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Total net sales ... Subscribed in my presence and sworn to be-fore me this 24 day of January, 1897. N. P. FEIL, Seal, Notary Fublic,

Farming public money for private gain must stop.

Cuba's ultimatum is now said to be Independence or nothing. Between the two it enjoys war.

The postal savings bank will come nearer to solving the currency problem than any single measure proposed.

The state of Nebraska needs two state Institutions conducted as old soldiers' homes about as much as it needs two State universities.

The battleship Texas is to be in Galveston harbor by February 16. Southern railroads are already competing for the contract for hauling her thitter.

Prompt service often doubles its value. The legislature should bear this in mind In connection with consideration of the Transmississippi Exposition bill.

With the Nebraska legislature on record in favor of the cause of the Cuban insurgents, Spain ought to wake up to the size of the job it has on its hands.

Signs are not wanting that the price of ice will be maintained at the usual than all other causes taken together high figure during the summer. A long It has shaken the confidence of the cold snap late in the season cuts no ice in the metaphorical sense, whatever it American promoters and the stability may do literally.

In view of recent utterances by Prest- further fraudulent and fictitious stock tion will have to devote its attention per bushel. dent-elect McKinley and his prospective and bond issues. This abuse can and secretary of state, Senator Sherman, the should be abolished by state and na tional legislation that would subject fingo element throughout the country need expect little encouragement from all corporations to publicity of resources and liabilities. By prohibiting the the incoming administration.

DEALING WITH PERPLEXING PROBLEMS sentatives, particularly in England, it great many towns of 4,000 inhabitants structive and suggestive information. Nearly every legislature now in ses-sion is wrestling with the perplexing problem involved in the control, regulation or restriction of corporate combinations of every concelvable form. Experience in dealing with such com-binations has up to this time been far from encouraging. The great majority

of all combines to restrict and destroy competition are beyond the reach of Omaha: The Ree Indiana: Council Elumer Hile, Cer. N and 24th Sts. Council Elumer Hile, Cer. N and 24th Sts. Council Elumer in Peart street. Chicago Office: 317 Chamber of Commerce. New York: flooms E, H and E, Tribune Bidg. Washington: 50 Hile street. combine laws through appeals to federal

courts. In this, as in the regulation and control of rallways, state lawmakers are buffled by the states rights dectrine that that the next administration would enables the combines and trusts to play adopt an extreme course in relation to shuttlecock and battledore across state Cuba. Senator Sherman said in unquallines. That will apply to insurance

combines as much as it will to the coal not interfere, either to aid in the settrust, the cracker trust, the sugar trust thement of the conflict "or do anything and every giant combination that which would make a peaceful government of the island a charge on this competition in the necessaries of life

country." He evidently has faith in One state may prohibit, under severe the promise of the Spanish government penalties, the fixing of insurance rate: to institute needed reforms in Cuba for all companies by a single underand to give the Cubans practical auwriters' board, but when the board does tonomy and while there is reason to the rate-fixing from another state the fear that Spain may fall, as she has offenders are out of reach of the done in the past, to fully redeem this prosecuting officers of the state where promise, still our government is bound the rates are exacted. to assume that the Spanish govern-The perplexing problem is how to

ment is sincere and that it will faithbring combines doing an interstate busifully perform what it has promised. ness under the operation of state laws In the circumstances, therefore, the that can be effectually enforced. So duty of the government of the United far no law has been framed that takes States is perfectly plain. It should coninto account existing conditions. Manitinue to maintain an attitude of absofestly no effective regulation and conlute neutrality, requiring of Spain only trol of corporate combinations or

that the rights and interests of Amercorporate extortion can be had without ican citizens in Cuba shall be properly concert of action. There must be both protected. congressional and state legislation The assurance given by Senator Sher-

framed on lines that will prevent evasion man as to what will be the attitude of under any pretense. the next administration may be some-The first step in restraint of the worst what discouraging to the Cuban cause, corporate abuse should be taken by the but if so that will not be a valid obstates in the general supervision of all isction to it. Whatever moral support concerns incorporated under state law. the American people can give that cause All states now regulate and supervise will continue to be given, but the govcorporations engraged in banking and ernment has an obligation and a reinsurance within their jurisdiction. Why ponsibility which must not be affected should they not also exercise reasonaby sentiment. It must respect its inble control over corporations engaged in ernational duties. That the views of other lines of business? Such interfer-Senator Sherman will be warmly deence by the state should not be designed owneed by the jingoes is to be exfor their suppression or oppression, but sected, but these are less numerous and for the protection of the public and their great deal less influential than they own protection. were a short time ago. The speech in

