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CALAMITY SENATORS AT WORK.

The New York banks and the capitalists connected with them are loaning \$50,000,000 today in London which under ordinary circumstances would be loaned in New York and this coun- to do is to bring this about without try, says the Philadelphia Press.

this sum is loaned abroad instead of easier to get into war than to get out. City received injuries from which she a great variety of micro-organisms at home is because the men who loan Wait. Some of these days something died. Eight other lives were lost in it know that the English parliament will happen at the White house that the fire. will not change the value of a proud will settle Cuban destiny on the side sterling and no one wants to in Eng- of liberty. land or out of parliament. In this country these bankers know that a large number of congressman and 6,-000,000 voters want to change the value of a dollar.

The senate is now considering a resolucion reporte from t e senate finance committee proposing to reduce the value of the United States bonds one-half by paying them in silver. This repudiation of half the righteous obligation of a government bond has votes in the senate west and south.

This halts property. No man will invest or ought to invest in regions where the value of his investment will be halved if the voters in that region have their way. The revival of trade is stopped point blank by proof and evidence of this view, and until this issue is settled nothing is safe or can be safe. If the currency standard is settled beyond the possibility of a change, cur banking based on wealth and not credit and our money values established permanently on gold and completed and fitted up a hospital in notion promises to pay silver or gold,

will not start until the value of a dollar is raised above the chances of a presidential election.

When congress once makes the gold value of our currency permanent our industry, prespect, a decede wil b safe. As o . . co gress not be ing a dlavest currency in quubt nothing is safe.

ANOTHER indication of the prosperous business condition of the country in 1897 is shown by an examination of the railroad statistics for that year. The small number of railroad bankruptcies of last year and the very remarkable progress made in the restoration of companies already in that position to a solvent basis, through reorganization, shows conclusively the improved condition of that branch of business. The bankruptcy of eighteen companies with only 1,537 miles of road and an aggregate capital of \$92,800,000 in 1897 is in marked contrast with thirty-four lington physician at this point, have roads in 1896 embracing 5,441 miles of become so irksome that he has been main track and capital amounting to forced to secure an assistant for the \$275,597,000, and is but an incident as purpose of compiling the reports, says compared to 1893, when seventy-four the Havelock correspondent in the roads were involved, repres nting 29, Lincoln News. Wendell Foster is at-000 miles and the immense capital of tending to the reports and comes down

war with Spain and would like to an- der the company's surgeon's care is nex Cuba, but fight similar proposi- now averaging fully fifty a month. tions looking toward the annexing of Hawaii, are delighted with the latest act of the government in sending through chair-car service between battle ships to Havanus. Now if the Chicago and Deadwood, S. D. The Spanish Dons are anything but brag- car comes into Lincoln on train No. 3 gards, they will fight, and the merry It is here switched onto No. 41. Pas war will be on. If S ain does not sengers boarding the train at Chicago resent the insult to her dignity and for the Black Hill are thus enabled to allows Uncle Sam to have things his make the entire trip, 1,142 miles, own way at Havanna, then, of course, without change of cars. no war will follow, and the fellows thirsting for gore, even at long range, will be doomed to disappointment.

COMPTROLLER DAWES has been warmiy commended by the press of joits in his address to the traders' the country over his order requiring league in Philadelphia, night before bank examiners to refuse to do special last. Like Mr. Hanna, the secretary services and receive special fees from is demonstrating that a thinking man the bank that they will be called upon can talk some, if he has to, even if in due course of business to examine his life has been spent far from the ative situation at Fishback's and report upon. Bradstreet's says: platform.-Ex. "The conclusion at which the comptroller arrived is a sound one; there ment officials no suspicion of divided oyster car by which the bivalve may

could not well be devised than that of in the dark bive waters of the gulf, congressmen who insist upon deb to says the Om ha Trade Exhibit. The ing on the floor of the house the ques- car is water tight, and with each tion, Has prosperity come? remarks oyster is scooped up a few barrels of his old age." the Omaha Bee. If congress will do sea water, so that the oyster labors business a good example will be set under the impression that he is still is like starting a newspaper. It for all the people, and even chronic po- at home, even after the death knell of litical agitators may after a while be the butcher's trade mark is fastened induced to go to work.

vor the executive session style of de- taken from the briny deep. The new bate when the opposite side of the invention will be received with unquestion is represented by a hotel concealed joy by the lovers of this the senate as postmaster at Lincoln their passenger space is engaged for dent, which the editors printed, realcierk who has made a study of the particular diet, as the oyster is never comes on very slowly-another week's months ahead and there is great danmanly art.

