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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

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The reported shortage of the oats crop does not refer to the wild kind.

"When should a boy put on trousers?" asks the Boston Globe. In the morning.

The king of Siam, having bought fourteen new dashshunds, may be said to be long on dogs."

Thomas F. Ryan is said to hold the key to the situation by the organization of a typewriter trust.

and an estimate may now be on the average cost of freckles.

Several of the aspirants ought to be thinking about sending their presidential boom to Muldoon's for repairs.

Lientenant Governor Chanler would look bigger to New York democrats if Governor Hughes were not so much bigger.

Mayor "Jim" was roped in by the people up at Chadron. Down here in Omaha the people have been roped in by Mayor "Jim."

Fashion writers assert that curves are going out of fashion. They have never been in fashion with the Washington ball team.

Morocco does not know just what a modus vivendi means. In this case it means a division of the spoils, with Morocco playing the role of spoils.

The Ohio democrats will make the usual annual discovery that the republicans of the state always do their domestic fighting between elections.

It is not explained why that Kansas City mob abandoned its effort to lynch a cheerful loser. If he can win in the and develop the cordial friendship that a man who played a trombone in an next contest, no American will be- has been established between this apartment house fourteen hours a grudge him the honor; still, we fancy country and Germany during his so-

35,807.30 The waning summer has not been without some redeeming features. Senators Beverldge and Dick have both been on the mute list most of the time.

"The voice of the people" has spoken against fusion in Nebraska. The question is, whether the demopop political manipulators will heed their oracle.

A wild bull created havoc the other day by a race through a Philadelphia street. It must have been a western product, as the Wall street bulls have all been tamed.

The lord mayor of Orleton, over in England, left \$400,000 to Yale. The Yale authorities never heard of him. but are pleased to make his posthumous acquaintance.

see no need of tariff revision," says Chairman Payne of the ways and part of the populists was that the demmeans committee of congress. Sometimes there is none so blind as those who think they see.

Chicago may need a new charter, but an adverse majority of more than 60,000 is conclusive that Chicago does not want the particular charter just submitted for ratification.

Omaha will be one of the few westyear. While Omaha may be slow at getting started in these fads, it is Loomis as their standard bearer. "The never the first to drop out.

PARCELS POST PROPOSITIONS.

The Tristate Jewelers' association, has injected a new element into the diate "the voice of the people." discussion of the parcels post proposition by adopting a resolution indorsand mail order houses, all of which people." are in cities not on the rural free delivery routes, from using the parcels post to further encroach on the retail merchants.

Perhaps it would be unjust to hint that the express company combine had of the recommendation that Postmaster General Meyer will make to the coming congress for the adoption or extension of the parcels post system. However, the resolution is framed along the line of what the express company representatives have been fighting for these many years. The adoption of such a limitation by congress would interfere only in slight degree with the monopoly which the express companies now enjoy in the transportation of merchandise denied mail privileges, under existing postoffice regulations. It would prohibit the use 36,950 of mails for parcels post purposes, to the manufacturers and merchants of the larger cities and give a decided preference to the dealers in the smaller towns which happen to be the focal points of rural free delivery. The mail order houses would get around each town to reship their consignments.

Up to date, little has been offered to show that the country merchants have any pronounced opposition to the parcels post. Representations to this effect appear for the most part to be the result of agitation by interested parties under influence of the express companies, rather than of action by the retail merchant in the smaller towns and villages. Unless congress can be shown that the inauguration of a parcels post system would work a real hardship on the country merchants, something more effective than Before complaining about this Sep- the half way resolutions of the brand tember heat, think of the saving in of the Tristate Jewelers' association will be necessary to stop favorable consideration of the postmaster general's program.

