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THE BEE ON TRAINS.

All raffrond newsboys are supplied with enough Bees to accommodate every passenger who wants to read a newspaper. Insist upon having The Bee. If you cannot get a Bee on a train from the news agent, please report the fact, stating the train and railroad, to the Circulation Department of The Bee. The Hee is for sale on all trains.

INSIST ON HAVING THE BEE. The fuse was not long enough to reach

the magazine. Populists will now be asking them-

selves where they came in. South Omaha republicans set the pac-

and Omaha republicans followed. It is one thing to fabricate a new city

charter. It is another thing to get elected to the offices made to order, Now then for a welcome relief from

politics and a pull all together for the exposition and municipal improvements. metal shows an inveterate tendency, dis-

the grain.

Arbor day parade, With the added blessing of a practically solid republican city government. the people can celebrate Arbor day with a zest otherwise impossible.

Senator Howell has succeeded in one thing-he has extended the terms of all the elective republican city officers except Broatch for three years longer.

The searchlight was evidently turned on the city hall after all. Those who turned it on are requested not to crowd in coming up to claim their reward.

The new tariff will be known as the Dingley bill, although by the time it emerges from the senate its author may not be able to recognize it without a new introduction.

Omaha is to be congratulated on the decisive vote in favor of the intersection paying bonds. The main obstacle to extensive and necessary public improvements is now removed.

Candidates who can beat a fusion ticket and a hostile weather bureau combined certainly possess elements of strength which augur well for the successful administration of their respective justifying higher prices. At the moment

Cipher telegraphic messages have been proscribed in Turkey. People who want to send cipher messages should and they will resemble cipher closely enough.

That legislative committee to investi- vance. gate the state offices may be depended that is a good place to stow away the the investigation.

shortage.

naval school is really a national or only awful but highly improbable possibila sectional institution.

of the penitentiary.

A SIGNAL VICTORY.

republicans, have reason to feel gratified over the outcome of the municipal election. The signal victory over the combined forces of all the political elements more significant in view of the fact that the opposition had control of the mathe treachery of its mayor and Board of Public Works and the active co-operation of the police department. In conjunction with these forces the repubphalanx of the gamblers and other lawthusiastle support of the republican rank and file, supplemented by the mass of independent voters who revolted against the prospect held out by the fusion can didate for mayor and resented his course in the late legislature. There was also another element of strength for the republicans which should not be underestimated in the liberal-minded democrats and populists who were disgusted with the double-dealing methods of Howell and the spoils machine that was backing him.

The effect of the republican victory upon the political future of Nebraska and the substantial progress of Omaha is not to be lightly passed over. The election of Colonel Frank E. Moores and practically the whole republican city ticket will go out to the world as a striking proof that the metropolis of Nebraska is in political accord with the nation. It effectually refutes assertions

that populism and all that it implies is gaining in Nebraska and that Nebraska republicanism is hopelessly on the wane. It affords an assurance that the management of our city affairs will be on sound business principles for the next three years, and that investors and capitalists will have no ground for apprehension.

As an important if not the chief factor in this victory. The Bee takes credit for helping save Omaha to the republican party and proteeting its citizens against a threatened reign of lawlessness.

ENGLAND AND THE TRANSVALL. There is promise of some interesting developments in South Africa in the near future, involving England and the Transvaal republic. The return of Ceeff Rhodes was marked by an enthusiastic reception and expressions which very clearly showed that the British in South Africa still look with a longing eye upon the Transvaal, with its wealth of gold. and eagerly hope that the time will soon come when they will be in control there. There is reason to believe that there is very strong sympathy with this aspiration in England and the fact that a British squadron has arrived off the coast of Natal, at a point having railroad communications with the Transvaal, is interpreted as meaning that the Wheat keeps on rising, but the white British government proposes to insist that the Boer government shall strictly couraging to its admirers, to go against observe treaty conditions, which give Great Britain authority over all the ex-The airship still has a few hours of It is the desire of the Boer government grace to prove the reality of its existence to escape from this control and to obtain by appearing in Omaha in time for the absolute independence, but Great Britain has no idea of permitting this. Herein is the possibility of a crisis, but the Boers are cool-headed and calculating and will hardly do anything to provoke a conflict, in which they would be at a hopeless disadvantage unless backed by some powerful nation. The Transvaal presents a great temptation to British cupidity and it is probably a

