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The bible-in-the-schools issue seems to have been quickly dispelled from the local pulpit. Another case of too much religion in politics.

Speculation on the favorite for the cardinal's hat, when a new American with the eastern' than the western cardinalate shall be created, may continue for a little while longer.

Omaha has always been partial to Methodists and with the permission of the weather man will be pleased to extend hospitality to the visiting bishops.

prove the city's credit. It is too bad a patriotic. Among its citizens are men better scheme to tide over straitened capable of filling the highest office in finances should not have been devised.

accompanying cereal and flouring mills, gate to the republican national convenstarch factories, etc., and it wants them tion of 1904 should insist upon the selechadly enough to go after them in tion of a candidate from the west for earnest. Now is the time to hammer that position. while the iron is hot.

Our amiable popocratic contemporary disparaging the Omaha police depart. the action of the United States in givcharge as acting chief. Ingratitude.

Prophet Dowie gives up the redempa host of 10,000 followers. In the in-

may be expected at any moment when with the provisional government. the news may be sprung that it has. It ought to be evident to anyone who been successfully financed for the gives the matter intelligent considera-

people's independent party has certainly poses surrendering the authority and strange part about it is that some of 1846 with New Grenads-new Colombia the so-called independent leaders pretend to be only now discovering how little independence they have had.

Mitchell from his position of leadership Colombian troops to take possession of duce the rates exacted of those who with organized labor are busy finding the Panama railroad for the invasion of tine places in the political or industrial the isthmus. Is it not perfectly apfield to which to promote him. It must be remembered, however, that to carry out these various beneficent objects requires Mr. Mifchell's consent.

It is right plain now from a perusal of its editorial page that the sporting utilitary purposes the same privilege tinguished her father's "First Battle" editor of the World-Herald was not in ou the gate receipts of the recent fake tionists. Thus the obligation of this boxing tourney which it holds up as such a horrible example, or else his influence is sadly waning. That paper fusists on defending its exclusive right to do all the faking in Onmia,

That whitewashing report of the plumbing steal at the county hospital duty of our government to maintain its may satisfy the members of the county authority over the istimus, as clearly loard who are in the ring, but it will prescribed by the treaty, seems to us to not satisfy the taxpayers who pay the be unquestionable. A good deal of stress tills. A good plumber is sadiy needed is being laid upon the assumption that to tear out the political pipe lines that the revolution in Panama was prompted are being operated in the county court by Americans and that our government house to tap the county treasury.

commonplace exploits which formerly even thought sufficiently important to terest of the world's commerce neither have a special name at all. It now the government of Colombia nor the pecjugrowing finger nall or cut off a troublesome eyelash. That is the explanation of the isthmus. why surgery has become an exact. So far as the protest of Colombia is acience.

THE VICE PRESIDENCY.

Brooklyn Eagle says there are signs Myron T. Herrick, governor-elect of able to justify before the world. Ohlo, to be President Roosevelt's running mate next year. The correspondent quotes a western man, said to be rick will have an exceedingly good ditions. chance of being the nominee.

32,820 among republicans generally is that the foot, and then it will be tight, and then 31,100 should be a man very well known to prodigal son, will come to himself." the country and who has performed 40,850 | such service to the party as to give him a strong claim to so high an honor as Less unsold and returned copies ... 10,268 can hardly be said in behalf of Mr. Herrick that he answers this requirement. 922,362 He was almost unknown politically be-29.753 fore he became the republican candidate it will bring, pay whatever interest the met it in the boldest fashion without flinchfor governor of Ohio and his services to money lender may demand, then the ing at any point. He went all over the been in the possession of the general staff the party had been entirely local.