Gables and turned Grover's picture to tin cans for an indefinite period. the wall were probably determined to administer a rebuke to Wall street.

A SOLID FRONT.

Cuban hights, will unfurl her banner discharged on February 15, 1864. to the air. What the president wishes war. We are now paying 141 millions ing building at Spokane, Wash., Mon-The reason, and the only reason, why a year for pensions. It is a great deal day, Mrs. H. G. Davies of Nebraska is a very hotbed for the propagation of that there never was no moonlight when

A GIVE AWAY.

led into any such a give-away discus- cut very short.

He simply stands up and denies that testify on his own affidavy.

THE Woman's club at Elgin, Ills., is certainly composed of an energetic lot of women. They have recently \$2,000,000. but town costing \$30,000, and not a

nus to make women's clubs a sort of therities of Lincoln are talking of Dr. Breiter gives a thorough discusloose ends. Reorganization and re- lamily comfort in every well regulated buying bloedhounds as a permanent sion as to what may be the result of confunding in railroads and other enter- town. We very much doubt if another adjunct to the police force, says the prises go or well enough with adubious club in the whole country can show Beatrice Express. Before doing anycurrency. They affect people whose so proud a monument of industry and thing rash they should remember money is in already. New enterprises intelligence as is shown by the lady that dogs like the Fulton hounds are men, the specific bacillus of this disease as it was necessary to maintain a vacmembers of the Elgin club.

> t ea-ury is over \$163,000,000 and no cure a man who can train them propwe e cortain that bonds would have to be sold as soon as the election was over, and now that their prediction has proven false, the real value of popocratic opinion may be noted.

THE American war ship Maine rides peacefully in the harbor of Havanna, while the Spanish Dons at Madrid fume and swear in useless rage. The Spaniards are good on a bluff, but Uncle Sam having called them, they must show their hand, which appears to be quite empty.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

The duties of Dr. McKinnon, as Burfrom his home in Lincoln every evening for that purpose. The total num-THE fellows who are spoiling for a ber of shop accidents which come un-

The Burlington has inaugurated a

Secretary Gage is a business man and not an orator, but he gave the "weeping philosopher" as he denominates our Mr. Bryan, several severe

President Stilwell, of the Pittsburg & Gulf road, has invented an A MORE shameful waste of time a state as when he rears his family upon him. It is said that under this SENATOR MASON is believed to fawhen caught from the car as when

Jackson, Mich., claims the distinc- jections.

tion of having as a resident the oldest The republican members of the pensioner of the war of the rebellion. house show a remarkably solid front The man is Cornelius De Vancey, who mount Tribune. It has been said in February, 1796, and is consequently there was much dissatisfaction there almost 102 years of age. Mr. De on account of the alleged dilatory and Vancey came to America fifty years pacific attitude of the president. But ago and resided in Philadelphia until when the democrats and populists some two years ago. He enlisted in tried to force the country into war by the Sixth Pennsylvania cavalry Sephasty action the republicans stood tember 5, 1861, on the strength of a like a stone wall to uphold the policy physician's certificate showing his age of the man in the white house. They to be forty-five. His wife a few months of hands? have come to see that he is acting later secured his discharge by prowith great foresight and diplomacy ducing evidence that his age was custom be abandoned or should it be and that he is moving quietly but sixty-three and not forty-five. He firmly in the direction of bringing was not satisfied, however, and on THE LARGEST GIRGULATION about what every citizen wishes to September 5, 1862, enlisted in the see in Cuba-the liberation of that un- Thirteenth Pennsylvania cavalry and happy island from the tyranny of served in the Army of the Tennessee. He participated in a number of the The president has congress behind most prominent engagements and was him. In good time, freedom from the twice wounded. He was honorably

*In an attempt to escape f om a burn- ing hands. He says:

A party of men and boys charivaried a fellow by the name of Gilmore at Glen, Nen, the night after his wed-The debate in the house on the ding. The fun which the party was vidual prototypes, this being essentially it when he was a young man comin source of the general prosperity of the enjoying at his expense did not set country seems to have been sprung by very well, so he took down his trusty of the two contingent forces. Modern Onnyways he sed that the two sisters the poperats, says the State Journal, shot gun and emptied the contents surgery is founded on this principle. | was persdiditaters. It seems like they and if it was, it is a very shortsighted into the party, killing James Miller. The carefulness with which we prepare give a performance in the house, which move-a political blunder. They are The coroner's jury found Gumore our hands and surgical instruments beguilty of constructive treason to the guilty of firing the shot with felonious head of their party, Mr. Bryan, who intent. As a result of the young wiser in his generation, refuses to be swain's wrath, the honeymoon will be

rumors in San Francisco that exthere is any prosperity. On the con- Mayor Sutro's mind was failing and trary he is prepared to prove, he says, that a guardian would soon have to and wide. Isolation is resorted to and that we are "wuss off" than we ever be appointed for him. He sees no enforced most rigorously, thereby checkwere in the history of the country, and one, and a nurse is with him coaling the spread of the disease, and then they tried rappin, an the others only that there is no prosperity on this or stantly. The doctors have warned his disinfectants lavishly used cause the deany other continent outside of Mexico. relatives that he must have absolute struction of the offending armies. In And he has just come from Mexico to rest or he will die. Mr. Sutro's prop- the era of scientific prophylaxis conseerty interests are very large, and un- quent upon the introduction of the miless he improves soon some legal we find a steady decline of epidemics They buried 'em together in the box in manager of his estate will have to be either developing in the outer world or the yard back of the house, an that's appointed. His estate is valued at in our hospital wards. Yet accidental

The Fulton b oodhounds have done facility stands number it. Such so much wonderful work in the way of strations of either an unavoidable cause h rz ag on le tac ingeriminals to their airs that or a faulty observance of established How the Plants Are Constructed and Opof u fortunate neighbors, and their fame is widespread, and the au- data." ouds have been soid either by the erly. The training of the Fulton dogs protective ta iff administration to has taken no end of care and toil, and eep i up. The poperatic orators it will be a long time before Nebraska sees their equals.

> It is said that ex-Governor James E. Campbell of Ohio, who was in the for a time disabled through the explosion of a shell, applied for a pension, which for some reason was delayed, and when it was finally ailowed he hod so far recovered that he declined to receive it, although the sum accumulated was large, on the ground that he had recovered his health and and was not entitled to it.

> The amount of business transacted in this country for the first twenty days in January, as reported by R. G. Dun's agency of New York, was greater by over 10 per cent than it was for the same time of the year in 1892, and 38 per cent greater than in the corresponding period of last year.

> Ex-Governor Morrilt of Kansas once said that his ambition was to create in Kansas the largest orenard in the world and have it as a monument to his memory. That hope is about to be realized, as he has turned his farm over to a man with the stipulation that 65,000 fruit trees, mostly apples, are to be planted there.

When a girl has pinned a flower on man's coat she always tilts her chin up and looks at it sideways.

Neligh claims to have the present cattle king of the state in the person of C. J. Anderson who has purchased 25,000 head of cattle. His present investment in stock represents the sum

The following touching reference is made by Walt Mason, of his brother, editor of the Beatrice Democrat, which indicates a cordial understanding between them: "G. P. Marvin has secured a permanent and remunerchicken house, and will report for duty as soon as released from the postoffice. His work will be to pull the feathers from enickens, during the daytime, and he will probably our several stomachs while in as lively spend his nights gathering chickens on his own account. We are are indeed glad that he will have usful and honorable employment which will enable him to amass a competence for

Courting a girl, says an exchange, starts out weekly, then becomes a tri-

year. will be postmaster in the gentle springtime, anyway, in spite of objections.

Cause there is no room for them on hamberlain's Cough Remedy. For that they will have transportation all family use it has no equal. I gladly the way before they make the first recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by all druggist.

DANGER IN A SHAKE.

A LEARNED DISQUISITION ON DIS-EASE TRANSFER.

Microbes of Every Kind Find Lodgment In the Skin-Contact Even of the Cleanly May Spread Contagion-Serious Results From Hand Clasping.