> ble excuse for annexing that territory. THE WAR AND SPECULATION.

fact that England wants only a plausi-

The rapid advance in the price of wheat on the announcement that war had been declared between Turkey and Greece was a speculative advance predicated upon the possibility of the conflict spreading. War between those two countries alone would give no warrant for advancing the price of any commod ity and could not have any effect upon the wheat supply and demand to induence the price to the slightest extent. Only in the event of some of the larger powers becoming involved would there be substantial ground for a considerable advance in the prices of food products. Should Russia and England be drawn into the conflict undoubtedly breadstuffs, and provisions would bound up ward rapidly, because that would affect the demand and supply to an extent it does not appear probable that these or any of the other great powers will become involved in the hostilities and hence the advance in wheat a few days have them written in Turkish characters | 1190 has not been maintained, though a good demand from abroad and unfavorable weather conditions have prevented a reaction to the figures before the ad-

The speculative spirit aroused by the on to discover at least one thing, and commencement of hostilities in southeastern Europe was but a repetition of \$10,000 voted to defray the expenses of past experiences, though it did not go so far as in some previous instances. It is interesting as suggesting what The legislatures of three or four of the might reasonably be expected in the southern states have been summoned in event of a general European war. Reextra session to take action on meas- ferring to this possibility the Springures for the relief of the Mississippi field Republican says it would establish flood sufferers. Two sessions of a legis- the commercial and financial supremacy lature in a flood year is going it pretty of the United States for all time to come. "We should sell our grain and provisions at greatly enhanced prices The man who steals a few dollars is and buy back our European-held debt at usually kept in juil awaiting trial, but panie prices. The gold movement would the man who succeeds in embezzling a at last set tremendously this way and half million dollars out of the state we should become master of the extreasury enjoys his liberty on a nominal changes es never before. The clearing bond in the sum of one-tenth of his house of the world would in the end be moved from London to New York and the great banks of the metropolis In view of the teapot tempest raised would hereafter dictate financial terms by an Ohio congressman's evident de- to the round earth in place of the intermination to appoint a negro to An-stitution in Threadneedle street." But napolis, this would seem to be as good as our contemporary adds, "this is builda time as any to find out whether the ing eastles in the very thin air of an

It is noteworthy that the war has not Defaulting ex-Treasurer Bartley says produced any very marked effect upon he has paid over to the state all the the spirit of speculation abroad. The public money in his possession that is London market has not been greatly avaflable, but despite his alleged poverty stirred, nor have any of the other finanhe seems to encounter no difficulty in cial centers. The obvious inference is retaining some of the most high-priced that the money power of Europe, the attorneys in Nebraska to keep him out bankers and the financiers who control favor. It is to be hoped that ex-Presi-

ment and the purposes of governments the supremal court not long ago. and they exert a great influence in determining policies. The managers of and Paris and Berlin are enabled to obtain accurate information of the intenchinery of city government through tions of the several governments in circumstances such as the present and their movements are a very safe index of the feeling in official circles. The immediate indication is that this feeling lican candidate for mayor had also to is one of confidence that the war will meet the hostility of malignant personal | be confined to the present combatants. enemies, political renegades and a solid In view of this people who are not pro fessional speculators will see the wiscombination was achieved by the en- to gamble upon the possibility of a general European war.

THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW. Representative Grosvenor of Ohlo is undoubtedly entirely sincers in the opinhas examined the debates on the bill that will get the best attention. and consulted with men who were mem bers of congress when the law was formation it is entirely apparent that purpose." Mr. Grosyenor complains that the law has been made to include classes of government employes which it was not intended to apply to and says that in plain violation of the statute aggression after aggression has been perpetrated, until the laborers and all classes of employes have been seized upon. The Ohio congressman says he is not antagonizing the merit system. but simply demands that those who are sheltered under the civil service law without having been required to pass any examination shall now be called upon to show that they are qualified to

be in the classified service.

Mr. Grosvenor asserts that there is a strong sentiment in the country behind him and that if the friends of the civil service law do not accept in good faith his bill relating to the civil service they may have cause to regret it. That measure proposes to exclude from the operation of the civil service act a considerable proportion of those who are now in the classified service and provides for the examination before the Civil Service commission of all persons who have been employed or appointed in the classified service since March 4, 1803, or during the last administration. It is doubtless true that a great many people are with the Ohio congressman in this matter. Every man who wants office may safely be counted on his side. But the number who are willing to support this assault upon the civil service law constitute a small minority of the people and are not generally actuparty in congress will take the respon- strife had made ibility for such legislation as Mr. Grosvenor proposes. By its platform and by the unqualified declaration of its leader, the republican party is committed ice reform and the party would be tultified by the adoption of such legislation as Mr. Grosvenor's bill provides for. Even that gentleman's zeal will be likely to cool when he shall have heard public sentiment on his measure.

CALLS FOR SUMMARY ACTION.

One of the scandals of the city camonign just closed has been the reckless vaste of public money on political street cleaners. Within less than three weeks over \$9,000 has been expended in the street commissioner's department, from which the city received very little or no benefit. About one-half of this sum was squandered by Mayor Broatch in

Howell as his successor. For this Mayor Broatch is not alone responsible. The mayor could not have enrolled this army of political sweepers had he not been seconded in his efforts by Street Commissioner Kaspar and Sewer Commissioner Winspear. The conduct of these officers has not only fully justified the popular demand for the abolition of the Board of Public Works, but calls for summary action by the council. If it is true that men have been drawing pay without renderng any service to the city and the pay rolls have been padded with fictitions names, the council should fix the respon sibility where it belongs and order proeedings instituted against the offenders. It should furthermore take steps to prevent a recurrence of such abases by any city official.

Omaha is not to secure that Indian supply depot without a struggle. Chiago and New York are said to have oined hands to block the efforts of Nebraska's representatives in congress when the matter comes up before the house. Everyone in Omaha and Nebraska who has any influence with tembers of congress from other states should bring it to bear without delay. The proposed Indian supply depot means much to Omaha and the surrounding territory and no efforts should be spared to fetch it.

Cuba is about to try the experiment of manufacturing 50 cents worth of silver into a coin called a dollar. The baban experiment, however, will result just as have all the others. The only way to keep such a silver coinage up to par with gold at its face value is to limit the amount turned out of the mints to less than the demand. Unlimited silver coinage would soon reduce the new Cuban silver dollar to a level with the Mexican silver dollar.

The local gamblers are the men who are most disappointed in the election of Colonel Moores to the mayoralty. They not only contributed the greater part of the campaign funds of the defeated ticket, but also lost the money which they placed on alleged sure-thing bets.

Ex-President Harrison has just had the good fortune to have two cases which he argued before the United States supreme court decided in his the stock exchanges and the money mar- dential Candidate Bryan will be equally

kets, are assured that there is little dan- fortunate in the Nebraska maximum The citizens of Omaha, and especially ger of a general European war. These freight rate case in which he repre men are in a position to know the senti- sented the people of Nebraska before

The managers of the Tennessee Cenhostile to the republican party is the great financial institutions in London tennial exposition promise that they will have every exhibit in place before the time the gates open next month. If they succeed in redeeming their pledges In this respect to the letter the Nashville exposition will start out with one big feather airendy in its cap.

