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Less returned and unsold copies......

M. Emile Zola seems to be maintaining his well-earned reputation as a prolific source of producing fiction.

The spring painting, repairing and cleaning boom will be due in Omaha ta a short time and everybody should be ready for it.

Mr. Boies of Iowa might call a truce and go over the matter with bluself. But then who would admire a man who does not occasionally change his mind?

Promoter Grable insists that all his stock jobbing enterprises have been successful. They recall the successful surgical operation from which the patient

The contractor who is to undertake the job of lifting the Ohio state capitol might utilize some of the roorbacks chs popocrats sent out during the late unpleasantness there.

Lincoln's birthday is to be generally celebrated in the public schools of Nebraska. No patriot's memory has more good lessons for the young than that acterized as a "low politician" and as cal result, but which might have a of the martyr president.

It is a little early to talk about a on a small cube of congealed Missouri the charge. It will be felt that an will doubtless be able to tell the story with one word later in the season.

Bartley bond as City Attorney Connell has done for the city on the Bolla bond, taxpayers.

Illinois democrats threaten to appeal to the courts to protect them in their right to fuse. A revision of the Declaration of Independence to include fusion as one of the inalienable rights of man will soon be in order.

It is just announced that Oom Paul Kruger has again been re-elected presidenc of his South African republic. Oom Paul's certificate might as well be made out for a term of his natural life, or until he decides to abdicate.

Naturally every one pecuniarily affected by the retrenchment resolution introduced into the Board of Education is violently opposed to it. But they do not seem to be ready with any more practicable solution of the problem.

The Spanish minister to Washington should know that the rule against writing letters applies as strictly to diplomats as to politicians. Lord Sackville West, for example, learned this lesson from that expensive old schoolmaster, Experience.

President Dole's acknowledgment that he does not know how the people of the Islands stand as regard annexation to the United States is likely to leave the impression that there is a good deal o: sham about the republicanism of the island republic.

Notice is hereby served upon the publishers of the official guide book of the exposition that a page must be reserved for an alfresco likeness of the longdistance architect in the attitude of Bottom making love to Titania in Midsummer Night's Dream.

Russia has given Great Britain assurance that whatever Chinese ports it may acquire will be open free to the commerce of the world. The public apparently did not know until now what a philanthropic purpose actuates the European land grabbers.

No wonder the chief of police ignores the order of the police board to shut tory by Germany, but distinctly disdown the automatic gambling machines. Has he not a precedent precisely in tegrity of the Chinese empire. On the line in the board's willful disregard of contrary, he said Germany desired the the law and its official eath when it continued existence of that empire. As made a man chief of police who never to establishing a free port at Klao Chau in all his life had a day's experience he said that would be to Germany's inin any police department simply because tarest in the future, but he thought it of his supposed political pull?

Statistician Hyde of the Agricultural

portant political gathering between now American commerce. vention hall at Omaha.

its restoration to power in Nebraska, from affairs in the far east. the party in this state will be in posttion to impress the visiting delegations with its vitality and determination to regain lost prestige as a banner repub-Hean state.

purely personal or factional lines should ported from that committee. Some of The party in Nebraska cannot be bill carrying out the recommendations strengthened by scattering its force in of Secretary Gage and the monetary order to accommodate ambitious lead- commission, while others are wedded to ers or ward politicians who want to personal plans of currency or banking rewear big badges and meaningless titles. form. The division was strongly shown tion enrolled in clubs that will turn out it is hardly possible that the conflicting in battalions rather than squads, and views can be reconciled so as to allow whose members will represent all fac- of a currency bill being framed and retions and all shades of opinion within ported. the party. One hundred clubs thus organized can contribute more effective the best way to advance currency legis- graphophone, phonograph or lithograph. service in a campaign than a thousand lation now would be for the ways and paper clubs made up exclusively of means committee to report a bill covbrigadier generals.

It goes without saying that the party with a muster of the republican clubs | there any reason to think that its memat the National league convention at bers would be more likely to agree on Omaha, to be followed up with an ener- a measure than the members of the getic canvass that will reach every banking and currency committee. Chairvoter in every precinct and school dis- man Dingley, it is understood. while triet in Nebraska.

