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(Seal.) The friction between the two great match companies is likely to bring about a flery encounter.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in presence this 31st day of October, 1896, N. P. FEIL.

A joint European protectorate over the Ottoman Empire may postpone but cannot prevent the inevitable struggle for the possessions of the unspeakable Turk.

Between the bullets of the sharpshooting Cuban patriots and the prevailing epidemic of yellow fever the lot of the Spanish soldier in Pinar del Rio is not a happy one.

Another bloody battle in Cuba is momentarily expected to be reported, but no fears are entertained that any of the combatants on either side will be seriously hurt.

If individuals and societies were all as active as the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben for the welfare of Omaha there would be little trouble in securing whatever the city went after.

If the ministers keep on curtailing the sporting tendencies of their parishloners, it is only a question of time when Thankseiving foot ball will be put on the ferbidden list.

It is said that the inauguration of President McKinley will be the most brilliant event of the kind in the history of the country-commensurate, in fact, with the brilliancy of the victory won.

Transmississippi Exposition stock are responding nobly to the stimulus of better times, but the railroads and nacking houses have not yet been heard

The Chicago Tribune is wasting a great deal of breath over the sublime assurance of Nebraska in demanding a place in the cabinet. Nobody in Nebraska has any disposition to make such a demand.

Kansas is again about to see the old question of state rights tested. The complications arising over the Santa Fe receivership promise to make interesting reading for constitutional lawyers and laymen as well.

Omaha can force the railroads to build an adequate depot. The remedy for existing evils is in her own hands. Only by the vigorous enforcement of it will the corporations be compelled to do their plain duty. -

The efficient public servant to whom a local fakery refers as "Little Eckels" has been big enough to perform a most important part in running the financial end of the government through a disastrous panic.

The stand taken by the Women's Christian Temperance union against the adoption of a special bible for women will be a sad blow to the strong-minded and to the conductors of women's columns in the newspapers.

a poor reparation for his wrongs.

deserved honor bestowed upon the

In the construction of an English-American-Chinese railway it is not hard to determine which of the triumvirate will furnish the money, which the skilled labor and which will derive the most benefit from the scheme in the long run.

into the movement for a new union and never give anything in return.

to mortgage foreclosures should be in merchandise account is not all that is the direction of simplicity. The tedious to be placed to the account of a favorprocess of foreclosure as at present able balance for this country. Since method of evasion and delay on the part of the mortgagor, is one of the it is not possible to ascertain how much as proposed would be more successful chief obstacles in the way of the in- gain there has been from this source. In its recommendations. There is pervestment of eastern capital.

SUGAR ROUNTY AND FLOUR BOUNTY. which for October were over \$24,000,- from Last week our erratic local contemporary lectared itself point blank against all sugar bounites, by which alone Nebraska could hope to attract capital disposed to venture into beel sugar manufacturing. This week calls for capital to build a great sugar

refinery at or near Omaha, -Omaha Bee. The World-Herald is opposed to sugar the demands of flour mill owners. But the World-Herald opposes a bounty on wheat or r sugar.-World-Herald.

thinking. The man who talks about a couraging and reassuring. hounty on sugar being the same as a bounty on wheat or flour is either a monumental sap-head or a demagogue. A country which produces several hundred million bushels more of wheat than it can possibly consume would demented as to pay a bounty for flour-

But a country that pays \$120,000,000

year in bounties on beet sugar exported into the United States and France is about to enact a sugar bounty law that will enable her to cope with Germany that in some four or five counties in in the American market. Manifestly the United States never can build up Its beet sugar industry to proportions that will supply the home market uness it offsets the bountles paid by foreign countries which in the long run the consumers of sugar in the United States are obliged to pay. Which would be more profitable, to teep on paying over a hundred millions year to Europe for beet sugar or to n this country until the industry is on such a substantial footing as will enable us to distribute the millions we now spend abroad among -our own neonle?

The World-Herald, which, as usual loes not know what it is talking about, handles this beet sugar bounty question from the political standpoint of the free trade theorist who can see no good in stimulating any industry or enterprise by bounties or tariff duties, altheory destructive to a new country that boasts vast natural undeveloped

exceed \$50,000. It sets up the Lehl, be looked upon with favor. Utah, factory as a model, and talks Many subscribers, old and new, to glibly about the enormous profit of raispracticable in Nebraska. The Lehl the jobbing price of beet sugar in

> Pacific or Atlantic coast. ference between first cost of beet rais- ger of having its reserve must be met in this market by American beet sugar producers.

problem will meet the existing condigood horse sense, based on experience,

outweighs a thousand tons of theory.

