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Went up like a rocket, came down like oil.

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Next Monday will be Arbor day. If you can't plant trees, at least plant grass.

Wonder how many city councilmen turned in their income tax schedules as the law requires?

Atotrney General Olney has asked tax cases. The question is, Will be get it?

the abnormal fluctuations of the price

Having converted Colorado to the free silver cause, ex-Congressman Sibley feels encouraged to carry his propaganda into the other free silver states of the west.

Ex-Speaker Reed is probably so busy wrestling with the problem of the committeeships of the next congress that he has no time to bestow on the cultivation of his presidential boom.

The county commissioners will have the canal proposition and to first investi- by shrinking values. gate every feature of the project.

Judging from the talk among the A. P. A. strikers, there must be several appointing boards under the Churchillonly one is expressly provided for by

The suggestion of an electric tramway along the bank of the proposed canal deserves respectful consideration in connection with the proposition to submit the issue of bonds to a vote of

years the proceeds might be almost as great as from a tax on all gains during the same period.

New York might as well change the name of Broadway as of the Bowery. After the names of these thoroughfares have been imitated in so many towns and villages in the country it would be unheard of cruelty to deprive the imitations of their prototypes.

Republican league convention at Cleveland is an announcement that when his party wants him it will know where to find him, and in the interval he proposes to remain right on that spot.

The city council wants the street sweeping contractor to give preference to taxpayers in the employment of men. Perhaps it is necessary to explain that it does not mean income tax payers. Men with incomes in excess of \$4,000 will be refused work on the streets of Omaha.

The price of cattle and the price of dressed beef have not been keeping pace with one another. This is what gives rise to suspicion of a meat trust. This one fact, however, is not enough to establish the charge that the Increased prices are due exclusively to artificial causes.

It is easy to discern the shyster among a group of honorable lawyers, yet the disreputable, briefless "attorney" continues to fleece his victims. One of the interesting problems of these degenerate days is: Why does the bar of this district tolerate these noisome excrescences?

Vegetable gardens within the city limits may not improve the appearance of the city as much as would an equal number of handsome residences and business blocks, but they cannot be any worse than the stretches of vacant land covered with a growth of rank weeds that we have previously had to endure.

The people have not all discovered just which laws enacted by the late legislature passed with the emergency clause and are already in force. It might not be a bad plan for the secretary of state to promulgate a list of feeted by them may govern themselves gubernatorial election and resolutions for them to hold the business.

THE UPWARD TREND OF PRICES.

the consumption of bread. The milling make many republican votes in Tencopies interest of the country is consequently nessee, more active and has given strength to the wheat market. It may not last, but if it should not the price of wheat will 0.556 hardly recede to what it was before the advance begun. The improvement in cotton may be somewhat speculative, but a substantial reason for it is in the generally accepted fact of a reduction in acreage for the next crop. The very 19,022 general sentiment among the cotton .557,603 planters of the south seems to be that there should be no more 5-cent cotton and the understanding is that they are .531.633 directing their operations with this point in view. Beef has gone up because of a considerably reduced supply and a deficient production of petroleum, by

dences of the upward trend of prices, but they are not the only ones. There has been improvement in the markets for wool, hides and leather, iron ore, and the products of iron and steel. Indeed, there are few articles that do not command a better price than a month ago and in every department of trade a stronger and more confident feeling prefor a complete rehearing of the income valls. Admitting that there may be some speculative influence at work, the true explanation of the improvement is to be found in natural and legitimate Perhaps some of our free silver conditions. In the first place there was friends can explain the connection be- a demand for the products of manufac tween the so-called "crime of 1873" and turing industries which warranted a resumption of production, and in the sec ond place the business of the country, being relieved of the apprehension of damaging currency legislation, distrust has given way to a feeling of confidence Capitalists and business men are now assured that there is security against any radical change in the monetary system of the country for at least three years and probably much longer, and hey are disposed to start in and repair the damage done by the threat of revo lutionary financial legislation. A moderate general advance in prices would doubtless be a good thing for the country, since it would have the effect to the whole community back of them in stimulate activity and enterprise, for their determination to go slowly with more than two years past held in check

the rise in price of oil.

