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Perhaps Spain would better try anfavor of arbitration. other change in generals in command of Its forces in Cuba.

France insists upon maintaining its reputation for falling into a political crisis with case and extricating itself sideration was necessary to produce the with almost equal ease.

Chicago seems to be unable to decide whether its coming spring municipal election or the national campaign has first claim upon its politics.

Mr. Dupont of Delaware, whose claim to a seat in the United States senate is being so vigorously contested by the democrats, apparently believes in crossing no bridge until he gets to it.

Wife-beaters find no bed of roses in the Omaha police court. It may be expensive for the city to board these offenders, but the investment will no doubt in the long run prove well worth the controversy out of which grew the the money.

common sense, which Mr. Gladstone Now that the scheme to locate the said was all that was required, resulted jail in the city hall has been abandoned. in an overwhelming sentiment in favor would it not be well for the council to of a peaceful settlement of the issue, have the stone grill that was removed and today this feeling is almost unifrom the basement windows of the versally entertained in both countries. building restored? If there are still jingoes in either they

have not the temerity to make them-What's that? The exclusively ex- selves known. clusive champion of Nebraska advertising in its columns one of those terrijudicial arbitration, while it might not ble Missouri colonies that are trying to be available for the settlement of all draw people away from Nebraska! Do possible complications and contro versies, for there are conceivable conour eves deceive us?

ditions that would render war impera-Would that the prize fight had lasted, tive, would be not only a most potent longer, were it sure to keep the bruisers' agency in the promotion of peace and tongues quiet while it lasted. Their good will between Great Britain and fistic operations effect only one another the United States, but would probably are in position to secure concessions tized or has its members come to the wants the funding bill passed he repudiates while their wordy warfare afflicts the have a more extended influence. It is a project whose motive is worthy of in the party declarations. entire public. In other states it is a recognized fact the highest commendation.

THE ADDITION NOVEMENT. believe that within a year after the It was a measure of reprisal adopted THE PACIFIC FUNDING SCHEME. The movement in this country and in England having for its object the the deposits would aggregate \$500,000,- valued policy law, which has been of adoption by the two governments of a 000, and as a very considerable pro- great benefit to property owners and permanent system of judicial arbitra- portion of this amount would probably against which the insurance world ana tion for the adjustment of international be legal tender notes the danger of waged unremitting war.

disputes gives promise of practical re- withdrawals of gold from the treasury sults. It has enlisted the hearty sup- would be reduced to the extent of the

by the conference "that the common banks and their success in England and at industrial expositions. sense and Christian conscience of Amer- other countries fully warrants the be-

ica and England agree that the time has lief that they would be found no less arrived to abolish war between these successful in the United States. It is two contesting delegations to the demtwo nations, who are really one peo- to be hoped Senator Quay will press ple," and there can be no doubt that his bill to consideration, so that this this represents the nearly unanimous matter can be given the attention to have a double header at Chicago. It sentiment of the people of both nations. which its merks are entitled to. He will not be surprising if every state in There has been no opposition mani- can do nothing more likely to win popu- which the sound money democrats and fested in England to the proposal of a larity for himself.

> THE NEW LABOR PARTY. A formal call has been issued for a

here, who are not convinced of the pracconvention of delegates from each of ticability of establishing a tribunal or the countles in Nebraska to place in court for the settlement of controvernomination a state ticket to be supsies, there is no opposition to the prinported in the next election by all workciple that is worthy of consideration. ingmen who subscribe to the doctrines The most enlightened judgment and and desire to carry out the objects the best sentiment in both lands is in

wage-workers to organize for mutual The threat of war between Great Britain and the United States aroused protection and to unite for the promothe people of the two countries to a tion of common interests cannot be serious contemplation of what such a called in question. The right of workconflict would mean and but little coningmen to agree upon any particular course of political action is also universally conceded. It is a question for lighting companies who have not always general conviction that it would be disastrons to both nations and a damthe workingmen individually and collectively to decide for themselves inspector should not lay himself open aging blow to civilization, in the advancement of which the English speakwhether they can attain their ends bet- to the charge of partiality. ing nations are at the front. It was ter by the formation of a distinctive seen that both countries would inevilabor party or by exacting from existing tably come out of a war greatly weak political parties the recognition to which ened and with an enormously increased they are by their numbers and influence debt to burden posterity. The progress entitled. · In other words, the question of both would be arrested, their comis squarely presented. Have the men merce injured beyond computation, who toll in factory, mill and workshop, while the sacrifice of human life would as well as the common laborers, a better be deplorable. It was realized that prospect of improving their condition only the very highest demands of naby pooling issues with the party that is tional honor and interest could justify most nearly in sympathy with their a war that would have such conse

