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THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE DECORATION DAY FEATURES.

If anybody says drouth, slap him across the mouth.

The man whose word is as good as his bond is for honest money.

"Has Omaha got its new depot yet?" That is the interrogatory burled at every Omaha man who goes away from

It is very singular that all the rotten soup tureen.

We believe a man determined to invest in Cuban bonds might still secure a part of the issue. All he needs to do is to show his money.

Give the farmers good crops and they will coin the harvest into good American dollars, each of equal value to the other and of 100 cents purchasing

There is this difference between an honest newspaper and a boodle organ. The honest newspaper is proud of the enemies it has made, the boodle organ is ashamed of its friends.

declare against 16 to 1 free silver coin- country. According to the figures it be returned to the house with a strong age. Free silver republicans in this appeared that during two years of the protest against the large sums appro-

in the basket under the municipal guilto be offered to every man who has a

pull in the primaries?

The coronation of the czar will not be permitted to interfere with the work of president-making on this side of the Atlantic. The inauguration of a new president is for us of vastly greater whole dynasty of Russian monarchs.

Isn't it about time for some one to announce again that he will not permit his name to be considered in connection with a place on the republican state ticket? We ought to have proclamations of this kind at least once a selves." week from now on until the convention.

cago be ought to take with him a liberal number of copies of his famous editorial on the ethics of bolting. Unless prospects are very much altered within the next few weeks he would be pretty sure to find a demand for it, if not among his followers among his oppo-

It is to be hoped that the conference committee which has under consideration the senate amendments to the Fort Omaha bill, in which the house has declined to concur, will see its way clear to recommend the bill as originally passed by the house. There is to a gift and making its acceptance almost impossible.

The tickets to the republican national convention allotted to the St. Louis local committee are to be distributed among the subscribers to the expense guaranty fund in the ratio of the amounts of the subscripts. It is expected that each subscriber will receive one ticket for about every \$40 he will have put up. But then the St. Louis philanthropists will not be inclined to complain. They know that good things come high, but that they are cheapest in the long run.

The action of the Omaha presbytery in requesting that militiamen be exempt from unnecessary duty on Sunday keeping with approved public senti-Barry will be regarded as a compliment to the religious element of the state. Now if the Episcopalians would request that the state encampment be dispensed with this year in the interest of econTRAT ALDREGE MARK'S NEST.

been raised over the pretended duplis altogether hopeless. cation by his antagonist of a speech

cannet help themselves. That this species of guerilla Journalism is countenanced by Mr. Bryan paper and its editor. He certainly has abee that Mr. Platt would not be ig- Omaha. no grounds for complaint. His share noted in the event of Mr. McKinley's of the debate was given full publicity nomination and election. Now that in The Bee and no attempt was made Senator Quay has been to Canton and to disparage him and no comment in spent a few hours with the probable dulged in upon the vulnerable parts of nominee of the St. Louis convention, his argument.

mountebanks to make mountains out and keen. Mr. McKinley drove Mr. of mole hills by magnifying and exag- Quay to the depot, which is taken to gerating. There is nothing in the mean that nothing unfriendly occurred Aldrege matter that calls for an apol- between them, but the senator was not ogy. The truth about it, and the whole in a cordial humor and not entirely civil truth, is this, A week ago Monday to the newspaper men, which is interwith Senator Caffery of Louisiana at tirely satisfied with the interview. It the national capitol, incidentally men- is quite easy to understand that at that tioned his forthcoming debate with Bryan. Senator Caffery stated that he for reporters. had delivered a speech last winter on the silver question, in which he had embodied the full address of Judge Aldrege, which he commended as one of the most telling efforts in favor of sound money. The senator volunteered view between Major McKinley and to furnish a copy of his speech, and Senator Quay. That it had relation to did send it on the same day to the political affairs there can be no doubt. Shoreham hotel, where the editor of but beyond that it will be idle to cou-The Bee was stopping. This document | jecture. The visit strongly implies one was perused by Mr. Bryan's antagonist | thing, however, which is that Mr. Quay on the way from Washington to Omaha | believes that McKinley will be nomiand a few of the salient points marked parted. It is hardly conceivable that for citation and later inserted in his otherwise he would have made the pilopening address.