THE ALLEGED DE LOME LETTER.

ties that have devolved upon him since tions of the secretary of the treasury in which President McKinley is char- the currency that could have no practibeing "weak and catering to the rabble," yet his silence in the face of so serious an allegation will be regarded innocent man with so much involved. would make haste to deny the accusation in the most explicit manner, invit-If Attorney General Smyth does as ing every opportunity for showing his well for the state comparatively on the innocence, instead of avoiding the matter as the Spanish minister has done.

Of course Minister de Lome will have there will be no kick coming from the to make a satisfactory explanation or to purchase books for school libraries, cease to represent the Spanish governshow conclusively that he did not write the letter he is alleged to have written in order to continue in his position. So great an indignity to the chief executive from a foreign minister cannot be condoned, even though contained in a pri vate and confidential communication. But if the authorship shall be fixed on De Lome there is no reason to approhend anything beyond his dismissal. It is not a matter that should necessarily cause any complication or controversy between the governments.

THE CHINESE QUESTION.

The United States has an interest in the Chinese question which is not fully measured by our present trade with China. That amounts to not far from \$20,000,000 a year and has been growing rapidly for several years, justifying the belief that if the privileges we now enjoy, in common with other nations, in this trade shall not be interfered with aur commerce with the Chinese empire may within the next quarter of a century be increased to very large propor-

Hence the statements made by Lord Salisbury in Parliament and by Baron von Buelow in the Reichstag are hardly less interesting to the American people than to those of England and Germany They are reassuring statements, The British prime minister said that there is no effort the country would not make to maintain its treaty rights, but he declared that no one had shown the slightest intention of infringing those rights. He further stated that he had received assurances from both Russia and Germany to the effect that Chinese ports which they may occupy will be free to British commerce. This gives an altogether different aspect to the sitnation and appears to conclusively show that the British government has secured all it desired. There does not appear to have been any "backdown," as has been charged, but merely a single concession to China in the matter of the proposed opening of a treaty port.

Baron von Buelow spoke in justification of the acquisition of Chinese terriclaimed any purpose hostile to the inwould be best to keep independent in

this respect for the present. It is plain from these utterances that department estimates that the value of there is no immediate danger of a the wheat, corn, oats, rye, barley, change of conditions in China inimical buckwheat, hay and potatoes har- to the commerce of any country. It is vested in the United States last reasonable to assume that the European year was \$1,612,000,000. What the nations operating in China will not disvalue of the crop would have criminate against American interests in been had the republican party lost the that quarter, but will permit this counpresidential election of the year before try to have the same commercial rights

such proper steps be taken as will safe- get them at private cost. As one of the pivotal states Nebraska guard the commercial interests of the will be in the thick of the fight during United States in China, but it is not fully manned by active party workers, Chinese question. In the light of what desire the regeneration of the party and States can safely keep entirely aloof

A DIVIDED COMMITTEE. Division among the republicans of the house banking and currency committee appears to assure the failure of all ef-The attempt to organize new clubs on forts to have a currency measure re-

ering the president's recommendations, but it is not at all probable that that favoring some changes in the currency system, does not think it wise to urge the matter at this time, because nothing The Spanish minister at Washington, can be accomplished. Speaker Reed is Dupuy de Lome, is an experienced dip- in the same position. These leaders lomatist, who has shown good judgment know that if the house were to pass a in the performance of the difficult du- currency bill based on the recommendathe breaking out of the insurrection in and the monetary commission it would Cuba. It is therefore not easy to be- fail in the senate and they are indislieve that he is the author of the letter posed to waste time in a discussion of more or less unsettling effect upon bus-

This being the situation it seems safe short crop of ice, but the price mark by many as evidence of the truth of to say that there will be no currency legislation proposed in the house of representatives at the present session, which means that there will be no such legislation by the Fifty-fifth congress.

