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PARTIES LEAVING THE CITY.

Parties leaving the city at any time may have The Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Basiness office, in person or by mail. The address will be changed as often as desired.

The next biting frost will nip a large crop of unripe political candidates.

With a three-fourths corn crop at present prices, Nebraska farmers will have no ground for complaint.

The great problem, which the irriga tion convention will try to solve is, how to supply two barrels of water where only one barrel is obtainable.

damaging as it might have been. It preposterous claims, It goes without saying that a com was like a mild case of varioloid whe we were threatened with smallpox.

ANNIVERSARY OF ANTIETAM. Forty-one years ago today the battle contend that the United States should tives and senators are of the same political of Antictam was fought. It was one of abandon the policy by which its indushe great battles of the civil war and tries have been built up and a home while not decisive in its results, being market created which is incomparably resentation. Is it not time we were getting in fact a drawn battle, it was yet most the best in the world.

mportant in its effect upon the union We are not very much concerned in cause and for that reason is justly to be this country as to what the outcome timately the dally affairs of the people? regarded as perhaps not the least of the will be of the issue of England regardgreat struggles of that most eventful ing the proposed fiscal policy of Mg. period in our history. The commander Chamberlain. It would possibly make

of the union forces in that memorable some difference to our trade relations conflict, upon which seemed to hinge the with the United Kingdom in the long first of the year forty-four corporations pany, which is supposed to be backed by very destiny of the union, was General run, but we should not be very much George B. McClellan, and while he did of a loser in any event now conceivable not win a decisive victory, he demon- Whether the United Kingdom would be strated more fully than he had ever a gainer by the Balfour policy is a done before his ability as a commander very serious question that is at present

and saved the union army from a defeat foremost in British attention. that might have been utterly disastrous. -

BLOWING POWER CANAL BUBBLES. It was one of the battles on the side of the union which at least contributed to from New York to the Omaha papers of no small extent to the ultimate success of the government. that it was stated on Wall street yes-

This anniversary is to be marked by terday that a syndicate of capitalists the dedication of a monument to com- was being organized for the purpose of the great decline in new organizations unmemorate the participation in the great financing and building the Fremont der New Jersey laws. battle of the soldiers of New Jersey, and power canal, of which the John Kelley President Roosevelt will deliver an ad- Engineering company of New York is dress on the occasion. Unquestionably said to be the chief promoter in the the president will improve the occasion east. It is also stated that the syndito say what will be most inspiriting to cate will need to raise upwards of the patriotic spirit of the country, for \$3,000,000 to complete the work, which there is ample material in the history will take over two years, and it is of that time and in the facts connected furthermore stated that the electric with the eventful battle to enable the light companies, the street car com-

president to appeal to the patriotic sen- panies and large packing and manutiment of his countrymen. It marks a facturing interests have guaranteed vital moment in the history of the civil already to take all the current that can war. The union army had suffered de- be developed. feat after defeat and to many This is about the 'steenth time that cause seemed almost hope the same well-defined rumor has been wired to Omnha, but the only figment The union armies had almost everywhere been vanquished. of truth in the bubble is that somebody suffering particularly in the east. It on Wall street, or in Wall street, has thousands of square miles of farm lands off and that his imitation of insanity wasn't was a period of terrible anxiety and the been approached by the promoters. whole heart of the north was filled with There is absolutely no foundation for apprehension. The great demand was the statement that the street railway for a military leader who seemed equal company has made any contract or for nine days without a railway train, withto the great emergency and the general signed any guaranty, and inasmuch as for nine days without railway train, withdemand was for the former commander the electric light company's contract has of the Army of the Potomac, General not yet been extended beyond January

George B. McClellan. President Lin- 1: 1906, the city of Omnha is still free coln summoned him to the command to negotiate for its public lighting diand he responded. How well and ably rectly with the canal company whenhe performed the duty history records, ever it shall be able to supply the and there is no doubt that the battle of necessary energy.

