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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my pres-ence this 3d day of December, 1894. (Seal.) N. P. FEIL, Notary Public.

There are still thirteen days within which Judge Scott may tender his although it may be several years before resignation and let Governor Crounse fill the place.

What is to become of jovial old Santa Claus with his shaggy beard and furs If we do not get a snow storm between now and next Tuesday?

When the secretary of agriculture issued the bulletin to apprise the people of Nebraska City cracked wheat and oat meal. Patronize home industries.

ity has not yet penetrated many dark should desire to continue reaping the recesses of state institutions at Lincoln. Wait until the shadows are a little gives them, but they should not be longer grown, when the taxpayers will permitted to do this by any such illereceive the information to which they are entitled.

Mr. Utt had better take charge of Burlington Beach and let the Omaha Commercial club transact its business through somebody who is cocked. primed and loaded to do up Omaha every time she works at cross purposes with the Burlington.

A liquor dealers' propaganda is actively engaged in planning a campaign for the repeal of certain objectionable features of the Slocumb law. This would indicate that the legislative oil room will never lack a full and varied supply of red likker.

Two years ago the legislature paid 81 cents per folio for printing house rolls and senate files. This year the printing oard has contracted for lik service at the rate of \$1.67 per folio. Does not that smack of jobbery? How much of this contract money is to go to the B. & M. Journal as a silent partner?

A short time before the close of the the American Bell Telephone company, praying that what is known as the Berliner patents for a combined telephone and telegraph system, assigned government presented a very strong commissioner having exceeded his power, and there were charges of misrepresentation and questionable methods on the part of the company in procuring the issue of the patents. As re- will be done by the party in power to

DEFEAT OF A MONOPOLY.

the first defeat, we believe, the great telephone monopoly has ever met with. In rendering the decision the court for our still depressed industrial and American Bell Telephone company per-

mitted the inference of dishonesty, and that, therefore, there should be a decree that the patent in question was void and shall be delivered up and cancelled.

Of course the monopoly will not rest with this, but will carry the case to the higher courts, since the value of the patent involved is said to be \$5,-000,000, and that amount is doubtless

secured to it the company would retain the undisturbed monopoly of the field for the next fifteen years. The decision against it in the circuit court however, warrants the hope that it will meet defeat in the higher courts, and this is realized the promise of it is encouraging, at any rate to those who

are paying an excessive annual tribute to the monopoly. It is also a reassuring fact that at last a court has been found with the courage to decide adversely to this powerful company, which has heretofore had everything its own way and has seemed, by reason of its vast wealth and influthat they are eating too much it was ence, to be impregnable. No monot intended to curtail the consumption nopoly has been more merciless than this in laying the American people under tribute, so that every member of it has become very rich in a few years. The searchlight of newspaper public- It may be quite natural that these men

splendid harvest which their monopoly gitimate means as they are clearly shown to have used in connection with the Berliner patents. We believe that the decision rendered by Judge Carpenter is fully justified by the facts as set forth by Attorney General Miller and absolutely sound, and it is to be are being laughed at as a set of bloomregretted that such is the law's delay that it may be several years before the

case is finally disposed of.

OUR COMMERCIAL CONFLICTS. Among the unfortunate fruits of the democratic tariff policy not the least serious are the commercial conflicts in which it has involved us with other countries. In consequence of imposing a discriminating duty on German sugar

