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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.

March came to lamb-like enough,

If it lasts another week, the groundhog's vindication will be complete.

Owners of insomnia cures might try their hands on those Kentucky nightriders.

A noiseless gun has been invented. It will not be popular for campaign

White House as massages instead of messages.

deposits in their history. Whatever else may be necessary for an unusual business boom in the west, the money is on hand.

Few men are so able as Mr. Hearst to organize a third party. He has money enough to hire the halls and can print rousing notices of the meetings in his own papers.

Just to encourage those New York to Paris autoists, the snow in Wyoming is not more than twelve feet deep, except in some places where it has drifted along the roads.

"The Daughters of Ceres" is the name of a new women's society just organized in Iowa. Of course, the girls who prepare the breakfast foods are eligible to charter membership.

A Washington correspondent says that Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot belongs to no secret society. That will surprise folks who have looked upon him as the ringleader of the modern woodmen.

"Where is Mr. Bryan?" asks a Louisville paper. Haven't the name of that old speech in which he insists that democratic prospects are growing brighter every day.

The grand jury officially declares that the court house and the county jail are both of the same vintage of obsolete and outgrown buildings. The new court house and jail proposition cannot be divorced.

As a compliment to Father Dowling the students of Creighton university have been granted a holiday. With this precedent changes in the headship of that institution may become popular with the student body.

Accused men in New York who have succeeded in evading or delaying prosecution will naturally protest against this movement that has been started to induce Governor Hughes to remove District Attorney Jerome.

Mr. Hearst has not yet decided whether he will go into the national sive control of the Indian supply busifight. In the meantime, he is in the ness bush, with skill of a sharpshooter. and the ambition of a man who is going to sit close to the head of the democratic table or raise a row that will spoil the dinner.

upon The Bee's suggestion that enough maturing paving bonds be taken up by this district, be able to discover the the sinking fund to permit the voting impending danger just at the perilous of new intersection bonds to take care moment and in the nick of time rush

BRYAN CCERTS BRIBERY.

Watch the personnel of the delegation to Denver. Money is being used in some of he states of the Missippi valley to se cure delegations who will be obedient to masses must not be betrayed by representa-tives of that system. The commoner.

When asked by an Asso, ated Press reporter for evidence in support of this charge of bribery, Mr. Bryan said: I wrote that paragraph myself and know what I am talking about. I have my information from a man who overheard a conversation on the subject.

When asked what interests are behind the movement, Mr. Bryan augwered:

I am convinced that it is the interests representing the trusts and the railroads. They do not hope to prevent instructed delegations in the Missinsippl valley states, delegates who will be unfriendly to my

This would be serious enough to warrant calling out the militia were it not for the fact that Mr. Bryan has a habit of "seein' things" in presideptial years. He has visions of the "Money Power" and "Predatory Wealth" tearing through the country. buying voters and using every corrupt influence to send delegates to Denver unfriendly to Bryan. There is no question about it, because Mr. Bryan has 36,15¢ his information "from a man who overheard a conversation on the subject." If that is true, "Money Power" 36,140 and "Predatory Wealth" have lost 23...... 36,250 their caution, since they are usually de-36,540 picted as communicating in whispers 26...... 35,100 or making signs.

In the meantime, not the slightest effort to send an anti-Bryan delega-36,220 tion to the Denver convention is visthle in any state in the Mississippi reserve the right to name their own member of the national committee, but they promise to vote for Bryan in the opposition to his nomination among the democrats of the west, and if the 'interests that represent the trusts and the railroads" are spending money to bribe delegates from the Mississippi valley states to oppose Bryan at Denver, their friends should take steps at once to have guardians appointed for

GOLD POWER OF AMERICA.

For the first time in the nation's history the gold coin and bullion in the United States treasury has passed the \$1,000,000,000 mark, the supply now in our possession being larger than that of any other nation in the world. Added to the amount in banks and in general circulation, the total is \$1,630,000,000, or over \$500,000,000 more than that of Germany, which stands second in the list.

The accumulation of this enormous supply of gold has been most rapid. At Wall street speculators have come the close of the fiscal year in 1893, to look upon communications from the when an era of commercial and financial depression prevailed in this country, the gold supply was \$189,000,000. It decreased to \$131,000,000 in 1894. Omaha banks now hold the largest and railied to \$156,000,000 in 1895. From that time the holdings of the government in gold have steadily increased beyond all precedent in any country, until it is now in excess of \$1,000,000

The gold holding of the government is divided so that but little of the amount on hand is really locked up from circulation. The treasury holds \$829,000,000 in gold bullion as security for gold certificates in use, and an additional \$150,000,000 is held to redeem the legal tender notes and the treasury notes of 1890. This leaves a balance of about \$25,000,000 available for appropriation in case of need.

