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house should move carefully, as they are liable to step on a live wire almost anywhere in the building.

Sioux Falls did not have to put up spoils, anything to secure that fusion convention, so it cannot complain that it has not got its money's worth.

Iowa republicans announce publicly that they are right in line with McKinley and prosperity. Put Iowa in the republican column as usual.

It is now up to the base ball enthusiasts to show whether Omaha will support a professional ball team as a member of the Western league.

The Weather bureau wants it distinctly understood that it is in nowise responsible for the frost which settled flown over the Sioux Falls convention.

The accounts of republican conventions in Illinois and several other states furnish a reminder that republicans have their family jars in other places besides Nebraska.

Bryan should see to it that the new front porch is securely built. Platforms have a habit of falling when put to the strain of sustaining his greatness in a state of cruption.

Attorney General Smyth has probably not proceeded against the Omaha ice trust because he fears that if all the trusts are smashed before election time his party might be deprived of an issue,

After taking as their standard bearer Bryan, who refused to subscribe to populist principles, the fusion populists ought not to have felt called on to waste any time over platform declarations.

All agree that the real estate market in Omaha was never more active since the boom days of town lot auctions in the '80's. People who want safe investments will not overlook the real estate bargain counter.

The mid-readers at Cincinnati called their convention to order at the same time as the fusionists at Sioux Falls, but they managed to slide under the nomination wire several lengths ahead of the fusion gang. Not so slow.

The cool weather which Sioux Falls is enjoying is said to be due to the large pieces of ice Senator Pettigrew left on the doorsteps of his managers in republican at the recent election.

again to present their demands for woman suffrage planks in the platforms of the various national conventions. The suffragists deserve a credit mark for persistence if for nothing else.

Another striking proof of prosperity seems to be at hand in the inability of the local postoffice force to cope with the increasing postal business at this point. The Postoffice department at Washington should be apprised of the situation.

The people of Sioux Falls have come to the conclusion that they got a gold brick when they secured the convention of the fusion populists. The rest of the people will conclude that the ticket nominated is a gold brick and refuse to be taken in when election day comes

around. The grave senators have again discovered that the happenings of executive sessions of that body are faithfully chronicled in the newspapers the next morning. The leaks are so numerous that they have even ceased to look for them. Perhaps the reverend senators talk in their sleep.

WHY HE CANNOT.

self by the march of events," asks the mind and out of range of definite action?" For the obvious reason that Mr. Bryan cannot throw aside that issue without discrediting all be has said for the last four years and thereby endangering his political leadership. It is following together and were he to drop it most of his adherents would despise him, as Mr. Altgeld has said, for his weakness. He would be deserted by his populist and silver republican supporters and where could this loss be made up?

Certainly the Record understands that Mr. Bryan, without the silver issue. and impracticable. He has been talking against trusts for the last two years. any but political considerations. but he has proposed no remedy that has one else to formulate a policy in regard strong organization.

to the insular possessions. does not intend to drop it and all appeals to him to do so are useless,

#### THE ANTI-FUSION POPULISTS.

The convention of representatives of Net dally average 27,502 GEORGE B. TZSCHUCK. shown that this element of the populists is thoroughly in earnest in the deter-Subscribed and aworn before me this 1st mination to preserve the distinctive character and the integrity of the party. instead of allowing it to be absorbed by democracy, as proposed by the so-called populists at Sioux Falls. The attend-The moist air of Havana appears to very much larger than at Sioux Falls, have caused postage stamps to stick to all the states but five being represented the fingers of the employes of the postal by delegates at the former, while the enthusiasm which characterized it was in notable contrast to the spirit of the People who visit the Nebraska state fusion gathering. It was the difference between men of sincere conviction and earnest devotion to principles they believe and men obeying the behests of self-seeking politicians and eager for

The candidates of the Cincinnati con vention are Wharton Barker of Penn sylvania for president and Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota for vice president. Both have national fame as uncom promising exponents of the principles of the people's party. Mr. Barker is a resident of Philadelphia and a man of ability and character. Mr. Donnelly is widely known as a scholar and orator. The platform reaffirms belief in the cardinal tenets of the people's party, as set forth in the Omaha platform, and pledges the party to continued advocacy next morning with another set of flarof the pledges therein enunciated.