THE TRADE BALANCE. It is a gratifying fact that the foreign When an innocent man has been trade balance continues to be largely in placed in jeopardy of his life and made favor of this country. The statistics to serve a term in the penitentiary as for the ten months ending with October a scapegoat for the negligence of a show the value of exports of merchangreat corporation, his tardy release is dise in excess of the corresponding period last year to be over \$131,000,000. while the comparison of imports shows The re-election of Frances E. Willard a decline of hearly \$104,000,000. In to the presidency of the Women's brendstuffs the exports for last month Christian Temperance union is a well were \$7,500,000 in excess of October, 1895, while in cotton the excess for woman who, more than any other, has October of this year was \$9,500,000. made that institution a power in the The net change in the trade balance of this country for the ten months of the current year amounted to \$235,000,

These are highly satisfactory figures and the outlook is favorable to their being increased. There appears to be no doubt that the foreign demand for wheat will take all of our surplus and a considerably increased demand for All possible activity should be put corn is highly probable. It should be noted, also, that there has been a depot. A certain undesirable locality marked increase in the demand for prois said to be paved with good inten- visions during the last ten months, the tions. It is also full of men and excess of exports as compared with corporations who take all they can get the corresponding period of last year being nearly \$10,000,000, and the October statistics indicate that this demand Any change in existing laws relating is being maintained. This gain in the conducted, offering every conceivable the election American securities have been bought more freely abroad, though hardly possible that a commission such

000 less than in the corresponding that is a cessation of efforts at curmonth of last year, can hardly be expected to continue. It is probable that submitted its recommendations. in anticipation of higher tariff duties there will be heavy importations of merchandise, foreign manufacturers bounties. If it favored a bounty on sugar buying doubtless held back goods pendbeets it would also favor a bounty on wheat. Ing the result of the late election. There If it favored opening the public treasury for Is no reason to apprehend, however, pin. the benefit of beet factories it would object that imports will become so large as to the treasury doors being closed against to change the trade balance against us, so that it would seem safe to assume flour exactly as it opposes a bounty on beets that the favorable condition shown by the above figures will not be disturbed | self. It does not matter what the World- in the immediate future. It is a condi-Herald is for or against, excepting in- tion which, considered in connection sofar as it disseminates dectrines with the great industrial improvement which make fools of some people who that has taken place in the last two have not brains enough to do their own weeks, is in the highest degree en-

TENNESSEE ELECTION FRAUDS.

Two years ago Tennessee elected a republican governor, but he was deprived of the office by fraud. This was acknowledged by prominent demoscarcely want to offer a bonus to wheat crats and democratic newspapers enisers, nor would a country which now of the state. It is believed that supplies 95 per cent of all the flour that in the late election a republican is imported into Great Britain be so governor was again chosen on a fair count and also several republican con- sault. gressmen, but again the democrats who are in control of the election machinery a year for sugar imported from foreign are resorting to fraud and it is to be countries which can be produced in the expected will be successful, as before, United States would exhibit an un- in defeating the will of the people. But pardonable lack of business sagarity if the republicans are not going to permit it continued to drain its people of the this to be done without at least making millions which are now pottringeinto an effort to expose the frauds, even if the laps of European sugar producers. they cannot thwart the conspirators. Germany and Austro-Hungary alone They have prepared to institute a pay out over twenty million dollars a thorough investigation,

A letter from Jonesboro, Tenn., to the New York Press, says that each day makes it more and more apparent west Tennessee enough votes, lawfully cast for republican candidates and elec- publican plurality of 110,000. tors, have been suppressed and changed, to elect the congressman, the governor and to give the state to Me Kinley and Hobart. The writer says there is not a reasonable doubt of the truth of this statement and he asks. "Shall the loyal and law-abiding people of Tennessee be required to submit to this great outrage?" Very likely, so foster and stimulate sugar beet raising long as the political machinery and the courts are in control of the democrats. It is a deplorable state of affairs, ; reproach to Tennessee of which every honest and honorable citizen of the state should be heartily ashamed.