Antietam is the grandest fact in the If it were true that the street railway military history of George B. McClellan. and electric lighting companies and the The monument that will be unveiled packing houses of South Omaha would today in commemoration of the part exhaust all the current that can be deborne by the soldiers of New Jersey in veloped, the citizens of Omaha and the memorable battle of September 17. South Omaha who do not own any 1862, will signalize an event of the stock in the electric lighting company, greatest importance in our history. street railways or stock in the packing PREPOSTEROUS CLAIMS. benefit from the power canal, unless Anti-machine factionists who are op-

there was assurance of a reduction in posed to conciliation are trying to make themselves believe that the antis reprepacking house products. sent 60 per cent of the total republican strength in the city of Omaha, which in President Stickney's Omaha banquet

national election years approximates speech seems to have created quite a 11,000 votes and in off years has aversensation on Wall street. Prominent aged about 9,000 votes. If these people New York bankers and brokers take had studied the returns of the last city issue with Mr. Stickney's assertion that That rift in the clouds was not as election they would not indulge in such a panic in the Stock exchange would

prevailing favorable

makes to the men in this country who congress in states where such representafaith as the administration and spoils for the members of the national committee, where the party has no congressional reppast the spolis system in the biggest businews institution operated by the govern ment and the one that touches most in-

Corporate Wind and Water.

Philadelphia Press.

New Jersey's corporation business is shrinking, as should be the case. Since the fare against the United Cigar Stores comorganized under New Jersey laws have gone into the hands of receivers. Their apital aggregates \$50,340,000, but their liacorporated and twenty-eight stores were bilities are only \$17,272,333; and yet the entire assets are estimated at \$1,564,684. The "capital" seems to have been "wind," like have given up the fight and sold out. Thus so very many of the corporations organized the trust has removed all organized oppo-

pany.

under New Jersey's laws. For instance, sition in New York. During the last two the White Mountain Paper company, capitalized at \$15,000,000, has liabilities amount-An enterprising news monger wires ing to \$11,944,000, while the assets are \$2,000 book accounts and some material on hand of no great value. The less that the the price cutting of the Independent Stores people have to do with such corporations the better, and that seems to account for

PROBLEM OF THE DAY.

Checking Flood Ravages in the West by Forestation.

Chicago Inter Ocean

The floods of last spring cost the Santa Fe railway \$1,000,000 for repairs. Other rallways in Nebraska, Kansas and Texas and many of those in Iowa and Missouri suffered as heavily. Depots and warehouses were inundated or swept away, tracks and bridges were destroyed and the freight traffice of several states was parayzed for two weeks.

The direct damage to railroad property represented only a small percentage of the loss by flood. Valuable freight in immense to him!" the attendants said unto each quantities, in transit or in warehouses awaiting shipment, was damaged or utterly destroyed. Large districts in cities and guise" had been penetrated from the go were devastated, the floods of two weeks damaging the states along the western communication that scores of cities were plete was the destruction of the means of vealy reporter for the saffron sheet sorry out mail, and some of them without telegraph or telephone communication with the and cold water cure alternately and in

outside world. The conditions favorable to floods have massaged him with such huge enthusiasm not been changed. Kansas may be dam- that they kneaded most of the pelt from aged to the extent of \$10,000.000 next spring as it was last spring. Cities on the Missouri and the Kaw may be swept by torrents again as they were a few months

it was last June. As long as the conditions to escape from his tormentors, but the that create floods remain unchanged there will be floods.

The problem of the day is to change the conditions favorable to the recurrence of practiced in New York with which very disastrous floods. Experience and science few of even the natives are familiar, point the way to a satisfactory solution: Forestation of the river basins in the prai- Dispatch. "Not a few of the big uptown rie states and reforestation of the districts resturants employ 100 or more waiters durhouses would derive precious little at the headwaters of all our great rivers. Ing the dining hours, and the men are The process of forestation is slow, but if engaged by favor, because these jobs are were planted by the million the especially desirable. The average diner trees growth would begin to have influence in a notices that the expectation of tips pracstreet car fares, electric lighting and few years and would have increasing in- tically amounts to a demand. Tips are fluence in prevention of floods with each usually heavy and good men may easily succeeding year.