In order to put an end to all the invited to the reproduction in this is not sufficient to explain the action issue of The Bee of the whole of the of the Pennsylvania senator, himself a Resewater part of the silver debate, in candidate for the nomination at St. which the citations referred to are Louis, in leaving Washington at this printed in black letters. It will be seen time to visit McKinley. Mere friendat a glance that they form a very in- ship could not have prompted it. Theresignificant portion of the debate and was undoubtedly a very important obmackerel always find abundant room are not essential to the thread of the ject of a political nature. It is possible by Judge Aldrege would have occupied | the near future. more than a page of this paper. But we apprehend that the editorial blackguards employed on Mr. Bryan's sub sidized silver league organ will keep on asserting and reasserting that Rosewater has no brains of his own and that every answer made by him and ton correspondent of the New York every question propounded by him in the progress of the silver debate was president has been scanning with a crusted malatma.

WHY THEY WANT PROTECTION. In a speech delivered by Senator Warfew years there has been a great de-The St. Louis convention is bound to cline in the live stock interest of this which carries an anusual amount, will present administration, up to last Janu- priated in the first place and the supstock amounted to the enormous sum ate. In the event of this bill being Mayor Broatch has publicly and of \$664,000,000. The greatest loss was returned without the approval of the nounced that Winspear's head shall roll in sheep, the number of which in 1893 president it probably would be passed otine. But who is to succeed Win- \$126,000,000, while at the close of 1805 of congressmen in it, but it would keep ventions. spear? John Clarke? Or is the place the number had declined to a fraction congress in session longer than had over 42,000,000, valued at \$65,000,000... been intended, though it would still be a loss in two years to the sheep raisers practicable for it to adjourn before the of the country of about \$60,000,000, meeting of the St. Louis convention, In the same connection Senator Warren | That Mr. Cleveland could find a very presented statistics showing the im- good reason in the present condition of mense increase in the importation of wool and wool goods, and said: "With absolutely no benefit therefrom, we importance than the crowning of a depreciate our wool-growing property nearly one-half and wool-manufacturing assets also, while we pour out to England, China and other foreign countries a stream of gold increasing from 300 per cent to 1,700 per cent per aunum for wool and wool commodities that we could as well produce our-

At the end of 1892 the sheep interest of the states of Oregon, Utah, Washingyear later its value was given at less loss on sheep and wool for those five and wool industry during the past two years and there is nothing in the existing situation which promises imsuch a thing as tying too many strings in force. There is every reason to ex-American wool growers are now subjected the sheep and wool industry must continue to decline until the democratic tariff can be replaced by a measure that will afford a judicious protection to this very important industry. The election of a republican president and congress may have the effect to check the decline, in giving assurance of relief as soon as practicable, but there will be no improvement until the existing tariff law is

superseded by a republican measure. The states that have pronounced for the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver at 16 to 1 are largely interested in the sheep and wool industry. To some of them it is worth during the state encampment is in far more than their silver product. This is one strong reason why they city. The lawyers of Omaha induced ment. The reply of Adjutant General want protection and it warrants the the National League of Commercial belief that a majority of the voters in Lawyers to vote their annual conventhose states will adhere to the party tion in this city, and the whole bar of which they know will give them protect the state is interested in providing the tion, even though it shall utterly re- right kind of entertainment for the fuse to do anything for silver. It is guests who will be with us in July. omy and in utter disregard of the impossible to believe that the intelli- Lawyers are as a rule good talkers. claims of transportation companies a gent and discriminating voters of the If our people can by any manner of

The course pursued by Mr. Bryan's subordinate and if possible to sacrifice when they get back to their homes it organ since the silver debate is beneath evrything else to the cause of the white will be of incapulable advantage to us or treaty between Russia and China have contempt. A great bue and cry has metal-a cause which they must see is as a city. And it is with this object not been made public, there is sufficient evi-

OUAY VISITS MEINLEY.

The announcement that Senator Quay would visit Major McKinley aroused a not sign their own names, and extracts | candidate had in view. One suggestion from notorious blackmailing sheets was that Mr. Quay proposed to ascerover to the Ohlo man, a third that he always been treated as such by this fourth that he desired to get an assurcuriosity regarding the nature and re-It is the habit of demagogues and sult of the interview will be general the editor of The Bee, while talking preted as meaning that he was not enparticular time Mr. Quay had no use

It is probably very safe to say that pending the action of the national convention there will be nothing given to the public, if there shall ever be, regarding what was said at yesterday's intergrimage to Canton, identified as he has been, as a leader of the opposition to

EXPECTED VETOES.

