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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

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Nebraska is sure of the horors in the Western league this year.

"Car shortage" is going to be the excuse for the high price of fuel this

Winter has arrived at Medicine Hat. No objection to it resting there for about three months.

that a prize fight may be as dangerous | the fiscal year ending with June, 1907, as a meeting of the Illinois Central the government has paid in pensions directors.

Fifty-eight socialist ballots were cast in the Douglas county primary. the gospel.

idea that President Roosevelt and showing that a gain in both items, Colonel Bryan are running for mayor with a slight advantage in favor of of Cleveland.

and all of his policies," says Senator only, instead of including the other Depew. Is it possible that the "Roose- items of living expense, like fuel, rent velt luck" is waning?

The French government has generously decided to let Morocco pay all country a French province

Statistics show that 81,722 persons is no way of ascertaining the number of those who ought to be

Senator Depew is as crafty as ever candidates whom he does not like.

A telephone company at Portland. Me.; has asked for a receiver. The of patrons to keep the transpitters

Southern papers are showing rare in the hours of labor. powers of suppression. None of them coast.

man expedition indicate that the wind insists upon blowing toward the lecture platform instead of toward the north pole.

Fish, Harriman and Harahan will come together at the meeting of the Illinois Cefitral directors on October 15. That leaves only a month for training purposes.

"Senator Fornker does not stand for the republican party." says the Cleveland Leader. And, by the same token, the republican party does not stand for Senator Foraker.

A New York woman wants a divorce because her husband threw beer into her face. The average New York man refuses to throw beer into anyone's face except his own.

The New York World is making a fuss over the political campaign funds surpassed by the rise in salaries, of 1904. Republicans and democrats superintendence and miscellaneous ex- their city pleasant to visit or comalike are more concerned about where | pense, and by the swollen capital re- fortable to live in. But now we know the campaign funds for 1808 may be secured.

Hall Caine's physicians have advised him to take the rest cure. Those the wealth of the country, have been doctors ought to be induced to pre- largely to the big operators, the capscribe for Foraker, Tillman, Hobson, tains of finance and industry, without Depew and some other statesmen and near-ratesmen who might be men- the wage earners.

THE INCREASING PENSION ROLL. for pensions by the next congress will bureau's wage inquiries appear to have \$145,000,000 appropriated the fiscal year ending in June, while there are some indications that the amount may be increased. When the McCumber act, granting a pension to each veteran who had reached the age of 62 years, was adopted by congress it was estimated that the death rate among the pensioners, which is increasing rapidly, would so reduce the appropriations that the pension expense would vances paid to organized labor in the not be materially increased by the operation of the new law. Commissioner Warner's forthcoming annual report, however, will show that about 350,000 applications for new pensions and increases have been filed under the new Remit by draft, express or postal order payable to The Bee Publishing Company, only 2-cent stamus received in payment of mail accounts. Personal checks, except on Omaha or eastern exchange, not accepted. McCumber act was about \$4,000,000 and the pension commissioner esti-State of Nebraska, Douglas county, sa:
George B. Tzschuck, treasurer of The
Bee Publishing Company, being duly
sworn, says that the actual number of
full and complete copies of The Daily
Morains, Evening and Sanday Bee printed
during the month of August, 1907, was as
follows:

and the pension commissioner estimates that this will be increased to
will about offset the lapses by deaths
of pensioners so the appropriation for
the next fiscal year will be about \$145,000,000, the same as for the

Reports presented to the encamp-

present year.

ment at Saratoga show that the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic is 227,748, or about half what it was in 1900. In the last year 9.052 members died and 6.506 old soldiers joined the organization. This shows that about one-third of the voterans of the wars belong to the Grand Army of the Republic. The total number of pensioners in 1906 was 958,971, of which 712,419 were veterheirs. The largest number of pensioners were paid in 1898, when 993, 714 persons were on the rolls. While the veterans have been dying at the rate of 100 a day, congress has been increasingly liberal in passing new pension laws, so that the number of pensioners has not been reduced very rapidly and but little decrease has been shown in the amount appropriated each year for pension purposes. The largest pension appropriation was for 1893, when the amount was \$158,-155,342. Reductions were then noted until the low mark was reached at \$138,000,000 in 1902. This was maintained for three years, when the more liberal laws caused the increase to be \$145,000,000, which has been the appropriation for the last two years and, according to the commissioner's report, will be required for Gans and Britt have demonstrated the next year. Since 1861, including to its veterans and their dependents a total of \$3,557,994,667.