The spirit manifested by the Cincinnati convention gives assurance that the anti-fusion populists will carry or a vigorous campaign and it will not be surprising if the estimate of 2,000,-000 votes for their ticket shall be realized.

# SALISBURY'S WARNING.

The address of the marquis of Salisbury at the annual meeting of the Primrose league will command uni versal attention and must make a profound impression in England. It sounds a note of warning, if not of alarm, which Englishmen, however sanguine their faith in the power and the prestige of their country, will consider seriously. Great Britain's prime minister is not a pessimist. He is an eminently practi cal statesman, who estimates the probabilities and possibilities of the future from existing actual facts and conditions. Therefore when Salisbury declares that there are accumulating elements and causes of menace and peril, and that these may accumulate to such an extent as to require earnest strong public sentiment that wants the and active efforts to repel them, we may be sure that there is real danger sible from political pressure and perin the situation, although on the surface of affairs all is peaceful and the nent teachers' list ought to be some nations are observing a "careful, calm thing worth striving for, and, when neutrality."

bury's address is that in which he intimated that England should not rely wholly upon her navy. "The British navy, of course, ought to be sufficient." he said, "but are we wise in placing all our eggs in one basket?" He pointed aggression was yearly increased in power and efficiency among every one of the great nations, that in "every case in history the great maritime power that town when they allowed it to go has been paralyzed, killed, not by disasters suffered in its provinces, but by a blow directed at the heart," and he The woman suffragists are preparing significantly added that "we must induce the people to voluntarily put themselves in a position to defend their homes and country." "If once the feeling could be propagated," said Salisbury, "that it is the duty of every ablebodied Englishman to make himself competent to meet an invader, we would have a defensive force which would make the chances of an assailant so bad that no assailant would appear."

The most impressive part of Salis

An invasion of England is almost inconceivable, yet it is evidently not regarded by the prime minister as impossible. On the continent, and particularly in France, there are military men who believe it could be accomplished. It is certainly a fact that as to land defense England's present condition is far from invulnerable. She has enough able-bodied men to create an army ample for defense, but either from a lack of patriotism, or a feeling try may make the fishing will be good as of security due to reliance upon England's powerful navy, they are not disposed to become soldiers and the government is unwilling to adopt conscription. which might prove troublesome. Perhaps the warning uttered by Salisbury may arouse the people to a sense of the

"Why cannot Mr. Bryan govern him- defend their homes and country. But what power, or combination of city proposes to charge about twice as Philadelphia Record, "and keep out of powers, would attempt the invasion of much as last year, or at the rate of 80 cents the platform the issue which is out of England? It has long been a dream of Frenchmen, but France will never undertake it single-handed and it is the remotest possibility that a combination of European powers could be effected ment of delegates enroute to the Sioux Falls for such a purpose. Still it would be convention. In his time Peter knew what wise for England to take the precaution it was to lead a foriorn hope. this issue of free silver which holds his which her most distinguished living statesman has suggested.

REPUBLICAN STATE HEADQUARTERS. The republican state committee will have to decide at its meeting today postmasters against two Americans. The whether the work of the campaign shall be directed from the best vantage point with reference to the field of operations one: or shall be again bottled up at the state would not be seriously considered for capital for the benefit of a few hotel the presidency. His views in regard to keepers. The Bee believes that the camthe newer questions do not impress in- paign this year is too important to wartelligent men, because they are crude rant the committee in charge of the location of headquarters to give weight to

