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Now that the dogs of war are being unchained a good many loud-mouthed patriots will begin to look for shelter.

If all the war taxes on tea, coffee, beer and spirits are imposed as threatened it is just possible congress may drive some of its members to take water.

Although the sentiment of the house of representatives is decidedly in favor of the gold standard it is the silver mace that is recognized as the sign of authority for restoration of order.

The unanimity of the ex-presidents in refusing to do or say anything that would embarrass the president shows that they have not forgotten that a president is in a peculiarly exposed posi-

War preparations must not be allowed tive duty of every American citizen to to interfere with the preparations for the support the government in all demands Transmississippi Exposition. The exposition is a certainty, while it is yet a time there must be no cavil and no within the range of possibility that war complaint. All differences of opinion with Spain may be avoided.

General Coppinger and his regulars may march on Cuba by way of Mobile, but we have the consolation of knowing that the John L. Webster guards and the John L. Webster brass band will stay with us through the entire campaign.

The best way to find a popular loan is through the establishment of a postal savings bank system, through which the savings of the humblest wage worker could be safely turned over to the na-

lonor.

resentatives of foreign nations he over- head of the reform machine he prac-shoots the mark altogether. The Monroe tically defles by governor to begin re-THE INEVITABLE WAR. War, everybody now realizes, is inshoots the mark altogether. The Monroe evitable. Whether congress adopts the doctrine does not contemplate the isolaresolutions that were passed by the tion of the United States from interhouse or those that were passed by the course with European powers, other- among his own party associates. senate, or finally agrees upon a compro- wise there would be no excuse for conmise course, there is but one eventuality tinuing our embassies and consulates in -war. This nation has unalterably European countries. Carried to its logimade up its mind that Spain shall be cal conclusion, Senator Allen's position

driven out of Cuba and that a free and would make of America a Robinson independent government shall be estab- Crusoe Island. lished in that island. The government AS TO RAILROAD TAXATION. and the people are prepared to go to war for this purpose and that being the case GERING, Neb., April 15 .- To the Edito

it is idle and foolish on the part of anyof The Bee: Did the railroads ewear that their roads in Nebrasks are worth \$30,000.00 body to find fault with what is manifor each mile? And if they are, why not festly the practically universal demand. pay taxes on one-fourth of it, as we do? The Bee has been consistently in favor Is it the pope that tell them how much to of the maintenance of peace with honor. pay and which of them? Please answer It has insisted that the United States should engage in war with Spain only ing to hear what you think about it.

MONS NELSON. for reasons that would commend themselves to the judgment and approval of the civilized world. It has held that the property and franchises of railroads this republic, as one of the great family of nations, has certain duties and obligations which it could not wisely or safely disregard. We have been conof private individuals are taxed upon but they should not be expected to subtrolled in our judgment regarding the one-fourth of their actual value, the duty of the government by the imsame ratio should govern in the assess-

pressive precedents of the past that apment of railroad property. ply to existing conditions. We have The difficulty with railroad taxation is endeavored to be true to the traditional policy of the nation and to adhere to erty is made by a state board, consist- authorities with a jolt. those principles which have become ing of the governor, auditor and treasfirmly imbedded in our political system. urer, under a system of dumping all Not for one moment have we ever failed depots, machine shops, rolling stock and to sympathize with the cause of Cuban freedom. We have at all times hoped for the independence of Cuba and have total by the mileage. By this process never failed to deprecate and unqualifielly condemn the policy of Spain in tically counts for little or nothing and that island. Whatever has been true, the railroads escape local taxation alwhatever has been right, whatever has most entirely. The assessment of Nebeen just in connection with the Cuban braska railroads as made by the State cause we have heartily and unquali-Board of Equalization has undoubtedly fiedly commended. Whatever position shown fair valuation for the main lines. we have taken with respect to the duties

but the branches have been grossly unand obligations of the United States in dervalued. regard to Cuba has been dictated solely In the matter of assessing railroad with reference to what we conscientiously believed to be the true policy of

populists have not materialized. The the nation, having due regard always for present state board has simply adopted its interests and its honor. It has been without change the valuation that was our desire that if war must come it should be inaugurated on a basis that would make the United States absolutely reason for this betrayal of their party secure in the judgment of the civilized pledges is not difficult to find. Annual world and compel the approval of manrailroad passes and other valuable gifts kind. It is easy to go to war. Nations, have had their pernicious effect upon like individuals, can make the simplest the popocratic officers charged with

difficulties a cause of hostilities. But in fixing railroad taxation just as they every case there should be a complete have upon the bogus reform state ralljustification for conflict. road commissioners charged with regu-A war between the United States and lating railroad rates. Spain being inevitable, it is the impera-

