other inventor has devised an automatic pair you mount, or while you stop and chat with a friend, and fold up out of the way with the first movement to start. This is a real approximation to the ideal "bike." A beer pump strachment would make it complete.

BIG OFFERS FOR THE FLYERS.

Liberal Prizes for the Pushers at the

National Meet. The executive committee in charge of the eighteenth annual meet of the League of American Waselmen, which will be held in Philadelphia August 4, 5, 6 and 7, is determined that the prize list at the Willow Grove race meet on the two last mentioned days shall be sufficiently attractive to insure the presence of every professional and

make up the two days' program will be championships (four professional and two amsteur), it stands to reason that the purses free from marks of soiled and aweaty hands. That a wall-almost hat he purses free from marks of soiled and aweaty hands. for the remainder of the events will be especially addictive. Indeed, in every professional event the \$100 limit will be passed by sional event the \$100 limit will be passed by special sanction of the racing board, while in the professional open, which will be run off on the last day, \$500 will be given—the largest amount awarded in any one race on the national circuit of 1807. In each open event there will be four prizes and in the handicape the purses will be divided into six

The results of the champlonships, both The results of the coamploaning, both professional and amateur, will undoubtedly awaken great interest. The professional championships will be especially interesting from the fact that through them will be brought to light the "top-notchers" at the several distances, and at the same time will be revealed the identity of that much sought for individual, the professional mile champlon of the United States.

Prospective bidders for the race meet pro-

gram privilege are notified that the commit-tee is ready to receive bids for that valuable franchise. All bids should be sent to C. A. Dimen, chairman race meet committee, 915 Chestnut etreet, Philadelphia.

It will interest intending visitors to the national meeting to learn that the track on which the national chmpionships will be decided is to be made of yellow pine. The veteran rider, Charles Ashinger, who knows veteran river, Charles Ashinger, and known as Iot about the proper construction of a board track, will superintend the work, and with the object uppermost of making it as conductive as possible to fast riding.

While the complete specifications for the

new track are not yet known, the more im-portant ones have been decided upon. The foundations are to be of stone, on which will be set up the supporting timbers, which will be of heavy pine, firmly braced with iron stays and bolts. For the surface 2x4 yellow olne, selected stock, will be used. The the turns, giving what experts assert to be a surface offering the least possible resist-ance. The entire construction, the surface as well as the supporting work, will be that oughly coated with waterproof paint. With a view to prevent the annoying glare se often complained of by racing men, the sur-face of the track will be painted an clive green color, expert medical testimony bav-ing demonstrated that that shade is pe-culiarly restful to the eyes, whereas the yellow color of the natural pine is extremely trying to the flyers.

In the homestretch the track will have

a width of forty feet, while on the back-etretch it will taper down to twenty-rix The scating capacity at the Willow Grove

grounds, where the championships will be de-cided, now provides for 12,000, but it will be enlarged so that fully 25,000 can be accommodated at the big tournament.

'What's the matter now?"

"I went with her to try a wheel and she wouldn't have any of them because there

Chicago Tribune: "The wind seems to have changed. We are likely to have rain." "Yes, the wind has changed. It was in my fayor when I wheeled down town this morning, and in my favor again when I wheeled home this afternoon. First time it ever hap-It means more than rain. It means a tornade or an earthquake."

Cincinnati Commercial: 'Six months." said the judge. "Judge," protested the prisoner, "this here is against the constitution. It comes under the head of 'cruel and unusual,' or under the 'cruel' part of it, anyway. I jist a bievele in a raffle last night, and it will be November before I git out."

Indianapolis Journal: The Court Reporter-With all due respect, judge I should like to know why you gave one bicycle thief the limit of the law and let the other off with a

The Judge-For very good reasons. The first man stole the wheel to sell and the other took it because he wanted a wheel to ride I am a wheelman myself, you know.

Chicago Post: "I happened to remark a "little while ago, in the presence of Miss Billmore, that some persons carried their fond-ness for cycling to extreme lengths. I'd like to know what there was in that observation to cause her to turn red and say, 'Sir!' "
"Great Scot! Don't you know? She is en gaged to a young bicyclist nearly six and a haif feet high."

The Scorcher.

