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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

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The New York clearing house is also a cleaning house.

Call money is still a little hard o' hearing in Wall street.

Wall street is learning that confithose who misuse it.

An Indiana man gave a hypnotist \$600 to make his wife insane, but it pnly resulted in making her mad,

With the return of Governor Sheldon from his southern trip Lieutenant Governor Hopewell may feel himself relieved.

The Knickerbocker Trust company of New York is to be reorganized and Going into long pants, as it were.

An automatic typewriter has been chew gum.

should be ground up.

matter what he labels it.

cording to his original plan, if his money had only held out.

Former Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco has finally landed in the penitentiary. He will not ask for a second term when his time expires.

It is to be noted that Chairman Hayward of the republican state committee is attending strictly to business without any blowing of horns.

interest" in the Illinois Central. He of that little war. The surprising feaappears to have lost some of the prin- ture is the large percentage of pensions cipal, too, as well as the interest.

and butter.

Mr. Rockefeller's contention that he minimum. is a servant of the public is open to question, as the public does not appear to be able to either stop his pay in it when it sailed from Tampa and or discharge him.

The people of Nebraska trusted the republicans last year and had every platform promise fulfilled. It is an axiom of business that a satisfied customer will come again.

Those South Omaha "antis" must be thoroughly alarmed over the growth of every one killed, the number would consolidation sentiment. That is quite evident from their reckless appeals to ignorance and prejudice.

choosing between them.

Shinbone, Ala., and Skidoo, Pa., have sickness. siready been given new names. Caltfornia may as well prepare to drop Kuba Dam from its vocabulary.

publican candidates are running in Ne- would certainly seem to be an imposibraska this year.

loaded full with a lot of honeyed port to a pension. words promising support for various measures, presumed to be of interest to wage earners, but which are in no way state issues and which cannot be directly or indirectly affected by this election.

peal most forcibly to intelligent workingmen.

The recent republican legislature put on the statute books of Nebraska regularity, followed along from Cleveseveral laws of vital importance to land to Bryan and from Bryan to wage earners, repeatedly promised by Parker and back again from Parker the democrats, but never delivered by to Bryan, and would, doubtless, again them.

The workingmen of Nebraska have attest his party loyalty. Governor Sheldon and the republican legislature to thank for the abolition covery for death losses. This legislation for the first time in our history entitles the widow and children of an good the real loss as assessed by a jury in excess of \$5,000.

The workingmen of Nebraska have the republicans to thank for a new 37..... 36,600 law on the statute books relating to the employers' liability law previously henceforth deprived of the defense of fellow-servant neglect in personal injury cases, and responsibility of fellow-workers bars recovery only in proportionate degree.

The workingmen of Nebraska have the republicans to thank for a new child labor law, which, while more stringent than The Bee believes necessary, is nonetheless calculated to keep others printed at the top as one of its out of the ranks of wage earners im- authors. In formulating the bill, it mature boys and girls who should be was agreed upon unanimously, clause at school. This is supplemented, too. by clause and section by section, and by a more effective compulsory education law, which raises the age limit of proval. In committee of the whole required school attendance.

The workingmen of Nebraska have the republicans to thank for respond- ments to correct typographical errors ing to their demand for a fireman's and minor omissions. double-shift law by which the hours dence is best maintained by punishing of consecutive service of the men in bosses had concluded that there was day.

ticket.

SPANISH WAR PENSIONERS.

