The Roosevelt-Hanna Contest-Flunkies Must Foot Their Own Bills.

[Special Washington Letter.]

T is a pretty fight as it stands- ably, that he is only playing at fighting the highest. that is, the fight betwixt Colonel the trusts. It is said that he has alpresident. They are leaving no during his life as a ranchman no doubt go! stone unturned, no card unplayed, no became familiar with the old saw, trick untaken. Recently Senator Mark "One might as well be hanged for an the supreme law of nature. It is not a attended the good roads convention at old sheep as a lamb." If Morgan is al- mere demagogical scheme to win votes for Charlottesville. Va., near Monticello, ready mad at him, he might as well go where rests the greatest statesman the whole hog and make war on the that ever lived, the profoundest phi- trusts all along the line. He has noth- blinked, obscured nor shunted out of the losopher that ever devoted his life to ing to lose, for by assaulting them hip way. It not only goes to the root of our politics, the chief priest, apostle and and thigh he will win favor with the prophet of civil liberty, Thomas Jeffer- masses, whereas if he keeps mum on son, and even there the Ohioan re- the beef trust and other trusts he wins ceived an ovation which Jenkins de- them not, though he has already alienscribes with rapture. More recently ated Morgan. Of course it is not my Teddy "swung round the circle," a sec- business to advise Colonel Roosevelt in | white man continue to dominate the westtion of it at least, by visiting Charles- political matters, although I like him ton, S. C., where he was tendered an personally, but as a sort of amicus ovation-several in fact-which threw curiæ I throw out the foregoing sug- telly futile to vaunt our superiority and Jenkins into fits of ecstasy and which gestions to aid him in his hand to hand perhaps also threw Marcus Alonzo into battle with Senator Hanna. They will a fit of the blues. Both those illus- do him no harm and may do him good. trious statesmen know how to play to The Philippines and American Labor. the galleries, whoop up hoi polloi and cause a beating of the tomtoms. It is numbering about 2,000,000 male adults, youthful enthusiasm and military most of them voters, are beginning to glamour versus perfect organization grow uneasy as to the result of our and an abundance of the sinews of holding the Philippines permanently. war. The country will hold its breath At present their uneasiness grows out while these famous gladiators wrestle of the fear that Chinese may come -and some man like Senator Spooner from the Philippines to our mainland of Wisconsin or Senator Fairbanks of to compete with them. Consequently the difficult art of curtailing his diet to Indiana or Uncle Shelby M. Cullom of they insisted that the following section the minimum. Illinois will walk away with the prize. be incorporated in the Chinese exclu-The Democrats and the country have sion act: nothing to lose by reason of the bitterness which the Roosevelt-Hanna contest will arouse within the G. O. P., of the United States of Chinese laborers for the more bitterly Republicans fight each other, even unto the death, the better off the Democrats and the coun- all Chinese laborers, as well those who try will be. So "on with the dance" of war, war to the knife and the knife to the hilt, betwixt Mark and Teddy!

It is given out now that our imperial embassy, consisting of Whitelaw Reid et al., to the coronation of King Ed- helped force it into the bill, and in disward VII. will have to go down into their own pockets and pay their own it a good opportunity to argue the reexpenses. And it is well. After all it lation of American labor to the Philipseems that there is such a thing as a robust Am rican sentiment in this country which must be heeded. No doubt when this idiotic junket was arranged it was thought by those who arranged it that the American taxpayers would throw high their sweaty caps in air and gladly get out their weasel skins and furnish the wherewithal to pay the fiddler for our "blooming haristocrats," but instead of doing that they kicked and sulked and used language about the administration not fit to be put in a model "Letter Writer For Young Ladies' Boarding Schools." So Messrs. Reid et al. will enjoy the luxury of footing their own bills. No man in either branch of congress will have the gall to rise in his place and move that their expenses be paid out of the public treas-

Good.

Without being egotistical, I can fairly claim part of the credit at least for this saving to the taxpayers, for on the beasts that perish. Jan. 20 I started the first inquiry on A Difficult Proposition. the subject and said inter alia: "So far as I am concerned, I will never vote one cent to pay any man's expenses to go to England or elsewhere to help crown a king. We went out of the coronation business July 4, 1776, and are not yet ready to return to that unnatural and un-American habit."