The report of the director of the mint for the year ending with December 31, 1906, estimates the gold in banks, in government treasuries and in circulation in the different countries,

as follows:		
Country.	Gold.	Per Capita
United States	\$1,593,300,000	\$18.6
Austria-Hungary	206,400,000	6.3
United Kingdom		11.0
France	826,400,000	23.5
Germany	1,080,300,000	17.0
Owner	000 400 000	20.00

Later data from foreign countries is not available, but the importations of gold by this country and the increase the town at hand, but he is making from other sources have brought the total supply of the United States-in the treasury, in banks and in circulation-up to \$1,628,600,000 on Febru-

ary 1, 1908.

JOY TINGED WITH SADNESS. The announcement from Washington that the senate has agreed to an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, which practically insures permanency to the Indian supply depot at Omaha, and that the amendment will, in all probability, be accepted by the house, should be received in Omaha with unalloyed joy.

The Indian supply depot is a recognition by the government of this city's standing as a market in which to buy the articles required for the Indian reservations and of its superior facilities as a distributing point to the western Indian agencies. It places Omaha on a par with older and established commercial centers that have constantly endeavored to keep exclu-

But this joy must be a joy tinged with sadness. If the Indian supply depot is henceforth to be a permanent institution the annual fight in congress to save it will be a thing of the past. No more will the indefatigable The city council promises to act and vigilant congressman, who happens for the time to be representing if Mr. Bryan ever sees the local demoof the city's obligations in new paving to the rescue (like the hero in the work. That is the only practical way play), with the calcium lights all on in pleased the World-Herald with his out of the existing dilemma full blaze and the orchestra playing tariff revision declaration if he did not lie beyond their kea.

fast music. Of course, nothing but the personal popularity and the almost item, which, by pre-arrangement, had the and burned in the cork. been offered by the "friendly Injun." If repetition of this spectacular performance is to be dented us our congressman when seeking re-election will have to work up something else as a claim for our gratitude and sense of obligation.

And so we are not sure whether we should thank Senator Burkett for making the Indian supply depot permanent for Omaha or berate him for debriving the future congressman from this district of the political stockout they are trying to get a personnel of in-trade, which had come to be regarded as a percuisite of the office,

FIGURING ON PANAMA. John F. Stevens, who was engineer in charge at Panama before the work of canal construction was transferred to the engineering department of the army, has gone to great trouble and large expense to publish a volume to prove that the Panama enterprise can not be completed for many years and that the ultimate cost will exceed \$400,000,000. Not satisfied with that, Mr. Stevens predicts that the canal will be a money-losing proposition and will cost the government at least \$10,-600,000 every year in excess of its earnings. On this basis he predicts that by 1950 the canal will have cost the government of the United States not less than \$700,000,000, counting the cost of construction and the deficits caused by its operation and mainte-

the isthmus of Panama has absorbed all kinds of money. In 1880 the French engineers estimated that the canal could be built for \$120,000,000. In the next five years De Lessens had sunk \$200,000,000 in the enterprise, and when the crash finally came, it is estimated that more than \$300,000,000 of French money had been invested in the great project, the harvest of which was nothing but loss of life and money, But modern science has devised new methods of battling with engineering and sanitary problems, and nothing in existing conditions justifies the extreme

pessimism of Engineer Stevens. Let us admit that the original estimate of \$185,000,000, including the \$40,000,000 paid to the French government, was much too low. Lieutenant Colonel Goethals told a congressional committee recently that he was not prepared to place the probable cost at less than \$250,000,000, and that it might exceed that amount. He was prepared, however, to stake his reputation as an engineer on the prediction that the canal could be completed and ready for operation on January 1. 1915, and that it would meet all the requirements for an interoceanic water-

vay for the next century. The public will prefer to accept and be satisfied with Colonel Goethals' statement rather than that of Mr. Stevens. While all object to extravagance no one is going to demand cessation of the work so long as the canal is properly constructed on economical lines and pushed to completion as speedily as possible.

