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#### CURRENT COMMENT.

A 16-year-old girl in the pulpit was the attraction at Holy Trinity Baptist church, Brooklyn. She was able to make her hearers forget that she was only a young girl.

twice as much as it buys, Germany buys \$250,000,000 worth a year more than it sells, and Great Britain buys twice as much as it sells.

Four American steamers designed for the Pacific trade are each to be 730 feet long, with a capacity of 22,-000 tons. Some of the builders say the transpacific liners of the future will be 1,000 feet long.

Mrs. Ledoska Cooper, prominent in Des Moines (Ia.) society, has illed suit for divorce against John Cooper on the grounds of alleged inhuman treatment and persecution. She charges that for eight years he has prevented her from going to church and that he swore at her whenever she attempted to go. She asks \$75,-000 alimony. The couple have been married for 35 years.

The New York Methodist preachers meeting recently passed a resolution regarding missionary work which emphasized the need of Christian work directly at home. The resolutions were reported just after the meeting had heard an address by Miss Helen F. Clark, a mission worker in Chinatown, who presented figures to show that only a small minority of the people of New York can be regarded as Christians.

Herbert Putnam, the new librarian of congress, has been taking stock of his great establishment. The library now consists of 850,000 printed books, 250,000 pamphlets, 26,000 manuscripts, 50,000 maps, 277,000 pieces of music, and 70,000 prints of photographs, etchings, and the like. The major part of the library, of course, is the result of the copyright law, which brings in all sorts of books, good, bad, and indifferent.

The foreign commerce of the United States, like most of the country's other activities, grows faster than its population. In 1869 the aggregate exports and imports of the country were \$776,000,000, while its population was 38,000,000. In 1899 the total foreign commerce passed the \$2,000,000,-000 line, while the population in that year was probably not above 73,000,-000 or 74,000,000. The population did not quite double in the 30 years, while foreign trade very much more than doubled.

Iowa probably will have biennial elections after 1902. The constitutional amendment providing for elections every two years instead of annually was approved by the last legislature and the body now in session looks upon it with favor. There will be a popular vote upon the amendment and there is slight doubt of its verdict. In substituting biennial elections for annual elections Iowa is following the drift of state constitutions. There are now only ten states that hold elections annually,

A report to the state department from Consul Frankenthal, at Berne, records the progress of one of the greatest engineering enterprises of the century, which began November 13, 1898, when the first blow was struck on the Simpton tunnel. This tunnel will be 121/2 miles long-the longest in the world-and is to be completed in 51/2 years and to cost \$13,413,500. It will be the third tunnel connecting Italy with outlying countries by rail, and will save 431/4 miles between Paris and Liman.

A plaster of paris design for an "Uncle Sam" hat—probably the largest in the world-containing within its crown practical models for upwards of 200 distinct styles of hats worn by 23 nationalities, will be sent from Philadelphia to the Paris exposition. The huge composite model is the work of a Philadelphian, who first conceived the idea of the unique exhibit about a year ago. The total height of the big model is 56 inches; the brim of the hat is 12 feet in circumference, and its crown is 48 inches

## THE NEBRASKA ADVERTISER | KENTUCKY'S MUDDLE.

Chaotic Is the Only Word That Will Describe the Situation.

#### MANY RUMORS FLOATING AROUND.

Gov. Beckhain Waiting for the Election Commissioners to Decide on the Cases of the Secretary of State, Treesurer and Auditor.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 6.-Gov. Taylor last night made a distinct and positive offer to submit the merits of his claim to the gubernatorial chair of Kentucky to any three fair-minded men in the world, these three men to be selected by the United States supreme court. He will allow them to arbitrate the case and will abide by their decision. This announcement he made to a correspondent of the Associated press in his office in the executive building. The declaration made by Gov. Taylor regarding arbitration was at once wired by the Associated press correspondent to The United States sells more than Lieut Gov. John Marshall and Attorney David W. Farleigh, republican members of the political conference held last night at Louisville. Chaotic is the only word that will describe the political situation as it existed yesterday in Frankfort. This condition arose not so much from anything that was done by either side, as from the countless stories and rumors that were spread broadcast during the