demands or by trying to work out the reforms they seek through a new party? In answering this question for themelves the wage-workers of Nebraska

confront them. First and foremost, it ment through the general acceptance of labor party would be in a hopeless tion. This is the same President Cleveminority in this state. At the utmost land who only two months ago sent a it could not poll 20 per cent of the total message to congress so warlike in tone vote of Nebraska. Such a party would that the war spirit; was rampant among therefore have no greater weight in de- the people for weeks and has not yet termining the results of a state election entirely died out."

than the prohibition party has had. It would mean simply throwing away so many votes on candidates who have no

show on earth to be elected. On the of their influence where it will count.

that the republican party comes nearest

to representing the interests of the

establishment of postal savings banks to punish Nebraska for enacting the

The United States has been invited to port of some of the most distinguished deposits of such notes in the postal sav- participate in an international exhibiand influential men in the two coun- lugs banks. But a more important tion of agricultural machinery, to be tries, who are manifesting a zeal and consideration is that the government held in Vienna next summer, and ought carnestness in the cause that can hardly would have always on hand a supply of by all means to accept and prevail upon fail to be productive of something money that would render unnecessary our manufacturers to make a creditable which will make for the maintenance, the negotiation of loans for meeting display of their work. American agriof peace and the strengthening of ordinary expenses, in the event of the cultural machinery has justly won the friendly feeling between the two great revenues being insufficient. Postal reputation all the world over of being English speaking nations. The con- savings banks would be attractive to excelled by none. For a long time a ference beld in Philadelphia Saturday people who make small savings be- considerable business has been done by cause of their absolute safety and there exporting this machinery to foreign messages approving its objects were are tens of thousands of such people countries. Nothing commends American sent by men whose countenance of the who now keep their savings at home manufacturers to the foreign consumers movement gives it a dignity and signl- for the reason that they have not faith so well as actual visible demonstration ficance which will be recognized abroad in the banks. We have yet to see any of their superiority, such as comparison as well as at home. It was resolved valid argument against postal savings with the work of other makers affords tortionate

Illinois democrats threaten to send ocratic national convention. But Illinois is not the only state which is likely the free silver democrats are anywhere near evenly matched send two delegations to represent them in the national party councils. The convention can not possibly hope to escape the disagreeable duty of deciding upon conflicting credentials.

Gas Inspector Gilbert expresses the belief that the new gasoline contractor enunciated in the call. The right of will not be able to fulfill the terms of will not be able to fulfill the terms of honest men and bond and stock the road but the sending of delegates with brains his contract and expects to have to for \$123,000 per mile, and the public whom honor enough to represent the wishes of condemn the lamps. Should the inspector's fears be realized, of course his duty is plain. But he has never shown such solicitude respecting the Sun Vapor company and other street. lived up to contract specifications. The

If there is any real cause for dissatis faction with the management of the

Grand Island home for aged soldiers the interested parties should not hesit for a moment tate to lay their grievances before the governor. Politics should not and must not be permitted to interfere with the usefulness of that institution, and the founded complaint will be heard and remedied so far as possible by the gov-

President Cleveland says it should be unnecessary for him to assure any one must grapple with the conditions that of his sympathy for the peace movehistory. is a stubborn fact that an exclusive the principles of International arbitra-

And still the special committee of the Commercial club, appointed six months ago to learn why fire insurance comother hand, the workingmen can, if panies had not reduced rates in Omaha they are so disposed, throw the weight according to agreement with city authorities and their patrons, withholds its They have the balance of power and report. Has the committee been hypno-

ernor.

Speech by Senator Pettigrew livered in the Senate, February 13. "The stockholders and owners of the first mortgage bonds of the Union and Kansas Pacific railroads have appointed a committee Nebrasga delegation, and it seems that he to reorganize the road and settle with the govo reorganize the road and settle with the government for its second mortgage upon the

"This reorganization committee proposes to saue one-hundred million of fifty-year 4 per cont bonds on about 1,900 miles of road. They

also propose to issue seventy-five millions of preferred stock upon this 1,990 miles of road and assess the present common stock of these ompanics, which amounts to \$60,000,000, at cent, and thus raise \$9,000,000. The prescribed stock represents nothing.