The alacrity with which citizens of Omala and the vicinity are flocking to the standard of Ak-Sar-Ben speaks volumes for the popularity of that wise less classes. The overthrow of this dom of not yielding to the temptation and beneficent monarch, whose rule embodies all that is best and most public-spirited in local affairs.

With a prospective surplus in the intersection paying fund, property owners should lose no time in getting up their ion that the civil service law has been petitions for paving and repaving. The unwarrantably extended. He says he petition that gets in early is the petition

The participation by the grand lodge passed, "and from these sources of In- of Masons in the cornerstone laying of Arbor day is symbolic of the fraternity the civil service law has been deflected and community of interest which should wholly and completely from its original characterize the entire exposition movement.

> Mayor Broatch sald gleefully on the morning of election day that it looked like Howell weather. What then would have been the republican majority had we been favored with Moores weather?

The announcement that McKinley wants Cuba to be free means, among other things, that McKinley and the people again agree. A Hundred Millions in It.

The culture of the sugar beet is attracting increased attention among American farmers this spring. There is over \$100,000,

000 a year in it. The Pretense of Telumph. The report that Spain is to withdraw portion of its army from Cuba does not suggest any obstacle to General Weyler's

A Change of Tune.

proceeding as usual and celebrating a vic-

An old variety show joke used to run in this way: "Just look at our navy! We've got plenty of water; all we want is a few But if many more United States battleships go aground it will have to be so as to read as follows: look at our navy! We've got plenty of ships; all we want is a little more water.

Confederate Tribute to Grant.

Many an ex-confederate soldier will participate in the ceremonies at the dedica-tion of the Grant monument on the 27th of April. This tribute to the memory of the foremost of union generals will come most appropriately from men who were arrayed ated by the single desire to promote the against him in the civil war. They remember the magnatimity of Grant in the hour public service. We do not believe that of his triumph and how he endeavored after the representatives of the republican the war was over to heal the wounds that

A Pointer and a Precedent.

An attempt by the powers of Europe to use force to the the war between Turkey and Greece might have an important bearagainst any backward step in civil serving on the relations of the United States her reform and the party would be government to Cuba. It would set a precedent for this country to take similar nations of Europe, in the name of humanity, should insist that the Turks and the eks shall settle their differences without a prolorged war, the European rulers not reasonably protest against an at-by the United States government to and the terrible suffering and loss of life and property which are resulting from the maintenance of a great Spanish army in the island of Cuba, and, moreover, Spain would be less likely, under those circumstances, to resent the action of the United

An Expensive Fleet.

Our payal intelligence bureau at Washington indicates the extreme expensiveness of a first-class navy. The amount of money England will spend this year in supporting his attempt to renominate himself and the other half in his attempt to elect few months work will be begun on four first-cass battleships, each of 14,800 tons, three cruisers, two sloops, four gunboats and two torpedo-boat destroyers. During the year 10s vessels will be under construction, including fourteen first-class battleships, eight first-class cruisers, nine ond-class cruisers, ten third-class cruisers, two sloops of war, four gunboats and fifty-two torpedo-boat destroyers, aggregating a tonnage of 350,000. Sixty-six of these vessels will be completed during the present fiscal year. All the fleets kept in foreign waters are being strengthened by substituting new vessels for old ones of inferior size. The new ships call for more men, and next year there will be over 100, 000 men in the British naval service

LABOR ARBITRATION.

Unique System Successfully Worked in New York City. New York World.