Railroads are growing timber for ties at The average person who gives a gratuity a profit. If one railroad loses \$1,000,000 in to a waiter does not know that the waiter a single season by floods, would it not be in turn must also give tips to hold his job. profitable to increase its tree planting a There is one very large place which engages hundred fold? If a state like Kansas loses its walters through an agent, who keeps

\$10,000,000 in two weeks of flood, would not a saloon in the neighborhood. This man tree-planting on a gigantic scale be econ- not only exacts a fee for getting the places omy, particularly as forests so planted more for waiters, but he also demands \$1 a week not seriously affect the whole country than pay their own way, and if carefully so long as the men he recommends are which he is one of the leading anthe employed. Besides this they are expected

VALUE OF TIMELY WARNING.

Ripples on the Current of Life in of Doped Food and Drink. the Metropolis.

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

San Francisco Call. Competing combines of cigar stores in When it was aunounced that the Depart-New York City are now smoking the pipe of peace. Cut prices have censed and the lamb reposes quietly in the interior depart-

ment of the wolf. In other words, the Independent Cigar Stores company has been absorbed by the United Cigar Stores com-For nearly two years the retall cigar dealers have been waging bitter warthe declarations of hostility to the new law that the officials of the Department of the Tobacco trust. About a year ago the forcement of the new policy would injure Independent Cigar Stores company was in-

would benefit one and all by ridding them opened in New York. A flerce profit cutting war was waged. Now the Independents of the competition of unscrupulous manufacturers of adulterated or falsely labeled goods The law has now been in force for some years retailers in all parts of the country fears of injury to foreign producers and of have organized to fight the trust, but this opposition, the United Cigar Stores compossible vindictive retaliation on the part of pany says, has amounted to little. It was European governments were utterly unfounded. In fact, the former exporters of objectionable goods have profited by the company that hurt. warning given by the publication of the

law and have made no effort to get their An exceedingly yealy junior reporter on the staff of one of New York's yellows goods into our market. It is stated that volunteered, not long ago, to get himself while upward of 100 cargoes of foreign food and drink products have been inspected by committed to the asylum for insane paupers the government chemists, not a single samon the island in the East river and "write a story" about his experience. There had ple has shown the slightest adulteration. A report from Washington giving an acbeen some complaints reaching this newscount of the manner in which the law is paper office about the alleged cruelty pracoperated says: "The result is declared to ticed upon inmates of the asylum. The be most gratifying in every detail. No deyoung man's pauper makeup was pretty lay that has caused inconvenience to shipobvious when he presented himself for adper or consignce has resulted. The Demission to the asylum as a "bug" and the partment of Agriculture receives involces examining physicians instantly saw through of every cargo destined to ports of the him. They admitted him to the asylum United States. These involces are sent by with many and sundry winks, one to the fast mail. The department is also informed other, and they passed the word down the by cable of shipments and the cable adline among the asylum attendants as to the

vices are made explicit, so that the mallcharacter of the new inmate's mission. advices need not be awaited as a basis for "Oh, we won't do a single, solitary thing the issuance of an order on the Treasury department for samples from that particuother, spltting joyously upon their hands. lar cargo. The use of the cable has only The young man didn't know that his "disrecently been adopted for this purpose. The analyses have each been completed by the chemistry bureau of the Department clever enough to fool a rabbit. of Agriculture in two days and beyond

From the hour they got hold of him th this no delay has been occasioned in the attendants proceeded to make the peculiarly houses," that he had ever seen the "school for journalism" up New York state from which he was graduated. They gave him the hot amazingly quick sequence, and then they panied by a clearly manifest intent to strictly enforce it, has brought about a his frame. Then they decided to give him a suspension of the injurious imports. The novel "nerve treatment" of their own de result has naturally enough given encourvising. One of them sat on his head while agement to the advocates of the adoption another tickled the soles of his bare feet of a domestic pure food law and it is not ago. Railway traffic may be paralyzed as with a straw. At last he was permitted unlikely it may be provided at the coming

story he planned remains unwritten.

again.

the eastern metropolis.

land, has been appointed military attache to the Court of St. James.

weight.