WAGES, TARIFF AND FOOD PRICES. The federal bureau of labor at Washington has just published the results of its investigation into wages Some Ohio people seem to have an and retail prices of food, the figures wages for the year 1906. It is unfortunate that the investigations of "I approve of President Roosevelt the bureau deal with the cost of food and clothing. This is the finding of the bureau's investigation, brought down to the end of 1906:

As compared with the average for the the expenses, incurred in making the ten-year period, 1890 to 1899, the average wages per hour in 1906 were 24.2 per cent establishments investigated was 42.9 per cent greater, and the average hours of pride with the inhabitants of Lincoln. are in jail in the United States. There labor per week were 4.6 per cent lower. The average earnings per employe per full away from home, at least. It is not unweek in 1906 were 18.5 per cent higher than the average earnings per full week during the ten years, 1880 to 1899. The retail price of the principal articles of food, weighted in political affairs. He takes pleasure according to family consumption of the in publicly endorsing politicians and various articles, was 15.7 per cent higher in 1996 than the average price for the ten years, 1890 to 1899. Compared with the average for the same ten-year period, the purchasing power of an hour's wages in 1906, as measured by food, was 7.3 per cent trouble was all caused by the frilure greater, and of a full week's wages 24 per cent greater, the increase in the purchasing power of the full week's wages being less than the increase in the purchasing power of hourly wages because of the reduction

According to that showing wages has had any "I-told-you-so" editorials were from 2.4 to 7.3 per cent ahead on those race riots out on the Pacific of the game in the race with food clubs of the city, he seldom takes his lunch prices for 1906. The record does not deal with the figures in 1907. It is Latest reports from the Walter Well- known, however, that food stuffs have shown an advance so far this year, while there has also been marked increase in wages in many industries. The indications, therefore, are that there has been little comparative feature, and if he is ever again the candi change this year from the showing of date for the presidency he will receive the

> The New York World and other democratic papers, reviewing these figures, contend that one of the principal factors in the fight for a proper balance between wages and the cost of living must be a reasonable reduction of the tariff. In the ten years prior establishments in the country increased 44 per cent, with an increase of 35 prefer to have him continue an itinerper cent in output value, while wages ant advertising agent for their town increased 23 per cent. Capitalization and production both grew faster than 1905 wages and production both increased 29 per cent, but both were far celving fancy dividends. On this showing, it is argued that the tariff benefits and that he is so seldom in Lincoln by opening new markets to American that he can be more easily met with manufacturers and adding largely to elsewhere.

being shared in proper proportion by

in pension matters, the appropriation conditions of the last eight years. The does not want to be understood. not show any reduction from the been confined to selected industries, the total cost of living forms only that part most subject to the restraints of competition. The bureau's figures are ously have not kept pace with the ad-

> THE LATEST "BIGGEST" SHIP. The Lusitania's arrival in New York, with a record of five days and fifty-four minutes from Queenstown, breaks the ecord in steamship travel across the Atlantic. It marks another epoch in the evolution of ocean navigation, the most pronounced, perhaps, since the Great Eastern reached the port of New York, in June, 1860, after an eleven days' trip from Southampton.

The Lusitania's claim to distinction is that it is the largest, most powerful. and, it is believed, the fastest transatlantic liner ever launched and the greatest turbine steamer ever constructed. It is 785 feet long, with a maximum displacement of 43,000 tons. a horse power of 68,000 and a speed capacity of about twenty-nine miles an present, of the turbine type of marine propulsion. Compared with it, the Great Eastern would look like an ex-

turbine system in many torpedo boats and fighting ships of the smaller class. The first passenger vessel thus protype are in service all over the world. The United States government has authorized the use of the turbine in one of the big battleships in process of construction

In addition to this test of the turbine a sentimental factor enters into the supremacy on the ocean, now held by political trade. Germany. Some years ago a German vessel broke the record between New York and Southampton, and, as it steamed into port, broke out a broad blue banner bearing the inscription, 'Made in Germany." The Britons have never got over feeling sore over that him talk. incident. The Lusitania is "Made in Great Britain," and, if it comes up to promises. England may again sing "Rule Britannia," without arousing a snicker in German maritime circles.