A year ago Colonel Waring, chief of the street cleaning department, made up his mind that the men under him were reasonable and that they wanted simple justice more than anything else. Accordingly he devised a scheme which should bring the en's own sense of justice to his aid in settling disputes and at the same time give him the benefit of their practical suggestions for the improvement of the service. Briefly, this is the plan. The drivers and weepers select forly one men from their own body to constitute a general committee. This ommittee meets with closed doors to conider every complaint, every alleged injusevery auggestion for the better-

with five representatives of the commissioner, dz, the general superintendent, the chief clerk, one district inperimendent, one secplaints that the circuit committee of for-After a year's experience these are the

There have been the strikes and no complaint of injustice is made. The committee of forty-one has setfled 221 cases and referred only 124 26 0% board of conference. The commissioner has remitted many fines and reinstated many men dismissed on recommendation of the board, while in at least one case harbars voluntarily remitted a penalty fully approved by the two bodies, his ground being that the man at fault had been sufficiently purished.

After a full year's trial the commissioner

nd the men are equally pleased with the plan. It secures justice, promotes efficiency, avoids difficulty and establishes an equitable basis of reason in the relations of employer and employed. After all it is very simple. Its keynote is nothing more than a recognition of the

fact that the average man, employer or employed, is just and reasonable, and that so long as both seek justice and reason there a no possible reason why they should not This is the essence and substance of the rinciple of arbitration, and Colonel War-ng's experiment offers to all large emoyers who are disposed to justice a way

mindedness of men in general.

RAIDING THE RAND.

Springfield Republican: There are hard mes in Johannesburg Just now. The gold Springheid Republican: I here are hard times in Johannoshurg Just now. The gold in the Rand is still there, but the political disturbances have depreced trade, and the streets are full of outcasts, who sleep in caves in the hills and descend into the to pick up garlage in the market fo Philadeiphia Press: The true Briton ther days is making a desperate talk about the beauties of arbitration on one hand and a equally desperate effort to prepare plausib explanations when the final grab at the Transvast, which all deem imminent, I made. As a bundle of inconsistencies John Bull is a bright and skining example.

Philadelphia Ledger: England is appar ently bent upon forcing a war with Presi dent Kruger, doing now directly what Dr Jameson was expected to accomplish without involving the British government in an act of treachery to a triendly power. Dr Jameson admitted that if he bad succeede he expected his acts to be approved by the British government. It is a cowardly business, this coercion of the little South African republic by a powerful nation like Great

Buffalo Express: A London publication says bluntly: "By all means let us fight and win the Transvaal, Every nation has to play pirate at times and let us play boldly when we do and trust to Mr. Chamberlain to see flags of truce kept out of the soldiers' baggage. Thrice the Boors have seen th flag of England heisted on a stick and alcolored flag." Not a thought given to the consideration that the Boers own the country to be grabbed and have a right to enjoy their own kind of civilization! And this is Christian England!

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The present king of Greece, George I ame to the throne in 1863, at the age of 17. The principal damage to the battleship Ore on appears to be in her treasury depart

The new mayor of Detroit has begun his

days. Barberous. There is a glut of skyscraping buildings New York City and a consequent searcity tenants. Rents are going down as rapidly

s buildings are going up. Residents of New York City flats who have been pestered by having their mall boxes stuffed with advertising matter have en relieved of the nuisance by a state

Milwaukee became so weary of the ln apacity of its elective school board that it scured the passage of a state law abolishing the board and vesting the appointment of nembers in the mayor.

balloons sent aloft to advertise a certain the secretary has a right to limit the num-brand of eigerettes. The idea is very ap- ber to be so admitted. copriate, inasmuch as cigarette consumers quently vanish from the surface of the During this month sixteen vessels have

scharged sugar at Philadelphia from oreign ports, chiefly from Germany, and nest all the 48,000 tons brought by these cssels is beet sugar, which we can produce this country just as readily as it can be reduced in Germany. The anti-cartoon bill which recently passed

the New York state senate has been radically amended by the assembly by excepting from its provisions "public officers, persons nom-mated for public office and fugitives from justice." These changes take from the bill the stings inserted by the politicians.