These are the most noteworthy evi-

MUST REORGANIZE THE SENATE. For some time past there has been considerable discussion in the press of the country of the probable reorganiza-Russell police commission bill, although tion of the senate upon the reconvening of congress. The senate as now consti tuted is under democratic organization. although no longer under democratic control. The small majority which the democrats were able to muster on strict party votes during the last two years has been dissipated in the senatorial elections of the winter, and on a poll of members the democrats in the senate If congress could impose a tax on all of the Fifty-fourth congress will be able losses incurred by the people of the to show up even less than the repub-United States during the past few licans. The republican senators, however, will not constitute a majority of the senate, the populists and free silver being the ones who will hold the balance of nower.

This being the situation as regards party strength in the senate, and in view of the fact that so long as President Cleveland remains in power the three factors in law-making cannot possibly be controlled by one party policy, the question is natural, Why reorganize the senate at all? If no party Ex-President Harrison's declination is in majority in the senate why should of the invitation to speak before the a minority venture to assume the responsibility of shaping legislation in that body? Even with the chairmanthe officers of the senate the republicans will still be unequal in strength to the leave things as they are if they cannot be materially bettered?

> This reasoning neglects to take notice of the actual condition of the senate who failed to be returned were mostly holding chairmanships of several important committees. The men who have even elected to take their seats have no places on committees whatever. It is absolutely necessary that the new senators be assigned to committee work, and in this assignment weight must be given to the relative strength of the parties on each committee. The chairmanship must be given to some party. It would be folly to attempt to divide the omnuitiees among the three parties imilarly to the division of the senate. Reorganization, therefore, becomes an absolute necessity. The disposition seems to be to permit the republicans to undertake the reorganization with certain concessions to the third party senators, and, while reorganizing, there is no reason why the work should not include everything, chairmanships, committee places, and the officers of the

senate as well. It is most creditable to a portion of the democrats of Tennessee that they have not hesitated to condemn in unqualified terms the usurpation by which Henry Clay Evans, the republican candidate for governor at the election last November, was deprived of the office to which on the face of the returns he was clearly chosen and the democratic candidate installed as governor. At Nashville last Saturday a mass meeting of democrats was held to protest such laws in order that the people af- against the partisan investigation of the

terms the course that had been pursued ton, as well as beef and petroleum, have were appealed to "not to sustain or of the business men of Denver? advanced in price, and a sympathetic approve the unfair and partisan action tendency has been shown in other prod- of the committee." There is not the is large, while reports regarding crops is fully committed to sustaining the are not unfavorable. The explanation usurpation. The supporters of the is to be found in the fact that a mate- fraudulent governor are bound together rially increased demand for flour is by a common interest. There is no immereasonably anticipated as a result of diate remedy for the wrong that has the more general employment of labor. been committed against a majority of The resumption of industrial activity the people of Tennessee. But they will has given employment to hundreds of not forget it, and we are greatly mispeople who were long idle and com- taken if they do not at the earliest oppelled to practice the closest economy. portunity severely rebuke the unscrup-The improved demand for the necestulous partisans who have brought re saries from this source will be felt in proach upon the state. Such utterances every line of trade, and especially in as those of the Nashville meeting must

SWELLING IMPORTS.

