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### THE BEE ON TRAINS.

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INSIST ON HAVING THE BEE.

The military history of the Turko Grecian war will not make a very thick book.

The Greeks have only verified the adage that the Lord fights with the battalions.

That concert of European powers may claim a trophy for prowess along the line divorcing it altogether from politics. of masterly inactivity.

People have to be reminded that the trouble started over Crete, otherwise the occasion of the war might slip out of notice.

No city could be selected which is more favorably located or more centrally situated for the concentration of state and federal troops from all parts of the United States than Omaha.

Iowa farmers have discovered by experiment that razor-back hogs are not disease proof. It has yet to be proved. however, that the railroad hog is not under all ordinary circumstances beyond death's chutches.

Having pacified the Cuban provinces for the 'steenth time, General Weyler has finally reached the point where he thinks it safe to introduce a few governmental reforms as a sample of what may follow prolonged good behavior.

California's gold product for 1896 was greater by \$1,847,245 than for the year 1895, while its silver product for 1896 exceeded that of 1895 by only \$177,353. And yet the free coinage men persist in declaiming about the dearth of gold.

Missouri has a congressional election to fill vacancy in one district on June 1. This ought to give Bryan another occasion to comment on the significance of the vote, compared with that of last year, when the people declined to elect him president.

President McKinley is beset with invitations to spend his vacation at different summer resorts. Offers of cottages or houses should be accompanied with detailed diagrams showing the improved devices for keeping unwelcome officeseekers at a distance.

Candidates for places as state directors of the Transmississippi Exposition are house it would be necessary for the reminded that the Nebraska exposition law does not take effect for nearly three months yet and that no appointments can be legally made under its provisions pointment of the judiciary committee until the expiration of that time.

It took only twelve years for New York to redeem its pledge to provide a fitting burial place for the earthly remains of General Grant. New York's intentions were good from the first, but even Philadelphia could not have been Consequently bankruptcy legislation much slower in putting them into tangible form.

The extra session of congress may not be fruitful of many laws, but if the laws come up to the standard demanded by the people who elected the member. there will be no special complaint entered. In legislation, as in so many other things, it is quality rather than present session. The Nelson bill not quantity that counts.

subjected to the pruning knife, there is no good reason why any action of the state university regents in the direction basten its consideration. This situation of retrenchment and economy should not be received by the parties concerned a difference of column between the two with due appreciation of the conditions | houses of congress in regard to the char that confront them.

knocked out at the first blow or not will give it permanence. What is No allegation of unconstitutionality can wanted is a law that will stand, one that deprive them of the privilege of being called judge for the remainder of their its operation that it will commend itself natural existence any more than can a to general acceptance and will not be treaty of peace reduce a colonel to the rank of sergeant

A BUSINESS SERVICE.

There are only 320 places of that class, these positions is somewhat surprising decent living, while some of them yield less than the actual expenses of the inpecuniary sacrifice in order to enjoy it. There was a time when many of the consular officers of the United States were more than handsomely paid for their services. They not only received salaries, but were permitted to retain large fees. Now nearly all of the fees collected are turned into the United States treasury and the consular service, instead of being an expense to the Such consular positions as those at London, Liverpool, Paris and Berlin do not

formerly did. It is the understood policy of the pres ent administration to put the consular service on a thorough business basis. This is what the commercial interests the National Association of Manufactururging the importance of a better consular service and condemning the praccommercial interests in foreign counsion of public works. It includes the tries and there can be no doubt that beautifying of private premises and the such is the case. It was suggested in building of depots, hotels and other acthis letter that the changes in the consular service shall be as few as possible: that removals shall be made only be cause of demonstrated incapacity; that vacancies shall be filled as far as possible by promotion or transfers; that appoint ments shall be made solely upon the basis of proper qualification for the postshall be appointed to any consular office.

