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The aggregate carrier delivery circirculation of the Evening World-

fide subscribers that are not reached by the Evening World-Herald and 7,616 subscribers that are not reached by the Morning World-Herald,

More than 9,000 earrier delivery World-Herald or the Evening World-

ber of copies of The Evening Ree or dailies, morning and evening, sold by dealers and newshoys.

The voice of the 1898 calamity howler is very faint.

clency of the fire department will hear something disagreeable.

Clipperton island appears to have investment for any of them.

Evidently members of the school board do not care to know how and where they can increase the school revenue by \$10,000 a year.

It is to be hoped that the Commercial club and Board of Trade will be able to arrange their differences without invoking the power of the courts or coming to

There are now about 125 liquor dealers selling without a license in defiance of law, all because the police commission prefers to incite anarchy rather than to obey the law.

When Robert E. Lee Herdman dips into the police commission snuff box poor old Dr. Peabody goes off with a sneeze and Grandmother Gregory responds, Kerchew! Kerchew!!!

If any nation desires to go to war right away a certain Chicago wheat buyer stands ready to furnish the commissary department with breadstuffs at right prices in large quantities.

It is not difficult to trace the cause of the anxiety shown by some of the silver senators over the prospective cutting up of the Chinese empire. The Chinese, it will be remembered, continue to use silver as a monetary standard.

There has been altogether too much periodic partisan tampering with the fire department. Police commission politics must never be allowed to endanger the safety of life and property in this com-

The Republican of Missouri Valley, Ia., published the report for the year of business done by the local postoffice as of wealth while Bryan was chief elitor "a little straw which points out a pros- and sold the double-barrel organ at \$75 perity breeze blowing even in this dishave been noticed in almost every city and town of the country the last week.

The publishers of trashy literature have formed an organization to maintain a lobby in Washington to defeat the proposed reforms in the postal service relating to second class mail matter. If the lobbyists can show that their employers deserve a bounty of several million dollars a year from the government | dered were all that the managers needed | postal reform will be put off another year or two.

There appears to have been little foundation for a recent rumor to the effect that an immense ship building tions upon pension attorneys as will deplant was to be erected by the Cramps of Philadelphia at Seattle, but the rumor shows that the attention of ship builders has been called to the growing impor- help those who have a claim to a pension, tance of the shipping interest of the Pa- while at the same time operating to precific coast. The Alaska gold excitement | vent fraud. | The commissioner advicates has produced a great demand for ship- legislation excluding private attorneys yards on the coast and the carrying from practice in pension cases and protrade between Pacific ports and all parts viding that all legal advice and assistof the world is rapidly growing. The ance shall be given applicants for pen- as well as in the exclusive manufacturtime cannot be far distant when there sions by attorneys designated by the will be great ship building plants in the pension office, who shall be compensated ern states to be permitted to surpass

which in the nature of things cannot get better protection than now. long continue. A comparatively new undeveloped resources, capable of supits capital.

The New York Times pertinently asks: and Washington and earn 8 or 10 per cent by developing the wealth of those almost untouched principalities? Why do men put millions into 3 per cent .638.872 bonds when in the south and west there 12,322 are opportunities for great industrial en-641,550 terprises that would yield the old-time rewards to old-time courage and ability?" The Times answers by saying that the only reason is want of confidence; that while capitalists are as KEEP IT BEFORE THE PUBLIC. eager for large returns as ever, they the abuses stopped. never had a stronger dislike of losing 100 per cent of principal in trying to culation of The Evening Bee is get 8 per cent interest. Perhaps this is doubte the aggregate earrier delivery true, yet we are inclined to think that the causes of distrust are exaggerated greater than the aggregate carrier and therefore that it will gradually pass ings that have been instituted to oust delivery circulation of the Morning away. The tendency to legislation un-World-Heraid in Omaha and South friendly to capital, save where the latter It might also have been expected that is made the instrument of monopoly, is The earrier delivery circulation of not so strong as it has been and there The Evening Ree reaches 7,934 bana is every reason to expect will still further diminish. Another cause of lack of confidence is the persistent effort to