RURAL SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

A bill is pending in the Iowa legislature for a law requiring school boards setting apart each year for this purpose not less than 10 cents for each person of school age in the district, and in the case of rural districts distributing the books among the several sub-districts. This bill is being pushed by the superintendent of public instruction, who, before assuming his office the first of the year, declared his belief that provision for libraries for rural schools is one of the most important steps that can now be taken in school work in that state. The desirability of libraries for rurat

schools has already been recognized in Iowa as well as in other states. In one of the counties of Iowa-O'Brien county-nearly all the rural schools have libraries started, having been encouraged to do this by a public-spirited citizen, who offered prizes of books for the schools making the most valuable additions to their libraries during the last school year. The pupils in the several districts became interested with the teachers and school officers and the foundations were thus laid for many small libraries. In like manner a teach ers' library has been started at the county seat of the same county for the use of all the teachers of the county. In Nebraska something has been ac complished in a similar direction through voluntary effort, stimulated by the official establishment of an annual Library day, celebrated by appropriate programs and book donations to school libraries. There is no question as to the value of these libraries and no doubt that their good work will go on through

many succeeding years. Good books are of greater value in the rural schools than in the city schools for the reason that there are not so many good books within reach of those who attend the country schools. Even where private libraries are to be found in country homes the books are not always of a kind that are useful to inquiring students. The rural school library movement is delayed recognition of the fact that as much if not more good can be done for the cause of popular education by improving the opportunities of the children in the ungraded schools than in adding to facilities for better education in the higher schools.

The outlook for increase in the gen eral revenues of the United States gov ernment is said to be good. A statement is expected soon from the officials of the Trensury department showing what may be expected in the way or revenues when importations of wool and sugar have increased to the normal demand of the country again, and judging by the increase shown in December that from these and other items the customs receipts will be greatly increased.

If the school board intends to respond to the demand for retrenchment it

REORGANIZE THE REPUBLICAN CLUBS | Lord Salisbury, that any port that coun- but whether under the circumstances The National League of Republican try shall obtain leave to employ as an the board can afford to expend money Clubs will hold its next annual meeting outlet for its commerce shall be a free for such luxuries. The plea that the in Omaha during the third week of port for British commerce it is most educational frills that have been en-June. Being the only national conven- probable that the commerce of all other grafted on our public school system intion of representative republicans for countries would be placed on an equal volve no additional cost is simply ridicthe year 1898, the coming league con- footing and certainly we should expect ulous. Every time a new branch is and disaster. vention promises to be the most im- such consideration from Russia for added the expense account is increased and lopping it off must reduce the drain dential ticket. It is expected that to be unnecessary for our government the public schools might teach paintnearly all the great party leaders will to take any action in reference to the ing, sewing, the plane, the violin and participate in its proceedings and the Chinese question. Last week the New a dozen other things useful and ornakeynote of the congressional campaign | York Chamber of Commerce adopted a | mental, but people who want extras of 1898 will be sounded from the con- memorial to the president urging that of this kind are rightly required to

A duty of the United States and Cathe coming year and Nebraska repub- apparent that anything can be done be- nadian governments that cannot be licans should take special pains to profit | youd the expression of a desire that | either avoided or put off to a more confrom this event. Their first duty is to our interests in China be respected and venient time relates to the survey of the reinforced by a rank and file of men was said by Salisbury and Baron von and as soon as they begin locating who believe in republican principles and Buelow it appears that the United claims it will be important that they know whether they are under the protection of the stars and stripes or the union jack. A survey is a simple matter and might be attended to promptly by mutual agreement between the gov-

Now this thing must stop. The next time one Cass Gilbert writes from be discountenanced as far as possible. the members desire to report a complete "Hotel Nurnberger Hof-Inhaber; Otto -Berlin W." to Charles Howard Walker of Boston and Omaha, we insist that he address him as head of the architects-in-chief of the Transmississippt What is needed is a compact organiza- at a recent meeting of the committee and and International Exposition. Nothing less would be showing due deference to the admitted fact that without the longdistance services of the eminent decorator the exposition would never have It has been suggested that perhaps been dreamed of, either by telephone,

Not only should the legislature pass a law forbidding anyone from referring to the exposition without mentioning temper is ripe for reorganization on committee has any desire to thus go out- the long-distance architect, but the broad lines. The work should begin side of its legitimate function, nor is courts should also issue an injunction prohibiting any but laudatory references to the short-distance architect.

> The Transmississippi Educational convention has been fixed for Omaha June 28, 29 and 30 next. Every person interested directly or indirectly in the work of education in the Transmississippl states should mark these dates with red ink on his calendar.