All these are good suggestions. They have been long urged by those who appreclate the importance of giving the consular service a thoroughly business character, of filling it with men having a knowledge of practical affairs and of There is reason to believe that the ad ministration is in full sympathy with this view and that whatever changes shall be made in the service will hav: reference to its improvement from a business standpoint-to increasing its efficiency as a means of promoting the foreign commerce of the country. It will be found necessary, undoubtedly, to make removals. There are incompetent men in the service who ought to be replaced and there are others who are disqualified by reason of their views in regard to the economic policy of the country. A republican administration can not be expected to retain in consular positions men who are unfriendly to the principle of protection. But such conto say, by men who can show a better claim to appointment than political services. There is practically unlimited opportunity for selection and there can be no excuse for not appointing to the consulships to be filled men of the best qualifications for this service.

AS TO BANKRUPTCY LEGISLATION. The haif a million or more of honest lebtors throughout the country who are anxious for the relief which a national bankruptcy law would give them were encouraged by the passage of the Nelson bill in the senate to hope that relief will be greatly disappointed at the prospect of having to wait perhaps at least another year before they can free themdo so. It appears to be certain that the house will give no consideration to bankruptcy legislation before the regular ses-

The Nelson bill is said not to be in favor with the house republicans generally, who prefer the Torrey bill, which was passed by the house in the last congress. In order to have the measure passed by the senate considered in the speaker to appoint the judiciary committee, because the bill would have to be referred to that committee. The apwould be a departure from the policy of Speaker Reed, acquiesced in by the republican majority, not to permit any general legislation at the extra session and would result in a pressure for the appointment of the other committees which it would be difficult to withstand. must wait, however disappointing that may be to the thousands who want it. Had the senate passed the Torrey bill It is probable that measure, having been passed by the house republicans in the preceding congress, would have been onsidered by the house under a special rule and passed, so that a bankrunter law could have been enacted during the being acceptable to a majority of the house republicans, for the reason that As other state institutions have been they do not believe it represents the they are on te naturally not disposed t seggests that there may again be so will acter of the bankruptcy legislation re quired that nothing will be accomplished The attorneys newly appointed to the at the regular session. The Nelson bill bench of the municipal court will have is a compromise and it has received a à life claim to the title of judge, whether | good deal of unfavorable criticism as not the law creating the municipal court is being adequate and of a character that

will be so entirely fair and equitable in

subjected to continual assault-in a

word, a law that will as nearly as possi-

## WORK AHEAD.

some time to come.

The most immediately pressing matter of overshadowing local importance is the The proposition is still pending in conof the country desire. The president of the great Transmississippi Exposition. This includes not merely financial supers recently wrote a letter to President port of the enterprise and the encourage-McKinley, on behalf of the association ment of the exposition management in pushing the work of construction, but the advertisement of the undertaking tice of dealing out the principal consul- among friends at home and abroad. It ships as rewards for political service. includes the restoration of the city by This practice, it was declared, has been expediting needed public improvements, immeasurably detrimental to American such as paving, parking and the exten-

exposition visitors. After the preparatory work of the exosition will come the demands upon the people for entertaining guests during the exposition year. Omaha is to be the seat of a great number of the largest national conventions of 1898 and may tion and without regard to political expect continuous delegations of promiservice, and that only American citizens | neut people of all classes. Omaha must be in position to extend hospitality at consideration.

> If this is not enough to look forward to, there are scores of minor matters all important to the progress of the city that will present themselves as the enterprises now under way proceed.

## NO POLITICS IN THE UNIVERSITY.

There are branches of the govern ment service that are pre-eminently po litical in their character and there are branches that are pre-eminently nonpolitical. Chief among the state institutions whose management should be absolutely nonpolitical is the State university, which as the capstone to the state educational system should be as free from political contention as is possible lority to the president before very long, under its organization. Politics, how- and when relations reach that point one ever, is such an easy explanation to side or the other will have to yield offer to cover up shortcomings of a to- gracefully and agree to arbitration, comtally different nature that the efforts of promise or some sort of peaceful settlefriends of men dismissed from the ment of differences. service of the State university to create sympathy for them as political martyrs is not altogether unnatural.