The cancer that has been eating the the senate a few days ago of one of the vitals of the American industrial system must bellicose among them has received is the fraudulent capitalization of corpolittle attention and no commendation rations of every description. The money from sources entitled to consideration. markets have been flooded with billions The American people want to get of fictitious stocks and the credit of down to business. Capital desires safe America has been well-nigh ruined by investment, labor needs a revival of the issue of bonds and mortgages that industries, producers wish to see the are based on grossly overvalued prop purchasing power of the people inerties and worthless securities. This creased. These conditions cannot be resystematic imposition upon investors has alized so long as there are disturbing 1

had more to do with the financial de and disquicting issues before the counpression and commercial distress from try. It will be the purpose of the next which this country has been suffering administration to restore sound business conditions to make opportunity for enterprise and to give the country prosworld's financiers in the integrity of of American Institutions. The remedy lies in the prevention of

In order to do this the next administra- to be as cheap fuel as corn at 10 cents

sorts of occasions and there is no good size which cannot supply that amount of productions.

village of the Dominion by allowing the banks to establish branches without re-A REASSURING STATEMENT. The statement by Senator Sherman of striction. This gives rise to active comhis views regarding the position of the petition for patronage and consequently United States government toward the there is always an abundant supply of Cuban insurrection is highly reassuring. money at low rates of interest every-It will be accepted as undoubtedly rewhere. There is also elasticity, the note flecting the opinion of the presidentissue expanding and contracting accordelect and it will have the effect to dising to the demands of business. The pel whatever apprehension has existed adoption of this system here has been

urged, but it is not likely to be adopted. Small independent national banks, orified terms that this government should ganized in the communities where established, would undoubtedly be more guration of McKinley with great expecsatisfactory. It is to be hoped the house bill will promptly pass the senate.

#### FUEL VALUE OF CORN.

While it is to be deploted that corn is so low and the market so restricted that farmers in certain parts of Nebraska and surrounding states prefer to use corn as fuel rather than dispose of it at the price offered, yet if he is really the bration for them. gainer he cannot be blamed for pur-

suing that course. Each farmer must necessarily decide for himself whether for his purposes corn or coal is the cheaper fuel. At the same time the possibilities of corn as fuel can be determined only by exact experiments under conditions that permit of accurate obervations.

In this connection the data supplied by a bulletin just issued from the University of Nebraska Experiment Station giving the comparative recountry. sults of carefully made tests are interest

ing and pertinent. For one test, a good The National Educational association brings to the city where it congrade of this year's yellow dent corn on the car and not thoroughly dry was venes from 15,000 to 20,000 people durburned under a boiler and the amount ing its annual session. These people of water evaporated recorded; for the come from among the most intellectual other the same boiler was heated with and highly cultivated classes of Ameriscreened Wyoming coal and a similar can men and women. A united effort second kept. One pound of coal evaporshould be put forth to secure this meetated 1.9 times as much water as one ing for Omaha during the exposition in pound of corn. In other words, 1.9 times 1808. as much heat was liberated in burning one pound of coal as in burning one pound of corn. The coal used cost \$6.65

per ton. With coal selling at this price and worth L9 times as much for fuel as an equal weight of corn the fuel value of the latter would be \$3.50 per ton, or 12.25 cents per bushel. The following table shows how much

coal is worth per ton when its heating power is the same as that used In the experiment and when corn is selling at a certain price per bushel-

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orn per	bu.	Coal per ton.
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t cents	*************************	
2 cents		6.49
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cents		erectorecord field
It will	thus be seen thu	that this qual-
	oal were selling	

perity. This the party coming into \$6,50 and corn were bringing 12 cents power is pledged to do and its future it would not pay to burn corn, while depends upon making that pledge good, ccal must sell as low as \$5.41 per ton

#### BLASTS FROM RAWS HORN.

The fault-finder is color blind to virtue.

a miser's heart.

