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Just wait till the administration democrats get together!

The president's reverend brother is something of a letter writer bimself.

According to the interpretation put upon the charter by the city legal department, the council can always raise salaries, but never lower them.

For an anachronysm musty with ancient history, gaze at the income tax plank of the Nebraska democratic platform.

New Jersey republicans deserve credit at least for their modesty. It is seldom that a state convention contents itself with recommending a favorite son for the vice presidency.

What the governor of Missouri said to the governor of Nebraska may have been very interesting, but no one will worry over it, even if it is not made public for the benefit of all.

The Transmississippl exposition is the link that will bind together all forces and all factions in one united effort for the advantage and advancement of Omaha, Nebraska and the whole greater

The veteran Pennsylvania congressstate two years ago by such a phenomenal majority is to be renominated for ticket. Grow and republican victory go

Hon, Charles H. Brown was not good enough for the World-Herald to support for mayor, but he is the World-Herald's choice for district delegate to the democratic convention at Chicago which is to nominate a democratic candidate for president.

It is really too bad that public state institutions cannot be conducted on a plane beyond the reach of scandal. These constant charges, counter charges and investigations of public employes could be made as unnecessary as they are unseemly.

Is it not about time for the Board of Public Works to move to set aside the injunction that prevents it from abating that wooden sidewalk nuisance in front of the old Farnam Street theater site Events that have since transpired seem very much to indicate that the restraining order was secured upon false pre-

In a prairie state it is of course wise This much goes without saying. It is questionable, however, whether the detion of business in our courts, banks and government offices on Arbor day. There may be too many holidays.

The Western Passenger association is trying to revise the system of issuing mileage books so as to prevent its abuse by scalpers. What the association ought to do is to provide for the issue of mileage books in blank. It makes really no difference to the railroad mileage book or another. A transferable book redeemable by the road would leave no room for further bickering and contention about cutting rates through

The school board has decided to shut down upon the use of public school buildings for private pay classes during the summer months. There are naturally two sides to this question. These schools are usually conducted for the benefit of backward public school pupils, who are thus enabled with a little extra effort to keep up with their classes. At the same time they constitute private schools just as much as the other privat. schools conducted in the city all the year round.

Next week the state photographers meet in annual convention in this city. About 150 members will be present and during the convention a school of photography will be conducted for the edification of the elect. In no other profession has there been greater advancement the past thirty years than in that of photography. The work now produced seems to have reached the acme of perfection, but still the strife for higher attainment goes on. That the photographers of the state will be hospitably entertained in Omaha goes without saying.

WILL BR. BARVEY EXPLAINT

of this city and state on the imperative done. necessity for the immediate free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 without waiting for the aid earth. While The Ree has no desire to questions.

do free silver men persist in setting up ard, why do they not demand a ratio of

Second, If free and unlimited silver coinage at 16 to 1 by the United States or has a stock of silver bullion on hand a candidate it will be necessary to abanto soll?

were restored to \$1.29 an ounce by the half a century this rule in nominating passage of a free silver coinage law, candidates has been observed by every would any bullion owner want to go to democratic national convention, so that

Fourth. If the bullion price of silver were equal to its coinage value would there be any more silver in actual circulation among the people than there is now when the silver dollar is equal in purchasing and debt-paying power to the gold dollar?

Fifth: If the restoration of the bullion price of silver by a free coinage money circulation, what would the merchant, the farmer and the mesilver mining gain?

Sixth. Assume that the entire silver product of the United States, say 100.-000,000 ounces, were coined and added to our volume of circulating money every year, would any American farmer. cattle raiser or planter get a penny more for his product than he gets under the present system when every silyer dollar and paper dollar is as good as a gold dollar, and so long as the price of grain, beef and cotton is regulated by the supply and demand for these commodities in the world's mar-

Seventh. If free and unlimited silver coinage at 16 to 1 can be maintained regardless of the bullion value of the white metal and without an international agreement, why have Mexico and Chili failed to keep their silver dollars on a parity with gold? And why man, Galusha A. Grow, who carried his do the Mexican mine owners ship their silver bullion to the American and English markets when they can have congressman-at-large on the republican it freely coined into Mexican dollars at the Mexican mint?