So far as is known the recent changes made in the faculty of the University of Nebraska have had no relation what ever to the political creeds of the members involved any more than have sim tlar changes made in the past on occasions calling for like action. Professors have come and professors have gone solely on the question of fitness or unfitness without imputation of the motives of the authorities in charge. Now because one of the men in disfavor happens to belong to the political party with minority representation on the would speedly be given them. They board of regents the assertion is made that the incident will be used for purposes of political capital. While this is in line with the attempt made in the selves and be placed in a position to legislature to commit that body by resoagain engage in business if disposed to lution to the transformation of the State dissemination of free coinage dectrines the people are sure to discountenance political assaults on the university, no matter from what quarter they may emanate.

position with reference to the State university is well known. It wants the people of Nebraska to have the best university they can afford and they cannot have a good university if they allow it party service. While the acceptance of rights as a citizen or partisan, it certainly should obligate him to refrain from using his position as professor or instructor for political ends. The only safety for a state-supported university or college lies in the strictest separation sity has been the result of the pursuance | ful government. of this course and its future will depend mon its continuance.

THE OUTFLOW OF GOLD. Gold is again going out of the country There was a considerable amount shipped the past week and further exparts are assured. A few years ago, or before the last democratic administracommercial demands of the country, tion, gold shipments to Europe attracted ary little attention, but since then they ave come to be regarded as ominous of nancial trouble, as indeed they were turing most of that administration, They indicated that American scentilies were ming returned, that the international exchanges were against us and that the brewers of Nebraska stand ready there was distrust of us in financial cir- to continue to supply all the materia cles abroad.

There is no apparent reason for appresersion at present and none is felt by the part of the Iowa people. the treasury officials at Washington. The gold reserve is \$153,000,000 and the associated banks of New York have \$600,000,000. The trade balance is for the rise when the duty shall be in-

ble insure exact justice to both creditors there is not sening of American securi- often, however. By the time the sugar It is stated that more than 3,000 cau- and debtors. There is doubt whether the ties to create a demand for gold. It is schedule is again changed the United didates for consulships have filed applicable Nelson bill meets these requirements, said that Wall street does not know ex- States ought to be producing enough cations with the State department, while the very general opinion, particularly for what purpose the yellow metal beet sugar at home to make wholesale larly among business men, is that the is being shipped, but the inference is importations of foreign sugars unnecesso that there are about ten applications | Torrey bill, as it was passed by the that it is walited to meet demands which | sary and unprofitable, for every place. The great demand for house, does meet them. Very few ques- Austria and Japan are making at this tion the argent necessity for a uniform time. This is the most plausible exin view of the fact that only a very bankruptey law. It is wanted in the planation. The gold is bought, or persmall number of them pay more than a interest of a restoration of financial haps borrowed, because it can be obconfidence and business enterprise, as tained on befor terms in the United well as for the relief of tens of thou- States than elsewhere. To what extent cumbents, but of course the privilege sands of honest debtors. It is really a the Austrian and Japanese demand will of serving the country in an official ca- great misfortune that the two houses of go it is of course impossible to know, pacity abroad has strong attractions and congress have been unable to get to- but the expectation in New York is that not a few men are willing to make gether on this most important matter. In any event not more than \$15,000,000 will be exported. If the amount should be more than this, even double the Omaha has work ahead to engage the sum, it could have no ill effects upon taleuts of every one of its citizens on the financial conditions in this country. business of great public moment for Such an amount withdrawn from our large accumulation of idle money would

not be felt. But of course such an outflow of gold procurement of the Indian supply depot. would be pointed to by a class of politiclaus as showing that the country is not country, is more than self-supporting, ference between the two houses of con- prosperous, that we are at the mercy gress to designate Omaha as one of the of the European financiers and that the distribution points for Indian supplies gold standard is a failure. While gold now give the munificent incomes they and with the proper effort on the part of was flowing into the United States those our influential citizens in support of the politicians could see no significance in exertions of our representatives in con- the fact, but let it be exported to any gress, the supply depot is yet to be had. large extent and they will find in the Second in point of urgency but first in circumstance a grave menace to the welimportance come the preparations for fare of government and people. And unfortunately they are always able to find a considerable number of people so lacking in an intelligent knowledge of conditions as to accept their view.

