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Now for Nebraska day!

The doctors disagree, as usual, about the climate and healthfulness of Cuba. The concerts at the exposition grounds

are worth twice the price of admission to the exposition rain or shine.

The man who travels the straight road can never be lost, and the man who travels in the middle of the road cannot be ion of the nation. led astray.

The best sermon preached in Omaha yesterday was without words. The tained for their territory, in the bill Transmississippi Exposition is text, ser- which passed congress last week, favors mon and prayer in one.

its star boarder. Douglas county, how- will be granted to New Mexico ever, is the one boarding house keeper land for educational and other that does not mourn the departure of its state purposes exactly the same

There is no reason why Omaha people should wait for a special day to visit the exposition. Every day should be a special day for them and the oftener the purposes and special grants for the agribetter.

The skin game gambiers are going right on without any fear of police in- land. The bill is now in the hands of terference because they know that the the president. police are under instructions not to see any gambling.

A jubilee celebration on the forthcoming opening of the new Burlington depot, for which Omaha has waited so long there is a prospect that by the time and which it is now about to enjoy, would not be inappropriate.

States, cities, towns and associations that want special days at the exposition overlooked is that the court will have to apply early if they wish to of private land claims has get in at the front. The supply is sure recently restored to the pubto fall short of the demand.

navy hospitals will be watched to see if cure some of this choice land. the last war is well founded.

the sent of war you will find it in the ment. In some respects it is better than telegraphic columns of The Bee. When statehood. The United States will conyou want sensational war fakes you will, tinue for some time to pay the salaries always find them on every page of the of territorial officers and the territorial Omaha Fakery.

Every one of the principal speakers on the Nebraska day program, with the solitary exception of the minister who is profession. For a farmer state this is doing pretty well by the lawyers.

And now the popocrats are complaining loudly beause Senator Hanna is doing nothing to draw the fire of their smooth bore guns. They denounce him when he does something and keep it up when he does nothing.

If the reform press can bring pressure of this city from police protected skin will feel grateful to the reform press.

With a one cent per mile rate from every station in Iowa and Nebraska be also permitted to vote for members within a radius of 150 miles from Omaha and very low fares from all other points, Nebraska day should be one of the reddest of red letter days.

Forty members of the house want to make speeches about Hawaii pending the consideration of the annexation bill; and yet there is not a new thing to be said on the merits of the case. Congress is nearly out of good subjects for debate.

The City of Mexico is to spend \$50,000 celebrating the completion of a new the soldier who stands under it stands railroad 150 miles into the state of Guer, on American soil and he is entitled rero. Our Mexican neighbors are at- to all the rights, civil and political, tending strictly to business and can af. that he was entitled to at his home formance with the organization that bea ford to burn a little powder celebrating 10,000 miles away, for by the laws of prohibition under the lead of the editor their triumphs of peace.

in Georgia politics. The man who is congress can make regulations as to how pretty sure to be the next governor of the elector shall exercise his right and over the stagnant pool of peace. Al- even been dimmed by the thickening clouds | Germany and Russia for the division of the the state has succeeded in becoming fa- whether it is home or abroad. If he is mous in his state as "the One-Eyed enlisted in the service of his country, Plough-hoy of Pigeon Roost." It is evi- wherever he is he is at his home so of tobacco shared by all women and her west and joins hands with it in this aus- second thought, the honesty and the wiser dent the po' whites are still running poli- far as those rights are concerned. tics in Georgia.

during the first half of the present teers in the United States army, wherintention of the president to send a the honor of their country, to exercise message to congress urging Hawatian the right of suffrage the same as if annexation as a necessity of the war they were at home. That is the very and it is said that his influence is being essence of republicanism. The volunexerted in behalf of the resolution pro- teer soldier is still a citizen. He forposing the absorption of the islands by feits or surrenders no right of citizen-

