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but Omaha proposes to make a few of The bill which failed to pass will be

GEO. B. TZSCHUCK,

after today.

so gloomy doesn't appear on the surface. ocrats would rejoice that a republican Everybody else is ready to rejoice, if he governor was doing what he could to will only furnish a little sunshine.

Isn't it a little bit queer that Uncle Sam can't find cavalry horses in this Oilis Jr. of Valley, a fusionist and a country, while John Bull doesn't seem farmer, who has been a champion of reto encounter any difficulty in securing form, and over the fate of whose live all he wants?

peated or go through another session with the prize fighters.

The Auditorium fair managers made a serious mistake in offering the prize pipe to a policeman. No one on earth could use it to so good advantage as the correspondents at Lincoln.

The ball player who cannot get a place in the telegraph columns is small fry, indeed. The signing of a star player these days is almost as important as a change in the cabinet.

While the United States is not making ship and control. any noise about the treaties and rumors of treaties being made in China, it rises to remark that in any contingency it expeets the door to be left open for American trade

cific is not looking for any more small roads to gobble may be taken as based tegrity of Chinese territory. These on facts. Rehabilitating its recent ac- instructions were communicated as soon quisitions and bringing them up to as it was learned that secret negotiastandard is task enough for the Union tions were in progress between China

term, unless he decides to move into some other district to run for congress.

change" do not have much effect on hu- of that empire. man nature after all.

behind the distance flag.

of the Sunday yellow papers.

According to dispatches from London, the European reds are extending their line of operations and American financial kings are to hereafter be objects of anarchists. America is still the only

Over 2,000 Russian students have been forced to enter the army as a punishturbances in that country. This may soldiers as a fighting force.

SHAM REFORMERS EXPOSED.

to advance:

It is admitted that the penitentiary propriated for the purpose. Folly could scheme for acquiring Manchuria. go no further than to put the state in a position where the convicts can not be properly housed and cared for. Governor Dietrich's recommendation for the rebuilding of the prison on the old site was made as a matter of expediency. He foresaw the financial difficulty confronting an effort to secure more commodious grounds for the uses of the pen longer time will be required. The maritentiary, and so made the best of a bad bargain by urging an appropriation for the crection of a new prison along modern lines. This recommendation was incorporated in the bill the fusionists in the house opposed.

"Municipal ownership and control of public utilities" has been one of the votes since the birth of the hybrid the present cost of unsatisfactory service furnished the state by private concerns which have the contract for lighting the buildings used by the state at 710,036 Lincoln. Plain figures, based on actual 25,679 experience, set forth the saving that could be effected if the state should own Subscribed in my presence and sworn to efore me this 4th day of March, A. D. 1991. (Seal.) M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public. and control its own lighting plant. Aside from the question of actual saving of money, were the added advantages of increased efficiency of service and the Some matches may be made in heaven, valuable adjunct to the educational facilities of the great state university afforded by the existence of a well equipped modern electric installation. the most numerous thing at Lincoin This is directly in line with the theory of public ownership. Every possible argument favored the governor's position. Just why the weather man should feel One would naturally think that the popgive life and vitality to what they claim as a cardinal principle of their organization.

stock rate bill-headed off in the senate by Ransom, another fusion reformer-Dead cattle along the railroad tracks the popocrats have shed buckets of look big to the eyes of passengers, but crocodile tears, objected to the expendipast experience has shown that they cut ture for the state central lighting plant, but little figure in comparison to the and on his motion the provision was thority on all questions bearing on pubstricken from the bill by fusion votes. He health, gave utterance to a very se-No clearer exposition of the insincerity vere criticism of the inspection law, go-After his interview with Mrs. Nation of the alleged desire for reform could be ing even so far as to say that the law the mayor of Cincinnati is in doubt afforded. The only possible beneficiar- was nothing more than a cleak hung ies of the Ollis Jr. motion are the corporations he and his confreres profess to hate, and against which they raise the hue and cry at all times except when there is a possibility of action that will actually affect one or another of the monopolies

That the bill was recommended for passage as printed is not the fault of the sham reformers. It is too late to secure its passage in the senate, and so they can afford to let it go through the house. But the next time the popocrats take the stump in Nebraska they will sing the same old song about municipal owner-

THE AMERICAN POSITION.