ANOTHER CHALLENGE FROM LIPTON. Sir Thomas Lipton will try once more to lift the America's cup. Out here in the west, where maritime knowledge is confined largely to familiarity with the movements and possibilities of the schooner-prairie and The vacation season is about over be for the gameness of the true sport position as German ambassador to the ho has been thrice whipped and is still in the ring. Perhaps an addichallenge in the fact that it comes through the Royal Irish Yacht club. former efforts to lift the America's Germany. cup. The word "Irish" is vastly more eloquent and potent than the word "Ulster." The Irish have saved every country but their own and the name has a pleasing and catching sound. Couple this with the fact that the new yacht is to be called "Shamrock IV." and many people will see dangerous strength in the combination of "Irish" and "Shamrock."

The cup, much vaunted and much wanted, which was originally brought to this side of the Atlantic in 1851, after being won by the yacht "America" in the contest of that year off the Isle of Wight, has remained in peaceful possession of this country until 1871. Since that time, eleven restore the emblem to the British of the German empire. possession, but the cup is still here Sir Thomas Lipton has made three trials for it and has won the admiration of the American people by showing that he is a true sportsman and that we know something about yachts journ here. in this country and Sir Thomas will find it hard to break the Americans of the fixed habit of holding their own against all comers.

"THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE."

The official canvass of the votes cast at the recent state-wide primary in Nebraska discloses, what might naturally have been expected, that notwithstanding the fact that each was running on both tickets, the populist candidate for supreme judge has received the populist nomination and the democratic candidate for supreme judge has

received the democratic nomination. Summing the result up in a word, while the democrats and populists had an opportunity to fuse at the polls, they have failed to take advantage of that opportunity because the condition of fusion on the part of the democrats was that the populists accepted the democratic candidate and contrarywise, the condition of fusion on the ocrats accept the populist candidate. If fusion upon a single candidate is to be effected now it must be by forcing one of these nominees off the ticket and substituting the other in his place. But "the voice of the people" has

spoken and if the rule of the majority is to be respected no fusion can take place. By their primary election ballots the democrats have declared that they do not want Judge Albert to head ern cities to put up a horse show this their ticket and the populists have declared that they do not want Judge voice of the people" has been distinctly justified in kicking on the menu card of their stealings

THE OKLAHOMA CONSTITUTION. Advices indicate that the constituof Oklahoma has been ratified by an action places it before President Roosevelt to decide whether the two territories shall be admitted to statehood as one state.

The situation is peculiar, in many respects. The constitutional convention, which prepared the constitution just voted upon, was largely democratic, and prepared a document that is by many considered something of a freak in the line of state constitutions. It provides for the initiative and referendum, for state wide prohibition for twenty-one years, and then offers a code of laws, which opponents of the measure contend should have been left to the state legislature. The constitution also embodies the Goebel law, made famous-or infamous-in Kentucky, which leaves nothing to chance in elections and gives the democrats it by appointing a distributing agent in authority and power to gerrymander the state so as to eliminate republican chances for many years.

President Roosevelt has considered the Oklahoma constitution, as endorsed by the constitutional convention, at some length and, while he has given no official opinion on the subject, the impression prevails that the document is to him far from satisfactory. Its critics contend that the convention should have adopted a plain, simple constitution, complying with the enabling act, and left all detailed legislation to future sessions of the legislature of the new state. The voters, however, have decided on the original plan and, as they have to live under the constitution of their own making, the chances are that the administration at Washington will accept the situation and that the president will issue a proclamation at an early date, adding the forty-sixth star to the flag.

BARON VON STERNBERG'S RETIRE-

MENT. Natives of Germany in America will regret to hear that Baron Speck von the other kind—the information does Sternberg has voluntarily asked his not cause an especial thrill, unless it government to recall him from his University of Nabraska looks so small reau was to serve only as a means for United States. Baron "Speck," as he was familiarly known in political and tional significance attaches to the latest | diplomatic circles at Washington, has done more perhaps than any other one man to strengthen the friendly relainstead of the Royal Ulster, as in tions between the United States and