SUBRENDERING CIRCULATION.

Effect of the Law Prohibiting Imports Conduct of Banks Contrasted with Their Assertions.

Chleago Chronicle,

A New York newspaper which advocates ment of Agriculture would set its chemists asset currency for the sake of its supposed to work to inspect every kind and grade of clasticity prints a statement that the banks food and of drink products that reached our have already made applications for the custom houses seeking access to our mar- withdrawal of \$3,000,000 of their circulation kets there was a clamor from Europe that this month-the full amount they are we should have trouble. So insistent were permitted by law to retire in any one month. This does not harmonize well with what the same newspaper says to the effect that Agriculture were compelled to repeat again there is likely to be a scarcity of currency and again their assurances that the en- to move the crops this fail and with its assumption that if the banks were free to issue and withdraw as much circulation as no legitimate industry, but on the contrary they pleased they would regulate the supply to a nicety.

If, with the money famine close at hand the banks are retiring circulation up to the legal limit and hastening to file ap time and the results have proven that the plications for retirement to the same extent next month, as a stated, that would they be likely to do if they were free to retire their notes without limit at any time?

Those who clamor for asset issues are just now telling us what dreadful things would happen were it not understood that the secretary of the treasury would deposit \$40,000,000 of public money in the banks to help out the crop-moving.

It behooves them to explain why the banks are surrendering circulation as fast as they can under such circumstances and to state, if they can, what reason there is that the banks would be putting out more currency under the same circumstances if they were free to expand and contract ad libitum.

The facts seem to show that elasticity of sank circulation is a humbug .- Chicago Chronicle.

POINTED PLEASANTRIES.

"She had the fatal gift of beauty, had she "Well, I don't know whether it was her beauty or her money that was fatal, but anyhow she married a titled nonentity."--Chicago Post.

Mrs. Enpeck-Oh, you needn't talk. You're Mrs. Enpeck-On, you needn't talk. You're not quite perfection yourself, I would have you know. Enpeck-No, my dear, but when you're around 1m mighty near perfection. Mrs. Enpeck-Oh, Henry'-Baltimore

passage of goods through the custom American.

houses." So vanish all the bugaboo fears that the law would be a disturbance of trade and ineffectual as a remedy against the evils complained of. Experience has shown that the bare announcement of the law, accomthe bare announcement of the law, accom- phia Press.

"She uses slang!" said the cultured young woman in a tone of deep disapproval. "That isn't the worst of it." answered Miss Cayenne. "She uses slang that hasn't yet received the sanction of smart society." -Washington Star.

"Uncle Henry," said little Robert, "do

you absorb water?" "How absurd!" replied Uncle Hanry. Do you think I am a towel?" "No, but pa said you ware a sponge."--Chicago News.

"I have noticed," said the observer of men and things, "that fat men are invariably

THE TOWN BAND.

(W. D. Nesbit, in Chicago Tribuue.)

I want to say there was a time when this town had a band That didn't take it's hats off to no other in the land.