The publication of the instructions sent by the Department of State to the diplomatic representatives of the United States to foreign governments makes The announcement that the Union Pa- clear the position of this government in regard to the preservation of the inand Russia and they very distinctly disapprove of any arrangement or un-After a long and painful struggle, in derstanding of a private nature between which he has tried everything from China and any of the powers as unwise president down. General Weaver has and dangerous for China. Our governbeen elected to another office. He will ment expressed its sense of "the improbe mayor of Colfax during the next priety, inexpediency and even extreme danger to the interests of China of considering any private territorial or financial arrangements, at least without the With the assurance that the educated full knowledge and approval of all the woman will marry, the world can move powers now engaged in negotiation." on, confident that the good old customs urging that it was evidently advantage of the past are not in danger of being ous to China to continue the internaextinguished by the progress we are tional understanding in respect to the "The ringing greoves of preservation of the territorial integrity

But while Russia was a party to that understanding the statement of the posi-The stagnation in the English iron tion of the United States apparently trade and the cutting of prices necessary had no influence with the Russian govto meet American competition has ernment. It continued the secret neforced the English fron masters to make gotiations in regard to Manchuria, as to a reduction of 712 per cent in wages. which a crisis is impending between of its practical utility. Communities world. The loss cannot always be traced, works hard for ten hours every day. He Brother Jonathan is coming at a rate Japan and Russia. It seems perfectly which threatens to leave all competitors obvious that in this matter the Russian under the new law be supplied very and this being so no confidence can be That Schuyler man who wrote a felt in any of its promises or profes- libraries of the state will be at their threatening letter to Senator Kearns of sions. A Washington dispatch says disposal. The bill is one of the few acts Utah is finding out that Uncle Sam's that as far as written pledges can comconception of a joke is of the grimmest. Buit a power, Russia stands pledged to which the whole people will derive a 15 the imports ceased. Chee Poo saw no By the time he gets out of his present accord to the United States the open benefit. legal difficulties he will be willing to door if she takes control of Manchuria. contribute solely to the comic sections either directly by annexation or indirectly. How much faith can be given indicates that the policy of General this pledge, however, in view of the Kitchener for pacification of the country fact that in entering into a secret agree- has proven a failure and that the troops ment with China Russia violated the are so wornout that not only relief must spirit if not the letter of the understand- be sent, but the character of the work ing to which she with the others powers is such that the process of relief must solicitous attentions at the hands of the subscribed? Having broken one prombe kept up indefinitely. In the face of ise she will not hesitate to break any this confession it is not strange that country where a man may safely poke other if she shall deem it to her interest | England is backward about becoming | British in politics and civil war. At his head above the dead level of medi- or advantage to do so. Hence if Russia unnecessarily tangled up in China. secures control of Manchuria there is no assurance that she will observe the

open door policy as to that province. This government, however, will make The action of the senate makes the sitment for participating in the recent dis- no effort beyond what has already been untion rather rough on some aspirants made to interfere with the designs of in the other districts, but doesn't seribe a good method of punishment, but Russia. It still desires, as earnestly as ously affect the conditions so far as fight

The insincerity of the affected fusion re- far as Russia is concerned, and if that redistricted for congressional purposes formers in the present legislature was power is successful in its schemes other in 1891. These facts should be borne in plainly exposed in the attack on the bill powers will be very likely to try their mind by some of the aspiring statesmen introduced at the request of the gov- hand at the acquisition of Chinese ter- who persist in putting personal ahead ernor, providing for the reconstruction ritory. Thus the consummation of of party interests, and who fight Doug-

of a central state-owned lighting plant | might be the beginning of the partition | lous and wealthy county in Nebraska. at the University of Nebraska. When a of China, with all the powers except the republican asked that this bill be put United States in a scramble for terriforward in order that it might be passed fory. In such an event how long would

SLOW PROGRESS OF ENLISTMENTS.