Park Commissioner Cornish is getting outside of the record when he tries to lay the blame for the inability of the Park board to help out the depleted intersection paving fund upon The Bee's opposition to the park bonds last fall. In the first place, these bonds were not proposed to supply funds for street paving at all, but were publicly advertised to enable the board to buy recreation parks and public playgrounds in the center of the city. Only after it was found that public sentiment opposed the voting of money for this purpose did the Park board undertake to save the bonds by pretending that their purpose was to furnish money to pave streets opposite existing parks. But even that would have been simply whipping the devil around the stump, because the charter provides how the cost of paving chargeable against the city shall be made and the park bonds even if secured would not have relieved the paving situation.

Omaha is furnishing a witness for the defense in the suit to dissolve the Tobacco trust being tried in New York, testifying as to the relations between the tobacco company and a wholesale establishment here Omaha that has ten branch houses in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado and Wyoming. Irrespective of the merits of the case, this is pretty good evidence of the extensive field covered by Omaha's jobbing trade.

The redoubtable Charles Wooster of fusion reform fame has again broken loose with this tirade: Roosevelt is a lawless, insincere, self-

secking, mouthing egotist and by all odds he worst president we ever had. If Wooster will only take this along with him on an expedition to Wall street he will be sure of a welcome there more enthusiastic than that which greeted Prince Henry.

In his address to the State Press association at Lincoln Mr. Bryan laid special stress upon the need of conscience in the making of a newspaper, and particularly denounced the newspaper that tried to make a partisan turn out of every happening. Wonder cratic organ since he quit his connec-

Senator La Follette might have

'spoil It all" by advocating a tariff commission. It is plain that the superhuman work of the congressman World-Herald will not be thoroughly used to persuade the house to vote pleased by anybody who does not bear the predatory interests. The democratic down the motion to strike out the the democratic label blown in the bot-

A man was sent to the insane asylum in New York In 1860 for trying to promote a scheme for a tunnel under the Hudson. New York at least owes him an apology and a sicket to the next banquet to honor the engineers who designed and built the recently opened under-water tube.

When the Kentucky night-riders got over the line and began outraging Ohio tobacco growers, the state troops were called out and county officials admonished to enforce the law or lose their places. Kentucky may learn a lesson from its neighbors.

The Chicago Tribune prints a table of prospective Taft delegates in the republican national convention, crediting him with a clear majority without including Nebraska. If the Tribune will correct this oversight it will give Taft sixteen votes more.

By the completion of the newest subway it now takes only twenty minutes to go from Broadway to New Jersey. This will be culte a convenlence to folks who have to go to New Jersey for reasons over which they have no control.

"I'd rather have my daughter marry a good, live newspaper man than any worthless duke in the world," says Mrs. Hetty Green, Sounds mighty complimentary at first, but, on analysis, No one denies that the strip across looks more like a resigned choice between two evils.

> not intend to make any exorbitant charges during the democratic national convention. Guests will, of course, be tion. expected to understand that the word "exorbitant" is always used in a comparative sense.

Those political wiseacres who were would scramble to hoist the La Folbum steer.

Immunes Are Many. Chicago News. well-meaning statesmen are menaced by the peril of a nomination for president by Mr. Hearst's new party.

Hone of the Honeless. Baltimore News.

No doubt Harriman believes that he will after the Big Stick has disappeared from the White House. Street Car Suggestion.

Kansas City Star.

A gallant man in St. Louis proposes a law requiring men to give their seats to women in street cars. A vastly better law is one democratic. requiring this company to provide s ats Bryan is thrown out, neck and crop. for both the women and the men

Time for Caution.

Wall Street Journal. We have struck a deadly blow at the thieves and scoundrels who have attempted to usurp power over the highways of commerce for their own selfish aggrandizement like the robber barons of old. Let us be careful now lest this work be undone by the zealots and demagogues who would destroy the highways themselves and overturn the principles upon which our civilization rests.

Tale of the "Thriller."

Los Angeles Express, This week the defiling billboards of the town portray criminals shooting down officers of the law. Operating on the minds of the vicious and depraved, such portravals are an incitement to murder. The theater managers who thus teach homicide incur no penalties from their pupils, who are taught to point their pistols at those who wear uniforms. Which of our officers shall be the first with his life to pay the cost of this murderous tuition? Let the offending place of "amusement" be compelled to display a sign, "Murder Taught

SLANDERING WORKING GIRLS. Thoughtless Talk from Pulpit Brings Merited Rebuke.