Priceless relies of President Andrew Jack son were partially destroyed by fire in Cincinnati Among them was General Jack-son's carriage, the wheels of which were made of timber taken from the old war frigate Constitution. This carriage was stored in the garret and was nearly destroyed, along with some other relics in the shape of furniture.

The late Erastus Baldwin of Naugatuck Cong., after allowing the Naugatuck railroad to use part of his property, applied to the president for a life pass. His request was president for a life pass. His request was refused. Mr. Baldwin thereupon made it his month; First Lieutenant William A. Phillelong and the train lands had to be at the lips. Second infantry, four months, with long, and the train hands had to be at the trouble of putting him off. He followed these permission to go abroad. tactics until the company tired of it and gave im a life pass for himself "and one," his neighbors rode on it until his recent death.

Six and a quarter cents damages was the verdict of the jury in the case of Anna Dick-inson for her alleged wrongful incarceration inson for her alleged wrengful incarceration in an insane sylum, tried in the federal court at Scranton, Pa., hast week. She sued for \$50,000 damages. Miss Dickinson was at his name as John O'Keefe. one time the most popular woman on the lecture platform, and wen distinction by her ity and courage. But reverses came, and n their train a weakening of those mental qualities for which she was respected and admired. The damage case was a pitiful anticlimax to such a career.

A soothing specimen of perve breaks the conotony of war rumors and tariff talk. Of ourse it thrived in Chicago. The owner abstracted a few thousand from Uncle Sam's pockets by means of forged postal orders and \$1,300 of the proceeds was found in his ockets and confiscated. Though he subnitted to the indignity at the time, comptly brought suit to recover and found jury of twelve "good men and true" to ide with him. The appeal court reversed the erdict. Meanwhile the forger is not cast lown. He occupies a trellised arbor on the

THE INEVITABLE REACTION.

Manifestations of the Ground Swell

of the business situation, has begun soaring skyward again. During the last few days the bulls have come out of the wilderness, where for several months they have done penance with a heavy heart, and made a buoyant attack on their ancient enemies, the bears. Within a week the price of May and June wheat shows a net advance of from 12 increase in the value. une wheat shows a net advance of from 12 o 14 cents per bushel, representing a vast necesse in the value of the visible supply. It is one of the anomalies of the com-percial world that the blacker the war cloud in Europe the brighter the market prospects for cereals. In the present instance the up-ward turn in wheat seems to be largely during the few hours that it does bloom portentous four of actual war on the Turkish-Grecian frontier, is evident. The best informed publicists agree that the prospects are for a confinement of actual fighting to Turkey and Greece and a gradual pacification even of these belligerents by the oncerted powers in the interest of a general European peace.
But war or no war, a wave of optimism

is about due, so far as the United States are concerned. Neither the tariff, the currency nor any other of the vexed problems confronting the country can withhold the inevitable reaction from a period of profound disquiet. This reaction will be re-tarded rather than helped by a return of the speculative fever whose symptoms ar already manifest in certain quarters. Be hind these speculative ebuilitions, however lence, which is, after all, the only real basis of genuine optimism. This confidence i becoming manifest in a hundred channels and ramifications of the business world. It involves a belief, for which no reason ever existed for its being clouded, in the resources and recuperative power of the producing It involves also, let us hope, a determination that the severe lessons of a period of disquiet and depression will not be thrown saide at the first symptoms of re arning prosperity.

The pendulum of business conditions i ot always an index of the real state of the country. It points unerringly, however, to the confidence or otherwise of the business, manufacturing and financial worlds. In the rra of enforced economy and debt paying, ander which the whole country has been earning new lessons, there are valuable colletes for every student of economics. The enefits of an enlarged optimism will flow a the future in proportion as the severe and slutary restrictions of the past have taught out of danger. Its results are also a tribute to the men, a restimony to the wishe value of honest and wholesome self-redom of democratic confidence in the rightiance. Optimism is the eternal foe of pa-

