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WHEN OUT OF TOWN Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

The value of an asset currency depends very largely upon the value of

If you have deferred your Christmas the rush, get into it.

If you failed to do your shopping early, it is not yet too late to do it before the danger point in the rush is reached.

to live on peanuts for sixty days, and this safety will come when public Plenty of politicians have proved that opinion demands it. It can be done.

Every mine horror is a protest work under the ground.

There are 27,000 men in New York who will vote that marriage is not a failure. Statistics show that their wives are supporting them.

The czar has started another campaign against the freedom of the Russia press. Sowing dragon's teeth is a favorite pastime of the czar.

The Cuban masons have refused to return to work, although all their demands have been granted. The Cuban masons are odd fellows.

Pollard of Nebraska is the seventh man and the only farmer on the house committee on agriculture. This means that he will have plenty of work to do.

Not a Nebraskan landed a chairmanship in Uncle Joe's distribution of comresolution had anything to do with

Members of the house at Washington are forgetting their dignity. When fist fights are pulled off on the floor the house is as disorderly as the

Other presidential aspirants in the republican party must feel relieved. Senator Platt insists that he will support none but Cortelyou for the nomination.

"It will be Taft and Bryan this time next year," says the Nashville Banner. Oh, no. At this time next year it will with other banks and not with the under this act and the administration be Taft. Bryan will be dropped in November.

Maybe the South Dakota senators can divide the patronage on the same basis that De Armond and Williams worthy of general discussion. Such a settled the minority committee appointments.

Rev. Irl Hicks ought to explain what became of all those blizzards and snowstorms that were scheduled for the Missouri valley country in the first weeks of December.

"Mr. Bryan has never had the temerity to say the southern people are right on the negro question," complains a Nashville paper. Mr. Bryan has a reputation for veracity.

The second edition of the new \$20 gold piece is said to be a great improvement. Its surface is flatter and a pile of coins will stack up easily. You can prove this by experiments.

Up to the present there is no indication of a lower level of prices for farm products, at least. This means that Nebreeka is not seriously suffering from the contraction of business contribution to the discussion of cur \$1,000,000 if the state of New York the spot. The blows were the hot air is as large as ever. I sungary needs badly threatened.

THE UNCHECKED BLAUGHTER. fered by D. L. Cease, editor of the this session of congress. Trainmen's Journal, in discussing the never-abating horror of railway wrecks in which this country has

engineers, brakemen, track walkers of the toys that come to America. and trainmen. These employes, fa-16...... 37,430 been used for years, ties are no larger toys must be done by hand, and Amer-37,430 pound rails were the maximum. En- patience for this kind of effort. The 37,090 gines and cars have been doubled in German toys are made very largely in 36,970 weight and the speed increased 100 the homes, whole families working 37,380 per cent, while few additional appli- during the year in the manufacture of 36,100 ances for safety have been adopted, dolls and small toys. The pay is 37,340 not allowed to decide when a worth- of an entire family of five or six per- purpose of the people in authority. 36,940 less tie shall be replaced, but must sons amounting to not more than \$3 Less unsold and returned copies. 10188 are not patrolled, because of insuffi- ing among American workmen, partic-freight trains often have but two homes. brakesmen, while the train may be nearly a mile long, and that the en- Americans in toy manufacture has

a rule, practical railway men. They are of American rivals. In the machinecapable and understand their business, and made toys the United States may it is not entirely their fault that affairs achieve some prominence, but in the are as they are. It is the fault of the financial system that demands dividends intricate and patience-demanding first, for if the manager cannot get finan- hand work there will be no immediate cial returns that experts theoretically show the boards of directors they ought to get, they will be sidetracked to make room for the men who think they can. The railroads have made money. They ought to be made shopping until it is too late to avoid to use some of it in practices and appliances that promise safety in train operation and the minimizing of railway disaster.

Severe as is this censure of railway managers, the fault for existing conditions lies largely with the public. Congress and the state legislatures have power to secure safety for the travel-A Chicago physician is going to try ing public and the railway employes,

RIDGELEY ON CURRENCY DEFECTS.