He tumbled from his weary wheel,
And set it by the door;
Then stood as though he joyed to feel
His feet on earth once more;
And as he mopped his rumpled head,
His face was wreathed in smiles;
"A very pretty run," he said;
"I did a hundred miles!"

"A hundred miles!" I cried. "Ah, think What beauties you have seen! The reedy streams where cattle drink, The meadows rich and green. Where did you wend wour rapid way—Through lofty woodland aisles!"

He shook his head. "I cannot say; I did a hundred miles!"

"What hamlets saw your swift tires spin!

Ah, how I envy you!

To lose the city's dust and din,
Beneath the heaven's blue;

To get a breath of country air;
To lean o'er rustic stiles!"

He only said, "The roads were fair;
I did a hundred miles!"

Be careful of your daughter as she approaches womanhood. Irregular or sup-pressed monthly periods are the curse of Woman with vitality do not suffer from female weakness. Blood is vitality. Pill Anaemic Pink makes rich red blood. It is composed largely of concentrated beef blood and is the great blood builder.

Electric Light in the Arctic. Electric Light in the Arctic.

Electricity played an important part in the Arctic voyage of the Fram, Dr. Nansen's stanch vessel. The electric lights were daily need on board, according to the Elektroteknisk Tedsskrift of Christiania, until May, 1896, when the wearing out of the genring and the fact that portions of the apparatus were needed for making snowshoes made it necessary to dispense with the use of the dynamo, which was worked by a wind-mill. Though at times the accommitators

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskiiwa, Ill., Chief, says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure curse for Coughs, Colds. Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never falls to satisfy. Trial bottles free at Kuhn & Co.'s drug store.

as he could and shot if with wonzerful swiftness and force, away through the will swiftness and force, away through the will lows and across the meadow, where it struck few.

"Save yourself! Run for your life to the sap and to bury its head in the solid wood. And about this moment young Yerrison was telling aneeringly to one of the boys how."

And Peter, with terrified face and legs a tremble, fied fearfully, smashing the deli-

#### "LONE ROBIN HOOD

OF, CROSBY RUST'S GREAT SHOT,

By Philip V. Mighels. 

Across a meadow, where the fringed a creek, came a merry whistled tune, walked away rapidly home. Up in the loft walked away rapidly home. Up in the loft has went again, taking pieces of glass and have a long to be straped and to right and left, came a much-freekled boy.

He was decidedly plain, but his keen blue worked at his bow, reducing the roughness, eyes had a frank, unflinehing look, and he smoothing the marks of his tools, rubbing walked with a certain assurance of strength. the long, straight taper till the wood grew hot amateur rider of prominence in the country.

To that end the sum of \$2,500 has been given to the race neet committee, the entre to the race meet committee, the entire while carried in the other was a long, sien- and placed the finished weapon in a rack to amount to be divided up into "julcy plums" der bow, unstrung and somewhat clumsy. It dry.

Day after day of the summer vacation

Day after day of the summer vacation As aix of the thirteen events which will had never been polished nor touched with Crosby went to the woods or the fields, to free from marks of soiled and sweaty hands, that a well-almed shot had brought to earth, yet the thing looked stout, well shaped and. He found his arm growing stronger, his fin-

fashioned with skill.
On his back the whiciling young fellow bore a rude and home-made quiver, that was filled with arrows, which looked, like itself, unfinished and not very pretty.

He arrived soon at a wall, which he the squirrets were tipped with sharpened the squirrets were the squirrets were the climbed, to find himself face to face with two of his school companions. One was Norma Everglade, a bright and winsome young girl; the other, Peter Verrison, a natty and dapper little fellow, whose father, being wealthy,

Across a meadow, where the willows ashamed to be seen with his bow and quiver, come a creek, came a merry whistled tune.

gers getting tougher, so that soon he was able to draw his arrows to the head. He had

the summer. The sun, however, shone hotly, yours.



THE DOG WAS NEARER, HE WAS MAKING STRAIGHT FOR THE LAD.

had somewhat spoiled him in manners. The and the shade was fine to have. Early in two were waiting, by the side of a tree, for the rest of the club, that had formed at the school, to come for the afternoon's practice members were present, except one; young school, to come for the afternoon's practice at archery. Norma was holding in her hand a bow that was beautiful to see. It was graceful, polished and tipped at the ends very prettily. The bow that was owned by Peter, however, was finer by far. Quivers of leather, embossed and pleasantly colored. Wheel Chaff.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Stark is a bicycle crank, isn't he?" "I should say he was. When it rains he stays home and runs his evelometer."