Holdrege. That is exactly the size of the situation and there is no use of fooling away precious time that could be devoted to some other project. So far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication and the substance of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned, he is ut-toric windication of the legal tenders. The banks would far as Mr. Utt is concerned is substance for the supply their place with currency based on bonds bearing 5 per cent interest. our cattle have been excluded from that market, and we are threatened with a more extended policy of retaliation if that duty is not abandoned Joined with Germany in the retaliation devised for the commercial advantage is Denmark, and how soon other coun of Omnha unless the Burlington is in tries on the continent will fall into line favor of it and expects to profit by it. no one can tell. In addition to this we are involved in a controversy with IS IT A CONSPIRACY! Spain, growing out of the imposition The treasury gold reserve is steadily of excessive duties upon imports from running down, being now several milthe United States into Spain. Accordlions below the amount which should ing to advices from Washington this be maintained for the purpose of redifficulty has reached a point justifying demption and keeping good the credit our government in informing the Spanof the government. This depletion is ish government that persistence in exdue to the eastern banks. These inacting the discriminating duties would stitutions, having parted with a large be regarded as inviting the exercise by amount of their gold to pay for the last the president of the power of retallation ssue of bonds by the government, conferred upon him by law. It appears either on their own account or that of that Spain has two tariff schedules and their customers, now appear to be enthat she has been collecting the maxigaged in restoring the gold to their mum duties on imports into Cuba from vaults, for what purpose, except the this country while applying the minigratification of hoarding the specie, is mum duties to Canadian products in not apparent. There is nothing in the competition with ours. Thus American financial situation to create any anxiety flour has been shut out of the Cuban which would justify the banks in acmarket, of which it had practically : cumulating gold. No danger exists of monopoly for several years under the silver legislation, notwithstanding the reciprocity agreement, and in other proposed efforts of some of the free silthings our export trade with that island ver men to get some sort of a measure has largely fallen off. Appeal and rethrough congress. In the first place, monstrance having failed to accomplish there is hardly a possibility of the sucanything it is now proposed to attempt cess of such efforts, and if any silver to bring the Spanish government to legislation should be passed by congress terms by entering upon a commercial it would be killed by the president. As conflict, the effect of which might be to the new currency plan now under as damaging to our interests as to those consideration in the house, it is doubtof Spain. Can it be possible that the ful whether it will be adopted by that party in power hopes to extend the body, while it is practically assured markets for American products by this that it cannot pass the senate. The outmeans? Is it the part of wisdom to side opposition to it is very strong and open a trade war with the rest of the steadily growing, and if the house has world when our agricultural producers any regard for public sentiment the are suffering from the most serious de-Carlisle bill will be rejected by that pression they have ever experienced? body. A solid republican opposition to The whole trouble proceeds from the it in the senate, should it reach there. abandonment of the reciprocity policy. is certain, and probably a number of Had that judicious plan of commercial democratic senators would also oppose expansion been adhered to there would it. As there is nothing to be apprebe no controversy with Spain, our cathended from these sources, what other tle would not be excluded from Gerdanger is there inducing the banks to many and Denmark, and we would not accumulate gold at the expense of the stand in danger of a policy of retaliatreasury and to the embarrassment of tion from other countries. At the bethe government? ginning of next year Brazil will renew

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the Spanish government good reason for and sound policy, to do everything praca loss of confidence in us, for when ticable to relieve the treasury from Harrison administration Attorney Gen- an agreement of this kind is contingent difficulty and membarrassment and to eral Miller instituted a suit in the United upon the tenure of a political party in sustain the credit of the government. braska, at least those who are not repub-States circuit court at Boston against control of the government and may be It appeared that they were disposed to ruthlessly overturned by its successor do this when they promptly subscribed for the complete and candid manner in there can be little confidence in the for the bonds at figures satisfactory to stability of any arrangement. If Can- the government, but their subsequent ada has been able to effect an ad- course raises a doubt as to the integto that company, be declared vold. The vantageous commercial arrangement it rity of their purpose. Putting gold into is doubtless because Spain has greater the treasury only to draw it out again case, a chief point in which was that faith in that country maintaining it, as soon as possible does not show an the patents were improperly issued, the Perhaps we have a good ground of comhonest desire to help the government. yet plaint, but our own mistaken policy is It rather indicates a determination to responsible for shifting the advantage take the fuffest possible advantage of we enjoyed to our neighbors. the financial difficulties of the govern-

It is to be apprehended that nothing ment. It is a condition that ought to command the early and serious attencorded in the dispatches of yesterday, a remedy this condition of affairs and tion of congress and be dealt with not decision has just been rendered in the that before that party can be driven by makeshifts, but by practical legiscase, and it is adverse to the company, from power we shall be in commercial infom that will provide a sure and adeconflicts with half the world. It is an quate remedy. The protection of the unfortunate situation and the outlook reasury against the possibility of a combination of banks to deplete it of said that the course pursued by the agricultural interests is made less prom- gold, and that such a thing might hapising by it. Yet the country was as- pen is only too obvious, is manifestly of sured that the democratic policy would the most vital importance. largely increase our foreign trade.