It is said that some vigorous vet messages are not unlikely to be delivered to congress before the termination of the present session. The Washing-Journal of Commerce states that the pected that the river and barbor b'll. adjudication. the revenues for disapproving of som of the appropriations will not be seriously questioned, but he would hardly be able to demonstrate that congress has gone beyond the requirements of the public interests. It is unfortunate that the income of the government is not adequate to its needs, but for this Mr. Cleveland and his party are solely responsible.

Dr. Saville's retort to the allusions to his unsavory public record is characteristic. In his latest card he says: When Mr. Bryan goes down to Chi- ton, Idaho and Montana was estimated "The question the people are interested to be worth over \$13,000,000 and one in is not whether cattle were driven in a circle 'steen times twenty years ago. than \$7,000,000. This was a loss of but the question is, Did Mr. Rosewater nearly half in the value of sheep, to steal Judge Aldrege's speech?" From which must be added a loss in wool the standpoint of the conscienceless examounting to over \$3,000,000, or a total Indian agent it is of greater moment to the American people whether a pubstates, in a single year, of \$10,000,000, lie speaker has quoted a few sentences a little more than one-seventh of the from the speech of another man than loss for the whole country. There has it is for a public officer to close his been a steady shrinkage in the sheep eyes to the most barefaced frauds on the government, whereby thousands of dependent men, women and children were compelled to subsist on dog soup. provement in the near future, or so But a man who would countenance the long as the present tariff law remains in force. There is every reason to expect, on the contrary that with the pect, on the contrary, that with the 100 pounds would naturally join Bryan tremendous competition to which in the demand for the free and unlimited coinage of 50-cent silver bullion into a 100-cent dollar. In the eyes of this ex-Indian agent it was just as immaterial whether the contractors who had beef to deliver at the agency drove their cattle around a circle steen times and counted them over and over as was the multiplication of the tails of the railroad company has so far had its way drowned dogs at a cost to the city of \$1 as to prevent immediate determination, and per tail in the eyes of the ex-commis-out the patience of its poposers. sioner of health. The great and overshadowing crime of the age is to repeat at one place part of a speech that somebody else had delivered at some other

It is no small task to receive and properly entertain 500 to 1,000 delegates to a convention in this or any other long-suffering public would applaud. | free silver states, who have so much means get these commercial lawyers way that no hard feelings remain.

at stake besides silver, are prepared to to tell of the advantages of Omnha

Quite the most commendable act of from men who have had grievances great deal of interest in political cir- the American Eggeration of Labor of cles and produced a varied crop of sur- late was its notice to this community reputable records, from men who dare mises as to the object the Pennsylvania that no strike or other disorder could be expected or precipitated by its members. The federation wants it disthat have no standing in communities tain how McKinley stands on the cur- tinetly understood that it has no grievthat tolerate them only because they rency, another that he contemplated ance with the packers of South Omaha turning the Pennsylvania delegation and that there exists today no occasion for dissatisfaction at the treatment acpurposed presenting to the consideration corded the federation's members. This we do not believe. Mr. Bryan has als of McKinley as a running mate Gov- public announcement is in striking conways acted the gentleman, and has ernor Hastings of Pennsylvania, a trast with the situation at Kansas City and must be gratifying to the people of it cannot be that Japan will be content to ing accordingly. It is high time a change

Another report is current that the Pattonsburg gap will soon be closed, thus giving Omaha another direct line dicted. But there can be no doubt the new union depot, and in this way would be a valuable acquisition to this great of the proposed depot which overtops all others-it will be a standing invitation for new lines to enter the city.

It is a fact worthy of note that the Episcopal church shows steady growth in the diocese of Nebraska the past year. There has been, according to official reports read in the annual council in session here, a material increase in the number of missions and of communicants. While the finances of this middle empire being at length opened up great denomination reflect in some and roused from its torpor may therefore measure the depressed state of business affairs during the year, yet it may be said to be in a flourishing condition in matters material and spiritual.