A CURRENCY COMMISSION.

During the last session of congress a resolution was introduced providing for a non-partisan currency commission. It proposed that the president should appoint nine citizens, eminent though all experience has proved the in trade, political economy and banking, to act with the comptroller of the currency as a commission to offer secommendations for needed changes In opposing the sugar bounty "on in "our present inadequate banking principle" our destructive contemporary and currency system." The resolution exhibits the most lamentable ignorance was referred to the banking and curof facts as well as its tendency to rency committee of the house, which exaggeration and misstatement. It took no action regarding it. It is said makes the assertion that the bounty in that the resolution may be pressed dur-Nebraska this year will mount up to ing the coming session, with some prob-\$125,000, when in fact it will scarcely ability that a currency commission may

There is a great deal of talk about currency reform, the tendency of which The Utah beet fields are worked by rency system is very bad and threatens Mormon women and children, very much to give serious trouble in the future as the German and French beet fields We shall undoubtedly have this idea are, where women and children in vigorously presented to the attention harness with trained dogs haul vegeta- of the country in the forthcoming mes bles to market. Such "culture" is not sage of the president and the report of the secretary of the treasury. In his factory sells all its product in Utah at letter to the New York Chamber of from \$1 to \$2 a hundred higher than Commerce Mr. Cleveland said in reference to the currency, "that absolute Nebraska. The Utah factory has the safety will only be secured if our finan advantage over Nebraska factories in cial system is protected by affirmed and the higher freight rates from either the thorough reforms." It is easy to fore-It costs less than \$10 to raise an acre in his view the most desirable reform of sugar beets in Germany. It costs It is the retirement of the legal tende from \$25 to \$30 an acre to raise sugar potes. It is a fixed conviction with Mr peets in Nebraska, excepting only where | Cleveland, as with numerous others a very large tract is cultivated by that so long as the greenbacks are kep heavy moneyed concerns who have in circulation the currency system will special facilities for seeding, planting be unsound and the treasury will be and harvesting. On top of this dif-constantly menaced with the dan ing in Europe and in Nebraska comes gold depleted. Of course those the export bounties of 1 to 11/2 cents who hold this view decline to a pound paid by foreign nations, which consider the fact that for fourteen years after the resumption of specie pay ments in 1879, during which time the The question we have to deal with is revenues of the government were not whether the state sugar bounty ample, the legal tender notes were at contravenes a pet theory, but whether no time a source of trouble to the treasany other way of dealing with the ury, nor was there at any time any concern regarding the maintenance of tions. On that subject an ounce of the gold reserve. They do not choose to remember that before the period of distrust and depression set in, with the advent of the democratic party to power, people were glad to get greenbacks and treasury notes and even silver certificates were taken for gold when the treasury was full, nor are they influenced by the circumstance that since the late election the people have freely exchanged gold for legal tender notes, thus showing their preference for the latter for general use. So long as the revenues of the government were in excess of the expenditures there was no drain upon the treasury gold and it is entirely safe to say that as soon as this condition is restored all danger to the gold reserve will vanish. With all the currency on an assured gold basis the people will not want gold and no probable export demand for that metal will threaten the treasury

There is the high authority of Sena tor Sherman that no radical change in our present financial system is needed and it is not to be doubted that this president-elect and of the leading republicans in the next congress. As to a currency commission, therefore, it is not apparent that it would serve any useful purpose. Congress has had submitted to it a currency plan formulated and approved by the bankers of the country, together with an endless number of schemes for reforming the currency framed in and out of congress, all of which proved unacceptable. It is The great falling off in imports, haps one good result that might come and how despicable they seem!

Relative Activities. When the office seeks the man the exhibi-

tion of relative activities is very similar to the spectacle of a bar magnet seeking is

Samething in a Name. Still, the lowa's speed is not surprising. named gets along on water pretty well it

Harmonizes with the Returns.

Mr. Bryan, in a speech at Lincoln Saturday, advised his followers to drop his name. It is the general impression that such was done about the 3d day of this month.

The Sewall Bar'l.

The tone of Mr. Sewall's remark tends to confirm the view that he has not allowed his bank book to run the risk of suffering any keen disappe dintment as a result of the elec-

Cheering Effect of a Tomble.