And now complaint is made in Mas-What does it profit a man to be wise, if he marries like a fool? suchusetts that the bar association of A wooden bread plate will be remembered that state is a close corporation organlonger than a souvenir teaspoon. ized for the purpose of assisting mem-

If you would know what it means to be rich, find out that it is blessed to give. bers to exact extortionate lawyers' fees The man mest in need of mercy, is the from helpless clients, an illegal business

s who will have no mercy on himself. in which it is regularly sustained and In their sermon preparation, too many protected by the courts. In a word, the preachers never prepare a stopping place. When the heart strings are rightly bar associations are held up as nothing touched, divine music will be the sure rebut trusts to enhance the price of legal

suit. service and obstruct instice to all who If your situation is bad, you can better it can not or will not pay arbitrary fees. by helping some one less fortunate than Is there a lawyers' trust? That is the rourself

Too many people are singing, "Scatter Sunshine," and waiting for somebody else Washington merchants and hotel to do it.

The poorest people are not those who have keepers are looking forward to the inauto get much out of little, but those who get little out of much.

tations of making up for what they The devil has a halter around the neck of every man who is trying to get money in any easier way than by honestly earning missed when Cleveland was inaugurated. The crowds that attend republican festivities have money to pay their ex-

#### SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT. penses and spend it. Had the popocratic

ticket won in the election the local mer-New York Tribune: The Roman Catholic chants at the national capital would priests of Paris have been forbidden to go to theaters. In the present state of the stage in that city, they will not miss much. have long ago made up their minds that there was nothing in the inaugural cele-Indianapolis Journal: It is folly for the

Salvation army to burn the devil in effigy. He has a reputation of centuries' standing of eing an adept in the burning business.

Seventy thousand sheep are being Chicago Times-Herald: An Abilene (Kan.) cherging in the reaching a series of sermons on the general subject, "Making It Hot for the Devil." This would strike the unprejucared for this winter in one county in Nebraska and 30,000 sheep in another county. The Nebraska sheep industry diced layman as unnecessary trouble. is only waiting a favorable opportunity Globe-Democrat: Rev. Sam Jones is stirto expand into one of the most profitable ing up Boston, and said in a recent sermon that he never saw a place where wickedness is so respectable as in that city. Then, to and important businesses in the state. Let the new tariff be adjusted for the prevent the acceptance of this remark as a compliment, he added: "Don't go to boring any artesian wells around here; if you do you encouragement of wool growing and

Nebraska will in a few years take rank will strike fire." among the leading wool states of the Brooklyn Eagle: Canada la a queer coun-Since the archbishop ordered the faith-

ful to stop reading the paper known as L'Electeur, for declaring that the church ought to let the state alone, there has been no end of trouble. In one village in Charle-voix county the local priest went to the postoffice and ordered the postmaster to give up all copies of that paper addressed to the people in the place, and burned them. estmaster did not like to obey, but he felt inder the circumstances he must, so he allowed the mails to be rifled without a struggle, and the property was destroyed. Im agine any citizen entering a postoffice in our country, helping himself to its contents and publicly burning them! But Canada has two enturies to live yet before she catches up to the United States.

#### THRIFTY PREMIUM MEN. Enormous Profits Gathered Up by In-

#### surance Companies. Chicago Chroniel

According to the reports of the fire insurince companies for 1896, as compiled for publication, the insurance business is one of the most productive in the country. Last year was one of great prosperity with the men who wrote fire risks on all kinds of property.