McKinley is in favor of annexation, by a representative in congress, a solthat policy. Confidence in the conservatism of the president and in his great know would be offensive to a large his government. portion if not the great majority of far to justify the worst opinion of Eu- mains an American citizen. ropeans in regard to the motives and purpose of this republic. We cannot bring ourselves to think that President McKinley, who has thus far shown a wise sagacity and statesmanship comwhich there is no valid reason or justification and lend his great influence of a path in which for more than a hundred years it has enjoyed security and realized a growth of power and a degree of prosperity without parallel

in the history of nations. We will not venture to predict what may be the result of the discussion in the house of the question of Ha wallan annexation. There is serious danger of the success of the annexationists, who seem to be in the majority. But it is to be hoped that in any event President McKinley will play no part in the result and that in this as in other respects he will take counsel of the prudent and sober opin-

FAVORS FOR A TERRITORY. The people of New Mexico have obwhich have never before been granted any territory in reference to the disposal The Douglas county jail will soon lose of the public land. Under this bill there as though it had been admitted as a state and the title will pass from the United States to the territory at once. There are the general grants for school cultural college, for asylums and charitable institutions and for river improvement-in all nearly a million acres of

The excuse for this unusual favor to New Mexico territory is that because of the proportionally small area of good land in the territory and the rapidity with which it is being homesteaded statehood is secured there will be little left other than the arid land which requires the expenditure of large sums to make it valuable. Another point not the financial needs of the exposition

lie domain large tracts of land heretofore in litigation and it is desirable that The reports from the camp, field and the territory should have a chance to se-

the claim of the medical profession to. The effect of this new policy for New great advances in medical science since Mexico will be beneficial. The territory is to get some of the benefits of statehood without any of the increased ex-When you want reliable news from pense of maintaining a state governlegislature will be able to begin making plans for the various state institutions that will be needed some time. There will be land seld soon and special funds will be accumulated which will be ready to deliver the invocation, is a lawyer by for use when the state is formed. New Mexico is already progressive and growing and this bill will greatly help in the forward movement.

And now Arizona and Oklahoma will ask for equally good treatment and there is no reason why they should not get it.

VOTING BY VOLUNTEERS.

There can be no doubt that public sentiment is in favor of allowing the enough on Governor Holcomb's reform volunteers to vote, wherever they may police commission to protect the guests be. There is precedent for this which ought to be respected and undoubtedly gamblers and thieving fakirs, Omaha will be. In 1864 fourteen of the states authorized their soldiers in the field to vote for presidential electors and there is no good reason why they should not of congress.

Speaking on this subject a few days ago Representative Grow of Pennsylvania said that congress can provide for a person to vote if he is enlisted under the flag of his country, wherever that has a right to float; whether on the deck of a ship on the high seas or on land thousands of miles from home. "The flag of the country that floats in Manila today," said Mr. Grow, "or wherever it has a right to float, congress he does not lose his residence wherever he may be in the service of Posing for effect is not yet out of date the country." Mr. Grow urged that

week. It has been reported to be the ever they may be fighting to uphold ship when he enters the military serv-While there is no doubt that President | Ice of the nation. As was well said icile with hlm. His identity is preregard for intelligent public opinion served. He simply goes out as a for-

Our volunteer soldiers, whether in the more thoughtful, sober-minded and Cuba, in Porto Rico or in the Philipconservative men of the nation. The pines, should be given an opportunity formly shown for that element of the most valuable right of the American people which has opposed the aban-citizen-the same as if they were at donment of long-established policy in home. The man who enlists to defend respect to our international relations the honor of his country and to updoes not permit the belief that at this hold its flag must not be deprived of juncture he is disposed to countenance the most sacred privilege that belongs or encourage action which manifestly to the citizen of this republic. Let it would place the United States in a be established now that under all cirfalse position before the world and go cumstances the American soldier re

DIVERTING EXPOSITION FUNDS.