Them was the times when music of the fin-Frof. David Starr Jerdan of Leland Stan-ford university has presented to the insti-tution as a gift his magnificent collection

of books on the subject of ichthology, on Of course, there was some others that was

session of congress. "There is a species of petty blackmall writes a correspondent of the Pittsburg

she is not on the stage. The rank of a governor, or pasha, in Tur-key is determined by the number of horse tails that dangle from his standard. Major J. H. Beacom, an Ohlo man and a brother of Judge M. W. Beacom of Cleve-and, has been appointed military attache to

make \$3 or \$4 during the three rush hours. Butkelwcicz, the new tackle in the Uni-

versity of Pennsylvania foot ball team, weighs over 300 pounds and is said to be irresistible, as his strength is as great as his

Prof. David Starr Jordan of Leland Stan-

PERSONAL NOTES. The peculiar thing about the Indiana roman's eighteenth suit for divorce is that

What is a nonpartisan? A candidate who fails to secure a nomination from one party turns his political coat inside for city treasurer and city tax commisout and accepts the nomination of the opposite party.

Viewed from the conning tower of the World-Herald, John Rush is a republican politician and T. J. Mahoney a nonpartisan who does not know anything about politics.

Judging from his letter to the irrigation congress, we are forcibly impressed with the idea that President Roosevelt Bryce Crawford, who was defeated by has given the irrigation problem more than passing attention.

reading case" is not half as important together and dividing by two gives an to the great majority of taxpaying peo- average of 2,181, or less than 24 per ple as Judge Sullivan's opinion in the cent of the vote cast for Treasurer Henrailroad assessment case.

A cavalry corps of the Salvation army is about to invade the mountain districts of Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia on a campaign of salvation, where they expect to recruit their ranks and achieve much peaceful glory.

The Bee has had much to say concerning Its pretended desire that the present state campaign be fought "on a high plane." In a recent issue The Bee printed a letter over the signature of John Rush, attacking the ment of Mr. Balfour in regard to his opinion delivered by Chief Justice Sullivan views is a matter of world-wide interfailed to print Judge Sullivan's opinion .-World-Herald.

The Bee does not keep supreme court opinions in cold storage. If the World-Herald or Judge Sullivan will furnish a copy of Judge Sullivan's "Bible case" opinion The Bee will give it publicity.

General Kobbe, commanding the Department of Dakota, expresses the their industrial and commercial condiopinion in his annual report that an improvement in discipline would follow a proper change in the regulations relating to army uniforms, which are frequently bartered for liquid refresh- ing urged by Mr. Chamberlain and a ments or bric-a-brac in the neighbor- few other British statesmen, who prohood of army posts, when by rights they should be the property of the from the old policy in order to put the United States the same as the arms and British nation in accord with the genaccoutrements supplied the regulars, eral policy of the leading nations of the There is a good deal more of truth than poetry in this observation.

It is to be deploted that Attorney Gentral Prout has peremptorily refused to confessedly a free trader, the statement allow other legal counsel to be associated with him in maintaining the position of Land Commissioner Folimer in the Boyd county land cases. His attitude in this instance is at variance with that taken in the railroad assessment cases, when the attorneys of the world. What an extraordinary comfriends of the court and mouthpieces of those who are urging free trade as an terests. the state, when, in fact, they appeared American policy. For more than half in the interest of the corporations and a century England has had free trade against the state. In this instance Mr. Follmer is trying to protect the patri- says it is a failure and that to continue aral instead of being thwarted.

parison of the votes cast for candidates for mayor is no criterion. A fair com between the great American money parison of the strength of the two factions may be gained from the vote cast York Stock exchange would be felt in sloper. Mr. Hennings, who was supevery American trade center, but no. ported without division by both facgeneral disaster would follow so long as tions, received 9,209 votes, while Brunthe country is fortified by prosperity. ing, who received no support from the

anti-machine faction, and lost several hundred votes by Fleming's second term, secured 6.894 votes, a difference Philippine transport while 300 dead soldiers of 2.315 votes. Councilman Nicholson,

who secured the undivided support of Servia or Turkey than America both factions, polled 8,978 votes, while the anti-machine faction as candidate for councilman, received 6,932 votes, or 2,046 less than Nicholson. Adding the Judge Sullivan's opinion in the "Bible | majorities for Nicholson and Hennings

> nings, as against 76 per cent of the machine faction. In the face of these figures the claims of the "Irreconcilables" will strike any rational mind as preposterous.