Kansaa City Journal. From a Kansas City pulpit last Bunday minister made anxious inquiry as to why men do not more frequently go to church. girl who had worked in a large department store, for instance, is not the kind the have been laid for her virtue, and too frequently she has not the strength to overcome the powerful temptations with which

she is beset." that he does not care to listen to a minister she does it with warmth and vigor. Every word she wrote was true. To people of broad observation there is a settled conviction that evil is not restricted to any particular class or stratum of society. The minister meant no harm by his quoted statement, but it certainly was indiscreet. It is unjust and uncharitable to place a stigma upon working girls as not being "the sort the average man would care to

The idle woman of means who has time for indulgence in all forms of pleasure- to a whole Taft administration with the utgiving pastimes is not less vulnerable than most confidence. Their line of thought the girl who carns her living in a store or is logical at least. Other good party men office. Indeed, the argument leans the and patriotic citizens can assign entirely other way. Girls who are employed have respectable reasons for supporting Mr. the same instinctive sense of self-protection Hughes, or Mr. Cannon, or Mr. Knox, as their more fortunate sisters, but among but with Mr. Taft lies the advantage working girls this sense is more often of close familiarity with the large national sharpened by necessity. The working girl's problems, especially the now very importknowledge of the world is an asset of ant ones involving our foreign and colonial value, for she soon learns where to look relations, that the next administration will for danger. Self-respect is not a matter of have to deal with. The republican party the battleship and cruiser squadrons are money any more than personal cleanliness. is fortunate in the character and quality Your man of the world knows this and he of the leaders in the ante-convention race. quickly gauges his respect for a working girl in accordance with the respect she has

for herself. The Christian ministry is one of the most the world, but it is heavy with responsi- kind suggestions of like import,

ON PRESIDENTIAL FIRING LINE. Taft Strong in Michigan, While Anti-

Taft Forces There Disintegrate. Detroit Free Press. Bay county, in which the beet sugar industry of Michigan had its origin and in which it is still the most important of local

The Tenth district, of which Bay forms vation and beet sugar refining are factors of the contests for the nomination for presof large moment, held its district conven- ident. As it was, Ohio has played the most declared for Mr. Taft and instructed its two delegates, E. B. Foss of Bay City the first republican convention in 1856, and and Judge Norman Sharpe of West Branch, will again be the great factor in the conto vote for Mr. Taft at the Chicago con-

That the Tenth's representatives in the tate convention at Grand Rapids will contribute to the extent of their numerical the interests of the party, but, delegates strength to an overwhelming Taft sentiment in that body is of course a natural votes in the informal ballot that preceded Congressional Directory in tabloid for expectation.

opposed to Mr. Taft constitute only a minority in the Twelfth district and that that district will co-operate to give for- lots, and at the end of the third ballot, Schott, the well-known sculptor, who, w midableness to the state's efforts in be- when twenty-nine votes were given to Linhalf of Mr. Taft at Chicago.

movement in Michigan, inspired chiefly. as was said, by an alleged incompati- its vote unanimous immediately. ostered by a few other influences? Only the Eighth district seems in doubt, and even there a strong preference for Mr. Taft is struggling to find expression. The fallure of that preference to gain representation in the district convention would

enthusiastic, hopeful Taft delegates from erford B. Hayes, for president, gave him this state. But of course the chances are that the Eighth will not be stubborn, but will prove esponsive to the wishes of the rank and man, to the convention as its choice, and file of its own republicans and will do its part toward making the state unanimous

preference for Mr. Taft. If there should be a referendum on the uestion of a nominee, and all who voted Denver hotel men insist that they do for Mr. Roosevelt in 1904 were privileged to one votes were given to James G. Blaine participate in it, probably Mr. Taft would and twenty-five to Sherman. These figures that given Mr. Roosevelt in that 1904 elec-

> Democratic Die is Cast. Washington Post.

The die is cast, the Rubicon is crossed. Mr. Bryan is as good as nonlinated. He one voted for Benjamin Harrison, the nomiwill write the platform. He will name nee, telling how Nebraska republicans his running mate, and the result will be the same. Mr. Bryan will be smitten lette banner, if only given half a Judge Farker. And does the World know chance, seem to have put out a very tout hundreds of thousands of voters, enthusiastic Bryanites of 1896 and 150v, William McKinley, the convention's unanintend to have a share in the kuifing? Imous nominee. The sole reason why Mr. Bryan will be nominated at Denver is that it is the one way to be rid of him. He could have been beaten for the nomination, and dore Roosevelt, who was unanimously would have been, but for the fact that nominated, a crushing defeat in 1908 will make an end of him.