The clearings report for the week just ended gives Omaha a percentage of increase over the corresponding week of last year of \$1.2. In other words, the the throne of England. The heir apparent to sums cleared by the Omaha banks this the present czar of Russia is his brother. week compared with the same week gabble about the alleged theft of McKinley. The two men have long of a year ago aggregated nearly a third Germany stems to be the only great power Judge Aldrege's brains, attention is been friends, in a general way, but this more. The percentage of increase shown by Omaha is far above that of any of the other larger cities and as an almost infallible index of the condition of trade, it is most gratifying.

There was for a time some danger that congress would permit Fort Omaha to be abandoned without making proto swim in the World-Herald's political argument. The full speech delivered that this may be indicated by events in vision for the care and preservation of the property. But such danger has, it is now almost certain, been happily averted. The bill which has just been passed will be the means of putting the fort to a new and laudable purpose, vista for the future of the states of the old from which the government as well as the state must be benefited.

eide to allow to become law the regular view of the fact that almost every crimren of Wyoming, in the United States special items of large amount which city the past year has been opened by senate, he showed that during the last he believes demand a veto. It is ex- the supreme court for review and final

The Young Men's Republican club has ary, the shrinkage in value of live plementary amounts added by the sen- candidates and to decline to make any endorsements in advance of nominafions. This is the rational course, even admitting the club's endorsement would was over 47,000,000, valued at about over the veto, so general is the interest have no force or effect upon the con-

> Both of the old parties in South Dakota have declared for sound money. The silver defusion is passing away.

The Waning Silver Delusion

Political Bosses and Juries. Chicago Times-Herald. Political bosses are dangerous enough when hey limit their activity to politics. When hey become jury makers they trespass upon

When the Band Plays. The leader of the band that is to play a the Coliseum during the democratic conven tion is to be searched in order to see thu does not amugale in the music of "Silver Threads Among the Gold." It is proposed that no one but delegates shall start the

of the debauchery of the courts,

Fabrications and Facts.

There is a great deal more gold in use ian there was in 1873, and nearly double as much silver. Enormous quantities have been coined since 1873 and put into circulation, especially in this country-\$500,000,000 of it So, if anything has gone amiss in the United States or other countries, it cannot be on account of the world's having less money than had in 1873. For it has about twice as

Buffala Express has decided that the Louisiana law requiring railroads to tun separate coaches for wand negro passengers is constitutional. is to be regretted that the right to enfor race discriminations about thus be admitt corporations will be found

The People Be Blanked.

A railroad company has a greater pull in the senate of the United States than has a sovereign state. The people of California and its representatives in congress protest

Uncle Sam us a Collector. Philadelphia Ledger.

Again the American plan of collecting inlemnity has been enown to be the best dispatch from Tientein reports that Chins has paid the claims of the Baptish Missionary union for damages arising out of the Chengti riots. Those were the last claims to be paid, so that the whole affair bes now been sottled, all damages paid for, and the leaders of the rioters punished—all within a year rfom the time the outrages were committed. This has been accomplished, too, without violence or hostile demonstration, but simply by plain language, fair treatment and a fire The Chinese and American ments are friendly notwithstanding episode, and missionary life and property are probably safer in the province of Sechuan today than they ever were before. The gov-criment has been taught a lesson, and has transmitted it to the people-all in such a

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

While the exact terms of the agreement in view that local committees have set dence that in return for pledges of support to work in an effort to provide suitable Rossia has secured most valuable concesentertainment for the visiting attorneys, slons, both from a commercial and a stratogic point of view. It is worthy of note, too, that in this dispute, when it came to choosing between the interests of England and Russia, China at once cast her influence on the side of the latter, although England's ommercial interests in Chinese waters are all comparison to those of Russia. It must be said of Great Britain that who ever she opens up new territory she allows other nations to come in on equal terms. comething which Russia does not do. true that we have no interests involved in this trouble, as we have never availed ourelves, except at Shanghai, of the concessions granted by the Chinese government to us in ommon with the English and French. But have been expended.

The jury system is being debauched. It is have been expended.

