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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.

Governor Holcomb's edict against the

of the Waller case the settlement of that controversy promises to be one of the legacies of the Cleveland administration to its successor. A word from Coin Harvey on the re-

sults of the recent elections might not be entirely out of place. Perhaps he can point out just what part of it is traceable directly to his wonderful financial school.

With Broatch in the mayor's office and the boodle combine entrenched in the council not another dollar of bonds will be voted for any purpose in the next two years except possibly for refunding bonds already issued.

A bark landed last week in San Francisco reported having been drifting for sixty-four days. But then that is nothing. The democratic party has just been cut adrift with a prospect of being kept out of sight of land many times that period.

The illness of Judge Thurman has called forth several premature newspaper obituaries. Accidents are likely to happen in the best regulated newspaper offices, but we are sure the publie is willing to wait for a death notice until a man's death is at least rumored.

Every cent of the legislative appropriation of \$73,000 has been used in the construction of the new State university library building. But this is nothing unusual. The taxpayers of the state will important work, hardly less important Omaha that demands separate law offi- pressure enough be brought to bear feel thankful if an appeal for a deficlency appropriation does not make its to the business interests of New York. appearance before the next legislature.

A year ago almost every city fund had a comfortable balance in it. This year is part of the financial problem whose solution will confront the new city council immediately after its organiza-

Another defeat for woman suffrage in Massachusetts, but the professional agitators will remain undaunted. The woman suffragists are as persistent as the prohibitionists and are ever on hand to raise the Issue in which they are particularly interested. They will not be satisfied unless they sustain one or two defeats each year.

New fast trains will soon reduce the time between Chicago and Omaha to fourteen hours or less. Railroads of the west are determined to show the east that fast running is possible in the wild and woolly region as well as in the effete east. Every year shows material reductions in the time tables, and no one will say the limit has yet been reached.

Chauncey Depew has been heard from. He says the outcome of the elections last week makes it practically a walkover for the republican presidential ticket next year. He is also reported as saying he will not be a candidate for the nomination before the republican national convention. We knew we would not have to wait long before hearing from Chauncey.

One of the drawbacks from which Omaha is still suffering is the disposition of home consumers to give preference to articles manufactured outside of Nebraska. There are hundreds of plete program and that a substitute for government or haproved public morals. thousands of dollars expended for for the legal tender currency must be proeign made goods every year in Omaha vided. It is suggested that the secrewhich could be kept in circulation at tary of the treasury will again propose home if the purchasers would request the substitute which he outlined last merchants to supply them with home made goods. Next to establishing new approval of the democrats in congress. mills and factories the keynote of This was a modification of what is Omaha's prosperity is in the extension known as the Baltimore plan and in of existing industries by increased deview of the little regard that was shown many large land owners as well as mand from home consumers.

Again come ominous rumers of anto embrace not only the great trunk lines, but also a number of the principal steamship lines. That an effort is making to bring about such a combination is not to be questioned. Yet the interstate commerce a plan of currency reform framed by promise is that they will be very much commissioners proceed as if they had a democratic administration. no inkling of railway pooling and when might as well be a dead letter.

most eminent political economists.

tent that would precipitate a disastrous nues continue to fall below expend-2754 crisis from which the country could not itures, would be overwhelmingly re- acceding to them. It is evident, how-

9.102 that will make free silver the main any interest, until there is a republican man people, 392.762 issue in the campaign of 1896. Such a congress and president. party may possibly be organized, but it is not likely to become the decisive factor in the next presidential election, even if it should succeed in swallowing the turkey is out, and it will take a smart tain that all the Rocky mountain and Omaha is run on the high pressure plan. execuation in the highest degree. The Nebraska gobbler to escape the execu- Pacific coast states could be carried for It is designed for a city of 250,000 popu- Bee sounded the alarm at the time and At the present pace in the adjustment control only a mere handful of votes in the electoral college. There is a bare possibility that two or three of the agricultural states east of the Rockies might be drawn into the free silver whirlpool, but all told they could not hold the balance of power in the electoral college.