BLOW AT THE INSANITY PLEA. While more or less earnest protests have been made at irregular intervals that may be made upon him. At such must yield to the demand for national inals, it has remained for the supreme unity, for absolute harmony to sustain

court of Iowa to set a precedent for the dignity and the honor of the nation. such a change in the practice of law The American people must stand toin the courts as amounts to virtual regether as one man to carry out the beversal of the rules hitherto followed. hest of those in authority-of the men whom they have entrusted with the reholds that if at any time during the sponsibility of maintaining the national

raised as to the sanity of the defend-

for an indefinite time. If the trial for

inal charge can be resumed.

operate to release

form with him and the governor has yet to display the courage to rebuke fraud

We fear that the candidate for governor of Pennsylvania of the new Honest Government party, whose platform consists of one short plank stolen bodily from the decalogue without cicdit, will not make even a good showing in the scattering column when the election re-turns are tabulated. This is not because "Thou shalt not steal" is an injunction offensive to them, but they can hardly be pleased with one who assumes to be the sole and only honest man in the state. Pharisalsm is not more popular this through your good paper. We are wait- in politics than in business or society.

The paving contracts let last year on Under the constitution of Nebraska, which work is still unfinished should be completed without further delay. The are subject to assessment and taxation citizens of Omaha are willing tooput up on the same basis as is the property of with all reasonable inconvenience in the individuals. If the lands and chattels hope of securing street improvements, mit to the indefinite blockading of important thoroughfares just because the contractors want to save money by working a short force. The paving contracthat the appraisement of railroad prop- tors should be waked up by the city

The American correspondent of the London Times, who is an American by personal property into one great pot birth and an Englishman by imitation, with the right-of-way and dividing the is attracting unfavorable attention in England by the vicious attacks he is the bulk of the personal property prac- making on the country of his birth, just because he imagines saying mean things about America will please the British.

Governor Holcomb's referee-substitute has had over two weeks to register his findings and conclusions in the police board investigation farce, but up to the hour of going to press he has not turned in his copy. The supply of whitewash property the reforms promised by the at the state capitol must be either running short or altogether exhausted.

The Defenseless Dead.

Washington Post. fixed by the men whom they had al-ways denounced as railroad tools. The his faults, but there should be some way to protect his memory from the men who per-sist in talking about it at public functions.

An Interior Explosion Louisville Courier-Jou

Congress, while insisting that we are to wage war with Spain in the interest of civilization, ought to refrain for the time being from giving such samples of civiliza-tion as it give in the free fight on the floor

> Obliged to Stay at Home. Globe-Democrat

The report that Weyler is to resume com-mand in Cuba is wan takes place is not true. The reason it is not true is that Cuba's principal ports will probably be blockaded against the delay or defeat of justice by within forty-eight hours after the declara-the plea of insanity on behalf of crim- then of war, and some of them are likely to Ce in American hands within forty-eight hours afterward.

A Rebuke to Pieblters.

Bilver Creek Times (sil, rep.) The Nebraska Independent of last week has an editorial, article in defense of those In a recent decision the Iowa court who ride on railroad passes. But it is the holds that if at any time during the defense of a self-confessed criminal. It was progress of a criminal trial a doubt is had accepted and used all the passes he could

HOLCOMB AND THE THIRD TERM.

