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M. B. HUNGATE.

Notary Public.

Congressman Hitchcock's game bag is not filled with rabbits' feet.

Mr. Bryan will have a hard time if he tries to avoid "the enemy's country" this

is to be resumed this month.

overwear.

Bryan's post-mortem oration over Parker summed up in a nutshell-Never say anything that would hurt the tender sensibilities of the dead.

to get into the war class as a death- and citizens of Omaha generally should and commercially, the great mass of the the necessary means to enter the social is thus consumed in its production. Bedealer, but the railroad wreck remains put on their thinking caps and seriously population still remains poor and is circle to which they properly belong, we reunchallenged champion.

filled by a republican—and Bryan only ten blocks away from the capitol.

Governor Mickey may extend executive clemency next Christmas to well behaved convicts, but he will hardly be disposed to pardon John N. Baldwin and his knifing brigade.

Success brings responsibility. The failure to bring about needed reforms in legislation to democratic oppositioneither in the state or nation.

A Frenchman who assaulted the French minister of war has been arout t pistols and coffee for two is going fashion in gay Paris?

plurality man who ever scored a larger be fought out before it is settled right war is near the extreme eastern boundore Roose in Douglas county than Theo The Bee will stand just where it has daries of her vast dominions has uncarried the calt was James E. Boyd. who stood. Not one word, not one syllable doubtedly made that conflict immensely the anti-proh bunty by over 11,000 during that it has uttered in the last campaign more costly to her than it has been to ibition cyclone of 1890.

President Rol isfaction of knursevelt has the great sat- pal ownership of water works could not sian people are sunk to almost the last of the White pleased with his tenancy establishment of a municipal public such that it is next to impossible to any other present House than with that of lighting plant. Whether the water works wring from them another cent of taxa-A Russidat

Francisco's an officer detained at San ever with the question whether Omaha war is concerned the Russian people are ing harb as the result of the Lena seek- should continue to pay \$90,000 a year for little better off than the Japanese. Such high tey or in that port writes in such badly lighted streets and have a large being the conditions neither country will high ter or in that port writes in such badly lighted streets and have a large being the conditions neither country will a second or his entertainment that portion of this money used as a corrup- find it an easy matter to obtain money To change the destination of his fleet.

vacancy in the chairmanship of the com- people for doing their own public lightmittee on mines and mining in the Nebraska senute, which, since the organization of the state, has belonged by pre- works primers published cannot befog scription to a member of the minority

Roosevelt to take the lead in bringing at the mercy of the water company by about peace between Japan and Russia. preventing the negotiation of the pur-That unprecedented popular vote must chase of the water works on terms favorhave convinced the British that the pres- able to this city or building a plant of its ent chief executive can get anything he own. The mischief of that vicious piece goes after.

York for a protracted stay. In the light of Colonel Watterson's threat to hang itself of the three appraiser clause of the not sound complimentary to political him if he didn't carry Indiana he proba- original contract, thus leaving the city fakirs. bly feels safer with more remoteness between him and that doughty warrior from its agreement and it cannot erect a than the distance between French Lick plant of its own because it cannot afford and Louisville.

for any news that it can steal.

THE DISRUPTED DEMOCRACY. the future of the denseratic party? Will far service for \$50,000 a year. the so-called "conservative" element who to a considerable extent surrencountry. When the whig party went alone, to pieces it was succeeded by the republican party. That was half a century ago. Is the now disastrously defeated

ing conditions? democracy in the south.

Less unsold copies...... 10,075 and the men who secured him the nomi- due the Cuban volunteers, the total years ago.

tion of the democratic party will be tion is quite certain to be maintained. Utah will now approach nearer the the man most likely to again become the be gratifying to all our people. center of the stage. The Smoot inquiry leader. The conservatives have had their opportunity and most ingloriously failed. Those who supported the plat-The blizzard that swept the country forms and the candidates of 1886 and November 8 caught the democrats wear- 1900, and whose shibboleth is "democing summer underwear and minus winter racy against plutocracy," are now pretty certain to come to the front and in all probability assume command of the party.