The annual report of the commissioner of pensions contains a hint that the pension division of the government service will soon be out of business invented, but it will not look natural on account of the death rate among in the office unless it knows how to civil war veterans. During the last year 31,201 survivors of that conflict died and the net loss on the pension The Department of Justice has dis- roll was greater than for many years. covered the existence of a Spice trust. notwithstanding the fact that many There is a variety of reasons why it new names were added under the new service pension law. The number of pensioners remaining on the roll at the George Bernard Shaw says he is go- end of the fiscal year was 967,371, the ing to write a comic opera. Any opera smallest since 1893. "Every year," that Shaw writes will be comic, no declares the pension commissioner, "now records a vast harvest of deaths among the survivors of the civil war. F. Augustus Heinze would have and all too soon the last man who dominated Wall street all right, ac- answered to the call of his country in that great conflict to keep the union whole will be gathered to his com-

rades." Another feature of the pension commissioner's report will also cause some surprise, and serve to discount the prediction that there will soon be no business for the Pension department. According to the report, already 24,000 participants in the Spanish-American war have secured places on the pension roll and a large number of applications Mr. Harriman says that he has "lost are pending for pensions for survivors compared with the number of men actually engaged in battle and also the President Stahl of the National fact that at the beginning of the war, Farmers' congress insists that farmers when call came for volunteers, the handle only untainted money. Let physical examinations were to be so them be equally particular about eggs rigid that the danger of a pension roll for causes other than actual injuries in battles would be reduced to the

> The Fifth army corps, which assaulted Santiago, had only 17,000 men all told only about 350,000 men served in the army in the years 1898 to 1901, inclusive. At the battle of Santiago twenty-one officers and 222 men were killed and 101 officers and 1,688 men were wounded. If every man wounded in the Philippines and Cuba had been given a pension and one allowed for still be far short of the 24,000 already

on the pension rolls. The report on the regiment that was raised in the District of Columbia may tributed appreciably to making the soldiers Taken altogether, the ticket pre- furnish some light on the pension fever happy and centented. Such pleas will not sented by Douglas county republicans among Spanish-American war veterans. avail them. The very fact that the games this year is so far superior to that put This regiment contained 1,200 officers up by the democrats that no intelligent and men. It spent some weeks at voter should have any hesitancy in Tampa and finally arrived in Cuba, just cattful they are. Men capable of these after the fighting was over. It never things will not reform. They cannot be fake names on the books it ought to Many a man mistakes a stock of plou smolled the powder of the enemy and Postmaster General Meyer is going yet 600 of the 1,200 men on the roster to change the names of all postoffices have applied for pensions for every army list deprived of office and sent to jall that sound slangy. Tin Cup, Tex.; possible cause from measies to home- and the management of the military en-

Our government has been liberally

The democratic campaign managers nation's defenders. No protest will be in the post canteens. are trying to coddle the labor vote by filed, either, against liberal pensions to a pretended contrast of platform decla- men who suffered in health or person rations upon which democratic and re- in the Spanish-American war, but it tion on national good nature to make The democratic platform has been every certificate of enlistment a pass-

A PARTISAN OF THE PARTISANS. While the democratic campaign managers are playing soft on "nonpartisanship" in the judiciary, it is OFFICES.

Omaha—The Bee Building.
South Omaha—City Hall Building.
Council Bluffs—15 Scott Street.
Chicago—1560 Unity Building.
New York—1508 Home Life Insurance lidg. notorious that the democratic nominee he is a hide-bound democrat, who probably never voted for a republican in his life, and who, to protect his party go back to Cleveland if necessary to

Judge Loomis has served two terms in the state legislature and as a lawin this state of the \$5,000 limit to re- maker he constantly proved his subserviency to the party whip. The controversy with Editor Sprecher over Loomis' backsliding on the rate reducemploye killed by accident traceable tion bill, sponsored by C. J. Smyth and 20...... 36.290 to neglect of his employer to make M. F. Harrington, turns upon the excuse offered by Loomis that the bill was never made a party measure, while another bill for which he voted was equally favored in the fusion caucus. No question is raised as to the demand employers' liability corresponding with of the public for relief from excessive railway charges, but simply the quesenacted by congress. By the terms of tion whether giving preference to the this enactment common carriers are railroads constituted an offense against party discipline.