For saving that and a few more things in the same line all the flunky editors in the land jumped on me. Now they can jump off again. It is a ten to one shot that President Rooseveit regrets that he ever appointed the embassy and would gladly be rid of the whole thing, for he must realize by this time that by appointing it he played directly and largely into the hands of Senator Marcus A. Hanna as a Republican presidential candidate; not courage, the resolution, the wisdom and that Mark is opposed to flunkyism, but because he possesses the acumen to know that the American people are. His henchmen will play the embassy card for all it is worth in the death struggle with Colonel Roosevelt for the presidential nomination.

It is the plain duty of President Roosevelt to send Mr. Attorney General Knox hot foot after the beef trust. It is an octopus and no mistake. Any ing competition with the cheap labor of concern which deliberately and solely for its own behoof puts up meat 3 and 4 cents per pound without the shadow of excuse ought to be ruthlessly crushed out of existence. Its action in arbitrarily increasing the price of an article of diet of prime necessity to 77,-000,000 people by one-fourth is simply brutal. It means that millions of people will have to go without meat. If a annexed became American citizens by the Grostenor has just been renominated, trust so enormous in its operations and act of annexation; then what? The probso aboveboard in its robberies cannot be throttled, we had as well quit jabbering about trusts and confess that we are utterly impotent in the presence ritory over which the stars and stripes of these huge modern monsters.

And this rise in price of meats does nobody any good except the trusts. realization of the fact that the whole Farmers and stock raisers are not the gainers by one penny, for, while the trust arbitrarily fixes the price for the consumer at one end of the line, it arbitrarily fixes the price for the stock raiser and dealer at the other. It has its trap set like the nigger's celebrated coontrap to "kotch 'em both cummin cursed islands, the day is not far distant an' gwine." If President Roosevelt will send Mr. Knox after this trust and break it up. millions of people will bless | death?" Should it be decided that the free his name forever and forever; but if he doesn't do so, possessing the power, flood will pour in and utterly submerge

wages to the Asiatic level. That is one of the main reasons why I was opposed to acquiring them and why I am dead against keeping them. That the longer we keep them the harder

The organized labor of America,

That from and after the passage of this

act the entry into the mainland territory

coming from any of the insular posses-

sions of the United States shall be pro-

hibited, and the prohibition shall apply to

were in such insular possessions at the

time or times of acquisition thereof re-

those who have been born there since and

those who may be born there hereafter.

committee, which reported the bill, I

cussing the bill in the house, deeming

The question of Chinese exclusion has

for more than a quarter of a century been

one of extreme difficulty, taxing to the ut-

most the ingenuity of the congress and

the thought of the country to devise a so-

lution which will exclude the Chinese

from competition with our laborers and at

the same time retain and increase our

Within the last five years both the dif-

ficulties and the dangers of the situation

have been multiplied, first, by a decision

of the supreme court of the United States.

in the case of Wong Kim Ark against the

United States, declaring that a Chinese

born of Chinese parents in this country,

subject to our jurisdiction, is a citizen;

secondly, by the annexation of Hawaii

the Philippines, Porto Rico, Guam and

other islands, as the sale bill says, "too

tedious to mention." That decision of the

supreme court sounded like a fire bell at

midnight. In the wild orgy of annexation

in which we have been recently indulging

we took to our palpitating bosoms hun-

dreds of thousands of Chinese of all

classes and conditions, ranging all the

way from savants and merchant princes

to Chinese coolies, who are a little above

When we annexed the Sandwich Islands,

we took twenty odd thousand Chinese.