> Early in the morning it was positively asserted by the democrats and confirmed by a few republicans that the legislative session in London was about to be called off. The democrats claimed to have had the highest possible assurance that Gov. Taylor would take such action, and that the next session of the legislature would be held in Frankfort in the capitol building this morning. Gov. Taylor, late in the morning, however, altered the situation entirely by declaring to a correspondent of the Associated press that no order had been issued revoking the meeting at London, and that it would proceed as originally intended by him. He denied in the most emphatic manner that there had been any intention on the part of the republican party to abardon the London session. This was a bombshell to many of the democratic members of the legislature, who, acting on the advice of their attorney, had Sanday morning in order to be away from the capitol in case it was deto London for the purpose of he!ping vice of the late Representative out a quorum. They had left the ei'y as directed and early yesterday morning a large number of them were told to return, as everything had been settled, and an agreement reached which would allow the legislature to occupy the chambers in the capitol building. They came in from all directions and on every train and by noontime fully 30 of them had arrived. They knew nothing of the sitnation except what had been contained in messages received by them and these were found to be misleading, when they were confronted on their arrival in Frankfort by the statement of Gov. Taylor.

Gov. Beckham has at the present time no secretary of state, no treasurer and no auditor. It will not be possible, of course, for him to transact state business until these officers have been seated and it is with the object of facilitating matters in this respect that the election commissioners are now at work. All these contests are little more than matters of form, every one of them resting upon the same evidence which caused the legislature to decide the Goebel-Taylor contest in favor of the former.

#### An Agreement Arrived at.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 6.-Shortly affer midnight the republican and democratic conferces in session at the Galt house came to an agreement. It is said the agreement is decidedly favorable to the democrats. Gov. Taylor is to withdraw the troops from the state buildings at Frankfort and send them home. The order convening the legislature at London, Ky., is to be revoked and the regular sessions of the general assembly are to be resumed at the state capitol without molestation. It is believed that the understanding arrived at will result in an amicable settlement of the dispute between the two parties in this state and do away with the dual government now asserting themselves.

The agreement provided that, in order to leave no question as to the title of William Goebel and J. C. Beckham to the offices of governor and lieutenant governor, respectively the general assembly shall pass a resolution in joint assembly validating the acts on that subject since the legislature has been prevented by troops from holding its regular sessions at Frankfort. As soon as the legislature does this, Beekham's title to the office of governor is not to be questioned.

#### WHAT CONGRESS IS DOING.

Proceedings of Our National Lawmakers from Day to Day in Condensed Form Resolutions and Bills.

In the senate on the 31st Senator Pettigrew (S. D.) sought to have read a resolution embodying a document written by Aguineldo upon the Filipino insurrection and containing his version of the alleged recognition of the Filipino republic by Admiral Dewey. This stirred up considerable acrimony among the senators. Senator Hawley (Conn.) denounced the action of Senator Pettigrew as treason and Senators Spooner (Wis.), Sewell (N. J.) and Gallinger (N. H.) also severely arraigned the senator from South Dakota. At the conclusion of the exciting scene the financial bill was discussed by Senators Berry (Ark.) and Teller (Col.). Senator Penrose (Pa.) introduced a bill to make the proceedings of the Grand Army a part of the public records of the United States, the commander-in-chief to make a report to the interior secretary .... The Indian appropriation bill was taken up in the house, its discussion being made the occasion for speeches on a wide range of public

Senator Allen (Neb.) spoke against the recent transactions of Secretary Gage with the City national bank of New York in the senate on the 31st. The discussion of the matter took up the entire morning hour. Senator Allen then yielded the floor to Senator Daniel (Va.), who spoke on the pending financial bill. declared it practically excluded silver from circulation and struck a possibly fatal blow at it. Senator Stewart (Nev.) followed in a speech also directed against the bill.... In the house Mr. Sibley (Pa.) assailed his democratic colleagues for their opposition to expansion in a speech which brought applause from the galleries. Not much progress was made with the Indian appropriation bill, which was under consideration, and the debate generally was uninteresting.

Allen (Neb.) concluded his speech in the senate on the 2d in arraignment of Secretary Gage because of his transactions with the City national bank, of New York. A resolution offered by Senator Harris (Kan.) calling upon the secretary of the interior for all papers relating to the management of the Osage Indian agency was passed. The financial bill was then laid before the senate. but no senator was prepared to speak upon it. Senator Pettigrew (S. D.) offered the Mason resolution of sympathy for the Boers and gave notice that he would speak upon it on the 5th. The senate then went into executive session and afterwards adjourned until the 5th ... The house devoted its attention mainly to the Indian appropriation bill. In the discussion over the bill giving the most favored nation treatment in American ports to Cuban vessels Mr. Clayton (Ala.) declared it v a a part of the piecemeal legislation which congress was extending to Cuba and the time was now ripe for the American government to recognize the independent sovereignty of the is-There was an evening session on pension legislation, but Mr. Talbert (S. C.) blocked work by making the point of no quorum.