> From present indications the republican candidate will have votes to spare before he reaches the states west of the Missouri. The dissolution of the solid outh in the coming campaign is almost foregone conclusion. West Virginia. Louisiana and North Carolina are almost certain to go republican and Tennessee, Maryland and Delaware are bound to be debatable ground. Under these circumstances the new silver party proposed by Senator Jones, or for that matter, any new party at all, is the political drama of next year. CANAL QUESTION IN NEW YORK

York was favorable to the proposition proving the canals of that state and already the state officers are looking into the matter of the issuance of bonds. The law makes about \$4,000,000 of the amount almost immediately available, the issuing of the bonds, to proceed to cularge and improve the Eric and other canals. The promise is, therefore, that will be begun and prosecuted with vigor. It will require several years to complete the work, but when it is accomplished the carrying capacity of almost every city fund is either nearly the canals will be doubled and transexhausted or will be nearly exhausted portation between the east and west by the end of the fiscal period. This materially facilitated. This is important and equally so is the effect which the improvements will have on the rates of transportation. There can be no doubt that the advantage in this respect to western producers will be very considerable. It is a generous sum which the voters of New York have decided shall be expended in this way. but there can be no question as to the wisdom of their action. There was rigorous opposition from those who believe that what is required is a deep waterway from the lakes to the sea board and that improving the canals will interfere with that project, but a deep waterway is a thing of the remote future, if it shall ever be constructed, and the growing transportation demands between the west and east must be met sooner. The improvement of the New York canals will in a large measure do this and will also be a safeguard against excessive charges

for transportation. THE CURRENCY REFORM ISSUE There is no doubt of the intention of the administration to urge the question of currency reform upon the attention of the Fifty-fourth congress. It is stated upon trustworthy authority that Secretary Carlisle will in his annual report ecommend the retirement of the legal ender notes and the substitution of a currency based upon the general assets of the banks. According to a usually well-informed Washington correspondyear and which failed to receive the it in the last congress it is quite possible that Mr. Carlisle will change it some- their activity, but if possible are even what, though in no case can be reason- more zealous than ever in demanding other gigantic railway pool, this abiy hope for it any very serious con- legislation in their interest and quite as

That the administration should desire tion is again entered upon. questioned as to the enforcement of to push this question to the front is eas. The principal support of bimetallism the anti-pooling section of the interstate lily understood, but the fact is there is in Germany comes from this source. law reply that they have had no knowl- no need of haste in reforming the cur- but the restoration of silver is but one edge of attempted violations. The com- rency, at any rate on the lines which it and perhaps not the most urgent of the missioners have taken sides in favor of is understood President Cleveland and agrarian demands. They want agrithe repeal of the anti-pooling clause and | Secretary Carlisle will recommend. A | culture protected as other interests are.

Senator John P. Jones of Nevada is treasury no more trouble in the near strictions Thom the importation of by all odds the ablest man in the free future than it did prior to the time Russian ognenitural products, and silver ranks. As an exponent of bimet- when the revenues fell below the ex- probably would be willing to have it allism at the old standard of 16 to 1 he penditures of the government. For a abrogated given at the risk of impairing stands head and shoulders above any period of thirteen years following the the more friendly relations between the other man who has championed the resumption of specie payments the two countries which it brought about, cause of the white metal. He is a pract greenbacks caused no embarrassment to but if the eannot have this they intical miner of long experience and has the treasury. During that period the sist upon being protected against the made the subject of the money metals government was in receipt of ample revel competition of other countries. It was a study from both the practical and the enue and the gold reserve was fully the influence of this element which led theoretical standpoint. His sincerity as maintained. It ought to be entirely ob- the government to exclude American an advocate of the free and unlimited vious, then, to all practical men that cattle and meats from Germany and coinage of silver cannot be called into if the conditions prevailing before 1893 this policy of exclusion would probably question, although his conclusions are should be restored the legal tender notes have been carried further but for an at variance with those of the world's would at once cease to be a source of apprehension on the part of the governtrouble or difficulty.

