THE DOUGHNUT OR THE HOLE?

Along in the fall of 1908, when we were whooping it up for Bryan and a revision of the tariff, some of our good republican friends turned upon us the cold optic of scorn, and blithely warbled "you can't convert us; why the grand old party is pledged to what our big leader calls 'a substantial revision downward,' so of course we'll stay by our party.'

Even all our tears and entreaties wouldn't phase them then. They stiffened their necks and hardened their hearts against good advice, and went to the polls and voted. Voted for continuance of conditions which were bad enough then, but are becoming rapidly intolerable.

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but they laughed us to scorn, threat- commodate the overflow. ened to maltreat us personally and with them was anathama.

They know better now. gimlet and sledge hammer methodand they're getting it.

"Let's have a continuation of good the natives. times;" "Let well enough alone;" "Look at the doughnut and not at the hole." And these cries, which originated from the Aldrich hirelings in the east, were phonographically taken up by poor fellows who really believed what they were yel-

Where's their doughnut now? Nearly all hole, isn't it, our republican friends? And the hole in your pocketbook gets larger and larger as you attempt to keep your family in sufficient food. How does this list strike you?

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1	Have your wages		rnings in-

creased in proportion? Which looks the biggest to you now-the doughnut or the hole?

Last question-who lied to you prior to the last national electionand why?-Nemaha County (Neb.) Herald.

THE WEEDS OF WANDER LANE

In Wander Lane the weeds grow tall, And there I love to walk. For somehow I do love them all And love with them to talk. They touch my hands as I go by; They even touch my cheek, Until on them I bend an eye

Down Wander Lane I often go, And leave those flowers behind That in my formal garden grow And scent the squandering wind. I love them all, but more I love

And with them stop and speak.

The weeds of Wander Lane, That with their simple beauty prove How queenly are the plain.

They rest the soul and rest the heart, And strengthen both anew, As one who, drinking long of Art, Doth yearn again for dew; And, speeding back to brook and

field. In Nature's living might Repowers himself, and finds unsealed

In Wander Lane the weeds grow

strong. With no one's hand to rule; They wear the dignity of song, Untaught of any school; Such dignity is theirs as bards

The fountain of delight.

In Doric ages wore, Content with sun and rain and shards. And asking nothing more.

By giving reduced rates for travel under certain conditions, Belgium has enormously increased her passenger business and revenue.-Ex.

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FROM THE HOTEL ANNEX

There was a big convention going on in a small town and the propriechurch across the street from the This we even tried to show them hotel and had put beds in to ac-

Two drummers who had been imstated that henceforth our name bibing quite freely were given beds in the church.

About 2 o'clock in the morning the Some fellows have to have the church bell, which was also the town fire alarm, began to ring. It brought out the fire department and all of

When the proprietor of the hotel Magazine.

rushed across the street and into the church he called out:

"Who's ringing that bell?" "I am," responded one of the drummers. "Send over two Scotch highballs and a pitcher of ice water to pew 17."-Norman E. Mack's National Monthly.

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Elderly Gentlemen-Say, did you see a hat that blew off that car? Policeman-Yes, I just threw it

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