Having succeeded a line of German ambassadors of the stolld type, Baron "Speck" entered into the true western spirit and avoided many diplomatic complications by his keen appreciation of the difference between American and German sentiment. He became a close personal friend of President Roosevelt, enjoyed to the fullest degree the confidence of the state department and succeeded, with marked satisfactory adjustment of every question arising between this nation and Germany during his service at Washington. He is now taking a vacation and will be succeeded at Washington in November by Herr von Tschirschky, different efforts have been made to at present secretary of foreign affairs

The redeeming feature of the retire ment of Baron "Speck" is that after a brief respite he will become head of the Foreign office at home and will be in position to further strengthen

OOCK TAILS. If that cocktail alleged to have been served at the Fairbanks home in Indianapolis when the president made his Decoration day address there, is to be made an issue in the next presiwill want to know all the facts in the pulsive circumstances. case. As the story was first circulated, the guests on that occasion were served with cocktails. For a few days the public laughed at the joke and wished it was in on it, and then it was discovered that some sober-minded people were taking the matter seriously. The vice president refused to dignify the story by discussion, leaving everyone to draw his own conclusions of the bibulous episode. But the climax came or was precipitated when Bishop Berry of the Methodist Episcopal church announced at Detroit that "either President Roosevelt or Secretary Loeb, and not Mr. cocktails served at the luncheon tend- of Cleveland or out of it. The corporations ered them by the vice president at Indianapolis." Secretary Loeb, who mayor. occasionally grows weary of playing scape-goat, retorts with this;

The statement is too absurd to be any credence. Neither the president nor his secretary either directly or indirectly ordered anything of any kind at the luncheon in question or at any other luncheon where they were guests. On the face of things, Secretary

registered against fusion and to pro- of his host and ordering a cocktail on duce fusion now by whatever method the side. But Secretary Loeb goes assembled in convention at Cincinnati, of persuasion is to overrule and repulame at the critical point. He is silent whether cocktails were served at all, It is not to be expected that any lit- or whether he or the president, or the out a royal good time for Secretary Taft tle thing like steadfast devotion to vice president partook of them. He ing the plan, "when the point of ship- principle will stand in the way of gives no hint, either, of the brand of ment and delivery are both in the merging the democratic and populist the cocktails. Were they Manhattans same rural free delivery route." This tickets in Nebraska this fall. After or Martinis-wet or dry-old fashplan, it was argued before the conven- the merger has taken place, however, loned whisky cocktails, Portsmouth tion, would help extinguish the deficit the democratic and populist spell- cocktails, gin cocktails, or any of the in the postal revenues and would at binders will be due to speak lightly other brands recognizable by the the same time prevent the catalogue for awhile about "the voice of the thirsty public and the man in the ware? Possibly they were only oyster a stop of two days at Moscow. cocktails, that cheer but do not inebriate. In that case, the incident tion prepared by the proposed state might be considered closed, but if the placed in the hands of the International overwhelming majority and that the variety the great American public will erates the trains de lux on the Trans-Sia hand in qualifying this indorsement democratic candidates for offices in want to know the particulars and the the new state have been elected. This ingredients and perhaps to try one In it will be every convenience and comfor before passing judgment.

> The contention of the railway lawyers is that the State Railway commistween Nebraska points are constituent could fix rates for transporting any commodity between local points bereal basis of the railroad appeal to the federal courts the sooner the State stands the better

the doors wide open for all sorts of hideous canvas signs. The objection- mirably appointed town. able and ugly street booths and stands should also be nipped in the bud be road is wild and interesting and the views fore people can put up the plea that they have made plans which cannot brief stopping points Secretary Taft's train be disturbed without pecuniary loss.

Senator Depew is surprised that not discovered how much sentiment from New York.

Why should the populist nominee ing to let the populists have the best men. of it this year.

as to be hardly worth mentioning. supplying immigrants with information.