GIVING THEIR CASE AWAT.

When Mr. W. V. Morse jogged Commissioner Utt for his masterly inactivity in connection with the state fair movement in the Commercial club meeting last week he touched the bell-cord that should have been pulled months the national house of representatives ago. It is well known in inside circles and state legislatures generally. That of the Commercial club that Mr. Utt is this great meeting in behalf of organa Burlington man from the soles of his ized labor will exert a favorable infeet to the crown of his head. He was fluence in the direction of drawing brought to Omaha and made freight workingmen into trades unions and commissioner for the bamboozled job. binding them more closely together for bers by Burlington influence and it must the common cause of improving the be said to his credit that he has been condition of the working classes it is loyal to the interest to which he owes safe to predict. It would be uncandid his position. That fact was clearly to say that all that was done in the shown in the hearing of the maximum matter of declaring a policy for labor rate contest in which Mr. Utt's partial was wise, but on most questions the testimony and fictitious computations action of the convention was judicious have been quoted by Judge Brewer in and sound. Perhaps the most serious support of the railroad side of the con- ground for criticism is the fact that tention. And it is not to be expected the convention considered too many that the B. & M. leopard would change subjects. The cause of labor would be his spots by an application of Omaha more effectively served if those who Commercial club paint. It may as well are charged with its promotion would be said now as later that Mr. Utt has be content to accomplish a few reforms been closely identified with the Burling. at a time, instead of attempting to acton beach junta, which is pulling every complish all desired reforms at once. string within reach to have the state The ordinance converting Riversid fair perpetually located at Lincoln. In park into Murray park has passed the view of the fact that Burlington officials at headquarters in Omaha as well as Burlington officials at Lincoln are copartners and co-workers in the Burlington beach saline land gobble it should be manifest even to a blind man that

the promoters of the state fair location at Omaha are giving their case away when they place their proposition into the hands of Mr. Utt. At Lincoln they ing idiots. The Bee regrets exceedingly that it is compelled to pull the bell rope and

sound the signal of distress. It may do no good at this late juncture, but will save a good deal of useless exertion. If there is any show for Omaha in this project it must either place a man at the head who has no Burlington strings to him or make its terms with Mr. Holdrege. That is exactly the size of

Giobe-Democrat. It is premature to talk about the next republican candidate for president further than to note the foregone and invigorating fact that he can't be beaten, let him hail rom where he may. Where the Interest Comes In.

THE BEATRICE ADDRESS.

OMAHA, Lec. 19 .- To the Editor of The Secretary Morton Speaks of the Value and licans merely "for revenue," are due to you which you so ably answered the query as to why you still continue to be a republican The question-uncalled for and impertinentsuggests that it was a left-over sould of the recent campaign. like the after celebration Fourth of July firecracker discovered by the boy in the lining of his jacket. Of course ! had to be fired, whether appropriate or not yet the dignified and unassailable reply comes like the business boom of a huge Krupp gun, the echoes of which will rever-berate through the hills and valleys of Nebraska and jar to fragments the houses of some of our would-be statesm the glass iouses of some of our would-be statesmen. It is to be hoped that the searcher for knowledge who propounded that question has gained the information he desired, for, no matter what may have been the motive which inspired the question, it has resulted in that requests are now constantly received at citing many items of the political history the Agricultural department for information state which must be instructive to f our as well as of great general interest. The result of the last election most clearly indicated that to the majority of the voters to cattle, hogs and other animals. In disof Nebraska the explanation solicited by the cussing the subject in an interview today callow editor, in his effort to ingratiate him-self into the good favor of "the bosses," was

unnecessary and uncalled for; indeed, it should begin to dawn upon the mind of the rural journalist that the course pursued by The closing hours of the labor conthe forage feed accompanying it. Growing vention at Denver were marked by The Bee and the consistent policy of its able editor has very recently been emphatically and fattening animals were found to thrive some regrettable incidents of personal vindicated. upon It. feeling, but such outbreaks are not

