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Editor Edgar Howard has a dark horse for senator locked up in his editorial stable which he will trot out "at the proper time." Perhaps it's Chris Gruenther.

There's trouble brewing between the two factions of the democratic machine in Platte county, which is liable to break out in an open rupture when the time approaches for nominating a state ticket. The split will come when Shallenberger demands a renomination. Dahlman has some very warm supporters in Platte county, and interest in his candidacy is growing and the opposition to Shallenberger increasing. The action of the state convention in refusing to endorse the daylight law has caused considerable sorenes among the governors friends in Platte county and they are circulating the story that a former friend of the governor, whose recommendations were turned down, was in a measure respon sible for the action of the convention.

Chairman Dickinson, in one of his boyish communications in the Tribune of Carl Kramer as "the dis turbing element—the ulcer in our party-and we can never be in harmony until he is separated from the post office." Mr. Dickinson knows, as does every man familiar with the effort that is now being made to discredit Mr. Kramer by a bunch of lawyers and secure his job for one of thei number, that Mr. Kramer was a republican when the man who now assails him in public print was taking an active part in Platte county politics as the champion of the populist party and all that it claimed to stand for. Mr. Kramer was working for republican principles and keeping up the organization of the party and fighting for its candidates when another member of the Blackstone Ring was serving on the supreme bench of the state as the alleged representative of the Burlington railway. Carl Kramer was a consistent and loyal supporter of republican candidates when another one of the briefless bunch Boss Dickinson represents was riding over the county beseeching republicans to vote against their party candidates and for the democratic nominees. It is such men as Carl Kramer that has kept the republican banner waving when Dickinson was seeking to tear it down The attempt to besmirch the character of Mr. Kramer is resented by every fair minded republican in Platte county, and the job Mr. Dickinson has attempted to pull off as the representative of the Blackstone Ring will end in a fizzle. When the republicans of Platte county fully realize that the inner circle of the county committee are attempting to use them for their own selfish ends there will be a revolt in fact the revolt has already com menced. When Mr. Dickinson as sumes to dictate and boss every mem ber of the county committee and control their political acts, he ought to have sense enough to understand that there will be an emphatic protest. As chairman of the county committee, Mr. Dickinson ought to know that he was placed at the head of the com mittee to organize-not disorganize; to build up-not tear down; to treat all candidates for endorsement for positions in a courteous manner, even though the applicant may not be hi personal choice. If republicans differ with him he should not attempt to bluff them into line by inviting them into the back room of his office and there deliberately charge them with having been bribed. The chairman of the county committee should be a gentleman as well as a man of political sagacity. If there is a "disturbing element" or "ulcer in our party," it is not Mr. Kramer, but the chairman, who commenced his work of disorganization a week before the

county convention assembled by rush-

ing into print and assailing those who

do not agree with him. "Words."

Mr. Dickinson, "have weight when

there is a man back of them." And

do not forget, Mr. Dickinson, that

"experience keeps a dear school, but

fools will learn in no other."

THE NEW TARIFF LAW. now a law. Like all tariff measures | Chicago Inter Ocean. it does not meet the approval of every republican or the condemnation of

every democrat. with eastern republican senators in retaining rates in the Dingley bill. Leading democratic senators denouncplank in the Denver platform and voted to "protect" the products of ndustries in southern states. The last speech made on the democratic He deserves praise for that. He will side in the tariff debate was by Senator Baily of Texas, who pleaded for a duty on hides, yet the Texas statesman question will be imputed to him.claims to be a tariff "reformer."

Although the President approved the bill, as the best he could get under the circumstances, it is no secret that he is not fully satisfied with the measure, but nevertheless he regards it as a sincere effort to make a downward

traditional policy, will denounce the measure and apologize for the twentythree democratic senators and forty or fifty members of the house from the southern states who allied themselves with the Aldrich republicans and voted against amendments offered by representatives from western states for genuine tariff reform.

TOM JOHNSON FAILS AGAIN.

The people of Cleveland, Ohio, receptly voted down a proposition to insure three cent fares on a part of the street railways of that town. The three cent ordinance was fostered by Tom L. Johnson, who seems to be crazy on the subject. Johnson has wrecked his private fortune in fighting the Cleveland street railway. He secured a test of the three cent plan, but it proved a failure.

And now the people have again decided against him, Johnson.

Why do some men go crazy hating street railways? In every big city in uniqueness is under discussion. There the country, there is a wild man fight- never was but one H. T. White, and ing the street railways in the fiercest way and meanest way possible. Are not street railway investors entitled to reasonable compensation?