What is wanted this year is results found general acceptance. The Record and results can best be obtained when itself has shown the worthlessness, if the generals of the campaign pitch their not the absurdity, of his plan for dealing tents as near the firing line as possible. with the trusts. As to his position re- It is conceded that Douglas county with garding so-called imperialism, perhaps its huge population of wage workers emone-third at least of the democratic ployed in the factories and packing party is not in accord with him and houses of Omaha and South Omaha ofthose democrats who are would quite fers the largest number of voters who generally, it is probable, prefer some can be affected through the agency of is not to be accepted as a token that he is

In other states the political headquar-In short, Mr. Bryan really represents ters are invariably located at the seat but one issue and to drop that would of the campaign work. In Maryland, faint and be weary and the young men shall be to go into political bankruptcy. He for example, no one would think of re- utterly fall," but not Bryan. to Albany, or the headquarters in Pennsylvania from Philadelphia to Harristhe people's party opposed to fusion has burg, simply because the state capitol is located at the last named places,

The only valid argument ever advanced for keeping the state headquarters of Nebraska republicans at Lincoln was that the committee secured the conand made a catspaw for the Bryanized tribution of free clerical work through the services of some of the state house employes, but that argument lost its ance at the Cincinnati convention was foundation when the state house was invaded by the fusionists.

If the state committee is organizing for this campaign for business it will locate itself where business can be carried on to the best advantage. If it is to be merely a social club for the entertainment of its members it will not make much difference where the club rooms are established.

The local popocratic organ was the most ardent newspaper champion of Thurston's candidacy for delegate-atlarge to Philadelphia, but as soon as the convention placed the senator on the chosen to represent the republicans at the position of national committeeman. advice and watch the Bryan organ the ing headlines denouncing the republians of Nebraska for endorsing a sugar trust lobbyist.

There is a noticeable difference between the convention now in session at Sionx Falls and the national convention held eight years ago in Omaha. Then the party was young and growing. The men who espoused the cause of populism, whatever may be thought of their belief, were sincere and earnest. The attendance was larger than at the present convention, though it had no officewith the railroads to procure passes for the delegates. The change wrought by the blight of the chronic office seeker and substitution of place hunting for

principle is painfully evident. Omaha school teachers are said to be undergoing another fright over a threatened upturning of the permanent tenure list. The school board that takes a step backward by restoring the system of annual elections for public school teachers will run against a teachers' corps removed as far as possonal influence. A place on the permaonce secured, something worth holding.

The World-Herald continues to deseant editorially about South Africa, Great Britain, the Philippines and other far away subjects, but it has its eyes and ears and nose stuffed to the near out that the material for military property in Nebraska by the fusion State Board of Equalization. What has happened to the reform organ that was railing against the railroads so loudly case of the man who shows his anger by rolling his fist in his pocket?

Is it possible that times have become or have the exigencies of a coming campaign convinced Treasurer Meserve that t will no longer do to allow it to remain idle so far as the school fund is concerned?

A Waste of Energy. The gentlemen who are combating the annexation of Cuba are borrowing trouble

on long time and with poor security. How Stories Travel. Boston Glot Hallstones as large "as hens' eggs" no

them as large "as base balls." Next! Consolation for Grover.

Ex-President Cleveland can take comfort in the fact that whatever mistakes the coun-

Democratic Preaching and Practice. New York Evening Post Whatever the platforms of the democratic

tarily put themselves in a position to pressive figures. The Tammany company which now controls the ice business in this

#### Peter Out Considerable.

The Peter Cooper Populist club of Omaha is keeping open house for the entertain-

## Pledge of Home Rule.

Porto Ricans, who have been accustomed to seeing all the offices in the island filled Spaniards, were doubtless surprised by the appointment of seventy-one natives as promise of home rule made by President McKinley is shown to have not been an idle

#### Municipal Reform in Honolula.

Hawaiian Star. The discussion of a Municipal league goes n steadily, and shows that both old and oung are taking the strongest interest in the movement. The result will be the formation of a league which will do its utmost to secure the election of municipal officers upon their merits, irrespective of party. It is always a healthy sign when citizens of all classes take a deep interest in their local affairs, and do not leave them to be run by the professional politician.