REPUBLICAN COURSE CLEAR.

Those who expect that there will be any serious trouble in the republican national convention over the currency plank of the platform will be disappointed. More than two-thirds of the delegates to the convention have been chosen and a large majority of these are pledged by the platforms of their state conventions in favor of the maintenance of a sound money system and against the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1. The states whose influence will dominate the convention on the currency question have in unmistakable terms declared for honest money and there can be no doubt that their representatives in the convention will be faithful to these declarations.

The delegations from New England

from New York and Pennsylvania, from Ohlo and Kentucky, from the middle states and from the northwest. will constitute a solid phalanx against any concession, bargain or compromise with the advocates of and desirable that sentiment favorable free silver. The representatives of thes to tree planting shall be inculcated, states will go to St. Louis thoroughly imbued with the conviction that the republican party has no higher mands of the times warrant the cessa- greater duty at this time than that of reaffirming its devotion to a sound and stable currency based on gold, and they will have the power to give full expression to this conviction in the platform. Undoubtedly there will be : most earnest effort made by the free silver element to induce the hones money men to make a declaration that will not distinctly and explicitly de clare against free coinage, but small free silver minority that will be whether one person uses a particular in the convention will not be permit ted to say what shall be the position

of the party on this vital issue.

It is threatened that if the national convention shall declare unequivocally for sound money the party will forfeit the support of the silver states. Possibly, but the party can better afford to lose these states than to renounce its record as the steadfast supporter of a sound and stable currency and of th best monetary standard of the civilized world. It is by no means certain, how ever, that a declaration by the re publican national convention in favor of the gold standard would lose the party all or any of the silver states The people of those states have other interests besides silver. Most of them have industries of more value than the silver they produce which have suffered severely from democratic policy and will continue to suffer so long as that policy prevails. Strong as is their devotion to free silver they are not likely to wholly lose sight of their other interests and vote against the party which the know to be friendly to those interests We believe there is little risk in saying that the republicans of the sliver states will in any event support the nomine

of the St. Louis convention. The republican course at St. Louis in regard to the currency is clear. party must take an unqualified and unmistakable position in favor of main-

Omaha audience to enlighten the people a reason to doubt that this will be the returns no as to re-elect Governor estage.

THE TWO-THIRDS RULE.

It is evidently the intention of the or consent of any other nation on free silver democrats, if they secure a majority of the Chicago convention, to particular line of argument, it would the membership shall be necessary to be pleased to have him answer a few place candidates in nomination. Each convention, of course, can make its own First, If the dollar of 371% grains of rules of procedure, regardless of the pure silver is the unit for all primary action of its predecessor, and for this money coined by the United States, why purpose a majority vote is sufficient. The nomination of candidates alone regold as the unit in demanding a ratio quires the votes of two-thirds of the of 16 to 1? If silver is the unit stand- membership of the convention, the adoption of a platform and every other ques tion presented being determined by a majority vote. If the free silver men secure a majority, which now appears alone would restore the bullion price to be exceedingly probable, they will of an ounce of silver to \$1,29 in gold, not be satisfied with a free silver platwhat advantage will the debtor class form, but will want a candidate in full gain unless the debtor is a mine owner sympathy with it. In order to get such don the two-thirds rule and notwith-Third. If the bullion price of silver standing the fact that for more than before me and subscribed in my this 3d day of April, 1896.

N. P. FEIL, Notary Public.

And wait his turn for coinage, if sacred party practice, it is not to be doubted that the free silver democrats will overturn it if that be necessary to this 3d day of April, 1896.

N. P. FEIL, Notary Public. tion declare for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1, but the nominee of the convention must be a man who can stand upon such a platform and command the confidence of the free silver element. They are undoubtedly prepared to go to any extremity to secure this and any precedent that inact did not increase the aggregate terferes with their purposes will be swep out of the way if they have the power to do so. As the situation now looks chanic not immediately concerned in this element will have no difficulty in framing the platform to its wish and it is also very likely to nominate the candidate.

THE RETAILERS' DEMAND.