The senate was not in session on the 3d.... The house passed the Indian appropriation bill. It carries in the neighborhood of \$7,000,000. Congressman Curtis (Kan.) secured the passage of an amendment for the establishment of schools in left the city Saturday night and on the Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw and Chickasaw nations, the expense to be paid out of the funds of those nations. The latter part of the session was devoted to

trout (Pa.) Senator Caffery (La.) on the 5th discussed the Philippine question in the When asked what he would do with the Filipinos he said: "Turn them loose as soon as we can get rid of them. That would be better for them and infinitely better for us." His argument was mainly a discussion of the constitutional question. Senator Carter (Mont.) reported from the committee on territories the bill for a civil code of Alaska and providing for courts of that territory The senate in executive session, ratified The Hague peace treaty, also the extradition treaty with the Argentine republic .... The democrats of the house continued their assaults on the Philippine policy of the administration during the debate on the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. The bill giving a pensionable status to those known as the East Tennessee bridge burners was favorably reported. A bill was introduced calling on the pensions commissioner for a special report on desirable amendments to the pension laws.

She Smoked. A patient of one of the leading specialists who treat polypi in the schools in New York city. She has of anti-cigarette leagues among the schoolboys. She came to her doctor the other day. He cheered her greatquickly and without the use of the

"But you must promise to follow the suspicion of a twinkle in his eye.

"Oh, I promise," said the lady. "Without qualification?" asked the physician. "Absolutely without qualification,"

answered the lady. "Well, then, you must smoke eigarettes!

The lady grasped. Visions of what might happen if she were seen with a eigarette between her teeth by any of her pupils floated before her, and cr-in-chief, protesting against the deshe almost fainted. But the doctor struction of farm houses and the dewas inexorable. The lady followed his directions, and in a week the foreign growth in her nose had disappeared. But that doesn't mean that the lady is now a confirmed eigarette smoker.-United States Tobacco Journal.

"It is a pity," said Miss Cayenne, "how chance destroys the harmony of things in this world.'

"I don't quite follow you," said Willie Wishington.

"It happens so often that the young man who looks most stunning in a yachting suit hasn't enough ambition or ability to earn the price of a rowbeat."-Washington Star.

## AFRICAN WAR NEWS.

Gen. Buller Thought to Be Pounding Against the Boer Works.

### GEN. FRENCH AFTER NORVAL'S POINT

Spencer Wilkinson Says the Tide Is Beginning to Turn for the British-Presidents Steyn and Kruger Protest Against Destroying Farms.

London, Feb. 6 .- Military opinion in London continues to assume, from very slender materials, that Gen. Bulter is again throwing his army against the Boer works. A retired general, Sir William Henry Green, whose distinguished career gives weight to his opinion, thinks that Gen. Buller, with 25,000 more men, is making a wide detour to the west and north in order to avoid the roughest parts of the country. As Gen. Buller must have some thousands of wagons, Sir William Green points out that his advance would necessarily be slow. No authentic word is at hand, save that the war office reaffirmed orally to newspaper inquirers at a late hour that it could not confirm the reported advance. There the Natal situation rests.

It is from the western field that more definite statements come. Large operations are aparently about to begin. Gen. French, who has now returned to Rensberg from his conference with Lord Roberts, has sent what is described as an overwhelming force of infantry to seize Norval's point. This is where the railway, before it was destroyed, crossed the Orange river and connected with the Free State trunk line to Bloemfontein. Norval's point is 19 miles north of Colesberg and 25 miles from Gen. French's headquarters at Rens-

The Boers at Colesberg have been in danger of being surrounded by the largely reinforced and extending lines of the British. An occupation of Norrender Colesberg untenable.

The Boers are showing great activity in the Nauwpoort and Colesberg districts. Many of the guns hitherto crickets. facing Lord Methuen are believed to have gone to Norval's point. The and count ten residents. I know all of British, therefore, may find formidable bodies of Boers there.

transports will be dispatched between | deal more. All of us are comparativeto-day and Monday with 13,000 troops, ly out of debt and an unusually big including the Fourth cavalry brigade, crop to thresh and prospects of a fair militia battalions and 3,000 yeomanry, price, and I expect we are as well conwith 258 horses and six guns. These tented lot of people as there are from 13,000 are not included in the 180,000 Florida to the Klondike. cided by Gov. Taylor to convey them the eulogies upon the life and public ser- due to be in South Africa on Febru- My son bought two pounds of twine ary 15. The Eighth division of 10. 000 men is still available to send.