Nebraska's new schedule of cream rates runs up to 600 miles. There are mighty few states out of the whole forty-five that could have a straight shipment covering close to 600 miles without crossing state boundaries.

favor of cutting down the number of licenses across the river to ten. He must want to equalize the number of saloons and gambling houses, Lincoln is about to inaugurate a

The democratic mayor of Council

new national bank. It is only a question of time when the Omaha banking ability and cleverness, in securing field will also be found too tempting to be resisted by ambitious financiers. Returns show that Messrs. Hogg. Bacon and Steer have been elected to

the Oklahoma legislature. They should wrong way, didn't I? Thinking of it afterbe keen on the job of protecting the live stock interests of the territory. Emperor William recently fell from

his horse while out riding. A few more breaks like that and the emperor will lose his chance of ever being compared to President Roosevelt.

The king of Denmark has a collection of eggs worth \$125,000. That is nothing. The farmers' wives in Nebraska make a collection of eggs as valuable as that every day.

> The Way of the World. Baltimore American.

The distribution of good and evil is in proportion to the flowers and weeds of the fields, and the compensation of wisdom, wealth, ignorance and poverty is ever turndential campaign, the American people ing and twisting around the corners of im-

eport on the operations of the railroads for the year 1906-6 shows a large increase in gross earnings and net earnings. Ratiroad property is not shrinking in real value, but expanding, and pessimism as to its future seems both gratuitous and unreasonable.

Cautious About Tninted Money. Philadelphia Record. may continue to accept tainted tion of business. noney, but polititians have been getting shy of having this sort of marked bills found upon them. Mr. Burton, who proposes to evict Tom Johnson from the Cleveland mayoralty, announces that he will accept no campaign contributions Fairbanks, was responsible for the from any public service corporation, inside

> This May Help Some. Philadelphia Record.

All men in banks and in other positions paying teller who put \$100,000 into a suit-Loeb's statement is unanswerable. To to seven years in the penitentiary. It may

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched on the Spot. Washington correspondents have mapped

while making his homeward journey through the empire of the caar. The Brooklyn Times' correspondent calls it the most notable trip ever undertaken by an American citizen, and gives these details:

party will arrive at Vladivostok, Manchuria, on the 11th of next November. The next day they will start on their long railroad journey to St. Petersburg. The trip white apron who polishes the glass- will occupy practically ten days, including The arrangements for the journey, which

were completed in a tentative way before Secretary Taft left Washington, have been cocktails served were of any new Sleeping Car company of Paris, which opberian railroad. A special car has been provided for the secretary and his family. of a well-appointed home. It will be elegantly fitted and furnished, divided into compartments and provided with every facility known to modern travel. There the secretary may rest or work, as may suit sion has no right to fix grain rates be- his fancy. The other members of the party cause the rates on hauling grain be- will be provided for equally well. The train will consist of three sleepers, a dining car parts of interstate rates for hauling will be beautifully and elaborately equipped. grain to eastern points. On the same It will be in personal charge of a prominent theory no state railway commission official of the company which operates the line, who will see to it that the Taft party has every desire anticipated. The first important stop on the journey

cause there might be an interstate from Viadivostok to Moscow-in fact, the haul of the same commodity including only one of consequence-will be at Irkutsk. the same local distance. If that is the the finest city in Siberia, not far from Lake Beikal, across which the Russian soldiers marched on the ice en route to Manchuria during the Russo-Japanese war, Railway commission finds out where it and 2,385 miles from Moscow. According to the schedule of the train a stop of only two hours will be made at Irkutsk, but an arrangement has been made by If Omaha is to be made attractive which Secretary Taft may prolong his so for Ak-Sar-Ben week by artistic deco- journ there, if he desires to do so. The rations it cannot be done by throwing city of Irkutsk is the center of the Russo-Chinese tea trade, has a population of 60,000, including 5,00 exiles, and is an ad-

The scenery along the Trans-Siberian from pasing trains are magnificently picturesque and beautiful. At the various will be supplied with fresh fruits, vegetables and other provisions.