The conference committee on insurance of the Retailers' association has formulated a declaration of grievances which is moderate in tone and very conservative in its demands. The companies are reminded of the fact that since the 20 per cent increase of local insurance rates the efficiency of the fire department has been materially improved and the fire risks correspondingly lessened. Attention is also called to the extension and enlargement of the water mains and the marked increase in the volume of the available water supply.

Under these changed conditions the companies should as a matter of equity have voluntarily restored the old rates. which were considered sufficiently high by underwriters and were in effect for four years after the enactment of the valued policy law. The recommendation of the committee of a demand for a reduction of 10 per cent is therefore a very reasonable one so far as the insurance companies are concerned. In fact, it will be regarded by most of the policy holders as a considerable concession to the underwriters.

The consensus of opinion among our business men is that the raising of the rates in 1893 on the pretext of making up past losses was unjustifiable and the maintenance of the increased rate after he city had complied with nearly every demand made upon it by the insurance agents has created a deep-seated feeling of resentment. The insurance interests have for years had representatives on the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and have had full sway in manning the fire department and purchasing fire supplies and apparatus. They have il and an unstinted tax levy for the the situation now and will continue to cause. be unless the community finds its liberality unappreciated.

So far as the valued policy law is con cerned, the committee very truthfully says the retailers, being for the most part tenants, are not its beneficiaries. At the same time any action they might take or any promise they might give of their aid in the move for its repeal would only cause dissension in their ranks, and therefore should not be thrust into the present controversy. While the valued policy law has afforded a pretext for rate raising, it cannot be gainsaid that the fire hazard in Omaha in 1896 is very much less than it was in 1893, and the companies will still be doing exceedingly well if the policy holders rest content with a 10 per cent reduction, which means a continuance of rates at least 10 per cent higher than they were three years ago and higher than they should have been at any time.

THE LOUISIANA ELECTION.

Mr. Pharr, the fusion candidate for governor of Louisiana, confidently asserts that he was elected and will be inaugurated on the second Tuesday in May. Phare was nominated by a fusion of republicans, populists and an organization calling itself national republicans, composed chiefly of sugar planters who want protection for their interest. Pharr himself is a wealthy mental in organizing the national re- people is the first law of democracy. publicans, nearly all of whom have formerly acted with the democratic party. This organization was created as a distinct protest against the treat ment received by the sugar interest from the democratic party and it is composed of some of the wealthiest and most influential men in Louislana. The that the claim of election made by the fusion candidate is correct, but that he will be inaugurated governor of Louisiana is very doubtful. The democrats claim the election of their candidate by

taining the existing standard and great advantage of being in full control clous one to the mist. We should have a The author of "Coin's Financial against the free and unlimited coinage of the election machinery. It will be system of gold as monometallic as it is today in this way, if silver were permitted to be School" is booked to appear before an of silver at 16 to 1. There is now not surprising, indeed, if they do not fix council free, we should have no more gold by the returns of the respect Governor counse. We should have a monometable Foster, having conducted the election in gilt edge. a way that would not be tolerated where all parties demand a fair ballot. Mr.

Pharr's dispatch indicates that he is a man who will make a vigorous fight. There would be, however, this great differ-for his rights; but it is obvious that the enter into any controversy with Mr. abrogate the rule, which has prevailed odds are largely against him. But Harvey or to prescribe for him any since 1844, requiring that two-thirds of whatever the result, it is a fact that the democratic vote in Louisiana has been greatly reduced, which is a gain for intelligence and directness worthy of this the cause of protection in that locality | beautiful and lefty characteristic? that is encouraging and gratifying. If the sugar interest in that state will persist in the course it has taken Louisiana may be redeemed from democratic rule

> in the not remote future. Councilman Kennard excuses himself for voting to increase salaries in the city treasurer's office on the ground that the deputy treasurer had to pay \$200 for his guaranty company bond. But there is nothing in the law or the charter that requires the deputy to take out a bond. The bond does not run to the city, but to the city treasurer. It might have been, and would have been, a personal bond were it not for the trade and traffic by which the city difficulty, in procuring his own bond. This is only a roundabout way of making the city pay for the bond of the city treasurer. If the taxpayers should pay part of the price of the treasurer's bond, why not make them pay all of it of their leaders have already proclaimed and pay it direct instead of in the form of increased salaries?