Is it possible for one man to communicate disease to another by the shaking

If this question be true, should the modified under medical instruction so

inimical to life and health has been established beyond dispute. Dr. Breiter founds his thesis, recently printed in The Medical Record, on this hypotheon with much force, is the danger which is hidden in the apparently harmless fer that is somethin I could never guess, and sometimes pleasing custom of shak-

as to minimize the danger?

"That the surface of the human body Fuerbinger, Mittman, Bizzozero, Mashadow of a doubt that in the presence out on it. There's no man in these digof a predisposing factor and sometimes | gin's longer'n I be, an I ken the story even without that the microbic diseases brought about by contact in some way fore and after a surgical operation well exemplifies the importance of a familiarity with its dangers in every sense.

"We recognize that many of our microbic diseases, especially of the exan-For some time there has been thematic type, eliminate their toxic element very largely through the medium of the skin, which undergoes extensive exfoliation, disseminating the poison far croscope, bacteriology and antiseptics inoculations of tuberculosis, smallpox down like."-Chicago Chronicle. and vaccinia, as well as more horrible diseases, still exist and are but demon-

Klebs-Loeffler microbe among cases of suspected diphtheria and had no doubt that the specific germs of every microbic proper experimentation were made. He proceeds as follows:

naval service during the war and was in the early and desquamative stages, especially the latter, are walking the graft upon the moist hand of any chance acquaintance the prolific virus of the disease. The same may be said of persons with pulmonary tuberculosis, whose hands and handkerchiefs, through constant wiping of the mouth, are foul and saturated with the bacteria laden expectoration of the disease. Tuberculosis of the hand, the lesion large or small in area, often painless and unrecognized as such for a long while and perhaps untreated, is by no means an infrequent occurrence. Scabies, we know, has a marked predilection for the hand. Need I mention others? Now whether these conditions are the result of hand to hand contact or not does not scription it should be plain that there matter. The conditions themselves are dangerous elements, and it is the consideration of such factors in the causa-

tion of disease that we are studying. "Of course the mucous membrane serves as a better pabulum for the invasion and development of micro organisms, but the skin is not absolutely negative in that respect, and if it were it would make little difference, as the two, skin and mucous membrane, are very often in close apposition with each other. We know that the hand has carried bacteria to the mouth, disseminating contagion in that way. Typhoid fever, Asiatic cholera, diphtheria and other diseases are known to have been produced that way. Why search through medical libraries for similar and perhaps more conclusive evidence? The subject has passed the stage of novelty. So while we professional people are by | cle. -Manufacturer. reason of our profession forced to invite and then to battle-for we have antiseptics-with these enemies, there is no reason why we should unnecessarily and under the cloak of custom invite them and then leave them to do their harm. "Some may look upon this subject with derision. Nevertheless the truth is this: No matter how small the percentage of evil consequences arising from this universal handshaking, the total number, in view of its extensiveness, must necessarily be great. The subject is deserving of serious consideration. Conscientious physicians and surgeons will accord it."

Freddy's Fear. They pass a plate of cakes to Freddy at dessert. He puts out his hand, hesitates, then draws it back and begins to

"What are you crying for?" asks his "Because you are going to scold me when I choose the biggest one."-Fi-

Persons intending to go to the Klonweekly, then emerges into a daily, dike gold fields should take note of Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of and if it has any enterprise, comes out the condition of things on the trans- the Westfield News, bearing date of with an extra edition about once a portation routes between San Fran- April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with H. M. Bushnell's confirmation in All the steamers are crowded, all notice the following from a corresponso heartily relished after he has laid delay having occurred on account of ger that the gold seekers will be left vital importance to their sex: "The in state at the market place for weeks Allen claiming protests were on file at the railroad termini simply be- best remedy for croup, colds and bron-THOSE burglars who looted Gray at a time, or been swished about in that ought to be examined. Bush cause there is no room for them on chitis that I have been able to find is

ONCE THEY WERE MEDIUMS.

Now They Expiate Their Sins by Tossing Balls of Blue Fire.

Leavitt street is the home of the "juggling sisters." They were twin prestidigitators in their days of life, so runs the tradition, and now they toss balls of blue fire about as the juggler does eggs, cannon balls and the like. Their pet amusement is to stand on their heads and toss the balls as if they were standing afoot. The force of gravity seems to be reversed for their benefit, for they "toss" the balls of fire down, and the little flames "fall" up. All this is set down just as James MacCourtney, the oldest settler in the neighborhood, The existence of micro-organisms tells it. He said the other day:

"Them broad windys over there on place where the sisters comes to show theirselves. The year of the World's they come every 56 days. The reason but some smart young chap here figgered out that it was always in the dark of the moon. I've noticed since they got up there in the windys.

