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Spouting municipal water may be a catchy thing, but the taxpayers want light and not heat on the subject,

It seems that the telephone connection between the fusion ring and the democratic ring of the popocratic circus is not in good working order.

The strenuous efforts of the democrats to make it appear that republicans are uneasy about this or that particular candidate are simply reflections of the uneasiness of the demo-

To get a non-partisan showing of the to fix it.

Nebraska's young republicans are getting woke up early in the political game. .If the older heads will only enter into the campaign with the same determination to win, Nebraska will be taken out of the calamity column next fall.

The election of William Alstadt as a justice of the peace must be considered a great stroke of fortune by the democratic county attorney's force. The judge promises to stand as a fall guy for them in every case of prosecution under the gambling laws.

The Auditorium must have a central location if it is to be made a success from any point of view. The street car company would derive just as much benefit if the site were located in the heart of the city as it would if it were at the furthest end of its longest line,

The modern democracy, which tries to delude itself into the belief that it is following in the footsteps of Lincoln, cannot find enough of his political teachings in harmony with their preaching and practice to make it worth while to mark his birthday on their political calendar.

Postal receipts for January show : large increase over the same month of federal courts and the yellow-back last year. No better evidence can be found that the business of the country is expanding than the postal receipts and these have told the same story ever since the advent of a republican administration.

South Omaha is figuring on submitting a bond proposition at its next election to raise funds with which to complete a new high school building. If it will profit by Omaha's experience it will see that the proposition is bombproof against jobbing contractors and wire-pulling architects.

"There may be some new comers to Omaha who do not know democracy's candidate for mayor" is the frank confession of the fusion organ. The chances are that it will take so long for the unknown candidates to get acquainted that election day will pass before they have gotten half-way around.

Local democrats are not hurting themselves in the effort to have telephone is presumed to give a bend in double the charges reduced to a point where everyone can have one in his house. The one time. Will he have to give a bond trouble with most democratic politicians of \$6,000,000, and if so, who will pay for is they talk too much anyway and the such a colessal bond? The clerk of the leaders of the party do not wish to in- district court is bonded for only \$10,000. crease the facilities in that direction.

Bryan is alleged to have expressed a an indefinite period until the courts dedesire to have the democratic national cide the contention? the populists, in order to be in a position to force the hand of populists. From nomination.

Daily See (without Sanday), One Year, \$100 the effection law which made possible Daily Sunday one Year, \$25 the contest as a crime against liberty. These are not frivolous nor irrelevant the railroads a bit. Sunday and illustrated, One Year, \$25 and popular government and declared questions but they go to the railroads a bit.

The Kentucky conflict may receive no Business letters and remittances should consideration or very little in the presi- his followers is that they put the cart dential campaign, but there is an in- before the horse. Omaka should own George B. Tzschuck, secretary of The Bee Publishing Company, being duly sworn, says that the actual number of full and complete copies of The Bally, Morning Evening and Sunday Bec, printed during the month of January, 1906, was as follows:

1 24 000 17 25 200 Courier-Journal denounced it in un-19.......30,380 measured terms. It declared that "the Chicago, called ostensibly to organize a 20.......25,755 annals of free government will be non-partisan movement against trusts, 21......28,440 sought in vain for anything approach- is an undisguised effort to make politi-24...........25.530 concealed deformity." "It makes no This is shown in the adoption of resolu-Less unsold and returned copies 9,872 of election. They are to be permitted purpose of the conference, they were Net daily average

G. B. TZSCHUCK,
See'y and Treas.

A glance at the membership of the virate is in each and every case to cast Subscribed and sworn before me this ist lay of February, A. D. 1990.

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M. B. HUNGATE.

Suit." This democratic paper further character of the conference. For Control of the Conference of the Confe ciousness and far-reaching evil.

> such legislation were not to be thus be greatly helped by such methods. deprived of the power they sought. The popular will was nothing to them. They had a law distinctly designed to out. Still there will be some compensation if this deplorable conflict shall impress the people of other states with the necessity of constantly observing the vigilance that is the price of liberty.

ANOTHER POLITICAL SPOUT.