Throughout the long journey the secretary will be the guest of the czar of Rusthere is so much sentiment in the sia and every Russian official, at any Philippines. Strange the senator has is left undone that would add to the comfort and convenience and interest of the trip. On arrival at St. Petersburg Secrethere is in the country in favor of get- tary Taft will continue as the guest of the ting rid of two United States senators czar and will be accorded the most notable distinction.

According to Secretary of Commerce Oscar S. Straus the division of information for supreme judge withdraw in favor newly established in his department is to annual or other statements that might bej of the democratic nominee? The dem- be a much more far reaching instrument ocrats will expect the populists to than has been supposed. It is not merely yield to the democrats on the electoral, but to serve as a sort of government emticket next year and ought to be will- ployment bureau for American working-Mr. Straus' plans contemplate not

merely the furnishing to workingmen, as

well as immigrants, of information about In view of these revelations of where employment may be obtained, but Standard Oil profits, that little \$66,- the actual obtaining for them of a prom-000 donation of Mr. Rockefeller to lise of employment before they leave one last congress," said the secretary provided for a division of information n connection with the bureau of immigration. I put at the head of this division one of the most respected labor men in the country, Terence V. Powderly, a man

of broad experience and great ability. "It is my hope to make this division really helpful to labor in general in placing such information before not only the immigrants, but the laboring men through-Bluffs has put himself on record in out the country, as will enable them to supply the demand for remunerative labor in every part of the country.

"I hope the division will be a kind of clearing house, so that the wage earner may obtain definite employment before moving from one section of the country to the other."

James El. Brown of Washington is the only man in the world who ever had his leg broken by \$1,000,000. Mr. Brown is a clerk in the Treasury department, and a \$1,250,000 bundle of greenbacks, falling on him from

truck, fractured his thigh. "Yes, that money came to me." ward, it seemed to me I resembled a good deal the hunter who went out after panther. He, too, got something; but to him, too, it came the wrong way. Listen!

"A hunter set out one day to hunt, and 'I must have a fur overcoat,' said the hunter. "'I,' said the panther, 'must have a din-

"Some hours later, in a tonely wood, the panther and the hunter met. "'Ah,' said the hunter, gayly, levelling

his gun, 'here is my fur overcoat. "And he shot; but the panther, dodging sehind a tree, escaped unhurt. "Then the panther rushed forth before the hunter could reload.

" 'Ah, here's my dinner,' said the panther "And he fell upon the hunter and deoured him. "Thus each got what he wanted, the hunter getting his fur overcoat and the panther getting his dinner."

A Tampering Hint.

Minneapolis Journal. Says Judge Gary of the Steel trust: "The time has gone by for the great corporations The Interstate Commerce commission's to ignore the public." Right you are. judge, so kindly roll those ralls some more.

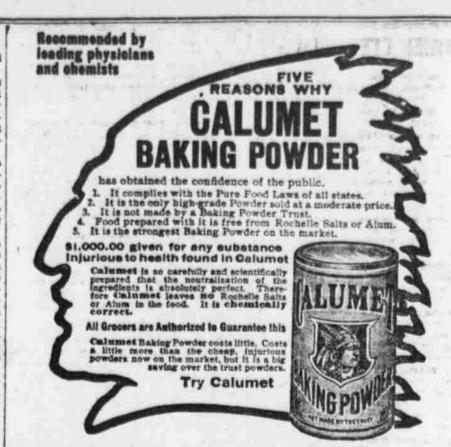
Railroad Earnings Larger Than Ever.

Chicago Record-Herald. Notwithstanding the low prices of stocks, railroad earnings for the past year have in many cases broken all previous records. This fact appears to bear out the theory that the price of stocks depends on the expedition succeeded in the exploration of whim of Wall street and not on the condi-

Guesswork and Death. Chicago Record-Herald. Twenty-five killed in a train wreck in Vermont.