ISSUES THAT REMAIN UNSETTLED. The tenement house fire is attempting excitement is subsiding the taxpayers she has made great progress industrially For the first time in Nebraska's his- the municipal lighting plant bond propo- sary by the preparations for and the tory every seat in the senate will be sition has not disposed of that issue any prosecution of the war. Moreover the of the water works plant.

electric light monopoly can afford to ex- Russia, whether the Japanese governpend more than \$20,000 in a desperate ment would be able to meet its national effort to defeat municipal ownership of obligations. It has been estimated that clates." public lighting must arrest popular at- the cost of the present war to that countention and make thoughtiess people try will reach \$1,000,000,000 and for a republican party cannot attribute any think for themselves and cheap editors country of the limited resources of Japan blush, if people who publish papers for that necessarily means a tremendous revenue only can blush over prostituting drain and burden. themselves to such base ends. This is not said in a spirit of malice or disap- war loan, and while her chances of obpointment, but in sober resentment over taining it are better than those of Japan the base betraval of Omaha's interests there is no eagerness being shown to rested for the offense. Is it possible by Omaha men who ought to stand for get her securities. While Russia's re-Omaha instead of standing for anything sources are vastly greater than Japan's

they are paid for, sions of public lighting contracts and for buying up newspapers and ward heelers There will probably be an unfillable to defeat propositions presented to the

ing at a reduced expense. All the delusive and deceptive water the over-shadowing fact that should be patent to all intelligent men familiar with our condition, namely, that the com-Great Britain now expects President pulsory purchase bill has placed Omaha of legislation cannot, however, be undone because the city of Omaha, through part of the municipal corporation to avail bound hand and foot. It cannot recede

to own two water works plants. This fact may not yet have dawned or In the compilation of election returns, the wiseacres of the Commercial club. as in all other things, The Bee prides who endorsed the bill without underitself as being the only real newspaper standing its effect, and more recently opin this section of the country. Its local posed municipal ownership of a lighting popocratic contemporary is merely doing plant on the plea that it would block wild guessing, while the "afternoon the purchase of the water works plant. scavenger" is foraging on the enemy and In due time, also, it will begin to dawn struction in congress next term, for the home. With Parker went down the philappropriating what it can lay its hands on members of the Real Estate exon, its fixed policy being never to pay change, who allowed themselves to be obstructors, and the few who remain now in its course of progress, conserva

Unterly disrupted and disorganized by the city is paying \$00,000 a year for puted subjects. its overwhelming defeat, what is to be street lighting when it could secure bet-

It was unfortunate that these ecocontinue in control, or will the radicals, nomic questions were presented at a time when demagogues and mountedered their views in the last national banks were seeking to ride into office convention, again assert themselves and through appeals to popular prejudice and seek to gain command of the party? The Ignorance. That period, however, is now question is of timely interest. There happily passed. From now on municipal will always be two great parties in this ownership will be discussed on its merits

MORE FAVORABLE FIGURES.

The latest figures in regard to our democratic party to be succeeded by an- trade with Cuba are more favorable, other political organization representing showing that for the first nine months certain principles of democracy, yet in of this year the exports from this counthe main placing itself on new lines and try to the island made a very considerputting itself more in accord with exist- able increase over the corresponding months of last year. These statistics It would seem that this is inevitable, appear not to justify the statements In its present character the democratic recently made by the American minister party will appeal in vain for the support to Cuba, though it cannot be said that of a majority of the American people, they meet the expectations at the time Its principles do not commend them; the reciprocity treaty went into effect, were so confidently assured by Mr. Cody selves to popular intelligence and popu- It is true that we are doing more busilar patriotism. They are hostile to the ness with the island republic than at progressive tendency of the age. They that time, but the growth is still far do not appeal to that American spirit short of what was anticipated. It is which looks upward and onward. Un- suggested that this is in a measure the til, therefore, the democratic party shall fault of our own people, that the extent put itself in harmony with this spirit, of our benefit from the treaty will deuntil it shall cast away its policy of ob- pend chiefly on the commercial energy struction, until it shall cease to be a of American merchants. Cuba. it is reparty of negation and reaction, it is cer- marked, will not throw her orders into a quiet campaign will excite alarm. tain to remain hopelessly in the minor- our walting hands. The hands must ity. As already indicated, it may even reach for the orders. Otherwise they lose its grasp upon the stronghold of will be the reward of English and German activity.