TTS CHIEF ADVERTISING FEATURE. The old story about a prophet being seldom appreciated in his own home is strikingly recalled by a communication said to have emanated from a correspondent in Lincoln and embodied in an editorial in the current number of Collier's. Slightly condensed, this classic is reproduced as follows:

Politics is the great theme of conversa tion in Mr. Bryan's town. Of course, every Lincolnite knows Bryan, knows him well, higher, the number of employes in the him as "Bill." For it is a matter of great Neb., to know Bryan personally, when common to hear one of these cheerful liars when in a distant town, speak with fond recollections of the evenings he has spent on the capacious porch at Fairview, blowing smoke rings into the air and gravely discussing the probable result of the next election. The traveling Lincolnite spoken to Bryan and has felt his kindly handshake and received that broad smile which is given to friend and foe. Maybe he has gone out to Fairview to see the Jersey cows and Shorthern cattle that Mr. Bryan delights in, and stood on the front porch and viewed the "fair view" there apparent. But none of the inhabitants of Lincoln have the keen vision of Willis J. Abbott, the magazine writer, who stood on that porch and gazed upon the broad bosom of the placid Platte lying fifty miles or more to the north. A member of th with the business men, because of stress of work during the few days he spends in Lincoln. On rare occasions, when he does lunch at the Commercial club, he is the constant center of an interested crowd, and the topic of conversation there for days afterward. Lincoln recognizes that Bryan is its chief claim to the notice of the world. It regards him as its chief advertising votes of many ardent republicans because they want to see a fellow townsman exalted and their city advertised.

The admission that Bryan is regarded as Lincoln's "chief advertising feature," and that he constitutes its paramount claim to the notice of the outside world, must be a confession intended to relieve the soul. to 1900 the number of manufacturing It explains, however, why a majority of the good people of Lincoln would rather than be cooped up within the narrow wails of the White House at the wage fund. Between 1900 and Washington, with Lincoln relegated

to comparative obscurity. Lincoln people occasionally boast about various attractions which make that its chief feature is Colonel Bryan | shows that Ohio was a big contributor to

The local organ of the socialists pronounces the World-Herald to be "enigmatical" in its attitude on socialismand the World-Herald admits the soft The net argument offered by the impeachment. In this as in all other and golf

labor bureau's figures is that the manu- subjects on which public opinion is Contrary to all calculations of facturers and the farmers, as the pro- sharply divided, the double-ender Washington officials and other experts ducing classes, have largely gained by wants it distinctly understood that it

> where labor is aggressive and highly an inquiry from the nephew of the organized, while its price inquiries president of the Argentine Republic were confined to food alone, which of and a distant relative of King Alfonso of Spain, which is advertised far and wide as foreshadowing the advent of a representative of royalty in not conclusive as to actual wage earn- the student body. If the fifty-elevings and omits all inquiries into the enth cousin of the Spanish king wants pay of salaried employes, which notori- to enjoy the benefits of Nebraska's educational facilities he should be ad- Canadian scholar, sees in the invasion "a mitted on the same terms as other nonresident students.

It is reported that the Union Pacific has leased the Pacific express building the Chinese politically, appears almost immodations for some of its departments. Such a lease would indicate that the the Union Pacific practically owns the Pacific Express, it is really a lease it could doubtless easily terminate by mutual agreement.

The railroad lawyers insist that they have been forced to seek protection of introduction of their labor by the strikes. federal court injunctions against the Nebraska Railway commission. They insisted they were forced to ask federal court injunctions to help them American government. The influx of evade paying their taxes a year or two ago. It doesn't take much to force last over 4,000 had arrived in British hour, the culmination, at least for the the railroad lawyers to run for cover Columbia, 233 of them in one week, while to the federal courts.