It was noted a short time since that the importations of the first three months of the current year were considerably in excess of those of the corresponding period of last year, and that the exports showing at the same time a falling off we were steadily increas ing our indebtedness to Europe. The March statement of imports and exports adds another to the interesting developments regarding the working of the new tariff law. It is shown that the importation of merchandise which comes in free has fallen off, while the dutiable importations have largely increased Thus from September 1, 1894, to April

whatever means brought about, explains 1, 1895, the value of the free importations was \$7,000,000 less than for the corresponding months of 1893-4, while the value of the importations of dutia ble merchandise during the former pe riod exceeded that of the latter period to the amount of \$68,000,000. This is a very large increase for seven months and unfortunately there was for the same time a decrease in exports, comof 1893-4, of over \$52,000,000. The exports for the seven months to April 1, 1895, exceeded the imports by only \$83,-000,000, while for the seven months to April 1, 1894, the excess of exports over imports was \$196,000,000—a difference in the trade balance of the two periods, under the operation of the McKinley and the present tariff laws, of \$113,000, 000 against this country. It is very evident that if this state

of things shall continue it is a question of only a short time when what is called the balance of trade will be turned against the United States, causing an enlarged demand upon our gold resources. And what is to prevent it continuing so long as there is a market here for foreign merchandise? Encouraged by the new tariff, European manufacturers have sent an enormous amount of their products, particularly those which belong under the head of dry goods, to the American markets, and there is no reason to suppose that they will not go on doing so. It is their great | chored himself. opportunity and they naturally propose to make the most of it. If these heavy importations furnished the treasury with sufficient revenue to meet the expenditures of the government they do not do this, whereas a much less mantity of dutiable foreign merchandise brought in under the McKinley tariff did provide the necessary revenue. At the same time the tendency of these largely increased importations is to reduce domestic manufacture, to the detriment of both American labor and capital. It may be urged that the great body of consumers is benefited by the effect in keeping down prices, but the prosperity of the American people will be found in abundant employment at good wages rather than in the cheapening of what they have to buy through men who have cut loose from all parties foreign competition with home industries. The country can stand the increased importations of the last seven months, but it is a condition of affairs the continuance of which cannot be re-

garded with satisfaction.

AN OBJECT LESSON. Omaha is not alone in her consistent demand for reduced fire insurance premium rates. Property owners and business men of Denver have made an organized protest against excessive premium charges. They have brought pressure to bear upon insurance agents ships of the important committees and | that must result in lower rates. While water pressure and efficiency in the fire department in Denver are admitted by two other groups combined. Why not the insurance people to be all that could be desired, yet premium rates are higher than in any other city in the country. In Omaha the underwriters sought to justify advanced rates by alleging incommittees. The democratic senators adequate water pressure and inefficient fire fighting. It will be noted, however, senators of long standing, occupying that in Denver extortionate rates were places on numerous committees and imposed where no such excuse could be offered.

The merchants of Denver have given notice to the Board of Underwriters that unless premium rates be immediately reduced they will pool and send every dollar of premium money to other states where the companies now doing business in Denver are writing policies upon the same classes of property at rates much lower than those exacted of Denver merchants. The Denver people find that at least 20 per cent of the premium money now and heretofore exacted can be saved by insuring with companies having no agents in Colorado. This declaration is said to have precipitated a panic among the insurance men, who have promised substantial concessions. They agree to so reduce their rates that the aggregate saving to Denver will be \$52,000 per annum. This offer, however, has not been accepted. The merchants who have the past year gone outside of Colorado for their insurance have shown to their neighbors the great saving of such a course. It has resulted in the formation of a pool which embraces the heaviest property owners of Denver. These men have carried about \$85,000,000 of insurance in recent years. The threatened loss of the greater part of this business has

were adopted denouncing in unmeasured | Thus we have an object lesson of

forced local agents to make common

cause with members of the pool and

they are demanding of their companies

such reductions as will make it possible

Is there to be an era of higher prices by the majority. The investigation was for commodities generally? The indi- declared to have been utterly unfair patrons fairly. The question is, will cations point that way. Wheat and cot- and the democrats in the legislature Omaha merchants profit by the example

Everything depends upon the men se nets. The improvement in wheat is slightest probability, however, that any lected as appraisers of the property especially noteworthy in view of the beed will be given to the appeal. The which the prison contractor wants to general understanding that the surplus democratic majority in the legislature turn over to the state. If the appraisers do their duty and recognize the various claims, to set off which the state has a right to assert the dimensions of the penitentiary job may be kept within bounds. Let the penitentiary ring control the appraisers, however, and not only will the appropriation made by the legislature for the purchase of this property be entirely given the contractor to be lobbied through the next legislative session.