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As he stood for a moment on the wall, the As he stood for a moment on the wall, the freekled young fellow ceased to whistle. Hullo, Freekles-Rust I mean," said Peter, with a grin. "What do you call that club of wood-not a bow, I hope?"

weren't backs on the saddles."

Cincinnati Enquirer: "I can't help it." said the man in the back seat. "I can't help it." said anything. I am a born doubter." "O, no, brother," becan the evangelist. "But I am. There are times when I even have doubts as to the superiority of my bicycle."

Peter, with a grin. "What do you call that club of wood—not a bow, I hope?" said Norma slightly smiling, "isn't it funny? You are always so comical, Crosby. I saw a lovely bow at the store today that you can buy with everything complete, for the prize you won—\$5, you know—I should think you'd get it.

Stepped forward and shot out a score, amid applause and "Os" when they struck in the gold of the center, or missed the target completely. By agreement they had settled on twenty arrows apiece, and merrily they it to be mark" to bend the long and grace, full bows.

There came a time when the boasted skill of Peter Yerrison fell flatly to the earth, for

armed like all the others with a bow, was rapidly approaching. Slipping quickly from the wall, as the two turned shortly to answer a short up, for the arrow struck in the friends who were coming, Crosby, red with mortification and with wounded pride, ran swiftly up the meadow and disappeared before he was missed.

PRACTICING IN SOLITUDE. Starting along the field to the place where on his back. their target was soon to be erected, the boys and girls were suddenly halted. "Where's Rust?" said the teacher. "I thought I saw him on the wall."

"Why, yes, I guese you did," said Norma. had not been kind. "but he didn't seem to have-to have a suitable bow."



THROUGH THE TREES CAME A MUCH BEFRECKLED BOY.

"Too bad," replied Mr. Richardson, resuming the march. "I'd have loaned him mine

very gladly."
"I wish I had offered him mine," said the "I wish I had offered him mine," said the girl: "he might have used it just as well as and one was planted near, in the eight.

"Brave! Brave!" cried boys and teacher and girls. The blushing girl was tingling with pleasure. Her thought, her hope, was began to be afraid that Crosby was wounded. self, at the end of the term, but now she began to be afraid that Crosby was wounded. She knew she was careless as well as she knew that Peter Yerrison was hateful, but the wall. had not intended to be "mean" for a moment. With her vain regrets for what had somewhat happened her day was nearly ruined. Crosby ran and walked and ran again, like

something wild; he couldn't get far enough away. To think that Norma, who had always been his friend, would stand there with Yerrison saving such wildrates. Swish went an arrow, and trembling it struck in the gold. Very slowly the second came ateadily back—a "swish" again, and it stood beside its brother. Another such shot of the dynamo, which was worked by a windmill. Though at times the accumulators
froze solidity, yet the acid biended lee proved
a fine electrolyte. Electricity, too, fired the
mine shots which freed the Fram from the
ice floss.

The True Remedy.

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W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., Chief, locked at the sky. It was just the blue of

and ran faster in give when the animal, terrified and wild with its awful alarm, went tearing down the street and away to the country. He came at length to the contest,

grinning and feeling very funny.

One after another the boys and girls stepped forward and shot out a score, amid

think you'd get it.

"I say, Freekles—Rust, I mean," added Peter, who always used this manner of addressing Crosby, "you don't intend to try to join the club and shoot with that?"

"Of course he deesn't," said Norma, who was often thoughtless, "he can get a bow as well as any one. But where in the world did you get that awfully ludierous thing with arrows in?"

Crosby's face had slowly lost its signs of gladness. He was just about to answer something when a shout from half a dozen boys and girls resounded from a clearing, not 100 yards away. Mr. Richardson, the teacher, armed like all the others with a bow, was lead to the like all the others with a bow, was lead the girls beat him badly. Then Norma and Will Sunderland began and the greatest excitement prevailed. They shot by turns, alternately, five arrows at a time, and were chered repeatedly.