The republicans are going to make a Roosevelt platform and nominate a Roosebe doing business at the old stand long velt ticket. That is as much radicalism as the country is now ready to assimilate. Then there will be nothing for Mr. Bryan to do but make a more radical platform. We know what the country will do to that.

> Before it elects another president the democratic party must again become individual reader to devour or pass over the That it cannot be until Mr. Patience, and shuffle the cards,

Cannon's Strong Suit. Chicago Inter Ocean. He is not strong on clothes, 'tis true For he despises show, But when it comes to wearing smiles They can't beat Uncle Joe.

Republican Chances in North Carolina Judge Walser in Washington Post, We expect to carry North Carolina in sentiment in the state, and there is little expect. doubt that with him as the candidate cellent chance. Secretary Taft has many thought of.

Still Sticking to Johnson.

S. M. Craiger in New York Tribune. mpressed with the strong undertone of dulum has awang to the other extreme sentiment for his candidacy. It has in the search for sensationalism. cropped out in New England, as well as Coincidentally, another minister in another in New York and Peansylvania. Illinois pulpit unconsciously gave one good reason is favorable to him. Everybody is im- justice will be done. They do not often why. This was when he declared that "the pressed with the businesslike and of make mistakes if left to act. fective manner in which he has served his state as governor. The laws have average men would care to marry. She been faithfully enforced. Abuses have must have met with many snares which been quietly put down. The governor has worked for the weifare of all the citizens of his state, not theatrically or to advance his personal interests. As a candidate he is available, from every point The "average man" is the one the of view, by experience in public life, by churches are seeking. He is also the hus- demonstration of exceptional executive the fine cruiser squadron at target practice band of the "girl who has worked," and it and administrative capacity and by sym- in Magdalena bay: The Maryland, 78.89; requires no involved logic to understand pathy with the American people. Gov. the Tennessee, 68.24; the Colorado, 63.68; ernor Johnson is a candidate who will the Pennsylvania, 57.80; the West Virginia who thus casts reflections upon thousands arouse enthusiasm among every class of 55.70, and the Washington, 55.50? of good and true young women. In a letter citizens. That is where he possesses an published in The Journal yesterday a sten- advantage over any other man in the ographer makes reply to this minister, and field. No one of them appeals to more of the battleship fleet when it arrives in than a limited group.

Taft the Man

Milwaukee Sentinel In fine, Mr. Taft's work and achievements guns in the fight with the Russians. That have made the republican administration for the last eight years in some shining respects so largely a Taft administration, that many thoughtful and broad republicans like General Winkler are disposed to regard him as on the record fairly entitled to preference, and to look forward

Mr. Bryan's Next Book. Cleveland Leader

After 1896 Bryan published "The First concrable and most useful professions in Battle." By way of forestalling other "The bilities. Ministers should refrain from ran- Last Defeat" is offered for an approprinext full.

A MAKER OF PRESIDENTS.

Ohto Habit of Picking Winners at National Conventions.

Washington Letter in Boston Transcript. Ohlo has held her first presidential primary. She has proved herself the maker as well as the mother of presidents Florence Nightingale, who is now in her industries, instructed its delegates to both in the thirteen conventions of the republi- 189th year. state and district conventions to support can party. Had it not been for the levalty of the Buckeye delegates to the luckless candidacies of John Sherman, Ohio would a part and to which as a whole beet culti- have backed the winners in practically all This convention also conspicuous part of any state in the selection of republican standard bearers since vention of 1908.

In the first convention Ohio proposed the names of Judge John McLean and Salmon P. Chase. Both names were withdrawn in insisting. Judge McLean received some house of representatives, has issued the the nomination of Fremont. On the direct Assurances continue also to come from and only formal ballot Ohio gave fifty-five vest pocket, and it contains all the rethe upper peninsula to the effect that those delegates to John C. Frement and thirtynine to McLean.

