of five for three reasons: First, we do not have to pay an agent his wages and travening expenses to secure the subscriptions. All that expense, which It Will Never be Needed While we Ca is usually heavy, we avoid by this method. Second, we will use the money to build a home for The Independent and quit paying rent which now costs us \$65 per month. Third, we wished to make it easy for our friends to sell the cards. Those are the plain ble. It costs more money to publish a paper devoted to the defense of the vocating the cause of plutocracy. The money power would gladly furnish ing patronage and generous to a fault if we would indorse their legalized robberies. That's why plutocratic as cheaply as we can. Invite your neighbor to try it for a year. Ask him to compare it with the hand-medowns and ready made stuff furnished him by the organs of plutocracy. Here is the roll of Liberty Guards

and what they have done to date. Let us add your name to the list: No. cards ordered.

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#### From Brooklyn, New York

Editor Independent: I have received two copies of The Independent the returning board. W. W. DE LAMOTT.

to argue for holding the Philippines by At all drug stores.

OPPOSED TO A BIG NAVY

Whip Any European Governmentin Three Weeks by Refusing to Ship Food Stuffs

Washington, D. C., Feb. 15 .- In the past week congress has accomplished very little that is worth recording. Building Subscriptions" in blocks of patching up their family rows that five at the low figure we are. We have no business of any importance is likegreater harmony in the ranks.

In the senate the republicans are a vote and the democrats are pushing and taught to sing: them into a very tight corner on the material to fill all our columns free of administration policy in the islands. charge if we would accept it. They The republicans have been obliged to would be liberal with their advertis- make some very damaging admissions.

It has been a gloomy week at the White house because President Roosevelt and his wife were called to Grosheets cost so little. Shall we give you ton by the serious illness of Teddy, jr. that kind of a paper? Never! We The youngster is now recovering and will print the truth and sell the paper | the president is again at the White | then, although the Indian children house, having deferred his Charleston trip until after the visit of Prince middle life. Henry.

Andrew Carnegie is one of the biggest ship builders in the world and it causes more than a ripple of surprise when he declares that the United States does not need a big navy. He points out that we are an isolated na- Some Have the Glow of Health and tion. If attacked we can whip any foreign nation by ceasing for three weeks to export food supplies.

Germany has almost identical interests in the far east with England as against Russia, but Germany has been so incensed by England's attempt to belittle the visit of Prince Henry to this country that she does not care for any new alliance with England, preferring to go it alone.

Prince Henry will be here in a few days and it is to be feared that his well or not and usually one can tell reception will be marked by anything what the trouble is. Upon parents but Jeffersonian simplicity. All the world likes tinsel trappings and brass bands and there will be the usual throng of sight-seeing, curious people wherever the scion of royalty appears. upon the slightest exertion, if she is But it is all nonsense to talk about his visit portending any advantageous trade relations between the two coun J. M. Smith, Baker, Neb ...... 5 tries. We always hear this shibboleth Wm. Thomssen, Grand Island, Neb. 5 whenever royalty travels, but nations seem to forget that subsequent experience never justifies the assumption

Senator Platt of Connecticut and others on the republican side make W. C. Brown, York, Neb...... 5 strenuous efforts to give the impres-J. C. Dietrick, York, Neb...... 5 sion that the Filipinos are being given ularly; they will enrich the blood and W. Halleck, Clarks, Neb ...... 5 all the measure of self-government for restore health's roses to the cheeks; desire American rule. Great stress is laid on the fact that some of the Filipinos have participated in municipal can government. It must be remembered, however, that General Chaffee stands over them with an army of 40,-000 men for the sole purpose of hunting down those who object to Ameri-

Governor Taft has promulgated a law which condemns to the penitentiary those who engage even in peaceful agitation against our sovereignty. Between the bayonet and the yawning jail it is a wonder that any portion of the Pilipinos manage to keep up a desire for independence. Governor Taft has also promulgated a law which makes it a penitentiary offense to read the Declaration of Independence at a Fourth of July celebration in the Philippines.