The suit of a secretary of a Wyoming ex-congressman for salary withheld is bringing out some of the abuses of the Such an alliance means no more Russian system of congressional private secreturies. It is not to be thought for a China alliance means the rise of a great selfmoment that the case of the Wyoming asserting power in the Orient, civilized, devel ex-congressman is an exception. It is notorious around Washington that the money allowed representatives for clerk right side of the combination. hire does not all go to the person who does the clerical work. The allowance Japan cannot claim, as the result of such for clerk hire has come to be viewed as a perquisite of the congressman to be kept for himself or given to friends in nations site fermerly belonged to, and or relatives, as he sees fit. The abuse that, as we have already stated, is indeed a is in the system itself.

Central Texas is crying for more rain and unless rain is had there is fear that there will be an almost total failure of crops in a large section of the state, sea, against any of these great powers, Nebraska sincerely hopes that Texas will secure the much needed rain in ample time. Nebraska's experience with crop failure has been such that she does not wish any other community to have a similar one. So long as her farms are accorded the moisture they pared with the corresponding months require she is willing and much prefers that every other state shall be equally well treated.

The example of the successful home industry banquets of the Nebraska Manufacturers and Consumers association is not going unheeded. The manufacturers of Iowa are quite willing to take lessons from their associates west of the Missouri river, as is evidenced by The lefty tendencies of meat and oil have the banquet just held at Council Bluffs. The affair seems to have been entirely satisfactory to all concerned and the feature will doubtless find the same favor in Iowa that it has in Nebraska.

The expansion of building and loan associations in this city is of itself evidence of a determination among men of moderate means to acquire homes of their own. Tirfs is the laudable ambition of every true American. A man with a homestead all his own is a better citizen than he who has not thus an-

The more insurance rates are studied, as applied to the various states of the west, the firmer must be the conviction | Like that fire insurance companies have no | makes her life miserable. might be favorably regarded, but they fixed standards by which rates are established. On the contrary, such rates are arbitrarily made "as high as the traffic will bear."

We again remind the assessors of Douglas county that there are hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of personal property in the various wards and precincts that has never met the withering gaze of their predecessors.

Monroe Doctrine Defined. Washington Star.

The Monroe dictrine practically insists that the South American countries shall do all their fighting among themselves.

For Thrashing Purposes Chicago Tribune

Among the democrats of the west there is a growing disposition to let the presidential nomination next year go to some eastern

A Plan to Save Some Northern. Gione-Democrat.

Before the democrats fully make up their minds to nominate a southern man for president, it would be well for them to ascertain if there is one who would consent to play such a part merely to save some northern man the humiliation of being the worst beaten candidate of the century.

Too Much Supervision. Minneapelis Times.

The growing disposition of politicians to put every industry or enterprise in the country under the supervision of a fat and lordly commissioner and thus to provide room and comfort for all the whoopers, friends and relatives of the powers that be, is becoming more apparent every day.

becoming more apparent every day Lots of Time to Think.

Justice Jackson will not be able to sit in the present term of the supreme court of the United States, and the income tax case cannot have a rehearing before October. A heap of thinking can be kept up, though; and if the supreme court cannot see its way clear to overthrowing the tax, congress will clear to overthrowing the tax, congress will

The South Fights Shy.

he proposition to put a southern demo-t at the head of the presidential ticket 1896 appears to meet with favor every-re, except in the south. The proposition nominate a western democrat, too, seems to be favorably regarded everywhere, ex-cept in the west. From these regions there comes a widespread, almost universal de-mand by democrats for the nomination of a te resident in some other region than their own.