All of it but \$20,000,000, goes to manipulators f this proposed swindle. If this plan is arried out we will still as a government be n partnership for fifty years with the same carried ou nen who have been our partners for the past thirty years.

"As our pariners in the past they have swindled, stolen our property, bribed, de-bruched and disgraced our servants, plundered people along the line of the road by ex-tortionate rates, while at the same time by a system of rebates and discrimination they

have enriched a favored few; and where these favored few were private persons they were men who, it was supposed, had influence in the community where they resided, and could influence public opinion; but usually their favors were showered upon corporations engaged in trade, who were stockholders and

officers and directors of this road. "We are now asked to continue this part these same men, and upon what basis? the basis of fraud; upon a plan by which this government is to be a party to an issue f stock for which no consideration is paid of road, \$100,000.000 of bonds, \$75,000,000 state. of preferred stock and \$60,000.000 of common Har stock-in all, \$235,000,000 of bonds and stock,

or \$123,600 per mile.

"This 1,900 miles of railroad can be rethis road serves is to be called upon to pay interest upon this vast sum. That any set well known by convention time of men could come to congress with any such proposition as this and expect it to he ratified by the representatives of a free dark horse ople is an impeachment of the integrity the people of the United States. "But these men have so learned the habit

of making corrupt propositions to each other by which the public shall be plundered and robbed in the reorganization of overstocked companies of every sort that they do not hegitate to make the proposition now in the first choice, with McKinley as second.

open daylight to the American people, and it seems to me it is a matter for severe mment and censure that a committee of either body of the congress of the United States can be found which will entertain

"In this way the government would rea-lize every dollar the roads owe. The intetest charge would only be 3 per cent on \$100,000,000 of bonds, or \$3,000,000 per annum instead of \$7,750,000 under the plan proposed people may rest assured that every well- by the organization committee. The rates to carrying freight and passengers would be much less. There would be no incentive for discrimination of persons and places. Every man and every town would have an equal opportunity and the scandals of our government with the Union Pacific manage ment would disappear from the pages of our

ROASTING HUNTINGTON.

The Central Pacific Magnate on Senntorial Gridiron. Chicago Post

Collfs P. Huntington, the Central Pacific railway magnate, is on a cracking-hot gridiron of criticism and cross-examination at Washington. Californians do not intend to give him his own way over the funding bill. In spite of "one of the cleverest lobbies ever known at the capital." his methods of railroad construction and operation-and the opinion California has of them-are being thoroughly ventilated before Senator Mor-gin's committee. Ventilation is evidently what they need, and lots of it.

Ambrose Bierce proclaims the grievance of California. He is a hard hitter and strikes receive any plums by it. If he was a for-midable candidate and had a fighting show out like Corbett. The notion that California then it would do. Red Cloud Argus: Nebraska republicans

THE MANDERSON BOOM.

Elwood Republican: With each succording week ex-Senator Manderson gains ground as

presidential possibility. Oneld Frontler: 17 Manderson wants the St. Paul Republican: If Senator Manders:

wants the Nebraska delegation to the St Louis convention all he has to do is to so. This state has nover indulged in so. This state has nover indulged in the "favorite son," dissipation, but that is no argument why it shouldn't

Fullecton Journal: Nebraska's stand Par McKinley is in no way in opposition to the candidacy of General Manderson. The moment there was a show of success republicans of this state would flock to his banner en masse.

Tekamah Burtonian: There is a movemen to launch a boom for General Manderson for president. He has been talked of as possible candidate for vice his friends believe he is the right may for the first place. He is especially with soldiers, and made a good record as a senator.

Osceela Record: Ex-Senator Mandetson is said to be a candidate for the presidential The senator was very popular mination. when serving the people at Washington and is widely and favorably known all over the nation and if he can secure the nomina tion will make a spiradid chief executive. If he definitely decides to enter the race he will have the hearty support of Ne braska.