There is no doubt whatever that the citizens of Omaha irrespective of party favor the purchase of the water works just as soon as it can be done without paying two prices for the property. But we doubt very much whether a majority of the people can be gulled into blindly voting the popocratic city ticket be cause its candidates stand on three platforms constructed to delude the publie into the idea that they will get the plant for a song the day after election if they only put the demo-pop candidates in control of the city hall.

Such demagogy and imposture was at tempted three years ago, when William . Broatch sought renomination by deluging the city with his yellow-back pamphlets, proclaiming his intention to forfeit the franchise of the water company and confiscate its plant by main force. But the people had their eyes open to the stubborn fact that the city was bound by its contract and could not violate its own obligations without provoking a long-drawn centest in the

dodgers fell flat. The people of Omaha are by this time fairly informed on the water works situation and are too intelligent to be duped by high-sounding promises made just before election for the consumption

of gullible voters. In his acceptance speech to the populist convention Mr. Poppleton announced that if elected mayor he would take immediate possession of the water works from Florence clear to South Omaha by eminent demain. How does he propose to do this unless the city consents to pay for the unexpired contract and franchise? How does he propose to do it with \$3,000,000 in bonds if the appraisement shows the property to be

worth \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000? Suppose the city votes the \$3,000,000 in bonds and converts them into money in order to be able to make a legal tender. who is to have possession of the money Will it be the city treasurer or the clerk of the district court? The city treasurer amount of money in his custody at any Would it be safe to place \$3,000,000 in his hands without any other surety for

If the \$3,000,000 is to be handed over to the bank depositories how can it be done without violating the charter pro- to look into the matter before going into the numerous conferences and quiet visions restricting the city deposits to ecstasies over it and concluding that the maneuvers being made it is apparent one-fifth of the paid up capital stock of board has really decided to do some that Bryan is not so sure his pocket is the depository bank, when the capital thing for the benefit of the people. It tight enough to hold the populist stock of all the depositories together is now appears that the Norfolk complain-

In his address at the dinner of the they pay even the 2 per cent interest to benefits are concerned. With reduction | Manila accounts of the transformation Lincoln club of New York, Senator offset the 415 per cent paid by the city ordered, effective only from South Sloux wrought on the temper and sanity of Ameri Depew referred to the Kentucky con- on the bonds, as they have been doing City. Neb., from which point Norfolk cans who have gone against bene, the native flet as bringing to the front one of the with the proceeds of the \$150,000 High has no occasion to ship any freight of drink, intimate that old forty-red, comperils of our institutions. He spoke of school bonds voted more than a year consequence, the order merely serves to paratively speaking, is a mild and soothing

that the efforts being made to nullify of Mr. Poppleton's proposition to take 1.50 the ballot and defeat the popular will the water works by eminent domain im-OFFICES.

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COURDESPONDENCE.

company. consideration or very little in the presi- his followers is that they put the cart consult the lambs as to their wishes. structive lesson in it which the Ameri- its own water works, but the first thing

A DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE. The so-called anti-trust conference in ing it in shameless effrontery and un- cal capital for the democratic party. paper. "In one word, and at one fell passed by the house of representatives swoop, Kentucky is to become the sub- and the bill in the senate which propose not. Nominally the people are to be free silver democrat, and although they

pronounced the law of sweeping vi- ernor Altgeld, George Fred Williams of Massachusetts, Jerry Simpson, General Such legislation ought not to be possi- Weaver of Iowa and other ardent supble in any state of this union and it porters of free silver are the men who ment for a big navy is that the flag must would not if the people were always as are dominating this conference and who follow trade. And one is about as true as alert as they should be to protect the give it its character and purpose. With the other. ballot against the designs of selfish and such men running it nobody of ordinary unscrupulous politicians. The people intelligence will be deceived by the preof Kentucky realized the true character tense that it is non-partisan. If it was of the Goebel law after it had gone seriously the intention of its promoters opportunity a majority of them gave and it can now only be regarded as a thousands of miles from home. their verdict against it, but the men democratic scheme to make capital for who were unscrupulous enough to enact | that party. The anti-trust cause cannot