The only thing that might warp the It is entirely safe to say that this is to Germany's foreign commerce.

MUST ABOLISH ALL SINECURES. populist party. It is by no means cer. Omaha. The municipal machinery of dained that instrument merits public a free silver candidate in 1896. At the lation, with taxable property aggregatiold the people of this community that very best the sure silver states would ing at least \$100,000,000. In other the contractor would be licensed under should be classed with Albany, Indian- pay the doctor, apolis and Atlanta.

The retrenchment ordinance recently enacted contemplates a reduction of lenge the authenticity of the A. P. A. about \$20,000 a year in the city pay roll. documents reprinted in The Bee's re-While the proposed new salary list is in cent exposure of the methods of the the line of economy and reform advocated by The Bee for more than a year past, it falls short in many respects of tion for office to which that man takes meeting the necessities of the hour. exception are ready to testify that he There are still men on the pay roll whose services can be dispensed with when he sees it. Every one of the A. without impairing the efficiency of the P. A. documents to which reference municipal government and there are was made in The Bee is the genuine several departments that should be reorganized on a business footing.

For example, there is no more need of a sergeant-at-arms for the city coundestined to play an insignificant part in cil than there was before this sinecure secretary from \$125 per month to \$80 The verdict of the voters of New is no necessity whatever for a salaried day of the year and lots of it, while the for an expenditure of \$9,000,000 in im- man employed in the legal department police commission clerk has nothing to under the pretext of hunting up evi- do half of the time, the discrimination There is no need whatever for a Board happens to hold the favored position. of Education attorney. The city attorand it directs the superintendent of ney and his assistants should be republic works, within three months after quired to attend to the legal business of the school board just as the city treasurer acts as the financial agent of the board. There is no conflict between the the city hall suffer radical reductions early in the spring of next year this city of Omaha and the school district of in their salaries. The question is, Can cers for each. There are many other sinecures and supernumerary employes which should be abolished in the interest of economy.

While it is absolutely necessary that the department shall be maintained up to the highest point of efficiency, the xpenses of the police department can and should be materially reduced. In the month of July, 1895, the pay roll of the police department, including the saiaries of the chief and the twenty-two nen stricken off by the council, aggre gated \$6,421.70. In the month of October, 1895, the pay roll of the police department aggregated \$7,731,33. The pay roll for November, 1895, will be still greater than that for October. There was no occasion nor call for increasing the police force in the month of October and yet there was an increase of \$1,309.63 in the running expenses of the department over the month of July. If the police force is to be maintained at the October cost, the additional cost for the year will be \$16,000 in round figures. This is an unmitigated outrage upon the axpayers. It is a question also whether the police fund levy will yield \$93,000 a year. The levy for police purposes is by charter limited to 5 mills, which represents about \$85,000, deducting the 10 per cent allowed for delinquencies. It is very doubtful whether 80 per cent of next year's levy will be collectible. The result will be a deficit of from \$15,000

to \$20,000. Is it not time to call a halt on police board extravagance? That body has already curtailed the income of the city from police court revenue by no less than \$5,000 a year and the income of the school fund by at least \$10,000 a year. In other words, it has increased police expenses \$16,000 a year and decreased the income from the police court by \$15,000 a year, thus increasing the ent the members of the administration burdens of the taxpayers by over \$30,realize that retirement of the legal ten- 000 a year without any corresponding ders cannot be put forward as a com- benefit, either in the direction of better Against such impositions upon the people of Omaha The Bee will continue to remonstrate, whether its protests are heeded or not.