When we acquired the Philippines, we

took in a number of Chinese variously

stated before our committee at from 200,-

000 to 1,750,000. Consequently, for the first

time, the congress is confronted with the

exceedingly difficult proposition of hold-

or insular possessions—whichever or what-

same time excluding from our mainland

the denizens of those same provinces, col-

onies or insular possessions-whatever you

Verily, verily, we have troubles of our

own-lots of them. Not having enough on

hand prior to the Spanish war to suit our

taste, like the knight of La Mancha, we

went forth in quest of adventures to the

uttermost ends of the earth, even to far

Cathay, and we accumulated troubles

enough not only to last us during our nat-

ural lives, but to last our posterity to the

the patriotism to unload them and thereby

end them. Without being a prophet or the

son of a prophet I make bold to predict

that should the supreme court of the

United States decide-as many think it

will decide—that the citizens or subjects of

Spain, resident in the islands we annexed,

became when annexed ipso facto citizens

of the United States the people of this

country will speedily find a way to unload

themselves of that huge incubus, because

it cannot be that in their sober senses

Americans will deliberately determine to

subject American laborers to death deal-

The truth is that it is high time the la-

borers of this country were waking up to

the fact that the one escape not only

from competition with European cheap la-

bor, but from the unrestricted competi-

tion with the cheaper labor of Asia, is for

us to at once and forever cut loose from

the Philippine Islands. It is their only

salvation. Suppose the supreme court of

the United States decides that the sub-

jects of Spain residing in the islands we

abilities in the case are that the supreme

power to restrict the free locomotion of an

American citizen into any part of the ter-

float, and the laborers of the country, for

whose benefit this bill is made, might just

as well wake up now as later on to the

tendency of this latter day annexation is

to bring them into ruinous competition

with the cheap labor of Europe and the

cheaper labor of Asia. There is no sense

gone. The quicker we get rid of the Phil-

ippines the better the laborers will be off.

If we do not speedily unload these ac-

when all of us, especially the laborers of

the land, will in agony of soul exclaim,

locomotion of the inhabitants of the Phil-

"Who will deliver us from the body of this

the better we will all be off.

in locking the barn after the horse is

the orient.

remotest generation unless we possess the

choose to denominate them.

ever you please to call them-and at the

ing our newly acquired provinces, colonies

pines, I said inter alia:

trade with China.

it will be to get rid of them is a proposition too plain to be argued. Let no man hug to his breast the delusion that Asiatics can work only as unskilled laborers, for the evidence in the case flatly contradicts that theory. They have the imitative faculty largely developed and soon learn to do anything they see done. Consequently they will not only compete with unskilled laborers, but also people will conclude, and not unreasonwith those of all degrees of skill even unto

The cry once rang along the Pacific coast, "The Chinese must go!" Some day Roosevelt and Senator Hanna for ready become persona non grata to Mr. the laborers of America in self defense the Republican nomination for J. Pierpont Morgan. The president will raise the cry, "The Philippines must

> The policy of Chinese exclusion is bottomed on the instinct of self preservation, any party or for any man. It is a philosophical and patriotic movement, growing out of facts that can be neither denied institutions, but it lays hold of the foundations of Caucasian civilization on this

A Racial Question. It is largely a racial question, and it raises the paramount issue, "Shall the ern hemisphere or shall he be placed in the process of ultimate extinction and be supplanted by the yellow man?" It is utvaingloriously assert that in free competition with the Chinese in any field of physical endeavor we shall triumph, for it is not true. Governor Taft, our great proconsul in the Philippines, testified that a Chinese can live on 2 cents a day-not only live, but flourish like a tree planted by the rivers of water. A cloud of witnesses support the governor general in that mystifying statement, so mystifying and so variant from our experience in living that I endeavored to ascertain how that seeming miracle can be wrought. The only answer I elicited was that a Chinese can live on 2 cents per diem because of centuries of enforced practice in

By reason of both constitutional characteristics and of ancient habit an American cannot compete with a Chinese in cheapness of living even if he so desired, and in the fierce fight in the arena of labor, constantly growing fiercer as our population multiplies, for the right to live, the infinitesimal cost at which a Chinese can exist will inevitably give him the victory over the white man. The starvation test would end in a survival of the unfittest. It is written, "The laborer is worthy of spectively by the United States as to his hire." The American laborer is the those who have come there since and foundation of the republic and of our civilization, the highest civilization the world has known since the primal curse was Being a member of the foreign affairs placed upon man, "In the sweat of thy

face shalt thou eat bread. The American laborer produces the wealth of this country, a wealth that is too vast to be comprehended by the mathematical powers of the human mind, a wealth so stupendous that it eclipses the wondrous tale of Alroy or any story out of the "Arabian Nights." We all take pride in the fact that American laborers are the most intelligent, the most skillful. the best clothed, the best fed, the best housed, the most public spirited and the most ambitious laborers on the whole face of the earth. For one I am unalterably opposed to anything that deprives them of a single comfort or that will in any manner reduce their standard of living or that will lower them in the scale of civilization even in the estimation of a hair. So far as in us lies it is our duty to prevent Chinese competition with American laborers either on land or sea.

