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all over with glory. At the outset he said that he was sick, and did not know

whether he could stand it to speak, as

he had been suffering with the prevail-

had never been ill a day in his life.

"Something Just as Good."

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## man of strict" integrity, but of limited busi-LEGISLATIVE SYMPOSIUM. themselves. Records Made by the Independents of the

Lower House.

WERE ALL UNPURCHASEABLE. THEY

But Some of Them Erred in Their Judgment of Men and Measures and Were Thus Led Astray.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 12 .- Special to THE BEE |- The political upheaval which culminated in the election of an independent majority of the lower house of the legislature deserves more than a passing notice. The very men themselves who were lifted out of comparative obscurity to occupy the exalted position of law makers for a great and progressive state, and who for the past record three months have been the focus at which the attention of the civilized world has been directed, are both individually and collectively worthy of more than a mere mention. Among the fifty-four men who occupied seats on the independent side of the lower house there was not a single lawyer. In fact fiftythree of them came from between the plowhandles, the exception being Mr. Herman of Saline, who had been a merchant. Only two, Mr. Herman and Johnson of Valley, had ever had any legislative experience, Herman having served of a former occasion in the lower house, and Johnson a term in the legishature of Iowa.

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party.

The one common and far-reaching weak-ness of this assembled body of would-be statesmen was an almost utter lack of knowledge of the commonest forms of parliamen tary procedure.

It cannot be denied that as a rule they It cannot be denied that as a rule they were men of sterling honesty and unbending integrity—men who could not be openly bribed by the offer of glittering gold or of future political preferment, but who were re-markably open to the approach of the seduc-tive lobbyists who asked to be heard under a bloc of four day and under the seducplea of fair play and justice to all interests. After mingling with the members for three months, conversing with them on all sorts of topics and hearing them express their opin-ions of each other on divers occasions, a brief outline of the make up of the house, based largely upon the record they have left be-hind them, may be of some interest.

Mr. Arnold of Gage and Saline was a man of more than average ability and of inyielding integrity, and made on the whole a very creditable member. He was hampered some-what by the Beatrice institute for the feebleminded and compelled to vote at times with the appropriation combine. Bredeson of Polk was the cipher of the

house. Early in the session he distinguished himself by introducing a bill limiting the ownership of land to a half section and which was killed without being printed. Later on he took a stand against prohibiting free railroad passes on the ground that it was lawful to "forage off the enemy."

Bartholomew of Antelope was a man of very few words, but a good thinker and a strong party adherent. He voted uniformly with his party and stood upon the line of re-trenchment and reform in state expenditures. Carpenter of Butler was one of the best educated men among the independents, and if he had not fallen into the toils of the woman suffrage lobby would have made a very good record. He was classed as a democrat, but stood with the independents through thick and thin, and never wavered until the last. He did some good work against the appropriation combine in the closing days of the session.

Curtis of Madison was chairman of the committee on telegraphs and telephones, and some of his friends who owned stock in the telephone company, told him the concern did not pay, which he was innocent enough to He also had the insane asylum at Norfolk to look after and only made a fair record. He voted against his party on sevthem eral occasions and was regarded by them with suspicion towards the last of the ses-

Dunn of Colfax had a mind of his own and did not pretend to vote with his party on all occasions. He very much desired to secure a \$60,000 appropriation for a home for inebri-ates at Schuyler and tied up with various

ness capacity, who generally let things run Jones of Burt was regarded as one of the most constitutions and painstaking members, who did not know how to be unfair even to an opponent. No member on the independent side commanded greater respect from the ceal. republicans and democrats. In voting to recognize Boyd he voiced his own honest convictions and defied the radicals, but was

never charged with being a traitor to his party. Krick of Kearney was a solid, substantial

farmer of good general ability, who signal-ized himself by standing loyally by the old soldiers on every occasion. He was a strong party adherent, but by no means a bigot. Kruse of Knox, in point of natural ability and a disposition to deal fairly with all interests, stood head and shoulders above his party associates. Although the youngest member he steadily forged to the front from the very beginning as an able and consistent leader and fought the battle on the line

leader and fought the battle on the line marked out by his party platform. Lomax of Custer appeared to have a mind of his own, and voted against his party on several occasions. He introduced few bills and made no speeches. He was coerced into voting for woman suffrage by outside pres-sure, but otherwise made an average good record quality.