Obviously the democratic leaders in It is interesting to note that as to this year's campaign will exert very lit- general conditions in Cuba they are reptle influence upon the future of the resented as very encouraging. In his party. They have been so decisively message to congress, the winter session than the amazing and imposing, and perrejected and repudiated that they have of which opened a few days ago, Prest- haps disquieting, apparition of Japan?" virtually no following today. Parker dent Palma noted that half the debt Why should Mr. Morley say "disquieting?" nation are the worst discredited politi- amounting to \$28,500,000, had been paid. cians the country has ever known. The The revenues of the republic have been democracy is absolutely without a ample for meeting all the requirements leader. The party stands for no well- of the government and leaving a small defined principle, unless it be its tradi- surplus. It therefore appears that finantional opposition to the protection of our cially Cuba is on a sound basis and as industries and labor, as to which it is by she cannot, under the Platt amendment. no means as strong now as it was twelve incur debt unless the ordinary receipts are sufficient to pay off the sinking fund The probability is that the reorganiza- and interest, the sound financial condieffected by the radical element, in which In short, the young republic seems to be event it would not be difficult to name making good progress, a fact that will

SEEKING WAR LOANS. Japan is to raise a domestic loan and will also endeavor to obtain a foreign of the government in foreign money to stand a long war than was the United markets have not been quite satisfactory. It appears that there is no great desire in either London or New York for Japanese government securities. The Now that the smoke of battle has explanation of this is in the fact that cleared away and the heat of political Japan is not a rich nation. Although contemplate the vital issues by which growing more impoverished under the they are still confronted. The defeat of heavy burden of taxation made necesmore than it does of the problem with collateral which Japan offers is not of a which we shall soon be compelled to character to attract capital, at least grapple with regard to the acquisition while the outcome of the war remains On the contrary, the very fact that the though Japan should be victorious over

Russia is also looking abroad for a her national debt is tenfold greater, and In the irrepressible conflict that must the fact that the seat of the present has been inspired by selfish or mercenary her adversary. Besides, according to all motives. We reiterate that the munici- accounts the great mass of the Ruslowing that more Amer- have been delayed or frustrated by the degree of poverty and the situation is five years hence can cut no figure what- far as ability to stand the exactions of being the conditions neither country will dmirst Rojestvensky may be expected tion fund for securing periodic exten- abroad and without money hostilities cannot be indefinitely maintained.

The aggregate vote polled in Douglas county on president will approximate 27,000, or fully 3,000 less than the number that should have been cast if all the men entitled to vote had exercised their franchise privilege. The registerd vote in Omaha and South Omaha was but a fraction less than 28,000 and the vote in the country precincts, outside of

"The returns received look something like Mickey," says the World-Herald two days after. But democrats who have been betting on Berge on the strength Tom Taggart has returned to New its mayor and council, has agreed on the of World-Herald forecasts and hindcasts are saying something that does

Omaha, exceeded 3,000.

"It is now evident that the election of any democrat to congress in this district was impossible," excinims Mr. Hitchcock in his card of thanks. It was evident from the outset that the election of a more of splendid advancement, wise democrat in this district to congress was achievement and rightcome aggrandizement impossible with The Bee on the other

There will not be quite as much ob- national progress, both abroad and at buncoed into apposing a proposition to will have a better idea of public senti-

expend \$500,000 on a lighting plant when ment on a number of previously dis-

A Prophecy Fulfilled. Brooklyn Engle, Nov. The independent vote will decide!