When the people of Omaha and Douglas county voted \$100,000 of exposition bonds they had no idea that any part manding almost universal commenda- of this money would be diverted into ion, is ready to yield to a clamor for side shows under pretext that Douglas county must make a separate exhibit of its agricultural and horticultural prodto a proposal to drift the nation out ucts. Measured by their actual value or their advertising value. Donglas county's farm products bear an even smaller ratio to the products of Omaha's mills, factothe population of the country precincts to the population of Omaha and South Omaha. If the so-called societies that claim to represent horticulture and agvoted by the taxpayers, the manufacturers, merchants and jobbers would have good ground to demand ten times as nothing. At the very best the concession made to the political truck gardeners should have been within the allowance regularly made to county societies

for their annual fairs. Instead of being content with a recognition entirely out of place in an international exposition the Douglas county to build the Georgia state building, colexposition grounds. Such a waste of the big wheat crop. money intended to meet the legitimate demands of the exposition is utterly in-

Now, however, that the Douglas county side show has been installed an expenditure of more than \$2,000 or \$3,000 dium. or its care and maintenance during the exposition season would be a reckless waste and unwarranted diversion of public money. The proposed investment of money in fresh vegetables, fruits and so much money thrown to the winds. It is not expected that perishable material be placed on exhibit in an exposishould not be sacrificed to the rapacity idle in the treasury.

While the German-American press rarely indulges in pungent paragraphs, it must be credited with occasional dever shots that hit the bullseye of the target. In commenting on the recent appointment of political generals, the New Yorker Stants-Zeitung says: "Rethe army President McKinley seems to follow the example of his great predecessor, Lincoln, who also appointed a great many generals and colonels, just to do a favor to some politicians. One day Lincoln received a report to the effect that a 'newly-baked' general with his whole staff had been taken prisoners. In his dry manner he remarked: 'Sorry for the fine horses.' The bystanders seemed to be astonished and Lincoln added: 'Such generals I can make by the scores, but the horses are rare and cost \$200 apiece."

When President Faure gave a public reception to Baron Rotaschild, in accordance with time-honored custom, to congratulate him on having won the Grand Prix, the blue ribbon of the French turf, the announcement was made that the baron had decided to give his winnings, \$40,000, to the state department for the relief of the poor people in Paris. The announcement caused consternation among the horsemen and good legs and eyes. sporting fraternity, as it is an example that will have to be followed hereafter by all who wish to escape criticism, but it has brought joy to the poor people of the gay capital. English winners of great purses have long been in the habit of devoting their winnings to charity and this has done much toward silene ing criticism of those who follow the races for pleasure and not for profit.

by the wretched monomaniac imploring the exposition directory to throw the Jonah overboard is the same contemptuous ignoring of its author that met him when he went through a similar perof The Bee.

There are nice legal considerations to mingle temperance lessons with her paralleled prosperity.

DISCUSSING HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION. entering into this question upon which work of charity, yet she directed that STATE PRESS ON STATE POLITICS. Discussion of the resolution for the opinions will be divided, but it is not tobacco should be furnished the capannexation of Hawaii was commenced to be doubted that intelligent and tured men of the Spanish vessels at nesses of the flesh and another to arbi. man besides Maxwell this fall, trarily enforce rules of living on helpless prisoners and Miss Barton threw sentiment to the sharks and treated men

we hesitate to believe the reports which dier who goes to foreign soil does so ministration, having been thus re- convention would be a good time to correct represent him as aggressively urging under the jurisdiction of the American warded for his successful efforts in flag. He carries his home and his dom- throwing the votes that usually go to the Kearney Sun (rep.): The First congresprohibition ticket to the fusion combination. This makes the fourth chairman of leads us to think that he will not take eigh minister goes out, to represent the four fusion machines on the state A handsome thing for Mercer and a wise a course in this matter which he must and enforce the policy and the will of pay roll. But the voters who have here thing for the district, for if ever a congress of Chicago are largely concerned in all that tion the prohibition, populist or demo. ment it is Dave Mercer. cratic tickets are gradually having their eyes opened to this perversion of their respect which Mr. McKinley has uni- to exercise the right of suffrage—the organization for the pecuniary benefit of left in the \$10,000 fund appropri- ters, whatever, contributes to the growth self-seeking politicians who manage to ated by the last legislature to defray the and greatness of the vast territory within cumulate the party machinery in them- expenses of the smelling committee to in- the area of commercial influence with Chiselves. Fusion for revenue only will vestigate the different state institutions, cago as the center-to which Chicago is the not go permanently with men who belleve in principles.