The enlistment of men for the new army is progressing slowly and at the present rate the number of soldiers called for by the army bill passed by the last congress cannot be obtained in less than a year and probably a

tial order that flamed so vigorously when the call was made for soldiers to fight Spain and kept up through the period when the volunteer army was raised for service in the Philippines has evidently subsided, the best record of enlistments in any week since the army bill went into effect being less than baits held out by the popoerats to catch | 800. Few native Americans are going into the army and, according to officials party. In Governor Dietrich's message of the War department, one of the was contained a detailed statement of largest elements of support this year for the army is the enlistment of young Swedes and Germans who come over as immigrants and choose to begin life here in the military service, where they have opportunity to acquire the language and to study a little in the easy life of the

> It seems probable, however, that is will be unnecessary to enlist the number of men authorized by the army bill, as conditions are steadily improving in the Philippines, giving promise that so large a military force as is now there will not be much longer required. It is thought, therefore, that the government is not likely to be in the least embarrassed by reason of the slow progress of enlist-

NEED AMERICAN MEAT.

It appears that the people of Germany are beginning to realize that the exclusion of American canned meats under the inspection law which went into effect last year was a mistake and that there is a growing feeling against the law among consumers. This is the report of the American consul at Bremen to the State department, who also notes the fact that in a recent convention of suffered more from it than the public its consumption, while the health of the

nation demanded an increase, Other testimony in favor of American meats is furnished in the annual report to be. of the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce, which states that experience has shown that meats from this country are not in the least dangerous and that the government itself must share the same opinion in view of the fact that it has bought American canned meats for the navy and for its troops in East Africa China. As everybody at all familiar with the matter knows, no evidence has ever been produced to prove that American canned meats exported are dangerous to health, the claim that they are being purely a pretext. The inspection law was passed to satisfy the demand of the agrarians and possibly they have been somewhat benefited thereby in the higher prices of meat in Germany, but the great body of consumers have suffered and it seems they used by the people at home. Whether retain their advantage.

The women's clubs of Nebraska are of the Brown bill, providing for the honorably in the matter. creation of a state library commission and the establishment of a traveling library system. While the amount appropriated is not sufficient to provide for a very extensive institution, it will be enough for a start, and the growth of gain. the idea is sure to follow on a showing | world which now have no public libraries can government has not acted in good faith cheaply with the best of books, and all advantages of the best public passed by the present legislature from

Latest information from the Transvaal

Douglas county isn't at all popular as It is to be apprehended that this will county that has sent a republican to could not bring peace.

congress every time since the state was of the penitentiary and the installation what Russia is seeking in Manchurla las county because it is the most popu-

The opposition press has constantly be- been formed on their experience with the reports, via London: walled the fact that the administration Spanish administration and its uncivil without danger of technical question at the open door policy be maintained? allowed the armor plate makers to service. A bad Spanish governor plundered the present session of the legislature, the Probably only Great Britain would ad- swindle the government by charging an plundered by retail, and that was about the fusion members of the house voted here to that policy. It is this that gives extortionate price for armor for the only difference in the administrations that against the action, and received enough | the United States a very vital interest | ships of the navy. A German firm has the Filipines were able to detect and derepublican support to defeat the motion in the Russian policy toward China and just offered to erect a plant in that fine. The Spanish officials were carpetwill create a universal sentiment in this country to produce armor plate and sell baggers in haste to get rich and go country in support of any efforts Japan it at the same price that this govern- desirable places nor telerated in them. must be rebuilt. Money must be ap may make to thwart and defeat Russia's ment pays, provided it can secure the government contract, which is now viting Pilipinos to cuter our civil service given to Krupp at a much higher rate, in the island. To all who are willing to The United States is securing armor cheaper than any country in the world. of the laws of war we extend the benefits