The annual report of Comptroller of against lax enforcement of even poor the Currency Ridgeley is of more than laws for the protection of men who ordinary public interest this year, because of its recommendations for the cure of currency ills. The comptroller reviews the specific defects of the existing system, but does not agree with many students of finance in his suggestion of remedies.

In the opinion of the comptroller, one of the most objectionable defects in the existing currency system is the manner of handling reserves. He objects to the plan which "piles reserve on reserve in central reserve cities, without requiring a sufficient amount of actual cash on hand." The result is that when an emergency comes these reserves are not reserves at all, because they may in a day become unavailable. This reserve system is declared a source of weakness rather than of strength when there is a financial disturbance or an impairment of confidence. Frequently, this condition may cause a panic among the banks mittee honors. Wonder if that Taft before there is any marked unensiness among the depositors.

To remove this defect the comptroller seconds the creation of a central bank to hold the ultimate reserves of the country, a bank of banks, the ment represented as a stockholder and all round. active director. The government would use the central bank as its agent in handling its loans and keeping its deposits. The bank would opinion of the attorney general on have branches in reserve and subtreas- points in connection with the state deury cities, but would do no original pository law, which is of much intercommercial or discount business. It est to the public as well. The care of White House. would deal with the government and the public moneys is well provided for people direct.

While it is not probable that any observed. action will be taken by the present congress along this line, the question raised is one of great importance system of most of the great nations and has worked satisfactorily, as appiled in practice, co-ordinating the banks with the government in fiscal affairs. Perhaps the strongest' argument for the plan is the certainty that it would give the public renewed confidence in the national banking system as a whole, as it would place an important part of the banking function, the regulation of reserves and deposits,

directly under government control. The second remedial suggestion made by the comptroller relates to the issue of asset currency, which he makes conditional on the establishment of the central bank, to have sole control of such issue. A mere emergency circulation is opposed on the ground that a credit issue should be protected by reserves and supplemented by a graduated tax to force early retirement. The comptroller's

America is the greatest toy market number of railway accidents. Mr. annually purchases nearly \$10,000,000 their methods. Cease charges direct that the casualty Worth of toys from Germany alone list is abnormally large because the and lends the chief support to the toyrailroads have neglected precautionary makers of the world. Toy manufacture is one of Germany's greatest re-The article in the Trainmen's Jour- sources, furnishing employment to it views the situation from the stand- town of Sonnenberg, with a population point of the working railroad man, the of 15,000, produces about 45 per cent

The consular agent furnishing the miliar, by the very nature of their oc- data on German toy-making urges that cupations, with the roadbed, equip- the toy industry is being neglected in ment and general operating facilities, this country and insists that it could have no hesitancy in placing the blame | be developed with great profit. Some for increasing accidents upon the in- progress has been made in the last few attention of railway managers to pre- years, but it has not been sufficient to cautionary measures. Track main- attract considerable attention, either tenance, according to Mr. Cease, is a here or abroad. By the very nature lost art. While 100-pound rails have of things most of work on ordinary and no stronger than when seventy- icans have neither the time nor the On many roads the section foreman is usually a mere pittance, the earnings await the orders of an inspector, who or \$4 a week. The work calls for may not visit the section for months at great patience and attention to minute

The only marked progress made by tire operating service of the roads is been in the invention of machinery for undermanned. In explanation he the work, certain patented forms of which even the Germans have been The American railway managers are, as forced to buy in order to keep abreast attempt to rob the Germans of their present supremacy.

ON THIN ICE.