THE BRITISH FISCAL POLICY. Not only the United States, but every country in the world, is intimately interested in the statement of the primminister of England in regard to the fiscal policy of Great Britain. The state-

"Bible case." So far The Bee has est. The British nation has trade intcrests that extend to every quarter of the earth. It is today beyond question

the most powerful commercial nation. next to the United States, in the world. The great question with the statesmen of the United Kingdom today is how they can keep what they have got and

tions in the world. That is a problem that has been wor rying British statesmen for several

years and the solution of which is befess to see the necessity of departing world in respect to their fiscal relations. It is in accord with this that we have

today a declaration of the prime minister of Great Britain, a man who is that he is in favor of a change in the is doubtful if competition has driven as fiscal policy of Great Britain which will mean an absolute departure from that policy that has for more than half a century distinguished England from almost every other country of the may very wisely insist on railroads were permitted to appear as mentary this is upon the position of enough competition to protect its own in-

and yet today her foremost statesman

Kingdom. Think of the answer this more nor less than spoils for members of waste places of the continent.

managed bring as to patronize his bar. The waiters who do There is no doubt a sympathetic chord of corn or wheat? The value of forestation and reservoirs

as flood preventives is recognized, but no center and the country at large and the adequate steps have been taken to create shock produced by a crash in the New forests or build reservoirs. We talk but divides the velvet with the agent. It is we do not act. The way to prevent floods not generally known that waiters must

> on a large scale. MAKING WASTE PLACES FERTILE. Storage Reservoirs Planned Under the

Irrigation Act.

That dance on the deck of the returning Portland Oregonian The United States Geological survey is in any large cemetery attest. Woodlawn slept in the hold was more worthy of

Supply Unequal to the Demand. Washington Post. Representativo Littauer of army glove

dication. He will have to fight for it, as since the department scandals were unearthed.

Unworthy of America.

Minneapolis Times

Useless Discussion. Chicago Chronicle.

This revived discussion respecting the dvisability of cutting the word "obey" out of the marriage service is useless. In the future as in the past women will cheerfully promise obedience, but will make things interesting for the man who undertakes to enforce it.

> Touches the Top Rauk. New York Tribune.

The prosecution in the Whitaker Wright ase in London declared in court that shareholders in three Wright companies iont amounts equivalent to \$25,000,000 in American money. Should these statements be proved by convincing evidence Wright

would rank with the Humberts of France. Lesson Worth the Cost.

Baltimore American. The tromendous demand for return pass-

age at the various European ports shows that Americans, wager as they were to go abroad, are far more anxious to get back o the only country worth living in. It as cost them much money to learn this, by any possibility increase the power of but, after all, the lesson is probably worth what it has cost.

Eastern and Western Roads. Hartford Courant,

The choicest rolling stock on the western roads surpasses any in the east, and the average out there is far ahead of the average here. The passenger rides in more comfort there than here, but it costs him more money per mile. Practically all the roads are single tracked, and it is amasing now close to time trains can be run under such hampering conditions.

Competition Versus Combination.

Philadelphia Record. Competition is the life of trade, accord ing to a venerable maxim, but the monop olists may that it is the death of traders This proposition has not been proved. It many concerns out of business as have combinations in their efforts to establish onopolies. The public has no reason to look on the suppression of competition without concern and if it cannot prevent unreasonable exactions by direct legislation, which is difficult of application, it preserving

> Postoffices as Spoils. Indianapolis Journal (rep.)

ments of actual settlement and cultivation to be followed by the payment of the cost of storing water, the speculative element Postmaster General Payne's explanation will be eliminated, leaving the ground free

not know the ropes or who rebel against the extortion are quietly dropped. The inference is that someone in authority is to begin at once the work of tree-planting also tip the kitchen employes to insure the kind of service that produces a gratuity

from the customer. Then they must tip the omnibus, or apprentice waiter, to have the dishes removed at the right moment and for other details of auxiliary service."