The most typical illustration of the intense partisanship of this great "nonpartisan" lies in Judge Loomis' connection with the revenue bill passed by a subsequent legislature. This bill was drafted by a special committee, of which Loomis was a member, and it was introduced with his name among had Judge Loomis' unqualified ap-Loomis took charge of the bill himself and presented the committee amend-

In the interval, however, the fusion the Omaha fire department have been a great chance to make political capital limited to half of the twenty-four each by opposing the revenue law, and had persuaded the fusion caucus to brand If works count for more than words, it as a republican measure, unworthy every wage earner in Nebraska is un- of fusion support. Bowing to the der moral obligation to endorse the caucus decree, Judge Loomis faced record of Governor Sheldon and the about and turned against his own bill. recent legislature by going to the polis The official record of the vote on final next week and voting the republican passage, as printed in the House Joursal, contains this memorandum:

Mr. Loomis, being sick and absent from House Roll 344.

where? How much "nonpartisanship" reverse his judicial opinion over night to conform to a caucus decree? Would he try to figure out whether a decision would make political capital for or against his beloved democratic party, and then vote his political convictions? In the light of a "nonpartisan" record of this partisan democrat, these questions are not irrelevant.

SUNDAY BASE BALL IN THE ARMY. President Roosevelt and Secretary refusal to grant a petition for official day at the army posts. In response go back and take off the molds, piece by to the petition Secretary Taft, after consultation with the president, has replied that no efforts will be made by the department to discountenance the Sunday bass ball playing. He contends that the soldiers must have some form of recreation and amusement and that base ball is the least harmful of any that has been popular. with them. He points out frankly that the soldiers and spectators at the base ball games on Sunday are kept just that long out of the dives and resorts that have been built up around the army posts since the abolition of the canteen. The secretary also calls attention to the fact that the army is already 20,000 men below its authorized strength and that, in his opinion, the failure to secure enlistments desired is due largely to the restrictions that have been placed upon the conduct of the enlisted men at the

army posts. The refusal to comply with this petition is naturally calling for all sorts of protests, of which this one, dated at Albany and addressed to the New York Sun, is a fair sample:

What shall be done to the officers of the army who have permitted the custom of playing ball on Sundays to grow up? It is difficult to conceive of a punishment severe enough for them. They may urge that the ball games harmed no one, disturbed no one, were played without the knowledge of the vast majority of the public and conhave been played on federal reservations and in a manner calculated not to attract general attention shows how sly and desaved. The army should not be left in their

hands. For my part I should like to see the whole trusted to a committee nominated by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Sabbath observance committee, and generous with its civil war pensioners elected by saloon keepers whose establish-

made against this recognition of the vations now that wine and beer are not sold justified in severing friendly relations

Army officers who have discussed the matter insist that much of the dishands, stop trying to secure recruits slumps in millions. for the already depleted regiments and conclude that an army in this country situation, but no more so than that of an end to all speculation as to the persons of the type quoted, who would cause of appendicitis. enforce a system of blue laws at army posts. However, the position taken by Secretary Taft will be approved generally by liberal-minded people who can see no objection to allowing the soldier boys a healthy, manly recreation on Sunday or any other day, so long as its exercise does not disturb or interfere with others.

SCREENS.

If the effort to compel drastic enforcement of the law prohibiting screens obstructing doors and windows of places licensed to sell liquor were evoke popular approval, but coming as it does from a source that is bent not on regulation but on extermination of the liquor traffic, it must necessarily fail to strike a popular chord. Public doubtful whether any real improvement could come or will come from the removal of saloon screens.