Long on Bark. When there's discussion of the dogs of war being slipped war ships might be regarded as the barks in the case.

Rivalry of Two States. Kansas City Star. Missouri and Kansas are getting ready for

a race to see which will have the better exhibit at Omaha and which will be first to have its display completed.

The "Henry Villain." W. B. Curtis in Chicago Record. There is a well established report that the which the populist committee is about to put on the stage for campaign purposes, has used Hon, J. Sterling Morton as his model for the heavy villain.

Yawps of the Blind.

The United States tariff so far as it exdudes goods does it by means of a duty ministrative processes that presume what is false and then act upon it. This is a distinetion with a difference, but some yawping free traders refuse to see it.

Proof as Strong as Holy Writ.

Bradstreet's record for 1897 shows rthwestern states 1,056 failures, as compared with 1,456 for 1896 and 1,310 for 1895. in the whole country the total failures in 1897 were 13,083, and 15,095 in 1896. The 1897 record shows, too, a targe falling off in liabilities. The year recently closed is the best since 1893. These statements tell more for returning prosperity than volumes of populist savings against it

Calamity Characteristic.

The democratic papers are rejoicing over the exclusion of American fruit from Ger-many, and are hoping that there is truth in the story that American wines and horses will also be shut out. They were jubilant a few years ago when Germany prohibited the importation of American pork, bacon and lard. Anything which is calculated to injure or discredit the country always brings and impotent race whose empire is now about joy to the democrats. Their triumph in the to fall into pieces. China is harvesting the resent instance, however, is likely to be

Speaking About Tinplate.

American tinplate manufacturers have mproved their machinery to such a degree hat it is in demand by the Welsh makers The metal used can be rolled into sheets n this country cheaper than elsewhere, and he higher grades of timplate are turned out by automatic processes. An American establishment which until recently imported all its timplate used 65,000 boxes of American plate last year and imported none. The saving was over \$60,000. American tin is no longer the target of free trade ridicule. It is in general demand at home, and its export is growing.

"A Besom of Thunder."

The Hon. John Pardon Altgeld has taken the trouble to write a letter saying that "the great democratic party must take no backward step." As the great democratic party has not shown any desire to take any backward step, the letter was not absolutely decessary. Still, it is welcome, for it con-tains this eulogy of the Chicago platform: The platform we adopted in that year was a second declaration of independence for the American people, and it is much

need to do is to stand manfully by it and we will sweep this country as the hills are swept by the besom of thunder." der, regarded as a sort of hill-cleaning witch with a broom, is a fine poetical conception, worthy of this eminent author. We are compelled to say, however, that thunder is not particularly formidable or effective.

A man who has been an inmate of the

atronger now than it was then. All we

Beats 16 to 1.

asylum at Pontiac for many years has de-voted every moment of his spare time in manufacturing what he fondly supposes to be tanknotes. His process of manufacture is very simple and unvarying. Placing a plece of paper of banknote size over the decorated border of the cover of a book he rubs heel ball over the paper and thus obtains a replica of the pretty part, as he calls it. Having formed the border of his note he and January it is reasonable to hope tained by placing his paper on the lids of tobacco and other tins; any surface answer so long as it is hard, indented or embossed. He finishes his note by writing in the center in large figures the value he wishes to give it. As he has been engaged for fifteen years at his hobby, and has been allowed to keep his accumulated wealth of paper money, he is the proud possessor of three should begin at once and not wait until little stacks of notes, each about a foot high.

the deficit is again on the increase. It He calculates he is worth billions. He has can never be known, but it is certain and privileges as they enjoy. If it is not a question whether or not some a minute of the time at his disposal in all the long fifteen years.

PROGRESSIVE PROSPERITY.