> > The next time President Cleveland takes down his veto ax he should use it to decapitate a few of the numerous bills to remove the charge of desertion from the records of war survivors. A large proportion of the record-whitewashing bills are designed solely to enable men not entitled to an honorable discharge to claim pensions just the same as if they had been gallant and deserving veterans. No greater insult could be placed upon the true patriot than to have skulkers, deserters and bounty jumpers placed upon the same level with them by special act of con-

> > An effort should by all means be made to have a day set for the reargument of the maximum rate cases before the United States supreme court at its present term. Even if the case is taken under advisement before adjournment, the decision will not be had until the court reconvenes in the fall. If the reargument goes over until next term the decision will be postponed for nearly a year. There is no occasion for so long a delay in the final settlement of the controversy.

Ex-Governor Pattison has not changed he views which he expressed on the subject of the Pacific railroad debt in his famous report as dissenting member of the Pacific Railroad commission. He was then opposed to any funding scheme and he is now opposed to the funding scheme pending in congress. Had the federal government acted on the lines laid down in the Pattison report the Pacific railroad debt would have been settled years ago.

The State Board of Educational Lands and Funds persists in keep ing nearly \$80,000 of the university endowment funds idle in the hands of the state treasurer and depriving the university of the income rightfully belonging to it, while war rants drawn in favor of the university employes are being hawked about Lincoln at a discount.

Claude Hoover's attorney accomplished nothing more by his application to the supreme court than a prolongation of the prisoner's mental anguish and an increase of expense attending the case. always had representation in the coun- Upon what rational grounds this zealous attorney expects to base an application fire fund, not only up to the charter for Hoover's pardon yet remains to be limit, but beyond that limit. This is seen. His fidelity is worthy of a better

National Joy in Danger. Indianapolis News.

Congress is nearly through with the appropriation bills. Unless the Sondan care eagn or the Matabele uprising has to alked about an early adjournment may be expected.

A Hunch for Spoils.

In municipal elections It is never necessary to crack the party whip in the interest of honorable and capable candidates. nfit man who always profits by the drawing of party lines.

Mexico Under Free Coinage.

Indianapolis Journal.

The best paid mechanic in Mexico does no ern over \$1 a day in Mexican money, wh was worth 54 cents in New York yesterday Mexico has free and unlimited coinage the ratio of 151/2 to 1. The dollar the Mexi can mechanic receives will purchase but worth of any necessary of life for which there is a market outside of Mexico.

Business Policies Demanded.

Minnapolis Journal.

This year should settle the question whether compromising politicisms have pre-cedence in this country or whether honesty and true business-politics shall prevail. Political parties are too prone to foggy utte ances and glittering generalities on the eve of a presidential campaign. This year demands a different treatment of serious ques tions.

Democracy in Nebraska.

The county conventions throw a queer light in the democracy of Nebraska. Both sound oney and free silver men secured a large number of delegates, and in each lestance the wing defeated in the regular county conve cause in a maso meeting. This is not the ocratic way of letting the people sugar planter and was largely instru- what they want. Obedience to the will of the

A MISLEADING TERM.

The Practical and the Dictionary Idea of Bimetallism.

We appeal to the democrats intent upon the free coinnge of silver to give up the use of the mystifying catchword "bimetallism." The most precious metal known bears the undulating name of didymium. It costs one principle they are working for is protection. It is more than probable allism at the old gold and silver ratio of 1 to 16, didymium dollars would be confined to English and mixed English, not counting the cabinets of the coin collectors. There those written in Polish and Bohemian. His wouldn't be any in use. The commercial cent's worth, and the majesty of an international agreement or an American statute making coinage at that ratio free to both from 20,000 to 25,000 and they have the wouldn't bring an ounce of the more pre- Mahanitski.

silver currency without even so much as a

In whatever way the free silver men talk the issue they stand for is silver mo allism, worth 50 cents on the present dollar is enlarged with millions of dollars in silver with a silver standard there wouldn't be a bollar of gold.

This silver and gold issue is as clear as

MORGAN'S SCATHING WORDS. Arralgument of the Railway Looters

Chicago Post Mr. Margan's views on the Pacific railway refunding bill were pretty well known before the presentation yesterday of the minority re-But this brings them together urls them like a redhot shot at the head of ollis P. Huntington and his associates in the scandalous frauls and jobbery Central and Southern Pacific railway manage-

of the Pacific Coast.