Reports from the west show that a of these small expeditions this year, him battle in the coming campaign. The west is a fertile field for the studen's of nature and it is only to be regretted that our more or less esteemed congressman being treasured by the people of the Bill has already outlived his usefulness and west.

The records of an insane asylum in St. Louis furnish food for reflection to women were admitted to the asylum, riculture are entitled to expend more and of the women 104 were classified than 10 per cent of the exposition fund as having been engaged in domestic prevalent in the kitchens are deplorable much and the exposition would get these conditions are not enemies of mankind.

At least eight men other than the nomince had been working hard to secure the republican nomination for governor transportation and maintenance on the way against the republican party and chance!

space and abundant funds to make a on advertising that nobody reads. The

Although John Wanamaker missed the nomination for governor of Pennsylvania because a majority of the delegates were for someone else the Philaflowers from week to week would be delphia merchant prince is going to have something just as good in the form of a commission as lieutenant colonel of a regiment of volunteers.

Even when every letter that goes through the postoffice carries a postage of political hangers-on when the money stamp commemorative of the Transmisvoted by the people to the exposition is sissippi Exposition, the prominent man from Denver who has never heard of the order.

republicans have nothing to fear by making a square stand in favor of maingarding the appointment of officers in to have the Oregon kind of assurance.

The Crack of Doom.

Philadel; hia Times. Talking of sound money these election reports from Oregon appear to be caused by fulminate of gold. Curiosities of Cuban Climate.

Chicago Times-Herald. Cuba must be a queer country, so far as limate is concerned; the fall of Santiago occurs right in the middle of summer. Standing Up for American Honor.

Philadelphia Record. Two Oregons have recently won golden opinions-the battleship and the state from which it got its name. Both have shown that they are able to take care of themselves, and at the same time fully capable

of upholding the national honor.

Army Essentials. It is said that 75 per cent of the applicants for enlistment in the regular army are rejected on account of defective legs and eyes.

This does not mean, however, that three ourths of the community are blind or lame. at only that the regular army needs extra Irresponsible Clamor. Chicago Chronicle John Morley, the great English liberal astonishment that Americans should wish to entangle themselves in the

people of the United States gets a chance to make itself heard.

Proud Moment for the West. Considered in another light, the show is vastness of the resources of these transmississippi commonwealths-we had almost other in sending displays covering every War is also a good thing to dispel field of human activity. Over all shines Uncle Sam throwing off his slothfulness and some of the sentimental fogs that gather the rising sun of prosperity, which has not though Clara Barton, head of the Red Cross, has the same aversion to the use of toleron shared by all women and her prejudices might naturally have led her pictous hour of the nation's unity and un- patriotism of the country are against such a

---- day bears 10, 1000.

Hastings Tribune (rep.): Governor Holin the house on Saturday and will be patriotic public opinion will approve continued, according to announcement, of the proposition to allow the volumed to object from childhood and too busy just at present fixing his wires. comb wants a second term and he's going to to have deprived them of it would have Stanton Register (pop.): For congressman been real crueker It is quite one thing several of the papers of this district seem to preach against yielding to the weak- to be in favor of nominating some other

the Neligh Yeoman says, "let us walt

and if a better man can be found nominate

him." For the present we are for Maxwell. Red Cloud Argus (rep.): The desire for Judge Hayward's nomination for governor is increasing every day among all classes prohibition state committee is an office ago made a great blunder in failing to nomiholder under the popocratic state ad- nate him at that time and at the coming the mistake.

sional district did a handsome thing last numerical strength to our importance in the congress for the fourth term by acclamation. tofore supported out of honest convic- man has earned such unanimous endorse- relates to the development and progress of

> thinking about? There is Why don't the committee spend that \$7 and open gate of entrance-has a living interest done nothing else.