There is another important consideration which should have weight with the national convention. This is the selection of a vice presidential candidate from the west, in which Ohio is not properly included. That state is no longer western, as the geographical divisions are now designated, but is in the central group of commonwealths and its interests are identified more states. As the candidate for president next year will be from east of the Alleghenies his running mate should be a representative of the great region west of the Mississippi. Every consideration of fairness and of sound politcontributes enormously to the wealth We fear that transforming the city and prosperity of the nation. Its peothe gift of the American people. This grain market and vice president and every western dele

The fact that the government has suddenly taken to ridiculing and Colombia has made a protest against ment, and that, too, just when one of ing recognition to the provisional govits own favorite police captains is in erament in Panama is what was to have been expected. But it is not a matter of very serious importance and for the obvious reason that Colombia tion of New York as a bad job, but had actually abandoned the istimus to promises to try again in two years with the insurrectionists and left them in complete control of the situation, so terval the wickedness of Chicago will that, as has already been pointed out, be enough to demand all of his atten- our government had either to relinquish its treaty obligations in the isthmus, which requires that transit shall be It has been a long time now since we kept open and free, and also that it heard any Platte river power canal talk. shall protect the commercial interests A resurrection of the project, however, of other nations, or enter into relations

tion that the United States could not have taken a different course from what As a tall to the democratic dog the it has without to all intents and purbeen a travesty on independence. The the duty prescribed in the treaty of -and thus placed itself absolutely at the mercy of the Colombian government. Suppose our government had declined to take any notice-of the action of the People interested in sidetracking John people of Panama and had allowed the parent that the effect of this would have | been to close the railroad line to regular traffic and thus defeat the requirement writing a book which she proposes to of the treaty between the United States inflict upon the public. It is to be and Colombia? If Colombia was con- feared her book will produce neither the earth. ceded the right to use the railroad for the story nor the royalty which diswould have to be conceded to the revolu- as a successful literary venture.

country to maintain free and unimpeded commerce across the isthmus of Panama would in effect have been abandoned and the United States would in effect have surrendered its authority and its rights under the trenty of 1846. That it was the plain and imperative

was not unaware of what was taking place. There is not the least evidence in support of this. It is pure conjecture is conferred nowadays on a great many But if all that is said in this regard be a fact it is none the less the duty of the went by some other name or were not United States to require that in the intakes a surgical operation to remove ap pie of Panama shall be permitted to interfere with or obstruct the free transit

respectful attention, but it is hardly pos-The Washington correspondent of the sible that there will be any change from that the republican leaders have picked taken and which it will undoubtedly be of excited invective. Supine Pennsylvania.

DEMOCRACY'S HOPE.

Nebraska has gone republican now for on intimate terms with Mr. Hanna, as four successive years and that Nebraska expressing the opinion that the Ohio is under normal conditions again a resenator, who is known to be an inti- publican state is rejuctantly recognized mate friend of Mr. Herrick and to have by the opposition spokesman. Nebraska brought about his nomination and elec- was lost to republicanism by a combination, will urge the nomination of that tion of corruption and calamity and gentleman for the vice presidency and democracy's hope for relustatement he thinks that in that event Mr. Her- rests on the restoration of the old con-

Some of the democratic leaders are Undoubtedly if Senator Hanna desires content to bury their secret hopes in that Mr. Herrick shall be the candidate their own breasts, but not so with Edgar for vice president he will be able to Howard, the doughty quill-driver of the exert a very strong influence in his be- Columbus Telegram, who speaks right half in the republican national conven- out in meeting without mincing words. tion and the attestation of Herrick's "Nebraska will remain a republican popularity in Ohio is certainly very state," declares Judge Howard, "as long much in his favor. There is no doubt as crop prices remain fair. After awhile as to his sterling republicanism and he Nebraska farmers will have to sell corn has been very successful as a business for less money than they get for it now. man, without having any connection, so Hog prices will be lower. Interest rates far as known, with any trust or other will be higher. The farmer does not combination. But it might fairly be ob- pay much attention to the way the railjected to Ohio's governor-elect that be | roads are robbing him now. He is geting comparatively new to politics and ting fair prices for his grain and live consequently not having given any stock, land values are still soaring and of Tuesday's elections was the sweeping hardly entitled to so distinguished a paying such enormous tribute to the railposition as that of vice president of the roads. All this will change after a little nomination, but the present feeling Then the shoe will be on the other candidate for vice president next year it will pinch, and the farmer, like the Hanna, and it makes him more of a power will be issued from the Army ordnance of-

This is, indeed, a hopeful prospect. When calamity stalks through the the vice presidential nomination. It democracy will claim its reward as a true prophet.