Lord Salisbury refers to the Venezuelan rouble as "a rather unimportant contro-versy." He might have found it otherwise versy. he had not turned a diplomatic somer-

Will Make it Unanimous, A goodly number of large states are

want to try it again they will find the rediet for an honest dollar can be made unanimous if necessary. Election Peculiarities in Nebraska. One of the peculiarities of the election in

Nebraska is that while McKinley's vote used this year than ever before in a presisheriff was elected against an average re-

Hobnobbing with Plutocrats.

Mr. Bryan, chaperoned by Millionaire Vetmore of the Planters hotel, St. Louis, with a shooting party in southwestern Missouri. In imitation of the British aristocracy Mr. Wetmore has an enclosed shooting 'preserve,' and the game thereon Mr. Bryan has been invited to share. It seems m this that Mr. Bryan has not the obction to plutocrats at short range the ight be inferred from some of his public terances.

> How to Deal with Trusts. Pittsburg Dispat

After several unsuccessful attempts the bolt and nut manufacturers have finally fermed a combination, or, as it is popularly called, a "trust," The purpose is to restrict production, control prices and prevent ectition. This is one of the cases in which would be proper for the government to uspend tariff protection until the combination was broken up. In all cases where such combinations are formed behind the otection against foreign competition the executive should have the power to take down the barrier and put the monopoly in competition with foreign producers,

Free Silver's Kentucky Grave.

The total vote of Kentucky according to e official figures was 443 870-Bryan, 217. 797; McKinley, 218,055; Palmer, 5,018. Mc-Kinley's plurality over Bryan was therefore 258, and the majority for sound money,

It was supposed that the free silver gubernatorial campaign of 1895 brought out every voter in the state. Yet the vote this year was 86,000 greater than last year and 113,000 greater than in 1892.

orces were in a minority of 5,000. This neans that in exchanging sound money lemograts for free silver republicans and the democratic party suffered a et loss of about 40,000 votes. Free silver's Kentucky grave is very wide and very, very deep.

THROTTLING THE TRUSTS. alt Lake Courts Attack the Coal

Combine. Chicago Post That the anti-monopoly laws of the cou

are not entirely impotent when able and est officials determine to try conclusion th their violators is shown by an interceting atruggle in Salt Lake City community, like so many others on suffering from the high-handed and un pulous rule of a local coal mon last the federal courts have interfere d in a mescure checked its aggression rteen prominent wholesale coal dealer ave been convicted before Judge Hallett o he charge of combining to prevent non numbers of the coal exchange from pur easing or selling coal at prices lower than

prices fixed by the pool. he convicted dealers deny that any comnation has existed and explain the singula ad striking uniformily of prices and the stematic boycott of the small coal me; hauts by the magic word "coincidence, ast go the Chicago dealers account for th ntity of the figures quoted to the coun ard by several apparently indo endent deal-s. They also allege that producers and holesalers have a perfect right to refu sell to customers they deem objectionable any reason satisfactory to themselves owever, the federal grand jury which in-cted them and the court before which they re convicted found ample warrant in th idence for a totally different view of the atter. Whether the sentence will be arriv nominal or serious enough to serve warning to others and break up the talt Lake City monopoly remains to be seen. The convicted men are complacent and confident of their ability to circumvent the law, but everything depends on the temper of the public,

DISSOLVES PARTNERSHIP.

Populist Senator Butler Cuts Loose from the Popocrats. Chicago Times-Herald. With the most stinging contempt Senato tler severs all partnership with the poporat party. He repudiates forever that de usive siren which under the fatherly care f Altgeld and Tillman, of Jones and Teller of Vest and Daniel, of Bryan and Bland do so seductive an appearance Coliseum in July, and whose blandialiments were so effective later at St. Louis. The reature is no longer beautiful in Butler's yes, and so without further dissembling is love he rudely kicks her downstairs. It needed but this to complete the degradation of those democrats who under the plea of regularity accepted that implous alliance with torulism toersly for the sake of spoils of office. They have already feit the derision of thousands and thousands of their lifelong associates who re fused to be sold out to populism by trait ous leaders, and now they know what their allies think of them.

"We are done with them now says Mr. Burier through his personal "and also with any wan who seek lead the people hereafter under any standard that may bear the name or have he smirch of the word democrat.