The total fire losses last year were \$130,-One of the appeals made to the ways 000,000, which was less than for any other year since 1890. The total amount paid by id means committee is for a duty of \$2 the insurance companies on fire losses was ton on coal tar. Tar is a by-product also the smallest in six years. In many gas and the fall in the price of gas cities the proportion of insurance loss to the s been due largely to the better utilizatotal fire loss is smaller than the average, on of the by-products. If the price of according to insurance statistics. There was no great fire in any city in 1896 ir is stiffened by a protective duty will

Total

e price of gas go down still further? ist ask any gas manufacturer. first class. There was no case where a busi-ness district in any great city or a large Too Hot to Hold. part of any inferior city or town was wiped

Philadelphia Tin This sudder, dropping of the Cuban ques-The following table shows the total fire tion in the senate leads to the suspicion that so ne of the fire-caters burned their finlosses and the insurance years, from 1890 to 1896 inclusive:

the machine. The result is chronic fatigue, not from overwork, but from unnecessary work. When we learn to use only those Every man is a giant in the eyes of some muscles which are needed for a particular act, we will expend but a small Adamant is like wax in comparison with of the vital energy we now lavish on our

work, and we will have a reserve force that will save us from premature breakdown and Ide us over disease. Students of physical culture are making a

study of the laws of repose. They may one day evolve a science of rest which will prove the cure for that degeneracy which mourn in modern society.

DOMESTIC IDYLS.

- Somerville Journal: Old maids retire. Other people go to bed.

Chicago Record: "They say early rising

is very unhealthy." "Of course; many a woman has broken down her constitution getting her husband up in time for breakfast."

Detroit Journal: "Has your husband the outton collecting fad?" inquired the caller. "Well," replied young Mrs. Torkins, ionbifully, "he usually helps take up the contribution in our church."

Dublin Freeman: He (angrily)-Was here any fool sweet on you before I mar-led you? She-Yes; one.

"I'm sorry you rejected him." "But I didn't reject him; I married ilm

Detroit Free Press: "How did you hap-pen to discharge that last girl, Mrs. Meekly?

"I just had to.She only alowed me two

Indianapolis Journal: "And yet you said that you were dead in love with me." "I really thought so at the time, but it appears to have been only a trance."

Puck: "She taunts me," he hissed, "with not being as well born as she. 'The true, ma-thinks, her father set up Havana three-for's and nine only Plusburg stogies; but a man's a man for a' that."

Town Toples: "I know lou will like Fred, pa; he doesn't drink, and-" "My daughter. I am disappointed in you; I did thiak you would marry a man who would occasionally ask your poor old father out to have something." Cincinnatt Enquirer: She-Why do you

uppear so pleasantly surprised? He-Because you appear so surprisingly

Jeasant, Old Gentleman-And now I appear, un-aurprised, but not unpleasant, Break away and take your corners.

Boston Transcript: Fenderson-Hello, Fogg! How's your wife? I understand she is confined to the house. Fogg-She was for a few davs; but Mrs. Bass came in yesterday and told her some-thing about Wigger and his wife, and made her swear she wouldn't tell a soul. Half an hour later Mrs. Fogg had her things on and was out, and she has been out ever

THE FIRST SNOW.

Sweet mother! ever wrapped so warm From chilling wind and cold. From chilling wind and cold. Showe thy lowly bed this morn A blanket soft enfolds; Tis soft and thick, the fleecy white, Eut, O, it is so cold!

Why should she lie so damp and chill, Whow was so warm and fair. Whose check was like a soft red rose Beneath her smooth dark hair? Those dewy lips, I feel them still, Like touch of purer air!

She whose one joy, whose heart's dodght, Was just to see us glad Her colldren dear, by day and night, Her fondest welcome had, Her face beside the open door, Her smile so mother-slad!

Now if we smile or if we sigh, Sweet mother, do you know, Or do you ever close beside Unseen and watchful go? (If God would spare you for a while You would be happier so).