The senator charges the Hunt'eigton ring with fraud and speculation which their testimony vainly attempts to conceal, and with placing their main reliance for misleading congress upon evazions of the truth. The latest trick of Huntington he characterizes n a single phrase—"an effort to capture the So tral Pacific railway, after it has made his and his three or four associates enormously treasurer finally succeeded, after much rich on the plea that his pride impels him to save this road from bankruptey, to which his fraudulent dealing seems to have driven it. What have these people done? Let Mr. Morgan answer: "Four men who owned the stock in the

Central Pacific Railway company and a few who owned that of the Uniter Pacific company built them under contracts made with them-ceives through a "Contract and Finance company' and a 'Credit Mobilier company,' which they also ewned, and they have blazed p before the courtry in a glitter of wealth that eclipses the wealth of the greatest mon-

archs of the earth." Having done that, what do they now pro-

Refuerig to account for the trust funds hey have received and carried into their colossal fortunes, which would more than pay these companies out of debt and still ave them rich, they demand that congress hall wait a century for the payment of what hey have left to us as a legacy of crime, and hall surrender to them, under a new con ract and new conditions, this great national highway for half its value."

Mr. Morgan's accusations will not be disegarded by the senate. And in the face of he everwhelming proof of Huntington's fraud and mi-management congress should pause before intrusting to him and his "the great iuty of controlling this highway of the re-

DEMOCRATIC BOOMS.

New York Press: William E. Russell of daseachusetts have a good deal of difficulty in carrying his

Minneapolis Times; Young Mr. Russell of Massachusetts received the empty compliments of the season Tuesday. As Mr. Rus-cell is not quite 40 he can stand it, New York World: The dashing young democratic leader who was three times elected governor of Massachusetts and won marked honors in that office would make a

presidential candidate "not to be sneezed at" if nominated on a sound platform—and he would stand on no other. Louisville Times: Just to get his cour age up ex-Governor Jimmy Campbell is chirping in the east the old song about mocracy's carrying New York, New Jersey innecticut and the solld south. The old

colld south is now a filled chasse, permeated

political blow-holes, and the politician who talks about any one party carrying this year all the states in that section talks non cent interview on the curency question re-finds us of an old backwoodeman who had a little woodwork shop. One day he went nto a town for the first time. The eigns over the stores astonished and pleased him

so much that when he went home he painted one of his own and hung it over the door. read: "All ports of turning and twisting Philadelphia Press: The presidential boom r ex-Governor Ruspoll of Massachusetta to aid to be really no presidential boom at all, ut instead a vice presidential boom. The theme, it is claimed, is to capture the deleation from Masachusetts and from all New ngland if possible to Chicago for Russell this force in favor of the nomiation of Carlisle for president on condition

Kansas City Star: William R. Morrison talks like a man who is earry to abando the cause of free silver and refuctant to joi the ranks of the sound money men; who real izes the hopelessness of the one, you while longer have license to take a films at the other. He wants gold and silver to be used as standard money, but he realized that the adoption of free silver coinage a ratio of 16 to 1 would not result in that, but would speedily put the country on a silver basis with no gold in circulation and with fewer dollars, and those of less value than it present. So evidently, he is not a 16 to He thinks silver mighe stored to use as a measure of values alongside of gold through the co-operation of other nations, but be confesses frankly that

a sees no immediate prospect of securing POLITICAL NOTES.

that.

The Illinois democratic state convention alled to meet at Peoria June 23. Five republican state conventions will be old next week-Blinois and Alabama

Tuesday, and Arizona, Georgia and Virginia n Wednesday. Ex-Congressman Champ Clark of Missouri, who was engulfed at 1894, has been resur-rected and nominated for congress in the

Ninth Missouri district. In the event of the nomination of Mr. McKinley the New York World contends that his opponent on the democratic ticket should be William L. Wilson.

The republicans of the First district of New York have nominated a man named Tongue for congress. Colonel Bill China of Kentucky wants a seat in the state senate. Notwithstanding his refusal, the Denver be sent as delegate-at-large from Colorado to

forces. Garrett A. Hebart, New Jersey's favorite on for vice president on the republican inket, is a member of the national committee end a spleedld political manager. He is a ood lawyer, has a moderate fortune and ves in Paterson.