This is notice to Bryan also that he nust not pose as a democrat any longer He must not continue to say "good Lord and good devil," but must make his choice here and now before that Denver h. The mere private confession of populism, while bearing the outward semblance of democracy, will no longer serve, and he must publicly declare to which

faith he gives adherence.
As for Jones, Harris, Morgan, Pugh, Vest Cockrell, Turple, Voorhees and the othe senatorial conspirators who did everything in their power to betray democracy to the cauge of free silver, they have received their just deserts. The despised populist of the south derides and mocks them, disdaining all fellowship with them forever. How they must writhe under his scorn, LET THE DEAD REST.

Coxcy's Sound Money (silver): The silver saue is dead, and who would seek to revive it, or set up its corpse to burn incense to it, should be branded as a tool of the

cratic party

good times again. Sait Lake Herald (silver): Those who adocate free silver will accept the verdict of the American people as that of the sovereign power of this country. They will not de-ceive themselves into thinking that Major McKinley will do anything for silver. We trust that it may bring prosperity, but we can scarcely hope for the prosperity that free silver promised.

Cincinnati Enquirer (silver): The last reason or pretext for partisan contention or rancor has been removed. Now that a decision which is beyond reversal has been reached, the party contention for this year is at an end, and it is the duty of every man whose emblem is the American flag to do all be can to upheld the new prealdent, and to make his administration a success. This s the very essence of American citizenship. Let us all pull together for good times. If Mr. McKinley does well, let us help him for the country's sake,

agitation of the issue is wise at this time, or necessary to its preservation. The question has been plainly put before the peo-In general terms they understood the They voted to continue the trial of the gold standard. We accept their ver-dict, and say give it the fullest and fairest trial. For the present, we believe it to be the part of wisdom to discontinue the finanpublicans carrying the war into the close clai discussions and turn attention to ma-states and into the entire south. The ver- terial development and the encouragement of commercial prosperity.

Detroit News (silver): Every considera-ion of wisdom, patriotism and humanity calls for an immediate truce in this gigentic debate. Laying aside for the moment Nebraska is that while McKinley's vote was 102,168, the republican candidate for governor received but 94,305. The privilege worth. If the advocates of free silver are scratching has been more extensively not in error, and if everything they have contended for is economically and morally dential year. The most notable instance true, only ill can come to the republic by was in Philadelphia, where a democratic forcing it to the front at a time when its acceptance is absolutely hopeless. In all fairness, in all good conscience, and in all good policy the gold standard people are entitled to a clear field to demonstrate their ability to bring back to this people prosperity, comfort and contentment.

Memphis Commercial-Appeal (silver): Mr. Bryan has said about all there is to be said in favor of free silver and to begin the campaign of 1900 now would be absurd and idiculous. While the excitement of the ate contest lasts Mr. Bryan would attract audiences, but in a year's time his audiences would be slim and in four years from now he would be the laughing-stock of the country. Enthusiasm and persistence are well enough in their way, but they should ot be permitted to become Quixotie. The ountry can stand a period of intellectual dissipation once in four years, but it does not want to make the debauch perpetual. o eschew politics and devote our energies the material development of the country, ern tier of states, which comprises All things have their seasons and a quadrennium crusade is a little too much of a good thing.

THE SMOKE OF FACTORIES.

ever, as the chimneys in question are those of big, booming, labor-employing mills and factories, all we can say is, Let 'em smoke!

Chicago Inter Occan: The man with his little dinner pail, with money in his pocket worth 100 cents to the dollar, and prospective employment if be has a level head cannot be smoothed as a level head uployment, if he has a level head, connot eel less than thankful that the wildcat cheming of half crazy statesmen has failed. Good money and open workshops mean much

the people are glad ! of an opportunity to think about other things. It was determined at that time that the and to view the daily brightening prespects Marblehead would join Admiral Bunce's flee of industry, trade and commerce.

Denver Republican: There is no doubt that many men have been put to work since the election who during the campaign were idle They have been put to work because the Jeet.

dopression and uneasiness of the presidential To Maintain Permanent Headquarter. ampaign is over and men look forward to the policy which is to prevail in the govern-ment. It is hoped that there will be enough ect a favorable result to come in one or wo days. It will require time, but it may erome manifest in the course of a few ionths.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE

Though he looks like a preacher, W. J. Anderson, private secretary to Governor lipham of Wisconsin, was a cowboy in his

The heredity of genius is illustrated by the Harvard senior class elections, in which the son of Carl Schurz was chosen as ivy ass poet.