Evidence of Increased Activity Industry and Trade. New York Commercial Advertiser

were fulfilling their predictions of woe and disaster, but evidence of increasing activity in industry and trade is too palpable to be talked down or denied. For 1897 bank clearings show a gain of \$6,000,000,000, or and the nomination of the next presi- In this view of the situation it appears on the board's resources. We suppose about 12 per cent over 1896, with the volume of clearings at present advancing at still greater rate. Two hundred rallroads, representing 150,000 miles of track, report for 1837 Increased earnings of nearly \$60,000. 000 over 1895, and in the same period only eighteen roads, representing 1,550 miles of track, went into the hands of receivers against thirty-four roads, representing 5,500 miles of track, for the preceding year. There were not only 2,000 less commercial failures in 1897 than in 1896, but the aggregate Habilities were \$90,000,000 less. The total output of pig from last year, although the largest on record for this country, promises from this event. Their first duty is to our interests in China be respected and venient time relates to the survey of the to be exceeded during the current year, reorganize and strengthen every republication until it shall clearly appear that they boundary line between the Canadian while the demand, both at home and abroad, lican club that was active in the last are in danger the wise thing for this national campaign. With these clubs government is to keep silent on the national campaign. With these clubs government is to keep silent on the national campaign. persons on the way to the gold fields manufacturing industry, but depression in that industry is confined principally to New England. In the south all cotton mills are running full time and some of them over-There is nothing fictitious about these

proofs of reviving business. They are evi-dence that money is again flowing into productive enterprises; that capital and credit, competition, is taking on new activity and that the demand for labor is steadily expand-Not a little of the new impulse im-Schabangs-Wein-Restaurant I Ranges parted to industry and trade is due, of course, to bountiful crops and better prices for agri cultural products, but this only confirms the statement that improved business conditions rest upon a solid basis. Increased and in-creasing demand for products of the farm. he forge and the loom, reduction in the number of business failures and expansion of bank clearings are not results of speculative nonetary policy which, as the last democratly ient adherence to sound economic principles o erable the American people to resume heir place in the van of prosperous nations.

RESTRICTING IMMIGRATION.

'roposed Educational Test of Little Practical Value.

When this bill was introduced in the Fifty-fourth congress an impression was created among naturalized citizens that the tendency of immigration is to lessen the rates of wages, lessen the opportunity of securing employment, and that there is not room in this country for any more foreign-It was another exhibition of the mean and selfish side of human nature. Many of our naturalized citizens were willing to push back the newcomers of their own race into the sea rather than share with them the privileges and the possibilities of advance-ment which they have themselves enjoyed Agitation, however, has shown this notion to be a mistaken one, and greatly changed the sentiment of the masses of our natural ized citizens toward the Lodge bill. It is to the credit of our German citizens that the most active opposition to the bill comes from them, although not one German imnigrant in a hundred would fall under the prohibition of the measure.

The Lodge bill is opposed not so much for what appears upon its face as for what is behind it. If the capacity to read twenty words of the constitution be a proper test of the fitness of an immigrant, how many thousands of our native-born citizens who cannot come up to the standard? If the political influence of a few immigrants who cannot read our constitution be dangerous author of "The Curse of Gold," the tragedy to the country, why not meet a far greater which the populist committee is about to evil by applying the education gauge to all ignorant voters, native and naturalized, white and black? The probability is that the Lodge bill, if passed, would be the forerunner of other nativistic measures for the restriction of immigration. It is understood that if the authors of the Lodge bill could have had their own way it would have cludes goods does it by means of a duty which treats all alike, but Prussia in excluding American fruit, as in the case of American meat, does it by means of adwhich was vetoed by Cleveland, and which was vetoed by Cleveland, and which which was proposed to prohibit the right of workingmen to travel to and from the counry in quest of employment. This favorite surpose of the bill was abandoned, for pruential reasons, but with the intention, no loubt, to resume it on the first opportunity. The exclusion of a few analphabetical peasants from Italy and Hungary would affect nmigration only in a slight degree, hence would seem unnecessary to gratify the spirit of nativism by more severe measures, until the end should have been reached by he total exclusion of all "outside bar-

barlans." There seems to be a growing tendency to orget, or to not consider, the immense benefits which immigration has bestowed upon this country in peace and in war, in commerce, in industries and in arts. position is to regard foreigners as no longer necessary in the development of the resources of the country and as being dangerous to its political institutions by reason of their inferiority and ignorance. It was this arrogant and jealous spirit which arrested the march of the Chinese toward a high civilization and converted them into the whimsical, fantastic to fall into pieces. China is harvesting the curses of a policy of exclusion and nonntercouse which has dwarfed the minds and bodies of her people. Instead of imitating the Chinese their fatal example should be a lesson and warning to the people of this

THE PRICE OF CORN.