#### Playing to the Galleries.

The retirement of Mr. Bryan to his Nebraska farm for a period of two months is a thoroughly elever political scheme. n need of rest. That idea would scarcely be compatible with the endurance which he has shown from the hour of his nomination in Chicago in 1896. "Even the youths shall moving the state headquarters from gram seems to outline itself to the thought-Baltimore to Annapolis, or the New ful mind. It will be tremendously impres-York headquarters from New York City sive when the democrate meet in Kansas City in July to call Colonel Bryan, like another Cincinnatus, from his plow, and the effulgence of his cratory will then flash with all the greater splender after the period of his temporary obscuration.

# LOOKING FOR MORE TROUBLE.

Influx of Chenp Asiatic Labor on Western Railroads.

Denver Post, The Chinese riots in Wyoming are well remembered. There would have never been any such occurrence there but for the fact that cheap Asiatic labor had been imported to supplant the more expensive American labor in the coal mines. Of curse the riot was a disgrace to American civilization, and it was just so characterized in this country, as well as in Europe. It must be admitted, however, that strong provocation existed for it. It was not only

he American coal miner who suffered by this importation of Asiatle labor, but all the business men that he had dealings with. One would have thought that the experi ence gained at this time would suffice to deter the corporation from repeating the experiment, but it seems that a trial with Asiatic labor is to be made again in another direction. The American ratiroad section hand was supplanted years ago by delegation it came out in large type the cheaper labor of Europe, and now that proclaiming that the republicans had labor is to make room for the cheapest kind. That the president is not an imperialist is endorsed an oil trust attorney. The the importations from the Orient. In this same popocratic organ is now vocifer- manner the railroads are reducing their ously demanding that the delegates operating expenses. A saving can be effected by supplanting the American section man with Italians, and a further saving by Philadelphia elect R. B. Schneider to exchanging the Italians for Japanese or Chinese. Coolie labor is so far as known Let the delegation follow this popocratic the cheapest that can be procured, and once employed on the section it will not be very long before it will find its way into other branches. The section hands are not organized and are therefore unable to resist, whose republican conventions have met have out when the attempt is made by the indus trial combines to supplant organized labor with coolies one may expect to witness a nost serious conflict with possible dire consequences.

#### WHAT AMERICAN METHODS MEAN. Why We Have the Anomaly of High Wages and Cheap Production. Philadelphia Press.

anomaly that prosperity brings trikes is not the only anomaly in the in dustrial world. There is no fetish more worshiped by the British trades unions holding class to draw on nor standing than the idea that the advance in mechanical or automatic processes is against the interests of labor. Nothing has so acton ished the British engineering experts who bave been viciting this country as the proof that this idea is wrong. They see the amazing output of American industries is lue in part to the American habit of force ing things, and in part to the ingeniou use of special machinery. From the former factor in the American system, the industrial correspondent of the London Times points out, results a record of 4,200 to 4,900 ons of pig iron in a week for an American furnace to 950 tons for an English furnace while to the equipment of great plants with highly specialized automatic machinery he ascribes the superlority and abun dance of the finished product that is opening

the eyes of the British master. In warning his countrymen against the American menace the Times correspondent points out that in the United States great strides have been made in the replacement of human labor by mechanical appliances with beneficent results. He notes that from the humblest kitchen to the mammoth factory-from peeling apples or washing plates to heaping tons of coke and ore into a blast furnace, the American always strives to do what he can by machinadvent of the assessment of railroad ery, and the inevitable consequences are that labor is botter paid and that there is more demand for it than in any other coun-"For anything that can be done withtry. out thinking we want to use a machine. so that men can be set free to work the a few months ago? Is this another best part of them, their brains." That is the position taken by the American. It is this that chiefly accounts for the apparent anomaly of high wages and cheap laborthat is, cheap in terms of the product.