In the case of Cleveland, we must conclude that Johnson was rabid and unreasonable, since the people have repeatedly decided against him. A test demonstrated that three cent fare is not enough. And Johnson has lost fame and fortune in a foolish, unfair and unreasonable fight.

A dispatch says that Johnson received news of his defeat at home, 'guarded by policemen." After all his "fighting for the people," he guarded by policemen, to prevent per-

Tom Johnson's motives were no doubt good, when he started out, but during his long fight he has, in some way, became an impractical, meddlesome, troublesome nuisance. No one is warranted in concluding that a maority of the people want to be robbed, or that they are dishonest, while Tom Johnson is right.

Many other reformers finally become as unreasonable, as meddlesome, as unpopular and troublesome as Tom Johnson. For a time he was a national figure; today he is discredited, and seldom heard of except in connection with defeat.

Tom Johnson has demonstrated that a fight on a street railway company can be carried too far; that people become tired of a clamor that is untrue and un-

We believe it is also true that the pure food experts are going so far as to disgust the people. The pure food men have become cranks, and insist upon regulations that are unimportant and troublesome. The announcement that travelers on railway trains cannot have drinking water unless they carry their own drinking cups, is silly, in the opinion of many people who known as much as the men who are cranks on public health.

The reform stunt has been carried too far in every direction.-Atchison

## TARIFF COMMENT.

Thus the women of the country who rose in vigorous protest against the advances that were proposed in gloves and hosiery have won half their battle. Whatever may be thought of the new tariff as a whole or as to particular that it has been completed and that after these long weary months the people will at last know where they stand. The country can adapt itself to almost any tariff conditions, but uncertainty and suspense are almost ruinous.-New York Herald.

The benefits of tariff reduction, if any, will come through somewhat bet- the world are those who merely think ter conditions for great industries, increasing their demand for labor and thus making more work and more wages. The immediate benefit of the tariff settlement is that it gives cer-

certainty, to go forward with confiden-The so called Payne tariff bill is ce to take prosperity as it comes .-

The president has evidently accepted the wool and cotton schedules, not In the framing of the measure more | because he likes them, but because he than half the democratic senators voted can get nothing better. He may be blamed for them. But no tariff bill was ever just right, and none ever will be. The president has obtained a bill ed on the floor of the senate the tariff which is certainly more a revision downward than a revision upward. He has blocked certain determined raids on the pocket of the consumer. get it; and the prosperity which i bound to follow the settlement of the New York Mail.

This is one of the relatively few cases in which results can be reduced directly to figures and estimated in their effect on the pockets of consumers. We may benefit indirectly by a reduction in the duty on anchors and The democratic party, following its iodoform, on pig lead and sulphate of ammonia, but the gain is not perceptible through the medium of the household expense book.—New York Sun.

> John J. Sullivan, the only non-partisan democrat in Nebraska, will be a candidate for supreme judge. With such men as Sullivan on the bench, no matter whether republican or democrat, the supreme court is safe, but there are democratic candidates for the hurry. job who would be partisans first and last and all the way along the line .-Kearney Hub.

### EDITOR PAID FOR PRIVILEGE

Hired Reporter for One Day, That He Might Have Satisfaction of Firing Him.

One of the oddest, quaintest characters that ever held the desk of managing editor was H. T. White of Chicago. Many people still consider Mr. White one of the greatest newspaper men that ever lived, but that doesn't count one way or the other when his It is an even bet that there will never

One afternoon when Mr. White was managing editor of the Daily News he strayed out into the local room and there found a cool, complacent young man roosting atop of a desk and puffing an inferior cigarette.

Say, you useless, pop-eyed son of an obelisk," thundered Mr. White, "don't you see that sign, 'No smoking?

"Now that you remind me about it." said the young man, agreeably. think I do."

"You think you do?" roared the boss. "You know you do! Now, young man, whoever you may be, you go down to the cashier and tell him I said to give you whatever's coming to you. Then you get out! You're fired.' The young man waved the cigarette

in mild protest. "But, Mr. White," said he, "I'm not working here. I just came up to see

if I could get a job." Mr. White, who was not personally acquainted with any of the minor lights of the local staff, was dumfounded for an instant. Then he growled, savagely:

"Well, then, you insolent, impertinent, bat-faced baboon, you go to the city editor and tell him I said to put you to work. And to-morrow, you striped hyena of the Gobi desert, I'll have the satisfaction of firing you!" And he had it, while the young man got one day's pay.