The St. Louis Globe-Decerat draws attention to the fact that the Maine congressional delegation of four members, which has just been broken by the death of Congressman Milliken, had continued without change for fourteen years, and attributes to this the prominence which commodations necessary to provide for the congresses of the last few years, There is no question but that there is strong men to congress and then keeping them there as long as their service is satisfactory. That was the strength of the southern states before the war and has helped them regain their influence since its close. The western states, on the other hand, have been the worst offenders against such a rule, two or three all times to every one entitled to public terms being the usual limit for the western congressman. The west, however, is not above learning from the experience of others.

According to authorities that are usually reliable, the prospects seem good for an early clash between the McKinley administration and the civil service commission. Not that the commission has yet any special grievance. but its members do not seem to think that they are carning their salaries unless they are engaged in extending the civil service office list, or at least preventing sour office from being taken off of the list. The fommission, we are told, is bound to assume the attitude of super-

Most reliable reports from the corn belt are to the effect that the soil was never in better condition for planting, al though, on account of rains, the planting season is bound to be from one to three weeks later than last year. With th seed corn once in the ground, however, favorable weather can do much to hasten its growth. With such encouraging crop conditions, the industrious farmer can not help being hopeful and confident of better times ahead. Good crops mak prosperous farmers and the prosperity of the farmer spreads throughout the whole community. The year 1897 ought to be a red letter year for the farmers.

The late free high school law may have been a good law, but there is no use crying over spilled milk. If the people want the good features of the law that has been declared unconstitu university into an institution for the tional restored to the statute book, they should see to it that the members of the next legislature re-enact them in proper firmly and promptly this and all other form. In the interval there is no reason why high schools should not continue to admit pupils from outside the district on payment of reasonable tuition So far as The Bee is concerned, its to the extent that they can be accommodated without displacing or obstructing resident pupils who are entitled to full and efficient instruction.

An erroneous statement is circulating to be made a foot ball in politics and about the country to the effect that the esed to serve as spoils in reward of pensions of widows of union veterans are no longer forfeited by remarriage. a place in the faculty of such an institu- This is a mistake, because under the law tion in no way abrogates a man's such pensions stop upon remarriage and there is no authority for restoring the names to the pension roll without a special act of congress. Widows of union veteraus will therefore do well in the future, as in the past, to insist that the new suitors demand their hands from party politics. The phenomenal for themselves alone and not for the growth and development of the univer- paltry pension accorded them by a grate-

> Ohlo's new mydical law has been upheld as constitutional in the lower courts of that state. " Every new medical law is enacted with the promise that its enforcement will put a stop to medical quacks and danpostors. This is what s expected in Offo, but it will be better to defer judgment on the efficacy of the law until there has been time to note how it is working in actual practice.

The enactment of the manufacturing law by the Iowa legislature has given birth to a number of projects for the opening of brewerles in Iowa cities. As equired to slake the Hawkeye thirst, this is altogether needless exertion on

By the time the new tariff goes into effect thousands of tons of French and about \$80,000,000, It is estimated that German beet sugar will have been im the stock of gold in the country is fully ported into the United States, to be held largely in favor of the United States and creased. This is not likely to happen

Beffer Than Words. Chicago Rec The Turk may be unspeakable, but actions

He Gentle with Shem. The women should be awfully good to the

peak louder than words.

What with war and appendicitis, they are becoming awfully scarce. The Dog Has His Day.

The supreme court of the United States has decided that dogs stand 'between animals ferae naturae and animals domestic." This may be all right for this time of year their location perfectly safe during the dog days?

Mankind Relieved by Machinery.

There was very little in the rural life of the first half of this century that would not be repulsive to the young and old of this It was drudgery from early morning ill bedtime for both sexes, and facilities for intellectual advancement were rich farmers of that time had less of iterature and art in their houses than are found today in the dwelling of the average arm laborer. Machinery has relieved the field and the household workers of most of their old-time toil.