Unfortunate and Iti-Judged.

Mr. Cleveland made one unfortunate and fil-judged remark in his letter to the Chicago committee. He said: "If our people were isolated from all others, and the question of our currency could be treated without regard to our relations with other countries, its character would be a matter of comparatively little importance." That is a view which tends to strengthen the position of the inflationists, rather than to combat their arguments, it is untrue. If the United Sintes never, saw a forcign ship and never heard of a foreign nation, it could not afford to maintail; an unsound financial system. The story told by John Bach McMaster in the April number of the Forum of the carly attempts of Kentucky and Ohio to put out a flat currency might be cited as proof. These states were at that time practically isolated. They harmed none but themselves. But they hurt themselves Boffalo Express.

THE SPOILS OF WAR.

Chicago Mail: It all means that China as an empire disappears from the map and Japan becomes the leading Asiatle power. Kansas City Times: The Chinese-Japan peace convention has been signed, and the tope is created that the hostilities which

have been so disastrous to the flowery king-dom will be brought to an end. The official statement of the treaty shows that in the but the money indemnity is less, only \$100, claims.

government to a realizing sense of its rela-tions to the outside world, of the defects of its own methods, and of the wants of its people. It has been a war between progress nd conservatism, and not the least of the of the Monroe doctrine. results of the victory of the former, brilliant and unexpected as it has been, will be exhausted, but also a deficiency claim the future development of the conquered ower under the influences of western civili-

fensive alliance between Japan and China would mean certainly the uplifting of China to the highway of progress along which Japan has been traveling so successfully. aggression from the north; no more British and French steals west and south. A Japanoping the vast resources of each country, and it means vast trade for the western nations Springfield Republican: Analysis of

briefest sort is sufficient to demonstrate that conflict, a position among the great military powers of the earth. She has simply proved herself to be far above the rank of barbar great achievement. But to seriously regard Japan in the light of her campaign in Asia as having been shown to be a formidable rival of England, Russia or the United States is a delusion. Her strength would very prob ably be found to be greatly overrated she were to be pitted, either on land o

PEOPLE AND THINGS.

It is not in evidence that Japan took the The advance in oil is viewed with consider able suppressed joy in the Chicago university. Could June equal the rare charm of these April days? Let June speak out or forever hold its pence.

The advance in the price of various com modities is playing havoe with serial arguments of the Coin variety.

The Arkansas legislature closed a session of eighty-seven days devoted largely to investigations that did not investigate and gun

plays. The police census of New York has been withdrawn for revision. Unless it foots up the estimated total, it will be repudiated as a fraud.

There is a political screw loose somewhere. not been traced to the malign influence of the administration. That large, varied and humorously-tinted

crop of inanimate William goats on walls and windows is suggestive of advancing art in interior decorations. Wyoming oil does not appear disturbed by

the Pennsylvania flurry. The Micawbers of that section haven't energy enough to grab a good thing when it turns up. Meredith H. Kidd, an Indiana man, has be

me chairman of the Ute commission, where, it is expected, he will conduct himself with that friskiness which his name implies. The legislature of Minnesota is one of the few law making bodies which believes in practicing as well as preaching economy. It has cut in two the estimates of state expenses.

It is a subject of general remark that the author of the income tax, since the supreme court decision, displays unbroken flashes of that makes his surroundings perfectly delightful to onlookers.