Dave Mercer easily carried his district in and should receive a response. number of scientific expeditions from 1896 in spite of the fact that his duties precolleges and special schools are already vented him from leaving Washington and in the field making investigations, dely-making a personal canvass. His good work making a season of five months. The west ing among the rocks and the trees for in aid of the exposition and Nebraska inter- beyond the Missouri should take as great an specimens of scientific Interest, and that ests since then has abundantly added to his interest in the Omaha exposition as the there will be a larger number than usual popularity and it is interesting to see what people this side of the Missouri. They individual will have the temerity to give North Platte Tribune (rep.): It is said

that so many scientific specimens gath- Bill Greene will not be renominated this fall, ered here have been permitted to go the ukase having been promulgated by the to the museums of the east instead of populist powers of the Sixth district that must be killed off. It is quite likely Bill will make serious objection to being hauled off in a hearse, but his objections will be ruled out.

ries and meat packing plants than does those persons who have become chronic been much casting around for an available Fullerton News (rep.): While there has complainers about the imperfections of man for governor this fall and for a man girls who labor as domestic servants, that will hold the entire strength of the During the past year 126 men and 158 republican vote there seems as yet to be no very decided consensus of opinion on any one particular man. Judge Hayward of Nebraska City and Ben S. Baker of Omaha are perhaps the two men who today are the service. Conditions that make insanity strongest and best able to lead the party. The republicans, if they will stand together, and the servants who strive to improve have the best prospect for victory this fall

Schuyler Herald (dem.): Democracy will ose none of its dignity, nor discredit its loyalty to the spirit of the reform forces, by respectfully, yet firmly demanding a just and fair recognition in the distribution of state offices in the fall election. This editor of Kansas and the convention picked believes democracy is entitled to two offices, the one who had done least and had not and under existing circumstances these mingled with any of the petty factions, should be: Governor and attorney general. political truck gardeners insist upon Mr. Stanley is a Wichita lawyer with a By abjectly submitting to the dictations of using up more money than has sufficed clean record and ability to make a good reform politicians and holding democratic campaign, but his nomination upset all aspirations in abeyance the democratic leet the Georgia exhibit and pay for its plans of the fusionists for making headprinciples it espouses. Give democracy a

Wahoo Wasp (rep.): It may be true that Hon. J. N. Gaffin and his friends expect to The advertising fakir is again showing land the Colon statesman into the governor's excusable. Douglas county is part of his face with all sorts of catch-penny chair on the record made as umpire in that Nebraska and Nebraska has abundant schemes to work the gullible merchant was paid by the state for making and penitentiary deal. Fifteen hundred dollars was paid by the state for making an inventory of a lot of old traps. The only point, creditable showing for every county in reputable and responsible newspaper so far as known, that Mr. Gaffin had to with regular subscribers who buy the decide was the amount he should receive for paper because they want to read it is his services. According to his own acknowlpaper because they want to read it is the best and cheapest advertising me-the best and cheapest advertising meany trouble about the matter split the differ ence and took \$500.

Stanton Picket (rep.): The present is no time for reviving old party differences or fostering schemes for "getting even" with some other republican for real or fancied mistreatment in the past. If the republican party is going to succeed this fall there must be concerted action all along the line This is no time for rubbing of sore spots. Harmony must prevail at the cost of the laying aside of all personal differences, though not at the cost of honor and principle. Let both the best and strongest men be nominated without prejudice or party disloyalty and the chances are good for suc

Ponca Journal (rep.): Brigadier General great enterprise will still be produced on Charles J. Bills, whose home is at Fairbury, Neb., but who is at present moving to the front with one of Nebraska's regiments, is The Oregon election proves that the being highly spoken of for the republican nomination for governor. He is one of the ablest and cleanest men in the state and bears a reputation for honor and integrity taining the gold standard. They were that is irreproachable. He has avoided not afraid before, but it is comforting prominence in politics and is the reverse from an officeseeker, and it is from the ranks of such men, presuming that chronic candidates will be shelved this year, that a comince should and very likely will be chosen. With this gentleman's unimpeachable record and his excellent qualities as a nan, the republican party could not make a mistake in selecting him for the gubernatorial race.

