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You don't hear a word from democrate about reducing the salaries of over-paid state officials.

If the Democrats were really sincere in demanding a "cut in wages," they will have an opportunity to make

If the Democrats really desire a good man for speaker of the house in the next session of the legislature, why not try John Weems? The Democrats are entitled to the

offices under the Shallenberger administration, and no self-respecting Republican should set up a whine, but resign. For the past few years there has

been a demand on the part of the Democratic press for a reduction in the salaries paid to state officials and employes.

That state has adopted an amendment to its constitution which prohibits the transfer of suits of law from the state court to the federal court.

Shallenberger intends to make a clean sweep and put a Democrat in the place of every Republican now serving the state. And why not? The Democrats are only carrying out the policy always adopted by both parties: "To the Victor Belongs the Spoils."

The Democrats are pledged to repeal or revise the present state revenue law and pass what is known as the Oklahoma law guaranteeing bank deposits. Trouble has already commenced. Opposition to the Oklahoma law is cropping out in various parts of the state, and no one has yet suggested -aince election-any radical change in the revenue law.

At the last session of congress 35,000 bills were introduced. Without the power to sidetrack thousands of these measures, the speaker would be at the mercy of an organized mob of states men. It takes a man with an iron hand and iron will to preside over the house, and Joe Cannon is the man. He will be his own successor, regardless of the protest of some of the little newspaper men in Nebraska who have been abusing him for the past year.

The question is asked, "What is the Republican party going to do for Governor Sheldon?" And why should the Republican party "take care of Governor Sheldon?" The governor has no special claim on the party. He was elected to the highest office in the state by his party and given a renominstion, and he was honored by being sent as a delegate to the national convention. There is no special reason why Republicans should continue to bonor the governor. He has a farm, is fairly well-to-do, and there is no danger of his being compelled to sub- of tombs stolen from cemeteries. It's cist on charity. Let the governor take care of himself. He is not an object of political charity.

## AMERICAN SONS.

The announcement that Charles Taft, brother of the President-elect, ing, that is, to the reader-of a guest will be a candidate for U. S. Senator to succeed Foraker, has called forth host and the head keeper: some criticism from those who are opposed to Judge Taft personally and politically. It is claimed by those opposed to the candidacy of Charles | deer, or just go for a walk? Taft's senatorial aspirations that he is attempting to secure the seat now held and painfully excited the interest of by the Fire Alarm Senator on the ured tones, the evidently well-weighed prominence and popularity of his and thought-out decision hailed his

The fact that Judge Taft is really a him for a walk!" great man and will soon be inaugurated President, should and will not charge the shility of other members of the Taft family. The father of the Taft boys was a man of prominence in national affairs. He was a member of seriet.

Grant's cabinet. His three sons have inherited their father's ability. One of the brothers is at the head institution of learning in Rhode Island. Charles Taft is a capitalist and publisher and a man of prominence in Ohio politics and business and his election to the senate to succeed Foraker would displace a man who has violated his trust, and give to Ohio an able representative in the

upper branch of congress. Sons of prominent men in national affairs have become prominent in the past, and the Taft boys are numbered among those who are making good at the present day.

public career as a man who was courting public favor on his father's ability and prominence. The elder Adams had served as a member of the Colonial Congress, and was one of the members of the committee appointed ence: he represented the Colonial Government as Commissioner to France, and succeeded Washington as President and on his retirement from that office represented the United States at the Court of St. James. The son, John Quincy, had even a more distinguished career, and no man since his time can approach him in the number of responsible positions filled at home and abroad. He served as be the opponent." minister to the Hague, minister to Berlin, minister to St. Petersburg, negotiated the treaty of Ghent in 1814 by which peace with England was declared, represented his state in the United States Senate, was Secretary of motives. It is surprising-and it War under Monroe, and in 1824 was shows how far gentlemanly courtesy elected President. In 1831 he was elected to congress and served continu- two men had always remained on good ously in that body until he dropped dead on the floor of the house on the Hamilton wrote to a friend, "If there 23rd day of February, 1848.

was once a household word through- always been personally well." In the out the country were the Washburns. One of this celebrated family of four The old rebel idea of state's rights | brothers was minister to France when was not entirely stamped out by fed- that nation and Germany were at ed with Burr lately," meaning, appartecting Germans in Paris at the time of the siege will ever be remembered with kindness by Germans throughout the world. Another one of the Washburn brothers served in congress from Wisconsin, was a general in the army during the War of the Rebellion, was elected Governor of his state. A third brother represented Minnesots in the senate and was prominently identified with the milling interests of the northwest.

