaw Reid, Horace Porter, William Dean Howells, President Angell and Justices Brewer and Peckham are a year older, the same age is the admiral. Generals Merritt and Joseph Wheeler are 62, and so are Rear Admiral Sampson and Joseph Chamberlain. Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, Bishop Potter, Andrew Carnegie, John G. Carlisle and General Shafter are 63, or two years older. President Eliot of Harvard is 64, and Chauney M. Depew is 65. Ex-President Harrison. Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Harlan are few months older than Senator Depew. Andrew D. White is 66, and so are Senator Quay and Lord Roberts of the British army. President Gilman of Johns Hopkins is 67, ex-Secretary Tracy is 68. There are scores of other famous men in the United States and Europe who would call Admiral Dewey General Irving Hale, who has lately won still young, for they are from five to twenty he will discover how young he is

## AMERICAN MEATS IN GERMANY. grarian Legislation Blocked by Imperial Government.

Chicago Times-Herald. That the German government is not disposed to make any concession to the agrawith the importation of American meats indicated by the report from Berlin to the effect that the "commission meat inspection bill" will not be advanced at the summer session of the Reichstag.

The commission bill as reported to the Reichstag is the product of agrarian influence and contains such drastic provisions that the government cannot consider it. It forbids the importation of fresh meat after December, 1903, and meanwhile restricts importations to entire carcasses, all other meat products, except pure lard, being ex-

The government, of course, will never consent to the exclusion of American ham conduct during the Franco-Prussian war, and other smoked and pickled goods, for and nearly died, and the latter, born Baron of Germany's food supply. The position of de Asheberg, did as much for typhus pa- the agrarians with reference to importations of this class is illogical and untenable, for the reason that Germany, with 52,000,000 The London Daily Telegraph, in discon- inhabitants, is unable, under present conditions, to raise either meats or breadstuffs in sufficient quantity to supply the wants of its people and must import heavily, not only food, but many staple raw materials. That the German people are well satisfied with the purity of American meat products and have the fullest confidence in the thoroughness of our own inspection products is shown that they consumed fact in 1897 American meats of all kinds to the value of \$5,117,000. The German govern-

ment has made from time to time the mossearching investigation of our methods of packing meat and inspection. It has sent its own meat experts over and has a special

GAINS AND LOSSES.

Milwaukee Sentinel: That the American administration of the former Spanish colonles is a blessing to their inhabitants and should be courted rather than resisted is as a baremeter of industrial conditions demonstrated by the conditions in Porto there can be no escape from the conclusion Rico. The natives welcomed the United but little trouble to the military govern-For the first time in many years the ment that we established on the island. monthly report of the condition of the gov- The peaccable administration of Porto Rico ernment finances shows that the revenues was greatly favored, because the populafrom all sources exceed the estimates sub- tion was small and the natives were not ac-

present tariff law, while the proceeds of the Chicago Chronicle: Ordinary honesty diewar tax furnish incontrovertible evidence tates that the people of Porto Rice should of an increasing volume of production and not be made to suffer because of annexation to the United States. Yet that is exactly The receipts for the month of May will what is taking place. The products of the imports practically shuts them out of the Before annexation coffee not confined to the receipts from impost du- was sold in the Spanish market at \$25 per promised them by General Miles when he landed at Ponce.

## SAID IN FUN.

Detroit Journal: "I suppose the farmers of your section are very prosperous."
"Very Several have felt able to suffer with brain-fag this spring."

Boston Herald: Dewey has got as far as Hong Kong. The band will new play, "Sea, the Hong Kongering Hero Comes."

Chicago Record: "We never had any trouble getting women to look in at our show windows."
"Why?"
"Look at the big mirrors we have put in as a background to our shirt-waist exhibit,"

Detroit Free Press: "We don't go anywhere any more."
"Why not?"
"Well, we live

we live in a flat, and we are in terror for fear somebody will give us some-thing we would have to bring home,"

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Dash, the sprinter, was run over by a lot of freight cars last week,"
"What was the coroner's verdict?"
"Died from the effects of bad training."

Chicago Times-Herald: Geraldine—And who gave the bride away?
Tom—Nobody. She and Jim are going to live with her folks. Philadelphia Record: Editor-I don't

quite understand why you refer to Boodler as 'a corks rew politician."

New Reporter-Well, sir; I don't like to say right out that he's crooked. Indianapolis Journal: "I wish to treat you as a brother," said Civilization.
"As a younger brother," suggested Barbarism. "You want me to wear your old clothes and tag along behind when you are going anywhere and do all the chores."

Ohio State Journal: Williamson-What do you think of this newspaper story of a woman being hypnotized by a book agent into subscribing for a book she didn't want? Henderson-I believe every word of it! I was just looking over my library yesterday.

Chicago Post: "It is not necessary to drink to become intoxicated," he tried to explain, "Science recognizes intoxication by radiation—that is, just from the companionship of men who are drinking."

"Then you would better cease associating with yourself," she replied coldly.

# WHEN THE BOYS COME BACK.

Denver Post. When the soldier boys come back Civil lads must clear the track, Stay-at-homes must to a man Join the ranks of "Also ran," Girls will lavish all their smiles And their heart-ensnaring wiles On old Colorado's sons Who were quick to grab their guns
When their Uncle Sammy's yelp
To'd them that he wanted help Fo.d them that he wanted help. Faces bronzed by Asian air To the maids will be more fair Than the frontispieces worn. By the noncombats, and torn, Faded uniforms of blue, From a girlish point of view, Will have more attractiveness. Than the tallored stylish deser-Will have more attractiveness.
Than the tailored, styllsh dress
Of the boys now holding sway
While the heroes are away.
And the thrilling yarns of war
Will to them be sweeter far
Than the fairy tales rehashed
By the fellows they have mashed
Just as makeshift substitutes
Till their boys came back; recruits.
As it were, to simply fill As it were, to simply fill
Sparking vacancies until
Uncle Sammy tells his sons
They can lay aside their guns
And return again to wield
Arms in love's entrancing field—
A command 'tis sufe to say
They will whoopingly obey,
Then in voices soft as lutes,
Girls will tell the substitutes
They are not the whole thing, but
Only has-beens, and they ought
To surrender gracefully;
That in future they wid be
Only coustns to them, or
Sisters, if they so prefer.
Nerve yourselves, ye parlor knights,
To relinquish the delights
You we monopolized since those
Heroes chad in soldier clothes
Marched away to nobly fight
For Humanity and Right,
For as in the sniping game
Known to western prankish fame,
You will only hold the sack
When the soldier boys come back, As it were, to simply fill sparking vacancies until

# Straw

The season for straw hats is going to come with a rush. It is past due by the calendar, but the weather has not kept up with the calendar.

We are all ready for the first really warm days, however, with a full assortment of Milan, Sennet, Mackinaw, Jumbo, Roughand-Ready, and English split braids. Our straw hats are all hand pressed and have double brims that will keep their shape. From 50c to \$3.00.