The law against obstructions to view is about the same in Iowa as it is in Nebraska. In Iowa it is enforced in hanged-especially news editors. some cities and unenforced in others. without producing any appreciable difference in results. The removal of merely makes the drinking more public, and certain evils will only be stimulated by this publicity. Of course, the old explanation will be offered that every law on the statute books should be enforced to the letter or be rethere are lots of laws on the statute books all the time that are neither enforced nor repealed, but remain dead ager. letters because there is no call for their enforcement nor any advantage to be gained for the public by strict enforcein Omaha completely independent of the liquor interests, it would seem to us far better to leave the details of regu- details of this momentous knowledge to lating the business of those licensed to himself. He refuses to specify. When he sell liquor to the wise discretion of the | was directly asked why he would not name board.

A HOUSE WHILE YOU WAIT.

The building of air castles is 'a submissive partisanship be found any- entitle his claims to certain sober conpractice. His house will consist of concrete and will be cast from iron molds in one solid piece, including stairs and bathtub. It will be fireproof and the same set of molds may be used for an indefinite number of risks. houses. The whole plan is absurdly simple, when explained by Mr. Edison in these words:

After the cellar is dug the contractor will bring his sand, cement and crushed to Alfred Gwynne Vanderblit from the the present organization, with nothing bestone, together with his concrete mixing Taft have invited a storm of protest the spot. As fast as the concrete is made from zealous advocates of strict Sab- it is poured into the molds, which fit tobath day observance by their frank gether from cellar bottom to roof-tree. The workmen keep on pouring in the con- policeman who raided his saloon and crete until it overflows at the top. Then swiped a juicy poker pot. No campaign orders prohibiting base ball on Sun- they go away, and six days later they in Chicago this fall.

easier and pleasanter for people. If an whist for prizes was suppressed by the undesirable citizen moves into the house next door all the offended resident will have to do is to call up The keener if the bloated bags had taken other positio dent will have to do is to call up The keener if the bloated bags had taken other to do is to call up The keener if the bloated bags had taken other "Yest"

House-Built-While-You-Wait company (limited) and order a new house (limited) and order a new house (consolation. erected in any locality desired, with a forfelt fixed if the place is not ready fashion in houses changes, a new mold The celerity of Muley Hand's warriors in can be ordered and houses built to suit any taste or change of whims. As the Mr. Edison's proposition starts off with, "After the cellar is dug." As cellars are not carried in stock, the delay in getting them dug to suit may defer the moving into the new house until the next morning. It only re- good we forget. mains for Mr. Edison to invent a portable cellar and thus put a concrete finish on his abstract proposition.

An attempt to enforce an anti-Sunday theater ordinance in Kansas City falled because the indictments were filed against "actors on the stage." The complaints had to be amended to read against "persons found on the in order to paint the house. stage," which can hardly be accepted as flattering by those who have been posing as actors in Kansas City.

Nebraska's new law governing regis- able to make enough to buy it back. tration gives ten days in which to check up the voters' lists. If there measures taken to call the offenders to account.

The Indiana bankers have decided that cocktails shall not be served on and no serious complaint has ever been ments line the entrances to military reser- That is all right, but is a banker ever lives.-Chicago Tribune.

with the mint?

Hetty Green has been defeated in a content among enlisted men is tracea- law suit, costing her \$18.24. As she ble to the abolition of the canteen and had to pay it in real money, she feels that if base ball were to be outlawed the loss as much as some of those Wall they would have to throw up their street speculators who figure their

Dr. Robert Morris declares that "apbased on the enlistment plan had be- pendicitis is caused from lasy habits come impossible to maintain. This is of life, but no more from that than perhaps an exaggerated view of the from other causes." That should put

Governor Folk of Missouri says that under no circumstances will be be a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination next year. Governor Folk's hard common sense sometimes gets the better hold on him.

All the aeronauts who sailed from St. Louis in their balloons have been accounted for, but some of the balloonists who went up from Wall street have not landed yet.

The attorney general of Ohio has filed charges against the Plumbers' aiming to correct any real evil it might trust. He might as well give up. The plumbers can beat him every time, in the matter of filing charges.