It's Up to You, Colonel. Kansas City Star. President Roosevelt and Judge Parker have both declared that they will not again run for the presidency. Has Brother Bryan any statement to make of his political intentions?

Phantom Fleets Again

Baltimore American. A member of the army general staff says that the United States' coasts are at the mercy of a foreign foe. But this should not alarm the natives when we stop to remember the valiant repulsion of the famous phantom fleet which attacked our defenceless coasts in the late Spanish war.

> Silence of the Press Agent, Indianapolis News.

Without finding any trace of the Cody bank robbers, the posse that was in purmit of them has returned to do its duty as American citizens and vote at the election. Meantime, what has become of Buffalo Bill, whose appearance on the scene, we himself, would settle the whole matter?

Apathy on the Surface Only. Chicago Chronicle.

The sages who were so sure that the noiseless campaign of the last three months was due to the fact that the people were indifferent in regard to the result of the election will now have to guess again. Perhaps they might take refuge in some of the proverbs, such as "Still waters run deep." or "A barking dog never bites." Hereafter

The Wonder of the West.

Springfield Republican. John Morley's view of the rise of Japan may be inferred, perhaps, from his statement in his Piesburg address: "The up-building of the west is reckoned by some the most important world movement of the last 100 years, but is it more important

Putting Up a Great Fight.

New York Tribune. General Stoessel, in a proclamation to his soldiers, calls them "granite cliffs," and says that for their enemies they "feel only pity," and then wires the czar that Port Arthur is to be his tomb. Whether the general is correct as to the location of his tomb it is yet too early to say, but in any event Port Arthur will be a monument to perpetuate the fame of the gallant Russian fighter.

> War Resources of Japan. Cleveland Leader.

A Japanese gentleman of education and distinction is authority for the statement that Japan can call into service at short notice 1,500,000 men of strong physique, and ther decay. this in addition to the large national guard. The total number of males available, between the ages of 17 and 40, was given in that Japan, insofar as resources of men are concerned, is in much better condition States in 1861.

Underpaid Consular Service. New York Independent. It goes without saying that he ought to be able to return their hospitality in a can do so unless they have a private income. "When we deprive our consuls of peated for a third time and another month Monroe. It is very true, but there has been little improvement in this respect since Monroe's day, "It is not sufficient to have our representative living abroad as cheaply as he can afford to exist," said Senator Sumner, "because his social position is an important factor in his power to uncertain. It is an open question, even as a consul wrote some time ago, that "there is hardly a consulate in the world where the American representative is not the most shabbily housed, poorly served and poorly paid among his consular asso-

MEANING OF THE AVALANCHE.

Vote of Confidence. Chicago Inter Ocean (rep.). It is an overwhelming vote of confidence

Illustrious Personal Triumph. New York Sun (Ind. rep.). One of the most illustrious personal triumphs in all political history.

Kansas City Times (Ind. rep.) The cause of democratic government triumphed in the success of Mr. Rooss-The Meaning is Plain.

Kansas City Journal (rep.).

A Triumph of Democracy.

The meaning is plain. The masses want prosperity to continue. The "big stick" has no terrors for a patriotic people. The People's Choice. New York World (dem.). It can be said of the people's choice of

Mr. Roosevelt, as Disraeli said of the man who married a second time: "It is a triumph of hope over experience." Verdict of Approval. New York Tribune (rep.). The result of the election is an overwhelming and impregnable verdict of ap-

Faithful Service Indorsed. Chicago Post (rep.) It is an endorsement of faithful service and a pledge of hearty support which should enable him to make the next four

years the most brilliant, the most

the acts of the Roosevelt administration.

portant in the nation's history. A Personal Victory. New York Times (ind. deni.). The result is a victory that is not s much republican as it is personal to Mr. Roosevelt, a victory more sweeping and remarkable even than that of Mr. Mc-Kinley in 1896, and comparable to that of

Indorsed by the People. Memphis Journal (rep.). President Rooseveit has received the reward to which a faithful public official

is entitled. A strong, efficient, clean and

aggressive administration has been en-

dorsed by the people as no administration

or candidate has been in a generation.