THE GERMAN AGRARIANS. The latest advices show that the agrarians of Germany, who embrace tillers of the soil, have abated none of sideration from a republican house of earnest in threatening that if their derepresentatives, after having been mands are not complied with they will thrown out of a democratic house, retaliate upon the interests which are Moreover, the republicans in congress given protection. They are now carrycannot reasonably be expected to accept ing on a vigorous campaign and the in evidence when the work of legisla-

in the interval that part of the law paramount matter is that of providing. They have never been satisfied with and associated adequate revenue, and if this can be the commercial arrangement with swell the

SENATOR JONES AND A SILVER PARTY! done the currency system will give the Russia, which removed the former rement that it might result disastrously

judgment of Senator Jones is the fact the view which will be taken of this. The German agricultural interests that he is a senator from a silver state subject by the republicans of the Fifty- have been having a pretty hard experiand fidelity to his constituents demands fourth congress and it will accord with ence for several years, while the well that he represent their views and the the popular judgment. There can be no protected manufacturing interests have local interests of Nevada. The interests doubt that a majority of the people of been fairly prosperous. The governand demands of Nevada, however, must the country, and reference is had to ment has made some slight concessions necessarily be subordinated to the inter- those who can think intelligently on the to the former, but these have not given ests and demands of the whole United matter, are unqualifiedly opposed to ressatisfactory relief. Undoubtedly the States. The mining industry of Nevada tiring the greenbacks and substituting emperor and his counsellors appreciate would doubtless be stimulated by free for them a state bank currency, and a the seriousness of the agrarian desilver legislation, but the finance of the proposition to issue bonds in order to mands, for the element which makes country would be deranged and the relie legal tender notes, the only way them is strong and apparently growcountry would be impaired to an ex- of accomplishing that end while rever ing, but there are very great if not insurmountable difficulties in the way of Jected If the people were given an op- ever, that there will have to be some Senator Jones has just declared him- portunity to vote upon it. Currency re-further concessions to this very aggresself in favor of a new national party form can wait, without detriment to sive and persistent portion of the Ger-

> The Board of Health is not entitled to the full force of popular indignation It is an open secret that taxation has by reason of the jug-handled garbage become almost unbearable in the city of contract. The city council that orwords, Omaha has been entered in the the contract to outrageously impose class of cities of the size of Buffalo, De-upon them. They now have no alternatroit and Milwaukee, when it properly tive but to swallow their medicine and

Only one man has ventured to chalstar-chamber order, and reputable witnesses who have examined the applicadoes not know his own handwriting article.

That eleventh-hour retrenchment ordinance cut the salary of the mayor's was created. A police officer detailed per month, but it did not touch the from the force for such purpose can \$1,200 salary of the clerk of the Board perform all the duties and the police of Fire and Police Commissioners. As force will not be visibly crippled. There the mayor's clerk has work to do every dence in city cases. That work can and is doubtless to be explained as a reward should be done by the detective force. for the political activity of the man who

There is widespread curiosity to know just what Council No. 125 will do with the retrenchment ordinance passed by the city council, by which employes of upon the incoming councilmen to bring about a restoration of the old scale? Measured by individual caliber it is quite likely the new members will lose no time in fixing the salaries at the old

The Passing of Bill Bryan. Silver-tongued Bryan will please make

note of the fact that about 75 per cent of the seople of Nebraska are against him on the money question first, last and all the time. Premature Compliments.

Secretary Morton will doubtless want

ecall the good things he said about the weather bureau in view of the damage done o democratic crops by the republican frosts

Bryan and the A. P. A. Victory.

Ex-Congressman Bryan is now recognized leader of the Nebraska wing of the A. P. A. He won a victory for that un-American concern in Omaha, but he lost on every other issue. To what base uses we may return, Horatio!

Utah Proved Its Fitness.

Indian polis Journal.

All the reasons and arguments that have been urged in past years for the admission of Utah were not as conclusive of her fitness for statehood as the fact that in the first election the republicans have made a clean sweep of state officers, legislature, congress men and United States senators.

What Republicans Must Remember. Now, fellow citizens, let us all work to gether to give Maryland the best and most progressive administration she own! There is good work to be done, and must be done without reference to party or persons, but the republicans must remem-ber this: They can repay the people for putting them in power and hope to contin power only by doing the people's work and deserving the people's favor.

Improved Building Operations.

The building operations on one of the largest structures gottig up on lower Broadway, New York, are so conducted that the public pass along the stlewalk as usual, and the traffic of the street is not interrupted in the least. There is no longer any reason why a building in progress should be allowed to iminterests in the neighborhood.