it appear that the government paper anbscribers to The Omaha Evening money, which served well its purpose Bee and The Omaha Morning Bee are during years of unparalleled prosperity, not reached either by the Morning is no longer to be trusted, but must be gotten rid of before there can be permanent prosperity. This view is widely prevalent and is being constantly urged newsboys exceeds by a very consider- has done, to a multiplicity of plans of by The Bee or its editor. The able the number of World-Herald currency reform, so-called, inevitably adequate answer to those who demand Anybody who interferes with the effi- that the currency system shall be radically changed. The currency reformers, or the more radical of them, are alive discrust. They ought to know that many owners, but it is not a profitable what they aim at is impossible of attainment at this time and therefore that the limetful

There are opportunities in the United States for profitable investments. They are in every section of the country and especially in the west and south and in due time capital will find them out and take advantage of them.

THE HERO OF THE BANQUET.

The toastmaster at the latest Bryan banquet put it on rather thick when in introducing the hero of the hour he slopped over in the following fashion: It takes a brave man nowadays to incur the cemity of wealth for the sake of his convictions. We have with us tonight a man who, when he takes his pen in hand, fears neither God nor the devil, nor has the ever-ready weapon of the capitalist any terrors for him He defies the court's injunction when it would deprive him of an inalienable right.

He will print if he will be damned for it. Yes, indeed; it required a great deal of courage for a man with an india rubber conscience to change front on the silver issue. Expressed in standard silver dollars it taxed the Colorado, Utah and Montana bullionaires a fraction over \$25,000 in the year 1896 to have this brave man part with a block of worthless newspaper stock to Billy Bryan and to stand up brayely against the cohorts of wealth through a whole campaign.

The bravery of this hero forcibly recalls to mind the congressman portrayed graphically in the play of the "Texas Steer," when he turned fiercely upon his debate and he proposes to insist that the tolerance shown by our citizens to the visiting constituents to remind them that he had honestly come by his election since he had paid for every vote he got.

It was in accord with the eternal fitness of things for Governor Holcomb, who was one of the honored guests, to appland vociferously the toastmaster's fulsome eulogy of the india rubber hero talking them to death. who had courageously braved the enuity a column filled with political buckshot trict." And the same kind of straws aimed at the vitals of Governor Holcomb. Incidentally we probably do not betray a secret in mentioning the fact that the courageous hero of the B. car banquet had offered to sell not merely the republican state central committee for a stipulated sum, which the committee delcined to pay because the two columns and assistance secretly ren-

from that courageous publisher.

AFTER PENSION ATTORNEYS. The commissioner of pensions appears to-be determined to place such restricprive them of the almost unlimited opportunities they have enjoyed in the prosecution of their besiness and thus

If the signs are not misleading the compensated,

onted there and a like experience is commissioner states that in the past perity." doubtless to be found at all the money | thirteen years @13,500,000 has been paid of Interest are lower in this country, is direct dealing between the government loaned out abroad, simply because In the first place the liability to frauds it is more profitable to have it there than would be reduced to a minimum and in

Of course the effort of Commissioner country like the United States, with vast Evans to secure reform in this respect has aroused the hostility of the pension. porting a population several times attorneys and it is to be expected that larger than it now has, ought to give all the influence they can command will profitable employment at home for all be brought to bear on congress to prevent the proposed legislation. But there can be no doubt that public sentiment "Why should American money go to is with the commissioner, whose purpose Berlin at 41/2 per cent, or to London at 3 is to subserve at once the interests of per cent, when it might go to Oregon the government and the welfare of the Cross society to be used in alleviating pensioners. Certainly all of the latter ought to be enlisted on the side of the commissioner, while everybody who desires that the liability to frauds shall be reduced will support him. The recommendations of Commissioner Evans, having in view the improvement of the pension system, are all commendable and ought to receive the early and favorable consideration of congress. The defects in the system must be remedied and