A great many adverse criticisms The use of the turbine in steam braska are ahead of the game, partic- dangers such a disparity of sexes, which navigation has grown rapidly since ularly those which complain of a light 1894, when the first vessel engined vote. When the figures are footed up with a compound steam turbine was they will show that the vote was by built. The success of that vessel at- no means light. In fact, most of the tracted the attention of the British other objections will also in all probaadmiralty, which has since used the bility prove to have been premature.

shows a marked increase over the corpelled was the King Edward, built on responding period of last year. Part the progress of the steam turbine has ing the age limit of compulsory school poor. He employs his skill as a kidnaper been rapid, so that now vessels of this attendance and prohibiting child labor, and part of it is due to a steadily growing population.

The populist candidate for supreme the democratic candidate for supreme work of the Lusitania. Great Britain judge. This looks a great deal like a wants to regain its old-time speed gentleman's agreement in restraint of

> "Taft loves the dollar first and the people next, if at all," said Colonel Bryan in an address at Tulsa, I. T. make the people buy tickets to hear

Lightning struck "Uncle Joe" Cannon's barn the other day and destroyed his hay crop. "Uncle Joe" will probably want the Dingley schedules amended to include a prohibitive tariff

The sale of tickets on North Carolina railroads has a little more than doubled since the 2-cent rate law went into effect. The railroads must be having trouble in trying to show that the new rate is confiscatory.

Breathing Time Between Worries. Philadelphia Press.

The predatory corporations do not have much time between worries. The president will hardly be through with his six speeches in the Mississippi valley before he will hand in his annual message to congress. Cash on Unsecured Note.

Kaneas City Times.

A bandit waiked into a Nebraska bank and demanded \$30,000. The cashier promptly offered him a package containing \$3,000. Still, this is better success than most of us have in securing money at the bank, considering the security offered. Pass Up the Prize.

Baltimore American

A lawyer in a New York police court estined that he had never done anything wrong in his life. And yet, up to date, he has not received an offer to go into vaudeville or had a bid for the National museum or Smithsonian institution as one of the greatest of all living curiosities.

Judicious Perception" of Railroads.

Pittaburg Dispatch Nor is the ruling (on the 2-cent fave law) entirely unexpected, since the resort to a Philadelphia court of a corporation that has accepted a similar enactment without contest in other states indicates a judicious perception of the quarter where theories of law favorable to it were most likely to pre-

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Minneapolis votes on a home rule charter next Tuesday. Uncle Joe Cannon did not give up cigar smoking entirely. The most imposing pose of the speaker is still true to life.

alliance of debt and democracy. The Louisville Courier-Journal says that hell is full of such democrats as Tom Watson and Hearst." How the editor secured the information is not stated.

According to a decision of the supreme court of Michigan, the voting machine destroys the secrecy of the ballot and the law authorizing its use is unconstitutional. Governor Hughes of New York is opposed to annual sessions of the legislature. He it 100,000,000. A late statement based on thinks all the laws needed can be put partial returns puts it at \$82,000,000; but is through a three months' sension every two is often quoted in round numbers at 400,000.

A poll of the Kansas republican editors on the presidential question shows a preponderance of Taft sentiment. It also the early settlement of the Sunflower state. Hon. Roswell B. Burchard, who is prominently spoken of as the candidate who will be nominated by the republicans of Rhode Island for governor, is one of the most versatile men in the state. He is at present speaker of the house of representatives; has had splendid success in busiand is an authority on yachting, canoeing OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The warning note of "the vellow peril"

sounded by the German emperor during the progress of the Russo-Japanese war, and widely ridiculed at the time, is brought The University of Nebraska has had directly home to the people of the Pacific coast by the increasing influx of Asiatics San Francisco's opposition to Japanes coolies, which caused a furore in official circles last winter, is emphasized by the recent outbreaks in Bellingham and Van-National boundary lines are brushed aside by American and Britisl Columbian in making common cause against the oriental horde. It is destined to be an irrepressible conflict, of which the recent outbreaks are the preliminary symptoms Mr. Goodwin Smith, the distinguished and the United States. "Chinese and Japanese are unassimilable by us." he writes. "The gulf which divides them from us, morally, mentally and in the case of for a five-year term for office accom- passable; at least to bridge it would be the work of generations. Yet come apparently they will. England, has in fact, bound us to admit the Japanese by its alliance new headquarters building is far in with them, the fruit of a prejudice against the future. Inasmuch, however, as Russia and fear of its designs which might almost be called hallucination. We see in this that the foreign policy of Great Britain is not always identical with ours made by the railroad with itself, which | Admitting the Japanese, we could hardly exclude the Chinese especially if, as seems highly probable, a close relation should be formed between China and Japan. Already they are settling here in considerable numbers, way being made for the The influx of Japanese coming here under the shield of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, into the United States can hardly be prevented, and may cause trouble with the volved. the rate of 800 a month. Since January 2,000 more were en route. During July 133 Chinese paid the poll tax of \$500 on entering. Of 858 Japanese arriving at Victoria 781 were males and only seventy-seven upon the direct primary as held in Ne- females. It is needless to say what moral is still greater in the case of the Chinese. lavolves. Will government ever pay at-