Grant over Greeley in 1872.

Let Old Glory Wave. Cleveland Leader (rep.). Old Giory itself floats more joyously and proudly than ever in the breezes of this morning, and we are right in assuming that the country has started on four years

Roosevelt and Progress.

Chicago Tribut Both Roosevelt and the west believe ! BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

on the Spot. Now comes the announcement with other good news that the pressure of banks on the Treasury department for one and twodollar bills has materially relaxed and the more comfortable. A few days ago when the pressure was highest Treasurer Roberts explained, without the shadow of a smile, that the unusual demand was due o the exhaustion of the silver bullion. 'As is generally known," says a correspondent of the Brooklyn Eagle, "sliver certificates of small denominations are issued against coining silver dollars, the latter being stored away in the treasury vaults as guarantee for the paper money. When congress stopped the purchase of silver bullion for this purpose, there remained in the possession of the government a tremendous amount of the uncoined metal. This has been gradually used from month to month since, but practically the last bit of it was coined in rency and the most popular form of money -the one and two-dollar bills. "The dally treasury statement has given

a graphic account of the rapid eating up is sure of getting \$200 at least. It is a curiof the reserve stock of silver dollars against which Treasurer Roberts could draw for new circulation. In July of this year the Treasury had more than 19,000,000 sliver dollars and there was then no difficulty in honoring the demands of banks for small notes. But with the movement of crops in August this sum began to shrink. it fell off in chunks and now is consider ably less than 1,000,000. In fact, to be exact, the government today has only 893 .-198 free silver dollars, and consequently it Ilmited to incerasing the circulation of small notes to that figure."

The days of the crisp bank note are numbered. Instead of being crisp the money which the government bureau of engraving and printing will hereafter turn out will be soft and velvety if important experiments which are now being conducted in the presence of treasury officers for the purpose of demonstrating the advantages of a novel chemical treatment for paper prove satisfactory.

The result of the adoption of the new secret process will be to revolutionize a portion of the work connected with the printing of paper, money of the United

States. Under the new process it will take just sixty days' less time to manufacture a bank note than under the present method. The chemical solution not only renders newspaper advertising. the paper soft and velvety, but it also

makes it nonshrinkable. By applying it to a Japanese napkin that article becomes as soft and pliable as a tissue of silk. The chemical preparation acts as an antiseptic and preservative. When applied to old documents it seems to knit the fiber together and prevent fur-

Under the present process of printing paper money the paper has to be thoroughly soaked in water. While it is in 1898 at 8,084,098. People will not remember this soaked condition one side of the paper is printed. The sheet is then placed in a steam room and kept under a high temperature for thirty days, the time necessary for ink to dry. The sheet is again soaked as in the first instance and the reverse failed to score. side of the bill printed. The thirty-day drying process then has to be repeated. In cases where a third impression on the bill is necessary, which is required when

suitable manner, but few American consuls the printing is done in two colors, the wetting and drying process has to be rethe fiber of the po and drying rot although it is "starched" to give it the crisp appearance the starch soon wears out and the bill becomes limp and worn. In printing bills on paper that has been treated by the new process no wetting is

necessary. The ink loses none of its luster when applied to the paper as under the old process and is thoroughly dry within forty-eight hours after the printing is

The prophecy made by a Philadelphia ortune teller caused Mrs. Mary Scott Townsend to build a palace around and over one of the finest old mansions in the national capital.

Mrs. Townsend is the daughter of the late Colonel Thomas Scott of the Pennsylvania railroad, and when she married died in Lake City, Fla., on Sunday. He R. H. Townsend and decided to make Washington her home she had considerable difficulty in determining how she was to get a home which would meet her ideas. There was one thing she felt she must Spray registers nine tons net. guard against-living in a house which had never been occupied. Years before she was married she had

been told by a fortune teller that if she should dwell in a house as the first tenant or owner misfortunes of many kinds would befall her and that she could expect to live but a few months after taking up her residence in a new house. This same witch had given "readings" with such accuracy and they had been realized with such correctness that Mrs. Townsend felt that she could not fight against the old woman's prognostications.