Senator Platt had better heed the blunt recommendation of General Chaffee that every soldier we have there should be kept in the islands for at least five years more. In fact the sooner the republicans close debate in the senate on the Philippines the Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, nerfewer damaging facts will they have

to explain away. The anti-imperialists and the democrats are showing a very bad state of affairs in the islands. • Our entrance fee of twenty millions was not a circumstance to what they have cost us since both in cold cash and in subversion of the principles on which our government was founded .- D. P.

From New York City

(Continued from Page One.)

J. P. Bridges, Mt. Airy, Ga...... 5 braska Independent that the people C. W. Kinch, Lexington, Neb ..... 5 should be in the hands and your words burnt deeply into the mind of every Bryanite.

W. P. CUNNINGHAM. New York City, N. Y.

## STRANGE THINGS HAPPEN

A Jewish Rabbi Who Says That the Common Meeting Ground for all Mankind Will be the Religion of Jesus

There is no more learned and scholarly man in all the west than Rabbi Simon, who preaches to the liberal Jews in Omaha and Lincoln, and his Wm. Scott, St. Paul, Neb...... 5 | congregations are in full sympathy with him. At Temple Israel in Omaha last week Rabbi Simon spoke of the C. W. Duncan, Pilger, Neb ...... 5 dream of a Messiah, saying that from D. W. Haskins, Geneva, Neb...... 5 | the German tradition of FrederickBar-Lewis Frey, Fairmont, Neb..... 5 barrosa a writer in the course of time L. O. Leffingwell, Frankfort, Kas. 5 may say that the Germans had an 

It seems from the writings of the Miner, Friend, Neb ...... 5 fathers that the word Messiah meant no particular person, but a leader who would relieve the people from oppres-Dr. W. P. Cunningham, New York 5 sion and restore the nation. In the \$1.35 for The Independent and New H. F. Canon, Tecumseh, Neb ..... 5 period of a nation's misery, with the people suffering, it is not surprising that there were hundreds of false Messiahs.

"We Jews in this land," said the rabbi, "can say, so far as political life is concerned, our Messiah has come: that it came when the declaration of independence was written and Washington wrested the land from England. But we are beginning to think that the Messiah means more than political freedom. We have spiritualand must say that I like it, because it | ized the old idea and we believe that tells the truth and don't sneak behind there will come a time when peace will rule the world. The Messiah will come-he is always coming-if you

is the triumph of the last century and we find that the conception of the

Christians and the Jews as to the 'essiah is the same.

"When I see the desire for intellectual freedom shown by Dr. Pierson, Dr. Briggs and others, when I see dogmas cast aside and when see the same movement on the part of Judaism, I think that the next 100 years will see a coming together on reasons why we are selling "Liberty | The house republicans are so busy the meeting ground and that ground will be the religion of Jesus."

When reading that the editor been as liberal in our offer as possi- ly to be transacted until there is thought of the time when the Indian children were rounded up in the old mission house some seventy miles plain people than to publish one ad- trying to force the Philippine bill to north of Omaha on Sunday mornings

"Lord, I ascribe it to Thy grace And not to chance, as many do, That I was born on Christian ground And not a heathen or a Jew."

The Independent would not say a word against those missionaries. They did a noble work and strove according to the light that they had, but there have been great changes since who sang that song are now only in

# WOMEN'S FACES

Some are Sickly Pale—A Few Useful Hints to Mothers of Growing

"A woman's face," said a wellknown physician, "is a mirror which reflects unfailingly the condition of her health.