Columbus Argus (pop.): Governor Holcomb has publicly announced that he would not accept the nomination for governor, in which he relievates his position on a third term nomination. The emiment satisfaction which Governor Holcomb's services as governor during the last four years has given to the people of all the state has led to the fre-quent mention of his name in connection with the gubernatorial candidates in the next state election. In justice to others whose names have been mentioned in the same connection, the governor now makes public and emphasizes his views on third term nominations. Kearney Hub (rep.): Governor Holcomb

Kearney Hub (rep.): Governor Holcom Kearney Hub (rep.): Governor Holcomb has written a letter in regard to the gov-ernorship in which he informe an anxious public that he is not a candidate for re-nomination and re-election. He does not, however, state that he will not accept a nomination for a third term. The governor is "deviliah siy." The third term precedent in Nebraska would be honored in the breach, and not in observance, if Governor Holcomb had the say about the Holcomb succession. As it stands now, after having written his letter, he can keep out of the way if populetter, he can keep out of the way if popu-list sentiment is against this nomination, while all the time baving an anchor cast to windward.

Plattsmouth Journal (dem.): In answer to an inquiry from J. B. Lane of Wisner, Governor Holcomb has written a letter in which he states that he is not a candidate for another nomination for the governorship, eaving that he "does not think it would be either wise or expedient for him to accept such nomination." His reasons for such a belief are not known, but the fact that he officer in command during the present activiies. Admiral Sleard's letter is the final statement of the fact regarding his retirement.

has arrived at such a conclusion will be re-gretted by democrats and populists all over the state. Silas A. Holcomb has made by far the best governor Nebraska ever had, and he will retire from office with the sincere respect and regard of a vast majority of the

people, irrespective of party affiliations. Papillion Times (dem.): At last Governor Holcomb has decided that he will not be a candidate for a third term. We congratulate At Ann Mither, Mitch., a law student, cording to a Detroit paper, approaching the day of his graduation, wrote to a prominent judge asking if Grand Rapids afforded a good the governon upon taking such a step. Not that we have any doubt as to his ability to

OVERCROWDED PROFESSIONS.

A Surplus of Educated Men in Com-

parative Idleness.

Minneapolis Times.

Judge asking if Grand Rapids afforded a good opening for a bright young lawyer. The judge replied by dissuading the young man from going to Grand Rapids, saying: "Some excellent attorneys are not get-ting enough practice to enable them to face a winter without some degree of worry." The condition described by the judge is not confined to any one town in the United States. It is universal. Take Minneapolis secure a renomination and a re-election, for, indeed, we believe he could have had both for the asking, but rather because in declining to stand for a third term he has declining to stand for a third term he had bowed to a very strong popocratic sentiment against third terms, which, however, we firmly believe would have been waived in his case. The field is now free and fair to some excellent men among the silver forces —men who felt in honor bound to keep out of the fight as long as the governor was in it. There will be a splendid lot of availables from which to choose, and the silver forces will have no trouble in the work of keeping a populist in the gubernatorial chair during States. It is universal. Take Minneapolls, for example. The Hennepin county har has over four hundred names, or about one lawyer to every 500 of population. Two lawyers a to the thousand of population are too many, m

it in the gubernatorial chair during a populist in the guo the next two years.

are in the harness are worrying about the support of themselves and families. These conditions will have to be recognized and met in a no distant future. Our schools Lincoln News (rep.): The letter of Gov-ernor Holcomb in which he says that he is not a candidate for a third term does not and colleges are turking out more profes-sional men than there is need of. The con-ditions refer not alone to the legal profession. have the ring of sincerity that character-The medicial and ministerial professions are as badly overstocked as is that of law. Byery church has its score or more of theo-logical sometaries, where students are edu-cated gratis, and in many instances sup-ported and clothed while the ported and clothed while they are being educated, and in a rapidly increasing number

All these institutions are standing advertisements to the youth of the country that there is a more genteel and easy way of earning a livelihood than the way their fathers had to toll. The hard work by which a country is built up is despised by the native American youths. The country bas come to depend on the surplus populations of the old world for the hands that do the will not accept another nomination. The governor is politician enough to know that if he openly sought a third term he would be certain to be turned down, whereas if he places himself in the attitude he has, it may real work of our developing civilization. It would shock American testes beyond not for the reasons advanced by the Corlisses and Lodges of congress, but because we ought to learn to do all our own work-all

up to snuff he is not fully acquainted with the astuteness of the distinguished gentle-

MEN OF THE HOUR.