Is it not about time that country knights of the shears and paste pot who flaunt the republican banner should devote their time to acquiring some knowledge of the history unusual in large assemblages, and on real and corn are taken at the same price is the whole the conduct of the convengreater than in feeding the latter. Wheat tion compared favorably with that of and achievements of the party, that they cease to pose as censors and critics of a journal of such widely recognized merit and repute as The Bee, and exercise ther ener-gies in support of the principles promul-gated in their party platforms and in suporting as its candidates clean men of known ability, and only such as are good men and J. M. HUTCHINS.

THE RECEDING GOLD RESERVE.

Boston Herald: As there is nothing in leaflets upon the subject to all country newshe export movements to account for such DADETS. a heavy reduction, the only inference from the conditions which we have described is that a large amount of the yellow metal crop, which is harvested this month, will not be as satisfactory as it was last year, nor

turned in by the syndicate was gold "with a string. Buffalo Express: The loss of gold from the treasury since a week ago Friday has been \$10,155,900. On steamers salling on Saturday there went \$3,580,000 to France. The reserve is thus below the \$100,000,000 mark, and the rapidity of the fall is startling. It should make con at the problem before it. It should make congress look seriously

The members of the committee were today fur-nished - printed copies of the testimony of Sec-Denver Republican: Let the yellow metal retary Herbert taken before the committee at its last meeting. In his testimony the secretary explains why he did not divert the contract. He said: "When the case came up before the department there were go if it will. We fought the war of the rebellion to a successful issue without gold. and we can fight any industrial or commercial or financial war that may be forced upon us by coining our own credit and making the most of our own opportunities if every ounce of gold in the United States is taken to some foreign land. two courses open to me; one was to abro-gate the contracts with the Carnegies en-tirely and refuse to allow them to make any more armor plate, giving all the armor to the Bethlehem company. The objection to this course was that the Bethlehem com-

New York Tribune: The gold-hungry leeches of Europe are again pumping the yellow metal out of the treasury reserve so pany had its hands full at this time and greedly that Mr. Carlisle may soon have to sell another lot of bonds in order to keep the vaults from being totally emptied. The was behind with its contracts. This investigation by the committee, you will remember the vaults from being totally emptied. The speculative manipulators of the world's gold supply never fail to have fun with a man like Mr. Carlisie when they find him at the head of a nation's financial affairs. took place more than a year ago. have taken fully eighteen months for the Bethlehem company to complete its own contracts. Not only would the government have been delayed, but there was nothing to compensate for the delay. I could not get the work done any more cheaply else-

mulcted in a gold-bearing debt every few months, or weeks, by gold loans to keep up where. Any new company that might have bid for the work before undertaking it would have to extend its plant and put in a large fictitious and dishonest reserve, and then drawn out again by the loaners to repay the amount of expensive machinery. "I sent for the president of the Bethlehem borrowings that covered the loan. So long as the policy of this great nation is dictated from the stock board in New York and by of boulevard. There is where Hascall's company and inquired of him whether, in could get more battleships ordered, his company could make armor more cheaply the men who lean money, so long will thi swindle last-for, in plain, honest words, that is what it is.

than it was then doing, the prices paid the two companies being the same. Of course New York Times: It is easy to say, as some of the newspapers are saying, "What is the use of a loan to restore the reserve I did not let him know of the investigation that was going on. His reply was that he could not make any lower rate. So it was clear that, first, if I abrogated the contract when the gold slips away within a fort-night?" In one sense there is no use. That with the Carnegie company and gave it to the Bethlehem company this would be to delay is to say no single loan of any practicable amount would put so much gold in the treasury that the reserve would surely not

ON FEEDING WHEAT TO HOGS than the board has believed them to be, if largely discredit the navy NEBRASKA IN CONGRESS.

Methods of the Move.