Loius in order to lead the free silver

and ninety-six votes to its credit up to date. The states are Alabama, Colorado, Missouri Nebraska, Oregon and Washington, 2 braska's delegation to Chicago will be suble-header. Mussachusetts and sland, with thirty-eight delegates, furnish the advance guard of the sound money crowd Colonel William Penn Nixon of the Chicago nter Ocean and Major Mores P. Handy the Chicago Times-Herald are displaying exracedinary versatility in calculating the co plexion of the Illinois republican convection is impossible to bring their estimatewithin hailing distance, and judgment be withheld until the convention speaks for itself.

Ever since Congressman Mahany of Buffalo made his speech before the house immigracommittee in defense of the Poles he has been bailed as the modern Korciusko and the champion of Polish liberty in the United States. From Poles and Polish societies all over the United States Mahany has been of thanks, memorials for the redress of grievances, and petitions of various import, written in good English, bad English, old those written in Polish and Bohemian. mail has swelled out of all proportion, and honorary member of a dozen Polish asso-ciations, and in some of the certificates his od Hibernian name is elaborated into

TRIBUTE TO THE BARD OF AVON

Shakespeare Memorial Window Unveiled by Ambassador Bayard.

SUBSCRIBED FOR BY AMERICAN VISITORS

Final Day of the Birthday Celebration at Stratford-British Crowd Shows Cordinl Feeling Toward This Country.

STRATFORD-ON-AVON, April 23.-This

was the final day of the celebration of Shakespeare's birthday. The inhabitants turned out in holiday attire. The streets, which were brilliantly decorated with American and British flags, were crowded with visitors. United States Ambassador Bayard and his wife and daughter arrived at 11:30 the courtesy to be found only in the best a. m., in company with George F. Parker, the United States consul at Birmingham. of the The other gueste did not arrive unt I noon. They included a number of members of the Players' club of New York, which organization has presented a portrait of Edwin Booth as Hamlet to the Shakespeare theater and museum. As soon as the 12 o'clock train arrived, the bells were tolled and the streets became packed with people harrying witness the unveiling of the window the Shakespeare church vindow was contributed by American visitors to the church. Mr. Bayard drove burch, accompanied by Lord Leigh, the ford lieutenant of Warwickshire, and when the United States ambassador entered the edifice, "Hail Columbia" was played upon The church was densely crowded and the ceremony was most impressive. A wreath of laurels and lilies placed upon the poet's omb constituted the only decoration of the

Mr. Bayard, in the course of a long address, referred to the special significance wish, given to the present commemoration by Dar America's tribute, pointing out the timeliness of the gift as containing in the recognition Shakespeare a common bond of feeling and sympathy.

Vicar Arbuthnot then made a speech, de-

scribing the window, after which Mr. Bay-ard was escorted to a raised dias in the south transppt. There he pulled the cord of the curtain covering the beautiful window and the American memorial to Shakespeare was unveiled. Mr. Bayard made a few appropriate remarks.

After the ceremony Vicar Arbuthnet said on a representative of the Associated press: I wish to thank all American donors. oes much to knit the relations between the wo countries. The few Americans present included Mr.

and Mrs. J. W. Parks of Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. O. H. White of New York, Mr. James Buhanan of Boston and Bret Harte. BAYARD'S TRIBUTE TO SHAKESPEARE.

After the ceremonies at the church were concluded, the company had luncheon at the own hall. Mr. Bayard met with enthusiastic receptions, and in replying briefly to the toast to his health, he said: "We have met at Shakespeare's home without a shadely of difference. There is no boundary line in it." At another point in his remarks Mr. Bayard said: "I am a citizen of a republic. but I acknowledge the sovereignty of Fing Shakespeare." Mr. Bayard was frequently applanded.

The mayor, who responded to Lord Leigh's oast of 'The President of the United States,' had for Lincoln and Garfield, and called three cheers for President Cleveland,

which were heaflily given.
The mayer in his speech said: "It is no mough to call the Americans cousins; there a term of deeper significance—they are our brethren.