When farmers have to mortgage their star of democracy in Nebraska will be bright.

When the railroads shall have all gone wheels of the mills and factories ceased to hum, when the wage-worker is again reduced to enforced idleness, then democracy in Nebraska will feel at home and look for an endorsement for the consummation of its wishes.

improving conditions and maintaining the plentiful prosperity now at hand, the

surely inviting. The picture drawn by Judge Howard deserves to be framed ical policy dictates this. The great west and hung before every democratic convention. With such inspiration the democratic party in this state cannot salary list into judgments will not im- ple are enterprising, progressive and fail to attract all the slothful who hope to fatten on other people's misfortunes.

> The champions of the Denver conthe Nebraska populists in state conven- with the government. The secretary tion did not endorse their program the populist ficket in this state would be foredoomed to defeat. The follow, however, that had the work of achieved. It will be in order now to hold another populist conference to take an inventory of the remnants.

election Judge Doane, the veteran democratic war horse, polled nearly 2,500 trict court, and that, too, with his own to say that nine-tenths of these votes came from democrats who do not take the democratic editor's advice.

In the session of congress just preceding the presidential election the opposition minority usually finds itself devoting its time and talents exclusively to a manufacture of political capital against the administration by magnifying and distorting the official record.

insurance agents always tell us that the taxes imposed on their concerns are paid by the policy holders. The ques- clear tion is, then, If the insurance people are successful in their effort to knock out the insurance clause of the new revenue buy the risks?

have been sourred up to the task of draught.

Discrimination in Graft. Chicago Record-Herald.

Nevertheless and notwithstanding it is antirely safe to predict that no Shipuilding trust millionaires will go to keep Sam Parks company in the penitentlary,

What's In a Name? Minneapolts Journal.

The name of the judge who decided adreceily to Mr. Bryan's claim to a share n the Bennett estate is Cleveland, which probably does not make the judgment any

Playing in Great Luck. Baltimore American. In regard to the Panama rebellion and

he establishment of the little republic's independence, either the United States played in great luck or somebody's fine Italian hand was pretty busy in the matter Short-Lived Wrath Boston Transcript.

One highly interesting fact lurks behind the half-million mass of figures in the reurns from Ponnsylvania. The republican andidate for treasurer got 513.762 . votes, he republican candidate for auditor got 500.601. The difference means that the latconcerned it will undoubtedly receive bill in the legislature. Thirteen thousand and affectionate ways

votes out of half a million represents the amount of feeling-the aggregate protestthe position which our government has of Pennsylvania against a measure the entire pross denounced to the last limit

What Ohio's Verdict Means. Chicago Chronicle (dem.).

The verdict passed upon Tem Johnson lected for his political heir.

Not Much to Brag About.

Philadelphia Record (dem.). a very insignificant reason for mention-York state it would have meant something, but any democrat ought to be capable of

Manifest Destiny.

Philadelphia Press. Canada is a trifle piqued at us just now, is true, but events are forcing home apon it the truth that its manifest destiny. by which its happiness and prosperity also are meant, is to become a part of this big naturally to gravitate.

WHY HANNA IS CHESTY.