In the recent election in Mexico the Dia; allets which were of cardboard, had rinted on them a very striking picture of eneral Diaz, shown standing erect and olding an olive branch in his right hand. It is proposed to extend a cable to lonely Helena, Napoleon's prison island, no commercial advantages, but for the urlous fear that a foreign power might iming mail steamer as a prize of war. Probably the highest-priced stock in the world is that of the London Water company-the New River company-one share of which was recently sold at auction for \$525,000. At this price it yields a revenue of 2 1-6 per cent. Shares in the company were once to be purchased at less than \$1,500. Now they are usually disposed of twentieths or even hundredths.

Before Dr. Nansen started for the North ole the London Chronicle agreed to give him £5,000 If he succeeded in reaching pole and gave the first news of his success o the Chronicle. In case he did not reach the pole he was to receive \$2,500 if he sent the first news of his failure to the paper. As it turned out, Nausen's letter to the Chronicle did not reach it until the news was already published, and, therefore, the guestion how much money he should re-ceive will be decided by arbitration.

South Carolina has found diversion from he election excitement in discussing shipment of General Packenham's body to England after the battle of New Orleans in a barrel of rum. The route was by way of Charleston, where the precious cask was paded on a sailing vessel for its final destirated couplet: little thought Packenham when he leff

He would pack back in a puncheon of rum Miss Margaret La Farge has been selected by Mayor Boyle of Newport to name the nboat Newport, which is to be launched Bath. Me., late in the present month. Miss La Farge is the oldest unmarried great-granddaughter of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, the here of the battle of Lake Erie. Her mother was the daughter of Christopher Perry, the oldest son of Comnodoro Perry, a prominent citizen of New ort, who commanded the ancient Newport in 1854. Her father is John La Farge, the artist.

AUSTRALIA'S GOLD OUTPUT SHORT. Rich Mines in Some Colonies Not Up

to Expectations.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- Consul General Maratta, writing to the Department of Rothschilds and the republican-gold-demo- State from Melbourne on the mint returns and Harrison together in 1892 to 157,131 east for the quarter ended September 30, says for Bryan, McKinley and Palmer. New Orleans Times-Democrat (silver): The Times-Democrat will join heartily with those who are working for peace, business activity and prosperity. And let us all, instead of guiking, join in the movement to bring back of that they are of much interest in connection of 11,886 over 1892, the decrease is altographically and prosperity. And let us all, instead of guiking, join in the movement to bring back. Melbourne mint, and a pretty sure criterion of the progress or otherwise of the industry is furnished. For the first nine months of the current year the mint received only 152,259 ounces of gold from western Australia, against 150,949 last year, a decrease career at Perth, the capital of that colony, the falling off is an unhealthy omen. It would be unfair, however, to be too promounced until the gold fields are in proper last the party.

It is therefore a very conservative estimate to put the democratic defection from free silver in Georgia at 80,000, or more than half the party.

the part of investors. mint from other sources, it is very satis-factory to note that Victoria has, up to the present time, supplied 580,330 ounces against polls. present time, supplied 580,330 ounces against 526,570 for the corresponding period of 1895, and if the same rate of increase is con-tinued the production of the colony for 1896 will be about 775,090 ounces. Imports of gold from New Zealand and Tasmania show Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle (silver): We do large increases, but much less has been not think that continued and continuous received from south Australia. The total quantity of gold received by the mint from January to September, this year, is 857,641, against 785,752 ounces for the corresponding period last year.