The result was that Mrs. Townsend set her foot down on any and every wish for a new home, and after weeks of careful and patient house hunting and without finding a dwelling which would measure up to her ideas as to what her home should be, she hit upon the idea of averting the hoodee by having a house built over an around an old mansion. This she believed would make the home hoodooproof. This was the only way she could solve the problem and at the same time proval for republican principles and for keep inviolate the promise she had given the witch that she would not attempt to live in a new house.

Mrs. Townsend selected an old mansion at the corner of Massachusetts and Florida avenues, for many years the Hillyer homestead. The property was bought and her architects were instructed to make plans for a palace so as to take in without material intereference the main portion of the old mansion, which used to be one of the finest in Washington. She assisted the architects in making plans for her private apartments. Stress was laid on the fact that the main portion of the old building must not be changed by the removal of joints, beams, floors, ceiling and general framework. The architects carried out in

"Help! Help! am falling!" cried the hair And a kind neighbor came

to the rescue with a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor. The hair was saved! In gratitude, it grew long and heavy, and with all the deep, rich color of early life. Sold in all parts of the world for sixty years.

structions, and Mrs. Townsend felt that she and seen her purpose accomplished-evading the misfortunes prognosticated by the Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched

witch. "This is what we call the oven period," remarked an officer in the redemption division of the Treasury department to a efficials of the money foundry are feeling | Washington correspondent. "About this period of the year foolish housewives all over the country start fires in stoves, latrobes and ranges, forgetting that weeks ago they used the ovens of them contrivances as hiding places for money. They discover their mistake when too late to save the bills, gather up the remains and send them to us for redemption.

"Within the last two weeks we have had a dozen cases of burned money rescued from ovens. This is always our experience at the beginning of cold weather. It is really astonishing how many people, chiefly women, will hide money away in stoves Then the most surprising thing is that they will forget they put it there and go ahead and start a fire. Here is a case that came February of this year when the mints in this morning. The owner states that this turned out 68,000 standard silver dollars, pile of blackened powder represents \$252, of That was the last time any addition was which \$200 consists of \$50 bills. The novice made to the volume of circulating our- looking at the ruins would say it is hope less to attempt to identify money in the mass. But our experts have discovered traces of four \$50 notes, so that the owner ous thing about burned money that the parts which remain sound longest are the orners where the numerals occur. The fine scroll work on that part of the note resists the flames longer than any other portion, and is responsible for most of the identifications.

"Yes, we are still getting returns from the Baltimore fire. Last week we had one of the largest cases of destroyed money from that confingration, identifying \$3.000 in national bank notes."

ECHOES OF THE FRAY.

"'E-Soap-us," it was; 'E-soup-us, it is, Possibly the rank and file resented the harge of "safe and sane," There will be two full Moons and on

Byrd in the next congress, Editor Pulltzer struck out for dear old London before the crash came.

It is fairly well settled that a mud road does not lead to the White House. Some days must pass before Tom Taggart fully recovers from his French Lick.

Let's not forget Henry Gassaway Davis. He did the best he could, for one of his years. The election of a democratic governor

in Massachusetts is a tribute to judicious Mr. Cleveland's home town and home precinct went as Parker's did-for Roose

velt. Everywhere the tall went with the

Judge Parker goes back to the farm. When a man is rudely joited by his coun trymen, getting close to nature is baim for the wounds.

hide.