In 1860 Ohio split its votes for three balcoln, fifteen to Chase, and two to McLean, What remains, then, of the anti-Taft it was Obio's change of four votes that nominated Lincoln. The delegation made

bility between the Taft candidacy and the In 1864 Delegate Delano, of Ohio, prowelfare of the sugar interests, but also posed Abraham Lincoln by acclamation. The convention agreed with him. In 1868 Judge Spalding of Ohio presented General U. S. Grant for president and the state gave him forty-two votes. He

was nominated In 1972 Ohio proposed and accomplished the renomination of President Grant, In give the Eighth two lonesome anti-Taft delegates at Chicago among twenty-six 1878 Ohio proposed its governor, Ruthforty-four votes, and stuck to him until he was nominated on the sixth ballot. In 1880 Ohio offered its son, John Sher-

gave him all of her delegates throughout thirty-five ballots. On the thirty-sixth for Mr. Taft. For there is no doubt that ballot James A. Garfield of Ohio was the state as a whole has a most decided nominated, the state giving him forty-three votes. Garfield alone voting for Sherman 1884 again Ohlo presented John Sherman but was divided in its support. Twentybe indicated by a plurality approximating were reversed on the third ballot, and on the fourth Ohio withdrew Sherman's name and accomplished the nomination of Blaine. 1888 Ohio's loyalty to Sherman again put the state of the winning column. It gave him a solid vote until the eighth ballot,

> 1892 Ohlo backed its favorite son, Mc-Kinley, with forty-five votes, giving but one to Benjamin Harrison, who was renominated on the first ballot. 1896 Ohio's forty-six votes were cast for

when forty-five delegates voted for him and

1900 McKinley, again nominated unanimously, received Ohio's solid support. 1904 Ohio gave its forty-six votes to Theo

NEWSPAPERS AND CRIME.

How the Yellow Journal Propagates Lawlessness and Disorder. Denver Republican, The fact that a crime has been committed belongs to the public as a matter of news. Readers of the daily paper ex-

pect to be told about it and are entitled to the details. It is the privilege of the report as personal preference may sugrest. But with gathering and publishing the facts the duty of the newspaper ceases. Thereafter it is for the courts to determine who was responsible for the crime. When the newspaper goes beyond reporting the details of the act and the arrest of the accused, it begins usurping the prerogative of and interfering with justice by instilling prejudice in the minds of the public. Of all the despicable phases of yellow journalism the worst is the persistent trial of criminals in its pages. It is the applica-

the national election next November, tion of the psychological dissecting pro-North Carolina has 83,000 republican cess of the novelist to every law breaker. voters, or, rather, that was the number It prepares the reader to convict or exof republican votes cast in the last na- onerate the prisoner and formulates public tional election, which is two-fifths of spinion long before the jury has been given the white vote in the state. From this the facts on which to base a verdict it will be seen that a matter of 10,009 Courts in these days here in Denver have votes may swing the election to the re- little more to do than ratify the findings publicans, and I believe the republican of the yellows as to the guilt of innocence party has been sufficiently strengthened of those brought before them. The juryin the last four years to turn the tide man faces the frown of an unprincipled this year in favor of the republicans, press should he fail to subscribe to the There is undoubtedly a strong Roosevelt verdict the public has been prepared to

An appeal to violence for the suppression the state would be safely republican. But of murderers comes then in extremely bad with any other candidate we have an ex- grace from a newspaper that has systematically engaged for years in freeing crimfriends in the state, who will support him inals by fawning upon them, making them in the convention. Cannon also is well public heroes and so clouding the waters that justice finds it impossible to act with precision. There is a suspicion in many minds that at least one innocent man has been condomned in this city by the same The friends of Governor Johnson are process, it having happened that the pen-

Let the courts be left unhampered and the public can rest pretty well assured that

GUNS AND THE GUNNERS. How the Naval Marksmen Have An swered Carping Critics. New York Sun.

Who are the undesirable naval officers that gave out the following percentages of hits with three-inch and six-inch guns by This is a splendid record, and doubtless

emulation will improve the marksmanship

April for practice. It has been estimated

by a naval attache with Admiral Togo's

fleet at Tsushima that the Japanese made

19.6 per cent of hits with their twelve-inch

the American crews will do twice as well or better with the big guns at long range in Magdalena bay is to be presumed from the performances of the Atlantic fleet off Cape Cod last summer. Secretary Metcalf published the scores under pressure of . report that the practice was disappointing From Washington now comes the statment that Secretary Metcalf is inclined t exclude newspaper correspondents "from the ships during target practice at Magdalena bay." Such a course would be shortsighted indeed, especially if the secre tary thinks of making a dark secret of the skill of the American gun crews. Yet there never was a time when it was more en pedient to let the world know how well our men shoot. Everybody knows that when united the American flag will fly over the most powerful fleet in the Pacific. If, then it can be proclaimed that this splendid aggregation of fighting ships is filled with mon who can handle their guns with won derful speed and precision, surely the fleat will be more formidable in the regard of hostile nower than if efficiency of the dom and harmful excursions into fields that ate title wherewith to test the market cealed. The world will have the scores to

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Representatives Payne, Dalsell and Tawney never appear in the house without a

red carnation in their buttonbole. The corporation of the city of London will confer the freedom of the city on

Miss Mary Woodman of Woburn, Mass. was instructor to the late King Carlos of Portugal in English, history, painting and swimming.

Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, New York, is to deliver a course of lectures at the University of Copenhagen next September. Miss Anne Morgan, J. Pierpont Morgan's

daughter, and other altruistic women are leading a national movement to improve the condition of working women and men in the big cities. Major Alexander McDowell, cherk of the

The miniature directory just fits the avery necessary information which its larger bulkler elder brother contains.

Emperor William has received P Prof. Rheinhold Begas, also a sculptor, actively engaged in promoting an exhibi of German sculpture in New York. emperor gave his approval of the exh for which statuary worth \$750,000 has alrebeen pledged.

Corporal James Tanner of Washingt D. C., has been appointed a member the committee on erection of a statue honor of Benjamin F. Stephenson, founde of the Grand Army of the Republic. In the erection of the memorial to General Stephenson every post in the national encampment will have a part.

Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, the well-known New York banker, who has long been noted for his practical charity as well as his great business ability, and who is now traveling abroad, spent some time in Egypt. A recent issue of the Alexandria Record reports a contribution from Mr. Schiff of \$1,500 to the traveling Ophthalmic hospital.

FOR BLUE MONDAY.

Knicker-Wouldn't you like to wake up some morning to find yourself famous?

Bocker-Not if I had to get up when I was called-New York Sun.

"Do you know how to cure the blues?"

"You bet."
"Well?"
" Paint 'em red." - Nashville American. "Say," saked the first messenger boy, got any novels to swap?"
"I got 'Big-Foot Bill's Revenge,' " replied

"Is it a long story?"
"Naw! Ye kin finish it easy in two mes-ages."—Philadelphia Press. "Maude was afraid the girls wouldn't notice her engagement ring."
"Did they?"
"Did they?"
"Did they? Six of them recognized it al once,"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Where are you going with Fide?"
"I'm going to take him to the dry clean ers; he hates to be washed so bad."—Brook

Mason—The temperance situation is be coming alarming, lep't it? Dixon—Yes; it's getting to be root beer of the.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch. "He's telling everybody that she is hir

first love."
"And she?"
"She is confiding to a select few that h
is her last chance."—Washington Herald. With a sigh she laid down the magazin article upon George Washington.
"The day of great men," she said, "k gone forever."
"But the day of beautiful women isn't,"

he responded.
She smiled and blushed.
"I was only joking," she explained wayriedly.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Old Beau-William, are my eyebrows or straight and is my wig properly crumped; Valet-Yes, sir; but your chest has slipped down a bit.-Life.

A WOMAN'S LOVE.

John Hay. A sentinel angel, sitting high in glory, Heard this shrill wall ring out from purgatory; ve mercy, mighty angel! Hear my Have me

'I loved-and, blind with passionate love, i Love brought me down to death, and death For God is just, and death for sin is well. "I do not rage against His high decree, Nor, for myself, do ask that grace shall be, But for my love on earth, who mourns fer me.

Great Spirit, let me see my love again And comfort him one hour, and I were fa To pay a thousand years of fire and pain Then said the pitying angel: "Nay; report That wild vow. Look, the dial finger's bent Down to the last hour of thy punishment;" But still she wailed: "I pray thee, let mo go! I cannot rise to peace and leave him so. O let me soothe him in his bitter woe."

The brazen gates ground sullenly ajar, And upward, joyous, like a rising star, She rose and vanished in the ether far.

She fluttered back, with broken-hearted She sobbed: "I found him by the summer

She wept, "Now let my punishment begin! I have been fond and foolish; let me in To expiate my sorrow and my sin." The angel answered: "Nay, sad soul, go higher.

To be deceived in your true heart's desire
Was hitterer than a thousand years of
fire."

If you were a miller

Would you bother to wash the wheat and scour it?

That's what Washburn-Crosby Co. do in milling Gold Medal Flour

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business.