> Holdrege Citizen (rep.): The republicans of this state have decided to hold their state onvention on the 10th of August. The republicans have gone ahead and taken the initiative in the state campaign without waiting to see what the common enemy will do or not do. The coming state campaign will be an important one, and the republicans must see to it that their best men are want to be fooled with this year. They want something more than pledges of what the candidates will do in the future. They want men who have clean records, men who are free from connection with political jobs, and are free from entangling connections with these who have maintained a connection with machines. The people of this state want men in our public state offices who will make capable officers, honest and

Lincoln News (rep.): Hon. John Lawence Webster, in whose breast there burns a laudable desire to represent Nebraska in the United States senate, has been coming rapidly to the front in recent weeks as an advocate of territorial extension and an aggressive foreign policy. Whether this prominence, both of Mr. Webster and unrest and intrigue of militarism which are of his subject, is due to the near approach the torment and scourge of the old world." of the hour of electing a successor to Sen-Mr. Morley mistakes the clamor of our irreator Allen, or whether it is simply the unsponsible jingoes for the sober sentiment of controllable outburst of a Niagara of ideas, the nation. He will learn better when the the News cannot, of course, state with cerwar cloud, with its fringe of proposed entain accuracy, although, having a someangling alliances and new imperial policies, The only response to the appeal made has passed away and the real voice of the what an extended acquaintance with the Websterian personality, it is rather inclined to the former opinion. Mr. Webster is a courtly and polished gentleman, an accomplished lawyer and a good debater, but he omes from Omaha, which is forbidden to have more than one senator at a time. At qually striking, in that it exhibits the the opening of the exposition Mr. Webster succeeded in getting in a few good licks for Cuba and for radicalism in our foreign said empires. Each state vies with the policy, and at a banquet in this city last evening he took strong grounds in favor of joining in the scramble with England and

A MEMORAPLE DAY. Celebration of the State of Illinois s

the Exposition Chicago Chronicle. Illinois day at the Transmississippi Exposition has been fixed for June 21, a week rom next Tuesday. It will be a memorable day of the great fair at Omaha and should be fully celebrated by a representation of the

people of the state and of their trade, arts and industries. Officers of the various municipalities of Illinois, the commercial and industrial organizations of the state, the business and men, in which partisanship does not appear, and other public interests of the first importance will be represented on the appointed day at Omaha. The popular attendance from this state should be equal in

merce of the country. The productive and commercial interests the western states of the union. All which is that legislative investigating committee of western traffic, which builds up the towns yet \$7 and draws trade to the populous busy centhen its work will be completed? It has in the success of the Omaha exposition. Every pulsation along the veins of trade in Emerson Enterprise (rep.): Congressman the northwest has its stimulus at Chicago

The exposition at Omaha, which opened June 1, will remain open until November 1, have interests with the people of the central part of the country which may be served by their co-operation in making the Transmississippi Exposition at Omaha an abundant success in all respects.

MEN OF THE HOUR.

The fracas with Spain developed several patriotic "war governors" entitled to rank with the distinguished group of the civil war. Pingree of Michigan supplied shoes to a regiment of volunteers from that state; Powers of Maine paid the state bounty of \$27,000 to state troops: Tyler of Virginia paid for shoes for the volunteers of the Old Dominion, and Adams of Colorado advanced the money to equip the troops of the Centennial state.