Like many others similarly afflicted, Mr. Green complains that her fortune Yet there are thousands ready to relieve her of the burden, but she evinces no desire to be happy. When the efficial executioner of Paris

heard of the exploits of Chicago's reform mayor-decapitating 1,500 employes in -he handed in his resignation and retired to private life with a shattered record. Miss Ellen Collins, whom Mayor Strong has appointed school inspector for the Fifth New York district, has not been connected directly with educational work, but is one of the most experienced women in the city in the matter of tenement house reform. Governor Matthews of Indiana was asked

by a reporter: "Are you a candidate for And this was his reply: course, if the nomination were tendered me I would conceive it to be my duty to accept it. I am not working for the nomination, however." Nathan Sanders, king of the fakirs, died

in New York on Good Friday. He had over 200 assistants, and was known all over the United States. He was, at the time of his death, the head of a syndicate, the operations of which extend all over the country, branches in this city, Chleago and San Fran cisco. Its object was to supply small fakirs with stock, which was sold outright or on ommission

The famous Iowa calf case is threatened with a rival, if not in duration of litt gation, at least in the novelty of legal points involved. A Lyon county man sold his sonin-law a half interest in a cow and then refused to divide the milk, claiming that he only sold the front half of the an buyer was also required to provide the feed he cow consumed, and was compelled to carry water to her three times a day. Recently the cow hooked the old man and he is sueing the gon-in-law for damages.

NEBRASKA AND NEBRASKANS.

A lawn tennis club has been organized at Wilber and is now ready for business. Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Laughlin, residing near raig, have just celebrated their silver wed-

There are 700 cases on the docket of the Custer county district court for trial at the April term. The Saline County Woman's Christian Temunion will hold a convention at Wilber May 1 and 2, H. B. Sherman has been appointed re-

seiver for the Beatrice Building association on application of the creditors. Syracuse is to have a new mill and ele-The mill will have a capacity of seventy-five barrels a day and will

Representative Barry was welcomed hon at Greeley Center with a brass band in honor of his appointment as adjutant general or

Mrs. John Hosner of Columbus has been idjudged insane and sent to the Norfolk aylum. Several years ago her son disap-eared and it was believed that he was rowned. Since that time she has been gradually losing her mind.

While Nels Johnson and family were driv ing across a bridge near Craig their horses became frightened and plunged into the ravine below. The occupants of the buggy lumped in time to save their lives, but the vine below. carriage was smashed into a thousand frag

Mail Agent Golsard of Kearney has bee playing in hard luck for the past few weeks First his horse ran away and smashed things enerally. Then a thief came along and his harness and a coat. The next up generally. day his wife was severely burned, and i pearance and carried off all his provisions.

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THE NICARAGUAN INCIDENT.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: It seems Great Britain is not satisfied with Nicaragua's "soft answer." But it does not follow that John Buil will think it necessary to punch the Nicaraguan head with a cannon ball. As sefore remarked, Uncle Sam will have r battleship handy to warn John to "be keer-

Chicago Post: Trick or no trick, however, matter of territory Japan has exacted more the American government has the highes than was indicated in the advance reports, interests at stake with respect to the sug but the money indemnity is less, only \$100,-000,000 in gold being required to settle the land. The question involved is far above any dispute over Nicaraguan treatment Chleago Tribune: In the end the war will British consuls or Nicaraguan inability to be an advantage to China by awakening its pay a cash indemnity for what seems a wan ton act. Any attempt of Great Britain to place the foot of proprietorship upon Corr island would be resisted, must be resisted, by the United States as a flagrant violation

Detroit Free Press: International usages do not permit the interference of a disinter-ested nation to protect a little power from a big one, but due notice has been served upon Eugland that she cannot absorb Nicaragua know I am diametrically opposed to George Minneapolis Journal: A defensive and of- or any part of it as payment for damages Any extension of foreign control on this hemisphere is interdicted and England must deal in this matter with a full understanding of the limit placed upon her upon. Mr. Kennan is writing and talking of rights on this side of the water. When she the Siberia of ten years ago. What Mr. rangresses the Monroe doctrine she must Kennan says of Siberia is today all wrong. deal with the United States.