Modie of Red Willow, is a natural born fighter, who immortalized himself during the session on several occasions. He was the most radical of all the radicals in pushing

extreme views to the front and in striving to build up his party and its principles. How-ever, he had the knack of making himself nmensely popular, and will see more legiscan. Mullen of Holt did not distinguish himself particularly except on one or two occasions when he proved himself an orator of no mean ability. He was a close observer of events and put in his first term in getting ready for his second, McCutcheon of Boone, barring his woman suffrage and prohibition proclivities, was a fair-minded man of more than average ability, intensely loyal to his party, but who desired at all times to be just. He made an excellent record in opposing jobs and ex-Accelerate appropriations. McReynolds of Clay was a man who stood well socially, but of rather small caliber for a legislator. He was, however, scruppiously honest and served his party with becoming zeal and fidelity. Newberry of Hamilton made himself famous both by his opposition to woman suffrage and by his introduction of a maximum rate bill. He is a man of intense convictions, of

excellent ability as an orator and more than average legislative sagarity. Nichols of Buffalo was a weak, vain old man, immensely puffed up by a sublime sense of his own importance. After moving heaven and carit to secure the chairmanship of the most important committee—that of finance, ways and means—he fell into the hands of designing tricksters, and joined in with every scheme to raid the public treas-ury, and was denounced on the floor for his conduct by some of the heat mon is also our onduct by some of the best men in his own Olson of Saunders was a good running

mate for Mr. Henry. Parker of Howard has never imbibed the fiat money ideas of his radical brethren, and honestly endeavored to legislate in that man-

ner as to subserve all legitimate interests. He made a good record all the way througn, and is well equipped for future service. Porter of Merrick was a prohibition and woman suffrage crack, who devoted his energies to pushing these hobbies until he sick-ened his party associates. When called back to his senses he did some good work along the line of retrenchment and reform. He was especially noted for his excessive hatred

of anything emanating from Lincoln or Omaha and for his bigoted intelerance. He gained considerable notoriety us the intro-ducer of the Australian ballot bill that finally became a law. Purnell of Perkins was a clean handed

young man, who honestly endeavored to serve his constituents to the best of his abliserve his constituents to the best of his abi-ity and who fought the appropriation com-bine "tooth and toe uail" in committee. He introduced an irrigation bill which with a few amendments would have done much

towards reclaiming western Nebraska. Riley of Webster was a silent member and a violent partisan, but distinguished himself by voting against the extra pay of the inde-pendent employes. He was a thick and thin party adherent, with a projudice against any-thing not bearing an alliance brand. Roban of Dixon, though sincerely devoted

to the independent cause, was rather too diffident in making his qualities for leadership known. Towards the last Speaker Elder made him chairman of the sifting com-mittee. He was true to every trust, but too

second only to Mr. Kruse, and of the three leading caudidates by all odds would have made the best speaker. second only to Mr. Kruse, and of the three leading caudidates by all odds would have made the best speaker. He made a thoroughly consistent record on the line of his platform pledges and will be chiefly remembered by his ill feeling towards Church Howe which he took no pains to con-

Voorhes of Hamilton was an honest mem-ber but who made a somewhat checkered record through his intense desire to secure a normal school at Aurora. Waldron of Adams had the appearance of

being the best educated member on the in-dependent side. He was a careful conscientious member who at times broke away from his party associates but who was compelled by his county to stand in for big appropria-Williams of Franklin openly published to the world that he had a mind of his own, and acted and voted "the independent" from the commencement to the close of the session. Wilson of Adams and Webster bore the stamp of an honest granger member, but got badly rattled by his trip to Galveston and proved weak and unreliable towards the end of the session, voting for well known jobs and steals and in favor of liberal appropriations. His influence on legislation was of a negative