MINNESOTA'S LINE IN QUESTION. Boundary Between the State and

Manitoba Still Unsettled. WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- It is quite probable that provision will be made at the coming session of congress for a boundary commission to determine the divisional line between Minnesota and Manitoba. Representative Heatwole reported from the foreign sentative Heatwole reported from the foreign friends of mine, affairs committee in the last house a resolution providing for such a commission dispute is over a tract known as Hunters island, and hinges on whether the main channel of the Rainy Lake river runs north

the Heatwole resolution provision that the same commission shall determine Alaskan boundary. Objection is made this by the Minnesota men, who say that it will not be difficult to determine the ownership of Hunters island, while the dis pute of Alaska might engage the commis-sion a long time, to the delay of the other question. REPORT OF NOVEMBER FRUIT CROP

Apples and Pears Not Up to the

Average, but Grapes Abundant. WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.-The Agricul tural department fruit report for November says: The returns give comparative yields of apples, pears and grapes, they in the main reflecting the returns as to condition There is no telling what will happen in four in the preceding months. In the case of years from now, and the part of wisdom is apples, the standard of comparison has been exceeded in no less than eight of the northmost important winter apple section of the country. Other states in this region also report, as the figures show, the crop is at the best only mediocre. The returns for pears are nowhere as high as for apples, but are generally better in those section New York Mail and Express: Evidently the country is just now suffering from a big run of smoky chimneys. Inasmuch, however, as the chimneys in question are those more uncertain the country over than for and, as usual, the returns show a product

Returns from the Mediterranean to Join the Atlantic Squadron. WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- Admiral Bunce's more to him than open silver mines and fleet will be augmented at an early day by The comrade gently closed his eyes and breathed a prayer so low Beaton Globe: The great masses of the the cruiser Marblehead, which arrived today The democrats and populists together had been died by the people of all pirtles have turned from polities at Bermuda on her way to this country. The democrats and populists together had been died by the people of all pirtles have turned from polities at Bermuda on her way to this country. The Marblehead was in the Mediterranean, spite of the large accessions of free allver worry over the campaign of 1900 until 1900 near the seat of Turkish troubles, up to spite of the large accessions of free silver worry over the campaign of 1900 until 1900 near the seat of Turkish troubles, up to as she looked down to be a set of the large accessions of free silver is in sight. Political matters have been set two months ago, when her place was taken upon that ghastly battlefield with silver to the constant of the seat by the Cincinnati.

It was determined at that time that the on arriving here and as this was before the ecent reported payal activity over Spanish uban affairs no significance can be rom the addition of the Marblehead to the

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18. -Secretary Mer. cer of the republican congressional cam of this re-employment of labor to cause a paign committee said today that there was cevival in business, but one should not expractically no further doubt that the com nittee would continue active work during the next two years, and probably until 1900 Mr. Mercer thinks that the national commit tee will ultimately join the congressiona committee in the maintenance of the head quarters in Washington, but this step prob ably will not be determined upon before the convening of congress.

> General Lee Goes to Virginia. WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- Consul General Fitzhugh Lee left for his home at Fred ericksburg, Va., this noon, after calling or Sceretary Olney to say goodbye. General Lee will return here before going to his

Dines Author of "Bonny Brer Bush." WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.-President and Mrs. Cleveland entertained at lunch today John Watson, known in the literary world as Ian MacLaren, and Mrs. Watson,

FLASHES OF FUN.

Indianapolis Journal: "Speaking of the noble game of poker," said Mr. Hiearde the only way to lay anything up is to know when to lay down." Chicago Tribune: "If you had half the nerve this tooth has," said the dentist to the quivering wretch in the chair, "you could have this all over in about five seconds."

Detroit Tribune: "There is poetry in everything," mused the editor. "Now, there is yonder waste-basket." And he laughed, as he sometimes did when he was all alone.

Chicago Post: "I tell you it takes a burglary to make a man rich."
"You mean poor, don't you?"
"No; I mean rich."
"In what way?"
"Well, I have been reading about the youlur of the goods stoicn from Singer's house, and I find he has lost more than he ever had."

Detroit Free Press: "Who's making all that racket out there? I want some chance to read and think."
"It's me as is singin'," snapped the autocrat of the kitchen; "and what of it?"
"O. I beg your pardon. I thought it was my wife."

Indianapolis Journal: From the Plun's ville Bugle: "It was not necessary for the alter of our puerile and ridiculous contemporary to announce that 'hard cider is again in our midst.' Any one would know that by reading his editorials. Ha! Ha!"

Somerville Journal: "What!" exclaimed old Bullion, in surprise. "Give you my only daughter? Not much, young man," "What if she is your only daughter," responded the young man fartly. "That isn't my fault, is it?" INVERSE RATIO.

The gorgeous chrysanthemum greets u And that shock, mathematical, worries us The bigger the flower that you take from The smaller the change from a 15 bill.