Young Garfield in Public Life.

James R. Garaeld, son of President Garmade this supeparance in the field of politics at the last election in Ohio as a candidate for state senator in a strong republican district, and was elected by more than the customary majority. People who believe in luck will assume that young Garfield is the inheritor of his father's political fortunes. Those who believe that man is the architect of his own fortunes will take the stand that he son is the inheritor of his father's winning qualities as a public man. Possibly the "son of his father" is the possessor of talents of his own, which would be indeed a strong

Demand for a Short Campaign.

The Baltimore Board of Trade the other day considered the memorial recently sent out by the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce pelitioning the two political parties to shorten the national campaign of 1896 from the customary six months to about three. The result tat a similar resolution was proposed and immediately adopted without a voice of disand thus the voice of reason grows louder. It is well that this movement was inaugurated in such ample season, for by spring doubtless every one of the commercial organizations and similar bodies throughout the country will have seconded the motion of the Cleveland business non and possibly other institutions tions will have failen in line to

SHERMAN'S FIRST VISIT TO OMAHA. has a melancholy, drooping moustache, and Trip Made by the Famous Ohio Senator to Nebraska in 1855.

to Iowa, accompanied by Amos Townsend and James Cobean. At that time lows was a far-off state, thinly populated, but being rapidly settled. We passed through Chicago, which at that time contained a population of about 50,000. The line of railroad extended to the Mississippi river. From thence we traveled in a stage to Des Moines, now the capial of lowa, but then a small village of about 1,000 inhabitants. The northern and parts of the state were mostly unsold public lands, open to entry. My three brothers, James, Lampson and Hoyt, were living in Des loines. James was a merchant in business. Lampson was the editor and proprietor of a Like many who have achieved greatness, newspaper, and Hoyt was actively engaged in Lord Wolsely attributes his success in life the sale and purchase of land. With Hoy: for guide we drove in a carriage as far north as Fort Dodge, where a new land office had been recently established. The whole country was an open plain, with here and there a cabin, with no fences and but little timber We arrived in Fort Dodge on Säturday even ing, intending to spend some time there is locating land. The tavern at which w stopped was an unfinished frame building, with no plastering, and sash without glass in the windows. On the next day, Sunday, Cobean invited us to join him in drinking some whisky he had brought with him. We did so in the dining room. While thus engaged the landlady came to us and told Cowan that she was not very well and would be anded her the bottle and she went to the other end of the room and there poured out a glas-ful and drank it. Cobean was kills. so much alarmed lest the woman should be-come drunk that he insisted upon leaving the own immediately, and we acquiesced and Afterward we learned that she benothing more of the landlord or his wife.

The road to Council Bluffs from Des Moine was over a high rolling prairie with scarcely any inhabitants. The village of Omaha, opposite Council Bluffs, contained but a feframe houses of little value. The settlement of Iowa and Nebraska after this period ment of Iowa and Nebraska after this period is almost marvelous. Iowa now (1895) contains over 2,000,000 and Nebraska over 1,200, unpleasantness toward the latter part of the 999 people. The twelve states composing contained 5,403,595 inhabitants in 1859, and now number over 24,000,000, or more than quadruple the number in 1850, and more than the entire population of the United States in that year. I have frequently visited these states since and am not surprised at their wonderful growth. I believe there is no portion of the earth's surface of equal area which is susceptible of a larger popu lation than that portion of the United States lying north of the Ohio river and between the Allegheny mountains and the Missouri

#### TRYING TO EXPLAIN IT.

Philadelphia Times (dom.): Upon the whole the republicans seem to have had a free picule in every debatable state. About the only open question left by the re-sult is whether the battered running gears of the democratic party can be worth patching up for a national contest in 1896.