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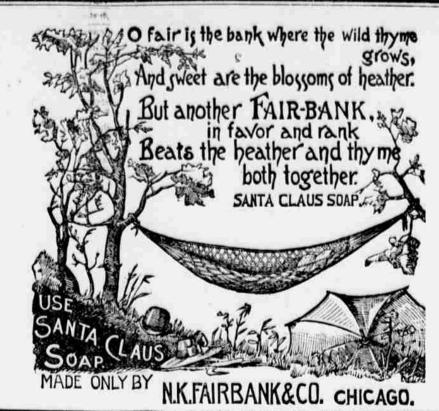
The Pelican's Mistake.

They have an addition to the attrac-tions at the park, says the San Fran cisco Examiner. It is a big white pell He came down from Stockton, and the ride in a box rather ruffled the peli-can's temper as well as his feathers, and when he was turned loose in the little lake in the park he was in no humor to stand any footishness. He swam around arrogantly for a time, ignoring the other denizens of the pond and generally acting as if he owned it. He drove the big white ducks away from every bit of food they found and almost crazed the little mud hen by driving her up on the bank and stepping on her. One of the drakes put in a sort of statutory protest when the stranger from Stockton picked a choice morsel almost out of his bill. Mr. Petican of Stockton simply reached out with his hook on the end of his valise-like bill and took about two inches of skin and feathers off the white drake's back. That settled the question. The drake tried to restore his wounded dignity by assaulting his little

brother, but the pelican had the whole east side of the lake to himself for quite a while. He got tired of this side and swam slowly out into the middle of the pond. The ducks crowded away from him, the little mud hen dived and come up for a minute, and the seagulls screamed and and his horse is sound and well.' climbed the bank. Just about this time the old black swan sailed out from behind the rocks. A very dignified bird is the black swan, not quarrelsome or greedy, but simply conscious of his size and

quality—in fact, a rather retiring bird of studious habits. He took no notice of the pelican, after the manner of born aristocrats in the presence of an upstart. It happened that a bit of bread lay floating on the water, and the black swan, with dignity and moderation, reached out for it. The less well-bred pelican also saw it and got it in a single grab. That was an encroachment on the black swan's vested rights that he did not propose to stand. His long neck straightened out and that pelican got a lick alongside of his head that paralyzed him. For a moment he was still. Then he opened the yawning chasm of his bill until his whole digestive apparatus was exposed, and hissed like a basketful of puff adders. Then he got down to business. He upset the swan at the first charge, but got a counter-on the wing that unbalanced him. In an instant the middle of that lake was a cloud of foam and feathers, long black necks and wide yellow bills, and the noise was like that of a locomotive with

a burst steam valve. t'yer." he said, shuffling off uneasily. The pelican got a foul hold on the long neck, but the swan broke it in-stantly and got in an upper cut on the



coming on earth just as sure as shootfrom the start. Wells stood up gamery, ing, and there would be a time however, and it was not until the twen when the Savor of mankind would tieth round was reached, and both me be here with us. All governnearly worn out, that James delivered ments would be melted away and the the knock-out blow and captured the Lord would reign. The signs of the times were to the effect that the end was here, prize. The prize was Alice Fuller who trie | hard to drown herself some time and it behooves the saints to get a rapid before. transit movement on themselves in order

"An ounce of prevention is worth two or to be ready when the call shall issue The rest of the sermon was on the same three pounds of core." Original saying slightly changed but none order, and the old man covered himself

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ing disease. He did not give it out what that was, whether it was grippe or the tic dolereux, but it does not cut any fig-A CON GIVES BLACK MILK. ure. He got there just the same as if he

The Cruelty of New York Readers Put to a Severe Test.