Japanese military officers are burrying home under orders, in the belief that tion for the classified service, with the war with Russia is impending. Japan assurance that their promotion depends was robbed of the benefits of its victory the Filipinos hesitated. Such a scheme over China and denied the privilege of seemed to them too ideal to be sincere. annexing Manchuria. It is not likely to But, having at last become convinced of sit idly by and see the province gobbled its sincerity, they are showing marked inup by the power which stayed the terest in it. Many of them are coming for-Japanese hand on a previous occasion.

dicated by the record of transfers is latter gentleman to be forgiven and emdue solely to the fact that attractive in ployed may be open to suspicion, but it is vestments are afforded in this city. Most of the sales are made to people who intend to bulld homes, but some where it will bring good returns

An Ungenteful Child.

The tin can manufacturers have formed a trust, and after we had been nurturing them so carefully, too!

Catching On to Our Style. The most promising indication that the Cubans are able to take care of themselves is the formation of a big sugar trust on the

In the Land of the Dakotas. Minneapolls Tribune Surprise is expressed in South Dakota sources of that soil the marvel is there are

not more like him.

Where Lauguage Falls Short. New York Journal. Rear Admiral Sampson will get nearly \$3,000 more prize money for letting Schley destroy one Spanish fleet at Santiago than Dewey got for destroying another at Manila. This is not a case for languagemerely for silent thought.

Indianapolis Journal instance on record in modern times in the business. which David got the best of it.

Foreign Idea Worth Adopting.

over the agrarian idol. He said that broken out of late wears on the Rhine and bility with less weight. In 1888 he opened while the government had declared that now the Prussian Diet adopts a resolution the passage of the law was required in calling on the government to prepare a bill consisted of himself, his son, his nephew the interest of public health, nothing interdicting the practice. The whole world and one other man. Within a year he is interested in preserving from vulgariza- moved to Pittsburg, to be nearer the iron tion and defacement the beauty of that market. Meanwhile he had designed an health of the nation, for the prevailing historic river, celebrated in song and story high prices of meat necessarily lessened in many tongues since the days of Julius Caesar and Ariovistus. It will probably be better protected by the steps about to be taken than the Hudson has so far been by Schoen's invention affording a larger mar-

Cubn on the Favored List. Philadelphia Record

Cuba has been added to Canada and Mexico in the select list of countries by the United States with domestic postal rates. After April 1 next the interchange of letters with the island will be regulated entirely by the domestischedule of rates. Hitherto the lower rate has applied only to mail addressed to persons in Cuba engaged in the service of the United States. The island is thus put on an even postage plane with the recently acquired insular possessions of the republic and the 2-cent stamp that will carry a letter to Manila will also send one to Havana.

A Short-Lived "Sensation." The latest "sensation" in the ordnance bureau of the army is promptly riddled by Secretary Root. The complaint that General Buffington, much to the disadvantage are now manifesting a disposition to of the government, had turned the Frankseek relief. They feel that canned ford arsenal over to a private arms and ammeats which are good enough for Ger- munition company was evidently a clear man soldiers and sailors can safely be piece of exaggeration. No one acquainted with the old Roman honor of General Buffington, who has given all of his inventhe popular demand for American meats tions to the government without asking will be effective is a question, for, of compensation, could believe that anything course, the agrarians will fight hard to was wrong with his proceedings. Secretary Root shows that the arsenal was properly farm in Nuces county, Texas, where, turned over to the Driggs-Seabury company to enable them the more quickly to fill government contracts for war supplies, and felicitating themselves on the passage that the company mentioned had acted cently sold his seat in the Stock exchange

Trade Paralyzed by War.

There was a time when the Iagolike reasoning prevailed in this country as to a war among European powers that, whichever killed the other, either way made our But destruction anywhere in the is bound to be felt throughout the but it is as certain as the law of gravitation. A pertinent illustration has just come respondence and is rarely through his work in the report of our consul, Mr. Fowler, at Choe Foo concerning the effects of the "Boxer" trouble on our trade. The imports of American merchandise at Chec and died from the same cause, pneumonia Foo for the quarter ending with June, 1900, as compared with the same quarter of 1899, age or from that disease. armed hordes nor military movement, and, compared with other ports, was peaceful But there were riots in the province around about.