seeks funds to wage his campaign to force the government to grant desired reforms. "Such men in history and in literature when rightly understood," writes Mr. Caine, become the most moving and impressive judge swears to spending just 20 cents | Monte Cristo, Garibaldi, David Lazzaretiof human figures. Karl Moor, Rob Roy, more in his preliminary campaign than the avengers, the protectors, the deliverers, choly gathers about the outlaw and lifts or other corporation in that state. him into the region of poetry and romance. The final development is Rais Ull begins to be accredited with supernatural assistance. Why is it that the armies of the Sultan cannot capture Because Allah is guarding bis own. How did he escape from prison? By the help of saints and angels. It may be all very crude and fantastic, and almost grotesque and vulgar, but it has a creepy resemblance to certain great incidents in history and biography which mankind does not laugh at any longer, but talks of with

ention to this matter?"

bated breath." The Danish government has voted 15,000 crowns for decorating the stations of the state railways artistically. The sum is not large, but the experiment of using these stations as a medium of popular artistic culture will be watched with interest elsewhere. A new periodical specially devoted to the cause of beautifying Germany, the Schwabische Heimat, suggests that the government of that country should follow the example of Denmark on a larger scale. The writer admits that paintings would hardly be in place in the rallway stations of a large city, where everybody is in a hurry, and where time-tables and advertisements take up too much room; but he thinks they would do much good in similar places, where they would be sure of appreciation by the rural folk.

A correspondent of the London Spectator calls attention to one phase of the French government's anti-clerical policy that shows the lengths to which hatred of religious forms carries the authorities. In its decree of absolute divorce of church and state the ministry has deprived the army of its chaplains, removing them not only from the field, but from the military hospitals, where their ministrations are required in time of peace as well as during war. The correspondent relates an incident occurring near Casablanca, where a French soldier, mortally wounded by a Moorish bullet, could not obtain the spiritual consolation he wished in his last moments. And such funeral services as were held beside his grave were conducted by a trooper, who recited one or two brief

Probably there has been no attempt to frame a graphic conception of the stupendous aggregate of China's millions half so successful as that of the veteran American Haptist missionary, Rev. Dr. William Ashmore. It was first worked out during his residence at Swatow, China, in 1888, Boston's debt has passed the \$100,000,000 and printed there. But it will serve exmark, making the Hub rank second to cellently well at the present moment, when in various relations, political, military and New York. Both cities Illustrate the close social, as well as hummanitarian and religious, the world's sitention is being concentrated upon China, Dr. Ashmore's method is vividly described in the current It is to imagine the Harper's Weekly. population of 400,600,900 on the march in review. Before he gets through, the reader's head fairly swims and reels at the passing of the interminable multitudes. The authorities differ on the population of China. The old official census of 1812 made 600. Dr. Ashmore takes the lowest of all these figures in his calculations. He marshals the Chinese by the great provincessixteen of them in all. The first of them, Chiahli, the capital province of the pire, is about the size of the state of Illin ols. In that space is packed a population of 27,390,871. They would reach nearly 7,952 miles, stretching from the steps of the capitol at Washington across the continent and far away into the middle of the Pacific ocean, and would require 397 days fr passing. By the time the population of the remaining fifteen provinces had passed, the ness and as a teacher, a lawyer, an editor, reviewer would have been watching a continuous procession of Chinese for more than thirteen years.



common difficulty and danger" for Canada DUE RESPECT FOR THE STATES | non, Hughes, La Follette, Foraker and

One Significant Feature of the Pennsylvania Rate Case.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