## The Doors Wide Open.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican, The door has been thrown wide open in lowa to the manufacture of liquor as well as sale in places where the majority of the voters are favorable to the business. Governor Drake approves of this new legislation as calculated to "strengthen prohibition in ounties where public sentiment is in its There is no doubt about that, bu the Iowa prohibitionists must regard it as loubtful bit of consolation. The plain fac is that Iowa has been lost to their policy, that, too, through a party which never in the state ventured openly to oppose them.

## Base Ball Rules in Peril.

The Hon, Jerry Simpson ought to interpelthe Maine congressmen have attained in the latter's presence at the opening game of the base ball season in Washingfon. Maine statesman has already done havor to Mr. Simpson's feelings. Mr. Simpmuch to be gained by a state by sending son regards the house rules as something little worse than any deed of woe that ever was done in Dahomey. What if Mr. Reed should now be seeking to make insidious changes in the base ball rules? Tyranny is ever encroaching. Mr. Simpson must not cease to watch the speaker, for who can tell what new restraints the speaker may be de riving from the umpires?

## British Iron Monopoly Threatened.

English ironmasters and proprietors are be inning to have an uneasy feeling that the American from export movement is not a mere spassmodic effort of an overloaded home mar-ket to relieve itself abroad, but part of a large plan to make iron in the United States for European consumption. As the London Times says there is as yet no sign of abandonment of the experiment while there are many indication. of well planned permanent rivalry. It is interesting, in this connection, to note the fact that the British output of pig ron in 1896 was only obtained by importing 1,000,000 tons of hematits ore from Spain and other countries, and that these ore beds in Spain at least, are showing signs of ex Doubtless these facts had their in the considerations that have induced American iron makers to enlarge their plants to a scale that will enable them to supply the world's demand as fast as the British ability to produce pig iron at low prices diminishes.

### Judicial Recognition of Inventions. Indianapolis Journa

A short time ago a court in this state adnitted evidence as to the identity of a voice by telephone. More recently the graphophone has been introduced in a court New York. In a suit to recover damages for injury done by passing railroad train the plaintiff, in order to show the court the clatter and noise made by the trains, introduced and offered in evidence three grapho-phone cylinders. Counsel for the railroad bjected to the evidence offered because n oundation had been laid for it as to how and when the noise was recorded, the identifier ion of the noise with that of the defendant's rains, and as to the whole or partial correct ess with which the instrument might repeat It was also suggested that the noise might not keep fresh on tap for the course of appeal. The judge declined to admit the graphophone at that stage of the case, bu said he did not wish to be considered a ruling against it when accompanied by evilence laying a foundation for it. The grapho phone will have its day in court.

## PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Hon. Adlai Stevenson is strengthening his imetallic fences by investing in gold mines. The library of the late Secretary of the Treasury William Windom has been preented by his widow to the free library of Winona, Minn

The Grecians will, perhaps, remember a recedent in the United States, a time when it was thought that one —— could whip ten——s, and the theory was found to be wrong. In the discussion in the Massachusetti ouse of representatives on the bill to ere a statue to the late Major General Banks he was spoken of as "the Marsachusetts Henry of Navarre."

John S. Wilson, who pucceeds John E. Searles as president of the Baltimore, Chesapeake & Atlantic railway, began his railroad career as a solicitor for the Baltimore & Ohlrailroad in 1862. Swinburne is quoted as saying: "James

was a knave, a fool, a tyrant, a liar and a coward, but I love him, I worship him be cause he slit the throat of that blackguard, be kept free for the personal side of his Raleigh, who invented smoking." Governor Grout of Vermont, who is one of

the best farmers in that state, was recently found by a visitor to his home in Derby making maple segar. He has tapped 45,00 trees this season and made 12,000 pounds of sugar and syrup.