The reform movement in Omaha is rapidly nearing the danger point, and unless wiser council is taken than has lately prevailed Omaha will not only be made a laughing stock, but will be put in such position as to sustain serious loss. An indication of this condigageman who hauled trunks to the depot on Sunday. It is not alleged that the sanctity of a holy day or the rest and quiet of a religious neighborup that the work was unnecessary. The person owning the baggage might have left the city on Saturday or postponed his departure until Monday, in class postmasters get away from them. order that the majesty of the law

would be left untouched in its_dignity. A few more such instances and there will be no hauling of buggage on Sunday, for all who can will make the dawning of that day which the zealots are now trying to make one of puritanical terror. Isn't it about time for so long was abandoned and common sense given an opportunity? Omaha has suffered much in times past through ill-advised efforts at social changes, but none is likely to

difficult than it was at first expected. It is another evidence of the impossibility of closely fitting the law to a were private pension bills. It really seems rural community and a metropolitan as if congressmen might somehow be city at the same time. The experts will have to try at least once more bestock of which should be held by the fore they get a jury law that will be ally men and women whose claims upon banks of the country, with the govern- thoroughly practical and satisfactory

State Treasurer Brian has issued to the county treasurers of the state the of office is easy if its provisions are

The London Times says that the sending of the battleships to the Pacific at g movement, "the full sigcentral bank is a part of the financial nificance of which will be understood only by posterity." The Times is mistaken. Richmond Pearson Hobson and the New York Sun understand the full significance of the movement right now.

> A local theater has devised a scheme for checking half-smoked cigars to accommodate its patrons. Now if the street railway company can only devise some plan along similar lines that will prevent the economic gent from bringing a smoldering piece of rope into a crowded car, we will all bless the in-

> Admiral Rojestvensky declares that the men of the American fleet are not as efficient as fighters or seamen as the Japanese. Rojestvensky is an adthe Japanese navy.

James Hazen Hyde says he will give rency reforms but serves to strengthen will drop proceedings against him. variety.

the impression that public scatiment Hyde ought to come home from Paris The most scathing arraignment of is still chaotic and little legislation and stand trial. He ought to know rallway management yet made is of- may be expected upon the subject at that no man with that much money stands any danger of being convicted in New York

It is announced that Count Sternachieved an unenviable distinction. In the world, even if it has to go away berg carries a gun during the sessions lutely closed against armament restric-The Interstate Commerce bulletins, is- from home to secure its supply of of the Austrian Parliament and threatsued quarterly, furnish accumulating these gladdeners of childish hearts at ons to shoot any colleague who disproof that no improvement worth men- Christmas time. A recent consular putes his word. Representatives Wiltion is being made in reducing the bureau report shows that this nation liams and De Armond are crude in greatingly difficult the raising of revenue

Irrigation contests in Nebraska are sufficiently novel to attract attention, been well to the front on the practice nal is particularly interesting because more than 1,000,000 people. The one of irrigation and the amount of land every year.

> A Florida congressman has offered bill providing for the sale of the Philippines. Except that no one is the bill meets the emergency in every

The city treasurer of Quebec admits hat he has been stealing for eighteen years and has taken \$185,000 of the public money. Such modesty is unusual in a professional thief.

> A Mockery of Law. Chicago Record-Herald.

Out in Omaha it is considered a misdeneanor to sing in a church choir on Sunday. Making a Sunday closing law ridleulous is always easy if that is the only

The Dead Line.

Washington Herald About the only thing we are able to gather from reading southern criticism of Senator Davis' speech is that they will surely get up another war if the newspapers of other sections do not immedicease designating him "Jefferson

Forgive and Forget.

Pittsburg Dispatch. Mr. Bryan's willingness to forgive the the event proved that they were in the right the unore pivotal question may be whether they will forgive him.

Campaign Pulls on the Treasury. Philadelphia Record.

If the government should pay the cost of political campaigns, as President Roosevelt recommends, new parties would-spring up in the land like mushrooms. This pecumary encouragement of parties might possibly be advisable if there were not quite too many of them already.

Philadelphia Record.

of industrial push is afforded by the producthat they remained drunk two days," wrote tion and consumption of coal. The United than the people of any other country.

Preservation of Pie.

Minneapolis Journal. Of all the recommendations of President hood was in any wise disturbed by this Roosevelt in his message, the one that be that to place the fourth-class postmasters under the civil service regulations. The congressmen have lost much of late, but they are not going to let the fourth-

Old Truth Reburnished.