Results of Observations at the South Da-

kota Experimental Station-Argentine

Wheat Crop Not So Satisfactory Nor

Merchantable as Last Year.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE,

feeding of wheat to animals has

come so general throughout this country

"The profit in feeding wheat when that ce-

"The feeding should be begun by giving

very small quantities to the animal. It

should be mixed with chopped hay or with

"The prospect is that the Argentine wheat

HERBERT ON ARMOR PLATE.

The senate committee on naval affairs had

the armor plate resolution under considera-

tion at its meeting today, and postponed final action on it until the next meeting.

It would

weighs 7 per cent heavier than corn.

superior to any other.

their wheat as merchantable.'

MAKES SUPERIOR PORK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.

FOUND

The

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Congressman Bryan today appeared before the special coramities on elections in advo-cacy of his resolution limiting the presidency to a single term. Congressman Hainer will be unable to

turn to Nebraska for the Christman holidays on account of his committee work.

days on account of his committee work. Senator Manderson today offered a resolu-tion, which was adopted, providing that the secretary of the interior shall report to the senate the number of acres of public lands in the state of Nebraska, exhibiting in said report the number of acres in each county of the number of acres in each county of the state, and in each land district thereof. and showing the number of acres in the state having been taken under the land laws of the United States having been abandoned or relinquished by the settlers thereon. This resolution was introduced to obtain information which will prove valuable upon the en-actment of Senator Manderson's bill, which provides that all public lands belonging to the United States situated in the state of Nebraska shall be granted to the state for the purpose of aiding in irrigation and reas to the best methods of feeding that grain clamation thereof.

Congressman Bryan will speak tomorrow on the Carlisle financial bill

Secretary Morton said: "Wheat value as day introduced a bill providing that a pen-Congressman Pickler of South Dakota toan anintal food is great. But the wheat must sion of not less than \$12 per month be he used carefully and with due regard to the granted to all widows now drawing less than habits and environments of the animals and that amount,

IN A GENERAL WAY.

The secretary of the interior has reversed the decision of the commissioner of the gen eral land office in the case of James D. Reddington against Jeremiah E. Kelly, the Watertown district, South Dakota, holding that portion of Reddington's entry which conflicts with Kelly's for cancellation.

"The South Dakota experiment station has A postoffice has been established at Elm made a very comprehensive and exhaustive Springs, Sloux county, Ia., and Katie Murphy experiment in feeding ground wheat to hogs. commissioned postmistress.

Postmasters have been appointed in South The pork from that feeding is pronounced, Dakota as follows; Cortlandt, Edmunds ounty, Ole Anderson, vice J. A. Westgate, resigned; Linden, Lincoln county, E. Jakobson, vice H. Helgeson, resigned; Miner, Miner county, C. H. Coy, vice Mary L. Robshould be mixed with chopped hay or with other grain. The department will furnish Mortensen, vice H. H. Hanson, resigned, Lincoln county, Julia

ALL WANT TO TALK.

Fourteen Who Wish to Advocate the Carlisio Bill and Thirty Against.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 .- An unexpectedly strong opposition to the Carlisle currency bill is disclosed by the list of those who have asked for time to speak on the measure. Two lists have been made, one for members of the banking committee who wish to be heard, and the other for members not on the committee. The committee list shows the mombers divided in party lines, except Representative Ellis of Kentucky. The other list shows fourteen members who will speak for the bill and thirty against it. Of the thirty against it, eighteen are democrats.

The list of speakers is as follows: For the bill: McCreary, Pendleton of West Virginia, Bynum, Talbert, Berry, Lane, Brickner, Sales, Caruth, Tracey, Livingstone, The objection Gresham, Coombs, Stockdale

Against the bill: Dingley (rep.), Sibley (dem.), Hendricks (dem.), Cockran (dem.), Bowers (rep.), Bland (dem.), Beltzhoover (dem.), Ceffeen (dem.), McLaurin (dem.), Bryan (dem.), Daniels (rep.), Weadock (dem.), Powers (rep.), C. W. Stone (rep.), C. K. Bell (dem.), Lacey (rep.), Maguire (dem.), Richardson of Michigan (dem.), Newlands (silverite), Dolliver (rep.), Simpson (pop.), Pence (pop.), Boen (pop.), Cooper (dem.) of Texas, Rawlins (dem.), Holman (dem.), Neill (dem.), J. C. Bell (pop.), Little (dem.), Hatch (dem.)