Cleveland's ponderous criticism of a na tional administration less than two months old recalls the story of a man who was anxious to learn public sentiment concerning a speech he had delivered. "What do folks he inquired of a friend. don't say anything," was the response, "they The father of Senator Foraker of Ohio was

a farmer. He had eleven children, six be boys, and money was none too plenty. The boys all worked on the farm, and the future governor and senator was taught to wash and iron, to milk, cook, and spin, and, in addition to all this, to pick the geose at the proper time of year. Edward G. Bradford, who has just been

appointed United States judge for the d'a-trict of Delaware, is a native of that state and a direct descendant in the eighth degree of William Bradford, who came over in the Mayflower and was afterward governor of Plymouth colony. He is a man of great ability and is very popular socially." M'ss Ervin, the stenographer who seems

to have done her share toward wrecking the Globe Savings bank of Chicago, said before the grand jury that when she wanted any money she went to the safety deposit vault and took it. The jurors indulged in an uncemly laugh when the young woman spoke of her platonic regard for Wrecker Spaulding. Official verification of the record of the speed trial of the battleship lows gives her still righer rating than the first reports dicated, the definite measurements being 17.841 knots per hour, or one and seven-eighths above the contract requirement. This showing entitles the builders of the vessel to a bonus of \$374,000, one of the argest premiums ever awarded to the

Minnesota is resolved that Memorial day shall be observed in a spirit worthy of the solemn memorica to which it is dedicated. To that end an act recently adopted by the gislature of the state provides that no saicon shall be kept open between 11 o'clock in the morning and 3 o'clock in the aftermen of that day, and that no game of sports thall be played anywhere within baif a mile places where memorial exercises are being



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BLASTS FROM THE RAM'S HORN.

All the devil asks is high sounding names Indecision is quicksand. Determination t

Opinions have made some men presidents others, anarchists. A selfish man, like Noah's dove, can find

no rest for the sole of his foot. A lie is the devil's sign that he is still doing business in that neighborhood. Our old clothes have lost us some friends. but not so many as our opinions about our neighbors.

The man who is praying in earnest for revival in his church, will make his longest prayers at bome. It is a clever man that can change another's

political opinion, but a five dollar bill will often change his vote. A man may be more careful about the

foundation that is under his house, that about the foundation that is under his life. SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT Minneapolis Journal: Very Rev. C. O.

Brown, who made a decided record in San Francisco, has been called to an Englewood (III.) Congregational church which pays \$1,200 for the luxury. Philadelphia Times: A New Jersey minister is said to pronounce the benediction by phonograph. It's right perhaps to call this

invention a novelty, but it should hardly be confounded with a blessing. Cincinnati Tribune: A Chicago preacher who went out on a midnight expedition around the streets a few nights ago to see if it was true that the police did not do their duty, was arrested as a suspicious character and locked up all night. He is

convinced that the report was correct. St. Louis Republic: A Kansas City preacher in attacking the sins of modern society last Sunday, said: "You talk about 'keeping pace with the crowd,' and being 'in the swim.' There are times I would rather be with the minority. The minority had a good deal the best of it during the The majority was "in the swim" during the flood, just the same.

Philadelphia Record: A prize fighter recived a severe drubbing at the hands of Rev. Charles I. Stengle, the athletic pastor of the Methodist church at Leipsic, yesterday afternoon. John Stout of Dover came here and asked the preacher if he could rent the old Methodist church building for a sparring exhibition. The preacher, who recently came from Dover, knew Stout and gave him a lecture for thinking of such a thing. Stout resented the parson's talk and started to attack him. Rev. Mr. Stengle And then the landlord sorrowing goes back and started to attack him. Rev. Mr. Stenge And then the landlord sorrowing goes back was alert, and, seizing the prize fighter by the throat, choked him until he was blue in the face. When the preacher released his hold the fighter slunk away. Mr. Stenglo's congregation is congratulating him.

And tears the gladsome verse on Mny from out the poet's tome;

"The gladest day of all the year!" he sheers and rubs his pate—
"Tis evident that Tennyson had little real estate!"

ENLARGING THE WHITE HOUSE A Proposition that Should Not Be Entertained.

Philadelphia Times. The idea of building a new executive man sion at Washington should not be entertained. What is wanted is an executive office. There a no reason why the president should carry n his official business at his residence, and very many reasons why he should have a place of business elsewhere.