so good that the banks which have been with cheap production the British expert favored with the deposit of school sets out the advantages of the American . A Chicago burglar who raided the sleepnoney can no longer loan it with profit, system as contrasted with the more conservative system of the British masters was promptly collared, choked into unconand the stubborn hostillty of the men to new machinery and other innovations. An- In the ten years of his professional esreer it other British engineer who has also been was the toughest proposition he went seeking informati n and instruction in the against. In fact, he didn't know the room United States congratulates the Times on its recent articles, and says that the British engineers who visited the United States are much benefited, and that there "is absolutely no doubt that if the British workman were able to go there he would also feel that there are many theories as to restriction of output which he would be bound to modify" for his own and his employer's interest. This kind of comment, this preaching of the American doctrine In Great onger count in Nebrasks. Now they have Britain, is very interesting at this juncture. since there is a distinct tendency among certain labor organizations to exalt the foreign methods. They seem ready to take up the narrow cry as to the evil in automatic

the other side. If we are to win in the future it will not possible danger and lead them to volun- about raising the price of ice to very op- they sound economically,

## NO USE FOR POPULISTS.

Chicago Chronicle (dem.) Dispatches from Sloux Falls indicare that the populist national convention at that place is slimly at

tended. Delegates from twentyeight states and territories, including Alaska, were "said to be" present. Only two or three delegates were

present from any state east of the Mississippi. The few delegates held full proxies. Kansas, Montana, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota had full delegations. These states are all west of the

Mississippi and it is doubtful if over one or two of them can be carried for the democratic ticket. The south, where the populists have been in the majority for years, appears to be substantially unrepresented.

In fact, the populist national convention seems to be mostly on pa-THEY.

"Proxy" is the most numerous delegate at the gathering. Under liberal rules "proxy" can vote in conventions. But proxies are not recognized at the polls. The voter must be registered and be present in person.

Every development of the campaign demonstrates that if a democratic president is to be elected this year it must be by democratic votes. The mere skeleton organizations mainly represented by "proxy" can give no real assist-

## EXPANSION NOT IMPERIALISM

Baseless Charges of Democracy Vigorously Resented. San Francisco Chronicle (rep.)

The republican party is irrevocably com nitted to the policy of expansion, and the nation is with it. The democratic party is ecking to fasten upon it the edium of a policy of "imperialism," which is a wholly different thing. Its orators claim even now that the republican party is "imperialistic" and profess to be rejoiced that at last their opponents are put upon the "defensive" and will be compelled, as they claim, to wage a 'campaign of explanation." By "imperialism" the democrats mean the government of our new possessions as subject dependencies, whose interests are to be wholly subordinated to those of the mainland and to at all times yield whenever they clash with the interests of any of our own people. The reason for thus ascribing to the republicans an imperialistic policy lies in the belief of democratic leaders that if they can fix this stigma upon the republican party it will be equivalent to a democratic triumph and a republican defeat. The Chronicle denies the charge. There is not a word in any official all the facte of the case have been exdeclaration of republican doctrine which could give the least color to it. It is a figment of the unboly democratic imagination. the congressional policy as embodied in the Porto Rico bill as finally passed indicates no "imperial" program is proved by the express declaration of Senator Fairbanks, who is unquestionably thoroughly informed. That the masses of the party in the several states have no such intent is proved by the successive declarations of the republican state conventions as they meet. Oregon, Indiana, Ohio, Massachusetts and all other states adopted resolutions which are completely exclusive of the imperialistic idea, while leaving details to be more perfectly formulated by the national convention. An overwhelming majority of the republican press takes the same ground. There is no foundation for the democratic charge. The republican party refuses to wear the name which its adversaries impute to it. The democratic orators shall not crucify the republican party on the cross of imperialism.