THE QUESTION OF NEUTRALIZATION. If the Hay-Pauncefote treaty fails of standing of its candidate for mayor thwart the popular will and they were ratification it will be due to the proin the community the popocratic organ determined at every hazard to make it vision requiring the neutralization of an has gone to Cadet Taylor for informa- effective. They wanted power and to isthmian canal. This feature of the tion. Cadet Taylor's indorsement ought attain it were prepared to violate every convention is receiving the public disstrike down civil liberty. Crime, dis- merits and among those who have con- from foreign ship builders and sall them authority on international law, Prof. building free ship canals through foreign and other parts of the new world. n genuine Mexican bull fight at the this situation may have their ambition proves the treaty, saying of it that it is should not our merchants be permitted to alone received \$00,000 immigrants. The two state fair, just to keep the Iowa people for power gratified the stain they have "a brilliant and statesmanlike adaptaput upon Kentucky can never be wiped | tion of essential facts to new conditions, a recognition of the great principle of free navigation, a new bond to link the trading world together in peace and progress."

In regard to neutralizing the canal alike in war and in peace, Prof. Woolsey thinks it desirable on every account. He says that if the United States should have the exclusive military use of the canal this country would need both army and navy immensely enlarged, in order to make good its exclusive right to use the waterway in war, and he urges that in actual warfare such exclusive right would be a source of weakness instead of strength because it would have to be defended, Our interests, he points out, are neutral and commercial rather than belligerent. The certainty of unobstructed traffic which a general guarantee affords is far more valuable than the illusory hope of exclusive use in war, subject to at-

This is obviously the sound and rational view of the matter. The idea that neutralization of the canal would place the United States at a disadvantage in the event of war to which it was a party is manifestly erroneous. The disadvantage would rather be in having to defend the canal if not neutralized requiring the employment at each end of a large naval force which otherwise could be used elsewhere. The opponents of neutralization urge that in case of war the ships of the enemy could go through the canal and attack the Pacific coast, but as Senator Morgan observed in regard to this. Where would our ships be all this time-running away or fight-

The United States cannot afford to put itself in a position in this matter that would antagonize all other maritime powers and to maintain which would require a great increase of both the army and the navy. With a canal neutralized, as proposed, its protection would be a duty of all the maritime powers and this country would have simply to properly police the waterway.

The report from Washington to the effect that Mr. Bryan while visiting the capital city took occasion to inspect the ommittee rooms in the senate wing of the capitol with a view to his comfort in the event of his defeat for the presidency at the coming election cannot be very inspiring to the candidate for U. S. S. at this end of the line who is still suffering from the sting of ingratitude. Colonel Bryan might have delayed rubbing it in at least until after dection.

Whenever the donothing State Board of Transportation evinces such willing ness to order a reduction of freight rates as in the Norfolk case it is well less than \$3,000,000? Suppose the \$3,- ants are just where they were before like "Joe" Blackburn,

000,000 is deposited in the banks, will the order was issued so far as practical

The trouble with Mr. Poppleton and liberating it may not be a bad idea to

tunity for fraud in elections or for de- tees the city the right to purchase at an ing a solution of the trust evil have had 000,000. feating the popular will by placing the appraised value without paying for the their eyes opened and pulled out. With machinery of elections completely in franchise at the expiration of the the rest it is not a question of remedydemocratic campaign thunder,

The men who blocked the construction of the new High school building' last year now have the satisfaction of seeing the school dismissed for a week in order that the present building may be patched up in such a manner as not to be too great a mennee to the lives of

Detroit Journal. We observe that the English proces is giving

of his fighting qualities.

Effect of Contact.

Signs of Real Progress. Baltimore American England is ordering American railway care. There is nothing the United States is

Trade and the Fing.

Philadelphia Ledger. In this country we are told that "trade follows the flag." In Germany the argu-

A Patriotic Innovation

Globe-Dentocrat. Foreign diplomats in Washington are witnessing something they never saw before-a military honors the bodies of soldiers killed

Frost of an Admission Fee. St. Paul Pioneer Press.

The value of Bryan's speeches is pretty well demonstrated when only about 1,000 New Yorkers paid for the privilege of hearing the Nebraska candidate spout. Bryan gathers about him thousands of the curious when he charges nothing.

Not a Pleasing Spectacle.

Philadelphia Record. it does seem a little grotesque for a nation

Opening Up the Philippines Globe-Democrat.