Girls

"One can tell at a glance if she is rests a great responsibility at the time their daughters are budding into womanhood. If your daughter is pale, complains of weakness, is tired out troubled with headache or backache, pain in the side, if her temper is fitful and her appetite poor, she is in a condition of extreme peril, a fit subject for that most dreaded of all diseases, consumption. If you notice any of these symptoms lose no time in procuring Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They will assist the patient to develop properly and regwhich they are fitted. The republi- bright eyes and a lightness of step cans are also anxious to make it ap- will surely follow their use, and all pear that a majority of the Filipinos danger of consumption and a prema-

ture death will be averted.' Out of the many cases which illustrate the truth of this may be cited elections and are alleged to have de- that of Hannah Nicholson, of Erte, clared themselves in favor of Ameri- Colo. Her father, Mr. Newton Nicholson, says:

"Our daughter, Hannah, 15 years of age, was taken sick about a year ago. She seemed to have no life or energy and became white as chalk. Of course we had our doctor, and he is considered a good one, but the girl did not get any better and we were feeling very uneasy about her. One day I was in a drug store and I picked up a little book about Dr Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. It described her case exactly. I purchased a couple of boxes and she had not taken them for more than two or three days before we could see a change for the better. They did wonders for her and now we recommend them to all who are ailing as she was."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are an unfailing specific not only for anaemia, but for all diseases arising from impoverished blood or shattered nerves. They cure locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. vous headache, after-effects of the grip, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions, and all forms of weakness. At all druggists, or direct from Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y., fifty cents per box, six boxes for two dollars and a half.

#### They are Frauds

Lincoln has passed into history along with Washington. It is with regret that the people of this state observe the manner in which a certain class of partisans assume to "honer" the memory of a president whose life. services and fame have become the Mrs. Ellen Rice, So. Dayton, N. Y. 5 must look for the preservation of the common heritage of the American J. N. Diffendal, Finksburg, Md....10 republic. As one of the most ardent people. These men claim to have suc-L. Brouse, Stratton, Neb...... 5 supporters of "Bryanism," your paper ceeded to the party banner that Lincoln carried, but it is neither the same banner nor the same party. No political contrast could be greater, or more suggestive of change, than the republican party of 1856-60 and the republican party of 1902. It rose into prominence and power on the assertion of the principle that "all men are created free and equal," as affirmed by the Declaration of Independence. Today it is repudiating an qually important affirmation of that document that "all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed." There is scarcely a principle or a practice in government that it professed in the days of Lincoln that it has not abandoned. Lincoln himself, if he could return to life, would not recognize the party he aided to create, and would he the first to repudiate it. Indignantly would he resent the use of his name as a cover for the schemes of a gang of political grafters, plotting against the welfare of the people .-Denver News.

From Maine

Editor Independent: I send you York World. I want both papers. J. B. CROSSMAN. Monmouth, Me.

### IDAHO LANDS

Do you want a home on easy terms or an investment that will pay you 15 per cent. We have it in Idaho land, and have sent an experienced man to investigate and can and will furnish reliable information. Write

> P. J. Carey, Lincoln, Neb.

News of the Week

England has found a friend at last in little Japan. For some time she has been without a friend except Hay and Choate. All the governments of the whole world refused to make alliances with her for not one would trust her. Now at last she has formed an alliance offensive and defensive with Japan which only makes the other governments hate her worse than ever. The proclaimed object of this treaty is to preserve the territorial integrity of China and Corea, and the general opinion is that it was made to stop the advance of Russia in Manchuria.

The Louse of representatives turned populist for about half an hour the other day and unanimously passed a bill incorporating one of the principal planks of the populist platform, that one demanding a constitutional amendment, for the election of United States senators by the people. If it had a spell like that about once a week, we might have a pretty decent sort of government after a while.

The English government having been proven guilty of trying to form a coalition of all the European govcrnments against the United States at the outbreak of the Spanish war by the official documents held in the German foreign offices, now tries to sneak out by another false statement. Lord Cranbourne, after these documents were published, made a statement in the house of commons in which he said: "Whatever opinions were expressed by Lord Pauncefote during the discussion, which was of an informal character, were personal to himself and not pursuant to instructions from her majesty's government." That hole is altogether too small and the English government can never crawl through it. The proof is overwhelming that England did try to form a coalition of the European powers against us and it was the German emperor who put a stop to it.

Senator Tilman remarked the other day that if some of the senators had to pass a civil service examination that they would not be eligible for reelection. Wonder if he had in mind the heavenly twins from Nebraska?