Price of Wheat. New York Sun. In the February number of the Forum Mr. C. Wood Davis, the well known in-vestigator of the relations of food-bearing icres to the world's bread-eating popula-ion, undertakes to show why the price of

Why It Has Not Advanced with the

Indian corn or maize is low, while that of wheat is high. He attributes the phenomenon not, as the populists do, to the de-cline in the value of sliver, but to the sub-stitution of lard made from cottonseed oil for the genuine product of the hog and use of cottonseed meal for fodder. In one of the tables prepared by Mr. Davis the fact is brought out that, during the ten years ending in 1887, the average farm value of corn per bushel was 40.5 cents; during the ten years ending in 1897

it was only 33.7 cents, this, too, although the exports of corn either in the primary form of grain or in the secondary forms of beef, pork, mutton, lard, spirits, butter and cheese, have increased more than 43 per cent. Will it be said that the decline in price is explicable by a great increase in the production of the cereal? Mr. Davis points out that, as a matter of fact, we produce relatively less malze than we did ten years ago. The acreage under maize has been, since 1887, only 12.8 per cent larger than it was in the preceding ten years, whereas our population has in-creased some 20,000,000 since 1882. The truth is that we consume less maize than we did formerly. Our domestic consumption of matze during the ten years ending vil 1887 equaled 26.7 bushels per head of population; since 1887 it has fallen to annual average of 23.7 bushels. How is thi diminished consumption to be accounted for!
If reliance can be placed on the estimates made by the Department of Agricultur-there has been, since 1882, a decrease

A Royal Baking Powder hot biscuit is the luxury of eating.

4,000,000, or nearly one-tenth, in the number of swine, although during the same period the number of human beings in the United States has increased by some 20,000,000. Had swine increased in the same ratio as population, we should have had more than would no doubt like to believe that events 60,000,000 in January, 1897, instead of the woe 40,000,000 shown by the Department of Agricultural. Had the number even continued to equal the 52,000,000 of 1892, and, had each animal in excess of 40,000,000 consumed no more than seventeen bushels of corn, an underestimate, we should have had an annual farm demand for 200,000,000 additional bushels, or the product of some 8,000,000 additional acres, and there now would be neither a surplus of corn nor low prices for this most important of all American products. The diminution of the swine herds and consequent falling off in the demand for make is ascribed by Mr. Davis, as we have said,

to the growing use of by-products of the cou-ton field. In the first place, it is computed that we now use, either for domestic con-that we now use, either for domestic con-that we now use, either for domestic con-distances from various points of the United distances from various points of the United that we now use, either for domestic consumption or for export, some 450,000,000 distances from various points of the United sumption or for export, some 450,000,000 distances from various points of the United sumption or for exposition of the so-called "refined lard," that is States and Canada. Everyone interested as possible visitor to this exposition of exhibition of the booklet. beef stearine. Now, as one pound of gen- libr should be in possession of the booklet. uine lard represents one-fifth of a bushel of Edward Resewater of The Omaha Bee is the maize, the deduction is that the 450,000,- manager of the Department of Publicity. maize, the neutralized the demand for 90,000,000 bushels of corn annually, that is to say, a quantity equal to an average yield from 3,750,000 acres. So much for the effect of cottonseed oil upon the price of corn. It is to be noted, in the second place, that everywhere in the outh cottonseed meal has displaced corn for attening purposes. Cottonseed meal is of Multitudes of men have gone thither fattening purposes. Cottonseed meal is, of course, the residue left after the "crusher"

ductive enterprises; that capital and credit, under assurance that the gold standard is to be unflinchingly maintained, are recovering from the shock they custained by the menace of Bryanism; that industry, released by the Dingley tariff from fear of unequal foreign Dingley tariff from fear of unequal foreign are taking on new activity and the country and used for folder 146 car. feeder bought and used for folder 146 car loads of Texas cottonseed meal. Mr. Davis available,, and that these furnish feeding stuff equivalent to 133,000,000 bushels of corn, or an average yield from 5.500 and falled to the corn, or an average yield from 5.500 and or average yield to the corn, or an average yield corn, or an average yield from 5,500,000 falligent work by expert prospectors have falled to discover any new diggings.