Grand Island Tribune: While McKinley has a larger following in Nebraska, it must not be conceded that the state walves any nership, to continue to have relations with its rights to nominate any of its favorite ons for president. If it comes to a contest as between McKinley and Manderson for the Nebraska delegation the prospects are that a lively encounter will result. and upon which the public will be called Secator Manderson is somewhat of a fighter upon to pay interest. There are 1,900 miles and has many admiring friends yet in the

Hardy Herald: If General Manderson any chance for a nomination in the St. Louis the widest manderson convention, Nebraska should support him, tional reenh but it is not necessary that our delegation should go there and bask in his shadow produced for \$23,600 per mile, and yet the government of the United States is asked to prevent people from discovering their to go into partnership with a party of disbut the sending of delegates with brains and republicans of this state. They will be

> Chappell Register: The friends of ex-Sen ator Manderson are preparing him for dark horse at the St. Louis convention

Next to McKinley, Manderson would be al right, and matters may get so mixed up at the convention that some man like Manderson will be necessary to harmonize all sides But while you are at it, why not make

Randolph Times: According to newspaper accounts, ex-Senator Manderson has sented to stand as a candidate for president This decision, the accounts further enumer ate, was reached after mature deliberation and the urgent requests of numerous friends Ve are sorry to see this, although did the distinguished gentleman stand any chanc for the nomination we would heartily en-dorse his candidacy. We fear it will have

a tendency to divide the party in this state. something that should be avoided if possible Exeter Enterprise: General Manderson an nounced this week that while he was not a candidate for the republican nomination, he would make no effort to prevent his friends in Nebraska from sending a delegation to the republican national convention favorable to his nomination. General Manderson would enterprise.

make a stronger candidate than many of more prominence, and speaking from the ranks of the enemy, this paper hopes that his friends will fail in their efforts to secure his endorsement. He is entirely too clean s man to represent Nebraska republicanism. Valparaiso Visitor: Many of the Nebraska papers are advocating the idea that Nebraska

should go to St. Louis with a presidential candidate in the person of ex-Senator Manderson. Manderson is all right and would make an ideal president and a strong can didate. But had we best not look around and see whether there is a ghost of a show to secure his nomination first before we pre sent his name. To present his name withou any show of securing the nomination for him would be mere nonsense, and by so doing we could gain nothing, or neither would we

Chicago Tribune,

one within their midst whose well rounded career has demonstrated his fitness to meet very requirement the needs or the exigencies of the nation may demand. Well balances characters of so high attainments are rare and it is the high privilege and duty of Ne-braskans to see to it that the claims of this able soldier and distinguished patriot, this enlightened statesman and profound lawyer. his finished orator and accomplished scholar, be properly presented. Alliance Times: General Manderson's can-

lidacy for the presidential nomination is fairly on the way, he having finally an-nonnced that he will submit to the wishes of his friends in the matter. That the strong fight made by the friends of McKinley and Reed may yet result in a deadlock, is not in the least improbable, and in such an event Nebraska's son will have a very good prospect f nomination, and then too, there is a probability that he may be given the second place upon the ticket. That Charles F. Manderson possesses every qualification necessary to insure a wise and prosperous administration is a fact that even the republicans of the east are not slow to acknowledge, and it is evident that he will prove fully acceptable to the county as a whole. If there are and prospects of his success in the race, and it looks as if there might be, the Times does not believe Nebraskans should stand idly by and allow them to go glimmering.

Beatrice Express: The effete cast assumes re monopoly of all presidential timber with the altogether arrogant assumption that the transmississippi region cannot produce a candidate of sufficient availability to cut uch of a figure in a presidential campaign. owever. the west furnishes a majority of republican votes and it might be well to recognize the fact in the make-up of the ational republican ticket. Hon, Charles Manderson lof Nebraska, is certainly peer of any of the candidates named, in the requisits of thorough statesmanship, republican loyality and patriotism, a splendid soldier, a foremost member of the na-tional senate during his twelve years inumbency of that high office and a man of he widest personal popularity. General the widest personal popularity. General Manderson would add strength to the national republican ticket and would command the solid republican vote of the west. He is a man pecularily free from entangling political alliances and is withal one of the most available of them en whose names are now before the people as possible presidential candidates.

THE TRANSMISSISSIPPI EXPOSITION.

Bancroft Blade: A bill was introduced into the house by Dave Mercer this week asking for an appropriation of \$200,000 Transmississippl exposition in Omaha in 1898. It deserves to pass.