"What's the cause of their hauntin giora and Welch have elucidated most the old place? Why, sir, the story's so conclusively. It is certainly beyond the old there can't no truth nor lie be made only by hearsay, so to speak. I heerd it are ushered into existence by their indi- from my granddaddy, an he said he heeyd here. That mus' 'a' ben in the thirties. was new then in course, an the pair of them agreed ter be locked up in a box thet was to be sealed an fastened, an then they was to get out without breakin the seals. Well, they was locked up, but they couldn't get out, an purty soon they foun theirselves so short of breath they couldn't holler loud enough to be heerd. In course they was in a room away from the other people, so's the common folk couldn't see how the trick was turned. When they couldn't holler, thought they was a-workin out of the box an so didn't pay attention. After an hour or so the other peoples got nervous an went in an opened the box, an there was the two sisters, cold dead. why they juggles the fire balls upside

MAKING ARTIFICIAL ICE.

erated In Philadelphia.

Artificial cold or ice may be most have acquired disease and such as they was water. One-tenth of the amount of Omaha would wish to hide from their fellow water used was converted into ice, but Helena not picked up every day, and even has been found in filth collected from num in the apparatus its perfect workwhere dogs of a fine breeding are set the hand. He has found tubercle bacilli ing was a difficult problem. A more San Francisco THE gold reserve in the national cured, it is not always possible to se- in the dirt taken from the hand of the readily volatile liquid, therefore, had man suffering from tuberculosis, the to be substituted, such as liquefied sulphurous acid and liquefied ammonia. Being gaseous at ordinary temperatures, they are very suitable substances for No 20. Local express, daily, St Joe, Kansas, St Louis, all points disease may and would be found in mil- this purpose. The ammonia ice machine lions on the surfaces of the hands if is the one in most general use—in fact, it finds exclusive application in this city. This liquefied ammonia is allowed "Many victims of scarlet fever, both to expand in coils of pipes which are placed in tanks filled with brine. The No 30. Freight, daily except Sunday temperature of the brine is thus reduced streets of every large city ready to in to a point below the freezing point of

water-that is, to 14-18 degrees F. galvanized iron tanks having the shape No 12. Local exp. daily, St Joe, Kanof the large cakes of ice which one is accustomed to see in the wagons that pass through our city streets. After a period of 48-50 hours this can of water period into solid ice. The can is is converted into solid ice. The can is hoisted out of the brine, warmed with hot water, which allows the cake to slip out upon a shoot that runs into the No 3. Vestibuled exp. daily, Denstorage rooms. The gaseous ammonia in the pipes can be used over and over again, a large compression engine being No 9. Local exp. daily except Su day. Louisville, Ashland, a part of the plant, which reduces the expense of the process. From this decan be no taint of ammonia to give a taste to the ice.

The plants usually employ distilled or artesian water, so that the ice is of the best quality. Whatever impurities the water contains are collected in the white streak found in the center of each cake. The pure water separates from the impure and freezes first. Even ten years ago the demand for ice was supplied from natural sources, the harvests from our own Pennsylvania rivers, which were stored every winter in great houses on the shores of the streams, being supplemented by shipments throughout the summer from Maine. There are now in Philadelphia 16 icemaking plants, some of which yield over 100 tons per day each, and the artificial product for several years has been a serious competitor of the natural arti-

No Negro In South Africa. The word "negro" is not heard in South Africa excepting as a term of opprobrium. Over and over again have Afrikander Englishmen stopped me when speaking of Zulus, Basutos, Matabele and so on as negroes. "You in America only know the blacks who come over as slaves. Our blacks are not to be confused with the material found on the Guinea coast."-"White Man's Africa," by Poultney Bigelow.

A Boston newspaper complains that the famous Bunker Hill monument, which when first erected was the tallest creation of man in this country, has Society Printing now become quite insignificant in height. It is 220 feet high, or 327 feet shorter than city hall tower in Philadelphia.

Greater Glasgow, with a population of 853,000, has only 494 medical men or one doctor to 1,726 of the population. It must be a healthy place

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