There was no great fire in any city in 1896 involving millions in a single loss. The losses were widely distributed among all cities from the fourth or fifth class to the first class. There was no case where a basi-ness district in any great city or a large

ows the total fire losses for seven iclusive: Insurance Insurance

Total lornes. No other light, sweet mother mine, Can make it home to me, \$105,000,000 \$ 70,000,000 1 There is no sm

The democrats who are so freely predicting factional fights among republicans so soon as the republicans take control of the national administration may rest assured of one thing-even if worse comes to worst the republicans could not equal the record of the democrats for factionalism since President Cleveland resumed the executive office

# four years ago.

question.

which do not represent a cor-It will hereafter cost a Chicago woman responding amount of capital and by \$3 to wear a high hat to the theater. establishing bureaus of supervision that This privilege opens a wide field for would enforce these provisious by free advertising for women ambitious frequent inspection the worst abuses of for notoriety. Just watch them crowd corporate combinations would be done ahead of one another to get a chance to away with. The registration of corpobe first to pay the \$3 penalty.

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Hawali does not seem to be a very safe place for American diplomats if the experience of Stevens, Blount and Willis is the basis of judgment. But President McKinley will not have trouble in finding applicants for appointment to national and state bank examinations. represent the United States at Honohelu.

The liquor establishment that sought to gain favor by providing all but three the example. Let the legislature pasa or four of the members of the Indiana legislature with sample bottles of choice an act requiring every corporation doing business in the state to incorporate whisky made one fatal mistake. It in Nebraska and submit to the reasonashould not have overlooked any one. ble requirement of recording its stock even at the risk of doubling up the gift and bonded capital. With such a rein a few instances. form inaugurated, other states would

Nebraska survived the year 1896 with out contributing a single example to the year's lynching record. This is a' decided improvement over the preceding twelve months. It goes without saying that the credit of the state demands that the Nebraska column be kept clear during the year 1897.

If the office of public defender is es tablished by law it will be one of the that the secretary of state was moved most dignified and important of positions and should not be bandied about sador Bayard and it is readily assumed for a few months at a time among brief- that the new regulation was intended purpose of the proposed legislation to less attorneys who will use if as a las a rebuke to the American representameans to an otherwise dubious liveli- tive at the court of St. James. The hood. This is the very condition of statement is made that Secretary Olney things which the creation of the office has always deplored Mr. Bayard's manwas primarily designed to prevent. ner of so freely discussing political mat-

ters and that if he had been given dissatisfaction in such quarters with the The hill introduced into the Nebraska authority he would have instructed the senate to prevent blindness in infants ambassador not to speak in public in any sort of change which holds out the should not be taken by the uninformed regard to politics. In view of the fact promise of supplying more money to to be a patent medicine advertisement, that Mr. Bayard is the only member those sections. Unquestionably there It is an effort at reform intended to of the diplomatic corps who has of would be fewer advocates of free sliver forestall the work of the state institute fended in this way it would seem that and of government issues of irredeemfor the blind. No one should be sur- the new regulation was intended as a prised to see it followed up by bills to rebuke.

prevent deafness, idiocy, croup, measles But however this may be it is a very and all the other ills that infant flesh proper regulation. The diplomatic rep- tion and accommodations. Where busiis heir to. resentatives of the United States abroad.

while it is well understood to which Senator Teller must be credited at political party they belong, are preleast with playing his own cards sumed to leave politics behind them commodations, while elsewhere there is ing but certain democratic victory. For shrewdly. He will have a re-election to when they go to foreign lands. In the senate practically without an oppos- their diplomatic capacity they represent satisfaction among such people is ineviing vote in the Colorado legislature. not a party, but the government, which table. They easily persuade themselves more reliable. Had he refused to bolt his party for the means the whole people. When it is free silver cause no one believes he necessary for them to make public that they are not receiving just considerwould have had the ghost of a show to addresses they should leave politics en- ation, and they readily become supporthave been his own successor, no matter tirely out of consideration and frame ers of anything that appears to promis how much he might have risen in the their utterances with reference to the relief and a correction of the inequality. estimation of the people of the United fact that they are representing the na-States at large or how much he would tion and not a political party. If the vides a remedy for this condition so far have been strengthened among repub- new regulation shall serve to reduce as it can be remedied by legislation. It lican leaders.