"My horse was badly injured. I called for 'Haller's Barbed Wire Liniment," my drug-gist was out, but sold me 'something just as Rupert Hansborough, of the firm of Crowley, Hansborough & Co., mer-chants of Chillicothe, O., is the possesgood,' now my horse is a cripple, while my neighbor, whose horse was injured as badly sor of a natoral curiosity in the shape of a cow which gives black milk, says the New York Star. She is on Mr. Hansborough's model farm, situas mine, refused all substitutes and bought a bottle of 'Hailer's Barb Wire Liniment,' Insist on getting the genuine-all druggists ated a few miles out of town, and can be seen at any time grazing in his pasture, and at milking time her Down in King William county, Va., is singular yield will be shown any one dea cross-roads store kept by Tim Magina. One of Magina's patrons was Tobe siring to behold it. Of mixed breed, Jersey and Durham, with a strain of Ayrshire, she was calved on the farm, Byers. Tobe was a fairly bright old and was the second born to her mother, darky and very active for one of his age, whose milk presented no peculiarity, notwithstanding the fact that he continand whose first calf, a heifer, still gives an abundance of natural tinted milk. ually complained of "roomatiz." There was one particular ailment of his, how-

Mollie, as she is called, is a pretty litever, to which he 'never referred---he was a kleptomaniae. Passing Tobe on tle cow with nothing unusual in her apthe road one day, says a corresdondent of the Philadelphia Record, I was surpearance, and has already borne five young ones, which have thriven well on her black milk. It produces a fair prised ts note that in acknowledging my cheery "Good morning," he neglected to doff his hat, a token of respect which amount of cream, which is a trifle lighter in color, and which, when churned, heretofore he had religiously accorded me whenever we met. He had a small package in his right hand, while his makes butter resembling coal tar, but as palatable as though of golden yellow. Mr. Hansborough says that at first they left, ostensibly disengaged, was closely were afraid to drink or use her milk in pressed to his side. Standing on his left I could not help seeing his coat bulged any way, but, overcoming their preju-dice, now enjoy it as any other.

out considerably on that side. My sus-Chemists in Richmond and Washingpicions being aroused, I haltedin front ton who have analyzed the milk, both fresh and when made into butter, de of him and endeavored to engage him clare that they can detect nothing to account for its sable color, but attribute "How's your health, Tobe?" I it to some unique coloring pigment in the corpuscies of her blood. "Tol'ole, sah; tol'ble, I'se 'bleeged

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interests for this purpose. Dobson of Fillmore was undoubtedly the

ablest orator among the independents. In general he was firm and uncompromising in what he believed to be right, but he had imbibed the single tax ideas of Henry George and was tied up by the desire to secure the location of a girls' reform school at Geneva. Towards the last, however, he pulled out of the combine and closed the term with an excellent record. Feichtinger of Dodge was the most liberal

of all the independents in his political views and voted on the line of his party platform uninfluenced by dictatorial leaders

Speaker Elder was the Sancho Panza of the house, chiefly distinguished by his high regard for female loveliness, for his desire to give all of the boys a position, and for his atter and reckless ignorance of the common est forms of parliamentary law. Towards the close of the session he abandoned his political brethren and stood in with the opposi tion in order, among other things, to pull through his bill appropriating \$40,000 for the support of the state militia. Good na-tured, fun loving, and with no conception of the responsibility of his position, he let the house run itself the greater part of the time, but drew his salary with unfailing regularity and never omitted to explain his vote, and

Felton of Nuckolls was a silent observer during the early part of the session, but to ward the last rapidly assumed the acknowl edged leadership of the independents and struggled mostly in vain to lop off some need ess or unnecessary items in the appropria tions. Mr. Felton is a man of rugged hon-esty and no mean ability and two years hence would make an exceedingly valuable mem-

Fulton of Harlan was a quiet member and became very much interested in a bill provid-ing for a county loan agent. He appeared on most occasions to be a fair-minded man, but stood unfliuchingly by his party from begin-

Gaffin of Saunders was one of the very best members on the independent side. He set to work to systematically learn the legisset to work to systematically tearn the legis-lative routine and sought to get some defi-nite understanding of the condition of the state in general, as a basis of intelligent legislation, As a member of the finance committee his voice was always raised in behalf of economy in public expenditures. Prohibition, woman suffrage and all such hobbies were let suffrage and all such hobbies were let severely alone by Mr. Gaffin, who contented himself with honestly endeavoring to carry out the pledges his party had made to the