When the white house was built, it was

mite usual even for men of the first imortance to "live over the shop." Our old lawyers nearly always had their offices at home, and even great bankers and other men of affairs transacted their business and enterained their friends under the same roof the president's office should be a room in his

Times are changed. The president has too nuch to do and too many people to see for his old custom to be retained, abandoned everywhere else. No private citizen any longer keeps his office at home, and no other public official is compelled to carry on his business in his house. The governor of the states are generally provided with offices apart from the official residence, and the president of the United States alone compelled to live over the shop. Mr. Cleveland got away from this annoy-ance for a part of the year by buying a

place out of town and driving in to his office in the white house. But what congress ought to do is to provide an office for the president, where his public business could be transacted, so that his residence could carry a full line of the official routine, the receptions, dinners and standard materials in the like, and for the uses of his household The white house is really a noble residence, quite adequate for its purpose and nuch more dignified and worthy than any- But really, if you are hing that would probably be built now But it never was intended for the tramping thinking about a place it has become, and it is not just to the president that he alone should have n refuge from the crowd. Mr. Harrison favored the extension of

the present building by wings, containing offices and reception rooms, and this is probably the best suggestion, though eparate office building might have some advantages. venience and for the public convenience some improvement is needed, and it should be possible to find a simple solution of th difficulty without running into an extravagant congressional job.

## DOMESTIC IDYLS.

Detroit Free Press: "Is it settled, Mrs. Flyly, that your daughter is to marry young Bullions?"
"Not at all. There's nothing more serious than an engagement between them."

Chicago Tribune: "Dearest, don't turn your face away from me! I cannot bear to see you so proud, so cold, and—"
"It is not coldness, Harold! I—I have been eating onlons!"
A great light of self-sacrifice shone in the young man's eyes.
"Dearest, so have I! So have I!"

Puck: Con Vivial-Doctor, my wife suffers greatly from insomnia.

Physician—Insomnia? How do you know?
Con Vivial—Why, every time I come home at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning I always find her wide awake!

New York Tribune: He-I am rather in favor of the English than the American mode of spelling. She-Yes? She-Yes?

She-Yes?

He-Yes, indeed! Take "parlour," for instance. Having "u" in it makes all the difference in the world.

Washington Star: "I don't understand why you distike Herbert so," said Mabel why you dislike Herbert so," said Mabel to her father.
"I don't think he has any ideas of finance."

"I am sure you wrong him. He is de-voted to it. He stopped right in the middle of his proposal to me to ask how your business was getting alorg." Cieveland Leader: Husband-What do you want with that thing? You'll never have

any use for it in the world. Wife-Rut just think, it was marked down from \$1.10 to

Puck: "She and her flance make a hand-some picture together, don't they?" "Yes; I believe her engagement is considered an artistic rather than a financial success."

Harper's Bazar: Wife-How very ex-rayagant you are, George, to pay \$7 for a Husband-Why, confound it, you paid \$27 Wife-No such thing; I told them to send

ESTRANGED New York Journal. With distant nods they meet—
Lost friendship's token;
Faded are memorles sweet—
Few words are spoken.
Well does each play the part!
Alas, alack! Oh,
Hers is the marble heart;
His is tobacco!

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Harper's Bazar Tis now the blushing tenant, with a smile upon his lips.

Doth lie in wait upon the road long which his landlord trips;

Armed with a lease that's near run out, which, held above his head, Doth fill the poor old landlord's soul with horror and with dread.

He brandishes that fearful lease, that contract moribund, And through its dying power he diminishes The landlord-poor old duffer he-had fondly hoped at best
To keep to pay his taxes and a little interest,

"I'm going to leave," the tenant cries,
"upon the first of May,
I vow I will not rest with you another sin-The house is cold, the house is vile, the plumbing is so bad,
That were I not most careful almost anythink I'd had.

'Yet if you'll put a new roof on, exten-sion in the rear, sion in the rear,
A brand new furnace, and some paint, I'll
stay another year;
Though goodness knows, as I have said,
the house is truly vite,

Than move I'd rather have these things and stay a little while." "But," gasps the little landlord. Says the tenant, "Not a but," New paper, paint and plumbing, or I leave your skimpy hut; And, furthermore, I wish to say-on this I'm truly bent-

I will not stay a minute if you don't re-duce the rent!"



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