Douglas Enterprise: Every citizen of Nebraska should be interested in the proposed Transmississippi exposition to be held in Omaha, It will do more to show up the ad-ventages of the state than anything else, and the benefits to be derived from such

a show can scarcely be overestimated. Platte Center Signal: A bill was presented congress Monday by Congressman Mercer for an appropriation, and also to appoint Omaha as the place to hold a Transmississippt exposition during the year 1898. The peop of Nebraska will make this a success, and Omaha will be found ready to do her part. Douglas Enterprise: Omaha is making a hustle for the Transmississippi exposition and we believe she will get it. Congress is expected to appropriate a sum of mone for the big show and the legislatures of all the states will be asked to do likewise. It will be an exposition second only to th great Columbian exposition, and every citizen' of Nebraska should lend his support to the It is proposed to keep the show open six months.

MIRTH IN RHYME.

Detroit Tribune "Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "Walt and I'll tell you, sir," she said. Then this creature of folbles, this thing of

fads, Grabbed the paper and scanned the ads Boston Courier,

There was a man in our town. He wasn't wise a bit; His business kept a-going down-An advertiser? Nit.

Philadelphia Item Here's a motto that's as certain As that two pints make a quart: Time and tide will wait for no man, Little, big, or long, or short.

Senator Thurston says it is too late for General Manderson to enter the presidential race and General Mander son says it is too late for him to say no. That makes the issue clear without filing a brief.

No, the Virginia preacher who de clined to open with prayer the daily session of the state legislature, did not intend to insinuate that the members of the Virginia house and senate were past praying for. His calling would not permit him to be so uncharitable.

They are holding good roads conventions way down in Arkansas, When the people of Arkansas are aroused to the desirability and necessity of having that he proposed to shoot his half of better roads it is high time for the progressive states of the north to see that they do not fall behind the south in carrying out the movement.

Uncle Sam has set aside \$25,000, which is now available for the South Omaha postoffice site. It is probable a selection will soon be made and that preliminary work will be commenced with the advent of spring. This will be of direct advantage to South Omaha property owners, laborers and mechanics,

It is natural to expect that the ar rangements of the American and British governments for the protection of the seal in Bering sea will be perfected and put into force about the time the seal becomes, like the buffalo, viewed as a curiosity because a specimen of a species of animals on the verge of extinction.

There may be several paying mines in the Cripple Creek country, but they are not the mines whose stocks are being to the value of the deposits made, such hawked about in this city. Any one who buys Cripple Creek mining shares for two or three cents on the dollar must know that he is investing in a lottery In which 999,999 out of 1,000,000 tickets are sure to draw blanks.

The board of directors of the Trans mississippi Exposition association has deemed it wise to cease asking subscriptions in promotion of the enterprise for the time being. There may be no immediate need of funds, but the fact of liberal subscriptions would stand as an evidence of the faith of Omaha in the early success of plans already mapped out.

There are S00 holes in the ground in and about Cripple Creek that are

in a day.

a simple plan be adopted there would stocked for \$1,000,000 or more each. be no difficulty in putting it into oper-More than \$\$00,000.000 of stock is seekation within thirty days after the ening purchasers at from 1 cent to 5 cents actment of a law authorizing it. That a share. Unless the foolkiller makes it would be immensely popular there his rounds rapidly several thousand can be no doubt and that it would be suckers will be caught with the gilded of great advantage to the government bait that has such attraction for feeble- in supplying it with a large sum of

GOING OUT OF PARTNERSHIP. There is a savage humor in the con

quences and there was no such stake in

danger of conflict. The application of

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while there are some, both there and

wage-worker. That fact has been emgressional threat that unless Great Brit phasized more than ever within the ain joins the United States within six past three years and will be made more months in enforcing measures to preprominent in the impending national vent the extermination of the seals, our campaign. So far as the workingmen government shall proceed to extermiof Nebraska are concerned they have

nate them itself. This piece of retaliait within their reach, more even than tory legislation recalls forcibly an inthe workingmen of Pennsylvania, to cident described by the late P. T. Barsecure full representation in the counnum in his autobiography. Barnum clls and conventions of the republican and his partner had a falling out over party. This is especially true in Omaha an elephant in which they were joint and Douglas county, where their main

owners. Barnum thereupon loaded his strength lies. gun and aimed it at the elephant. When asked by his partner what in heaven's The Board of Trade of San Jose, Cal. name he was trying to do he replied has adopted the following resolution by an almost unanimous vote: the elephant. That demonstration brought his partner to time.