## ARE MARVELS OF ENDURANCE

East African Carriers Said to Make Light of Feats That Would Stagger a Mule.

A carrier costs about 10 cents a day n our money, with a few red bananas and green stuff thrown in for his food. One will "tote" a load of sixty pounds through a place where a Missouri mule would lie down in disgust, according to a writer in Putnam's. Toting here means a good many things. The packers will follow an elephant road, cut their way through flags and reeds high above their heads, wade through black mud up to their necks, and when they "squat" the bundle from their heads it will be dry and clean. There are man toters in the cavavan. Mr. Roosevelt is a rather heavy weight, but the Baganda carriers have back muscles like iron that will hold him above the water unaided, for they are among the strong est men in the world, and "Ndulu" is the song in which they brag of their ability to do "stunts" like this. If Kermit takes a snapshot of his father sitting on the shoulders of a toter, his legs astride his neck, it will probably not be published, but this sort of thing is common enough in the swamps.

Some. funny things go into those bundles. Not only food and clothing, dishes, bedding, even stoves, but they tie live goats and calves by their legs, curve them like links of the letter S

Never Give Up. If you have lost faith and hope, you are indeed in a bad way. Harrow the ground and start fresh seeds of hardy plants of the same species. Never

A Difficult Problem. It is often difficult to decide whether the most disagreeable people in they are our superiors or those who really are.

Woman Suffrage Gladys-"So you've sent Herbert about his business, have you?" Maybelle-"Yes. But I have since used tainty, and frees the people from un- the er recall on him."

## PLAYING FOR BIG GAME

Fame has uncovered a hitherto un- lion dollars goes into new buildings known young man who is playing a every year. This code proposed to large part in the affairs of New York. make the superintendent of buildings From him came the opening of the the supreme authority as to what fight on the revised building code, materials, what elevators and what which Charles F. Murphy and Chief equipment should be used. Where Daniel F. Cobalan of Tammany went his opinion differed from the code, the down to defeat.

born in the little town of Hamburg, head in each borough to ruin any one Ark., an infant who was christened line of industry that raised its head William F. McCombs, ir. His moth- and to make millionaries among such er was of the Pugh family, kin to the favored persons as might be designated Alabama senator. It became essential to receive his approval. in course of time for the youngster to from which he graduated in 1901.

ory, the young man sat down to pick The papers won the fight." out a place to earn a living.

"I'll take the biggest on the map," he said, and he packed his few belongings and headed for New York. He had to make a start and make it in a man, whose gray hair fell carelessly

along came a lot of the New York whose mobile mouth 'miled as he of the New York, Westchester & Boston Railway. Two concerns had franchises and the question that vexed the financiers was whether or not the es. These eminent lawyers put the the result is well known.

stamp of their approval upon the initi- "I just helped Bill," is the way Mr. when attacked in court, the court of tee." appeals sustained the first job of the

a salary, he could do the same thing way. for himself. The more he thought of the matter the better it looked to him.

Right here came the making of the man. With no money and without a game and setting his sights high. got a stock exchange house for a client, at the head of an office with a force of old place on a salary.

Among these clients came the Rochling Construction Company, and at- McCombs has done his chief service. tached to this employment came his He is secretary of the Princeton Club opportunity. Here is how he viewed

ling Company. Before two weeks had to a young man, chiefly in places bigger one than my private employ- heads of establishments. The comto be regarded in the light of a private tween the gray-headed alumnus and corporation's matter.

"In the city of New York 250 mil- start.-From the New York World.

DANCING THE KOLO

OF MONTENEGRO.

Effect is Said by Witness to Be Fine

-Stern Fighting Men Occasional-

ly Find Leisure for the

Pastime.

is the kolo, somewhat similar to the

horo of Bulgaria. Both sexes take

part, crossing hands and forming an

unjoined circle. The music they sup

ply themselves, each end of the horn

alternately singing a verse in honor

The kolo is always danced at any

great national festival, and the effect

of the sonorous voices and swaving

ring is very fine. Then there is an

other dance performed by four or five,

usually youths, to the acompaniment

of a fiddle, the leader setting a lot

imitate at once. It is really a sort

of jig and makes the spectator's head

"I never saw any dances in north-

ern Albania," says a writer in The

Wide World, "though certain Slav ar

dances, with beauteous maidens sway

girls. A casual observer who has

seen the Albanians come into Monten-

egrin markets or to their great week

ly gathering in the bazar of Scutari

could never picture these stern men

dancing or at play.

swim if he watches it for long.

of the prince and his warlike deeds.