Will had finished at last and his score stood high, the best of the day. Norma skillfully that every one was charmed. It came to the last of her arrows; her score had crept steadily up to Will's; they stood so close that the final shot would decide between the two. She was culm and deliberate; she drew her arrow well—and it few like a streak. A seven would have them all.

Above the chorus of applause was heard a oplendid "Bravo!" and all of them turned to see Crosby Rust coming forth from the woods, his bow in his hand and his quiver CROSBY'S GREAT SHOT.

It was really like to "Robin Hood" again and royal was his welcome. Then came a clamorous demand that he shoot a score, for all declared he belonged to the club and had take his chances for the medal. "Muffin," said the child. "What is the score?" he inquired with a ing? Why so " asked the stranger. to take his chances for the medal.

They told him quickly and he whietled. Norma colored with pleasure at the compliment. He stepped to the mark and began ry slowly to shoot.
"What a club of a bow," muttered Peter, half aloud, but no one paid attention, for all could see that Crosby was shooting with a

force and accuracy that none could afford to despise.

A one, a five, a nine he made, and all at the head semetimes, like little Willie Bigcried "Good!" He landed in the outside ring, in the top, in the bottom, in the gold center, and the teacher, who was watching very keenly was presently awar that the top in the sold after him.

that was highest for the day. A breathless crowd began to calculate what Crosby must And Crosby was counting in his dat slip. mind and smiling to himself. It came to the

"He can't! He can't beat her!" came the shout. "He's got to strike in the gold to tie!" Then all was still. As calmly as ever 'He's got to strike in the gold to Crosby drew his arrow, as quickly as ever it flew from the etring-and there in the center of the round golden spot it was sud-denly buried, clean up to the feathers. For fifteen minutes the shouting continued and then the captain decided that three more arrows apiece must be shot by Norma

and Crosby. Norma went first to the mark. She shot like a Trojan. She was not at all excited. It seemed as if her skill increased. Two of her arrows went straight to the gold what she had said on that dreadful day at

Deliberately Crosby drew that long and somewhat clumsy bow. He was further away than the mark, and some of them saw it. "Swish" went an arrow, and trembling it

cate end from his bow with his foot, as he tried where it hay, and was first of all the archers to gain the adjacent meadow and fly HIS CLAIMS ON THE SQUARE of the order, said:

"If Omaha desires the 1898 meeting of the

archers to gain the adjacent meadow and fly like the coward that he was Bob Crossly stood there walting. He calmly dropped his arrow and reached for the quiver, that once had been so "ludicrous," drew from its depth a long, straight shaft from the tip of which a brad of steel projected an inch. The dog was mearer; he was making straight for the lad; the teacher had stopped at the wall, after seeing the girls safely over, and was trying his best to notch

safely over, and was trying his best to notch an arrow on the string of his bow. With a movement steady the 'club of a bow' came up. Then the arrow was drawn till its very tip seemed resting on the hand so far extended to the front, and the hickory bent

till it looked like a crescent.

Like a movement of lightning that bow jerked straight, like a flight of a bullet that long, deadly shaft made its hole in the air like a gun-hurtled spear it went unerringly at the encoming dog, struck him squarely in the breast, and its point issued forth at the George Francis Train over on the east side, back of the ribs. The poor mad creature bowled to earth without a sound, and broke off the arrow as he rolled upon the sed.

Then "Robin Hood the Lone" pulled his arrows from the target and strode away quet and was surrounded with children. With abruptly to the trees, and was gone.

The day of the match was the fairest of | if you'd make me a bow and a quiver like

CLEVER IMITATOR.

One of Theodore Hook's Maddest London Pranks.

Theodore Hook was a London wit, in the earlier part of this century, who had the most remarkable gift of literary improvisation that there is any account of in literary history. Other people have improvised various bits of verse, sometimes really improvised them, and sometimes only written them tol-erably hastily, but Hook is the only one we hear about who could do it by the hour. on any and every subject, and with unfailing eleverness. He would sit down in a drawing room at the plane and people about, one after another, would give him subjects, and instantly he would sing verses thereon, playing his own accompaniments, veress and music being made as he went along. Few people were clever enough to even remember any of the torrents of amosing things he thus poured forth, but a few of his stanzas were caught and written down by listeners. Once he and Charles Matthews, the actor, went to the house of a respectable London citizen, and made him believe that they were public surveyors sent to lay out a road straight through the man's pretty garden. The wild pair managed to make this poor gentleman invite them to dinner, on the ground that they would do what they could to rave his property. After dinner Hook proposed singng a song. The last stanza of that song ran

"And now I am bound to declare
That your wine is as good as your cook,
And that this is Charles Matthews, the

And I, sir, am Theodore Hook." Altogether the evening was made so pleasant that the scapegraces were gladly forgiven, and asked to come again.