The genealogical editor of the Springfield Republican has been looking up Lieutenant Hobson's antecedents. His great-greatgrandfather was a major in the revolutionary army and distinguished himself at King's mountain and Cowpens. His greatgrandfather was a colonel with General lackson at New Orleans, his grandfather was chief justice of North Carolina for forty years, and his father fought in the conederate army from 1861 to the close of the war. Evidently Hobson comes by his fighting blood honestly.

The sword of honor voted by congress to Admiral Dewey in recognition of his brilliant triumph at Manila will be one of the finest weapons of the kind ever produced. It is reported from Washington that the artistic ingenuity of the best sword makers and jewelers of the country has been excited and the Navy department has already more than fifty designs for the "Dewey sword." They are marked by great beauty of design, some of the blades being wrought with figures emblematic of the famous battle in Manila bay, while the hilt and scabbard of steel, gold and silver are studded with fewels and highly wrought marine emblems, such as Neptunes, delphins, mermaids, capstans, anchors, etc. No selection has been made yet.

Rear Admiral Bunce, in charge of the Brooklyn navy yard, shows admirable celerity and administrative ability in pushing work in the yards. The damage to the cruiser Columbia was expected to consume three weeks in repairs. The work was done in nine days and the cruiser is again ready for business.

Acting Rear Admiral Sampson will become commodore on July 3, upon the retirement of Rear Admiral William A. Kirkland, at present senior officer of the service on the active list. Admiral Sampson is now the senior captain of the navy, having been advanced to that grade by the promotion of Commodore Dewey to the rank of rear admiral. He remains the junior commodore until next November, when Commodore Norton retires and thus makes one number for him. Admiral Kirkland is the first officer of the navy from the south to be the senior officer of the whole service since the war. Of rear admirals on the active list Kirkland retires July 3. Norton August 10. Sicard September 30, Matthews October 24, Miller November 22 and Bunce November 25 of this year. As Admiral Dewey does not retire until December 26, 1899, he will be at the head of the pavy next year.

St. Louis has distinguished herself by sending to the front what her newspapers claim to be the youngest soldier and sailor in their respective branches of service. Henry Green, a wonderfully well developed lad of 14, is on the cruiser Montgomery. For years he was under daily athletic training. The soldier boy is Percy Moore, aged 19, who has been commissioned lieutenant in There's freedom at thy gates, and rest, the First Missouri volunteers.

One of the most interesting characters and Power at thy bounds patriarchs of Texas is the famous Seminole Stops, and calls back her baffled bound One of the most interesting characters and chief, Dembo Factor, who is 114 years of Oh, fair young mother, on thy brow ge and resides in the vicinity of Fort Clark. He has enlisted fourteen of his sons grandsons and great-grandsons in the army. Some of them are in the volunteer service of the strength and riches at thy feet. put forward. The people of Nebraska do not | Clark. He has enlisted fourteen of his sons.

and others with the regulars. The aged veteran appeared at Fort Clark a few days before the regiment started for Key West and went to headquarters, accompanied by six of his grandsons who were in the regular army, to beg the officers to allow him to go along with the boys to Cuba.

"The Schleys," says the Baltimore News, have long been a prominent family in Frederick county, Md. In fact, the first house ever built in the county was built by Thomas Schley, a descendant of the same name being prominent at the present day in the commercial and social life of the city social clubs, the educational institutions of Dr. Fairfax Schley, an old school gentleman the state, the great political parties by a of the suavest grace and courtliness of man-The new chairman of the Nebraska of republicans. The convention two years friendly arrangement with their, leading ner, upholds today in the life of the county the spirit of the colonial traditions of the state, in whose service he has been for some years as one of the directors and officers of the Maryland School for the Deaf. Commodore Schley's early attachment to his old home has never been abandoned, and he week by renominating David H. Mercer for union and in the labor, politics and com- keeps in close touch with his friends and relatives there whenever the circumstances will permit. His career is watched with warmest interest by the people of the town, and they take pride and pleasure in telling strangers of his early life in that vicinity, Kearney Sun (rep.): What in the world promotes activity along the great bighways and directing them to Richfield, the fine old homestead within whose hospitable walls he first opened his eyes upon the light of day."