Johnsonism and Bryanism Buried Deep in Ohio. Philadelphia Press. The most pronounced and telling result

marked service to his party, he is he is still doing fairly well, even after republican victory in Ohio. It breaks the record in that somewhat emotional state. Mr. Hanna has the largest majority ever given for a senator in Ohio, and Mr. Her-United States. There are precedents, while. The farm cannot always stand rick the largest majority ever given for skirmish fire in the new edition of the firing by the public. You may change every busiunquestionably, that would justify his the drain of tribute now being levied, governor, except possibly for John Brough regulations now in course of preparation.

though nominally a candidate for govstate and crop failure stagnates industry ernor, openly said that he was making no publican leader was assailed in every way and from every standpoint. Mr. Hanna, on infantry. which struck straight from the shoulder, into the hands of receivers and the the people everywhere. The people like a

they had such a leader in Mr. Hanna. As a result, Mr. Hanna returns to the senate armed with new strength and influkeenest and most experienced of observers, expressed the opinion some weeks ago Instead of directing its efforts toward powerful man in public life. That opinion washed-out blue found itself alongside of, Ohio battle was his battle. It is the greatest triumph of the year. He stands with democratic program will be to produce the potential state behind him, and backed all time and that the white has been calamity, by which it expects to prosper, by broad sentiment to which it gave the restored to the infantry as its permanent Democracy's hope in Nebraska is most emphatic expression. The spirit of shade. McKinleyism asserted itself and it is a force to be reckoned with.

HOW LITTAUER SAVES HIMSELF.

Close Call of a Congressman Interested in Government Contracts. Harper's Weekly.

Congressman Littater will not be prose cuted by the War department under the section is cutified to the candidate for ference pronunciamento declared that if gress from making, or sharing in, contracts war having asked the attorney general whether the government should take action on one of the glove contracts in which Mr. conven- Littauer seemed to be implicated, the attion refused to take this advice and torney general has replied, that because the the predicted defent ensued. It does not statute orders prosecution for money "advanced," and the contract in question has the Denver conference been ratified and all payments finished, the government victory would have been may not hope to sue successfully for money paid on it. That is to say, it is too late to take action. So as to prosecuting Mr. Littauer for misdemeaner in violating the statute and collecting a fine of \$3,000 from him, the attorney general says it is too late ft should be noted that in the recent for that also, "since the statutory period of limitation within which such a prosecution would be brought elapsed more than votes as chadidate for judge of the dis- Littauer of the danger of government party organ opposed to him. It is safe tion whether or not he violated the law It may be said for him that so far as has appeared the government has lost nothing by the contracts with which he was sus pected of being concerned. The gloves made in his factory were good, so far as appears, and the price not excessive. But Mr. Littauer can hardly exult in the posttion in which the attorney general leaves him. In an open air sermon that the president preached in Washington on Sunday, October 25, he called earnestly for honesty "not only the honesty that keeps its skirts technically clear, but the honesty that is such according to the spirit as well The present session promises to be no as the letter of the law." Doubtless a man may violate a statute and still be an honest man, but in so far as Mr. Littauer's honeary was affected by the charge that he violated section 3739 of the Revised Statutes its skirts are as yet not even technically

PERSONAL NOTES.

Senators Hanna and Quay have again demonstrated the advantage of always standing pat on a good hand.

Colonel Bryan's daughter is said to danger. Parry has long needed a cooling Sixteen million pupils in the common

schools is a record to which Uncle Sam in-The czar of Russia is the largest individnal landowngr in the world. The area of

his possessions is greater than that of the republic of France. A Chicago woman waited two years for the effect of a stolen kies to wear off. She walted in vain, and then entered sait for With ordinary diligence she

should have discovered the financial rating of the kisser before this. Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris, General Ulysses S. Grant's only daughter, has established herself in St. Louis for the win-

apend the winter with her. Ex-Congressman E. B. Taylor of Warren. O., who succeeded James A. Garfield on representative of the old Nineteenth district in congress on the advance of the latter to the presidency, has just completed the fifty-eighth year of his practice of the

Harvard students say that the cheerlest chap among them is Arthur E. Small. a cripple who moves on crutches. His father, a Boston furniture dealer, has fitted his son's room in Thayer hall with everything that a student could wish. Among the young man's possessions is a low buckboard auto, with which he makes long and tremendously speedy trips about country. Small leads the happlest kind of life and is regarded as a living sermon by his follow students, who universally love er candidate voted for the prese-mustle and respect him for his sunny disposition

DOINGS IN THE ARMY.