Those Generous Peace Terms.

Chleage (The Boers might as well fight to a finish as be finished by the British terms of peace. These include giving the semi-savage Kaffirs the same rights in the republic as the whites, whom they easily outnumber. The people were talking and thinking about Kaffirs would be the ready tools of the Johannesburg the Kaffirs outnumbered setts is made his residuary legatee. The Dutch and British together. not permitted to bear arms for the republic. which has had ample reason to distrust about \$7,000. Mr. Bishop was a prominent a member of a congressional district, and fear them. To promise peace in an American frontier town with the Apaches of his state. one regiment of men who go into the ever, the preservation of the integrity of Douglas county is concerned. It was and farms to the depredations of the missed one for many years. This year the army of their own free will is worth Chinese territory, but it will do no more this county that elected the present re- kaffirs. Refusal to include the colonials more for service than a corps of such than use its moral influence to this end. publican state officers, and it is Douglas soldiers as a fighting force.

The splendid Crocker mansler in the amnesty only aggravated an other. Francisco. The splendid Crocker mansler in the amnesty only aggravated an other there has been placed at the disposal of wise impossible proposal of peace which there has been placed at the disposal of the proposal of peace which there has been placed at the disposal of the proposal of peace which there has been placed at the disposal of the proposal of peace which there has been placed at the disposal of the proposal of peace which there has been placed at the disposal of the proposal of peace which there has been placed at the disposal of the proposal of the proposa

CIVIL SERVICE IN PHILIPPINES. Native Preference Under Merit System Recently Enneted.

The practical worth of civil service reform as a peace-making agency in our Philippines. The merit system is a new idea to the natives. Their sole experience by wholesale; a better Spanish governor Filipinos were neither invited to hold any Our plan is to be different. We are intake the oath of allegiance and who during hostilities have done no acts in violation of an act of oblivion. On fulfilling these requirements they are eligible for examina solely on proving fitness for it. For a time

merit system in disarming resistance. The Filipinos once convinced, as they now promfse to be, that our administration large transactions are noted, based en means elemency for the past contingent tirely on a desire to put idle money on loyalty for the future, honest handling of the soil will participate, and more than half of the struggle is over. We have vangovernment than they have ever known!

heretofore. MAN WITH AN IDEA Whoever Can Do Something Has

Chicago Inter-Ocean, Those men whose business takes them about railway freight yards must have noticed of late a new kind of car, built entirely of steel plates, bent into shape. over the discovery of a farmer who is worth Four years ago cars of this kind did not half a million, but with the wonderful re- exist. Now 20,000 of them are in use, their number is increasing by 130 every day, and the shops that make them are \$17,000,000

behind orders. The pressed steel car weighs less, last longer and earns more than any other. How came it to exist? In the answer lies one of the romances of American industry. if there be justice in heaven they will yet Charles T. Schoen is the maker of the win. steel car. His father was a cooper near Wilmington, Del., and at 14 the son was working at his father's trade and attending a night school. At 20 he had \$500. He married and opened his own shop in If Japan should so far dispense with its Philadelphia, and failed. After several judgment as to attempt to make war upon years' work at whatever he could find to Russia the powers should intervene to save do he thought himself lucky to get work physicians Dr. Frankel, professor of by that ambitious and courageous little na- as manager of a spring works at \$12 a tion. The story of David and Goliath is week. In a year he consented to remain

entire car of pressed steel, but for nearly ten years could get no one to order it.