Only seven in every 100 of the men there are making their bread and meat. These are officially certified facts. They should serve as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as an authorise of the aggregate displacement of corn as a tob there are agreed to the aggregate displacement of corn as a tob there are agreed to the aggregate displacement of corn as a tob there are agreed to the aggree aggre activity; neither are they sympathetic of a as an outcome of the utilization of cottonnonetary policy which, as the shocked fast the sational platform puts it, "has locked fast the product, represents the average yield from prosperity of an industrial people in the some 9,250,000 acres. seed, which recently was treated as a waste man who thinks of going to the Klondiky is

Mr. Dayls' conclusion is that the conversion of a by-product of the cotton field into, first, an ellible fat, and, secondly, the most valuable of fodders, has extinguished the demand which would otherwise have existed for the product of nearly 10,000,000 acres of maize, and has reduced the corngrowers' revenue by probably a fourth, and the swine herds of America by a third.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Lovely woman in Italy now leads a calf In this country she bout by a ribbon. usually has him on a string. The queen's bodyguard for Scotland, the

verything there, and both Newport and Chicago breathe more freely. The troubles arising from the Dreyfus case

are now explained. It appears that France has a clam at the head of the intelligence branch of the war office-Colonel Paty du Shigetsuna Furuya, a young Japanese

now studying law and politics in Ann Arbor university John E. Pannier of Chippewa Falls, Wis.

recently elected county judge, is the youngest judge in the United States. He is only 21 years old and is the first republican to occupy that particular office in sixteen years. Frau Cosima Wagner has in her possession, according to Wagner's friend, Herr Heckel, four unpublished completed plays by her husband, entitled "Luther," "Frederick the Great," "Hans Sachs' Second Marriage" and

'Duke Bernhard of Saxe-Weimar." Heiresson in search of a title need not attach themselves to decayed aristocracy to secure the bauble. The Italian government announces a bargain sale of titles, which heirceses so disposed may attach to a decent man and marry the combination. It is simply a matter of money.

Dr. Benjamin Lee, who has just been appointed health officer of Philadelphia, is a son of the late B shop Lee of Delaware.

During the war he acted as surgeon in the
Twenty-second New York regiment. He
has been a close student of hygiene, and is A New York business man said in speaking of William J. Quinlan, the easy-going ashier of the Chemical National bank: "I followed by the could, Miss Minever." a member of many learned societies.

ing of William J. Quinlan, the easy-going cashier of the Chemical National bank: "I have known him for years and years, and I t have ridden to and from business with him, | know. but I have never known him to read a newspaper in all that time. I wonder whether hat is how he came to be buncoed.' Captain Dreyfus' wife complains that she ceives only copies of the letters written to

er by her husband, the French authorities etaining the original. This is justified by hose in charge of the prisoner on the round that the letters, while enough, seemingly, contain a cipher that (s erfectly understood by Mme. Dreyfus. The new French commander-in-chief is General Jamont, who is a Breton. He is 67 years of age, and served in the Crimea, Lom-

bardy and Mexico. He was also at Metz in 1879, and in 1885 commanded the Tongkins expedition. This last post exempted from having to retire at the age of 65, which a command-in-chief.

tened with a bottle of water taken from a spring at which Abraham Lincoln often slaked his thirst when a boy. The combina-tion of patriotism and purity is a commendable one and eminently suited to the pur-Besides the selection averts the threatened battle of the brands for which the Blue grass state is noted. Aunt Nannie Mays, an old colored wo

man of Lancaster, Ky., is damaging the old adage, "laugh and grow fat." She has been laughing continuously for over three weeks and has become emaclated and almost lifeless. Nothing can stop her but chloroform and as soon as the effect wears off she begins anew. Severa eminent physicians have gone to see her in the hope of discovering the cause of this incessant hilarity.

AN ARTISTIC PROSPECTUS. Complete in Every Detail and Fitted The prospectue of the Transmississippi and International Exposition, just out and issued by the Department of Publicity at Omaha, an artistic standpoint. It furnishes a complete description of all the buildings that go oward making up the housing place of this exposition in a booklet of thirty-two pages, interspersed with beautiful half-tone plotures, portraying the various exposition buildings and surroundings. A complete rester of the officials in charge of the exposition, as well as of the United States government commission, of the state vice presidents and of state commissioners, also given. Aside from these features the

with Information.