New York Sun: Yet the grave problem involved appears to be only postponed, not finally solved. The Royal Arthur and her consort are understood to have been ready to proceed to Corinto this week to collect England's claim by force should their in structions so warrant. The recent proposal of France in regard to collecting her debts from San Domingo will be recalled. In that case, too, a resort to the law of the stronger was averted. But the question still remains as to the possible seizure of the territory of American republics by European powers, i order to enforce the payment of debts.

Springfield Republican: The settlement of the trouble between Great Britain and Nicaragua makes very much less difference to the United States than the jingoes would now. have us believe, for there never has been any serious danger that we should be brought with the new czar recently. "I found him a into the dispute. We could not have cham-Britain such indemnity as was properly her due because of the expulsion of Consul Hatch and injuiries to other British citizens. nor could we have denied to Great Britain the right to collect that indemnity in such way as seemed best. We have established precedents that would forbid such defense of Nicaragua.

> Too Many Ciphers. Chleago Matt.

Chicago Mail.

There is an odor of fish in the story that General J. S. Clarkson of lowa and other politicians and capitalists have organized a company with \$300,000,000 of capital to operate a new patent telephone. It is generally a safe plan to chop off three of the right-hand figures in estimating the actual capital of the numerous million-dollar corporations which are being continually organized. If, however, it is true that a substantial company has been formed which will be able to supply a telephone superior to the Bell instrument at an annual rental of \$25, the patient and long-suffering American people will rejoice with exceeding gludness and bid the new telephone men godspeed. the new telephone men godspeed.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

Boston Transcript: Fuddy—The villian! But you made him swallow his words? Duddy—How could I when they were so

Detroit Tribune: "I don't understand how you are going to marry your client if she is being prosecuted for bigarny." "Oh, I'm going to move the court to ap-point me receiver of the property in dis-

Philadelphia Inquirer: Mrs. Kicksey— Why do you suppose the high hat is mak-ing so much trouble?

Kicksey—Because there's a woman at the bottom of it, of course.

Detroit Free Press: Teacher-What is the gender of "money?" Scholar-Feminine. Teacher (severely)-Why? Scholar-Because money talks.

ooklyn Engle:

Indianapolis Journal: Tommy-Paw, why is it that the heathens always gets licked by the Christian soldiers?

Mr. Figg-I guess it is mostly due to the fact that they have too many gods and not

enough guns. Puck: "Why," thundered the king of Dahomey, lowering his field glass, "is the left wing of the amazons firing without orders and breaking into retreat?"
"Sire," answered the chief of staff, "a courier announces that a cow has appeared in front of the lines at that point."

IN MEMORIAM. New York Press. Here lies the body of Income Tax, Who, after several awful whax Just where Queen Mary caught the ax, Tipped up his toes and turned to wax. Elame not his ghost for what he lax, For his ancestors were all quax.

SIBERIA IN A NEW LIGHT

Wonderful Change in the Last Ten Years.

HARRY DE WINDT DIFFERS FROM KENNAN

Thinks the Celebrated Russian Writer Was Often Deceived and that Horrors Have Been Greatly Mitigated in Recent Years-The Czar Too Liberal.

NEW YORK, April 18 .- Harry De Windt,

who is at the Waldorf hotel, is a well known traveler and correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette of London. Mr. De Windt writes of Russia and the prisoners of Siberia. Speaking of Siberia, he said: "Of course you Kennan, the Russian writer. Mr. Kennan has written on the horrors of Siberian prisons and his writings have been widely commented upon. Mr. Kennan is writing and talking of I wish to pay the tribute to Mr. Kennan of saying that his lectures and writings have done more to secure good treatment for Russian convicts in Siberia than the combined efforts of all the political societies in Russia, "I have been everywhere in Russia and Siberia," added Mr. De Windt, "that Mr. Kennan was. I visited all the spots where he wrote that there were flagrant outrages. In several places I found the very people who had given him his information. I found that in many instances he was decrived by clever criminals, who borrowed money from him and then told him pathetic stories of un-fortunate political entanglements that led to their imprisonment. I believe Mr. Kennan is honest and sincere, but times are different