In 1897 the Carnegle company came into control of a railroad. On the chance of its statutory defenses, or is soon likely ket for its own products the Carnegie company ordered thirty of his cars. Before the drawings were made the order was increased to 200 and then to 600. Neither plant nor tools for making the cars existed. In nine months not only had the cars been built, but a plant costing \$500,000 had been erected over the heads of the men making them. Then came the task of convincing the

officials of railways not directly interested in the steel business of the new car's This was an uphill task, but a merits. last an order for 200, then another for 500, and then about all the railways in the country began to clamor for Schoen's cars. Now the Pressed Steel Car company has a capital of \$25,000,000, employs 10,000 men. uses 1,000 tons of steel a month, and would use 1,500 tons if it could be obtained. It will build \$12,000,000 worth of cars this year and is shipping them to all parts of the world. All this is the result of one man's having eyes in his head, a brain to conceive and the pluck to persevere. And yet we hear that the young man

PERSONAL NOTES.

has no chance!

Prince Eui Wha, second son of the emperor of Corea, has entered Roanoke college, Virginia.

Joaquin Miller, the poet, has removed from San Francisco to his new home, a says, he will pass the remainder of his days.

Dr. John Grant Lyman of New York re for \$52,000. Mr. Lyman bought his seat only a little more than two months ago, having paid \$50,000 for it. Baltimore is talking about a monument

William Patterson, father of Betsy Patterson Bonaparte and the original Billy Patterson who was struck. He was a prom inent citizen in his day. James J. Hill, the railroad magnate

gets up at 7:30 and goes over his coruntil 5:30 in the evening. Benjamin Harrison lived the same numer of years as Washington, sixty-seven. None of the other presidents died at that

Cevernor Sanford of Alabama sent i hirteen vetoes in one day recently and there are papers in the state that say he would have had to work more vigorously than that if he willed to kill all the vicious bills of the late legislature:

Discussing the habits of other great men he has shaved, the president's barber says "Mr. Roosevelt was always chatty. He discussed anything that happened to be the subject of public attraction-politics, prize fights, sports, religion or anything that By the will of the late Franklin H. Bishor of Russell, Mass., the state of Massachu They are executor says that when the estate is settled the commonwealth will receive citizen of Russell and an ardent admirer

cutnumbering the whites three to one J Pierpont Morgan is a very busy ma would be a match for the British terms and his time is, of course, enormously waluof peace to the Boers. They may as well able, but he always manages to attend the the British as submit their homes Episcopal general convention and has ne convention will be held next October in San Mr. Morgan for use during the convention.

WAR REPORTERS IN ACTION. Samples of the Weird Stories Wired from South Africa.

Washington Post. Our esteemed contemporary, the London

and wounded or killed thirty. Reuter's part of the general cash balance available correspondent now telegraphs to us the for the expenses of the government. consolatory information that Mr. Steyn, who s with Dewet, looks 'thoroughly miser-

ward for examination, and among others a distinguished insurgent officer whose rec. the canard again we do so always through | London a secondary banking center-as, inord is free from any charge of violation of the medium of an unintentional but wholly deed, it has already, in some respects-and Activity in Omaha real estate as in the laws of war. The readiness of this unmistakable contradiction. Commandes New York the monetary capital of the that had been, some days before, destroyed world. by the British forces invariably reappear certainly significant of the value of the in an entirely different part of the countrynot forlors, decimated and in rags, but, on the contrary, brisk, unterrified and usually loaded down with British property. It is a very old story, indeed. Nobody believes the transparent mendacities telegraphed to our of the public funds in which the children newspapers through English sources. We hear about the obliteration of Boer comquished the insurgents in war, and we horses, cattle, etc., but we believe nothing can win them in peace by sticking to the except the devastation of Boer farms, the merit system and give them a more honest persecution of Boer women and childrenfor the evidence on this point is furnished by English officers and gentlemen-and we calmly and confidently await the announcement that the Boers have not been wiped off the face of the earth. In this we have never yet been disappointed and if our prayers avail we never shall be.

The simple truth of the matter is that 20,000 fighting Boers are baffling, bewildering, wearing out and gradually killing 260, 000 British soldiers. From the very first the Boers have outwitted, outfought and outmaneuvered their bovine enemies. Man to man, they would have extinguished the British army more than a year ago. Even now, were the British not more than five to one, they would drive them into the sea within two months. They are the bravest, most efficient and most devoted men that ever fought against a brutal tyranny and

MUST RESPECT UNCLE SAM.