The opening of the ports of the Philippine to the commerce of the world is going right phead. There has been a little disaffection to the Americans in some of the other islands than Luzon, but it is not formidable, and never has been. It does not prevent the opening of the perts to the world's trade. Even in Luzon the serious part of the fighting is believed to be ended permanently. Some guerrilla warfare may be kept up in Luzon for a year or two, but this will not prevent the organization of a civil governent in that island and in the rest of the archipelago Judge Taft's commission will have the whole Philippine field to itself when t starts to work.

Admiral Dewey's Appeal.

Admiral Dewey's appeal to the house mittee on pensions in behalf of the bills providing pensions for the widows of Captain Gridley, Captain Nichols and Commander Wood and for the mother of Flag Lieutenant Brumby is entirely characteristic. The officers named were all with the admiral in the battle of Manila bay; he knew their tury. sterling worth and as they served their faithfully and well their old commander honors their valor by pleading elo quently in behalf of the dependents whom they left behind. It should require nothing more than the admiral's earnest words to insure generous allowances for each of the applicants for whom he spoke.

BLACKBURN AS MARC ANTONY. Kentucky's Blustering Senator in

Revamped Role.

Philadelphia Press The funeral cermonies of William Goebel the defeated democratic candidate for goy ernor of Kentucky, were held in Frankfor Thursday and J. C. S. Blackburn attempte to act the part of Marc Antony to the as sassinated leader. He had evidently studied the baser passions of his hearers and egg them on to see that the conspiracy Goebel planned over a year ago was carried out to

The oration of Antony was artfully worked ind was addressed to an ignorant and prejudiced audience. Blackburn's imnediate hearers may not have been much superior in intelligence to those that stood will find one pretty soon. around Caesar's body. It was not to them, however, that the Kentucky orator was speaking mainly, but to the country. knew that his words would be telegraphed all over the land. But if he imagined that its highly wrought culogy of Goebel would mpress people with the belief that the dead nan was the saint he pictured him he must e gifted with an imagination too picturesque this practical world. "The tyrannous and bloody act is done," said Blackburn, 'the most arch deed of pitcous massacre hat ever yet this land was guilty of." hen he drew this as a picture of Goebel and every effort-and, if need be, life tiself-inhe cause of right and justice. Be patient

intil fustice shall prevail." Blackburn is not a success as Marc Antony. He was more in his element desk in the national house of representatives "We democrats do not propose to claimed: stop until we have wiped every vestige of ciaiming that in this raid on the laws into those territories. passed to secure the results of the war to ave the government, "he who dailies is a dastard and he who doubts is dammed!" That view af the United States and it

decoction. Beno stirs up all the dormant cultural department, has issued a pamphlet keep up appearances and does not hurt savagery in its victims and provokes in showing the export distribution of Ameriwhile men a desire to eat the natives raw, can farm products during the fiscal period While imported booze frequently develops from 1894 to 1898. These export products The various boards of trade, nfraid into a mutoscope of wiggling snakes to had an average annual value of \$662,536,201. lest the lambs are not shorn of their contentain old scake, bene produces whole and of the entire amount Great Britain ab sens of the squirming reptiles, scooting sorbed 60 per cent. In some of the lionentire erop of wool, have called a con- hither and thither, supressing the vision so baiters will pause to think for a moment. vention to fix uniform and higher rates completely that sky and water and ship dis- they will perhaps be able to account here of commission. Another grievance is solve and join the procession of wrigglers, for at least a part of the Anglophile senti-Depew, "may be a most interesting without the injection of partisan dema- that the flock sometimes wanders out One who has seen the sea of snakes describes ment which causes them so much worry. it as a weird and thrilling sight, and tells It is not likely that the sensible sentiment into the bucket shop brush and loses a it soberly and solemnly. "I was going by of the United States will consent to causepaign," because of the identification of ple who do not comprehend the legal re. little of the fleece before the regular steamer," he says, "from Cobu to Joio, my lessly quarrel with a country which buys the democratic leader with the Goebel lations between the city and the water shearers get around to them. While the route lying across the sea of Jolo, and I more than \$1,000,000 worth a day of our members of the convention are de- estimate that on our way we passed through foodstuffs alone. We have every cause to about 100 miles of snakes. I watched them remain on terms of amity with England, over the side of the vessel, and there and, in spite of agrarian stubborness we scemed to be no end to their numbers. Of should cultivate the friendly feeling of Ger-The true character of the Chicago worth having in such a matter, but by a period that empire bought our produce to REMITTANCES.