The national dance of Montenegro

code was superseded. It thus was pro-Thirty-three years ago there was posed to make it possible for a single

"Tammany had allied its forces. We learn something and they sent him could not get the other people engaged over to Bellbuckle, Tenn., in the mid- in building work to join in the fight bedle of the horse country, where the old cause they feared if they did the poli Webb Academy had acquired a reputa- tical organization would wipe them tion for instilling "hoss" sense into pu- out of business and that they would pils. After that start Mr. McCombs never have another contract in the got to Princeton, where he was mem- city. So we went it alone. I realized ber of the class of '98. Then came a that it was a matter that the public course in the Harvard. Law School must take up and understand if the fight succeeded. The newspaper be-When the last "rah rah" had lost its gan to grasp the full sign ficance of echo and the class of '01 was a mem- the thing and joined in the attacks.

But of the hundreds of persons in terested in the municipal contest, few. very few, knew the spare, thin, young over a broad forehead, whose stee He got a place in a big firm. Then eyes penetrated everything in sight bankers who were planing to put 200 plunged the knife into Tammany, and million dollars into the construction who was the silent, never-sleeping power behind the fight.

The figure was McCombs.

But when the mayor had come scurrying back from his vacation to franchise of the company they thought kill the code, the limelight began to of backing would stick. The firm turn McComb's way. It developed turned the matter over to the new that he was the same young man who man. He wrote the opinion sustain | had shown "Big Bill" Edwards how ing the validity of the franchise. The to catch the snow grafters, and how to firm sent it to William B. Hornblower, go after the dump grafters. Hand in John G. Jackson and Governor Hugh- hand he worked with "Big Bill," and

al work of the new law aid and the McCombs put it when asked about bankers put in the money. Later, the fight "I was his counsel without a

Feeless he had prosecuted that graft man who picked the big game for his fight, and his interest in civic matters led him to turn his private employ ment by the Roeblings into a public Then McCombs got to thinking that fight when he got the chance. He if he could turn that sort of a trick on doesn't care much for money, any-

"I got interested in that code, out side of my employment," he said "Do you know that I found 182 instances in the code in which the superclient, he opened an office in the Wall intendent of buildings was mentioned, Street district, still playing for big and if that code had gone through there would have been a czar in every borough who would have done what and then a corporation. Others came his political leaders said, and he would to his net, and he soon found himself have held every building in New York in his grasp completely. Any men working up his cases, just as he other city except New York would would have done had he stayed in the have gone wild when it found that fact out."

It is in his feeless work that Mr. and he evolved the scheme of forming a "Committee of Opportunities." It "I come into the fight on the Build- is the business of this committee to ing Code as the attorney for the Roeb- keep a card index of every job open passed I realized that the matter was a where old graduates of Princeton are ment, and that it was too far reaching mittee stands as a connecting link bethe youth who is trying to make a

> fearlessness that is remarkable. The strongest men carry bombs or rather hand grenades—things the Turkish soldier particularly abominates.

"I was told once how a certain man PART OF NATIONAL FESTIVAL whom I knew well saved his band from destruction. They were fairly cornered, and the Turks closing in when the bomb thrower stood.up amid the hail of bullets, lit the fuse with his cigarette and rushed toward the soldiers, who seeing his intention

promptly made tracks. "It was of course lucky that the Mohammedan soldier, who does not much mind being sent to Paradise with bullet, thinks his chance of eternal bliss very doubtful if he is blown ut with dynamite. The nerve required to be a bomb thrower is worthy of a lit tle reflection. He must absolutely ex pose himself, and as the fuse is very short the ignition must be coolly con sidered.

"If premature it means the destruc tion of himself and comrades, and when it is fairly alight the bomb must be thrown with mathematical exactitude. In other words, the man must whelming force alone and not throw till he is close up to it."

"I have decided to suspend your sentence," the judge began. "For the tists love to depict wonderful sword Lord's sake, judge, you don't mean to say lifting a few chickens is a ing gracefully after the style of nautch hanging matter!"

Heavy Sentence.

A Speedy Substitute. "I would love, if only once, to have a swell luncheon." "Why not try one of dried apples and water?"-Baltimore American.

"They never smile and they look Doing Their Best. the life they they lead, each clan ever "Those Comeups are determined to ready for war with its neighbor and make a noise in the world of society." absolutely pitiless in the vendetta When fighting the Turks the Monten- "Are they? Well, they're loud egrins evince a heroism and utter

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