An amendment to the census bill providing that the permanent bureau that is to be established should gather and publish statistics concerning the trusts, was voted down quicker than you could say Jack Robinson. During the next campaign the republican how much the republican party is opposed to trusts and how "publicity" would cure all the evils connected with them, and every mullet head in the land will answer, "Yep, that is so."

An article recently appeared in one of the eastern papers concerning the societies that have been established in various cities in the United States to propagate occultism. The writer feared grave results from the revival of these so-called sciences of the middle ages. He pointed to the fact that several thousand men and women were accumulating considerable fortunes The Alien Life Companies of the from the earnings of the weak-minded by the practice of these deceptions both in public and in private. He pointed out the fact that several murders had been committed in the United States in which members of theosopnical societies had lost their lives or were in some way connected with the death of the parties and wanted to know if Indian "Thurgism" was being introduced as part of this importation of the ancient Hindoo cults.

Citizens of this country must re-

member that all news that comes from South Africa is censored by the British and presents the British side of the case only. Not that there are any mium income reached the snug sum actual falsehoods sent as official re- of \$111,311.72, and it gained in strength ports, though that has been charged all along the line. on the floor of the house of commons, but not all the truth is told or it comes in driblets, so as to not affect public opinion. Reading the reports of Lord was a banner month, the business Kitchener for the last two weeks with some care and then summing it al! up, the truth can be got at fairly well. It is some trouble to read dispatches sent on many different days in connection with each other, but from that Fort of a critical examination it appears that De Wett performed one of the most brilliant military feats in all history. On one side of him was a the commercial vitality of the west for railroad lined with armored trains, thirty years or more are renewing every car a little ironclad filled with their malevolent attacks upon the fair rapid fire guns. On another side was a line of block houses in supporting distances to each other and the spaces between filled with barbed wire fences and other wire entanglements. Then Kitchener, under his own supervision, formed his whole force, consisting of over 150,000 men, so as to make a complete cordon around De Wett and his forces which were said to consist of between 10,000 and 15,000 men. Kitchener slowly and carefully advanced his men, entrenching every night with pickets stationed along the whole line of fifty miles not further than 50 yards apart. The armored trains dashed up and down the line of railroad carrying the most powerful searchlights which illuminated the sixth year, was whole country while other searchlights AWAY BEHIND THIS HOME CO. were stationed along the line of block houses. Inside of this cordon of the finest and best armed military force of all modern times was De Wett with ers' Reserve at the end of its sixhis little force of 15,000 Dutchmen. teenth year. No wonder the avar-And De Wett escaped with the loss of icious aliens are alarmed. The time 186 killed, wounded and prisoners! If anything in all history equals that when did it happen? What historian of the west in this matter of life inmakes a record of it?

A correspondent who was permitted to send an account says the battle was in the night and was the most spectacface of the earth. The Dutchmen and the west generally have charged first one part of the line and SOUNDED THE KNELL FOR THE then another until there was a roar of artillery and a rattle of pompons from one end of the fifty mile length of trains dashed up and down throwing their searchlights out all over the country. The line of block houses was fire. The steady line of English troops and evidence of prosperity. never wavered, but slowly and steadily advanced foot by foot, making lse ranch lands in Colorado. Wvo- the enclosure smaller and smaller president, McCague bldg., Omaha Neb.

tinguished English general, watched and guided every movement in person. When the right moment came De Wett gathered up the great herd of 900 Tons of Hay, 3,000 Acres of Pasture cattle that was within the enclosure and stampeded them on one portion of the line, his men riding in the midst of them lying down flat on their horses so that they could not be distinguished from the herd of animals which they drove before them and cut his way out. When out, he did not stop. He turned his worn-out horses loose and took fresh ones from the reserves that the British had in the rear and captured sixty ammunition wagons, taking all the ammunition that he wanted and destroying the rest.