One of the best specimens of his quickness Hook gave one evening after a dinner with Horace Twiss. When asked to improvise, he always demanded that a subject be given him. This time Twiss gave him "The Jews," the discussion as to whether or not Jews should be admitted to Parliament was going on then. Hook eat down at the piano and poured forth a string of verses full of witty allusions to every one present, as well as to his subject, and finally concluded:

I dare say you think there's little wit In this, but you've all forgot That instead of being a Jew d'esprit 'Tis only a Jew de mot.

pronouncing the French words "Jew d'espritt" and "Jew de motte" for the sake of the rhyme and of bringing in a punning allusion to the theme given him. Hook wrote a novel or two that were never good, and are now forgotten. His brain worked best in such brilliont play as these improvisations, and they won him a high place in the best society of his day.

A BABY'S FEET.

Algernon Charles Swinburne, A baby's feet, like seashel's pink, Might tempt, should heaven see a An angel's lips to kiss, we think, A baby's feet.

They stretch, and spread, and wink Their ten soft buds that part and meet, A baby's feet. No flower-bells that expand and sarink

Like rose-hued sea flowers, toward the heat

Gleam half so heavenly sweet,
As shine on life's untrodden brink
A baby's feet.

PRATTLE OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

The Bright Youngster-Mamma, if I am good will I go to heaven? Mamma-Yes. dear. The Bright Youngster-How'll I get

Brother Tom-Cheer up, Bobbie; I's got good news fer yer. De doctor told mom it wos noomonia w'ot yer sick wid, an' dat she dasn't give yer a bath fer a month. Mother-Now, Johnny, are you telling me the truth? Johnny-If I ain't, why do you want to make me tell another lie by asking

me such a question as that? "Well, little chap," said the stranger in the family, picking up one of the children, "what are you going to be when you're a cause," said the child, "I'm a little girl." Nellie (aged 6)-Mamma, you said it was not

right to tell tales about John. Mother-Yes that is what I told you, dear. Nellie-Well, then, I won't say nuffin', but I fink John ought to tell you how he scratched me pretty soon. Papa-I am surprised that you are at the

center, and the teacher, who was wanted the very keenly, was presently aware that the lad could stick an arrow where he chose at lad could stick an arrow -Why, Willie! I said if you did strike her I would never kiss you again. Willie (still

doggedly)-Well, I couldn't let no chance like "Tommy had a bitter disappointment yesterday." "What was it?" "Tell about it, Tommy." "Th' paper said our preacher wus goin' to exchange pulpits with 'nother preacher—an' I went t' church an' there wuz

ever th' same pulpit—an' a 'nother man." Little Teddie—I guess sister Laura likes you pretty well, Mr. Twiddle. Chawles Twiddle—Indeed? Come, now, my-little man, what makes you think so? Little Teddie— When Sue Dollyers and her was talkin' about you yistady she just kept callin' you 'that sweet thing' all the time."

MARCH OF THE S. G. GRADUATES.

H. S. Kellar in New York Sun. They are coming, men and brethren,
Many hundred thousand strong;
They are pouring forth an army
Exceeding wide and iong.
They are smiling, they are nodding.
And their plumes are waving high,
As each maiden lifts her banner
To the glorious shining sky.

They are full of mighty wisdom,
And the world their oyster is;
They have brokled on the armor,
And are ready now for biz.
They are ready for the battle,
And their war-cry fairly thrills;
Some will spout as full-fledged law;
Some as mixers up of pills.

Man, poor, craven man, before them Flees afar and hides his head, For the ground is charmed completely By the beauteous army's tread. Man's a second fiddler sawing Sadly on a single strand, In the face of such an army Swarming wildly o'er the land.