New York World.

A Few Chunks of Advice for Klondike The thousands who are planning to go to the Klondike this spring will do well to consince the discovery of gold there, and all of them together have brought out only about \$3,500,000 in gold. The easy probability is that taken altogether the Klondikers have spent more than that sum in getting there and getting back. One in 100 has grown rich in a small way. The rest bive grown helplessly poor.

-Don't. SMILING LINES. Philadelphia Record: It's funny, but thin jokes are hardest to see through. Detroit Journal: "I'm told Baldry loses is head the minute he begus to drink

"No, he keeps it and uses it for a fun-Detroit Free Press: Mother-Why did you cut him off so uncoremoniously at the tele-phone? It was rude.
Daughter—Can't you see? My back hair's down, my front hair is in crimps and this old dressing jacket looks like a fright. I was never so mortified in my life.

The World's carnest advice to every such

Royal Company of Archers, contains the pink of Scottish mobility, whose estates are in the Lothians or on the borders.

Potter Palmer denies the story that he will build a house at Newport to outclass everything there are the contains a point of the contains and the contains a point of the contains and the contains a point of the contains a

Chicago Tribune: "Well, Uncle Reuben, your daughter Keturah has finished her edu-cation at last, has she?"
"Yes, I reckon so. She says ither and nyther. Cost me \$1,500, but I guess it's all right."

Harper's Bazar: Ethel-Isn't it strange Shigetsuna Furuya, a young Japanese newspaper man, who was a regular correspondent in Hawaii during the revolution, io planned her gowns when they talk to her, and that gives her face that interested ex-

Detroit Free Press: "Well, sir," said the chief of police to one of his shrewdest detectives, "has any one succeeded in deciphering that mysterious paper you found on that suspect?" at suspect?"
'Yes, It was a doctor's prescription."

Detroit Free Press: "So that burglar carried off all your sliver?"
"Yes; but what upset us the most was that he drank up all our cream, and we had none for our coffee at breakfast."

Chicago Tribune: "I notice the report," observed Rivers "that 'President Doie of Hawaii stretched his legs under the White House table," the other day. I don't see what he wanted to do that for. His legs what he wanted to do that for. His legs were absurdly long already." Washington Star: "I trust," she said, patronizingly, "that you are a true artist-

nat you confine

"Th-they burn s-smokeless powder, y-you

Detroit Free Fress: "Robinson is worried out his new wife."
"What's the trouble?" 'She has brought her first busband's

pleture down out of the attle and hung it in the parlor." CLIMATE. Rudyard Kinling.

There was a small boy in Quebec, Who go; buried in snow to his neck; When asked, "Are you friz?" He said, "Yes, I is; But we don't call that cold in Quebec."

Browning, King & Co's Monthly, respectition. This last post exempted him from having to retire at the age of 65, which is incumbent on generals who have not held a command-in-chief.

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By giving grand dinners and so forth—
But I can't, for I haven't a cent!

If I had a check for ten dollars
Do you want to know what I would do?
I'd pay my landlady eight shiners,
And get a new sole on my shee.
And then, for the dollar remaining,
I'd follow my natural bent
And go to some play worth the seeing—
But I can't, for I haven't a cent!

If I had five cents in my pocket
Do you want to know what I would do?
I'd go down at once to the "Palace,"
Where Jack sells an excellent brew;
I'd call up a schooner of lager,
And, smiling in fullest content,
I'd blow off the foam and—But, plague it,
I can't, for I haven't a cent!

What's the



Digging for money - when it's made so much easier right here at home? How? We'll tell you. Take a little consideration with plenty of past experience, then add reputation-take the, whole and place carefully in a \$10.00 bill-and the bill carefully in your pocket-and then come here, and get one of those medium weight winter suits-cheviots and cassimeres. You will positively make from \$2.50 to \$3.50 on every suit purchased. Every one our own high standard make and each one warranted to wear, to fit and to be the best value ever producded for \$10.00.