> Sons of prominent men are frequent ly alluded to with a sneer, yet the past has produced men of prominence whose sons achieved distinction. Although it is well known that Washington's wife bore him no children, yet it was understood and accepted as a fact that he had a son living at the time of his marriage to the widow Custis. It is said that Washington educated the child. When the Revolution commenced the child had grown to manhood and received a commission in the army. He fought through the war and saw the British commander surrender to his father at Yorktown. Later he saw military service in the west under General Wayne. The son was known as Thomas Posy. There is a county in Indiana of the same name. Posy settled in Louisiana, and was one of the first senators from that state when it was admitted into the Union. It is said that he bore a striking resemblance to the Father of His Country.

The Sailor's Prayer Book. "This is what you call the sailor's prayer book," a seaman said bitterly, as he kicked a holystone out of the way. "Why is it called that? Well in the first place it is called that because in using it, in holystoning the deck, the sailor has to kneel down, and in the second place, because all holystoning is done on Sunday. Don' you know the chantey?-

Six days shalt thou work a thou art able,

And on the seventh helystone and scrape the cable "The stone is called holystone be cause the first holystones were bits got a pious, religious sound-holy, and prayer book, and Sunday and all that -but it is when he is using this stone that the seaman is most profane."

There is an amusing story-amus at some Highland lodge, who over heard this dialogue between his ducal

The Duke-Donald young Lord will go on the hill to-day. Donald-Well, your grace, is he kill a stag, or have a shot, or only see

Long and terrible was the pause,

"Well, Donald, you may just take

Getting Baid by Degrees. "Is the minister very bald, papa?" "No, my son, not very." "Then why does it say after his name B. A. L. L. D.T'—Beston Tran-

FROM MERWIN'S LIFE OF BURR.

Hamilton in his answer, a long,

argumentative document, declined to

give such a reply as Burr required.

"Tis evident." he wrote, "that the

phrase 'still more despicable' admits of

infinite shades, from very light to very

dark. How am I to judge of the

degree intended?" He also stated that

if any specific remark were attributed

to him, he would acknowledge or deny

it: and he concluded: "I trust, on

more reflection, you will see the mat-

ter in the same light with me. If not,

can only regret the circumstance.

This last remark might perhaps

have been omitted, but in all other

respects Hamilton's attitude through-

out the whole correspondence was as

Burr, conscious of the long provoca-

tion which he had received, treated

this letter as an attempt at evasion. "I

regret to find in it," he wrote, "nothing

of that sincerity and delicacy which

you profess to value. Your letter has

furnished me with new reasons for

Hamilton, having read this note,

stated to Van Ness that it was not

such as he had hoped to receive; that,

if it were not withdrawn he could

make no reply; and that Mr. Burr

must pursue such course as he deemed

proper. Upon the Saturday after-

gone to his country seat near the city,

received a note from Van Ness, in-

quiring when and where he would re-

ceive a further communication from

Burr. At Hamilton's request his town house was appointed as the place

and the succeeding Monday as the

time. On the Monday Van Ness de-

livered orally a message based upon

"Burr," they ran, "refused to par-

ticularize as it would only tend to

produce new irritation; but, having

made great sacrifices for the sake of

harmony, having exercised forbearance

until it approached to humiliation, he

has seen no effect produced by such

conduct but a repetition of injury.

Hamilton now called in the services

of his friend, Mr. Pendleton, and some

further communications passed be-

tween the parties. Burr required a

general disavowal of any intention by

Hamilton, in any conversation, "to

convey expressions derogatory to the

This general statement Hamilton, of

course, was unable to make, and on

June 27, Van Ness delivered to Pen-

dleton the challenge. Under the

heights of Weehawken, and accessible

only at low tide, there was a grassy

ledge or shelf which had been the

scene of many encounters. Here, on

July 11, 1804, in all the peaceful

beauty and freshness of early morning

met. The preliminaries were soon

arranged. As Pendleton, Hamilton's

second, gave him his pistol, he asked,

"Will you have the hairspring set?"

When the word was given Burr

fired. Hamilton started forward with

a convulsive movement, reeled, invol-

untarily discharging his pistol, and fell

Burr sprang toward him with an ex-

pression of pain upon his face, but

Van Ness seized him by the arm and

hurried him down the bank to the

boat. Hamilton, being lifted up, re-

vived for a moment and gasped, "This

is a mortal wound. doctor." Then he

relapsed into unconsciousness, but was

revived again by the fresh air of the

river as they brought him home.