Mr. De Windt had a personal conversation pioned a refusal by Nicaragua to pay Great broad and liberal views-almost too broad for Russia. The rumor has been current in Russia for some time that the system of banishment to Siberia was to be done away with. From what I learned while there, I think I can safely say that at the end of three years this punishment by exile will be obsolute. Steps are being taken now to do away with the system, and laws are being formulated to replace it. There is no capital punishment in Russia. Exile to Siberia is the severest penalty. The new czar is in favor of giving freedom to the press and to public Indeed, he is too democratic to suit his ministry.

> WIDOW WAS TRULY GRATEFUL Knelt Down in Court and Thanked God for

Sentence on Her Husband's Slayer. CHICAGO, April 18 .- A dramatic scene occurred in Judge Stein's court when Mrs. Parento, an Italian woman, knelt in the court room and thanked God that her husband's slayer had been condemned to death. Silverio Barelli had been on trial for the killing last November of Dominic Parento, the evidence showing that the shooting oc-curred because Parento kicked Barelli out of his house after the latter had struck Mrs. Parento with his fist. The jury returned a verdict of guilty today, recommending the death penalty. Mrs. Parento, who had been a constant attendant at the trial, fell upon her knees and poured out a fervent prayer of thanks that her husband's murderer was to meet death. She called down blessings upon the heads of the jurors, and then turning to the judge, passionately pleaded that he would see that the sentence be carried out.

SKEPTICAL.

I used to think that figgerin' was the finest thing about—
Wa'n't nothing in my 'rithmetic I couldn't cipher out, An' I had a sort of idee, at the time I quit Somerville Journal: First Tramp—How did you manage to get such a fine lot of stuff from that woman at the last house?

Second Tramp—Asked her for work the first thing I said. She fainted with surprise, and I dragged the whole collection here before she came to again.

An' I had a sort of idee, at the time I quit the school, Thet in mathematics, anyhow, I wa'n't nobody's fool. But ef what Lyme Trask was tellin' me abcout his son is true I guess I must 'a' graduated 'fore I got quite through.

Lyme's boy is situated in some big con-

Brooklyn Eagle: Mrs. Richley-Please,
Mr. Burglar, don't take that diamond pin;
it's a keepsake!

Burglar-Dat's all right, ma'am; I give
yer me woyd as a gentleman dat I'll send
yer de pawn ticket be mail de foyst ting in
de mornin'.

Boston Courier: The quickest and best
way to end a quarrel is for both to play the
martyr and give in.

Indianapolis Journal: Tommy-Paw,
why is it that the heathens always gets
licked by the Christian soldiers?

Dyna corn, he said:
He's Actuary-that's a place requires a
head.
Accorde-ing to Lyme, you couldn't stick
the little cuss.
Them air miscellaneous stumpers, sech as
used to bother us,
At the back end of the book, would be like
a, b, c to him—
Gits the right answer ever' time. I swan,
he must be trim!
Chalk a hundred thousand figgers on your
barn and', dum it, squire,
He'll feet.

He'ls Actuary-that's a place requires a
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a, b, c to him—
Both the back end of the book, would be like
a, b, c to him—
Both the back end of the book in the back end of the Ye let him know your birth date, an' Lyme says, beyond a doubt He'll tell within a fortni't of your final

droppin' out.

He knows just what your life's worth.
Lyme says, an' I'll be sworn.

He says that he kin cal-late what it costs
ye to be born.

A hundred years ahead he knows what
cost of coal'il be.

An' p'aps he's figgered out the odds 'twixt
tweedle-dum and dee. tweedle-dum and dee, P'aps he ain't too—anyhow, all-fired smart-Be ruther tryin' on your mind for fear yer head u'd bust eddication, like enough, was limited, but, squire easy rule to work by when ye figger

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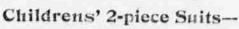
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