VALIDITY OF THE POLICE COMMISSION. It was to have been expected that the police commission organ would be thrown into a spasm over the proceedthe present fire and police commission. the move, which has created such consternation in the Herdman gang, would be denounced as an atroclous conspiracy concocted by the editor of The Bee in order to secure a reversal of the findings discredit the currency system; to make of the license board. Such might even be the inference drawn by those who are not familiar with the contention. As a matter of fact the proceedings were instituted by the same attorneys that were engaged in the contest against the present commission on behalf of exolice Commissioner Birkhauser, whose upon public attention, and leading, as it course was certainly not instigated contention before the supreme court operates to make capital conservative in the Birkhauser case was idenand timid. But this influence must, it tical with that presented before would seem, become less potent in face Judge Scott, namely, that the right of of the fact that the country is rapidly local self-government is inherent in making progress and thus furnishing an every municipality and cannot be wrested from it by delegating the powers which belong to officials elected by the municipality to the state's executive. It is furthermore pointed out that the really doing more than all else to keep provisions of the charter relative to the police commission are unconstitutional because they embody class legislation in excluding from membership on the podisturbance they make is necessarily lice commission insurance agents, toages dealers and others whose voestions are lawful. In declining to grant the prayer of Birkhauser to be rein stated in his position of police commissioner the supreme court did not pass upon the questions at issue because the successful contention of Birkhauser's atorneys would have left him out in the old anyway. Manifestly if the act was unconstitutional, or if the right of local government is conceded, Birkhauser ould not obtain legal title to the office because the law under which he held office had been repealed by the legislaure and the new law would be adjudged dead letter. The cry of anarchy comes with bad grace from the organ which in collusion with the police board has done nore to create anarchy and disorder in

Omaha than any other agency. So far as The Bee is concerned, makes no difference whatever what deislon the court shall reach concerning the validity of the law under which the Herdman commission was appointed The rights of the publishers of The Bec. will be adjudicated by the courts and the finding will be enforced, whoever the police commissioners may be.

THE SENATE RULES.

Senator Mason of Illinois is preparing o attack the ancient rules of the senate He has a resolution before the commit tee on rules which provides for limiting rules committee act promptly on the resolution and report it to the senate. Mr. Mason is of the opinion that if the matter is taken up promptly a majority can be secured in favor of some plan to limit discussion and prevent talkative enators from defeating measures by

The Illionis senator is engaged in most landable work, but it is to be feared lie will have the same experience that others have had who sought to secure what he proposes. If, however, he shall succeed, his fame will be fixed for all time. There is no doubt that he has all of the sound argument on his side. The code that permits unrestricted de two columns a day, but was willing to bate and under which a senator may inturn the whole paper over to ject into discussion wholly irrelevant matter, is absolutely indefensible. It places the senate at the mercy of a minority, enabling a few senators to defeat the will of the majority simply by endless talk. It is a rule the operation of which is essentially unrepublican. The house puts a limit on debate and there is no sound reason why the senate should not also provide for limiting debate. But the matter has received exbaustive discussion and without very nuch effect, though perhaps a few sena tors may have been converted to the public's view. Senator Mason should receive all possible encouragement in his crusade and he may feel assured that

the people are with him. The success of manufacturing in the south is attracting attention in the west ing regions of the east. "Are the southbays and sounds of the Pacific coast. | for their services as members of the lowa and the states of the northwest in

board of medical examiners are now the variety and value of their manufactured products?" asks the Kookuk present year will witness the investment | Commissioner Evans does not condemn | Gate City, "Maywould seem so, unless n productive enterprises and in the de- all pension attorneys, some of whom are our western commonwealths rouse velopment of the material resources of above suspicion, but he says there are a themselves to the necessity of improvthe country a very large portion of the great many attorneys who literally stop lag their neglected opportunities. All now idle capital in the United States, at nothing to secure a pension and he the conditions are favorable for manuwith the effect of creating something of declares the system to be all wrong, a facturing in lowa, and they must be a boom. It is reported from Boston that view that everybody except the at- called into service if the state is to teach a strong demand for good investments is torneys will doubtless concur in. The the highest attainable measure of pros-