It was because the trains coming from opposite directions were not running under will have to find some other way of con- specific orders from headquarters, but intributing to the defeat of the 3-cent fare stead were feeling their way along a single track in accordance with information occasionally furnished to the conductors as to the location of other trains. A little error in a dispatch between two

stations, a figure 30 instead of 34-that was where they are intrusted with the handling all. One conductor thought he had time to of the money of other people are carnestly make a siding four miles away before the invited to take notice that Runyan, the other reached it. The trains met halfway. The twenty-five dead furnish twenty-five case and walked off with it and concealed substantial reasons, if, indeed, any new himself for two weeks, has been sentenced reasons are needed, why congress and the state legislatures should abandon their start with, no guest, not even the help them to resist temptation to post this present halfway measures of regulation and president nor his secretary, would feel alty. Not many thieves get much fun out panies to manage their reads without mur-



Company Penalized for Misstatements

to Policyholders. Philadelphia Record.

Judge-made law consists in theory merely of the application of old and commonly In fact, the courts do not make laws at all, They are not innovators, like the legislature. Nevertheless, the application of an ancient principle by the judges to a new state of facis often is quite as far-reaching in effect as any statute. An instance in point is the recent decisions of the New York court of appeals in the suit of a policyholder who complained that the published statements of the company were misleading and presented the condition of the concern in a light more favorable than the truth warranted. The decision of the of the company. He is also vice president court was that the policyholder was en- and treasurer of the Fairbank Canning titled to a return of all premiums paid by company, vice president at the Consumers' him and all accrued earnings without deduction for the cost of insurance during the life of the policy or compensation of any kind whatever to the company.

The decision involved nothing more than an application of the principle that fraud vitiates a contract; still, as a restraining influence on over-sanguine or unconscioncountry in favor of getting rid of the point en route will see to it that nothing able insurance officers this judicial dictum is comparable in effectiveness with a whole chapter of legislative safeguards from the insurance code of a state. The possibility of having to return premiums received on policies, together with all accumulated earnings, even on risks that have been carried for ten or fifteen years, will make the officers and directors very careful about putting anything into their construed to have been untrue and deceptive and, therefore, fraudulent. The inducement will be strong to publish all the facts, the favorable and the unfavorable as well. The remedy is not perfect; it may be the case that to an insured person who has lost his health or has passed the finish of youth the contract is worth more than the returned premiums would be. But no legal remedy is perfect, and so far as it goes-and it goes very far-the remedy applied by the court of appeals makes for honest publicity and improvement in the confidential relations between insurers and insured.

PLAYING TAG WITH DEATH.

Gruesome Record of Automobile Accidents.

Kansas City Journal. One of the regular and established source of news upon which makers of newspapers have come to depend is the daily record of automobile accidents. During the last summer scarcely a day has passed without its grewsome story of some serious and often fatal accident to drivers and other occupants of automobiles. Occasionally the monotony is varied when harm comes to an innocent pedestrian, or when an uncontrollable machine leaps a wall, climbs over a few trees, swims a lake and lands squarely in the midst of a picnic party.

When one reads of the desperate chances, taken by the men who race motor cars on the public roads it is hard to feel a proper amount of sympathy for them when the inevitable word comes of their injury. As long as men will deliberately invite death by foolish and profitless diversion they must expect the logical consequence of their own folly. The pitcher that goes too often to the well is broken at last, and Alas, that love may never run Brown the other day. "But I got it in the the speed maniac who continually places Her in the wrong way didn't I? Thinking of it after his life and the lives of others in jeopardy." The his life and the lives of others in jeopardy will suffer the final penalty.