Baltimore American. The records of Yale vindicate the simple life by showing that the rich students are turned their tenants adrift, demolished the poor scholars. The amount of scholarship declines in proportion to the sum of grazing lands, the people are boycotting their arrangements to depart before luxury. There is no getting over the stern natural law that only a favored few are gifted with the character which is best against man and beast committed. developed by prosperity. College statistics do not alter the tradition that it is the turbance is a mild scho of the land war of that the folly which has prevailed here poor boy, working his way, who has had the '80s. Irish political leaders appear inof the nation.

Private Pension Grabbing.

St. Paul Pioneer-Press. It was generally understood, when the between the saloon men and the Anti- | remnant of the army which fought for the union, that there would be no further occasion for private pension bills. Indeed, one of the chief arguments urged in favor The application of the jury law to of the bill was that the "private bill" Douglas county is proving even more would no longer obstruct the public bustness of congress. But in the first week of the session just begun, out of a total of 7.544 bills intrduced, all but a few dozen shamed into a little less complaisancy toward pension grabbers; especially as the beneficiaries of these private bills are usuthe country could not stand the investigations of the pension bureau.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Another democratic "harmony" dinner is ue in Washington.

An admiring prophet announces that Colenel Bryan will live to be 91 years old. which signifies eight more runs for the

In seeking a well-heeled running mate for Mr. Bryan the finger of destiny is pointing oward ex-Governor Douglas, the shoe man of Massachusetts.

ver the petty spoil of committee assignments, what would happen if the party controlled the presidential ple counter? A St. Louis alderman, on trial for graftng, displayed on the witness stand such astonishing forgetfulness that the jury handed him a five-year sentence so that he might collect his thoughts in peace.

The republican committee of Kansas meets December 27 for the purpose of selecting a convention date. Sentiment of the state is strong for Secretary Taft and a/declaration to that effect is likely to be made by the committee.

Mayor Johnson of Cleveland has finally won his seven-year right with the Cleveland Electric Railway company, the company agreeing to sell to a holding corporation, the value of its property to be determined by appraisers. squeezed out, Mayor Johnson believes that Cleveland will get cheaper street car farca and better service, and that the company will make all the money it ought to make. was the real thing. The words, "ingrate."

"pauper," "lie" and other equally peaceful

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

How long can nations maintain the

present pace in naval construction? The question is one of serious concern to the people who in one way or another furnish the sinews of sea power in times of peace as well as war. Although the doors of The Hague peace conference were resotion the question, like Banquo's ghost, it will not down. It is a skeleton whose wired hones rattle ominously in the depleted treasury closets of nations, making infor steadily growing budgets. In the last seven years England's naval expenses increased 34 per cent, Germany's 73 per cent Japan's 25 per cent and that of France only 6 per cent. For two years past the but the fact is that Nebraska has long naval expenditures of the United States were \$100,000,000 and \$102,000,000, respectively. This year's program, if sustained by conunder ditch in the state is increasing England heretofore has been a first equal gress, calls for \$110,000,000. The policy of to the combined fleets of the next two ranking powers. But England has materi ally diminished its "splendid isolation" by treaties with neighboring powers, particularly France, rendering less urgent the policy of constructing two warships to going to buy the islands and the one of rival powers. That this feeling pre-Inited States is not going to sell them, valls is evident from the remarks of Richard Burdon Haldane, secretary of state for war. "In the future," he said. "Great Britain might find it impossible to rely so ompletely and absolutely on the navy,' admitting the ever increasing difficulty of "maintaining the two-power naval standard against Germany and the United States, whose combined population was approaching 160,000,000," France is steadily dropping out of the race of naval construction, contenting itself with renewals while leaning on the arm of its new ally across the channel. Revenue exhaustion will soon force a change in Germany's program, and a similar change in the United States is a near possibility. Published extracts from the diary of