Events of Interest Gleaned from the Army and Navy Register. The War department has received as in

teresting endorsement on some official pupers from General John C. Bates, United States Army, commanding general of the was a democratic verdict so far as its Department of the Lakes. Some weeks spectacular features go, and it covers the ago a major filed charges of misconduct, case of William J. Bryan as effectually as including the incident of intoxication, t does that of the man whom he had se- against an officer senior in rank. The accused officer is one who has a most distinguished service and is regarded as a man of exemplary personal character. The charges, there's re, attracted much atten-That McClellan carried New York City tion, and if they had culminated in a court-martial would have excited ing his name in connection with the next sympathy for the accused. General Bates presidential election. If he had carried New made an investigation, as he was obliged to do under the circumstances, and he reported that the accused officer had, for the first time in his life, been under the influence of liquor; that although guilty of that convivial indiscretion he had committed no act of which he need be ashamed and that his conduct in the state of inebriety was quite as circumspect as his bearing in his usual condition. General Bates wound up his endorsement with the statement that if it were not for the efcountry, toward which successes seem so feet upon the personal record of the senior officer who stood accused thus unjustly he would recommend for trial by court-martial the accuser. The incident has, therefore, gone on the archives of the government to the harm of no one, unless it be the officer who found fault with his senior thus annecessarily and prematurely.

The Army boad engaged on the revision of the infantry drill regulations has adopted tentatively some changes in the ommands of firing. These changes will require amendment of the commands for against the odious Vallandigham in war It is necessary, of course, to have the provisions of both books identical. It is ex-It is largely the personal triumph of Mr. pected that the manual of the new arm than ever. He was the direct and imme- fice in a few days, when its provisions can

No change in army uniforms made in a fight on the governorship, but exerting all long time has been more generally inhis strength to defeat Mr. Hanna. The re- dorsed than that which marks the return to the white stripe and white chevron of lands, sell their live stock for anything his part, accepted the personal issue and cers in this respect was pretty well known serve out a life sentence. If anybody in Washington where some statistics have state and smote his adversaries hip and for several months. The percentage of lofty courage, for he always runs the risk thigh. His direct, pungent, meaty speeches, officers in favor of the return to the white stripe and chevron was so high as to be aroused enthusiastic support and carried regarded as practically unanimous. This incident of unanimity excites wonder over positive, earnest, up-and-down leader, and the original abandonment of the white and the adoption of the characteriess light blue. Of course that shade of blue is retained for the trimmings, and it is no violence to the ence. Senator Frye, who is among the artistic sensibility to find the color on the shoulder and on the collar or even in the lining of the cape. The offense was noththat Mr. Hanna is the most useful and ing less than shocking, however, when the will be confirmed and emphasized now. The and in striking contrast to, the darker, but still light, blue of the trousers. It is hoped now that the matter is settled for

> The general staff of the army is considering which of the infahtry regiments shall be sent to the Philipplnes in 1904. It has been decided not to send to the islands any of the colored regiments and probably but one regiment of infantry will go abroad next year. In the natural order of events the choice would be between those regiments which were the carliest to return to the United States from the Philippines statute which prohibits members of con- in 1902. If this incident controls in the ground lost by the organization of choice seems to be between the Third and Twelfth regiments of infantry. both of which came back from the islands in April of last year. There are, however, ten other regiments which returned in the course of the next few months, and there may be reason why one of these should be selected instead of the Third or Twelfth regiments.