The disappearance of the tribal courts centers. Not only is there an abundance of capital, but money is to be had having been taken from the poor penmore cheaply than ever before. Rates sioner. What the commissioner wants step in the warks of changing the status of affairs in the five civilized nations so especially in the east, than they are in ment and the pensioners and he points that the anomaly of independent nations Europe and it is said that fully \$60,000, out very clearly and conclusively the within an independent and sovereign 000 of American money is at this mo- advantages this would have for both, nation will not be so conspicuous. The federal courts will bereafter have jurisdiction in the territory and criminals in THE BEE PUBLISHING COMPANY. here. This is an anomalous situation, the second place the pensioner would the southwestern states will no longer make headquarters among the Indians in the hope of escaping punishment for their misdeeds. It is a step in the right direction and will result in removing the most objectionable feature of the independent nationality maintained by the

Collections for the relief of the Cubans are being taken up in many cities of the union and the sums thus secured are forwarded to the officers of the Red suffering in the island that has been so nearly ruined by war. American sympathy for the suffering Cubans is not peculiar to the people of any state or section. More money for the cause has been given in one city of Montana than in any city of Florida.

South Dakota dairymen are going to send an exhibit of butter to the national meeting of the dairymen in Topeka and confidently expect to carry off the prize. Western butter is now equal to the best in the world and the display of butfer and cheese at the Transmississippi Exposition will demonstrate, as it has never before been demonstrated, that the western limit of profitable dairying coincides with the Pacific coast line.

A presidential election is in progress in the Transvaal and it is needless to remind the world that the uitlanders are still debarred from taking part in the election. President Kruger and his associates are still directing the affairs of the republic, while Cecil Rhodes and his co-conspirators are trying to live down the reputation they gained through the Jamieson raid.

That Mexican gunboat Democrata should not have run down our flag. It's bad crough to remember another Democrat now in Mexico wanted to lower the standard

What We Pay for Freight.

The freight charges paid every year by he people of the United States to foreign ships amount to \$300,000,000. This and the money we needlessly pay out for foreign we naturally ought to.

Old Bill and His "Crimes."

Senator Stewart, of Nevada is baving hard time. With the Rothschilds attempting to ensize him with the rest of the human race, and Nevada's solitary congressment after his seat in the senate, life is tardly worth the trouble of brushing the alkali out of his whiskers.

Why We Should Be Thankful. Philade'phia Press. The recently organized Glucose trust has nt out a circular to all millers and bakers f a barrel of flour can be reduced 10 pe This adulterant is in a form of corn tarch, which, though not poisonous, is in utritious, so that the people are

thankful for this degree of elemency. Uncle Sam as a Gold Digger.

In spite of the Rand and the new mine n Australia, the United States is still the reatest gold-producer of all countries likely to remain so, too, after the Klondik and other Yukon regions are excloited and lfty years ago this month, by the way, that gold was discovered in California. Not man liscoveries in this century have more power ully affected the current of human affair

Lamentation of a "Weary."

Hon. William Jonnings Bryan is now happily engaged in giving his imprezsions of Mexico, and no doubt they will be found amiable. Mr. Bryan to an exceedingly impressionable young man, but his heart re-mairs true to silver wherever he rooms thi, a new subject for a lecture must b leasant to him and to his hearers. There re moments in almost every day when the rdinary mind forgets the sublime doctrine

Probing the Pension Roll.

According to General Gobin, commander is thief of the Grand Army of the Republic all that the Grand Army asks is that those who were disabled in service, either b wounds or distage, shall receive pensions: So much the country is entirely willing give. It only demands that the leeches wh are clinging to the treatury shall be plucked away and the frouds punished. Genera says he intends to find out the actua endition of the pension business, and yould seem that no better means of doin so could be found than exist in his own Army do not know who are entitled to per ons as disabled veterans, who chould? ullication of the pension rolls would enable very camp to detect the frauds within it and if the members would d preanization, the rolls would soon be purged f all unworthy names.

A SORRY SPECTACLE.