After a day's rest, De Wett got after the British again and set a trap in which he caught nearly a whole regiment. There was a lone farm house that had not yet been burned. De Wett the Boers were making use of it as a rendezvous and a regiment was sent to burn it and kill or capture the burghers who were there. When the British appeared one lone Dutchman ran out, mounted his horse and fled away to the distant kopjes. The reg!ment of British cavalry followed and the first thing they knew they found themselves surrounded by De Wett's horsemen and were all captured, killed or wounded except a very few. Among the killed were several prominent British officers.

There have been no generals of modern times who have performed feats that will bear a comparison to those of De Wett and Botha when the fact is taken into consideration that they have constantly fought forces that have outnumbered them ten to one and those forces commanded by the ablest of European generals. While there is no bitterness in the hearts of Americans against the English people who are driven on their mad career by a few imperialists who have control of their government, yet every true patriot and lover of the doctrines laid down in the Declaration of Independence finds his sympathies going out to these brave Dutchmen who are fighting the bravest totle that man ever fought for their country and the right of self-government.

Far away from the scenes of De Wett's brilliant maneuvers in another part of the country, burghers fired with the same love of home and native land fought a force of British on the Witervale river and defeated them with severe loss. If this thing keeps up the map makers will be sorry that spell-binders will be telling the people they so hastily changed the names of two little republics on their maps to Vaal River colony and Orange River colony. They will have to go to work and make their maps all over again.

> Those who read the dispatches in the daily papers must have an admiration for the army of brilliant liars who are employed by the Associated press. Among the sensations that they

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#### BANKERS RESERVE LIFE

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In the year 1901 The Bankers' Reserve Life Association secured nearly \$2,000,000 of new business. Its pre-

The impetus of the year's growth has already been felt, and January, 1902, being more than double that of January, 1901, and the company

WILL WRITE \$3,000,000 IN 1902. These figures, as shown by the annual report of the president, have alarmed the alien agents and the alien corporations who have been sapping fame and good name of Nebraska's favorite company.

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The Equitable of New York, at the end of its third year, had a premium income of but \$95,332, and the New York Life but \$69,427. The Northwestern of Milwaukee, at the end of its

And the National of Vermont had not reached the water mark of the Bankis coming when the west will take care

Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska are the best insurance states in the union in proportion to wealth and population, ular fight that ever occurred on the and the loyal people of these states

ALIENS. The Bankers' Reserve Life defies battle line to the other. The armored the venom and malice of these foreign competitors and challenges a comparison with any company in the lighted up from one end to the other, world as to relative resources, plans until the whole earth seemed to be on of insurance, economy of management

Agents wanted by B. H. Robison. " NO.TO BAG Sold and guaranteed by all drug- of Lincoln the other day if he were

#### A FINE CATTLE RANCH

6 Flowing Wells

This is known as the Tyrrell Ranch, and is located fifteen miles south of Atkinson, Holt county, Neb. This ranch consists of 1,600 acres; 960 acres deeded land and mostly fine hay meadow, the balance, 640 acres, is a school section, the lease running for twentytwo years at less than half what the taxes would be on the same tract. There is some hay land on the school section, but it is mostly adapted to range, and this, with enough of the free range land adjoining to make 3.coo acres, is fenced with a substantial three-wire fence. A good six-room frame house, barn 35x80 with stanchions for twenty-eight cows, granary, shed room and good yards, pens and corralls. Three small pastures of 20. managed to inform the British that 40 and 120 acres, fenced with good four-wire fence and each containing a fine flowing well, which flows a 11/4 dies was confirmed in the senate the inch stream of the purest water on earth the year around. Ten acres good timber. Daily mail delivered at door. Postoffice, store and blacksmith shop on adjoining farm. There is no better ranch in Nebraska. Price, \$16,000, \$6,000 down, the balance in ten annual payments at 6 per cent interest. Call upon or address. EDWIN S. EVES.

O'Neill, Neb.

concocted last week was a story that Prince Henry had written a letter to Admiral Dewey full of apologies, the one sent out from Lincoln concerning Booker T. Washington and some half keep them up to their work.