"Pendleton knows," he said, endeavor-

ing to turn toward his friend, "that I

He lingered in great suffering until

The excitement in the city was tre-

2 o'clock in the afternoon of the fol-

did not intend to fire at him."

"Not this time," was the reply.

headlong upon the ground.

These things must end."

honor of Mr. Burr."

certain notes written out by Burr.

requiring a definite reply."

and must abide the consequences."

As the end of Burr's term in the Van Ness, an acute lawver, an instru-Vice President's chair approached it ment of Burr, who is described as became apparent that he could not "adding to the sleek glossiness and secure a renomination, so completely still tread, the deadly ferocity and had his reputation been undermined power of the tiger." by his enemies. He applied to Mr. Jefferson for an appointment as foreign minister, and was refused. In this situation, Burr and his friends determined upon an appeal to the John Adams' eldest son, John people of New York. In 1804 the Quincy Adams, alluded to early in his "regular" Republican nominee for governor in the state was Morgan Lewis a connection of the Clintons. Burr ran as an independent candidate. The Federal party was now so shattered that it had no candidate of its own and the question was whether to draft the Declaration of Independ- the Federalists should vote for Morgan or Burr. Burr, as being much less a partisan, would have been their natural choice, but Hamilton once again threw the weight of his great influence against him. "Hamilton," wrote Burr, February 16, 1804, "is intriguing for any candidate who can have a chance against A. B. He would doubtless become the advocate even of De Witt Clinton if he should For nearly twenty years Burr and

Hamilton had been engaged in a political duel, and during all that time Hamilton had been unsparing in his condemnation of Burr's character and and self-restraint will go-that the terms. In the last year of his life is a man in the world I ought to hate Another family of boys whose name it is Jefferson: with Burr I have year 1800, in one of those very denunciatory letters to his friend Bayard, Hamilton remarked that he had "dintable. Already there had been sev eral duels between Burr's adherents and his enemies-one in particular between DeWitt Clinton and John Swartwout, in which Swartwout, after being twice wounded, demanded that the duel should still go on; and it would have done so had not the sur geons interfered. Burr had been taunted with his tame submission to Hamilton's invectives. It was an age of dueling and both Burr and Hamilton were military men.

> There is a story that Burr and his henchmen decided, in cold blood, that Hamilton must be killed for political reasons: but there is no proof of it and it is not in accordance with Burr's character. No man was more careless or forgiving of injuries, none, perhaps, so unforgiving of insults. Pride was the predominant trait of his character. It is certain that Burr had already once, if not twice, required an explanation of Hamilton. Burr so stated after the duel, and Hamilton himself wrote at this time that he "was not conscious that any charges which are in circulation, to the prejudice of Colonel Burr, have originated with him, except one, which may have been so considered, and which has long since been fully explained between Colonel Burr and himself."

> During the recent campaign there had been published a letter written by Dr. C. D. Cooper, containing the following paragraphs: "General Hamilton and Judge Kent have declared, in substance, that they looked upon Mr. Burr to be a dangerous man, and one who ought not to be trusted with the reins of government. \* \* could detail to you a still more des picable opinion which General Hamilton has expressed of Mr. Burr." This

> letter was no cause for a duel, but it furnished a sufficient occasion for the cause which had preceded it, and on June 18, 1804, Burr sent to Hamilton the following note: "Sir. I send for your perusal a letter signed Charles D. Cooper, which though apparently published some

> time ago, has but very recently come to my knowledge. Mr. Van Ness, who does me the favor to deliver this, will point out to you that clause of the letter to which I particularly request your attention. You must perceive, sir, the necessity of a prompt and unqualified acknowledgment or denial of the use of any expression which would warrant the assertion of Mr. Cooper.

A. BURR." servant. This note was carried by William P. eulogy pronounced by Gov. Morris.

He Got the Booty.

has been awarded to the laborer.

Indian Bridal Customs Among the Hopi, a tribe of Pueblo A laborer named Christiansen, who Indians, the bride goes to the home lives at Copenhagen, bought an old of the bridegroom and grinds corn for overcoat for a few cents two years his parents for three weeks. He ago. He recently noticed something makes a sash for her, and then they hard in the lining at the back, and, on pour water on their heads and the regretfully cutting it open, discovered ceremony is complete. When a Nava savings bank book with \$2,230 credajo girl marries, the bridegroom gives ited. He reported the treasure to the 12 horses to his mother-in-law. In police, but they have not been able to find the original owner, and the money some tribes the man never meets his mother-in-law after the marriage.