Burning of the American Fing on a American Line of Stenmers. Chicago Chron

says an officer of the Amer can line steamship St. Louis, "that the mater should become public. It was simply the act of a lot of drunken flunkies." This act of so-called flunkies was the burn ing of an American flag by British steward: who were carousing upon Christmas day at dinner of their number. While the celebration was in full feather one of them lighted a match and held it to the American flag. Another said. "Burn it," and the stars

and stripes were reduced to ashes. Appeals are made to Americans that they ought to give their support to this line be-cause it is a venture of American capital pon the high seas, a venture of which there are not many examples. How happens owever, that while Americans are asked to support an enterprise of this kind Americans put in full charge of the vessel? How is it that there are stewards in the em-ploy of the American line that are so contemptuous of their employers and of the ttempt such an cutrage as has been de-cribed? How would it do for the American oners of the American line to mericans white appealing for strictly American support on the ground of their Amer-

The flog is not thus insulted upon other ines, though they owe no allegiance to imerica. The line would do well to dismiss stewards who are so contemptuous of the ountry that furnishes them with bread and

THE AMERICAN JEREMIAH.

Some Observations on the Lamenta

ion of pessimist utterances by declaring but the country saw flood tide from 1873 to He is not the only man who looks back on the most active years of his own life as those which mark the summit stage of human activity. Many men, as they pass 60. begin to see signs of decay in the social fab.

This fact does not prove that they are wrong. It only raises a challenge as to the personal equation of the observer. If Bishop Potter had spoken as he does now forty years ago when he had just come of age he would have had a more ample justification. December, 1857, the land was smitten by devastating panic begun by a rotten life in-surance failure such as has never been equaled since and which forced state super vision. Under the stress of panic there we such wholesale disregard of obligations a has not been seen since, and the want in our cities in the winter has not been equaled. The entire fabric of our commercial and mon enary system seemed to have dropped to pieces and the bonds of the government went The monstrous iniquity of slavery over

shadowed the land and ruled half our terri-tory. The Protestant Episcopal church, in which Dr. Potter is himself today conspicuous and useful, could not be induced to con lemn the evil, to denounce its iniquities or primitive church at more than pa stage and in more than one century, to us the power of the church to attack this abom inable wrong. The moral sence of the land lay dead. Bishops and clergy were one and all dumb dogs that dared not bark at a hid eous wickedness by the side of which the worst evils of today are triffes. Free speech on this subject in New York end Philadelphia was prohibited. That city

itself had for mayor in Fernando Wood man elected by organized ruffians and re-peaters. New York is bad enough today, bu in the New York of 1857 there were street, where no man could venture in safety unless he belonged to the criminal classes. three years his defalcation was concealed a Washington, a pitch of collusive fraud no since matched. The wealth of no inconsider able share of Hishop Potter's flock is based at several removes of inheritance on rall road and street car charters which were York and Albany. No corruption, no frauthen and added to it all both nation and hurch were open partners, defenders and pologists of human elavery. If any mon had stood then, in December

Buchenan, and had said: "Slavery is near its end. It will die selfslain. These streets where men are mobbed for attacking it in five years will echo to the steady tread of thousands ready to die to ippress it. The democratic party, which fo thirty years has had unquestioned power thirty years. This wretched, dishonest, dan away and succeeded by a federal currency o

equal value the country over, raised and steadily maintained at a gold standard. thirty years the United States, which today can sell heither public nor private will own half the railroads and half th elegraphs of the world; it will produce half the earth's grain, a third of its coal, two-niths of its iron and two-thirds of its cotton, and its bonds, public and private, federal the world over. And this vast wealth will exist in a land without a slave, in which ne legal disability will be imposed on colorreforms won by pouring out blood and treas-ure like water at the bands of a people whom all the world today thinks is cursed with material greed and believes to be sunk

n a slough of moral despond." If Bishop Potter had made this speech a 22, full op triumphant confidence in the he role possibilities of the nation, he would have been deemed little less than lunatic. Yet h would have been right. If today, with evils less deadly abroad, he despairs of the republic, is it not easily possible that he i wrong? Evils there are, but what is ther to show that the nation is not today inhabi ted by a people with a keener moral sense than the generation which accepted slavery

Official defalcations are less numerous and large in this decade than from 1850 to 186). The ballot box was then more shamelessly stuffed and was protected by less efficient laws. Our cities were more dangerous and disorderly. There were more scandals ever government operations. Nothing today appaches the postoffice, Indian office, custon ouse and war office frauds of Buchanan's administration. Our public structure has im roved. The margin of Illicit profits, of comnissions and of secret contracts and relate s teday greater in our big corporations than

n government contracts. The rotting peril, of which Bishop Potter and earnest and sincere men like him say little, is not in our political life, of which management of our great corporations, of which the church is silent, and by whose beneficiaries it is supported. The entire net work of rebates, of special favors, of sub-sidiary corporations, of favored operating construction companies constitutes vast fabric of personal dishonesty, which both the world of business and banking and of churchmanship and morals accepts with out protest. These abuses of wealth will destroy quicker than the abuses of politics.