DROP RETROACTIVE CLAUSE

Important Change in Dingley Bill to Occur in the Senate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MAKES DECISION

If Clause is Not Dropped Will Be Amended so as to Provide for Heing Stricken Out in Conference.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The republican members of the finance committee of the senate have reached an agreement either to strike out the retroactive provision of the Dingley tariff bill or to amend it so as to pave the way for its being stricken out in onference, and have so notified the democratic members of the committee. The democrats have agreed, in view of this promise.

not to press the Vest resolution on the subject of Secretary Gage's recent circular. This was one of the accomplishments of the visits

Philadelphia North American; "That wheel, judge," said the victim of the bicycle thief, "was the finest on the market."

Stop: "cried the judge, "I'll fine you plot for contempt. This court rides the finest wheel on the market." cratic members of the committee. The dem of the republican bouse members to the senate yesterday. The sentiment among the ways white. It is time to prove we have a republican members is said to have been against the provision from the first, but they felt that to take decisive adverse action upon It In the face of democratic opposition would place them in the light of acting under firs and taking a position because of the criticisms of the opposition. They therefore asked that the democrats keep their hands off until the republicans should have had an opportunity to make their intentions known. The democrats considered this proposition as reasonable and agreed to refrain from prossing consideration of the Vest resolution until the result of the labors

the republican members could be known. While not absolutely decided between the official career by lopping \$2,500 from the expenses of his own office.

A bill has been introduced by an lowa solon to compel all men over 21 years of age to shave at least twice every seven.

While his cambers of the provision and its complete cancellation, the balance of opinion in the committee is understood to be quite on the side of destroying it entirely. The democratic senators generally

AN EASTER TRAGEDY. believe this will be the result of committe deliberations and it is expected that when the bill is handed to them the clause will have disappeared.

SECRETARY HAS SOME DISCRETION

Labor for Exposition Cannot Come is Unlimited Numbers. WASHINGTON, April 21.-The attorney general has rendered an opinion to the secretary of the treasury in which he holds that, under the joint resolution of congress suspending the operation of certain parts of the immigration laws so as to admit for-The St. Louis Republic gravely asserts eigners to be employed in various capacities that the so-catled airships are papier-mache in connection with the Nashville exposition,

> News for the Army. WASHINGTON, April 21.—(Special Telegram.)-An army retiring board, with Lieu-

tenant Colonel Harry S. Egbert, Sixth infantry, as president, has been detailed to meet at Fort Thomas. First Lieutenant Thomas M. de Frees, Fifth infantry, has been ordered before the board for examina-Captain Charles M. Heyle, Twenty-third

infantry, has been relieved from duty in this city and ordered to join his company. The following transfers are made in Twentieth infantry: First Lieutenant John F. Morrison, from company C to company H; First Lieutenant Frank D. Webster, from

company H to company C, First Lieutenant William C. Rafferty, First artillery, has been detailed as professor of military science and tactics at Seton Hall college, South Orange, N. J., August 29, relieving First Lieutenant chael J. Lenihan, Second infantry, who is or-dered to join his company. Leaves of absence: First Lieutenant William J. Pardee, adjutant Twenty-fifth in-

fantry, three months; Captain Ogden Rafferty, assistant surgeon, three months, with

Arrested in New York. WASHINGTON, April 21.-Chief Hazen of the secret service has received a telegram stating that James Foley, who escaped from jail at Joliet, Ill., March 22 last, where he

Daily Treasury Statement. WASHINGTON, April 21.-Today's state ment of the condition of the treasury shows Available cash balance, \$224,461,020; gold reserve, \$155,008,109.

IOWA PRESS COMMENT.

Des Moines Leader: Evidence that the end of the legislative session is at hand is found n the speedy manner in which both houses are willing to agree to amendments which a month ago would have been productive of

protonged debate. Hampton Globe: Somehow, all our legisla tion is directed toward raising more revenue, rather than toward economizing. If a part of the ingenuity of our legislators that is expended in trying to squeeze the maximum tax out of the minimum number of citizens was used in practicing simple economy, the result would be surprising.