All of those for the bill are democrats Those against it are: Democrats, eighteen; republicans, seven; populists, four, and Newlands, silver, one.

Arbitration in France.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 .- Those who are nterested in framing a code of arbitration aws to prevent or terminate strikes and lockouts may find suggestions in a report made to the State department by United States consul Whiley at St. Ettlenne, em-bodying the details of the French law of 1892, and a summary of its practical re-sults. The details are very clear, and sta-tistics are given for the year 1893, when there were 634 strikes in France. In 109 cases recourse was had to the arbitration act. In thirty-seven of these cases the em-

council. The bait thrown out for perpetuating the name of Tom Murray is a donation of nine acres of land adjacent to the park, and this donation has a string tied to it by which Murray or anybody else who succeeds him as owner of the Murray tract will be perpetually relieved from special taxes, Kansas City Journal: The nation is being including paying, sewerage, curb, sidewalks, etc. Nine acres of land at \$600 an acre are worth \$5,400. That would not grade, pave and sewer 100 yards

The State Printing board has contracted for the printing of the State Board of Agriculture at the rate of \$5.20 per folio. Two years ago the price paid for the same class of work was \$3.99. On the face of this showing it is apparent that somebody will get a rake-off. Who that lucky party may be will be made manifest later on.

The wonder is that the State Board of Transportation has not asked for an appropriation for more office help. The last entry in the board's docket was made on June 9 last, since which time the board has been busy assisting Judge Brewer and the Iowa railroads to prove that freight rafes are too low, and whenever the secretaries could get a day off during the campaign they yelled for the blue-shirted statesman of Peru.

The Burlington Journal has long been the special apologist of the State Board of Transportation. That paper has just secured the contract for doing the printing of the board at the rate of \$2.25 per folio. Two years ago it did the work for \$1.48. This advance of nearly 100 per cent in price will doubtless be explained by the fact that the alleged Board of Transportation has demanded double the amount of apologetic brain tissue at the hands of the pap-sucking print shop.

There are some good features in the proposed arbitration bill just introduced in congress. The chances are, however, that the good features will be knocked out and the bad features left in. What is wanted is not a permanent commission appointed by the president, which means another interstate commerce commission owned and controlled by corporations, but arbitration by jury, chosen fresh for each case from among disinterested experts, representing both sides of the controversy in equal numbers.

The easiest thing on earth is to get a man to sign a petition. If the business men who are requesting the fire and police commission to appoint an Omaha man as fire chief had informed themselves fully as to the difficulties with which the fire and police commissioners are beset in relation to the selection of a new fire chief we doubt very much whether they would have signed such a petition. As a matter of fact, they are interested as much as anybody is in securing the most experienced man that can be had to supervise the putting out of fires. All things being equal, an Omaha man should have the preference, but the making its choice where millions upon doned by this government, and with all banks. citizens are at stake.

There is no real danger, whatever the former tariff duties on our products fancied causes for apprehension there and our exports to that country will may be. This being the case, there is decline. The course of these countries is warrant for the belief, which is be-

entirely natural. It was to have been coming quite general, that the course expected. In the case of Spain, she of the banks is in pursuance of a comneeds all the revenue that can be obman understanding among them, and tained from Cuban imports, without that the purpose is either to force the oo greatly oppressing the people, and government to issue more bonds or to while it may appear unfair to discriminobtain such legislation from congress ate against the United States in the levyas these institutions desire. It may be ing of duties it is not inexplicable under somewhat harsh to say that the eastern the circumstances. We had an agreebanks are conspiring against the treasment with that country which was muury, and, therefore, against the governtually advantageous to the people of ment, but this is being said, and if the Cuba and to our own people. Under it course that has been pursued is perour exports to that island were largely sisted in it will not be long before the increased and its people obtained our belief will become general that such is products on more favorable terms than the case. Nothing more detrimental to before. Whether satisfactory or not to the banking interest of the country Spain, and there was a good deal of could happen than the growth of such popular opposition to if there, that gov- a belief among the people. It would ernment had never indicated any desire | enormously strengthen the opposition commission should not be hampered in to have it terminated. It was aban- to the national banks, and perhaps to

millions of property and the lives of that action we at least impaired our It would seem to be the interest claim to further consideration. It gave of these institutions, as well as wise

Where the Doubt Comes In.