More Scandals. On a celebrated occasion Daniel Webster gave utterance to the famous saying, "Murder will out!" So it appears will scandal, swindling, practical thievery. In 1898 and 1899 Democrats declared truthfully that there had been wicked and wanton waste of the public money, scandalous jobbery and criminal favoritism in buying and fitting up transports for service in the Cuban and Philippine wars, for let it never be forgotten that there were two wars, one of which is still running. The Republicans held up their hands in protestation, solemnly raised their eyes toward heaven, unctuously thanked God that they are not as other people and vociferously declared that the charges were Democratic lies. Well, the elections are over, and now it appears from belated official reports-delayed intentionally—that the Democrats were right and that the Republicans were doing the lying. The Washington Post prefaces a long article on the subject with the following headlines, which teil the whole ugly story briefly: "Ugly Facts Are Out; Scandals In Transport Service Now Before Congress; Riot of Extravagance; Many Thousands Wasted In Fitting Up the Army Vessels; Public Funds Dissipat-

chased and Fat Contracts Awarded Regardless of Cost to the Government." What a pity it is that the Democrats did not elect the house of the Fiftysixth congress in November, 1898! Had we done so we would have set on foot investigations to have unearthed war scandals enough to have swept the country in 1900 from sea to sea. Only at this late day is a little of the truth coming out. We would have got it all.

Hands Under Pressure of Moving

Large Bodies of Men; Materials Pur-

The Same Cast of Characters. There is one habit of Republicans in which they are consistent-they stand by their veteran leaders whatever may betide. Should they elect the next house, of which they now have very poor prospects, the same individuals will play the principal roles. General the opposition to Speaker Henderson court will decide that congress has no for renomination has petered out, "Uncle Joe" Cannon, chairman of appropriations; Hon. Sereno E. Payne, chairman of ways and means: Colonel William Peters Hepburn, chairman of interstate and foreign commerce, and Hon. John Dalzell, one of the three ezars, will all be renominated without opposition. These are the men who run things with a high hand. Individually they are amiable gentlemen, but they are "sot in their ways," and there can be no reform while they dominate the house.

the laborers of America. Our retention of the Philippines means a reduction of

Entertaining Remarks on a Romance of Roulette.

SCENE, FAMOUS GAMBLING RESORT

Humorist Says the Work Belongs School"-Quotes Few Chapters to Show Rich Man's Perils When Caught "Monkeying Mit der Mint ad Monte Carlo."

The following burlesque book re view by D. Dinkelspiel, per George V. Hobart, recently appeared in the New York Journal:

"Dit He Break Id or Only Bend Id?" a Romance of Roulette wrote py Charles M. Schvab, authorshipper uf "Four Aces?-Dot's Goot!" also der builder uf der wolume entitled "Der Bad Break ad der Bank uf Monte Carlo!"

"Dit He Break Id or Only Bend Id?" is vun uf der mosd t'rilling stories id has efer been my duty to eggspose. Dis is der day uf realism in books. Ven ve haf finished mit der purchase uf s new suit uf pajimmies ad der insomnia counter in der department store, ve valk ofer to der book counter und ask for der latest nofel uf der day.

Ve oben id ad der fairst chabter, und



UND DER AN YOU BROKE IT MID. gaged in kicking der roof garden avay from a cubble uf t'leves und desperandums ve buy der book because id is

Realism is now der chincher vich moves der vorld. Realism has taken civilization py der band und leads id into all der foolish places on der map. On der stage id used to be der noble art uf acting ven in der last act der hero vould eat sugar ouid uf a green paper und die mit his boots on.