# PERSONAL POINTERS.

The retail price of ice in Boston remains cents a hundred. Cool and happy Bos

The sultan, too, has started a famine fund out it is suspected the famino it will relieve s in his treasury. New York authorities are trying to break p the ice trust. Meanwhile the trust is

utting the cakes to suit its purse.

Admiral Dewey has accepted an invitation to spend three days. May 24 to 26, in New Orieans during the flower carnival in that The literary proclivities of King Oscar of

Norway and Sweden moved him, while in London the other day, to leave his card on Swinburne and Henry James. Corporations are scheduled to pay \$21,967 51 into the New York state treasury under

the franchise tax law. Strange to say, they

pay up. remaining San Francisco forty-niners, left rivulets that quickly deepen in the sand, o eis valuable collection of Lincoln manu- in broad shallows. cripts and letters to the California Histor-

The gold medal of honor which Emperor Franz Josef of Austria has conferred upon attend to their horses, look wizened and Guiseppe Verdi was accompanied by a long autograph letter from the emperor praising Verdi's compositions.

Sir Thomas Lipton, it is now said will not challenge for the America's cup this year, because of his impaired health. He gave no indication at the time that the last centest made him so sick as all that

David T. Haraden, who died recently at Roxbury, Mass., came of a family which for five generation: had been engaged in the making of musical instruments, and Hara-In stating this anomaly of high wages | den himself had been seventy-six years in the employ of one firm of piano makers.

ing chamber of a maiden of uncertain age sciousness and turned over to the police was loaded.

The Canadian government, finding no firm n its own territory that could do the work cheaply and quickly, ordered a lot of official maps of Alaska from a Chicago firm, but when it found that the boundary line was shown according to the American contontions, of course there was a row. After 100,000 copies of this map had been printed another 100,000, showing the boundary as claimed by both countries, were struck off. but as yet even these have not been ac cepted.

The John Brown association is raising funds to preserve the old John Brown machinery and all free methods that make homestead in Torrington, Conn. Mr. Kilthe American shop the superior of those on bourn, the treasurer, says the matter is progressing favorably and that the association hopes to be able to purchase the propbe by abandoning, but by keeping up the erry before the centennial celebration on American system in all its entirety. May 9. The mere purchase of the old house Demagogues may prate and use the cause of is a small part of what is required, as the party may have to say about monopolies labor to attack success and genius, and house must be improved and the grounds and trusts, the inhabitants of New York may advocate the hubbling of ability and heautified. The celebration of the centenhouse must be improved and the grounds City have catisfactory evidence that the the reduction of all to a dead level of last, nial will be under the auspices of the John democratic organization here has no scruples but such ideals are not American, nor are Brown club and the Young Men's Christian association of Torrington.

ON KOP AND VELDT.

Scenes and Incidents Along the Firing Line in South Africa. Julian Ralph, writing in Truth of the Boer and his country, describes the terrors of the dust storms that sweep the veldi. "As you sit looking over the veldi early of an afternoon," he writee, "you suddeply see a little corkscrew-shaped column of dust whirling in front of you. It is ex small that you could put a barrel over it when it begins. I wonder no one has ever thought of doing it. But it whirls and grows, and grows and whirls, until, the first thing you know, it is as big as a tent and something near the same shape, except that the point at the top may reach straight up in a long brown thread sixty or eighty feet high. Well, it whirls and grows, and grows and whirls, until it is half an acre in size and has begun to pick up big planks and men's coats and hats and heavy water-

"At last, when it has become a full-grown devil, it turns right about and makes for the camp. Every one, except the sentries rushes for shelter, and all find that shelter from such a demon is impossible to get. It squeezes under tents, into windows, through crannics and cracks, between the doors and their frames. It sifts through outer clothes and underclothes, and paints every man's skin khaki color. It forces its way under the lids of the cooking pots. aye, it drives itself into the watch in your pocket and clogs the wheels. In five minutes it has gone, and then we have an hour of dust storm, which is the same thing, except that it drive straight ahead, and does not whirl around.

proof wagon covers and to fling them around

in its outermost circle.