Remit by draft, express or postal order, by draft, express or postal ord that there were about 5,000 serpents to each This was during a time when many unsquare mile. As I have said, we passed justifiable restrictions fettered trade. upon the ballot for purely partisan pur- out the franchise or to take the plant democratic kite. The few participating was as broad as it was long, one might

> One of Omaha's soldier boys, who had a taste of camp life at Chickamanga and sighed ing an evil but a case of manufacturing for Manila, last fail. He reached Manila late Canada, Italy and Spain in the order named buck nigger' jumped up in the brush and nstant my companion filled him with lead. pupils compelled to attend school there. I have his Mauser and send you his hatand as a souvenir of my baptism of fire."

Omaha people who have relatives fighting or the flag in the Philippines complain of less space to the discussion of the Boer's the mail service, particularly in Luzon. table manners and more to the discussion Bundles of newspapers and letters, plainly o the sender from Manila, without any explanation for the failure to deliver. The mail which brought the returned papers and letters also brought letters from the soldiers. which shows that they could be found withpapers from home are exceedingly pathetic to supply their wants should be balked at Manila.

This is how Governor Leary of Guam puts his request for a library: "Every other naval station has a suitable library, while this station has none, not even as much as a single lawbook; and, not wanting this command to be deprived of the ordinary facilities for plain mental and intellectual days. sustenance while isolated from the world upon the statute book and at the first to make it non-partisan they have failed government bringing back and burying with as though encased in an armor of coral and ditions would be an absurdity impossible ing his revolver began to fire at the barnacles, I must respectfully renew my request for a suitable library to be sent to the

A CENTURY OF MIGRATION. Mighty Stream of Humanity that Flowed Into the New World.

New York Sun. The greatest migration that history has recorded is that of the European races durng the century now closing. Up to 1820 only about 250,000 foreigners moved to this all the rest of America in accessions to its principle of free government and to cussion which its great importance that will not permit its citizens to buy ships population through immigration; but be the custom of Since Iowa elections are so onesided order, anarchy, are the consequences of tributed to the discussion is the eminent under its own flag to be busying itself with tween 1820 and 1832 included to the Americas beats all recorde. It is not only the largest

next greatest years in this mover population were 1888 and 1892, in which two years this country saw 1,140,000 Europeans enter its ports. Between 1882 and 1893 the European outpouring to various parts of the world was over 9,000,000 souls. Then followed a decline in the volume of migration, this country receiving only a little over 300,000 immigrants in 1894 and 200,000 in 1897, while arrivals in other regions, notably in Brazil and Argentina, about held their own or increased. In the six years ending with 1899 about 3,000,000 Europeans sailed for foreign lands. The most trustworthy data attainable justify the statement that during the century Europe has been drained of about 30,000,000 persons seeking to better

beir fortunes in other lands. The world never before saw anything comparable with this tremendous movement of people in so short a space of time. The opulation that Europe has thus lost in 100 years is greater than the total number of 1860, and only a little less than the number n the United States in the same year. represents a third more people than Great Britain and Ireland gained in population in the first ninety years of the cen-It is equal to three-fifths of the total population of Europe in the time of Auustus Caesar. If the ships on which these emigrants embarked carried, on an average 60 passengers, 60,000 trips have been made n ferrying them to their new homes.

No probability can be discerned that any ater century will see the equal of this migration. The fairest parts of the world that vere wildernesses in 1800 now teem with ndustry and population. There are no more rirgin lands to occupy; no more such enticements to draw millions from the homes of their fathers,

WHERE DOES IT LEAVE US? House Committee's Decision Concerning Porto Rico.