involve the country in foreign complications without impairing its ability to promote the material progress and prosperity of the nation. The authori- farmer decline to burn corn so long as and bonda asue of stocks

rate stocks and bonds by national and

state boards would result in the rejec-

tion by investors of all securities that

failed to pass muster. Honestly con-

ducted corporations would be materially

strengthened by this system just as are

Dishonest and fraudulent concerns

would be weeded out or made harmless

Here is the place for Nebraska to set

sooner or later join with us in trying to

solve the perplexing problem of corpo-

for evil.

rate regulation.

tative assurance is that it will not do the price is so low that he can save this, but on the contrary will maintain | money by so doing. friendly and peaceful relations with the world and strictly observe every international duty and obligation. Such duced 4 069,187,855 cigars during the assurance ought to have a most whole-

ome effect.

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FOR BETTER BANKING FACILITIES. The house of representatives has assed the bill reported from the comoffice on banking and currency to authorize the organization of national banks in towns of 4,000 inhabitants, to begin business with a capital of \$20,000 the honestly conducted banks by the The minimum capital stock required as the law now stands is \$50,000. This action is very important to the west and south.

> In reporting the bill the committee said that in some sections of the coun try there has been a growing need fo hank issues as well as for other banking

accommodations in small towns in which the amount of \$50,000 cannot readily b raised for banking purposes. "The inequality in the distribution of national banks," the report says, "is one of the marked features of our national banking the passage of a bill by the North Da-

system. In the eastern and middle states banks are abundant and this al-A PROPER REGULATION. teration in the law would not be gvailed Secretary Olney has recently revised of to any considerable extent. But in the the diplomatic regulations and among western and southern states there is a the changes made is the insertion of a dearth of banks in many sections, due no provision prohibiting speeches upon po- doubt to the lack of capital in those seclitical matters by diplomatic representa- tions." A statement of the distribution

tives of the United States. It is said of national banks shows a marked discrepancy in the bank circulation and acto this action by the course of Ambas- commodations in the different sections of the country and this inequality it is the remedy.

> It is not to be doubted that the lack of adequate circulation and bank accommodations in portions of the country is in no small degree responsible for the currency system and for the demand for

> able paper currency in the south and west if there was less inequality than

exists in the distribution of bank circulaness men are unable to borrow as their

that there is something radically wrong, The measure passed by the house pro-

The economical farmer corn as fuel when he can secure the same heat cheaper by buying coal and selling corn. Nor will the economical

oting.

gers with It.

The United States is said to have pro year 1896. Computing the importations a police court and exportations as counterbalancing

one another this means fifty-eight eigars umburged. for each man, woman and child of our 70,000,000 population. If the adult make population were one-fourth of the total this would be 235 cigars for each man annually, or an average of over four ; week. Counting out one-half the men as men who do not smoke at all or indulge in clgarettes or pipes, and the average for each smoker would be eight eigars per week, or one daily and two each Sunday, All this is, of course, purely hypothetical, but it indicates roughly to what exteat the smoke habit is culti-

vated in this country.

It remains to be seen whether the courts will countenance the claim on

which one of the Northern Pacific attornews is suing the receivership for a fee of over \$11,000 for services in securing gold.

kota legislature. If lobbying expenses are legitimate claims against a receiver ship it can make no difference in prin-

ciple when the lobbying was performedbefore or after the declaration of in solvency. If the courts of the United States are going into the business of legislative lobbying the people who eventually have to pay the bills would

> like to know it. Populist National Committeeman

Washburn says the campaign for free silver was only a preliminary to the campaign for flat puper pure and simple. Prior to the election few free sil-83 W. verifes could be persuaded to admit this.

Those who were deluded into the support of silver candidates on the pleathat they stood for the rectification of a great wrong and were real advocates of honest monoy will presently have their eyes opened to the facts. Mr. Washburn is merely a Hule more outspoken than bls associates at the head of the silver movement.

Senator Hill and William J. Bryan ought to get together. They both say they are democrats of the genuine brand, credit warrants, at reasonable rates of but one sees nothing but defeat before interest, because of a lack of bank ac- the party, while the other can see nothabundance of money at low rates, dis- political sagacity born of experience no one will hesitate as to which one is the

> A complete collection of all the governors' messages delivered this month would afford a most comprehensive view of political and industrial conditions governor's message is supposed to be of their orders were placed singly.