A Foregone Conclusion.

Globel Democrat.

little joker comes in.

Chicago Record. Much doubt has been expressed as to the fate of the new financial plan in Washing-ton. The senate and the house of represent-atives have been partly sounded, but there is absolutely nothing to indicate how the Sugar trust and the railway lobby regard the measure

The Insurance Long Haul. Globe-Democrat

The American fire insurance companies have had a comparatively good year thus far, the losses footing up \$105,789,600, against \$132,847,400 for the same time in 1833. It is a pity that we are satisfied to call a good showing what in Europe would be termed startlingly bad.

Tone Down Your Diet. Kansas City Star.

Kansas City Star. The Agricultural department issues a sol-eman bulletin telling us that we eat too much. The various provident and benevo-lent associations should have that bulletin framed and posted conspicuously in their rooms. Now that a cold winter is coming on people cannot be too watchful of an ab-stemious diet.

Tribute to American Skill. Indianapolis Journal

Indianapolis Journal. An American iron company has captured a \$3,000,000 contract from the Russian gov-ernment for supplying armor plate for two new battle ships against competing bids from the armor plate manufacturers of England. France and Germany, including Krupp. The contract is the largest awarded by any European government in recent years, and the fact that it comes to the United States is a fine advertisement for American enterprise and skill.

The Hom . Industry Movement.

Brooklyn Eagle. South Carolina proposes to exempt from taxation for ten years the capital and prop-erty invested in new manufactures. It did this once before and when taxation was re-sumed the "new manufactures" disap-peared. Hancock said that the tariff was a local issue. To see the Charleston News and Courier, which is an extreme revenue reform journal, supporting this scheme of state protection to local industries proves the triumph of propinguity over policy, if not of expediency over excellence in govern-mental affairs. Brooklyn Eagle.

Out of the Woods.

Denver News. Whatever judges may think of their right to apply the law of 1890 to strikers on rail-ways, there is not a schoolboy who does not know that congress in enacting it never not know that congress in enacting it never not know that congress in enacting it never contemplated such a result. The clear-cut purpose of the framers, disclosed in the speeches of senators and representatives, and in every word and line of the act, was to prohibit combinations of capital from ob-structing and imparing the commerce of the courtry. The lucke practically acknowl-edged this in his decision, but hangs his distortion of the law upon a thread so slen-der that at a glance the profession must see that he violates every canon of construction familiar to it in doing so.

Discipling of Bank Officials. New Tork Sun.

New Tork Sun. Most assuredly the responsible officers of banking institutions are fully justified in holding all them employes to the strictest line of right and proper personal conduct. No man should take a place in a bank who is not willing to submit to rigorous disci-pline as regards, his habits of life. If in-dividual liberty **B** thus restricted, it is nec-essary for the safe conduct of the business that it should be. Of course, the presidents and other high buffeers of the banks will themselves obey such rules as they may lay down for the guidance of their subordinates. If a bank clerk thay not drink in a public place, or enter a pool room, or play hokey or craps, or give way to any other bad habit, neither may a bank president.

in preference to greenbacks.

RIPPLES OF MIRTH.

Philadelphia Record: Charley (bidding good-by)-I haven't the cheek to kiss you. Alice-Use mine.

could and was liable in damages for its Syracuse Post: McSwatters—I hear that Skiply is going to settle in New York. Skiply's Tailor—I wish he had settled here failure was better to leave the plates on the ships and simply assess the damages." Mr. Herbert also said the inspecting officer

had not been as diligent as they might have been, and added: "Since the discovery of Hartford Courant: "They tell me your servant is a jewel," said the caller. "Yes." replied the hostess wearly, "she's so much more ornamental than useful." these frauds they have been more vigilant not only there, but elsewhere, and in two cases since that time two other companies

Boston Bulletin: "Say, Jack, what is the capital of Switzerland?" Jack (who has just returned from abroad) -Why, the money they get from travelers, have been detected in fraud. Inspectors Carnegie works were imposed on for the reason that they were not present at night. Now they inspect day and night." In the course of his testimony he said:

Detroit Tribune: "She married below her walk in life."

