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months later had nothing except a the committee. He expressed confi- face of man, because he had looked Duluth on the ties," the steel committee held an executive session. Previously Chairman Stanley had announced that Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Gates would be given an opportunity to be heard.

The democratic national committee has been called to meet in Washington January 8th. It will then fix the time and place for holding the national convention.

Judge Carpenter, in the federal court, Chicago, granted the packers a delay until December 6th, in order that they might get their case before the supreme court.

Friends of Banker Morse, now in the Atlanta penitentiary, are trying to have him paroled.

A fifty per cent decrease in desertions from the army is reported by the adjutant general.

Chief Justice White refused to grant a stay in the trial of the Chicago beef packers, but referred the application to the entire bench. The attorneys for the packers expressed the opinion that the lower court would now, on its own motion, grant the postponement.

An open fight in the house of representatives between Representative A. naturally turned to the fashions of O. Stanley of Kentucky, chairman of the powerful neighbor to whom he the house special committee of in- owed his position. Thus the old, old quiry into the United States Steel curse of idolatry came back into the corporation, and Representative Mar- land, and the reforms of Josiah were tin W. Littleton of New York, a democratic member of the committee, was assured when Chairman Stanley declared he would appeal to the house to force Littleton's resignation from the committee. The fight, certain to be precipitated soon after the house convenes, will determine the future course of the steel committee.

nitely, following the sensational tes- tional spirit. The lack of poems, timony of the Merritt brothers of paintings and sculptures, and of mu-Duluth regarding their loss of mil- sic also, truly embodying the spirit of lions in ore land and railroad proper- this new western democracy, and its ties to John D. Rockefeller. This was providential place in the economy of done because Chairman Stanley was nations, is really remarkable. Where powerless to enforce a continuance are our cheerful Jeremiahs? of the hearings under objections filed by attorneys for the United States and enemies. The prophet's foes Steel corporation that that corpora- were athirst for his life. They did tion is now a defendant in a federal not like his tidings, and so they suit for violation of the Sherman thought to silence his voice. That anti-trust law. In considering the point raised by gone out of vogue. To crush the these counsel, Representative Little- man whose message makes you ton took the position that nothing squirm-to drive him from his pulfurther should be done by the committee until the house had been con- his paper or magazine if he is an sulted. Voting against Mr. Littleton editor, to defeat him at election if were Chairman Stanley and Representatives McGillicuddy of Maine and modern method which is as old as Beall of Texas, the only other democrats present. The republican mem- son can refrain from regarding as bers present-Gardner of Massachu- an enemy the man who speaks a setts and Danforth of New Yorkvoted with Littleton. Representative ably. Bartlett, the fifth democratic member, is ill at his home in Georgia, and probably will be unable to ap- always in mind is that good men pear next month. Representatives may oppose the good. Sometimes a Young of Michigan and Sterling of righteous man's foes will be they of Illinois, the absent republican mem- his own household of faith. Noblemen bers, are not expected here until will, from motives which appear inlater. Mr. Littleton, who left the sessions opposed to light and progress. The of the committee, has broken openly priests were among Jeremiah's enewith Chairman Stanley and will mies. To be progressive and uncarry the question as to the future conventional is to be misunderstood. of the committee to the house. Mr. Not only the children of darkness, Stanley, after a conference with but also the dwellers in the twilight, Messrs. Beall and McGillicuddy, de- will oppose the heralds of the betcided to make the question a party ter day. issue, and he will call upon the democratic majority to sustain him open to any great word of God cares in opposition to Littleton and to as little for men's praise as for their force the latter's resignation from blame. Jeremiah feared not the

dence that he will be sustained and into the face of God. His messages has planned to continue the inquiry, were not sweet and soft tickling his despite the government suit. The hearer's ears. He spoke of dread argument will be made on behalf of judgment to come upon the apostate the committee that the mere bringing of a suit by the executive branch of the government will not assure a remedy for alleged evils of the steel veyors to and profiters from the natrust and the American Tobacco company dissolution suits and its results will be cited as an example.

The Commoner.

AN ANCIENT "MUCK-RAKER"

The International Sunday School lesson for Aug. 6 was "Jeremiah Tried and Acquitted." Jer. 26.

An Old Testament "muck-raker" so his enemies might have termed Jeremiah, the weeping prophet. The red blood of the brave coursed through Jeremiah's veins. He dared all dangers for his country's sake. All the scorn that has been heaped upon the head of the modern "muckraker," as some have chosen to call the men and women who tell the hard and unlovely truth about their own times, was first endured by this ancient prophet.

The pendulum of Judah's history had swung the other way after the death of the godly King Josiah. He himself had been guilty of a grave political blunder in espousing the cause of Assyria, in the conflict between that power and Egypt. In the ripeness of his powers, Josiah was slain in battle. The result was that An Associated Press dispatch says: an Egyptian puppet was placed upon the throne. King Jehoiakim, who largely undone.

This ability to appraise aright the conditions of his own time is what makes the prophet. It was Jeremiah's characteristic. Self-analysis is necessary to self-cleansing. We must know our own day ere we can better it. That is why the need is great and ever greater for more prophets with patriotic eyes. We need The committee adjourned indefi- a new race of poets, filled with na-The lesson is a story of plots is an old fashion which has not yet pit if he is a preacher, to buy out he holds public office-this is a Jeremiah's time. Only the rare pertruth which touches him uncomfort-One strange fact about enemies which every reformer needs to bear scrutable, espouse the side which is The men whose ears have been

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nation. Because he foretold the destruction of Jerusalem the blind and erring leaders of his day, purtion's sin, thought to destroy him. Silencing the bell buoy does not remove the rocks; but that fatuous error is one common to all enemies of the truth. So they set about the death of the fearless Jeremiah.

As if he cared !--- William T. Ellis.

MORE TO THE POINT

Boy-"Mr. Quinn, can I get off this afternoon? My grandfather is dead."

Mr. Quinn-"I don't see how with your small salary you can afford to go to see so many ball games."

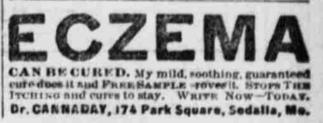
Boy-"That's right. I can't either. ought to have more salary."---New York Evening Mail.



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