Gale of Rock was one of the best educated of the independents, and a clear thinker and logical reasoner. Early in the session he re-fused to follow his party leaders into fused to follow his party leaders into their wild and revolutionary proceed-ings, and having one or two important ings, and having one or two important bills killed by them in sheer spite, he became independent in fact as well as in name and yoted as he pleased. With a few more men like Gale in their ranks the independents Inte Gale in their ranks the independents might have been able to make a better show-ing in the final outcome. Mr. Gale had the honor of introducing the resolution recogniz-ing Boyd as governor, which was the first real step in the way of legislation taken by

Goddard of Frontier was a faithful party follower and extremely biased in his views, He made no speeches, but when not sick was in his seat voting with the radicals. Grannett of York was a man of little ability and bitterly partisan in every sense. He signalized himself by yielding to the

subtle flattery of the woman suffrage lobby and having his own wife appointed to a

clerkship. Hennich of Garfield appeared to be a fair minded, well-meaning man who desired to be just to all interests. He voted at times against his party and did not endorse the revolutionary schemes advocated by the radicals.

Herman of Saline, the lone union labor member, was not very prepossessing in appearance, but developed remarkably as a partiamentary leader, when put to the test. He was tender hearted toward the state institutions and voted for liberal appropria-

Henry of Holt made no speeches, but he was a careful, pains taking member of the anti-boodier order, who only needs experience to make him a valuable legislator.

Johnson of Valley was a "go-casy states-

intensely partisan to accord due respect and weight to the opinions of his political ene-

Ruggles of Dundy was another cipher, fair match for Bredeson, who simply made one of the independent majority. Schelp of Platte was a second of Gaffin, and whose career from an independent standpoint

was without a biemish. Shraler of Logan was nothing more nor less than a cool calculating selfish dema-gogue who was on the make, and ready at all times to jump down on the side where he would find the most provender. He was sized up by his party associates early in the session, defeated for the speakership, but ac-cepted for a time as a self-imposed leader. He introduced the saline land bill and sun ported the boulevard bill and other question able measures, badly announcing the doctrine that the state ought not to hold land for

that the state ought not to hold land for "speculative purposes," or when required to be destroyed or its value greatly impaired for the benefit of private interests. He will be remembered chiefly for having asked and received fourteen days extra pay for his son as clerk of his own committee. Scott of Dawson was a unique character, scott of Dawson the accurrent of in

scrupulously honest, but a compound of in-herent prejudices and an overbearing egot-ism coupled with a persistence that broke ism coupled with a persistence that broke down every barrier. With his long index finger pointed at the speaker he commanded attention even in the most turbulent pass-ages. Hatred of Omaha was one of his striking traits of mind and he failed to soften as the session advanced. Smith of Saline never made himself con

spicnous, but was regarded as an honest, fair-minded man of good judgment and strong party attachments.

Soderman of Phelps, barring his strong prohibition views, but in these he truly rep-resented his county, was an all around re-former. He fought with admirable pluck and persistency for every principle of his party platform, and forced the issue on every occasion. He was a thorn in the side of the "appropriation combine," both in the com mittee room and on the floor of the house.

Stebbins of Buffalo, while somewhat ham Stebuins of Buffalo, while somewhat ham-pered by having a public institution in his county to look after, was a thor-ough going member who earnestly desired to serve the taxpayers to the fullest extent of his ability, which was of a high order. He instituted investi-gations all along the line, and was particu-larly careful in looking after public funds larly careful in looking after public funds and expenditures. Mr. Stebbins entertains intense hatred both for the coward and the boodler, and while a bitter and often vindi

tive partisan, was disposed to treat his political opponents with at least common courtes and give all sides a fair hearing before pas sing judgment. Stevens of Fillmore came the nearest of

being a communist of any, and was an intel-lectual pigmy. He was entirely unreliable and tied up with the appropriation combine for the sake of getting the new girls' re-form school at Geneva. His record, on the whole was not very earliththe whole, was not very creditable