National Pigmies to Be Taught Needed Lesson. Baltimore American.

It will take but a very short time for the young sultan of Morocco to reach the conclusion that the best thing he can do is leave us. Startled Salesman-What! I don't underpay that little claim which the United States has against him and to make a formal apology for the very impolitic way he has treated the consul general of this an inspiring one, but there is only one for \$1.500 a year and one-fifth interest in formal apology for the very impolitic way yard one day and had an idea. He country. This is not the first time that Uncle Sam has had trouble in collecting Foreign Idea Worth Adopting.

New York Tribune.

The placard and signboard nuisance has for certain parts would give greater dura
of Turkey settlement of all such claims in Denver Post.

In the merry days of boybood when we never the provention of Turkey settlement of all such claims in Denver Post. f Turkey, settlement of all such claims is a shop to make stake pockets. His force put off until the time limit is reached and further procrastination liable to be followed by very disastrous results. The truth is, both of these sultans are always hard up, and the ruler of Morocco, particularly, rarely finds any surplus money in his treasury. He is constantly surrounded by a horde of dishonest officials, none of whom will allow any money that comes into their hands to reach the sultan if they can help it, and if the ruler gets enough to pay the expenses of his large and extravagant household he can consider himself a very lucky man.

tional enmitties are very expensive. His determination to get out of the muddle in China just as soon as he can is proof that he has no desire to be mixed up in the squabbles of European powers, and his ambition will never lead him to adopt the British policy of taking possession of any land or country he thinks valuable, no matter whether its owners like it or not. He has now on his hands the remnant of a little struggle with misguided men in the Orient, but he is making every effort in his power to wind that up, and then to declare that he is at peace with all the world. however, and in spite of his proverbial good And we'd paint a future picture touched with colors most intense In spite of these peaceful inclinations, when it comes to a matter of business, or when promises and treaty obligations are broken. Agreements made with him must be kept, whether the parties to them are sultans of Morocco or Turkey or kings or emperors or governments of the greater powers. He always stands ready to carry out promptly and honestly his part of such an agreement, and so must they. In these days Uncle Sam has one of the finest navies in the world, and, while he hates to make any of his splendid war ships go into commission as bill collectors, still when he is forced to such an extreme he means business, and the best thing the debtor can do in As it burned there in the corner of that to walk right up to the captain's office and

AMERICA'S GOLD SUPPLY. Largest Hourd of Yellow Metal in the Country's History.

The United States treasury now contains Truth, gives us in a few words one of the almost \$500,000,000 in gold and over \$480,000. new possessions is being illustrated in the most accurate and compact pictures of the 000 in allver, making an aggregate only a South African situation that has yet ap- little short of an even \$1,000,000,000 of the peared in print. We refer, of course, to the precious metals, which is by far the largest of government from beyond the sea has situation as described by the consored press | treasure ever accumulated anywhere in the world in one place. The greater part of this The telegrams in regard to Dewet are wealth of coin is merely held in trust and an instance of the inventive zeal of South actually belongs to the people who happen African correspondents. They told us that to possess certain outstanding demand obli he was cornered; that, deserted by his gations of the government. There were in followers, and with a few horses unable to circulation on the first day of this month move owing to fatigue, his capture was a \$257,000,000 of gold certificates, \$422,000,000 mere question of hours. One correspondent of silver certificates and \$56,000,000 of treasvaried this by an account of his having ury notes of 1890, and of the treasury gold escaped in a boat across the Orange river. \$150,000,000 is set aside as a reserve to be another announced that he passed his nights used only in the redemption of United weeping. All this was dispelled by the States notes, so that of the aggregate coin official announcement that he and his forces, in possession of the treasury, \$887,000,000, re-enforced by those of Hertzog, had crossed are there to constitute a firm foundation for the Orange river, after an engagement in the paper currency in the hands of the peowhich he had captured sixty of our soldiers | ple. leaving about \$100,000,000 which is a