## Birds of a Feather.

It was a touching union of the far can with the far west when Croker joined his forts to those of Huntington to secure the passage of the funding bill.

#### Quaint Notions About Religion. Chicago Times-Herald

Several Boston boys broke up a "spirit materialization seance" recently and sposed the fraud, capturing all the 'spook' a aphernalia. The boys who exposed this of business activity there is more profit in keeping property for sale than there is in windle, however, have been fined \$50 apiece for "disturbing Boston must delight in being prevailed in 1896.

Mighty History of the Rebellion.

report of the Board of Publication of the Official Records of the Rebellion hows that 101 volumes have been insued. Sth nine more to follow for the completion story of the active operations of the war, and that 1.467,689 copies of the book have been distributed and sold. These rec ords embrace everything of importance of oth the union and confederate sides; and me of these days the right man will come long and condense them into a reliable and atisfactory history of one of the most monentous of modern conflicts.

### PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The question of a century celebration of and \$195,000 insurance-another case of th of Edmund Burke is being mooted in Ireland.

If the figures could be obtained, it would probably be found that every insurgent killed in Cuba costs Spain his weight in King Oscar of Sweden, our umpire under

the Venezuela treaty, has more medals of honor than a champion bicycle rider, but he culy wears them on extraordinary occasions state and when having his picture taken Perhaps as fine an autograph album r-

exists is the visitors' book at Hawarden, wherein the names of Gladstove's guests are recorded. It contains entries as far back as 1850. The most recent of consequence is that of Ll Hung Chang

A Paris lawyer ran after and overtoo a thief who had snatched a watchchain from the lawyer's companion, a young actress, and was amazed to discover that the culorit as a client whose acquittal he had secured r a similar offense committed a few months

General Gourko, the noted Russian sol-ier, formerly governor general of Warsaw, seriously ill. About two years ago he iffered from a stroke of appalery go he suffered from a stroke of apoplexy, which compelled him to resign his post at War-For a year he has been staying at aden, but with little benefit. He is Wiesbaden. 69 years old and holds the rank of field maraiml.

out of all proportion to the ordinary eleva-tions and depressions of the market. Here We pull flowers to bits. We twist and un-ts a Philadelphia woman demanding \$5,000 twist scraps of paper. We tap the floor with apiece for hers, while a New York subjectie will compromise on \$10. Last week in Canada they were \$3.50, and shortly before we, collectively and individually, chew gum. off at \$2.50. The state of Massachusetts gives official

employment to a photographer who de-votes his time to securing enticing views of the sporting regions of the state and distributing them broadcast throughout the rest of the union as advertisements. But so well advertised is the "sport" that Maine will soon have neither game nor fish unless a check is placed on the destruction.

Department stores are receiving the atlegislators, as well as small ntion of A bill was introduced in the dealers. Missouri legislature proposing a tax on each department, but as the tax would

also strike country stores, the measure has been abandoned. In Sloux City the aldermen threaten to multiply the license fees. retail merchants formed a pool for the purpose of buying goods in large quantities. throughout the whole country. While a thus securing terms much better than if new regulation shall serve to reduce as it can be remedied by legislation. It interest to the people of his own state only, it conveys to an outsider much in leaving the jobbers out in the coid. i constant friction that must in time wear out

144,000,000 151,500,000 93,500,000 On dreary land or sea; Though other friends may throng its 07,500,000 140,000,000 W28 HISE. 'Tis empty without thee. Avoca, Ia. 142,000,004 \$4,560. 78,000.0 130,000,000 18383.000,000 \$619,500,800 Hard times years are usually most pro-Incendiarism prevails uctive of fires. a greater extent when trade is depressed and insolvency threatons many classes than it does in prosperous years. In years

burning it up for the insurance. No one will deny that the hardest of hard times The fire and insurance losses were greater last year in Chicago than in any other city. The Chicago fire losses were \$2,810,000, or which the insurance was \$2,730,000. This thows that the inspirations of Chicago thrift sause property to be insured pretty well up o the limit of its value