"And now come the thunder and lightning-real, able-bodied thunder and lightning-'No. 1, proper,' as it would be called in China. I hope the wicked will experience nothing worse hereafter. Crash! comes the thunder, and always on the same instant a flash comes which seems to singe your eyeballs. Very soon the heavens open and the rain comes down in torrents with thunder and lightning to punctuate the showers. It rains in such an enthusiastic, high-spirited, wholesome fashion that each storm puts the rivers in flood."

A British officer in South Africa, writing to the London paper Today, contributes to the mountain of testimony refuting the charges of cruelty and treachery brought against the Boers. The officer gives the Boers credit for "the kindness and considertion they extended invariably" to their wounded foes. "On the battlefield itself," he says, "and while the heat of combat was still in their veins, they have performed many small acts of gentle courtesy, such as giving water from their own water bottles and expressing commiseration for suffering. They have often refrained from killing when other foes would have taken vengeand with the bayonet. Under these circum stances unworthy recrimination on a gallant enemy is neither wise nor honorable." Referring to an apparent violation of the flag of truce by the British on the day before the attack on Spion kop, the military correspondent of Today says: "It shows what thoughtless folly men-even officers-can sometimes be guilty of, and warns us that we should not too hastily raise an outer; against Boer wickedness and treachery until amined and considered." Evidently this officer is of the opinion that if all the rumors were to be accepted as true the reputation of the British army, in which proved by his "plain duty" message. That he holds a commission, would be sadly damaged.

It is worth noting that one of the supporters of Olive Schreiner's husband when he at last succeeded, after several attempts frustrated by mobs, in presenting the Boerside of the South African dispute to a London audience, was Mrs. Despard, a sister of General French, General Roberts weil or every month hereafter."

Shirt?"

Wicks—I heard it coming down the street, Philadelphia French, ing again, began the man who had seen when I say I'm not a common began. I "Perhaps you're not, interrupted the easy thing, "but you're a plain, every-day began. Suppose you make it every week or every month hereafter." known cavalry leader.

Sir William Thompson, late president of the Irish College of Surgeons, and chief Maud Muller-the same old Maud once surgeon of the Irish hospital, writing to the British Medical Journal from Naauwpoort "The winter appears to have come. The temperature has fallen, and we have had some winds as penetrating as those of March at home. But our worst experience has been a combination of rain and storm. The night before last this combination operated with great suddenness, and every one had to turn out at midnight to loosen tent ropes and keep the pegs in the ground. But last night But when through the gate he fain would the rain fell for hours in torrents, making sleep almost impossible by the crash upon the canvas. It filled the deep trenches to overflowing and swept across the camping ; ground in sheets. Fortunately there was no such catastrophe as happened in the hospital a couple of weeks ago, when nine marquees came down in a storm of rain, and the patients had to be rescued in the midst of a hurricane. This morning everything looks at its worst.

"The crowd of glistening white tents looking so bright and clean in the sunshine is now only a series of bulks of muddy gray. moist, unpleasant bodies." between them, usually crowded by soldiers drilling or preparing food, are now quite deserted. No one is to be seen abroad save the sentries or the cooks working here and there at the camp kitchens in a rain that searches everything it reaches. The white scorehed surface sand has been washed are not rushing to the cashler's wicket to away, and the dull brown of the deepe layer adds to the desolation. The water The late David J. Staples, one of the few sweeps everywhere down the slopes it

"Across the breastwork the veldt is covered with sludgy, greasy mud. The Bengalls cower in their tents, or, if they mus shrunken in the rain. The sky is without a break. The clouds cover the lowest kopjes round about, and everywhere, instead of men's voices, there is only the slushy sound of a deluge."

MALARIA, Fevers, Chills, Coughs, Colds, Dyspepsis of what er form, quickly cured taking DUFFY'S Malt. A tablespoonful in glass of water three times a day. Whiskey All druggists and grocers.