The jury system is being debauched. It is being made ridiculous and contemptible, and that does not prevent us from seeing plainly that Ruse's is influencing the trend sit by idly and see the Muscovite reaping all the fruits of her outpouring of blood and trensure. It would appeal that the recent war be-

tween Japan and China has had the effect to the gulf. The benefits of such a of bringing home to the latter the importance line may or may not be what is pre- of railroads, not only as a factor in the maintenance of trade, but also as a means new line would seek entry into the of defense against foreign invasion and internal disorder by the facilities which it affords for the transportation of troops, for a recent issue of the Peking Gazette conrailroad center. Herein is the feature tains an official edict declaring that the emperor has "decided to encourage railroads n every way in order to make them an acemplished fact in the emp.re." struction of two lines la at the same time pecifically sanctioned by the decree, railroad is to connect Tien-Tsin with Peking and is to be built at the cost of the government. The second, which is to run across control China from Peking to Han-Kow, is to be constructed by a syndicate "of wealthy men and rich merchants of the provinces tion having already subscribed a capital of 10,000,000 taels toward the expenses of the undertaking." The prospect of the vast be regarded as promising The Hapsburgs have been particularly un-

fortunate in relation to direct heirs to the throne. Franc's Joseph himself was a nephew of his predecessor, and is to be succeeded by a nephew. The reigning sovereigns of both Russia and Germany are descended from previous rulers by collateral lines, and Queen Victoria was a niece of her predecessor on who lies dying in the Caucasus while the Europe for the throne of escendant of the present ruler is certain, for if the children of the Duke of York should develop feeble constitutions like their uncle the late Duke of Clarence, the children of the Duke of Fife would be the next heirs t Great Britain's throne. What may come of all this in the course of many years is an interesting problem, which is emphasized by the continual growth of suffrage in Austria and Belgium, by the successful establishment of a republic in France and by the fact that the royal family of England is royal only by the will of the House of Commons. The frequent dying out of direct lines of European rulers, and the many contentions in relation to succession which still exist and are political been taught a lesson by the course of events members defeated from accomplishment of in the Competitor case which may do him anything only by superior might open a good. He has been shown that the Spaniel world which is full of surmises,

What makes the inhabitants of the Soudan so terrible to foreign invaders is religious The supreme court has granted a stay fanaticism, which is made to do service for of execution in the Bolla case and ad generalship and organization. As fanatics prompted by some mysterious gold good deal of concern the high totals to journed till June 2. Such action will, the Soudanese far exceed the Kuris of Asiatic which the appropriations have been of course, not prejudice the case one Turkey, and when confronted by a Christian forced up by the senate. He may de way or the other. It is important in foo all discension fades and the dervish ranks gents as belligerents. close up in fearful array. Certain correspondents at Wady Halfn have sought to conappropriation bills unless they contain in all case tried in the courts of this vey an impression that this religious fanaticism is on the wane, but in this they display their ignorance of the people against whom the Egyption expedition is now advancing Their fanaticism wance only with death, an while the taking off of the khalifa would be an event of considerable significance at this decided to permit the forthcoming con-ventions to corner all endorsements of no way weaken the fighting strength of the ime, the British nil hary commanders are not Mandists. Something more than the vagaries newspaper correspondents is necessary to overturn the bloody lesson of the last Sou-***

> It may be reckoned as sure that Abyssin'a's doom is sealed. She has repulsed Italy, but she cannot repulse all who crowd to be Italy's successors. If Great Britain , does not take advantake of the present op portunity, Russia will probably not hesitate to do so. Already she has a practical alliance with Abyssinia, and has proposed protectorate. We may expect that proposal to be presently renewed, with added arder. Nor would France be at all backward in en land" until they reached the Nile. Unjust and worked it may be; but the weaker power must give way to the atronger. Siam learne a demain in which they are worse than that lesson not long ago, and Abyssinia wil soon learn it. Perhaps it will afford he come consolation to remember that before she herself fell she inflicted upon Italy the most deadly blow that nation had received in a quarter-century of national life.

Austrian archidukes are so numerous that it would be an uneventful year in the Hapsbarg family which should pass without one or more births or deaths in this numerous archducal company. Neither is genius, nor even talent, so prevalent in the imperial house of Austria that the coming or going of most of its members would be worth chronicling. Archduke Karl Ludwig, the brother of Kalser Franz Josef, who has just diel, was in no way above the average in his merits. He was known principally as baving been a much married prince, and the father of a numerous progeny of archduclets, one of whom would succeed to the imperial throne in default of a direct male heir to the kaiser unless Franz Josef should set aside the "pragmatic sanction" governing the succession, as he contemplates doing, and devalve the crown upon the son of his only daughter, the infant Archduke Franz Salva-tor. The sons of Karl Ludwig are as little likely to make any more stir in the world than was made by the paternal antecessor.