Davenport Republican: The office of state oil inspector has been abolished, and nobody scenar to object. The positions which have heretofore been filled by deputies will con-

flower? Not that we know of. But we are told that the silvermakers for the battle-ship lowa took the wild rose as the em-blem of the state. That is good enough. Let us abide by the wild rose. Very more heautiful than the wild rose? ward turn in wheat seems to be largely brought about by a more or less hazy leiler that the whole of Europe is to be involved in warfare and an artificial price created for the surplus wheat of the United States. That this belief is premature, in spite of the That this belief is premature, in spite of the contents four of actual war on the contents is the delicate pink with five common is the delicate pink with five petale and no more. The wild rose bud is a thing of beauty. Those who have worked in the fields of lows, in the days before the self-binder was invented, when men fol-lowed the reapers and bound the wheat and oats from the ground, have another remembrance of the wild rose. To them it was a nasty, pricking thing found in the loose wheat. But even the remem-brance of those pricking sessations brings

with it pleasant memories of days whe

of hope.

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Philadelphin Record: "Beware ob de borrower, says Brother Watkins "De longah yo' know him de shortah yo' git." Chicago Record: "What is his reputa-tion for veracity?"
"Very good; he hasn't seen a single flying machine this spring!"

Cieveland Leader: Old Millyuns Young man, my daughter tells me that you kneed her last night.

Percival Tootles Well, if she wants to go bragging about it, that's her privilege. Indianapolis Journal: "What's the matter between you and your neighbor?" asked the Judge.
"I cultivate a garden and he keeps hens." "Seatence suspended. I live in the suburbs myself."

ltoston Transcript: Rerdin—Is that boy of yours any way ambitious?"
Langen—Ambitious? Why, that boy is ready to take the most responsible and best paid situation in the establishment!

Somerville Journal: Dobson-I can tell school teacher as far as I can see her. Rotson-Well, you can't tell her much.

Town Toples: Officeseeker (on being presented to President McKinley)—I am afraid you do not remember me, Mr. President I am an Oblonn and met you at....

The President—Oh, yes, I remember you; but I am afraid I can't place you,

Indianapolis Journal: "Tis better," said the sentimental young man, "to have loved and lost than not to have loved at all, or something of the sort."

"Also," said the more elderly man, with the string around his forefinger, "It is rheader."

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AN EASTER TRAGEDY.

Harper's Bazar. was awful, as they tell it in the town of

Genesee,
Of the fate of poor Miss Wiggles and her bran-new Easter hat;
It is very, very seldom that we find a tragedy
That contains so much of horror as was brought about by that.

Miss Wiggles was a lady with a millinery That was truly quite remarkable; I never She could make a splendid bonnet from the merest bit of waste.

A bonnet that e'en Virot at her best would hardly strike.

But it interly did happen—ch, how sad a tale to tell:—

Miss Wiggles gave up ribbons and laid in a stock of wings.

Little wings of little birdies, and the larger ones as well—

She didn't even spare the little yellow bird that sings.

And then on Easter Sunday, with her hat upon her Fead, With twenty-seven pinions struggling all about the rim, about the rim, Miss Wiggles went to service, and, as usual, In the saying of responses and the sing-ing of the hymn. Now how it was it happened I confess I do

A miracle I doubt not must have been the cause of it; But as she sat demurely in the very foremost row Those wings began to flutter and to wob-ble and to flit. And before the poor, dear lady could take out her bonnet pins And free herself, the bonnet hauled her upward by the hair, And with sundry pirouettings and with several dizzy spins

She floated up the steeple and out in the So let this be a warning to you maidens of today
Who kill the little birdies with their
babies and their mates.
It may be you'll be treated in this very self-same way the wings that you have chosen just to decorate your pates.

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