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the scene from the silent bivouac of twenty thousand of our dead comrades on the other side of the Potomac. And I would ask my comrades and fellow citizens shall this spirit and sentiment prevail, or shall it be discontinued?

Answer that on the 8th of November.

On the banks of the noble Hudson there dwells an eminent citizen, a courtly gentleman, a distinguished patriot, a profound statesman, a just judge, who, if elected president of these United States, will carry to that responsible office dignity, ability and high character; and his administration, I know, will be marked by patriotism, integrity and earnest efforts. not only to promote the welfare of the people now living within-our borders, but to preserve for those who shall follow us this blessed inheritance within the bounds prescribed by the fathers wno founded our great republic.

With enduring memories of those anxious days when the perpetuity and the honor of the Union were at stake, to show me the local color of unknown and with a high appreciation of the regions and the bright stars of imservice our comrades rendered to the country, I remain

Very sincerely yours, NELSON A. MILES.

A Bargain

Burton Holmes, the lecturer, who recently made a tour of Alaska after material for his illustrated talks, was telling of the cost of living in the Klondike, says the New York Tribune. He said that a newcomer and become accustomed to paying \$1 for a drink, the same price for a shave, \$2 for a can of beans, 50 cents for a newspaper. So when he went to a dentist one day to have an aching tooth removed he was prepared to pay what would be considered an exorbitant fee back home.

"How much do I owe you?" he asked after the operation.

"One dollar," said the dentist. "That is the only thing I have found up this way that is cheap," said the man as he paid the bill. "How does it come that the price for dentistry has not been raised along with the price of everything else?"

"Oh, replied the dentist cheerfully, "the prices have been raised all right.

SLEEPLESSNESS

You will have no difficulty in procuring rest and sleep if you let Dr. Miles' Nervine sooth and strengthen the tired, agitated, weakened brain nerves. So long as they remain in this condition. you will be restless, trritable, melancholy. You are welcome to your money back if first bottle had full control of the administration does not help.





WHICH?

But, you see, your case is different. The fact is, I pulled the wrong tooth."

The Good of Books

I want books not to pass the time, but to fill it with beautiful thoughts and images, to enlarge my world, to give me new friends in the spirit, to purify my ideals and make them clear, mortal truth.

I wish to go abroad, to hear new messages, to meet new people, to get a fresh point of view, to revisit other ages, to listen to the oracles of Delphi and drink deep of the springs of Pieria. The only writer who can tell me anything of real value about my familiar environment is the genius who shows me that after all it is not but strange, wonderful, familiar, crowded with secrets unguessed and possibilities unrealized.

The two things best worth writing about in poetry and fiction are the symbols of nature and the passions of the human heart. I want also an essayist who will clarify life by gentle illumination and lambent humor; a philosopher who will help me see the reason of things apparently unreasonable; a historian who will show me how peoples have risen and fallen; and a biographer who will let me touch the hand of the great and the good. This is how real books help to educate in the school of life.-Harry Van Dyne, in Harpers' Magazine.

Decay of American Ships

In nothing has the republican party of the nation failed more signally than in fostering the American shipping trade. For forty years prior to the passing of the government into the hands of the republican party 80 per cent of American foreign trade was carried in American ships. During the past forty years the republicans have or of one house of congress—thus being

shipping trade and every administration has failed to carry out the prom-

The only shipping measure of moment proposed by a prominent member of the party was the subsidy bill suggested by Senator Hanna, and that was nothing but a plan to pay many millions of dollars a year to favored interests. It was a variation of the of Canterbury was attending a penny high "protective" policy under which reading "in darkest London," he was the great trusts have accumulated accosted by a working man of the

to deal adequately with this question is remarked casually: a matter of public notoriety. Judge Farker touches upon it as follows in his letter of acceptance:

"Our commerce in American bottoms amounts to but 9 per cent of our total exports and imports. For forty years prior to 1861, when the republican party came into power, our merchant marine carried an average of 80 per cent of our foreign commerce. By 1877 it had dwindled to 27 per cent. Now we carry but a contemptibly small fraction of our exports and imports.

"American shipping in the foreign trade was greater by almost 100,000 tons in 1816-nearly 100 years agothan it was last year. In the face of the continuous decline in the record of American shipping during the last forty-three years, the promise of the republican party to restore it is without encouragement. The record of the democratic party gives assurances that the task can be more wisely intrusted to it.

"It is an arduous task to undo the effect of forty years of decadence, and requires the study and investigation of those best fitted by experience to find the remedy-which surely does not lie in the granting of subsidies, wrung from the pockets of all the tampayers."

It is undeniable, as Judge Parker points out, that the record of the re-

I usually charge \$5 for pulling a tooth, able to block democratic legislation— publican party warrants the people in except for a short period, and during turning to another party to put the flag those forty years every republican in the place which it formerly occupied platform has promised relief for the on the seas. The policy of discriminating duties-that is, of lower customs duties on goods carried in American ships-is well worthy of considation as a means to attain that desirable end .- Denver News.

Real Sympathy

Some time ago, while the archbishop enormous fortunes for their promoters. out-at-elbow, red-nosed variety, who, The utter failure of the republicans noticing the archbishop's clerical dress,

"Curate, I suppose, sir." "No. I was once, but"-

"Ah, yes, I know, the drink," interrupted the man sympathetically, fellow-feeling making his voice "wondrous kind."-Exchange. .

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