DEBAUCHING THE JURY SYSTEM. Notorious Abuse that Impedes the Administration of Justice.

Every new criminal trial emphasizes more

strongly the follies and faults of our present administration of the jary system, and th need of some radical reform therein. Take, for example, this pending Fleming case. Day after day is being occupied with the work of selecting a jury. Hundreds o talesmen are called, examined and rejected on one ground or another. Man more will probably thus be spent. Many day: process is wear some to the few jurors al ready chosen, who may have to walt longer for the box to be filled than for all the rest of the trial. It is a waste of the time of the court and of a highly paid judge. It afford the rival lawyers opportunity to display the nimbleness of their wits. It is to the unthinking multitude a particularly amusing raree-show. So far as the general publis concerned, there can be no doubt the auch a prelude tends strongly to lessen the sense of importance and solemnity of a trial in which are involved the issues of life and

Apart from these considerations, which is themselves are weighty enough, what deduc-tions are to be made from the fact that hun dreds of taleamen have to be examined it order to find a dozen acceptable men? are several that might be made. One is that the officers charged with summoning tales-men do their work badly, getting together the most unfit men in the community. For such a belief there is probably no ground. Another is that the overwhelming majority of men are unfit to be jurers. Neither is that to be believed. Yet a third is that the taleamen practice lying and gross deceit in order to appear ineligible, and thus get ex-cused from service. It is not credible that such is generally the case. Yet the

indisputable fact is that "many are called,

nst fow are chose The chief reason for this fact, or the chief and true deduction to be made from it, as you will, is doubtless this, that the scrutiny talesmen is conducted in an absurd and equitable manner. The questions asked are he man's fitness. They are often de-berately designed to puzzle and confuse im, to catch him with some trick or other. the man's fitness Long and involved hypothetical questions are asked, some of them intentionally nonconsi-cal. Often they are intended to show off the ingenuity or the alleged wit of the counsel who asks them. And it is notorious that the net result is not by any means the selection of ideal juries. On the contrary, the twelve men finally chosen are often below the average of the whole body of talemon in intelligence and character. Juries that bring in the most upsatisfactory verdicts, or that are open to suspicion of improper influences, are sometimes those upon whose selection most time and trouble and stale smartness

was effected. Juries should be made up not if freaks, but of average men. The old birnes, "a jury of peers," is significant. Are we to understand that whenever a criminal was effected. ransacked to find a dozen men who are his peers his peers, that is, supposing him to be innocent? It is prepositrous. An imrovement of the present method of selection must be found, and found soon, or the whole system of trial by jury will fall through abuse into entire disuse

THE CZAR OF HAVANA.

Chicago Tribune: Meanwhile it is a comfort to know it is beyond the power of Gen-eral Weyler to do anything that will make the vile little paper-covered imitations of igars stink any worse than they do already Boston Globe: America is no more shamed of sympathy with Cuba now than she was in the time of President Grant, but if General Weyler thinks that he is warranted, because of this fact, in dealing with captured Americans as he would with a pack of brigands caught in the act of robbery, he the most mistaken man in this hemis phere.

Chicago Inter Ocean: General Weyler could not have taken a better time to issue his anti-tobacco order. It will stimulate thousands of tobacco planters in the United States to put in a double crop. There are sections which raise as fine tobacco as the bulk of that shipped from Cuba. There are sections of Texas and Florida where both coll and climate are as good for the best qualities of tobacco as are those of Cuba.

Philadelphia Record: General Weyler bristles up against the United States too much and too often. He lacks diplomacy. and is pugnacious in the wrong direction His bluffing is as unwise as his butcheries are cruel. He irritates the situation withou helping it. It is possible that the Madric government may realize in course of that, under General Weyler, Spanish affairs

in Cuba are going from bad to worse. Indianapolis Journal: General Weyler's prohibition of the exportation of tobacco from Cuba might elicit a remonstrance from othe givernments, but would not be a cause of war. Such an order would, of course, injure commerce and cripple the cigar business this and other countries, but as a war meas ure on the part of the Spanish government it would be entirely legitimate. As long as other governments continue to recognize sovereignty in Cuba they cannot reasonably object to any war measure that Spain deems necessary for the suppression of the rebellion.