Mississippi has barred all foreignborn children from the public schools. sentiment, no doubt, demands stricter | Mississippi will probably continue to surveillance of the liquor traffic than wonder why immigrants prefer homes it did a few years ago, but it is highly and employment in the northern states.

> Useful in Their Business. Washington Herald. Mr. E. Benjamin Andrews thinks certain

editors should be hanged; but he may rest assured very few editors want to see him

Troubles of the Jugglers,

Baltimore American. When one reads of the suits which are the screens does not stop drinking, but being instituted by stockholders to recover funds juggled away by frenzied finance, it is small wonder to hear the financiers lamenting these organized attacks on capital.

> They're Loosening Up Now. Kansas City Star.

Mr. Harriman asked the newspaper mer to get the railroads' side of every story pealed. Yet everyone knows that that comes up before printing it. The humor of this suggestion will be wholly lost to those persons who have never tried to pry information from a railroad man-

Proofiess Platitudes.

Philadelphia Record. It is easy for Mr. Bryan to be critically ment. With a police board in control platitudinous when he dares not be precise. He says "the columns of many of the metropolitan newspapers are for sale to the highest bidder." But he keeps the man said: "Because I won't."

Room for Improvement.

Philadelphia Ledger. No doubt the inventive genius that has rather tame and tedious operation, brought wireless telegraphy so rapidly to that he had found golf and the wireless system, through the failure of the sideration, and something like a revo- land connections, this early experience incould be expected from such a judge lution in the home-building business is dicates that there are still some practical if elevated to the bench? Would be in store, if his theories work well in obstacles to be overcome and that the wireless has not yet made submarine telegraphy

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

People who take the balloon route to get away from St. Louis assume needless

"Made in Germany" embossed on a balloon possesses only passing interest for by a large majority, but the lay vote was the nations who are holding their empty in the negative, and so the whole matter bags.

family estate. Al knew it was coming. tween the single diocese and the national Patience did the rest. The power and dignity of a Chicago wasteful of efficiency to be much longer

Those who applaud the amount of American liberty handed to the Filipinos have weal."—Baltimore American. This is going to make life a lot a different roar coming. A quiet game of

> The pleasure of St Louis over the success of the balloon race would be much

authorities of Manila.

Cartoonist Davenport need not bother about that projected exhibition of the for occupancy by dinner time. If the speed and endurance of his Arabian steed. dodging French fire is enough for all practical purposes. A sixty-mile-a-minute automobile got

new style house is to cost but \$1,200, busy on a New Jersey road, collided with will be cheaper to buy one than to a stone wall head on and broke the collarpay rent. Only one objection appears bone, two ribs and one leg of the driver. to the popularity of the proposition. That machine cavorted with the precision of human wisdom.

SERMONS BOILED DOWN.

When ambition weds avarice aspiration The evil we remember is surpassed by the

The church with a head for gold usually has a heart of wood. The world will never be driven to God by advertising the devil. Inclination always furnishes the mos

convincing argument. Watch your works and your wings will take care of themselves. Some men hope that a golden crown will give them a golden mind.

Fashion leads many to starve the inmates Where the sermon is only a work of art the saints are usually artificial. No man ever succeeded in walking one way when he was looking another. If you sell your soul you will never be

You can always get fine feathers with money, but a fine face you cannot buy, The preacher who trembles before th are any fraudulent registrations or great has cause to tremble for himself. be disclosed in that time and proper quotations for riches of religious character The ideal that is only a dream and never a deed is always a detriment to the charac-

> Men of business will be in the church when the church gives them some business

Many who think they are defending the the occasion of their coming banquet. faith are only barricading truth out of their 33d

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Philadelphia Record: Although the meagerness of the incomes of clergymen is a very general reproach of the churches, a burglar in Wilkesbarre found one minister with twenty dollars and a gold watch in his olothes.