The general staff of the army is still considering the reports received from army inspectors who visited the colleges and universities in all parts of the country where are on duty army officers as instructors of tactics. Some of these colleges were found to have failed to come up to the requirements of the government, and in such instances it has been the custom of the general staff to refer the criticisms to the college authorities most directly concerned. The particular ground of complaint has been that the colleges have not given the quired amount of time to military work. In those instances where attention has been called to the deficiency, the excuse has been made that the schedule of work for the season was prepared before the college authorities had knowledge of the requirements of the War department, but these universities have promised to make amends at the next school year. These reports hereafter will go to a board which has charge of the Army War college, and a system of inspection will be adopted tending to keep the educational institutions up to the departmental standard.

MONUMENTS FOR HUMORISTS.

Proposition the Smiling Public Declines to Take Seriously. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

St. Louis has been invited to contribute toward a monument for Bill Nye. Humorists are rising in the world, when national nonuments are reared in their memory Heretofore it has been considered that they have been sufficiently requited when we have laughed at their jokes. Artemus D. M. Parry of the National Manufac Ward, the first of the American humorists, turers' association says the republic is in is not commemorated by a shaft raised by popular contributions. Most of our other funny men have resolutely refused to die. Humor appears to confluce longevity as much as its consequence laughter, which is credited with bringing length of days. Phough, probably, the saddest of men are the humorists. responsibility, not to say task, to feel that it is compulsory to fetch a laugh. It might become hateful it certainly does often become lugubrious; and who recalls the face of a true humorist which did not appear to reflect pain rather than felicity? Is the sad face the bandiwork of the mind thronged with comicalities, or does it foreshadow them from the first? Are humor ists happy? If they should ever answer this question and say no, we should regard it as another joke. No one has sympathy for a humorist. His aches and lliness Her daughter, Miss Rosemary, and must even furnish material for mirth her son, Captain Algernon Sartoris, will Mark Twain coined his dyspepsia into a funny story. If the humorist tries to be serious and is persistent in it, people grow angry with him. Young writers who start out to be humorists must abide by their

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choice if once accepted in their chosen role ness but that; a lawyer may become a banker, a general a railroad president, a merchant a statesman, but establish yourseif as a humorist and you are marked for life. Never was consistency such a jewel diate issue in Ohio. His antagonists aimed be incorporated in the text of the new firing tist congregation in California can not be restrained from laughing at his sermons, and a roar of merriment has greeted George W, Peck's remarks on the weather. Let the humorist's work deteriorate, either by his own intention or because he can't help it, still he will not be released from his The sentiment of infantry offi- hard lot. Public opinion requires him to deserves a monument, it is the wretched being laughed at instead of laughed with.

TALK OF THE STATE PRESS.

Pender Republic: When all have had an opportunity to explain "how it happened," the election incident will be considered

Ponca Journal: Republican victories are now every day occurrences in Nebraska. so it is beginning to seem a misnomer to call it Bryan's state.

Ord Quiz: What will the leaders of the defunct populist party do now? The last kick in the death agony of the party in this vicinity and in the state was to tumble themselves out of the democratic bed so that they will not likely want to crawl back into that place for warmth. There seems to be only one sensible thing to do and that is to rap loud and long at the republican back door for admission on probation. If they behave themselves they will find a welcome and might even in time become useful and honored members

Ashland Gazette: Surely and steadily the republicans are recovering all of the fusion movement. We hold our own and make a gain of two places in the court house at Wahoo, those of coroner and surveyor. We also take the new office of county assessor. We also make a sub stantial cain in the Fifth indicial district etiring Sornberger, populist, and electing Evans, republican, in his place. It is only a question of a little time when there will be no opposition to render repub-