THE GREAT DEFIER.

Weyler Reaches for the Belt Held by American Pugs.

The announcement that General Weyler as defied the government of Spain will surprise to those persons who have have studied his characteristics with dis-

Such persons have long predicted that Weyler would inevitably capture the universal record as a defier. It will be recapture the nembered that for many months the general held his fortified position in Havana and defied the world to put him out. On landing n Spain his first act was to defy the United tates, specifically and with great ferocity. As soon as the Spanish government adopted a course which did not meet with the gen-eral's approval, it became a foregone conthat he would defy it all and y. And he has He has defied the rovernment to prosecute him, or to abstain from prosecuting him. He has defied the premier and all his relations, the queen agent and all her ancestors and posterity, he king and all his hobby horses, and at last counts he had mobilized his entire force typewriters and was looking for something

It is said by those who have been privileged witness the spectacle that General Weyler in the full stress and fury of issuing a de in the full scress and lury of issuing a de-fiance constitutes one of the most awe-inspir-ing sights of which the imagination can conceive. Ajax' celebrated defiance of the lightning was a tame and dovelike performance in comparison, while Mr. Corbett defy-ing Fitzsimmons is but as the lisping prattle of a harmices babe. Scientists tell us that General Weyler's ordinary defiance is of 10,000 volts and that

he is fully capable of achieving twice that

be Royal is the highest grade baking powde

known. Actual tests show it goes one



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TREASON IN OHIO.

Minneapolis Tribune (rep.): The speciacle cupied by a Sherman and a Thurman would provoke anew the hilarity of the effete monirchies of the old world over the judicrous cossibilities in a republican form of govern-

oming down to the footlights and announcing in a loud voice that if Mark Hanna is elected he will grasp him by the hand and congratulate him as the representative of the treatest state in the union! All of which is ery kind in Governor Bushnell, as every-

less tactical skill at Columbus yesterday ing everything in sight from Madrid to Man-than he has been credited with. The demorats and Bushnell republicans organized both houses of the legislature against Hanna and the prospect for his election is rather of his majesty's sanctified person, the Chigleomy. Bushnell's desperate selfishness has emperor has decided to bound a himself. goes so far as to lock arms with the McLean group. The factional spirit can go no farther

held by a public man in this country. Mr.

they were in great give yesterday. Nine reublicans acted with the democrats to organize the house in the interest of the nine, one republican member threw the organizacrats. This is a strange day's work for ten men who obtained their election as republicans. What their constituents will do about the matter remains to be seen. Cincinnati Commercial Tribune (rep.): It a fine and beautiful spectacle which the

oyal, intrepid and victorious republicans of Ohio are called upon to view this morning. After a desperate struggle in the late po-litical campaign they defeated the democracy and free silver, won the legislature and governorship, and made it possible for Ohio to be represented by two republican scrutors at Washington. Now, what are the fruits of that hard-won victory? The republicans of Ohio behold the governor of the who was elected by their 1857, ten months after the inauguration of elf-admitted renegade. They behold Mr. Bushnell, who was made what he is by their Morts and their favor, and who pretended buring the campaign to be loyal to the arty's wish on the senatorial question, now engaged in a desperate effort to defeat his party's expressed desire. They behold him onsorting with the enemies of the repubagement, putting forth his utmost efforts to rob the party which did him undeserved honor, and trying to bring misfortune and disaster upon it. It is the opinion of ninety nine and three-fourths per cent of the re ublicans of Ohio that Governor Bushnell has party of Ohio, disgraced his high office and