Stevens of Furnas was the Demosthenes of Stevens of Furnas was the Demosthenes of the house and the only independent who had the courage to boldly attack Church Howe. Nature made him for a radical, and he did not miss his calling. He was noted for his bitter and uncompromising hostility to corporations in general, but was withal a man of sterling honesty and unimpeachable integ-rity, and who when properly toned down will make a valuable member, a terror to jobbers

and corporation hirelings. Stevens of Platte was a quiet member who attended strictly to business. Stewart of York kicked out of the party

traces as often as his own judgment dictated such a course and was a man who could not be led or cajoled into taking a false position He opposed the revolutionary and unconsti-tutional proceedings in the caucus from the very beginning, and finally openly revolted. With a little more experience he will make a very capable legislator.

very capable legislator. Storms of Nemaha was a blowhard who talked to the galleries. For the sake of the Peru normal school he tied up with nearly every movement to loot the treasury. He was especially noted for his opposition to making any exhibit at the world's fair, and for securing the position of builclerk for his brother.

brother. Taylor of Butler was a man of only fair ability, noted for smoking a corn cob pipe and advocating woman suffrage.

Taylor of Johnson in natural ability was their memories. God's kingdom was

pelican's pouch. It was first blood for the swan. It soon became evident tha the pelican was wholly outclassed in reach and science. He had the brute

strength and the pluck, but the other avoided the fierce lunges with comparative ease. The pelican soon saw that only an accident would get in his hooked bill, and started to close. He struck with his big wings, but the swan had some wings himself, and was as handy with them as a small boy with a putty blower. Then the swan had another ad vantage. He could and did dive while his awkward adversary could for the life of him get not his big body under the water. The peli-

can came out of the flurry nearly winded. He climbed on the rocks and hissed, but the swan reached his foot with a long swoop and the pelican abandoned his de fiant attitude. When darkness came on the pelicar sat high up on the rocks, his big bill

sunk on his breast, the picture of mel ancholy and disappointment. The ducks swam fearlessly near him, the little mud hen sat undismayed within striking distance and the gulls quarreled right at his feet. And out in the middle of the pond the black swan floated and plumed himself, as oblivious of pelicans as a cow of a rainbow.

For a number of years I have been subject to violent attacks of inflammatory rheumatism which generally lasted about two months. On the first of this month I was attacked in the knee and suffered severely for two days, when I procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it relieved me almost instantly. I therefore most cheerfully recommend it to those who are similarly afflicted everywhere.—R. D. Whitley, Mar-tindale, N. C., February, 1888. Mr. White y is a very prominent man in this place and this

disease was very widely known as he suffered such severe pain. W. M. Houston & Co., merchants, Martindale, N. C. 50 cent bottles for sale by druggists.

Elder Penrose and the Grip.

Elder Penrose was the speaker at the Tabernacle and the slick old gent got in his hooks in great shape, reported the Salt Lake Tribune. After the usual pre-

liminaries had been indulged in the great editor and saint peeled his top coat and sailed in. He took for the basis of his remarks the Lord's prayer and the sermon that he preached on that topic was a terrific one. In the first place

the prayer opens with a declara tion. We say, "Our Father. Not "My Father." God is everybody" father, and please do not forget that fact. And then right there the eminent man stopped and said that as a rule all prayers were too long by far, and that they were no good on that account. The Lord did not want anybody to tell Him that He was the ruler of all this

universe. He knows that already and there is no use in repeating the same old thing over and over again to Him. It is the same thing that the hypocrites used to do in the days of old, when Christ said that the man who did that would get his reward, and the speaker supposed that He meant that a man

who strings his petitions out so long will be in the soup as far as getting any answer is concerved. The prayer that was just offered was the kind of one that he liked to hear. That prayor was a daisy, and there was no mistake about. Pen then said that the Lord's prayer was the kind of a petition that commended itself to every one who had anything of that kind to do, as it was so brief. There was a world of truth in it, too. The ex-pression, "Thy kingdom come," was the literal truth, and he wanted the congregation to file that in the archives of

"Down de stoah gettin' dis yere shuhere he exhibited the package gah: which ail along he had held in his right

"What's that under your coat?" I inquired, and quickly snatching aside the kirts of that garment I disclosed a pair

"Where have you been?"

in conversation.

asked.