They'll be filling all the places
Filled by poor prosaic man;
They'll be claiming all the options
Bossing ev'ry scheme and plan
And the one nice way to stop the
In their stalwart, onward strid
Is to woo them and to win them,
And to make each one a bride!

Every detail in the manufacture of Cook's Imperial Champagne is watched with the greatest care. Hence its record.

Sketch of the Psychic Sage Surrounded with Children on Madison Square. The Elks and the Convention of 'DS.

NEW YORK CITY, June 18 .- (Correspond-

ence of The Ree.)-Last Saturday morning while walking through Madison Square I saw almost in front of Parkhurst's church, sitting on a beach bareheaded and in the sun. his bushy white hair and tawny sunburned "O, you've got to keep the medal," said Norma to the boy. "The whole club says you've got to have it, for you won it 'fair straighter, and many of those in his quiver—which now he had covered with the skins of the squirrels—were tipped with sharpened brads and were capable of penetrating through a board.

THE MATCH.

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you've got to have it, for you won it fair and square.' If ever anybidy made a bullstep the park knows him. I could not help noticing the strong resemblance that the illustrough a sharp traits of the eiter bumas. His manner is still as impetuous as ever, his step as elastic, me to have a prize, why, I think I'd like it is a well-known fact. gant and foreible. It is a well-known fact that during fifteen years Train refused to notice adults while sitting in the park, but lavished his attention exclusively on chil-dren, so it was with considerable trepida-tion that I approached the eccentric sage. He received me cordially, however, although, as he explained, he was busily engaged at the time writing editorial matter for Coxey's Sound Money a weekly paper published at Massillon, O., for which Train writes a page each week. Just a moment before I intro-duced myself he was surrounded by a swarm of children, who were now attracted to the fountain, a little way off, by the efforts of two or three gardeners to rescue a robin that had by some mishap fallen into the water. The old gertleman was industriously improving the respite thus gained by filling the page of a scratch pad with a horrible chirog raphy-probably one of his abbreviated, capitalized, emphasized, psychoized editorials for Coxey's paper; or it might have been a letter to his attorney in the case of the fore-closure suit to gain possession of his Omaha property. No one could possibly know exactly what it was, excepting himself, or perhaps ex-Mayor Bemis, who is familiar with the singular characters Train makes when

It was not long after I had been invited to a seat on the bench beside the great man that shouts of triumph were heard from over in the direction of the fountain, and then a dozen or fifteen children came scampering toward us. The robin had been rescued from a watery grave, and Train had to listen to a version of it from each of his juvenile friend and it was a pretty sight to witness the sin-cerity and respectful attention that he ac-corded to each of the youngsters as he or she recited the thrilling episode of cock-robin. Then, of course, the question was how to get rid of the little folks for a while, but Train was as diplomatic in handling children as he was in handling men, and by giving a bon-bon to Eisie, an apple to Tom, a handful of peanuts to a half dozen little tots, and so on intil he had rationed the entire party with fruit, nuts or sweetmeats, we were rid of the noisy little chatterboxes for a short time and they ran off to another section of the park

he tries to write.

to play May-pole.
As soon as I had a chance I asked Train what his prospects were for regaining posassion of his Omaha property. He sale there was absolutely no doubt as to his be ing able to establish his rights, and that within a very short time he would give to the public opinions of the very highest legal authority on the validity of his tenure. He said: "The game has been playing for more than twenty-five years-\$20,000,000 is the -I hold the trump card and am abou to play it.

TRAIN AND EXPOSITION. When I asked Mr. Train what he thought of the success of the Transmirsissippi Ex-position and if he might not be induced to act as a promoter he dictated the following

in his psychic style:
"Citizen Train, with bouquet of tots around bench, peanuts and ben-bons in pocket, was asked to say if he backed Transmississippi Expo. to success. Of course (he said). Hay I not always backed Omaha to fame and fortune? Five times 'round world! Why go back now? Omaha went back on me, on Gate City of Inland Empire and future

apital of U. S.1 'Ask Chicago if I did not save \$100,000,000 in White City from being sunk in Lake Michigan. How do I know Omaha wants me to help her big show? Why not let ex-Mayor Bemis, the real courte men, bankers old timers (and such) 159,000 pop., who did not know constitution cannot foreclose prop-

erty on lunatic without guardian (or primal laws of republic).