But the point in this case to which atover its one candidate and certain favorice tention should be especially directed is Mr. Bryan. The reason is the same. Party that the Pennsylvania company brought lines have been largely broken down, and its action against the new state statute the democratic party is not ready to fix its in a state and not in a federal court, and faith upon any man until it knows what it is in the state courts that it gains pre- the republican party will do. liminary satisfaction. There will therefore be no disturbing clash of state and a shadow, a blight upon all other men; federal authority, no threats from either and until the figure passes this blight will to crush the other, no collision of injunc- remain. Of course, in time it will pass, it tions and writs of habeas corpus and the must pass, and the country will arouse like. Instead there will be a quiet appeal itself from its day dreaming and set itself of the case by the state to the state su- scriously to the job of selecting a candipreme court, and if judgment then goes date. But it will not be the same public against the railroad in reversal of the it was before Roosevelt came to them as lower court, only then and very properly their chief magistrate. Their ideals will may the case be carried up to the United be different and their demands more exact-States supreme court on such federal ques- ing. They will, in a sort of rage at failing tions of constitutionality as may be in- to get Roosevelt again, "take it out" of his

in Alabama, in Minnesota and in Missouri, every one ought to recognize. The superior propriety of the Pennsylvania's course from a strictly legal standpoint must also be conceded. It is a state law which is in question. It is a law applying to railroad business wholly within a state. State constitutions as well as the federal constitution undertake to afford protection to
the rights of property, and if they did not
the state courts are competent to enterresults of human endeavor. I never y Hall Caine, author of many stories of tain cases raising a question of the validity more or less human interest, weaves a of a state statute under the federal conwreath of romance and approbation and stitutional provision that states shall not places it on the brow of Raisuli. He calls deprive persons of their property without his hero Rais Uli. The novelist protests due process of law. But note the Penn-Public school attendance in Omaha that the Moroccan chief, instead of being, aylvania constitution on this point: "Nor as commonly designated, a kidnaper, a can be be deprived of his life, liberty blackmailer, a bandit and all round crimi- or property unless by the judgment of his nal, is a high minded rebel leader, an enemy of oppression, and a friend of the similar to the Massachuseus constitutional with story written by friend of mine and poor. He employs his skill as a kidnaper provision and which is the precise equivamarried him. Should say. — Chicago the Clyde in 1901. Since that time of this is due to new legislation rais- enemy of oppression, and a friend of the similar to the Massachusetts constitutional purely as a political weapon. With it he lent in judicial interpretation to the "due process of law" so frequently invoked in such cases under the fourteenth federal literary editor." Why?" amendment. The constitutions of the southern states, adopted since the civil war, are more closely worded to the fourteenth amendment model, and even less excuse exists for appealing in the first instance to the liberators, the prophets of the poor. The brigand becomes more and more terrific as one by one his enemies fail before him. He has no misgivings about the vengeance he executes upon them, for his crimes are not crimes, because they are commissioned by Allah. He is the emissary of the Most state disposition to do here the liberators, the prophets of the poor. The federal courts in those states over the state courts against a state ing old millionaire. "Well, dad," replied his son, "I'm not going to find fault with you on that account, but you must remember that you not crimes, because they are commissioned state courts and the state authority and by Allah. He is the emissary of the Most state disposition to do here. by Allah. He is the emissary of the Most state disposition to do justice. The Penn-High, going about as the arm of justice. sylvania Railroad company has set a good Having reached this stage, Rais Uli is a example. To appeal in the first instance figure around which legends begin to to a federal tribunal on a question of Mr. Taft might retort that he does not gather. Incredible stories are told of his state law as affecting business within the physical prowess, of his personal beauty, state law as affecting business within the enough to run without collecting of his tenderness his human natherness has been added in the control of his tenderness has been added in of his tenderness, his humor, pathos, and a hostility of local sentiment which can charm. A certain atmosphere of melan-never be to the advantage of the railroad

FULFILLED HIS MISSION.