Sir Alfred Milner, in a letter written three weeks ago to former lord mayor of Belfast, said the war would last three or four months longer.

hopeful and encouraging reports to the government regarding the pros- takes an enormous amount of twine. peets of the campaign and it is understood that his views are shared by Lord Roberts,

The censorship seems to have completely shut down the correspondence at Spearman's camp. No dispatch from that point appears in this morning's papers and nothing has been allowed to issue since Sunday even-

The Tide Beginning to Turn. London, Feb. 6.-Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says:

"The tide is beginning to turn. In the western theater of the war it looks as though Gen. French had nose and throat is a woman well been reinforced, perhaps by Gen. known for her work in Sunday Chermside's brigade. This would be the beginning of a systematic direca record as the organizer of a number tion of the campaign. When Gen. French has disposed of the enemy torming his present objective his force will be available for other operly by telling her he could cure her ations." Detailing possible operations of Gens. French Kelly-Kenny and Gatacre, Mr. Wilkinson says: "There is now a prospect that in two my directions," said the doctor, with or three weeks the British forces will be holding the passes of the Orange river, repairing the bridges and collecting all the requisites for the advance northward, to begin as soon as Lord Roberts sees his way to order the movement."

Beers Protest Against Destroying Farms. Cape Town, Feb. 6.—President Stevn and President Kruger have communicated with Field Marshal Lord Roberts, the British commandvastation of property. Lord Roberts, i's replying, declared the charges were not sustained, adding that wanton destruction of property was contrary to British practices,

Two Barges Wrecked.

New York, Feb. 6.-The barges Wilson and Mary Tryon were wrecked and sunk in Huntington bay, near Huntington, L. I., yesterday, in a heavy northwest gale. The captain of the Wilson, John Finley, and his wife, were drowned. Capt. J. A Cromwell, his wife and two small children of the Mary Tryon were rescued with difficulty before the boat sank.

## "Do Not Burn the Candle

At Both Ends.'

Don't think you can go on drawing vitality from the blood for nerves, stomach, brain and muscles, without doing something to replace it. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives nerve, mental and digestive strength by enriching and witalizing the blood. Thus it helps overworked and tired people.



WHAT A FORMER AMERICAN SAYS.

Doubled Their Cultivated Lands and More Than Doubled Their Stock.

The following letter written by Mr. John Cummings of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Canada, formerly of Washington, to a friend in the United States is only one of a hundred similar cases, and what was done by Mr. Cummings can more easily be done to-day by any good, sober and industrious farmer who chooses to make his home in the Dominion.

Dear Sir:

You want to know how I got along since I came into Northern Alberta. I am happy tainform you that I am not ashamed to tell.

We located five miles northeast of Wetaskiwin; left Farmington, Washington, on the 29th of May, driving all the way.

We had time to build our log house the first fall and to make us comfortable for the family and stock. We then built four stables 18x20 inside, so that we could put everything inside them when the cold got down to the fifties, and worked hard getting up the stable and got through dubbing on the 1st December, but to our surprise we had no use for the stables only for the milk cow and two span of horses. The balance of the horses lived on the prairie all winter and took care of themselves. The doors of two stables were val's point in force would presumably left open for them to go into in a cold time, but they would not do it, but stayed out on the prairie the coldest. night we had, and looked as spry as

I can go ten rods back of my house their circumstances. Every one of them have doubled their cultivated land The war office announces that 15 and doubled their animals, and a great

to the acre, and when we started to bind some barley, we found that instead of taking two pounds to the acre, it was taking nearly five pounds. Then you ought to have seen him hitch up a team and make for town for 100 lbs. more. Sir Alfred Milner has sent most I cannot say how it will thresh. All I can say is that it is well headed, and

> Hicks-"I wonder how the Tollers manage to get along. Why, I believe they owe everybody in town." Wicks—"That's why they
> get along so well. Toller has a big mail
> every morning. They are all duns, to be
> sure; but the impression upon the neighbors is just the same as if they were invitations to first-class society functions. It is the quantity, not the quality, that does the business, you know."—Boston Transcript.

The baker gets crusty himself when his bread doesn't pan out well.-Golden Days.

# Nervous Women

are alling women. When a woman has some female trouble she is certain to be nervous and wretched.

With many women the monthly suffering is so great that they are for days positively insane, and the most diligent efforts of ordinary treatment are unavailing.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

comes promptly to the relief of these women. The letters from women cured by it proves this. This paper is constantly printing them.

The advice of Mrs. Pinkham should also be secured by every nervous woman. This costs nothing. Her address is Lynn, Mass.