SPELLS OF THE MIRTHFUL.

Chicago Tribune: "I advocate retaliation n the French for their assistance to Spain." Spain." and the spain of the spain." their language is enough.

Cleveland Leader: "What do you think he government ought to do with the Philip-I don't know. My daughter has written read when she graduates, but I haven't d time to look it over."

Chicago Post: "What department do you consider is doing the most effective work in his war?"
"The Signal Service department."

"The Signal Service department. The ress censorship is vested in that, isn't it?" Washington Star: "Did you see the big ictures of the bombardment and naval ictory, with thrilling details?" inquired

pictures of the bombardment and havaity victory, with thrilling details?" inquired the excited citizen.
"Yes," replied the skeptic. "It was a beautiful vision. I hope it will come true." Chleago Tribune: His Sweetheart-When

you knew I wanted to hear from you so nuch, Harry, after that battle, why didn't on send me at least two words by cable?"
Returned Soldier (just from the Philip-ines)-I did try to, dear, but all the money

Buffalo Enquirer: "I am at a loss," mur-nured the commander of the American lockading vessel as he watched the small arty of Spaniards hot-footing it over the ill, "whether to report an encounter with pain's fleet, or shall I merely say a squad un?" For in these martial times it is more essential to be precise than gram-

Burlington Hawkeve: "I hope you haroor no ill will agaist me," said Cervera, as ne dropped anchor at Santiago. "Well," said Schley, "I did feel a little out out but it's all right." And he gave he Spaniard a fine watch.

Adams Freeman: Extreme coldness be-tween man and wife may mean that one or the other has cold feet. Indianapolis Journal: "There are 208

ones in the human structure," said the 'ornfed Philosopher, "and the chief desire of man seems to be to live long get rheumatism in all of them." Detroit Journal: "I shall seek fame at petroit Journal.
e cannon's mouth!" cried Vladimir.
"Go!" exclaimed Lucile, with glistening

For it was certain he would come back nkilled; their love had as yet filled but-sighteen chapters; and it was under con-ract with the publishers to comprise three Detroit Free Press: Bored Correspondent

humming to himselfi-"So we sang the chorus from Atlanta to the sea, while we ere marching through George The Other Correspondent—Sh! The press ensor will hear you! You're giving away apportant military information! Chicago Post: "There is just one thing that I want to know," he said to the man who had charge of the bulletin board.
"Well, what is it?" asked the man with

the chalk.
"How many more times will we have to bombard and take Santiago before we really get it?"

If the man with the chalk had only had • gun!

AMERICA.

William Cullen Bryant. Oh, Mother of a mighty race, Yet lovely in thy youthful grace, Tho elder dames, thy haughty peers, Admire, yet hate, thy blooming years, And taunts of scorn they join thy name

For on thy cheek the glow is spread That thints thy morning hills with red.
Thy step—the wild deer's rustling for
Within thy woods are not more fleet.
Thy hopeful eye
Is bright as thine own sunny sky.

Ay, let them rall, those haughty ones, While safe thou dwellest with thy sons. They do not know how loved thou art; How many a fond and fearless heart Will rise to throw Its life between thee and the for-

Thine eye with every coming he Shall brighten, and thy form shall tower.
And when thy sisters elder born
Would brand thy name with words of scorn, Before thine eye, Upon their lips the taunt shall die.

They know not in their hate and pride What virtues in thy children bide; How true, how good, thy graceful maids Make bright like flowers the valley shades, What generous men Spring, like thine oaks, by hill and glen, What cordial welcomes greet the guest By the lone rivers of the west; How faith is kept, and truth revered, And man is loved and God is feared, In woodland homes.

And where the ocean border foams. for earth's downtrodden and refuge for the hunted head for the starved laborer toll and bread.

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