Inasmuch as there are \$5,000,000 worth of seal skins involved in the Bering sea controversy it is probable that John Bull will see the point made by Uncle Sam and come down as grace-

fully as did Barnum's partner.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS. Referring to the bill of Senator Quay, authorizing the establishment of postal savings banks, the Philadelphia American urges its adoption. This measure provides that the heads of all money. order postoffices in the United States shall be empowered to receive small the people of San Francisco, San Jose savings in sums of 10 cents or decimal and California. fractions of a dollar-no deposit of less

than 10 cents or over \$10 to be received Nebraska is a coy maiden. Now that at any one time-and that interest be the leap year ball at St. Louis is on, paid on these deposits at the rate of 2 she is awfully perplexed. She feels as per cent per annum, provided, however, that no interest shall be paid on any deposit over \$500. The system is to be regulated by the purchase of stamps stamps to be placed on cards, and on the presentation of such cards at any other money order postoffice in the United States the value may be reabout the same. While Manderson has deemed in current specie. "This is a the prestige of a twenty-seven years' simple, practical plan," says the North courtship, McKinley has been pressing American, "and would serve the end

his suit more ardently within the last of all who have been active in urging two years. Whom shall Nebraska take upon the government the project of esto the presidential leap year ball? ablishing postal savings banks."

Without considering whether or not The abolition of the switching charge the Quay bill could be improved as to at the stock yards March 1 will be of some of the details, a measure of this incalculable benefit to the stock market kind ought to receive the consideration and will put a stop to the complaints of of the present congress and there is no shippers of excessive tolls at the yards. good reason why provision could not be The Omaha market is now at the made for establishing a postal savings threshold of a season of unprecedented bank system, at any rate in the larger activity and there is just cause for concities of the country, at the beginning of the next government fiscal year. If gratulation that the controversy be-

tween the stock yards company and the railroads has been amicably adjusted. ----Fire insurance rates in Omaha are arbitrarily fixed by a commission of underwriters which maintains an office

minded people who expect to get rich money always available is no less un- local conditions-alleged inadequate questionable. There is every reason to water pressure and inefficient fire force. policy

both in the character of candidates and conclusion that premium rates are none too high.

> Belated and Ridienlons. Kansas City Tin The movement in the east to urge English men to take up the matter of arbitration is a little ridiculous. The nation has already

would certainly seem sufficient. Onward and Upward. Detroit Free Pr

There is no stopping the movement. new woman in Nebraska, who has been run-ping a boarding house and supporting a lazy husband, advertises the fact that he has lef her bed and board and that she will no longer be responsible for debts contracted by him. With chickens thus coming home to will be wise to lose no time in mak ing the best terms they can.

The Infallible Bowler. "iilladelphia Record.

Comptroller Bowler's latest discovery hat there is no legal authority for naval officers about to depart for foreign stations to make allotments from their pay for the support of their families. Bowler may be shaky as to the prerogatives of other branches of the government, but it is refreshing to note that he is never pestered by doubts as to the plenitude of his own powers.

The Doom of the Seal. Philadelphia Ledge

Senator Pettigrew's bill to kill all the seals on the Pribilov islands, "as an act of mercy," is a very ignoble way out of a dif-If the government cannot protect ficulty. the seals in Bering sea, it might at least leave them to their fate, without any such melodramatic action as this. What would it do? It would destroy most of the seals, but not all of them, for all the seals n the sea do not resort to these island: lthough most of them do, and, at any rate, there seems to be no sufficient reason for it If protective measures are abolished the seals will soon be killed off by the poachers, but our government will not be made ridiculous on their account. The bill is said to be favored by the senate, but that is no proof f its wisdom-the senate favors free silver

coinage, too.

Inheritance Tax for Iowa. Chicago Record

The ways and means committee of the Iows if she would like to reciprocate the fastate senate has endorsed a tax on estates going to other than lifeal descendants, but vors she has had from both Manderson and McKinley, but hesitates to decide has struck from the bill the section pr viding for a succession tax, or a tax on estates g ing to lineal descendants. As between them. Both point to poor but honorable parents and both entered originally offered by the code-revision com apon their public life in Canton, O. Both mission the measure provided for a sucdrank out of the same canteen, so to cession tax on all destates of \$3,000 or with a proposal to tax all collateral speak, and both measure and weigh

estates. The inheritance tax is growing in favo both in Europe and America as a convenient and easy method of adding to the publirevenues. When not excessive in the rate imposed this tax is approved also as just and fair, particularly when applied to col-lateral heirs. Several states of the union have recently made the inheritance tax a par

of their revenue systems, Illinois being one of the latest to do so. The last legislature provided for a progressive tax on collateral heirs and a small tax on direct heirs, where the amount received is in excess of \$20,000. This law became operative last July, but there has been an unfortunate delay in making collections ander it, the authorities with whom the enforcement of the law lies having been slow in the matter. When the tax is collected, however, it is expected to add a considerable amount to the revenues of the state.