lican victories even doubtful. Tekamah Herald: W. G. Sears for district judge proved himself a sure winner receiving 631 majority in his home county, 252 majority in Washington county and 615 in Douglas county, making 1.498 majority in the district over Dickinson, the high man on the democratic ticket Sarpy county's complete returns are not yet in, which when received may change the total figures a little, but his election is assured by over 1,200 majority. All of the other republican candidates for judges in this district were elected by larger majorities than Sears. So it is a clean sweep Norfolk Press: Young men who closely watched the political struggle which ended on Tuesday ought not to find much inducement in it for the young man to enter politics. It is safe to say that there was not a candidate in the field who did no feel that he had to some extent lowered the standard of his manhood by being forced to appeal for votes from his fellow citizens. The majority of them, doubtless, did not want to do it, but the fact that it has become a custom forced all to get out and solicit votes whether they wanted to or not. The custom is bad and emoralizing on both voter and office holder and if not abandoned will work to prevent the best men from running

Good Platform to Stand On. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The Republic of Panama begins the world with a desire to facilitate ocean commerce and a purpose to support the Monroe doctrine, which is a sound, progressive American platform.

LAUGHING REMARKS.

A happy-go-lucky Nebraska editor is the original of "Sunny Jim." Listen to him: No wife to fear, no money in the bank, No tea to buy, no yelling kid to spank. A free lunch counter always ready at my Say, ain't I dwelling in the promised land?

"Are you satisfied with the way the elec-tion went in your part of the country?"
"Of course I am," answered Benator Sorghum. "If I weren't going to be sat-isfied I wouldn't have had it go that way."
—Washington Star.

Man—Oh, yes: she refused me and gave ne no reasons whatever. Maid—Isn't she a saint!—Judge.

Dora-Are you weatherwise?
Cora-Yes, I know if I put on my old
clothes and go downtown on a rainy day
the sun will come out.—Detroit Free Press. Merritt-Young Mrs. Olerox calls that tot-tering old husband of hers her "angel," isn't that ridiculous? Gessit-Not at all. He has the money; she used to be in the theatrical line, you know.—Philadelphia Press.

"Katie," said Archie, "do you think you love me well enough to marry me?"
"I do not," she promptly answered.
"In that case," rejoined Archie, with equal promptness, "I shall not ask you to. No young woman ought to marry a man unless she is sure she loves him. Don't you think Howells' latest story is one of the best he has ever written?"—Chicago

"You say dat Mistah Rasberry Jinkins is done reformed an' Jine de church?" "Yassindeed." "Gwine to gib up all his bad ways?"
"Yas. You see he's done got de dyspep so bad dat he can't eat chicken, nohow. Washington Star.

THE WONDERFUL COUNTRY.

John Boyle O'Reilly. once was a time when, as old songs The earth was not round, but an endless plain; sea was as wide as the heavens above Just millions of miles, and begin again.

And that was the time, aye, and more's the

pity It ever should end!-when the world could singers told tales of a crystal city wonderful country far away!

But the schools must come, with their scales and measures. To limit the visions and weigh the spells; They scoffed at the dreams and the rain-And circled the world with their parallels meadows,
Where a poet might ride for a year and
a day;
They sounded the depths and they plerced
the shadows,
Of that wonderful country far away.

or fancies they gave us their microscopics. For knowledge, a rubble of fact and Wing-broken and caged, like a bird from Romance at the wandering stars looked Cold Reason, they said, is the earthly Eden, Go, study its springs, and its oree assay; But fairer the flowers and fields forbidden Of that wonderful country far away.

questioned the slumbering baby's laughter, And cautioned its elders to dream by rule; All mysteries past and to come hereafter Were settled and solved in their common But sweeter the streams and the wild birds singing.
The friendships and loves that were true alway: The gladness unseen, like a far bell ringing. In that wonderful country far away.

Nay, not in their reason our dear illusion, But twee than truths that are measured and weighed—
O land of the apirit! where no intrusion
From bookmen or doubters shall aye
made! There still breaks the murmuring sea greet us On shadowy valley and peaceful bay; And souls that were truest still wait

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