Seth Low, Wayne MacVeagh, D. O. Mills, S. Weir Mitchell, William W. Morrow, Elihu Root, John S. Speoner, Andrew D. White, Edward D. White, Charles D. Walcott, secretary and director of the U. S. geological survey, and Carroll D. Wright.

railroads give away every year \$40. 000,000 in transportation in free passes that go mostly to the politicians. The railroads ought to get a amount of money and no one will deny that they do. This does not, however, include the cost of maintaining immense lobbies at the session of every legislature and at Washington. The money which is spent in various ways for political purposes by the railroads. would, if kept in their own treasuries, enable them to carry passengers at 2 cents a mile and make much more money than they do now.

Some of the scholars down east, among whom are Lyman Abbott and a few others, are indulging in the vain | Something About Two Orchards Planted hope that the value of experts in matters governmental and educational will gradually come to pervade all grades of society. That will never come to pass until the modern notions that government exists for the sole purpose of trade and the accumulation of wealth is abandoned. Society looks at everything from the standpoint of money. Not a bill is introduced into 22 feet apart-90 to the acre. The congress, not an appointment, not a policy adopted but this end in view. What need is there of any sort of experts in any line, if by experts are meant scholars who have devoted their lives to study in philanthropy, pure science and education. These men do not know how to make money or to help form a government that is devoted wholly to trade. There will be no place for them in government as long as the republican party remains

The fifth wheel to the government wagon which was formerly known as the house of representatives at Washington, last week went through with a farce a little more ridiculous than and one-half mile from drying house. common. It passed a bill repealing the war taxes and reducing the government revenue \$70,000,000 without a word of debate. The little clique of republicans that run the house under the Reed rules brought in a rule forbidding any amendments being offered to the bill and appointed two days for debate. The opposition tried to get 260 gallons at \$1 per gallon. The balthe rule referred back to the commit- ance of the trees are younger. The tee and permission granted to offer olive is of slow growth, but when amendments, but the republicans to a man stood by it. The opposition leader then arose and asked unanimous consent that a vote be taken immediately and no one objecting, the bill was passed. It created a great sensation afterward. The members of the opposition said that if no amendments were to be permitted that a debate on the bill was simply a waste of time, of the state are free from scale or inin which they were light. We have no sect pest. No thunder, wind or dust more a representative body at Washington. The house is simply in the control of a half dozen rabid republican partisans who dictate absolutely abundance of water for irrigation to the remainder of the body. Those who are not members of this clique might as well go home. They can do nothing by remaining there.

The Outlook says that members of changes in family they are now ofcity councils who give away the cities' fered for sale. Prunes. \$4,000: olives. THE SERVE OF THE PERSON OF THE PARTY.

they not only steal, but commit a breach of confidence. All that is an o'd story to the readers of The Independent. Populists have always said the same thing from the beginning. One reason why these thieves have flourished is that their highway rotberies have received no condemnation from the plutocratic press. The dallies will report the minutest details of the work of some common burglar or petty thief, but they never mention these enormous robberies which are the foundation of many of the great fortunes of today. When the city of St. Louis was robbed of millions in this way they did not have a line about it, and it was only when the aristocratic thieves were brought into court by the efforts of patriotic private individuals that they deigned to notice it. That is one of the concomitants of a subsidized press.

The Danish treaty for the purchase of a job lot of islands in the West Inother day. By the expenditure of \$5 .-000,000 we have bought some more people and the lands on which they live. How much a head they cost has not yet been stated.

While Governor Taft is in Washington, declaring that the Filipinos are pacified and elections are being held everywhere, General Chaffee cables for more troops and sticks to his statement that it will require 50,000 of them to hold the islands.