Cincinnati Enquirer: "If the doctors can agree to be just doctors, without quarreling about schools or creeds," says an exchange, "perhaps the ministers will be inclined, in time, to do the same." Let the clined, in time, to do the same." Let the ministers slope. The doctors are dealing since."—Philadelphia Ledger. with questions that work themselves out the newspapers he had in mind the great in our mortality. The ministers are treating with eternity, and must have more latitude for discussion and division.

Buffalo Express: There is an old Scotch story about the minister who complained compared with Thomas A. Edison's its present development will eventually try" incompatible, and therefore had given make it independent of wind and storm. "it" up. "What," asked his friend, "given new plan for building a three-story For the present, however, it is just as well up golf?" "Na, na," said the reverend genthe room, desired to be recorded "No" on house for you while you are down that we still have the cable, secure at the tleman; "I have given up the meenistry." town attending to the day's work. Mr. bottom of the sea, to rely upon in bad The story is pretty nearly realized in the Could any more flagrant example of Edison's achievements in other fields weather. While no one need feel discouraged by the temporary interruption of the resigned his charge because he wants to "loaf and play golf." But it should be admitted in extenuation of the choice of this minister that he has been in the pulpit for many years, and feels that he needs rest.

Philadelphia Ledger: The general convention of the Episcopal church has once more put off the organization of the provincial system which has been under discussion for nearly a generation. Never before, however, has a well-considered plan failed so narrowly. It was adopted by the House of Bishops and sent to the House of Deputies for concurrence. The clergy voted for it will go over to another convention. There By waiting long enough \$30,000,000 came can be no doubt of ultimate action, because council, has become too unwieldy and alderman were rudely shaken by unfeeling tolerated even by the most conservative.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

each other 'Birdle." Isn't that ridiculous?

Jess-Oh, I don't know. She's a goose and he's a jay.-Philadelphia Press. "Gee, but that girl's got a mean dis-

stella—So she divorced him for desertion? Bella—Yes, he positively refused to live in the auto.—New York Sun. "George, dear," said the girl, "you know insisted on a long engagement?" He admitted it ruefully, "Well," she resumed, "I've changed my

long engagement v Philadelphia Ledger. "He's a wonderful actor." "Think so?"
"Yes. Notice how passionately he makes leve to the leading lady in the last act?"

"Yep."
"Well, she's his wife."—Cleveland Leader. "I hear some of your workmen struck for fewer hours of work the other morn-

She—Mr. Wimbleton spoke of you in glowing terms last night.

He—I am gratified to hear you say so. I have always regarded him as a fine judge of men.

She—Yes. It was one of the worst roasts I ever heard.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Nell-I don't see why you call her spite-ful. I thought she was paying you a com-

liment.

Belie—O! you don't know her!

Nell—Why, didn't she tell you you were looking quite yourself again?

Belie—She said quite my "old self," with the accent on the adjective.—Catholic Standard and Times.

THE LAST LEAF.

Oliver Wendell Holmes. I saw him once before,
As he passed by the door;
And again
The pavement stones resound pavement stones resound he totters o'er the ground With his cane.

They say that in his prime, Ere the pruning knife of time Cut him down. Not a better man was found By the crier on his round Through the town.

Now he walks the streets, Now he walks the streets, And he looks at all he meets So forlorn; And he shakes his feeble head, That it seems as if he said. "They are gone." The mossy marbles rest On the lips that he has pressed In their bloom;

In their bloom; And the names he loved to hear Have been carved for many a y On the tomb. My grandmamma has said-Poor old lady! she is dead

Long ago—
That he had a Roman nose
And his cheek was like a rose
In the anow. But now his nom to thin, And it rests up his chin Like a staff. And a crock is in his back, And a melancholy crack In his laugh.

I know it is a sin
For me to sit and grin
At him here.
But the old three-cornered hat,
And the breeches—and all thus Are so queer.

And if I should live to be
The last leaf upon the tree
In the spring,
Let them smile, as I do now,
At the forsaken hough
Where I cling.

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