The law proposed in Iowa is more conservative than that enacted in Illinois, for

it places no tax on direct heirs, being c n-fined in its operation to collateral heirs. There ought to be little objection to the inheritancetax bill, therefore, in the Iowa legislature. It would be well if the states could devise a system of taxation, as some have attempted in Chicago. The advance in rates in Omaha had, in fact, nothing to do with local conditions-alleged inadequate water pressure and inefficient five force.

as absolutely contradictory to the real desire of the state. It is "a falsehood of the Huntington literary bureau." Huntington he characterizes as the sole surviving figure of tematically and murderously" choking out of existence all competition in carrying freight on land or water. "In some places," says declared officially in favor of arbitration; that Mr. Bierce, "the merchants have been compelled to resort to the old-time six-mule wagon as a means of transportation

That last charge ought to settle the fate of the bill. Huntington's own admission that the books of the company were "accidentally burnt" was bad enough. But a railway mag nate who adds to the injury of colossal public robbery the deep-dyed insult of a forced reversion to six-mule teams has no love

his country and no regard for the sensibilities of his countrymen. Mr. Bierce says "these truths seem to be without interest to many senators and representatives." We cannot believe it will be so much longer. The mules will arouse them

to a sense of duty. PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The Fitz-Maher argument sets an example of force and brevity that is wholly lost on sixteen-to-oners.

Amelia Rives achieved a literary reputation in short order, but her matrimonial reputation is likely to break the record. Birdie Sutherland received \$25,000 for re inquishing her interest in an English lord. Miss Birdie considers a few plunks in the worth several lords in the bush. hand

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, premier of Canada egan life as a printer's devil, worked at his trade for many years, bought a newspaper with his savings and so got into politics.

Captain William Davis, who has just died a Millville, Pa., at the age of 74, circumnavigated the globe three times, and for three years and nine months was one of the crew of the old frigate Constitution.

The refusal of Pug Fitz to argue the issue with Pug Corbett is little short of a public calamity. One touch of Fitz's fist on Jim's hair trigger jaw would be hailed with delight as a paragraph in the latter's oratory. Congressman Joy of Missouri has a private ecretary named Sweet. He is one of the nost efficient secretaries of the large corps of private amanuenses in the house, and he two form a most harmonious combination, as their names would suggest.

A Chicago woman with a gun plowed a furrow through the scalp of a burgiar and immediately issued this proclamation in the "Take Notice-Burglars form of a sign: eddlars and thugs are liable to be shot in they come up here!" The coming woman She has arrived.

George Meredith, the novelist, affects somewhat extraordinary costume. Ordinarily be wears a cream-colored flannel shirt with flapping collar, a loose scarf of black and white, a loose-fitting corduroy coat of ligh mole color and of uncertain age, rough knickerbockers, and plain, substantial boots New York's state capitol, having passed the \$20,000,000 mark, shows such an absorb ing capacity that it is confidently believed an addition of \$10,000,000 in annual doses will about strike a finish. The history of capitol jobbery in all other states might be combined and yet be outclassed by the absorb ing pile at Albany.

Senator Allison's smile shows evidence o careful training, according to a Washington student of facial expression. "It comes and the smile that goes as gently as the smile that passes over a babe's face in its sleep," he says. Such a smile! It seems to creep over face on tiptoe. It is as amiable and concili atory as possible, but it seems to say: 'Hush!' Just between us; not for publica-tion. I am very friendly disposed toward V011.

Senator Blackburn of Kentucky dived down into his coat pockets the other day and brought forth three rabbit feet, of which he gave the following history: "These were presented to me by three beautiful young ladies. They are the left hind feet of rab-bits killed in a country graveyard, over the grave of a murderer, in the dark of the moon, by a cross-eyed, red-headed, left-bandet neare." The searcher's election is handed negro." handed negro." The senator's election is unaccountably delayed.

are always loyal no matter who the nomine may be, they are bound to be pleased and will work heartily to place the state way up in the republican column. Unquestionabl a group of robbers who, in thirty years, have present the prependerance of sentiment in Nebraska today is for McKinley, but just the same there should be every facility offered in the district and state conventions for a full and free expression. The apparent effort on the part of some overzealous friends of the Ohio leader to forestall the action of the conver tions will not be received kindly by the rank and file of the party and may result in more harm than good to the best interests of the party.