#### NO OVERPRODUCTION

The most potent argument in favor of one great manufacturing concern dozen others of the same sort that in place of fifteen or twenty small have been denounced and denied by all ones is that by consolidation of capital the parties interested. The success and interests and more minute diviof these chaps seems to indicate that sion of labor, the cost of production the managers of the Associated press can be cheapened. There is no doubt must have a valuable gift which it be- that this is true. But it does not stows on the biggest liar at the end of follow as a matter of course that the each week. That, or something of consumer will derive any benefit from that sort, is the only thing that could the cheapened production. In this age of progress one can scarcely conceive of a state of society where no division The trustees appointed to manage of labor takes place. Imagine the the \$10,000,000 Carnegle gift to estab- waste of time if each person were lish at Washington a university for obliged to produce everything he conoriginal research are all gold bugs sumes. But it must not be forgotten of the purest sort if we except one or that while by division of labor and two who are included in the number exchange of products society is enex-officio. That is the way to do. Put abled to produce goods in enormous everything, including science, in the quantities, care must be taken that hands of the few men who have gath- there be also a division of products ered immense fortunes. There are no which will give each laborer his share men outside of them who are fit to be of the total production. Deduct a intrusted with the management of reasonable rate of interest upon the educational or any other sort of in- capital invested as remuneration to the stitutions. Here is the list: (Ex-|capitalist, and the remaining value of officio) the president, Theodore Rooso- the total production in a given time velt; President of Senate William P. will be found to be largely in excess Frye, Speaker of House D. B. Hen- of the total wages paid to those who derson, Secretary Smithsonian Insti- produce. Now, every producer is at tution S. P. Langley, President Na- the same time a consumer, but he cantional Academy of Sciences Alexander not consume unless he has the means Agassiz. (Regular), Grover Cleve- to purchase; and as the producers conland, John S. Billings, William N stitute the majority, the great ma-Frew, Lyman J. Gage, D. C. Gilman, jority, of the consumers, it follows John Hay, Abram S. Hewitt, Henry that if all the wages paid to all the L. Higginson, Henry Hitchcock, Will- producers will not purchase all the iam Lindsay, Charles D. Hutchinson, goods produced, there will be an excess of goods that cannot find purchasers. This is the "overproduction" of the republicans and the socialistsan unfortunate term because it implies that society has produced more wealth than its members want, when in fact that is never true. "Underconsumption" is a better term, because Recent official reports show that the so long as there are unsatisfied wants there can be no oversupply of things to satisfy such wants.

Do you want an incubator? See lot of favorable legislation for that advertisement of Sure Hatch Incubator Co. on page 5.

From Texas

Editor Independent: I received sample copies of The Independent and like it. If every voter would read The Independent he would be prepared

to vote intelligently A. P. HOWARD. Bonita, Tex.

# **OLIVES AND PRUNES**

to These Promising Fruits

At Corning, Cal., in the great Sacramento Valley, are two twenty-acre tracts planted to choice fruits. One of these is set to prunes, the other to olives. Scattered among the trees of both orchards, to give variety, are peaches, pears, plums, apricots and almonds. Trees on both tracts are set The prune orchard is bordered on 2 sides by a row of large fig trees, which make fine shade and bear heavily. Trees are 8 years old and just coming into full bearing. In 1900 they produced 8 tons of prunes, at \$60 per ton. This orchard faces county road. which is graded and gravelled like a boulevard. It also fronts the principal business street of the town and lies just across the street from Maywood Addition to the town of Corning. It is valuable for building lots. One and a third acres diagonally across from its s. w. corner sold two years ago for \$500 cash. It is one-half mile from depot, one-half mile from cannery, five-eighths mile from school

Forty rods east and across the avenue from the north end of the prune orchard lies the olive tract. This contains the richest soil in the colony. Twenty acres planted to Man zanillo, Nevadillo and Mission olives One-half of these are 7 years old and bore first commercial crop last year mature it produces the most valuable

fruit that grows. The location and soil conditions of these orchards are most favorable, 110 miles from Sacramento, three miles from Sacramento river, giving transportation by boat as well as by rail.

Both tracts are level, without draws or waste land. Trees in this section storms. A rainfall of 26 inches renders irrigation for single crops unnecessary, while 25 to 40 feet wells furnish where more than one crop or where orange or lemon trees are desired. These tracts were purchased and planted for a home, and have been carefully cultivated. Because of