"Now, look here, Tobe," said I, looking him squarely in the eye, "you did not pay for these boots, otherwise you would not try to hide them from me. Where did you get them?"

For a minute he did his best to work up a look of injured innocence, but diectly, seeing it had no effect on me, he blurted out:

"Marse John, soon's I seened yer comn' I done 'low I gwine tell yer all 'bout dat. But yo' talk so powerful fas' yo did'n' gimme no charnce; 'deed da's fac' I bin a buyin' grosheries from dat air dirty low sto' keeper ober yander nigh

onter twenty yeah; I long bin 'spicion he doan' gimme good measuah. I knowed ley waren't no poun' shugah in dis vere bag, so's ter kinder git eben up, I done tuk dem pa'r boots wot wuz hangin round loose, and sneak 'em undah mah +Dencoat. "Wait a minute, Tobe," I interposed;

"you come over to my house and I'll weigh that sugar." Rather unwillingly he followed me

over the hill and into the house. I weighed the package and found Maginn had given him fully four ounces in excess of the pound.

"Now," said I, "you have done Mr. Maginn an injustice. You had better take back those boots."

"No, sah!" said the old scapegrace; kain't mek no seeh sackerfice as dat. boun' tote back dat exter shugahr, but I doan' guv up dem boots."

Progress.

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stolen. The owner of a cylinder which reproduces "Home, Sweet Home" as sung by Patti, tells an interesting story of how it was obtained. The diva positively refused to sing for a "record," so it was decided to steal it. A box was secured at the San Francisco theater. The phonograph was placed therein in such a manner as to entirely conceal it from view. When the sweet singer responded to the encore the instrument vas started. She sang "Ho e, Sweet Home," as only Patti can, and the possessor of the cylinder swears that instrument reproduces the thud of the auditors' tears as they fell to the pnor, and the phonograph cannot lie.

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Prize Fight for a Girl.

John James and Josh Wells of San Francisco, were in love with the same girl, and, as the situation had become unbearable, agreed to abide the result of a combat as to which should leave the field clear for the other. Both men belong to the Golden Gate club, and when they met at the Ocean House one Sunday afternoon they were each de-termined to do battle for the girl until death. Each wore skin gloves, and they faced each other in an eighteen-foot ring under Marquis of Queensberry rules. It was a fierce fight, but James proved himself too much for his adversary

Bacilli known for Centuries. Dr. Nilsson, of Norway, says that for at least five centuries the Bergen fisher-

men have killed whales by the aid of the now familiar bacilli. The whales are surprised in narrow inlets, where they are tamed by shooting poisoned arrows into their skin. At last the brute be-Illustrated free comes so enfeebled that it can be at tacked with harpoons and lances, and is 1614 Capitol soon despatched. The poison used to infect the arrows is the festering matter FARM around the wounds. An examination of Parlin, Oren this deadly material shows that it owes its virulence to a bacillus closely allied Martin to that of "sympathetic anthrax. Corner Jones Omaha De Witt's Little Early Risers. Best little

pill ever made. Cure constipation every time. None equal. Use them now.

## Snowsterm in the Clouds.

Hundreds of people saw a strange phe nomena during the prevalence of a storm in Antonia, Conn., recently. It was an atmospheric snowstorm high up in the sky, lasting nearly twenty min utes. The snow was apparently falling in large flakes perhaps a thousand feet up. At a certain distance below the upper strata the flakes seemed dark colored, while lower down they glistened in the sun, which was shining brightly The snow did not fall to the earth, bu as it reached the lower edge of the strata the wind took it and carried it off to the east. At times a heavy mist fell, as though the product of sudden condensation. The snow fell on the other side of the Housatonic river in Monroe

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