St. Paul Globe (dem.): The sense of the administration has been vindicated. If majority rule is not to be rejected altogether, if parties are not to be split into as many ir reconcilable factions as they have individual leaders, dissension should now cease, and all men who bear the name of democrat should which the voters of the country have ren

Kansas City Times (dem.): The free silverites may or may not be right in their views, but one thing is certain, and that is that if they want equity they must do equity. And in the election returns the thoughtful men among them may learn not only the weakness of their cause, in the sober second thought of the people, but the lesson that no faction can succeed that insists upon having its way or else refuses : ender loyal support to its party's platforms Atlanta Constitution (dem.): We must go repudiators understand that they have been

caught in the act of scuttling the democratic ship, and that their piratical conduct will be longer tolerated. an get along without them, for things well be worse than they are now, and if they are thrown overboard there will at least be no danger of further assassination from them. Let them go, and God speed them on the Minneapolis Times (dem.): President Clave.

nd is honester and better than his party. He at least has the merit of consistency, and he believes that the platform of a great pilti-cal party should be something more than a false pretense-a sounding brass and a tink ling cymbal. That a large element in his party does not agree with him on this point s no discredit to him. He is egotistical, willed, in many respects narrow, but it is folly for democrats to attempt to make him the scapegoat for the follies and blunders and weaknosses of the party. If there had been a united, compact, cohesive democratic party, it might have spoken with authority to its wrangling and disloyal leaders instead of waiting helplessly, and in fear and trem-bling, the issue of their personal quarrels. Louisville Courier-Journal; During the last five-and-twenty years Mr. Watterson has sat in each of the national conventions, in the last three against his declared will and protest. In these conventions, often at great cost and pains to himself, he has done his best for the country and the party. It cannot be said that either the honor or the fame of Kentucky has suffered in his keeping. He has asked no compensation or recogniti whatever, and in no shape or form would be take any. When the next state and national enventions assemble he will be 5,000 mile vay. \_ But, if he should be in reach of both othing could induce him to accept a seat in ither. In one word, he is as dead now, an for all future time, to the personal activities of politics, as he will be when he has passed to his final account, though he hopes to he found once again energetically pursuing his proper calling at the old stand on the fifth floor of the Courier-Journal building, first door to the right after you leave the elevator. Come and see him. The latchstring will be on the ouzid- to the Hopkinsville Kentuckian, as, indeed, to all other Kentuckians.

### PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The quien of Denmark religiously refuses hear unpleasant gossip. She is deaf For once Chicago and New York bow at similar shriner. Chicago has a chrysanthe num show. New York has Paderewski. John Jacob Astor has purchased a block f Keely motor stock. This will make Keely go for a time, even if the motor remains The googoos and garees were swallowed up in the Tammany maeistrom, and the

hoodoos were lost in the deadly shuffle i Maryland and Kentucky England's grand old man continues ignor-ng the advice of his physicians regarding work, and as a result enjoys phenomena health for one of his years.

Congressman Wellington and Charles Bonaparte are rival aspirants for the cat of United States Senator Gibson of Mary and. The contest suggests a political Water-

sion from the slaughter house to the grave was rather slow of fulfillment, but three years' delay enabled the mourners to accunulate a copious shower of tears. When the returns brought the doleful news of defeat to Senator Gorman at his home, he disconnected his door bell to escape in-trusion. Thus the bereaved was left in solemn communion with a shattered ring. Friedrich Engels, the late German socialist writer, gave direction that his body should be burned and the ashes cast into the sea. His ashes were accordingly gathered into ar urn, which was taken out to sea five or six miles and cast into the water.

The shocking spectacle of rival undertakers fighting for a corpse was witnessed in De-troit the other day. Unfortunately, the friends of the victim were so paralyzed by the bestial exhibition that they failed to kick a sense of decency into the carcasses of

James Whitcomb Riley is the only remainleg American port who wears a smooth face. Edmund Clatence Stedman indulges in a full beard; Thomas Balley Addrich sports : noustache; Richard Henry Stoddard wear a long white beard; Richard Watson Gilder

Frank L. Stanton a Galway smile cropped

The full extent of the landside cannot be accurately determined until the returns are received from Jackson's Hole. In the summer of 1856 I made my first trip

The latest archaeological find in Rome one of the most interesting of all, bringing light as it does the entire residence of a city prefect. The house is in an excellent state of preservation, and shows black and white mosaic floors, remains of decoration in color and claborate frescoes.