The aggregate amount of gold money in the country on March 1 was \$1,117,000,000, and it has almost doubled in the last five Naturally, these interesting little pecu- years. The United States, by reason of the fiarities have long ago caught the attention marvelous growth of its export trade, has of all careful students of this kind of been able to hold nearly all the surplus literature. It is now expected that the product of the world's gold during that British reports of events in South Africa period. The command which America now will, first of all, be ridiculously false. That holds over the finances of the world by much can be depended on. If we hear of reason of this development will soon make

PLASHES OF FUX.

Detroit Journal: "The first time I drank whisky, said Colonel Tankes, 'I suppose I made a wry face, but after a while it grew on me."
"The rye face?" replied the other.
"Ah! yes."

hear about the obliteration of Boer com-mandos, the capture of untold thousands of horses, cattle, etc., but we believe nothing "It's bis new teeth. He hasn't got them entirely pacified yet.

Yonkers Statesman: She-You say girls are always in a hurry to get married."
He-Yes: that's precisely what I say."
She-And yet you claim they are always late when it comes to the wedding.

Catholic Standard: Willie-Pa, what do his spell: P-h-e-n-o-m-e-n-o-n? Pa-Phenomenon.

Pa-Thenomenon.
Willie-Well, what is that?
Pa-That, my son, is what you would be f you never disturbed your father with juestions.

Indianapolis Press: "Yes," she sneered during the customary exhibition of her temper, "I'm disappointed. I married you for pity, and now—"You don't get any," he interrupted, "for all our friends lavish it on me," Washington Star: "Do you like dialect? asked the literary young woman.
"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum; "If
I had my way I'd have it used altogether.
It would save us busy men a heap of look-

It would save us bus ing in the dictionary. Philadelphia Press: Mr. Krank-No, i won't take that horrible stuff. Mrs. Krank-But the doctor has ordered Mr. Krank-I don't care. Why that stuff would kill a mule. Mrs. Krank-If you really think so, John, don't take it.

Chicago Tribune: Employer-I am sorry o note, William, that you are about to

THE OLD RAIL FENCE.

When a sore toe was a treasure and a stonebruise on the heel Filled the other boys with envy which they Tried not to conceal.

There were many treasured objects on the farm we held most dear.

Orchard, fields, the creek we swam in, and the old spring cold and clear;

Over there the woods of hick'ry and of oak

so deep and dense, Looming up behind the outlines of the

On its rails the quail would whistle in the lucky man.

Uncle Sam is not going around with a chip on his shoulder looking for trouble. He is a man of peace, and nothing suits him better than to be on terms of friendship with the whole world. Well does he know from his own past experiences, and from those of other nations, that international enmittees are very expensive. His their melody would whistle in the early summer morn.

Calling to their hiding fellows in the field of waving corn.

And the meadow larks and robins on the stakes would sit and sing.

Till the forest shades behind them with their melody would ring.

There the cathird and the juybird sat and called each other names.

And the squirrels and the chipmunks played their chase-and-catch-me games. their chase-and-catch-me games, And the garter snake was often in un-In the grasses in the corners of the

As we grew to early manhood when we

thought the country girls In the diadem of beauty were the very fairest pearls

Oft from spellin' school or meetin' or the jolly shuckin' bee

Down the old kane we would wander with a merry little "she."

On the plea of being tired, (just the country lover lie)

On a grassy seat we'd linear in the moon. On a grassy seat we'd linger in the moon light, she and I, with colors most intense As we sat there in the corner of the

There one night in happy dreaming we were sitting hand in hand.
Up so near the gates of heaven we could almost hear the band.
When she heard a declaration whispered in her lishing car—
One she often since has told me she was mighty glad to hear.
On my head there's now a desert fringed with foliage of gray.
And there's many a thread of silver in her dear old head today. dear old head today. Yet the flame of love is burning in our

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