Boston Post. Congressman McCall, who represents Massachusetts on the ways and means conhis part and, like Antony, hoped to arouse mittee of the house, did not see fit to place himself on one side or the other of the ques tion regarding the scope of the constitution of the United States which the other republican members of that committee undertake to decide in a fashion to suit Mr. McKinley's purposes. The point involved is one on which a Massachusetts man ought to have an opinion and we may hope that Mr. McCall

The question is whether the constitution covers all our territory or only a part of it. The majority of the ways and means committee holds that "the term 'United States' in that provision of the constitution which declares that 'all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States' means and is confined to the states that constitute the federal union and does not cover also the territory belonging to the

United States. Where does this leave us? With a constitutional government which until within a few the spirit which actuated him: "Dedicate years did not extend over half our territory and which today offers no protection to very considerable part of it. According to be brave. Obey the law. Under it domand the theory of these contractionists trial by your rights and never abandon the struggle jury may be denied to American citizens who get outside the constitution by settling in Alaska. By the same authority, or absence of authority, congress may levy an wenty-five years ago when standing at his import tax upon the product of the mines bough," was another gem which caught the of Arizona, the cattle ranges of New Mexico he shook his fist at the republicans and ex- and the wheat fields of Oklahoma when brought into any of "the states which constitute the federal union" and apply the and long yellow hair braided down her epublican war legislation from the statute Dingley tariff upon our machines and fabrics pack. ooks," and wound up his speech by ex- and other manufactured articles when sent

The average American mind cannot all at once accommodate itself to this contracted does not look like Marc Antony, but it looks altogether surprising that Mr. McCall has the sender. Reasoning from the cynical to wait awhile and think about it,

OUR AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS.

No Reason to Fear There Will Be Any Overproduction.

New York Commercia Frank H. Hitchcock, chief of the section of foreign markets attached to the Agriourse, it is impressible to make a guess many, because, during the same fiscal the average annual value of \$88,320,274. strictions which, we have every reason to

believe, will be removed. At the expiration poses, of legislation that affords oppor- under the contract clause that guaran- in its proceedings with the idea of seek. Teckon the entire number of snakes at 50. of the next five years our exports to the easily foot up more than \$100,000,000 annually. Next to Germany, according to Mr. Hitchcock's tables, comes France, and folfor real war, joined the volunteers bound lowing France, the Netherlands, Belgium, December. His company had preceded But it is significant that the United Kinghim to the vicinity of Calampa, looking for dom and Germany together took nearly 75, the division. Some of these men got drunk trouble. The new recruit got to the front per cent of our total exports. It suggests and were units for duty, whereat Slade was on New Year's day, just as the volunteers that we have the rest of Europe. South very mad and sent notice to Jules to quit found what they were looking for. "We America and the Orient as practically fallow selling his men liquor. Jules laughed at were reconnoitering the position of the in- field on which to extend connections of this the notice and kept right on selling liquer surgents," says the Omaha recruit, "when a sort. We could double our exports easily by One day Slade went to Jules' place to ook a pot shot at me at fifty yards. The nental Asia, and by cultivating the friend- door and stood behind it with a gun heavbullet burned the hair near my car. In an ship, as we should cultivate it, of our ily loaded with buckshot waiting for Slade Latin-American neighbors. Those pessi- to approach. mists who believe that there is danger of figures, or in the possibilities they suggest. of Slade's stomach. Slade fell and the

LABOR WELL EMPLOYED.

and properly addressed, have been returned Condition of the Country Better Than at Any Period of Its History.

Washington Post. was labor in such demand as at present, ploit. To further incense Slade he cont a Never before was the general average of shoe box fixed up like a coffin to Slade out much difficulty if the proper effort was wages so high. Never before were the de- while the latter was yet in bed with his nade. The appeals of these soldier boys for posits in savings banks increasing so rap- wounds. Slade swore vengeance on the idly. And there is the strongest promise that | Frenchman, but the latter cluded his vigand it is regretable that the efforts of friends this most happy situation will continue for llance for some time. At last he was some years. Many of our manufacturing caught by some of Slade's men, who bound keep them running for the next twelve to deal with when he should arrive from months. All the indications point to increas- the next station, he having sent word that ing rather than declining activity in busi- be would be there at a certain time. ness. Our exports of manufactured products | When Slade arrived, it being quite early last year aggregated \$380,000,000-more than in the day, he went to the barn and began \$1,000,000 a day, counting Sundays and holi- to taunt Jules, who was terribly scared