#### SHY ON 16 TO 1.

Milwaukee Sentinel: The Iowa democrate took a Horace Boies peep at the situation and approved Bryan and the Chicago platform without regard to any old ratio.

Minneapolis Tribune: The platform of the

Iowa democracy is built on the most ap-

proved Bourbon plan. It starts out with "We reaffirm," and then successively "opposes," 'denounces," "deplores" and "condemns." but never once has "faith" or "hope" or 'points with pride." And yet this is the party which asks to be entrusted with the destinies of this great and growing republic. Buffalo Express: It is noted that the lows democratic state convention made no mention in its resolutions of a ratio of colpage and that all the speakers avoided reference to 16 to 1. Yet the Chicago platform was indorsed. If the Kansas City convention does not mention 16 to 1 specifically the silverites will have reason to regard the issue as suppressed, but the affirmation of the Chicago platform will mean that dodging has been resorted to for its influence especially upon eastern voters.

Pittsburg Chronicle: The Iowa democrats in convention assembled arraigned and condemned the republican party in genuine democratic fashion, but omitted to declare their unhesitating belief that the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 was the one thing needful for the salvation of the country. The single gold standard is denounced in the most approved style, and the platform reaffirms the Chicago platform, but the lowa democrats do not specifically declare their unswerving fidelity to the sacred ratio. There was a disposition on the part of some of the delegates to insist upon inserting those cabalistic figures, but this disposition was overruled in the committee. The Iowa democrats demanded the renomination of Bryan, however, thus declaring their faith in the prophet of 16 to 1, while sedulously avoiding committing themselves to that formula. It looks as though the erstwhile sacred ratio were los ing some of its sacredness.

#### LAUGHING GAS.

Indianapolis Journal: "Pa. what are hindsight and foresight?" "Tommy, you can't understand it. I know, but hindsight is what a politician needs to help him make safe bets on his foresight."

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Mrs. Brimberson always has such a chic look."
"I wonder if it's because her husband is in the wholesale egg business?"

Detroit Free Press: "Phineas, this rural mail delivery is bound to make trouble," "How?"
"Why, when your city kin wants I come an stay all summer with us we can't say we didn't get th' letter."

Washington Star: "Would you call a cat herbiverous, carniverous or omniverous? asked the man who is learned, but tedious, "Neither," answered the man who yawns; "merely vociferous."

Chicago Tribune: "The papers say there is an exceedingly dangerous \$20 counterfeit bill in circulation," observed the financial editor.
"Dangerous" said the real estate editor.
"O. I see. Microbes." Somerville Journal: Hicks-How did you know ten minutes before Bjohnson came in that he was wearing a new neglige

# MAUD MULLER OF MAINE.

Lewiston Journal. Was out engaged in her old-time chore, But as she raked at the meadow hay She was all togged out in a scrumptious

And all could see as that way they tred There was nothing especial the matter with Maud.

And she had such a sassy quirk to her eye That the old judge stopped as he rode by; Maud cried , "Say, Whiskers, keep off the

And she gave him a stony, cold-eyed That froze him into an ice-cake there. But the sunlight flashed on her marquise And its blaze thawed out the poor old

He allowed he'd reckoned that he'd pro-But forgot what he came for when he Says Maud, "Old man, you give me a pain; For a judge ain't paid enough in Maine.

I'll tell you now, ten dollars a day Ain't sunlight enough to dry my hay." And the judge fell dead, but he came to life When he heard Maud say she was now a

And he cried, "'Tis false-contempt-'tis 'Not on your life-'Tis biz." said Maud. For the man with ice is out for scalps— Maine ice will be higher than ice in the

And as long as the iceman I can't be The iceman's wife is enough for And we've got a cinch on the thing, for, While hubby cuts ice, I'll just make hay." Oh, the saddest words of tongue or pen-But I won't spring that old grind again.

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