Eugene S. Politvosky, chief naval constructor of the Ill-fated Russian fleet, sunk n the Sea of Japan, throws a glooms light on the conditions which foretold the disaster. Politvosky went down with Adrolent Rolestvensky's flagship. The diary was mailed to his wife from different ports at which the fleet stopped. He tells of the mechanical mishaps which kept his corps of machinists busy, day and night. Repairs, as well as conling, had to be done at sea, for there was not a friendly port between the Baltic and Japan seas. The crews of some ships were often on gold democrats is interesting, though in the verge of mutiny, and on none could view of the fact that their votes may come strict discipline be preserved. In February | the unenlightened and unregenerated mulhandy next year scarcely surprising. As there is this sinister item in the diary: "A transport, the Malay, is largely loaded with lunatics. It is about to return to Russia with lunatics, drunkards, invalids and men deported for crimes. The crew are all hard cases, beachcombers and the like, picked up in Madagascar ports. All the officers carry loaded revolvers; a mutiny breaks out among the lunatics and other prisoners, then among the crew; the officers suppress it with much slaughter." The officers, realizing that only a shameful defeat was to be expected on the day of battle, neglected their duties, gambled for high stakes and drank deep. When the Germans among them, celebrated the A pretty accurate measure of the force kaiser's birthday "they drank so much poor Politvosky. On the long voyage the States have now a decisive lead, followed ships' bottoms became almost incredibly in turn by Great Britain, Germany and foul. "We shall arrive in the east with tion is found in the fining of a bag- France. We mine more coal, consume dirty ships and the Japaneze will meet us more in the aggregate, and more per head with clean ones," was set down despondently in the dlary. Politvosky, to illustrate the ignorance of the officers, writes in one places "Yesterday I heard a wordy quarrel among the lieutenants about how many stokeholes and boilers there are in day."—Houston Post. unseemly proceeding. It is merely set will be the last taken up by congress will this flagship." On the eve of battle its officers sat long at table drinking and singing. The following day nearly 1,000 officers and 12.000 men perished by shot and sitell and drowning. There is something doing in Ifeland this

vinter which is put down as a serious annovance to the party in power. In those sections of the island where the landlords the herders and managers of the estates, cattle are stampeded, and other offenses some respects the present agrarian disthe most influence in shaping the destinies different, refusing or failing to check the disturbance. Anti-home rulers are pressing for renewal of coercion acts and drumhead trials. So far prosecutions have not been very successful, járies as a rule refusing to convict. Back of the present "old age" pension law was passed, putiling outbreak is the deeproofed demand for "the prove so costly as the present conflict on the pension list practically the whole land for the people." The land act of four years ago works satisfactorily where ap plied, but its application is not general Although purchasers have agreed to pay prices regarded as liberal, a great number of landlords refuse to sell on any terms and the government cannot compel them At the last session of Parliament the commons passed a bill authorizing the govern ment to condemn, for state reasons, the estate of Lord Clanricarde, near Galway. but the house of lords amended the bill to death. Unable by lawful means to secure and cultivate the soil the extremists evidently intend to make life uncomfortable for the managers and unprofitable for the landlords. It is a rude method of reprisal, but it is by such rude, lawless means that the Irish people heretofore have secured relief and purchased title to property of which their forbears were tespoiled by British freebooters in canturies past.

China is menaced with a new peril. Her railroads have begun to pay. Not since nummics were burned for fuel on the Nile railway has the orient been so seriously invaded. Henceforth it is farewell to the idyilic peace of the Chinese ruralism. -If the sons of heaven had refused to ride, be-If democratic congressmen come to blows | hind the profune iron horse of the foreign devils, they might have defended their land from innovation to the last. Now there is nothing for it but to submit to having their rice fields cut up by the steel rails. one peculiar opportunity remains for them to save the credit of their country-by making their railroads picturesque. If they succeed in doing this, they can be written down once more as having achieved a com plete novelty. The train should furnish brand new motive for that patiently elaborated oriental art-bamboo passenger coaches, decorated with choice panel paintngs, pagodas turned to account as switch owers and locomotive designs, symbolic of the national dragon having its tall twisted by a European power.