under any dictation save that of rank and Frenchman. He was careful at first not 10 incurable populism. It is conceivable that a hit any vital part, and after firing two or man who believes in irredeemable paper | three shots went to the station house, took money and holds that it is the duty of gov- a drink and ate breakfast. Then he reernment to supply it in unlimited quantities turned to the barn and fired a few more should be unhappy in this era of unex- shots at the half dead Frenchman. This ampled progress on the gold standard. It is he kept up at intervals all day until Jules unfortunate that the constitution of the was dead. Then he cut off the dead man's United States has been so construed as to ears and put them in his pocket, as trofurnish a foothold for a flat money party. phies, and was in the habit in aftertimes But no man whose mind is not dazed by the of exhibiting them. Jules' body was cut flat craze, nor any party that is not dom- down and buried by the stage hands. country, which has many feld surpassed inated by that wild delusion, can see a possibility of the hopeful exploitation of "calam- bler and was at last hanged in Montana

tween 1820 and 1882 more than 17,000,000 | The money in circulation in the United tween 1820 and 1882 more than 17,000,000 | States exceeds \$2,000,000,000, a figure which The money in circulation in the United a little excitement next fall by having senuine Mexican bull fight at the senuing may have their ambition as the senuing may have their ambition as the senuing of it that (i.i.s.)

this attempt to overthrow the popular authority on international law, Prof. soil open to the use of all nations. While the men responsible for we are preparing to dig the canals why was reached in 1882, when the United States that the country is 77,116,000. Dividing the canals why was reached in 1882, when the United States the country is 77,116,000. Dividing the canals why was reached in 1882, when the United States the country is 77,116,000. Dividing the canals why was reached in 1882, when the United States the country is 77,116,000. Dividing the canals why the canals why the country is 77,116,000. Dividing the canals why the cana the amount of money in circulation by these | bur figures we have a per capita circulation of penses \$25.98, the largest ever known. Here is a table that is full of significance in connec tion with the suggestion of a "calamity" campaign. It shows the population, money in circulation and per capita circulation by

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850	23	,191,876	278,761	1.982	1
1860	31	.443,321	435,407	1.252	1
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580		155,783	973,381	00.	1
1890	632	.622,250	1.429,251	.270	2
1900	77	,116,000	2,003,149	1.355	4
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han doubled since 1880, and it is almost three times as great as it was in 1870, while the ratio. There are politicians of some promiphabitants of Great Britain and Ireland in nence who make statements not in accordance with these facts. And it seems to give them offense to remind them that more than one-half of the money in circulation is gold or certificates based on gold or its equivalent. But we cannot believe that the people, under the conditions that now obtain, will give a hospital reception to "calamity" campaigners. Satisfaction with the gold tandard, since we have more gold coin and gold certificates in circulation today than the aggregate circulation of all kinds of money in 1878, is too deep and too strongly grounded to be shaken by such appeals as might civilize. were made in 1896. Therefore we conclude that 16 to 1, although it will undoubtedly that 16 to 1, although it will undoubtedly the victim of fate who was compelled to be in the platform on which Mr. Bryan will solicit alms, as she approached the crusty again compete with Mr. McKluler for the old bachelor's desk, "but I am a poor lone presidency, will not be at the front except n the small number of states in which the lemocrats are outnumbered by other contingents of the free coinage combine.

A SHATTERED SAINT.

Poor Old St. Valentine No Longer a Chicago Tribune

A generation ago at this time of the year very boy was saving his pennies and looking forward with a beating heart to the coming of the day sacred to the good St. Valentine. Every girl was wondering how many valentines she would get and whether the big boy in the first class would remember her with a tender missive. A generation ago the poor paper lacework

and the golden Cupids of the typical valentine were beautiful to young eyes. The crimson hearts, pierced by silver arrows. told a tender story that blushing youthful shyness was unequal to expressing in any other way. The paper turtle doves, rubbing their bills together on their flimsy paper perches, appealed to the adolescent imagina tion more strongly than any more modern and less ridiculous substitute. And neither Shakespeare nor any other grown-up poe has ever been able to equal in charm and ervor the love lyrics that were revealed when the delicately wrought paper doors beween the recumbent Cupids were opened. In these verses were expressed every phase of the tender passion as it affects the small boy. "Sugar is sweet and so are you" was one standard phrase, which has never been surpassed in its appeal to the youth whose appetite and affections tore him with almost qual pangs. "I love to think of me and like two little doves on an apple fancy of the little boy in knickerbockers who was accretly in love with the fat girl in the eighth grade, with her big blue eyes