> Grief has queer ways of testifying it. length breadth and depth, as the monuments

working steadily upon preliminary plans for cemetery, in The Bronx, has many and rrigation in states and territories where striking proofs of the fact, but none more there are arid land sections that may be striking than the memorial recently erected reclaimed to agriculture under the new na- by the widow over the grave of George tional law. These surveying parties have Schlosser, once a prosperous butcher of the had a busy season, and many of them will vincinity of One Hundred and Eighty-seventh fame proposes to make a fight for a vin- continue in the field until snow files, or as street and Prospect avenue. The monument long as they can do effective work. The is only about four feet high and is a plain the supply has been running pretty low law sets aside the proceeds of the sales of block of granite bearing the family name public lands in the regions covered for gen- in large-letters, supporting the sculptured

eral irrigation work. Up to the close of the figure of an ox. Many critics say the co last fiscal year the money thus set aside seems to smile, as though saying: for this work amounted to about \$15,000,000 "George was on top in life and slew many of us, but in death are we triumphant." The annual receipts showed a steady in-It is said that Mrs. Schlosser paid \$2,500 crease. The total for 1901 was \$3,144,861, for 1902 it was \$4,565,516 and for the year ending for the memorial and that the expenditure June 30, 1903, it was equal to the proceeds of has left her but meager support for herthe two former years. The states and terri- self and children. She feels, however, that she has done her duty and is pleased with tories entitled to irrigation money from the the result. She has not been heard to sales of their own lands separately are Aricriticise the expression of countenance worn woman to be selected for such a position. ona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas,

by the figure. Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico North Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyowithout solid food for seventeen days, ming. The report is interesting, as it

Stephen Playsted, a muscular machinist. touches upon reservoirs, dams, artesian has managed to put in a hard day's work possibilities and the undertow of large every twenty-four hours during the entire streams whose beds are dry in summer. period without feeling unduly tired when The government, after careful consideranight comes. Playsted, who is 38 years old. tion of the irrigation problem and its possiand lives at 1875 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn, bilitles, decided last year to build what are has started out with the avowed purpose at Philadelphia and if they have their way known as the Sweetwater dam and the St. of demonstrating the truth of his theory he will be made prothonotary of the Penn-Mary system of canals in Montana, the that "eating is merely a matter of habit." Gunnison tunnel irrigation works in Colo-His only diet has been three pints of water caused by the death, seevral month's ago,

last seventeen days, but notwithstanding this his health has not suffered in the least All of his friends declare that he seems to be in as good condition physically as when he began his fast. Playsted is an athlete with a well-proportioned frame and finely developed muscles, and is about five feet eight inches tall, and weighs about 1 predicated upon the fact that land in the pounds. The idea of fasting occurred same localities that is supplied with water him some time ago after training for sells now for \$50 an acre and upward. boxing match. At that time he fasted three On an average an acre of irrigated land weeks, and as no injurious results can will support one person. In the United from it, decided to make a test to see how States there are 600,000,000 acres of vacant long he could abstain from eating without land, one-half of which is suitable only for it-interfering with his strength. He has an grazing. Enough water runs to waste in idea that he can go sixty days these arid and semi-arid regions every year

to irrigate 75,000,000 acres. It is clear that The New Yorker who turns an car toward a matter so extensive must be dealt with Sandy Hook occasionally hears a deep systematically and that its preliminary boom, like the sound of a house falling steps must be carefully taken. The five It is an echo from the severe tests down. projects above noted rest upon former inbeing made by the government of the tenestigations and engineering reports. inch wire gun, out of which 100 shots are to be fired before a decision is reached The figure stands in the twenties at pres ent. In each round 136 pounds of powder is used, of which 35 per cent is nitro glycerin. The weight of the projectile last fired was 575 pounds, in its initial velocity 2.500 feet per second and the pressur 37,600 pounds per square inch.