> Crete Vidette: We can see no special reaso why a Nebraska republican cannot give his support to General Manderson's candidacy Ho is the peer of any of the men whos names have been mentioned. His war record as good, if not better, t of the other candidates; utation as a lawyer w that. hi reputation would not suffer in comparison and his record as United States senator, forging to the front of ommittees and in six years honored with position of president of the senate, second to none. He is an orator, a soldier and a statesman, and what is especially pleas If there i

ing to us, he is a Nebraskan. a possibility of securing General Manderson' aination, republicans ought to exert every effort in that direction.

York Times: There is a very strong sen iment for Governor McKinley in Nebraska nd the feeling in regard to him is so general that it would be impossible to select a dele gation to the national convention for any other man. If, however, Senator Manderson should be a candidate there is no doubt the delegation would willingly be given to him to use as long as there was any possible chance of his nomination, with the under-standing that when he was through with them they should go to McKinley. no better way to stand up for Nebraska that to stand up for its brains and its culture and so loyal are Nebraska republicans to our state that they will not be found withhold ing their approbation of the genius of her

great men that is acknowledged and re spected throughout the land. Central City Republican: The voice of th

people is becoming day by day more pro-nounced in its endorsement of General Charles F. Manderson for the nomination o the republican ticket for the office of chie magistrate of these United States. An it is with especial pride that Nebraskan observe the sign and with satisfaction that

they congratulate themselves that there in

"I claim both poles!" the lion growled Replied the bear: "Go slow! Confound you, I annexed the Poles A hundred years ago!"

Washinington Star "Alas!" the British lion cried, "I find it without fail! Whichever Vhichever way I turn some man Comes forth to twist my tail!"

Indianapolis Journal.

Poor Chollie wears a puzzled frown, His alleged mind is near a wreck; To think that England was thrown down By a man with whiskers on his neck!

Memphis Appeal.

The sunset is the hectic flush that comes Upon the swarthy check of dying day; And darkness is the draping pall that glooms Fre night its form within the tomb doth

Detroit News.

He spoke of the pound and the guines, And a certain distinction to wuines And a certain distinction Rolled up his pants; You could tell at a glance, He was nothing on earth but a nuines

Detroit Free Press. She claims to be an artist, though Art scarcely can define her; But looking on her face we know She is a calciminer.

A MEMORY OF T. C. PLATT.

New York Sun. In other days of other years, When music did inspire Tioga's favorite son, they say That Thomas led the choir. they say.

So sweet he volced his numbers that All strangers would inquire About the music in the church, When Thomas led the choir.

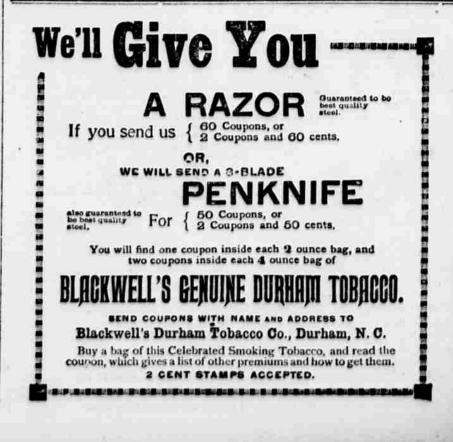
They had their rows as all choirs do, And got as hot as fire: Some quit and some remained to kick, But Thomas led the choir.

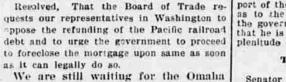
They tell that once upon a time, A preacher came from Maine, Who preached a sermon from the text. "And we shall suffer pain."

The sermon was a dismal thing, And what it lacked in strength Of gloominess and suffering, Was quite made up in length.

At last it ended and the choir Arose to sing a hymn, And Thomas 'ed the choir that day, With all the usual vim.

This hymn he sang in tones that reached From pupit steps to dome: "Oh, take a pil—Oh, take a pil— Oh, take a pilgrim home!"





Board of Trade, the Commercial club or any other representative body of business men of this city to give expression to their disapproval of any scheme that seeks to perpetuate the burdensome and exorbitant tolls levied to meet the interest on this colossal debt and pay off the principal. In this matter the people of Omaha and Nebraska are as vitally concerned as are