Even the most shamefaced of small lovers ould find an outlet for his feelings by sending an anonymous valentine to the object of his affections, feeling certain that, by is not occult means, she must know that he was adult standard it is more than likely that

she gave credit rather to his most deadly rival, but that was an idea which never disturbed the mind of the small boy. In those days he was an unconscious believer in tele-

pathy and nothing could shake his faith But now we are told that poor St. Valentine is no longer fashionable. The saint himself and the rites sacred to his oncehonored day have been outgrown. They are worn-out superstitions. Tremendous columns of statictics from the Postoffice department prove that the custom of sending valentines has fallen into disrepute. Even the shop windows no longer bloom with a wealth of paper lace and blushing Cupids. St. Valentine has been banished to that limbo to which Santa Claus and the other divinities of the Olympus of Childhood are ing left but croup, measles and the multiplication table.

PONY EXPRESS DAYS.

Some Tragedies that Marked the Runs in Colorado.

The noterious Jack Slade was an employe of Russell & Majors of pony express fame, and afterward of Ben Halladay. He was division superintendent, says a letter in the Chicago News, and at first had charge of the division from Julesburg to Denver, and later the division from Denver to the North Platte river, at a point where Laramie City, Wyo., now stands. Julesburg was named after Jules, the Frenchman who was killed by Slade.

Jules kept a liquor saloon near the point where Juleaburg, Col., now stands, and sold whisky to Slade's men, who worked accepting opportunities offered in conti- monstrate with him, but Jules locked his

When Stade tried the door Jules fired overproduction in this country will cer- point blank and the charge went through tainly find very little comfort in these the thin board door and lodged in the pit wound was supposed to be fatal. But the wounded man was taken to the stage station near by, where he was carefully nursed and, after a long prostration, recovered,

In the meantime Jules was in high Never before in the history of this country | feather and boasted incontinently of his exorporations have orders booked that will him to a post in the stage barn for Slade

and begged piteously for Slade to spare his "A calamity campaign" under existing con- life. But Slade laughed at him and draw-Stade finally became a professional gamby a vigliance committee.

BREEZY TRIFLES.

Detroit Free Press: "Who defrays the expenses of the government of the so-called Filipino republic?" asked Spatts.
"There are none now," replied Bloomer are none now," replied Bloomer are none now."

Ohio State Journal: "Mrs. Wiggins," re-marked the minister, "we wish you would let your daughter join the cholr," "Oh. I couldn't think of it!" was the reply. "Minnle has such a sweet disposition and I don't want to spoil her. Chleago Tribune; " Course Ull shake

hands with ye, Jerry, said the eminent puglist, meeting a foe of former days, "I hain't got no grudge agin ye, My motto is 'let has-beens be has-beens."

Indianapolis Journal: "Did you hear about that message from the British in South Africa". "What was it?" "They want us to send them a regiment

of Kentucky politicians. Indianapolis Press: She-True humor is

back all the lokes some one sends him. Philadelphia Press; Mrs. Youngpop-Dear, we must get one of those burglar

Mr. Youngpop—What for?
Mrs. Youngpop—What do you suppose?
You know if anyone tries to break into the house it will go off-Mr. Youngpop-Yes, and wake the baby

smooth!" we said.

And in this we were quite sincere.

"Well, If I were not a smooth Boer I'd
be a rifled Boer by this time!" said the
Afrikander, with a loud, affected laugh.

For the genius of the Anglo-Saxon race
was abroad in the land, seeking whom it
night civilize.

Chicago News: "Pardon me, sir," began widow, and-"Excuse me," interrupted the heartless, b., "but it is useless to say more. This

Margaret E. Bangster "Now who may this be?" I do not shall a start With a face as bright as a star

He doffed his hat till its feather Swent down to the very floor, And he laughed, as I crossly bade Make haste and shut the door

"Oh! I always leave it open The least little crack," he said, With a touch of his hand on my shoulder And a toss of his curiy head. "For though I am swift in coming I am sometimes swift to go;

As light as an airy bubble I am floation I am floating to and fro.

"For I am a vagabond, lady,
And you surely know my name,
In golden letters, Cupid
Is writ on the scroll of Fame, And here I bow, dear lady.

And prithee, take for mine he heart I haste to of And be my valentine.

A vagabond lover, surely, For the wind blew fast the door, And nothing was left of Cupid But his shadow on the floor.

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