Nowadays id is called realism because der actor takes off his clothes, goes to bed und sends for der doctor und dies in der natural vay. Vunce id vas on der stage dot der hero vould laugh ad der willain und defiance him to did his vorst. Nowadays if der hero is disrespectful mit him der willain sneers mit a loud voice und says:

"Bevare! Doan'd drive me too far or I vill vent ouid und build my own theater on Broadvay!"

Such is der school to vich Charles Schvab's romance belongs, der modern or realismatic school. Led us qvote a few chabters, please:

CHABTER VUN. Monte Carlo. Alretty I see der veels refolfing, und I hear der shrill cries uf der croupers: "Ante ub. Bill! Discards in der center! A pair uf fours? Dot's goot! My feets haf became cold hearted! All is eggscitement und life und gav-

ness. Der lights blaze yust as though a gas bill vas unknown here. Trice habby Ah, der vireless telegraph instrument on my automobustup is vorking. Id musd be

news from home. Led me listen:

"My Dear Charles ve hear mit chack pot vas rushing arount . . . seeking whom dey may dewour . Be careful for der sake uf dem dot luffs

.... Awold der penny ante und listen nod to der syren song uf der two tollar limit. Der trust is nerfous und seems to tremble mit apprehension. Can id be dot you vas on der ed by Incompetent if Not Dishonest werge of some great temptationment? Led us hobe nod.

Charles, for my sake und for der sake uf der trust vich bore you run der udder vay venefer you see a roulette veel. Ve vas all vaiting in a fefer uf anxiousiety. Yours a point low-Der vireless ceases, und der blood rushes

to my forehead und den rushes back again Should I turn back from dis awful place or should I vent in und hand dot bank a

cubble uf bumps? Time alone vill tell. But let der baddlecry be, "On to Monte Carlo!"

CHABTER TVICE. I vas here!

choint der vorld has efer vitnessed. Pinochle to right uf me, poker to left uf me und freeze ouid all around me. Id is such a skinch for me dot really id is pidiful!

here und took deir hard earned money? Bud, on der udder hand, vy nod? fastened to der head uf my bed. Again some vun is making signals:

Vy should I, a perfect stranger, come

"Id is in der papers you vas ad Monte Carlo pudding blowholes in der banks. How painful dis is to us all! How much dit you vin? As friends ve deplore der sitiva-

..... A picture uf der bank you broke

und der ax you broke id mit und udder evidences uf der tragedy vas puplished in der papers. . . Id vas painful to see how horrifled Vall street vas because you gambled. Steel dropped sigs points ven your picture appeared surrounded py sefenteen French cashiers shoveling 200,000,000 francs into your trunk. Ve haf figured id ouid dot dis vould be abouid eight tollars in real money. If your pic-ture appears vunce more, steel vill drop tventy points bud if you drop anyding doan'd come home. Ve vas horrified bud you must nod

and send the professionals from place "grafts" make a good thing for himself let us know it. and for them also. A general instruction below the list of names read as follows:

"A good way is to have some cheap shoestrings or papers of pins to sell, for them as don't buy nearly always give something anyway."

Devine was sent back to Cincinnati with orders not to return. Hoover and to "Der Modern or Realismatic Hall have left, and Lancaster has dis- N. P. R., Des Moines, la., or write to appeared, and the officers believe the town is rid of them for keeps, and ev- Gen. Pass. & Ticket Agent, N. P. R., ery professional that is found upon the streets hereafter will be sent to the workhouse.

CAN COPE WITH WOLVES.

A New Breed of Staghounds Combines Speed With Ferocity.