Automobile racing seems to have been a logical evolution in the striving of men for speed. There is something in the very fact | or flying through the air at a breathless panther set out at the same time to eat. pace that intoxicates its devotees, to their own undoing. For the time being, judgment is unhinged and all the natural elements of caution are lost in a wild frenzy that has been solemnly pronounced by a board of British experts as temporary insanity, related directly with the manias for manslaughter and self-destruction. It does not require profound investigation, however, to convince any well balanced mind that these hysterical men who drive their powerful scaehines at the speed of the wind, flirting with death at every turn of their wheels, are mentally warped. Fortunately their class is small. The maintenance of racing automobiles is too expensive a pleas ure for most people.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. Effic W. Smith appealed to the cir cuit court yesterday for an injunction to prevent her husband talking to her. Six pairs of lovers rushed to be mar

ried in public at an Ohio county fair when

a sewing machine was offered. People who

start life together with a good sewing machine make no mistake. The scientific expedition sent to the Aleutian islands last spring by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, under the direction of Prof. E. A. Jagger, has returned to Seattle. Prof. Jagger says the

Pass to Aticha. H. M. Saville, professor of ethnology at Columbia university, who has spent nearly four months in making investigations and collecting data concerning the prehistoric races that he believed inhabited the mountain regions and coast of Ecuador, has arrived in New York. He found the ruins of a city which he believes was founded many years before the Spaniards settled in Ecuador.

all the islands of the chain from Unimak

Dr. Elwood Meade, formerly chief of the bureau of irrigation of the Department of Agriculture, and now living in Laramie, Wyo., has accepted the office of chief of the irrigation investigations for Australia. which was recently tendered him by the British government. The place, it is stated, carries with it an annual salary of \$15,000 Dr. Meade was formerly state engineer of Wyoming and at one time professor of in rigation engineering at the Colorado Agricultural college, Fort Collins.

Ulmer E. Pennypacker of Westchester Pa., executor of the \$130,000 estate of Joseph Anderson, who died about a year ago

JUDGE - MADE INSURANCE LAW has begun to give the money away. He presented \$12,000 to the Phoenixville hospital, and he says he will continue giving until the fortune is all gone. Anderson left nearly all his estate to Mr. Penny packer, with the stipulation that he should give the proceeds away exactly as he accepted rules of conduct to new cases. pleased. Pennypacker is a clerk of the office of the county commissioners at a

salary of \$1,300 a year. Edward Morris, who succeeds his father, the late Nelson Morris, as the head of the big Morris packing concern, was born in Chicago on October 1, 1866. He received his education in the public schools of the city and embarked in business with his father in 1880. Rapid promotion followed, and at the time of the death of Nelson Morris the son was vice president and treasurer Cotton Oil company, and a director of the National Packing company, A. M. Rothschild & Co. and the Union Rendering com-

LAUGHING GAS.

"Your bump of destructiveness," said, the phrenologist, "is large. Are you a soldier?" "No," was the reply. "I am a chauffeur."—The Independent.

Bill-Before launching into matrimony a man should always count the cost.

Jill-But how can he tell how much allmony the judge is going to allow?—

Yonkers Statesman.

"Pa, what's the difference between an vestment and a speculation When you win it's an investment. When you lose it's a speculation."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"I don't hear Gwendolin talking about affinity any more."

"Her affinity gave her a faite commercial rating."—Louisville Courier-Journal. "What's become of the Rollers? They were living very high the last I heard are still living high."

Yes; on the ninth floor of a tenement." Baltimore American Speedy-Has he a fine automobile? "Yes, indeed. He's been arrested twice."

-Cleveland Plain Desing Handsome Customer (in art store)—I'd like to get something that would make a suitable present for a young man.

Salesman—If you will pardon the suggestion, I think a nicely-framed portrait of yourself would— Handsome Customer-O, he wouldn't care for that. He's my husband, you know.-Chicago Tribune.

THE IRONY OF FATE.

S. E. Kiser in the Record-Herald young man loved a maiden fair Who thought him "simply grand." te had a surplus of hot air For constant use on hand.

"Come, fly with me," he urged the maid."
She stood a white in doubt.
Then shook her head and sadly said.
"I fear to venture out.

"The equinoxial storms."
Will presently be here.
What if they begin to blow
Your gas gave out, my dear?" equinoxial storms, you know,

But still he stayed to urge the maid; At last she heaved a sigh At last she heaved a sigh

And gave consent, wherefore they went

Serenely forth to fly.

The airship which the lover brought Because of the lack of gas,

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