Ex-Boss Shepard was banqueted in Washington recently. Not many years ago Shepard was the most cordially hated man Washington because he projected a system of public improvements that involved enormous expense. He builded better than he knew, and Washington now honors him.

to the training of his mother. Considering his opinious of the American union army, expressed in Bowery terms, it is manifest that the maternal shingle was not applied with sufficient vigor to inculcate respect for Commander P. N. McGiffin thinks Japan

eds a good thrashing. As Commander Me Giffin was an officer in the Chen Yuen at th time of the battle at the mouth of the Yalu river, the reasons of his feelings are plain doubtless he reflects the sentiment of The staid old hamlet of Alexandria, Va.

occasionally shows an energetic pace that might be emulated with profit by more pre-It is evident justice can strike a pace the

Rev. Dr. George J. Lucas, an American Catholic clergyman, has written a reply to Herbert Spencer, about which Mr. Gladstone thus writes to him: "I find your arguments against Mr. Spencer, so far as I have mascame very drunk and the landout the county before whisky, but we get outside the county before of all devices in respect to religion, and one of the poorest and shallowest schemes ever broached in regard to philosophy

Mr. George Curzon, the husband of a Chi-cago girl, says Great Britain was an estab-lished power in the West Indies and Canada before the United States came into existence and therefore is as truly American as the last century, in which Great Britain came off second best and the young Units carned the right to dictate a trifle.

Duluth has two of the tallest policemen I the country, Patrolman Royal McKenzie is at feet ten and one-half inches high and still growing. He is only 26 years old and weighs 257 pounds. He can reach a point ten fee from the ground. Detective Thomas Hayden also of Duluth, is six feet seven inches tall. The two make a great team, and the tough woodsmen of the vicinity are not inclined to be bolsterous when either is around. Superior, Wis., claims to have a policemar trifle taller than McKenzie, but he growing age, and McKenzie hopes to beat him before the year is out.

#### OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

The largest apple orchard in the world cov-At the present rate of increase this con will have a population of 190,000,000 in 1940. A race horse galloping at full speed clears twenty to twenty-four feet every bound.

The highest inhabited building in Europ is the Alpine club house, on Mount Rosa-12,000 feet above sea level. Gold beaters say that a speck of gold weigh ing less than one-millioneth part of a grain can be seen with the naked eye. The largest check was one of £5,338,650,

drawn on the Bank of England in payment for the Kimberley diamond mines. In one of his astronomical lectures Prof. Proctor once said that 300,000 worlds the size of our earth could be stored inside o he sun.

who died a few days ago. She spent 71 out of her 76 years as an inmate of the alms ouse in Portland. In England and Scotland milkmalds believe that if they forget to wash their hands after milking the r cows will go dry. This supers I-

tion is diligently fostered by the owners of A Washington market, New York, butcher the largest business in that edible delicacy of

any man in the country, his annual sales being about 200,000 pairs. Although Vermont has for several years offered the liberal bounty of \$15 on bears the animals are still found on the mountains are growing in numbers in that section

The sultan of Turkey spends \$5,000 daily for his table. He has no dining room and the servants serve his meals wherever they can find him. The dishes are covered and sealed with the imperial seal, which is put on in the kitchen by the grand vizier, the idea being that the sultan may be certain that his food has not been poisoned or tampered with. A new industry has been developed in th abound in smilax and evergreen vines which abound in similar of the trees very much encircle the frunks of the trees very much like bamboo, but is of much finer texture. Many carloads of this smilax have recently been shipped to New York, Baltimore, Chi-cago and other northern points for decorating purposes, and it has found ready sale. The decorations for the famous wedding of

the heirose, Miss Anna Gould, were largely

of wild smilax shipped from Pensacola.

IOWA PRESS COMMENT.