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

There seems to be a disposition to have m-tom playing in the European concert. People who watch the marked-down sales an save enough money to buy next season's J. Waldere Kirk, who is said to be the

best dressed man in New York, has just added no expensive divorce suit to a friend's Even prosperity has its drawbacks. Kan-

sas tax collectors are getting into trouble because they decline to let the farmers pay One of the latest acts of the ameer of live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be Korsen and the latest acts of the ameer of live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be Korsen and the latest acts of the ameer of live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be Korsen and the latest acts of the ameer of live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be Korsen and the latest acts of the ameer of live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be korsen and the latest acts of the ameer of live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't be known and live got a beastly cold in my head, don't beastly cold in my he he Koran which condemns prodigals to the ower world.

James G. Blaine, jr., is once more a newsstaff of the New York Tribine. It is said that Editor Whitelaw Reid has issued orders that "Jimmy" be treated kindly.

Detroit Free Fress, "Is your town boompaper man, having just been enrolled on the staff of the New York Tribine. It is said that Editor Whitelaw Reid has issued orders that "Jimmy" be treated kindly.

"I should say so, It's more wonderful than magic. I pitched my tent in a hole in the ground one evening and when I waked up I was in the cellar of a union depot."

A woman in Hope, Knox county, Me., still wears a common wire hairpin which she has vorn for forty years. She must be married. A single woman would never have admitted A single woman would never have admitted that she had been wearing hairpins that leave the second time. A street of time that the had been wearing hairpins that faw his own piggishness." length of time.

Governor John R. Rogers of Washington, in a recent address in Tacoma, summed up what he termed his faith thus: "Life is a struggle; a school; a test of fitness. No struggle, no school; no school, no fitness; no fitness no future."

Mr. Joseph Jefferson said in Milwaukee the other day that he still makes his acting tours of the country because he has never yet got beyond the necessity of earning his living. He also confessed that never until ecently did one incongruity in "Rip Van Vinkle" occur to him with any force, this being the fact that Rip Van Winkle is the only person in the play who speaks English with a slightly broken Dutch accent. The other characters content themselves with ordinary English.

Among a number of writers who in reent years have forung into grominensurdened with unpronounceable names, the author of "Quo Vadis" seems to be the great-est sufferer. Some have pronounced it in one way, others in quite another, while the great majority have despaired of any pronunciation at all out of that queer combination of consonants. Sen-kay-vich. however, is the correct pronunciation name, or at least is the one which the novelist himrelf prefers.

A touching incident that recalls Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem, "The Old Man Dreams," occurred a short time ago in Con-Wendell Holmes poem, "The Old Man Dreams," occurred a short time ago in Connecticut. Whiting Miner, a man of 90, had lived to bury his wife and all his children, And drop their nickels, tear the wrappers and of late were hed lived with his developer. and of late years had lived with his daughter in-law at Falls Village. One night he had remarkably vivid dream, in which he be lieved himself once more young and sur ounded by all the family whom he had loved and lost. So vivid was the vision that the old man was bitterly disappointed on awaking to find himself old and separated from those be loved. He told his daughter-in-law that the cutrast was so great that he could not endure t. In the afternoon he went quietly to his own room and in home of finding the happiess of which he had dreamed took his own

THE OBJECTAL ORAN

Minneapolis Journal: John Russell Young of little Mayor McKisson of Cleveland, O., says "China is the glacier among nations, rattling around in a senatorial seat once oc-If so, the glacier is getting melted quite rapidly along its edges. There will be noth-

Ploneer Press: The apprehension with which the emperor of China regards the approaching college of the sun would seem to nell of Ohio has momentarily checked the the dispussionate observer to be almost un-tension of partisan feeling at Columbus by necessary, considering what the gentleman

has in plain sight to worry about. Philadelphia Press: Squator Teller entertains the idea that the American eagle is about to poke its head under its wing while the Chinese imbroglio is in progr handy he will discover the good gray bird Minneapolis Journal (rep.): Hanna showed sailing in the sun with watchful eyes oweep-Philadelphia Record: While the kalser has