"Yes, bad time to succeed with grand fair when everybody is dead broke, but G. F. T. lives on McKinley's air (ship).

"Psychoism Can Save Everything! It is Absolute Truth, Morality Unharnessed from Religion! When Omaha gets ready to make Expo Grand Success, one word from me (as at White City) can bring down cheers of Cos-

Bemis has been my private secretary fo thirty-five years and my cousin for fifty eight! He saw me knock out Bonaparte! Army at Marseilles when I organized La Commune, and make Jules Verne Damn Liai writing as Fiction '72 Eighty-Day Voyage I made as Fact '79! Bemis using up just one-half \$5,000 Augustus Kountze gave me to go 'Round world, Paymaster having \$2

"Oh, yes, I will save Omaha from Failure and the Expo. from Desolation. Plenty of Time! Big Things Ahead! I will not go Back on Central American Metropolis planted! Five Million Population when I am 100, when I shall begin to count my longevity.

is an open secret that if the officers of the Transmississippi Exposition want the services of Citizen Train they are at their disposal, and the old gentleman has apparently as much ginger in him as ever, and could make a vigorous campaign OMAHA RUSTLERS IN GOTHAM.

Frank Lane, who has a wide range of acacquaintances in Omaha from having managed Courtland Beach in the days of its incipiency, arrived in town last week. He has been play-ing the part of Cutting Hintz in Hoyt's "A Contented Woman" company, which has just closed its season, and next year he will take out "A Trip to Chinatown' company on his own hook, playing the part of Welland Strong himself. Frank told me that he had a suit in court against President Freedman of the New York Base Ball club for \$25,000 damages. Last summer Freedman and Burt Dasher had an altereation arising out of a dispute about base ball matters, and in the fraces the base ball man got his collar and cravat torn off and was otherwise considerably worsted by the redoubtable Dasher. Freedman professes to have worn a valuable pin in his cravat at the time. After he had collected himself he announced that he was all there excepting the pin, which was missing. He accused Frank Lane of stealing it and made other announcements to the same effect afterwards, much to Frank's hurt. Prank says if he gets the \$25,000 in time he will go to Omaha and rent Courtland Beach for the period of the exposition.

"Colonel" Rob Arthur, who is well known Omaha as having managed Courtland Beach two summers ago, is swelling up and down Broadway these pleasant afternoons wearing three suits of clothes a day. Ho closed his season with "A Trip to China-town" two weeks since, and next season will most likely manage "A Milk White Flag" for John Dunne, who leased the com-edy from Hoyt & McKee this week. Bob probably knows as many people in the the-atrical profession as anybody, and is as busy as a politician shaking hands and jollying. Mr. Joe Arthur, in the freight department of Fred Nash's office, is Bob's uncle. THE ELKS CONVENTION.

I have taken the pains to ascertain what the sentiment is among prominent members of New York lodge No. 1,. Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in reference to holdng the grand lodge meeting of the order in Omaha in 1898. A very small percentage of the members I have talked with object to Omaha only on the ground that as this year's session of the grand lodge will be held in the west next year's should come east.
Arthur Moreland, past grand secretary, and

grand lodge I am beartly in favor of No. 39 (Omaha lodge) at any time."

Mr. Moreland is probably the most influential member of New York lodge, and will be at the grand lodge meeting in Minneapolis sext month, and has promised to work for

Omaha.

Frank Russell, a past leading knight of New York lodge, said:

"On account of its geographical situation, I think Omaha about be given the 1898. Omaha.

Nick Engle, a prominent Elk of No. 1, and the jolly chef of the New York Beefsteak club, said "I would be only too glad to see the grand lodge meeting of 1898 go to Omaha. I shall go to Minneapolis next munth to attend the grand lodge meeting, and will do what I can for Omaha's interests. In return I want western lodges to help us get the grand todge meeting in 1900 for Greater New York." I got a glimpse of Bishop Worthington on the etreet early last week. He sailed for Liverpool the next day, together with a number of distinguished Episcopal prelates.

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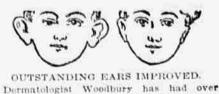
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