Denver Republican; General Weyler has government will not uphold him in all his high-handed measures, and that the United States will not stand idly by when the right of American citizens are attacked. It would be well if this lesson had been taught him several months ago. Mr. Cleveland could have helped matters very materially if he had taken a firm stand in the beginning in accordance with public sentiment in this country and the rights of the Cuban insur-

SIGNS OF RAIN.

Timely Hints for Residents of the Drouth Belt. Here are a few tips furnished by the St -Democrat for the benefit ients in the Ohio drouth belt

Salt is a good barometer. When it is damp rain la probable A rainbow in the morning foretells rainy veather during the day.

A red sunrise indicates foul weather a me time during the day, A rainbow in the afternoon is generally an

indication of clear weather.

A new moon falling in summer time be ween 4 and 6 a. m. betekens rain. The leaves of the common clover often close upon the approach of a storm. Rain or snow in winter will follow a new noon when it fails between 4 and 6 a. m.

When dogs are sleepy and appear dull and heavy when roused a storm is near at hand. A new moon falling between 10 a. m. and 12 m. in summer time means very showery weather. Every fisherman knows that fish bite better

just before a shower than at any other time The falling of soot from a chimney tolerably sure indication of approaching bad A new moon in winter time coming b

tween 2 and 4 a. m. means storms, with rain Parrots are good barometers. Just before a rain the most talkative and gabby parro

comes silent. When distant hills, mountains or building cem near at hand, the sign is for rain, the air being full of moisture causes these objects to appear nearer than at other times. Spiders always come out of their holes shortly before a rain, being advised by their instinct that insects then fly low and are most easily taken.

Caged monkeys are tolerably certain to give an indication of coming bad weather, being then more Ill-natured and quarreleome than at any other time. Ducks are more than usually noisy on th approach of a storm, and their loud quacking is considered by farmers to be an almost unfalling sign of rainy weather.

Solid for Sound Money.

The president of the German society of the city of New York says that at no previous time have party ties rested so lightly as at present upon German-American voters. Referring to the money question, he says: "In the coming campaign they will disregard party lines if one of the parties is unsound upon the currency, and will vote for the party which declares for the gold standard." As the Journal remarked some me ago, when it comes to an alignment of voters German-Americans will be found. almost to a man, on the side of honest

Rebuking Education Indianapolis Journal

It is regarded as a crime by the party associates of Secretary Carlisle that he should know more regarding money than he did twenty years ago.

DESPONDENCY.

Written for The Bee. My baby climbs upon my knee, With grimy hands, and kisses me; And in my arms I now enfold This baby of the purest gold.

My baby climbed upon my knee This morning, and so lovingly Told me his story-simply-true-"Me loves 'oo, papa, yes me do!"

My baby climbed upon my knee
Not long ago; but now, to me,
His voice is lost-in pain I cry;
"Why should my little angel die!"
Omaha, Neb. —Clarence P. McDonald.

LEADING SPECIAL FRATURES. THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE.

RODNEY STONE, A REMINISCENCE OF THE RING, BY A. CONAN DOYLE: EW A. CONAN DOYLE:
A new serial story begin Easter Sunday to continue for seventeen weeks—This tale is told by the hero himself, a retired mival officer, and he recalls the incidents of his career when a boy—The story has been pronounced by competent critics to be one written in Dr. Doyle's very best style.

DRAVEST DEEDS I EVER SAW General Miles describes acts of great courage observed by him during the war —A daring officer who gave orders in the heat of battle as if on dress parade—A dash between two batteries to deliver an order—A race for life between a union and a confederate soldier—A young officer who, easer to lead his reluctant troops, exclaimed: "Come on! Come on! Do you want to live forever?"

DECORATION DAY FEATURES: Some patriotic verses by Osman C. Hooper Two new Lincoln anecdates by Hon William Browning and Jerome Walker hitherto unpublished and Illustrating the martyr president's breadth of sympathy War stories for the veterans and children of veterans.

LUCUTENANT CREEDE, INDIAN FIGHTER:

The third of Cy Warman's lively stories in his series "On the Plains in the Sixtles"—Description of two encounters with the Sixtle in which the brave scout fought them stude-handed—Tales of harder warfare right in Nebraska's own territory.

IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN: Stunning bathing costumes that are to be seen in the surf at the leading fashionable seasile resorts. Summer traps and stylish vehicles that smart women will drive this season on country roads and city streets. Women as street care conductors at Bockford. Some 'Don's' far the summer girl. Fashion news from fashlon makers-News about noted

THE COMING GENERATION: "A Story's Sequel," being a Decoration day reminiscence of how brothers met at the seige of Vicksburg, one wearing the blue and the other the gray-Fish that go a hunting at sea-Prattle of the youngsters and other bright bits for bright children and their parents.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORT: Timely comment on some of the promi-nent trotters—Outlook in base ball circles and impending changes in the location of western clubs—College crews approach-in the critical point in their training— Good, breezy gossip about all the branches of local sport.

WITH THE WHIRRING WHEEL: The bicycle as an adjunct to the metro-politan ambulance service—Bicycles and bables—The place of the wheel in Shakespeare's immortal works—Rules that will prove useful on occasions of wheeling accidents—All that is going on in the wheelman's world—What the local bicyclers are doing and propose to do

THE WEEK IN SOCIETY: Society anticipating the summer inter-mission—Entertainments few and for the most part informal Out-of-fown guests still in evidence—Weddings of the week bers of the local society set. MIGHT HAVE BEEN PRESIDENT:

An article of curious interest, showing how Webster, William Allen, Ben Butler, Ben Wade, Salmon P. Chase, Stewart L. Woodford, Levi P. Morton, Joseph B. Foraker and others put aside or lost by accident party nominations that would have led to the presidency. UNEXCELLED NEWS SERVICE:

Full Associated press foreign cable and domestic telegraph service. The New York World's special foreign correspondence. Unrivalled special news service from Nebraska, Iowa and the western states. Well written and accurate local news reports.

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MIRTH IN RHYME.

Boston Courier.

In her bloomer suit she can ride with ease, And she puts on a lot of airs; Though the what's its names bag worse at the knees Than the pants that her husband wears,

Somerville Journal. Mary had a little lamb, But both have long been dead. If Mary were alive today, She'd want a wheel instead.

How droll are the tricks of life! Truly, enough to appal one. Man dreams of a little wife Man dreams of a little wife And marries a great, big tall one. Washington Star.

Once more these sail conditions come To grieve the country and the town; The mercury now runneth up; The perspiration runneth down. Indianapolis Journal. Sing hey! for the gallant knight of old, With the warranted nickel-steel pants, For every one had to get stuck on him, Or promptly get stuck on his lance.

Cleveland Plain Dealer. Ten little Matabeles dancing in the sun. Bang! go the gatlings all, and then there

isn't one. He married her because her neck With rapture wild did set him, And yet there were some folks who said She broke it for to get him.

Detroit Tribune They talk of her father's unclean gold; But when the stuff doth come To her as a dowry, they speak of It as a very neat sum.

Cleveland Plain Dealer Little Polly Flinders, Wheeled among the cinders,
Barking her pretty little tous;
Her mamma scorched and sought her
And surely would have caught her—
But my! she slipped a pedal and came
down upon her nose!

THE FATAL DUCK.

Twentleth Century I went to dine the other day
With my mother-in-law cleet,
And lost thereby my flances,
So my future hopes are wrected,
We'd reached the roast when, woe is mo
(I never did have luck).
The hostess asked me pleasantly
If I would carve the duck. With confidence born of youth

With connected born of youth
I hastened to comp'y,
And little thought that fowl, forsooth,
Could make a fortune fly.
Nor did I deem so small a bird
Like any goat could buck;
But I gained some points I had not heard
The day I carved the duck.

I drove the fork up to the hilt Within its bosom browned.
And sought to see how it was built, But not a joint I found.
I sawed it here and jabbed it there, With pertinacious pluck;
O, deep was my desire to swear The day I carved the duck.

A cold dew pearled my forehead fair,
As I chased it round the plate;
It could not, built on wheels, I swear,
Have struck a liveler gait.
The table was a saddening sight,
As if by lightning struck,
You'd ne'er have dreamed the cloth was
white

The day I carved the duck. The hostess cast a gorgon glance,
Rose were a ghastly smile,
As sprinting round that bird did dance
In most Satanic style.
I pinned it down—it upward soared
And to my bosom stuck;
There were pallid cheeks around that board.
The day I carved the duck.

The day I carved the duck. Then, seized with rage I could not still And hate I could not hold, From me I hurled that bird of ill, With fury uncontrolled. Then from that scene I fled away Like one who runs amuck; And I've never seen my fiances.

Since the day I carved the duck.

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