ness emperor has decided to humble himself in order that the calamity which group. The factional spirit can go no farther lieves to to threatening his people may be in allenation from the republican party than averted. In view of the portentous coincidence of an eclipse of the sun and the first Chicago Times-Herald (rep.): Whatever the day of the twenty-fourth year of his outcome of the Chio fight may be Governor on January 22 next, his imperial majesty of Bushnell has managed to secure for himself about as ignominious a position as was ever perial clan their usual New Year's day banneld by a public man in this country. Mr. quet; the members of his court will be re-Bushnell talks about his appointment of Mr. quired to assemble, attired in sober gar-Hanna as senator for the unexpired term as if he had offered a voluntary sacrifice in this matter. It is a fact that if he had not made the appointment his political career would have been closed there and then.

quired to assemble, attired in sober garmonts, in the inner palace before the altar set up to heaven and pray for forbearance and mercy to the country, and the emperor will be content to receive only a simple obeisance from his courtiers, instead of resolved there and then. Globe Democrat (rep.): The democrats of Ohio were defeated last fall on both the state and legislative tickets. Nevertheless imperial majesty of China seems to take himself quite as seriously as does his brother emperor of Germany, and the bombastic selfand by absenting himself from the senate glorification of both has not been equaled since the days when Pharach exacted onors to himself or the mad Roman Caesar Caligula, proclaimed his horse a pro-consul

TERSE THOUGHTS.

Chicago Record: "Those new neighbors eem to be great horrowers."
"Horrowers?" One night when they gave dinner they borrowed our family al-

Indianapolis Journal: "You say," said the sity editor, "that he walked forth from the grim walls of the prison a free man," "Yes, sir," answered the reporter, "Well, he didn't. His wife was with

Chicago Tribune: Telesceonist-What is , madam? Young Wife (with a dry sob)-I want to eturn this box of clears I got for a holi-lay present for Herbert. He looked at

Bill the Bute buying that thousand dol-lars' worth of snun for? Yukon Luke-His pile is shy \$80,000 and wants to get some of the dust off his

lungs; Puck: First Hen-What are those young autams fighting about? Second Hen-Oh! they are disputing about he question. Which is the mother of the hicks-the hen that lays the egg or the

Washington Star: "And you think that

you have the courage to undertake this des-perate mission?" inquired the insurgent general,
"I think I have, sir," said the young
American, modestly, "I once slept four
mights in succession in a folding bed,"
He got the job, Atlanta Constitution: "Uncle Jim, are

ing?"
"Lord, boss! dey ain't been a stockin' in
my fambly sence freedom, De bes' I kin
do is ter nail up a guanner sack; en you
knows right whar ter find it!" Richmond Dispatch: Adelbert-I cawn't

you going to hang up your Christmas stock-

Geraldins-Never mind, Addy, D grumble. Even if it is only a cold, something, Detroit Free Press: "Is your town

Washington Star: "Sometimes," said Uncle Eben, "yoh runs crost er man dat keeps preachin' unselfishness ter ev'body else simply in de hane c'isavin' moving

Somerville Journal: "Another evidence of hard times," said the man when his feet slipped on a bit of ice and he sat down

like a piledriver on the frozen ground, Chicago Tribune: Mrs. Gaswell con-templated with pride the family monu-ment that had been crected in the ceme-tery. It overtopped all others by many feet and contained in deeply groven letters the name of every member of the Gaswell family, with blank space for future mortu-ary statistics.

"Thank goodness!" she exclaimed,
"There's one column the society editors
can't keep my name out of!"

TRIALS OF THE SMOKELESS.

Minneapells Journal, Pity the troubles of those poor young men, Who, just to please some girls that they adore, On New Year's day solemn promise made the future, they would smoke

again The glassy meerschaum or the fragrant briar. They sit at night, a band of misanthropes, And wonder how 'twould seem to be a

With trembling hands that yearn to grasp - J

And furiously the pepsin masticate,

Tis all in vain! No antidote is it, For that sensation that abstracts their thought makes them wretched and incapable But not for long will they be troubled thus; "resolutions" they will soon have Their "broke;

And once again, as in the year gone by, At morn and noon and night they'll smoke smoke, smoke,

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