Highest of all in Leavening Strength .- Latest U. S, Gov't Report,



DOWN IN GEORGIA.

Remarkable Falling Off in the Demo-

New York World (dem.) The official figures show that the vote in

As the normal democratic increase in Georgia is about 20,000 in four years, the democratic candidate for president ought to have got at least 150,000 votes. At least half tralia, against 150,940 last year, a decrease of 8,690 ounces. Taken in connection with the exceedingly unsound boom now in full democrats who voted for him about actual

going order, but there is obviously room for the exercise of a great deal of caution on vote at all had voted for McKinley the state If one-third the democrats who did not would have chosen regards the receipts of gold by the As it was, more than half the democratic

Free silver is a dead issue in Georgia.

OA SOLDIER OF FREE SILVER."

(To the Editor of The Bee: This was ellipped from a western country sheet, the name of which I do not know. It is, however, too good to be lost. A soldier of Free Silver lay dying on the phains; The crimson tide was ebbing from his popocratic veins, comrade kneit beside him to wipe the

might say. The silver warrior blubbered as he said in "Like my fifty-three-cent dollars, from this land I soon shall go.
But I would send some messages to distant

gore away, And also, incidentally, to hear what he

"Tell Sewall that his railroad bonds will comfort his old age, comfort his old age, comfort his old age, for I was but a pudding, who thought himself a sage.

It has been suggested that the Alasken boundary dispute be coupled with that of Minnesota and an amendment offered to be at McKinley, of that I had no doubt.

But, alas! I won't be in it when the votes are counted out to be at McKinley.

'I long to see the other land where all our To share some silver paradise with Mary Yellin' Lease!
To see on Peffer's blessed beard the radiant sunlight shine.
As it shines on distant Salem, near the Indiana line!

"Tell Jones, who got me in this scrape, to add unto his pelf,
To crawl behind some chicken coop and gently kick himself,
And whisper unto Tillman, with his South Car lina eye, To fall upon his pitchfork quick, and like

a Roman dies

'On the Free Silver battlements, which now the formen hold.
Go hang my borrowed crown of thorns, my stolen cross of gold! stolen cross of gold!

I tried to cheat the people with a bogus But no one would believe me on the Indiana

"There's another, not a sweetheart—he will weep when I am dead.
You'll know him by the crimson rag that floats around his head.
'Neath Anarchy's red ensign, which was his hope and joy,
He led my columns to defeat 'way down in Illinois. Go tell him not to weep for me, nor sigh

His voice grew faint and fainter, till he failed to raise his head.

And the soldler of Free Sliver on the battlemeleld lay dead. breathed a prayer so low, And on them laid two dollars that were coined in Mexico.

wreckage strewn, But proudly on Sound Money's spears he ambient light did And no one thought of Salem, on the Indi



HAS NO TERRORS FOR THE WEARE OF A WARM OVERCOAT OR ULSTER.

WE SHALL PROBABLY HAVE PLENTY

OF COLD WEATHER NOW AND ON THAT ACCOUNT WE HAVE MADE IT A POINT TO HAVE PLENTY OF OVER COATS AND ULSTERS OF VARYING GRADES AND PRICES. WE DON'T AIM TO SEE HOW CHEAP WE CAN MAKE A COAT, BUT HOW GOOD A COAT WE CAN MAKE TO GIVE OUR PATRONS FOR THE LEAST MONEY, AND EVERY ONE WE DO MAKE IS AS WELL MADE AS SKILLED WORKMEN CAN PRODUCE. WHETHER IT'S THE LOWEST OR HIGH-EST GRADE. MERE WEIGHT DOES NOT MAKE A WARM COAT OR ULSTER. YOU MUST HAVE ALL WOOL MATERIALS AND NICE SOFT LININGS TO GET COM-FORT, OURS COMMENCE AT \$10 AND END AT \$40, AND ARE WORTH EVERY CENT WE ASK FOR THEM. THEY ARE EXTRA GOOD MATERIAL, EXTRA GOOD LININGS AND EXTRA WELL MADE. MADE FOR DURABILITY, WAPMIH, FIT AND STYLE. ONE OF THEM WILL LAST SEVERAL SEASONS. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BUY ONE EVERY WINTER WHEN YOU PATRONIZE