Hereafter we will see only giants on th brought to the point where the settlers "Broadway Squad." The police comm can, with their own labor, or by co-operasloner has assigned six men, all of whom tion, construct ditches and laterals to reare over six feet two inches, and he says claim the desert land. With the requirethat the biggest and cleanest men will be favored in the future. The Broadway policeman has always been the pride of New York. He makes a specialty of pleasof the removal of Miss Todd, a fourth- to bona fide settlers." This policy may be ing the many women shoppers along that mony of the state, and his efforts should it means disaster to the industrial and class postmistress in Delaware, calls the said to have been fairly inaugurated and thoroughfare. He helps them off the cars, attention of the public sharply to the fact its continuation cannot fail in time to be escorts them to the curb and does all those have been seconded by the attorney gen- commercial inferests of the United that the fourth-class postoffice is nothing of immense value in making fertile the things which should be done by a chivalrous officer.

of the world. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Eilis of New

why, Curly Brown, the drummer, was the Why, Curly Brown, the drummer, was the finest of his day; And Minor Stephens, he could take his alto horn and make You feel so solemlike, until you half begun to the York have paid a visit to the king of Abyssinia and were cordially received. Menclek seems to have a great liking for E-flat cornet.

Americans and few visit his realm without And sort o' pat it with his hands, and get his mustache set! a pressing invitation to partake of his

The death mask of President William McKinley, taken some few days after his death by Prof. William H. Hoimes of the Bureau of Ethnology, has been placed on exhibition in the National Museum, oc-cupying a conspicuous case by itself near the main entrance. Frank Schaukee of Vincennes, Ind., holds the record of the country as an inventor and patentee. He has designed no less that

and patentee. He has designed no less than 6,024 instruments of various kinds, obtain-ing patents upon all of them. None of his inventions, however, has brought him for-or "John Brown's Body"--like to hear that 6.024 instruments of various kinds, obtain-

tune, although he is drawing a small income from some of them. Stewart H. Simpson of Oil City, Pa., one of the most prominent oil producers in that section, entered suit at Franklin, Pa., ugainst the Pennsylvania railroad for Sim.

Nobody knows where Charley is; but if he's livin' yet Somebody somewhere's listenin' to that E-fiat cornet. I reckon, when I wander where the pearly gates appear, I'll ask about the music-then; "Is Charley Hunter here?" against the Pennsylvania railroad for \$100,-000 for the loss of his vision. He alleges that he was so badly hurt in a wreck on

the Buffalo & Allegheny division, near Siverly, last March that he will never see

Miss Julia Richman of New York City has been appointed district superintendent of schools in that city, she being the first **Huteson's** Miss Richman has been interested in educational work for nearly twenty years past **Chatty Talk!** and is recognized as one of the most ca-

pable instructors in the public schools of Many a man is a critic because he likes to be contrary. You can go contrary to the wishes of your friends and neighbors, William M. Bunn, ex-governor of Idaho financier, politician, sometime candidate for and sometimes get the best of them, but go contrary to the dictates of NATURE. mayor and promoter of "the city beautiful" idea, is again in the hands of his friends and you always get the worst of it-therefore, CARE FOR YOUR EYES. The eye has been our life's study.

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that no risks are involved. The lands included in the tracts in which these opera-

again when water can be applied to them for agricultural purposes. Secretary Hitchcock at the beginning of last year indicated the part that the na

tions have been decided upon have been withdrawn from settlement, to be reopened tional government proposed to take in irrigation as follows: "Water should be

rado, the Truckee system in Nevada and taken at the regular meal hours during the of Colonel Charles S. Greene. the Salt river dam in Arizona. The aggregate cost of these five enterprises is estimated at \$10,000,000. Arid lands in the regions where these works are to be undertaken are now practically valueless, except for grazing, and for that purpose will not bring \$1 an acre. The great increase in value of these lands through irrigation is