"But she is only a chorus singer." "Certainly. Her husband is the trom one.

Vogue: Conductor-How old are you, little

girl? Buffalo Courier: Penner (moodily)—The editor of the Hustling Humorist may be fond of poking fun at others, but there is one thing sure. Boggs—And what's that? Penner—He doesn't know how to take a joke himself. The infernal old duffer per-sists in returning all 1 send him.

A TERRIBLE THREAT.

New York Press. 'Are you going home to your mother?'

The question came with a sneer-"I'm going to bring mother here."

Then down on his knees the husband fell And said he had treated her ill, And if she wouldn't do that he'd-well, She might step on his neck at will.

A MONOPOLIST'S WANTS

Sam Walter Foss in Yankes Blade. Sam Walter Foss in Yankee Blade. My wants are few, I sit serene Upon contentment's highlands, If I can have earth's continents I care not for its islands. I would not climb upon a throne Through seas of bloody slaughter, If I can call all lands my own, Why you can have the water.

Give me but these, they are enough To suit my humble notion, And you can have for all your own The land beneath the ocean. And 'tis a generous slice of earth, And doubliess quite prolific, If you can only drain it once: The bed of the Pacific.

And all I esk is just this earth, To regulate and man it, And I surrender all my claims To every other planet. And so you see I cut my cloth On a contracted pattern: Give me the earth, I drop all claim To Uranus and Saturn.

Little I need, my wants are few, Nor would I have them greater. I only want the land between The poles and the equator. Give me the earth, 'tis all I ask, For me and my wife Sarah, Then I'll give all my fellow men A house lot in Sahara.

The earth is very, very small, And not in good repair; Compared with Sirius it is A very small affair. And I just want it while I live, And Death, I'll not resist him, For after death I hope to get The whole great solar system.

Bethehem company this would be to delay the delivery of armor, for which the ships were already waiting, for one or two years, or else I must find some other company to take the contract, and there was no other company equipped to make the armor that was needed. Under these conditions I de-termined to let this company go on, pro-vided it should nay demages vided it should pay damages. "The department knew that some of these plates were defective, plates were defective, but it was believed they would stand the ballistic test; that is

make them as much better than this as it

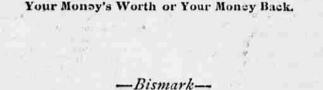
the lowest test. The company

act. In thirty-seven of these cases the em-ployers and in six cases the workingmen refused to accept arbitration. In two cases both sides declined to accept the findings. Pernvians Increasing Tobacco Duties. bound

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-Probably to meet the emergencies of the rebellion, the Peruvian government has already increased to do so. I thought, therefore, it the duties on cigars, cigarettes and tobacco from others than South and Central American countries, which is now taxed at 150 soles per kilogram; ordinary cigarettes at 50 soles per 1,000 packages, and Havana cig-arettes at 100 soles. The duties on other forms of tobacco are in proportion, and the government offers at public auction the duty on the consumption of tobacco for a period of two years. on the consum of two years.

> Working for the American Meat Trade. WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-George R. Davis, director general of the World's fair, has arrived in Washington as a member of the Western Board of Trade, endeavoring

"One thing I will say, if all these plates could be good and stand the ballistic test, to secure the removal of the German em-bargo on cattle and meats. Mr. Davis is opposed to retaliation, and is devoting his energics to securing congressional action on then it would greatly benefit the reputation of our ships. It would remove the suspicion that has been created by the publication of y the publication of the president's plan of repealing the dis-other hand, several criminating duty on German bounty paid the evidence. If, on the other hand, several cirmina sugars.



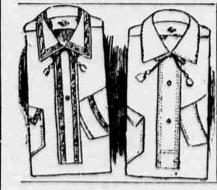
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