Tripp Opening About March 25. Dallas, S. D., Doc. 7-Judge Witten, who returned this week to conclude the selection of the government townsites in Tripp county, says that the date of opening of Tripp county will be about March 25, 1909, and not the first of March as originally reported. The reason for the delay is that the roughest weather of the esson often comes about the first of the month, and the later date, while early enough to permit of spring farming operations, is a safer time for the settlers to get out on their land.

A petition has recently been circulated for the organization of Tripp county, but Judge Witten is of the opinion that nothing can be done along that line until after the date of the formal opening of the county to settlement. "It yet remains an Indian domain," says he, "and those who are frequenting Tripp county without a permit are liable to arrest for trespass. Literally speaking, no white man without a permit has any right on reservation, and those who are living there could be ordered off by the government authorities."

Speaking of the plan pursued at Dallas and other points in the registration and drawing of lands, Judge Witten

"There is only one thing that might make it more equitable and avoid speculation to an absolute certainty; the right for the people all over the United States to make their applications conciliatory as his self-respect would at their homes before an authorized oath officer and forward their application to a central office and file the same as was the case in those filed here and sent from Presho, Chamberlain, O'Neill and Valentine. When these applications are made and filed it should be compulsory that each application accompanied with a draft for \$100 as evidence that he registers in good faith and that if he draws a number that he will file. If he fails to make his filing he forfeits his money. During this drawing the people who participated in it expended more than 2300,000, most of the amount being spent with the railroads of the country. Under this system this would be eliminated and only those who really wanted to enter government lands would take part. Those who fail in the drawing would have their money returned to noon following, Hamilton, having

> NOT CONFINED TO STERN SEX. Wemen Also Are Capable of "Pla

> > tonic" Friendship.

There are instances when men o renius have been sustained and in spired in their work and life by the friendship of women. For 35 years the poet Cowper-a victim of fits of melancholia-was cheered and supported by the ministering friendship of Mrs. Unwin, in whose home he lived after as before the death of her husband intil the end of his own life. For 16 ears Dr. Johnson was soothed, upheld and inspired by the friendship of Mrs. Thrale, who, says his biographer, ministered to him in body and mind, and was the most tender of nurses-no comfort that wealth could purchase or womanly ingenuity, set to work by womanly compassion, could devise being wanting to his sick-room. Through her influence her husband had persuaded the great man to leave his comfortless den and take lodgings in the elegant Thrale villa, where he enjoyed as much personal independence as if living in a home of his own. He repaid Mrs. Thrale's friendship "by an affection as pure as the affection of a father, tinged with a gallantry which, though awkward, was more prized by her than the flatteries of society." Montaigne asserted that women were incapable of great and enduring attachments like those which history records as having existed between men; but later on in his life he was forced to lean upon the unselfish devotion of a woman-his adopted daughter, whose soul he acknowledged would "one day be capable of that perfect and sacred friendship to which we do not read any of her sex has yet attained."-Mary E. Bryin midsummer, Burr and Hamilton an, in Uncle Remus' Magazine.

PIGEONS CARRY THE ORDERS Messengers Used by English Butchers for Country Trade.

"Orders executed by post," is a common enough phrase nowadays, but 'orders by pigeon post" is something

The "pigeon post" has been recent ly instituted by Don Harris, son of a butcher at Herne Bay, who regularly employs homer pigeons to carry orders from outlying districts to his fa-

Mr. Harris, Jr., when he goes to collect orders takes six of his fastest birds in the trap with him. After he has gone a couple of miles and collected a dozen orders he liberates a nigeon with the orders inclosed in a little metal case attached to the bird's foot. Before five minutes have elapsed these orders are in the delivery trap on the way to the customers.

At various stages of his which usually takes three hours), Mr. Harris liberates the other birds with more orders, and by the time he returns to the shop all the orders received by pigeon post have been dispatched.

more than three hours," said Mr. Harmendous and the sorrow over Hamil- ris, "and formerly customers who lived ton's death was almost exceeded by any distance out did not get their the indignation against Burr. The joints until too late for the midday meal. Now my pigeons have solved whole town took part in the funeral, the difficulty. The birds will often have the honor to be your obedient amidst the booming of cannon and the travel at a speed of more than a mile tolling of bells, and listened to the a minute, so you can guess the time they save. I have never known a bird to go astray."-London Daily Mail.

> Fast-Growing City. One of the fastest-growing cities in the world is Kobe, Japan; its population increased from 190,000 to 360,-000 in ten years.

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