In New York the losses were \$2,500,000 with \$2,000,000 insurance on the property destroyed. In Philadelphia the loss was \$2,100,000, with \$1,650,000 Insurance. In ston the losses were \$1,225,000, with \$1.145,000 insurance, also pretty well up to the limit. Other cities are St. Louis, will \$1.145,000 loss and \$920,000 insurance; Louisville, \$1,010,000 loss and \$84,000 insurance Brooklyn, \$1,400,000 loss and \$965,000 insur ance: Indianapolis, \$525,000 loss and \$410,000

nsurance, and Milwaukee, with \$215,000 loss nearly full insurance It is added that the insurance companies will divide \$4,000,000 profits in excess of their average dividends. This is a large

sum to harvest from the calamitles th people of the country. It would be inter esting to know what is the amount of premiums collected in various cities as com pared with losses which the companies pay to the assured.

AMERICANITIS.

A New York Name for the Disease Commonly Known as Hustle. Minneapoli A German physician has discovered a new

discase. He calls it Americanitis. Upon coming to this country, he was puzzled by finding among his patients all manner nervous disorders which seemed to have organic cause. He has made a study of the lifferent varieties that come under

which ropose. Yankee zeal in well-doing is an un-

dentable fact of history. It is proverbial among foreign chroniclers who have written is us up and especially down. Three-fourths of the population is of

flicted with nervousness, The price of kisses continues to fluctuate tenalty from trivial habits and mannerism

New Jersey brand was knocked All this occurs in ordinary conversation and passes for vivacity. It is regarded as not only perfectly innocent and natural, bu usary form of working off superfluous

energy. As a matter of fact, it is a most unnatura ands of expression and an unjustifiable waste of vital energy. It is a serious indication of a wrong attitude of mind and an unwhole some mode of life.

It is not work, but lack of repose, that I cause of the nervous prostration and breaking down, characteristic of modern so lety. We live too intensely. We throw our whole being into every trivial act. We talk

with our handa and our eyes and our shoul-ders as well as our voice. We push with our feet on the carriage floor as though to hurry

the too slowly moving wheels. We lister with tense muscles to an animated speaker A better method of reaching the end sought and wonder at the close of the day why we all merchants formed a pool for the pur-Nature never intended that the whole body. should work all the time. In accordance with the universal principle of rhythm she de They now signed the different members to alternately

e like that of thine

GOD BLESS

E. T. C.



# "It's Time"

EVERY MAN KNEW-OR OUGHT TO KNOW-HOW MUCH HIS WELFARE DE-PENDS ON HIS APPEARANCE. LET US HELP YOU TO SEE THAT YOUR "GET UP" IS ALL RIGHT.

IT IS AN ACCEPTED FACT THAT ONE WOULD BETTER BE OUT OF THE WORLD THAN OUT OF FASHION. WE WILL SEE THAT YOU ARE IN THE FASHION IF YOU WILL COME HERE

FOR YOUR CLOTHES. WEAT IS MORE-WE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY BESIDES. AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR THERE ARE MANY SUITS-OVERCOATS-ULSTERS-EXTRA PANTS

-AND ARTICLES OF WEAR THAT ARE LEFT-ONE OR TWO OF A KIND-IT'S

TOO LATE IN THE SEASON TO REPLACE THEM-AND RATHER THAN CARRY THEM OVER HOPE TO CUT THE PRICE

ABOUT 14.

YOU ARE NOW ABLE TO PURCHASE OUR OWN HIGH GRADE SUITS AT \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00 AND \$15.00-THAT WERE \$12.50, \$15.00, \$20.00 AND \$22.50,

OVERCOATS AT THE SAME SAVING. FINE BLACK CLAY WORSTED TROU-SERS-THAT WERE \$6.00-CAN BE HAD FOR \$3.75-ALSO MANY VERY DESIR-ABLE PATTERNS IN CHEVIOT, CASSI-MERES AND WORSTED AT THE SAME LOW FIGURES.