William A. Richards, assistant land via the commissioner, is a hunter of no mean their mild climates, and return eats prowess, and in his home near the Big NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY Horn mountains, Wyoming, has killed more than one grizzly and mountain lion. Several days ago Mr. Richards are geysers, water falls, bears, elks, shall have been accomplished a state was talking over sporting matters with a Washington Post reporter, when the glass cliff 200 feet high, and the grand for the just division of a state general conversation turned upon dogs and the canyon of the Yellowstone, 20 miles value of the several breeds for hunting long, 1,200 feet deep and colored like purposes, when he said:

"In my section we have at last se- tant points. cured a breed of dogs that is highly Write to G. D. ROGERS, D. P. A. they faced four grizzlies. Even then get ready for the trip. they showed fight, retreating only when it was absolutely necessary. Several years ago we began experimenting with a view to securing a breed of Every day during the months of dogs sufficiently heavy and ferocious March and April, 1902, the UNION PAto attack and kill wolves and fleet CIFIC will sell Colonist one-way tickenough to run them down. After many ets at the following rates: trials we found that a cross between the old Scotch staghound and the common greyhound proved far superior to any of the experiments we had previously tried.

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"These animals do not hesitate to tackle the black bear and generally make life a burden for him, while in hunting the grizzly bear they are quite useful in holding the game at bay until the hunter arrives to give 'Wahb' his coup de grace."

KRUGER'S NEW HOME.

Description of the Ex-Boer President's Residence at Utrecht.

The new dwelling which Mr. Kruger occupies at Utrecht, Holland, is called 'Oranjelust," meaning "Orange joy," or "favor," which is somewhat appropriate, seeing the favor with which he was treated by the one remaining member of the house of Orange here, the queen of the Netherlands.

Oranjelust is separated from the public pathway by an iron railing and stands in a small garden. The garden is flanked with bushes, and the center space is occupied with a rockery vas drawing nearer und nearer to Around the latter tulips have been planted to represent the Transvaai flag, and when they bloom the "Vierkleur" will be just in front of Oom Paul's window.

Oom's part of the house is the right hand lower portion, consisting of reception room, bedroom and dining room. The first of these is elaborately fitted up in the style of Louis XV., the walnut furniture being unholstered surbrise dot you vas on your vay to Monte | with green material worked with lilies in white. The curtains are of green stuff also.

Mr. Kruger's bedroom suit is of oak, upholstered in green, and there are green curtains to the windows. But the dining room is the wonder of those who are fortunate enough to get a peep into it. Oak upholstered with red leather and red plush curtains, the chamber has a very warm appearance. The carpet comes from Smyrna. It is a most elaborate piece of work. It will be remembered that dark green is the color of Mr. Kruger's livery.

The remaining portion of the house is for the ex-president's followers, while two doors farther up the road the family of the Eloffs have taken up Twice Each Month During April and their abode. Some time ago Dr. Leyds took a house in the town, so that now the entire Boer court is close together, SOUTH and Mr. Kruger only needs to blow a whistle if he wishes to hold a cabinet council.

Some Pretty Valentine Gifts.

A heart shaped cut glass flask for perfume or a heart shaped box with silver top for the toilet table or a ring Der vireless telegraph station is now with a true lover's knot encircling a fertile Yazoo Valley of Mississippi address: E. P. Skene, whole pearl, a turquoise or an amethyst, which is the February birth stone, would please a young girl, says WEST the February Ladies' Home Journal. A heart shaped locket with a single tion but as partners ve declare pearl and having a place for hair and surselfs in on der rakeoff. Ve a photograph inside is a pretty gift, as vould radder you vould nod play any more is also a pendant of the same shape for the watch chain.

> To My Youthful Valentine. "My love, she's but a lassie yet."

So wrote a poet years ago. Full well he knew, the clever bard, He'd but to wait, and she would grow. And so to you. dear valentine, With laughing eyes and golden hair,

To womanhood; I'll meet you there. But yet-perhaps I'd better not, For should time prove to me unkind. You then might say, oh, cruel thought, "Why, what a queer old valentine!"
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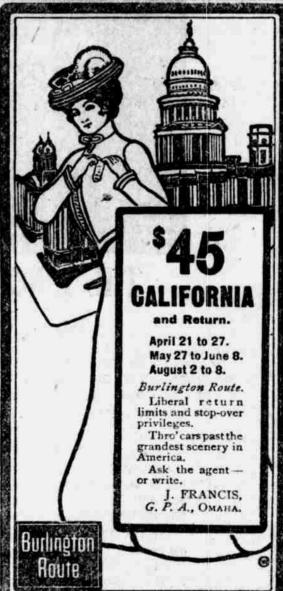
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