Every inch of space in the corridor is

which hung the portrait of Edwin Booth. presented by the Players' club of New York was occupied and the theater itself, in which the ceremony took place, was packed. decorated and seats on it running from right to left and covered with crimson cloth, was surmounted by a laurel wreath and stood upon an ebony easel in the front of the stage. Mr. Bayard and Consul Parker sat singe. Mr. Bayard and Consul Parker sat on the right side of the stage, a tarn shed drop scene formed the background and a framed motto; "All the World's a Stage" nung in front of it. Mr. Edgar Flower, who resided, announced Mr. Parker, who made he presentation in the name of the Players When Mr. Parker mentioned the names of Washington Irving, Hawthorne, George Childs, Holmes, Bret Harte and William Winter in his speech, they were wildly heered, as also were the names of the Ameran actors and actresses, especially those f Mary Anderson and Charlotte Cushman chairman said the gift was received in ne name of Shakespeare's American adnivers, by the governors, and asserted that t only added another link to the goodwill between the two countries, "which are the same in art and literature."

GOVERNMENT BUYS HOT SPRINGS. Valuable Concessions Made by the

Shoshone and Arapahoe Indians. FORT WASHAKIE, Wyo., April 22 .- A treaty with the Shoshone and Arapahoe In dians has been completed and signed, selling to the United States ten miles square, embracing the Big Horn hot spring, the consideration being \$60,000 in five annual installments, the first installment to be paid in cash and cattle, and the balance in

subsistence, etc.
The hot spring referred to is located on the military reservation, just beyond the limits of Fort Washakie. It is some sixty yards wide, twenty feet deep and has meficinal properties. Its temperature is 160

For years the military authorities have een trying to secure possession of pring. Some time ago a line was utting the spring through the middle, and ater the boundaries of the military reserve were extended, taking it in. When the pa pers were forwarded to the Interior department, however, they were rejected, for the reason that the consent of the Indians had not been secured. The tract, ten miles square, included some vast asphalt deposits and a number of all wells, none of which lowever, have ever been worked.

WOMEN CANNOT BE DELEGATES. Methodist Conference Votes Against the Proposition.

CLEVELAND, April 23.—The proposition o admit women as lay delegates to the gen eral conference of the Methodist Episcopal church has been defeated by a very narrow margin. The vote of the North Dakota conference was received here today. It was the hat to be taken on the matter, total vote is shown to be 7.515 idmission of women and 2,529 against. cording to the provision of the discipliany of the restrictive rules of the church to receive the support of three-fourths of th The free silver democracy has six states nembers of the annual conference voting for the proposition and two-thirds of the mem-bers of the general conference. According to the figures issued today the women have lost by just eighteen votes.

Woman's Mission Convention Ended. MILWAUKIEE, April 23.—At the morning secsion of the convention of the Woman's Board of Missions, synodical re Woman's Board of Missions, synodical reports of six sinles were read. They were Mantena, Nebruska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wissonsin, The analycersary hymn written by Mrs. Elizabeth Hope Baldwin was received with enthusiasm. A reminiscent address by Mrs. R. W. Patterson, the first vice president of the board, came next. An address by Mrs. A. S. Carrier of Chicago was followed by missionary greetings from representatives of the board of foreign countries.

The presentation of missionaries and candidates took place this evening. The candidates took place this evening. The canon. The next convention will be held at Rock Island, Ill.

Dam for Texas and Mexico. EL PASO, Tex., April 23.—Mexican an American officials, accompanied by Colon-Anson Mills and Senor Orsono of the inter national boundary commission, visited site of the proposed international dacross the Rio Grande, three miles als El Paso. Senor Leal. Mexico's minister public works approves the pian and does Colonel Mills. The dam, which is irrigation purposes, will be pushed to constitution.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The wheelmen's ultimatum to the railroads is "lave me, love my bike."

A Washington dispatch claims that four of Missouri's free silver delegation to Chicago are favorable to the sound money faction.