Sioux City Tribune: The Omaha World-Herald has struck its natural lead. On the money question it got one vote in five, but on A. P. A.ism it cleaned the platter; therefore it

s more at home in that organization than in the democratic family. Cedar Rapids Republican: It remains for lows to immediately set about the task of pressing to the front her splendid statesman as the national leader in the coming contest. Allison must be the standard bearer in 1896.

Burlington Hawkeye: There is a popular demand for a abort presidential campaign Preliminary thereto give us a short session of congress. If congressmen would set about it in earnest they could effect all the required legislation and adjourn by the 1st of May. This will be a good occasion for the rough licans to inaugurate the desired reform and to their political advantage preceding a presidential campaign.

Stoux City Times: About a year ago the of a Des Moines newspaper was paid \$1,000 for the silence of the paper in regard pending public matter, and in a moment forgotfulness the editor showed the money court. It was garnished and seized and creditors of the man who paid the money are still trying to get it, but the editor, pro-ceeding on the theory that he will some time get the money back again, has addressed a itigens asking advice as to what to do with it when he does get it. This is an unusual proceeding, but the editor feels justified, it view of the vast sum involved and the pecu think twice before spending the boodle.

#### JESTS THE THING.

Detroit Free Press: "What did Barebones ay when you asked him if he served quipe steaks?" He gave a horse laugh."

Puck: Pat-Phwat does they use grape shot for?

Mike-Shure, it's to give the inemy appendicitis.

Chicago Record: "Do you think the baby resembles me?"
"Well, yes; but then, you know, health is the main thing, and he looks as though he had a good constitution!"

New York Weekly: Old Bullion-What! You wish to marry my daughter? She is a mere school girl yet. Sultor-Yes, sir, I came early to avoid the rush.

Harper's Bazar: The Visitor (an helress) The count is a man after my own heart. The Other-I think he is a man after your own bank account.

Washington Star: "Dah am too much misplaced energy in disshere wor!" said Uncle Eben, "Dah am too many young men dat insists on cultivatin' dah minds when dey orter be cultivatin' a 'tater

Fliegende Blaetter; Malleious-First Author-Have you heard that our chum, Smithers, has married? Second Author-Yes; he wanted to double his circle of readers!

Cincinnati Enquirer: Ferry-I believe Wallace is just a little bit close. Hargreaves-Close? Why, he wouldn't even give you the marble heart unless you paid him for it.

Texas Siftings; Cows are now milked by machinery. Milk is adulterated by hand, as

Washington Star: "The colonel is a hearty, binf fellow," said one constituent.
"Yes." replied his friend of opposite poiltical faith, "but I think we've called his binff this election."

Chicago Times-Herald: "Be comforted." said the old delinquent to the dying editor, "your future is a bright one."
"That's just what bothers me," grouned the editor. "I can see it blazing!" JOCULAR JINGLES.

Town Topics. They loved, and wed, as lovers do, But they were only human, And soon one wanted a new man, The other a new woman.

"Imperious Caesar, dead and turned to clay, May stop a hole to keep the wind away," So Shakespeare says, but those who're wiser, Would choose his clay for fertilizer. Washington Star

So when she heard from O-h-i-o, And Maryland to strange idols wed, Kentucky heaved a sigh and then— "I guess I'll take the same," she said. BEFORE AND AFTER.

Atlanta Constitution.

When he run for office he was as social as could be;
Always tellin' lots of jokes;
"Hello, Billy! how's the folks?"
Early mornin'—evenin' late,
Always hangin' round your gate;
Kissed the children, come from school,
Helped the old man hitch his mule;
Sammy, how're you goin' to vote?"
Jest as cunnin' as could be.
"Want a office? Vote fer me!"
Wore the cheapest kinder suits—
Old wool hat an' army boots;
Promised, if they'd help him win
"They'd git rich when he got in!"
Now he's in the office. See!
Jest as proud as proud kin be!
Ain't a-tellin' so much jokes—
Never ask you bout the folks!
Voter feelin' mighty sore—
"Never saw your face before!"
Wool hat—boots—done taid 'em by!
Wears a beaver, slick an' high!
Voters stand, an' look, an' wonder;
"Want a office? Go to thunder!" Atlanta Constitution.

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