Correspondents of London papers, writing f the return to various countries of so many thousands of laborers from America give different reasons for the emigration from Budapest, says: "The great majority of those returned emphatically asserted One of the famous democratic harmony their ability to obtain a better livelihood in dinners was pulled off at the Hoffman Hungary than in America. Now comes House. New York, Friday of last week. It the news that two other batches of emigrants are expected, one of the vessels bringing no fewer than 1,300 home to th terms were bandled back and forth. It all | land, while the second brings nearer 2,0 mitted authority on the efficiency of happened after the food had been con- to Hungary. From America one hears that sumed and the wine bettles began to come all this is unskilled labor, and so unskilled in by pairs and threes. Someone proposed that it cannot be taught. Nevertheless a tonst to David B. Hill. "our next presi- there still remain some 1,500,000 Hungarians dent, an honest man." Trouble began on in America, that the exedus from Hungary agricultural labor."

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	\$25.00	Belouchistan, 3-1x4-5, reduced to
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New York Times. Under the new government ruling whisky, hereafter, is to be "one run of the still which has been allowed to age sufficiently; not rectified." No other liquor can be legally labeled "straight whisky." "Blended whisky" will not longer be any dublous compound dealers choose to handle, and titude to drink. The term will be used legally only to describe "two different runs of the same kind from the same still, but

of different ages." "Compound" and "imitation" whisky will be on the market, and obtainable at drinking bars, but, under the law, they must be honestly and plainly labeled. The ruling of Attorney General Bonaparte has effectively answered the disputed question, "What is whisky?" Anybody who does not know what whisky is, hereafter, is inexcusably ignorant. If he deals whisky his ignorance will not protect him in any infringement of the law.

LAUGHING LINES.

First Angel-Why is it that St. Peter has cept the job as doorkeeper for so many cears?

Second Angel-He's still hoping for years?
Second Angel-He's still hoping for a chance to get at the fellow who robbed him to pay Paul.-Houston Post.

'He has a wealthy relative, hasn't he?

Who is that youngster?" asked the

'Ot he's only our new office boy," said "Ah! his face seemed familiar."
"Very likely, but his manner
o."—Philadelphia Press. but his manner is more

"Think of what the historians will say about you," said the idealist.
"Nonsense," answered Senator Sorghum, busily. "I don't want any historian. What I want is a press agent."—Washington

Mrs. Gaswell (making a call)—Ah, I see ou have here a volume of poems. I'm

anhamed to confess it Mrs. Highmus, but I never could appreciate blank verse. Ars. Highmus-Why-er-that's a cata-logue, Mrs. Gaswell.-Chicago Tribune.

"Bryan," said the emotional statesman, hangs over his party like a specter."
"No," was the reply. "He's not a specter. He is an expecter."—Baltimore

"What I like about Spendum is that he treats everyone alike."
That hasn't been my experience with

"No. Last night he was out with a party of us, and when he asked what we'd have we each took something different."—Cleve-land Plate Track. land Plain Dealer,

MUCH THANKS.

Judge. She sat behind me at the play;
I knew her not at all.
But in a coy and careless way
She let her hatpins fall Beneath the seat between my feet, Of course I had to crawl.

And as I handed them to her (Ah, happy finger touch!) She said to me, she said, said she, "Oh, thank you—very much!"

She stood beside me in the car. And we were strangers quite.
I wasn't going very far,
And so I thought I might
Give up my seat to rest her feet,
(Now, wasn't that polite?)

As from the overhanging strap She loosed her frantie She said to me, she said, said she, "Oh, thank you-very much!" She passed me on the avenue,

As promenaders pass.
Her dainty kerchief, dotted blue
And airy-light as gas,
She dropped behind. I strove to find,
And found it, for the lass.

And as I placed it in her hand, Profaned with gutter smutch, She said to me, she said, said she, 'Oh, thank you-very much

New, this was not one woman lone, But these were ladies three;
And many more from zone to zone
Have thus been served by me
And other men who're helpful when
They cannot help but be.

And ever thus we get their thanks (It surely beats the Dutch). They always say them this-a-way. "Oh, thank you-very much!"

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