evelt Has Brought About a New Era in National Politics. New England Magazine,

To the discriminating man it is plain that Americans are living in a new political era. The presidency of Roosevelt has wrought many changes in our national economic and industrial affairs, but its effect upon our politics has been n less powerful and fundamental. good or ill, the old days of manipulated national conventions have passed away. The people seldom are dented their wish for the highest candidate, but from now on they will have their demands obeyed without question. The bosses usually try to favor the strongest and most popular candidate, anyhow; but the people of the parties henceforth will hardly pay as much attention to the actions or pronouncements of the bosnes. Yet it is this almost dictatorial attitude of the masses that is causing the bosses the greatest perplexity and concern today-and for a most peculiar reason. That reason is the seeming apathy or incomprehensible silence of the masses on the question of the next presidential nominee. Eleven months from the time New England Magazine subscribers are reading these pages all the various parties will have made their nominations and the campaign will be under way. Yet today we are without the slightest indication of the popular choice for president; we see absolutely no enthusiasm whatever in the republican party and very little in any other party for any certain man for leader. No such condition ever appeared before. It is

such condition ever appeared before. It is strange, and needs careful scrutiny. Why is it?

The men whose sad "booms" are being presented to the public are above the average of candidates for the nomination. Take the republican party first, for it is the party to which the president belongs and the party of the majority as the country stands to day. Taft, Fairbanks, Cantry stands to day are delighted with it. Price only McGlaughlin's Mop Wringer attachment The only Mop Wringer attachment The only Mop Wringer attachment ever invented. Can be attached to any common mop in a few minutes and wrings the mop dry and does it quick. The hands do not can be used. Weighs only twenty ounces. You don't need a special knit mop cloth, use any ordinary mop rag. Housekeepers are delighted with it. Price only Mop Wringer attachment ever invented. Can be attached to any common mop in a few minutes and wrings the mop dry and does it quick. The hands do not can be used. Weighs only twenty ounces. You don't need a special knit mop cloth, use any ordinary mop rag. Housekeepers are delighted with it. Price only Mop Wringer attachment of the control of the party of the mop dry and does it quick. The hands do not can be used. Weighs only twenty ounces. You don't need a special knit mop cloth, use any ordinary mop rag. Housekeepers are delighted with it. Price only Mop Wringer attachment of the only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachment of the only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachment of the only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachment only Mop Wringer attachmen

Knox are all able men, and men whore administration would be capable and clean. But there is no demand for them. At

The towering figure of Roosevelt casts successor in various ways. He will have How much better this procedure is as to walk more circumspectly than any other Japanese into Canada is now stated to be at compared with the course taken by the president has done, and his conduct and railroads in Virginia, in North Carolina, policies will be scrutinized as no other man's in that office.

LAUGHING GAS.

"A penny for your thoughts, Jones,"
"I was just wondering if it would be safe to touch you for \$10."—Cleveland Leader.

"Remember," said the serious pair of, saw any made to suit everybody."-Was ington Star.

"Jack Strong looks like a pretty healthy fellow."
"Healthy? I should say! Why, he doesn't even get nervous at the though of being examined for life insurance."

Philadelphia Press. Ambish-Is there anything in this story

"That compositor is awful mad with the

Because the literary editor threw his to follow copy."-Baltimore Ame, 1-CB.n.

"I never spent a dollar without getting

tution," said the stranger in the city, "Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "and e money that belongs there could cted the government would hav-te run without collecting any taxes

"What's the surest sign that a man is getting old?"
"When he begins to tell people that he feels just as young as he ever did."—Claves, land Leader.

"I'm serry they've accomplished so it at The Hague," said the mild-manner man. "War is a terrible thing; terrible. "Oh! I don't know," replied the other. "You don't mean to say you approve "I certainly do. I'm a publisher of maps.—Philadelphia Press.

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR.

Nashville American.

my neighbor? He who comes And my unread newspaper bums, Who drops around familiar-like And wants to ride my brand-new bike,
Who likes to tell me to my face
The way I should conduct my place?
Well, not if I can help it,

Who is my neighbor? And on my veranda spits, Who drops in when he cannot stay, But still hangs out most all the day. Though uninvited comes around His tedious theories to expound? Well, not if I can help it.

Who is my neighbor? My wife look after all his kids To let him and the misses go To spend an evening at the show. and to repay the modest debt Says, "Thank you." if he don Well, not if I can help it.

Who is my neighbor? To borrow everything I prize. Who takes my tools when they are brigh.
And brings them back to me a sight,
Who asks the losar of all my wares,
From redhot stoves to taddy bears?
Well, not if I can help it,

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