The wail of discontent wasn't very loud in Chicago, but the socialistic democrats piled up 41,000 votes for Debs, against 6,500 polled four years ago. Eight Smiths out of a bunch of eighteen managed to land the congressiontl prizes

in various states. Two Jones appear on

the list of winners, but the Brown family Poor Tom Taggart! There remains not one mourner to pay him the tribute of a tear. One of his associates pronounces him a greater failure than his predecessor

James K. Jones. Heretofore, Jones held

the highest rank in his class. Confidence in "high living and right thinking" journalism received the rudest ar of all in the case of the Brookly The Engle scorned political prophecy, preferring safe and sane mathematical calculations. By this process of lofty mental reasoning the Eagle staked its pinions on 187,000 plurality for Parker in Greater New York. The subject is too melancholy to pursue it further.

PERSONAL NOTES.

A Chicago clergyman has just declared that women are not angels. Lord Milner announces that he will remain at Johannesburg until the finishing

touches have been put to his native and intercolonial policy. Jesse J. Finley, one of the few surviving brigadier generals of the confederate army,

was 92 years of age. Captain Joshua Slocum sailed into Boson harbor with his little yawi sloop Spray after a voyage of over nine years. The More than 500 students worked their way

through Columbia university last year, earning in various ways \$74.021.17, according to a report of the secretary of the committee on employment for students. Booker Washington, jr., the eldest son of Booker T. Washington, has filed an application for appointment as paymaster in the army. The applicant is now a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Among the local political campaigns in Missouri none was more lively than that between Edward Gibbany and Edward Ernst for prosecuting attorney in Gentry county. Gibbany was electioneering in the country one day, when he stopped at a farm house where a woman was milking a sow. Thinking about votes, he gallantly offered to finish the milking. As he milked he told the woman he was running for prosecuting attorney against Mr. Ernst Yes, I know the fellow," said she. "He's round behind the barn now holding the

CREAM

Improves the flavor and adds to the health-

LAUGHING GAS.

fulness of the food.

"Really, dear," said the beautiful dreat who was Pan's favorite wife, "I must have new bonnet."
"What." More expense!" exclaimed Par
"You must think I'm a regular dust-Pan.
-Philadelphia Ledger,

"When I was young like you I always went to bed at 9 o'clock," said the father "I guess, answered the son, "that you were pretty glad when you got old enoungh not to have to."—Washington Star.

"Now," said the visitor, "will you show me your racing stables and your prize helfers?" "I haven't any of either, replied the prominent politician.
"Is it possible," replied the other, "that you are running this farm to make money out of it!"—Chicago Tribune.

Barnes-They tell me Howe is going to Barry?
Shedd-Yes, it was a case of love at first sight on his side. He is a dentist you know, and had her for a patient. Naturally he discovered she was tongur-tied, and he proposed before she got out of the chair.—Boston Transcript.

De Style-What did your rich uncle leave you when he died? Gunbusta-Nothing. De Style-Didn't he say anything to you before he passed away? Gunbusta-Yes; he said nothing was too

Gunbusta-Yes; he sale Her—I wish you wouldn't always be rubbering at me whenever you see me on the street.

Him—I rubber at you, do I? Well, I thought I heard you say once that you liked to see a young man have some snap about him.—Chicago Tribune.

THE LAST LEAF.

Oliver Wendell Holmes. I saw him once before, As he pass'd by the door, And again The pavement stones resound. As he totters o'er the ground With his cane.

They say that in his prime.
Ere the pruning knife of Time.
Cut him down.
Not a better man was found
By the crier on his round
Through the town. But now he walks the streets, And he looks at all he meets Sad and wan, And he shakes his feeble head, That it seems as if he said: "They are gone."

The mossy marbles rest
On the lips that he has prest
In their bloom,
And the names he loved to hear
Have been carved for many a yea
On the tomb.

My grandmamma has said-Poor old lady, she is dead-Long ago,
That he had a Roman nose,
And his cheek was like a rose
In the snow.

But now his nose is thin.

And it rests upon his chin
Like a staff.

And a crook is in his back,
And a melancholy crack
In his laugh.

I know it is a sin
For me to sit and grin
At him here;
But the old three-corner'd hat,
And the breeches, and all that, Are so queer!

And if I should live to be The last leaf upon the tree In the spring—
Let them smile as I do now, At the old forsaken bough
Where I cling.



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