A. J. Balfour is one of the few really good mustcians in the House of Commons. He follows the movements of the musical world

with keen interest, and is no mean performer on the plano-forte. Mr. Gladstone thinks the responsibility for Armenia new rests with Russia, since that

power, and not England, now dominates Tur-key. It is to be hoped the recording angel has made a note of the transfer. Field Marshal von Blumenthal, the senior Gorman officer in active service, is in his eightleth year. He has a sinecure as chief of the Berlin army inspection district and

considers nimeelf on important duty. Prince Krapotkin, revolutionary exile and nibilist leads a patriarchal existence among

class of Russian society. Prof. Virehow of Berlin says that in the lightherla cases in the Emperor and Empress rederick Hospital for Children the serum treatment has been generally adopted, and with brilliant success, for whereas the perentage of deaths from this terrible disease was 37.63 in the years 1891, 1892 and 1893, it was only 27.8 in 1894 and 11.2 in 1895. General Sherman once said to Colonel

Church of the Army and Navy Journal that the earlier commanders of the army of the forme never put more than three-fourths of their men into action; hence their failures and misfortunes. "In the western armies," said the general, "nine-tenths of the men went in, and semetimes the other tenth." Mr. Gladstone rode as one of the first pasengers over a new railroad to Liverpool last week, and made the principal speech at the banquet. Nothing seems to open up the

Gladstonian floodgates of reminiscence so niuch as a railway dedication. He reviewed the history of Liverpool in the most interesting manner, and was as bright and charming in his address as his hearers could Daniel Warren Gale, one of Chicago's most noteworthy pioneers, who died the other day, was a direct descendant of Governor William

Bradford. Through his mother he was also descendant of Governor Winslow. He was born in Plymouth, Mass., 70 years ago, and went to Chicago in 1844, where he became prominent as a successful dry goods merchant and identified himself with the est interests of the city.

Unward Tendency of Business.

It would appear that a start upward has em made, and besides, important political mestions are being decided in advance of the party conventions. It seems to be accepted that the republican candidate will win and he discussion now going on as to the position of each candidate on the money and tariff uestions means that the campaign issues are eing fought out before the conventions are If political agitation ceases with the adjournment of the conventions the work of mprovement may go on steadily all through the summer. The start has been made,

CHEER, BOYS, CHEER.

Puck: Holdem Uppe-Do you like trothate verse?

Add Reiter-Very much. I was once very well paid for some verses on Frogg's bronchial troches.

Roxbury Gazette: Buzkins-Jazkins, what makes your office look so dirty?

Jazkins-Can't say; guess the office boy must have just swept it.

Indianapolis Journal: "I believe that Hargreaves' sudden swear-off is more for the purpose of showing off than anything clse." "In other words, you think he is only thirsting for notoriety."

Don't you think there was a good deal of truth in Rev. Mr. Long's sermon today? Mr. Crimsenbeak—Yes; especially when he said it was impossible for any of us to he said it was impossible for tell when the end would come

Yonkers Staterman: Mrs. Crimsonbeak-

Somerville Journal: A 16-year-old girl's idea of the right kind of a chaperon is a young man of 19 with curly hair and a nice little black meustache. New York Herald: He-Your vast wealth bught to enable you to do a great deal o

Chicago Record: "Young Mr. Cassock is a very popular preacher."
"Already? He's so young!"
"Yes, but you see he always wears his bicycle face into the pulpit."

She-It does, I have established the credit

Harlem Life: Mr. Impressionist—That's ny last, there on the easel. Now, that is a picture, Squibs. Squibs—Yes, so it is. I can tell that by the frame.

Indianapolis Journal: "How times have changed," said the elderly pessimist. "It used to be that when two fighters met one or both bit the dust, but now they only chew the rag."

Chicago Tribune: "How came you to suspect the prisoner to be a man in woman's clashing?" inquired the magistrate.
"I didn't suspect," answered the detective.
"As soon as I saw her try to lift her bonnet after she had met and passed another coman on the street, I simply knew she

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Gird on, gird on, my daughters dear, with
pain and tape and all.
The hats that I have picked for you, so
gay, so wide, so tail!
Then follow, follow in my wake, in spite
of man or law—
And be your oriflamme tonight the belmet of mamma!

With courage high unto our seats we'll sweep a-down the aide,
And when the men use naughty words we'll smile a haughty smile.

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And when the usher pleads with us we'll freeze him with a stare.

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