Admiral Francis M. Bunce, now in charge Admiral Francis M. Bunce, now in charge

dance of timber. While thinned in the im-mediate neighborhood of Dawson, the sem-eral supply will last many years, and it can be rafted along the streams. To the pros-pector this is an important advantage. Cop-per and coal will be among the products of Alaski. Dawson will get through the essen without suffering for food, but it is no place for a man of small means unless he of a jellyfish, but the blow had enough force, • of a jellyfish, but the blow had enough force, nevertheless, to knock the hysterical Ca-madian, British flag and all, clean of his feet and headfirst into the water. A moment witer he rose, half full of brine, sputtering and breathless, to the surface. By the time be had been fished out and hauled aboard all his definite of Bob Evans and the Ameri-can flag had disappeared. Worse yet, he had lost his British colors, and was quite con-tent to listen to what the Yankee commander had to may.

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seas:n without suffering for food, but it is no place for a man of small means unless he is vigorous and can secure work. Mus's are \$3 and a bare wooden bunk is \$2 a night. Bears, bacon and biking powder bread are the staple food. The cold is intense, but dry, and it is possible, with plenty of fuel, to keep comfortable in a strong tent. Good order is maintained and Canadian rule is rather strict. While wages are \$15 a. day, the coat of hving makes them equivalent to about \$2.50 at home. Speaking in a general way, nothing will be best by postponing a trip to Alaska. More facts are needed about it as a gold field to warrant definite conclusions. had to say.
Rear Admirol Sleard has written to the state way.
Rear Admirol Sleard has written to the dry, a to know York Times to correct several errors to the the state appeared recently in regard to his order finnes. At no time did he inform the Navy department that he could command as long as the squadron was in port, but could not command at sea. "I did not order the final board of medical survey on myself," says about do with fixing the length of slok leave in my coss. All these matters were determined by the Navy department, which originated all the orders and took all the action in the case. However, as sool as the order for my rollef from the command was received. I both telegraphed and wrote to the Navy department, eaying that I fell considerably improved in health and wus willing to serve at Key West or eleawhere during the existing transion and for thest purpose would waive any slok leave." Admiral Steard then an nounces that he attaches to blame whatever to the Navy department for removing him, saying that, had he been in the place of the over-he sary to do as he did. There should he no the enter is the finat leans.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The people are not interested in the award for printing postage stamps. The price remains the same, wheever gets the contract.

The proudest boast of Szczepanik, the inventor of the telectroscope, is that he was never a success as a village schoolmaster. He was suspen'ed three times.

While Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, was traveling in England recently, his locked compartment caught fire from an over-heated axle and he had a narrow es-

The count of Turin, who fought the duel some time ago with Prince Genry of Or-leans, will arrive in New York early in May and will make an extended tour of this country.

It is claimed for the late Roland Worthington of The Boston Traveler that he first employed newsboys to sell his papers in the streets of that city, and set up bulletin to display the news.

Augustus St. Gaudens, the famous sculptor, has written to a fried in New York that there is no truth in the rumor that he will not return to America. He intends to visit Greece before he comes back to this country.

A son of the confederate general, J. B. Hood, who was one of the most reckless fighters of the confederacy, has been com-missioned by the governor of Lousinana to raise a regiment for service against Spain in case of war.

New York's Rainy Day society has delivered its ultimatum about woman's wear. Its president officially says: "A woman is a bifurcated animal and I caunot for to the thousand of population are too many, my life see why woman's legs should be in and there is little wonder that those who one bag and man's in two."

Prof. Benjamin Howard is the only American who has thus far been able to reach the Siberian island of Saghalien, where the worst Russian criminals are sent. He asseria that the commonly accepted takes of the horrors of this prison are exaggerations.

C. O. Emry of Stanford, Me., has a bed in his house on which Louis Philippe slept when he stopped at Colonel Emry's house on his way from Boston to Portland. The bed is high-prated and ornamented with damask curtains in the style of that day.

BRIGHT AND BREEZY.

Detroit Free Press: "Wife as active as ever, Rube?" "Yep. She can jump at a conclusion gulck's she could forty years ago."

Chicago Post: "They represent eternity,"

he said as the couple passed, "How do you mean?" she asked. "He is a man with a future and the is a woman with a past," he replied.

Indianapo'is Journal: "Boyish wit," said the casual talker, "Is rarely endowed with measure if anybody were to suggest that a point." "It is evident," said the man with the gray beard, "that you never taught a coun-

Chicago Tribune: "This is the first time

of it. There must be an end somewhere to our policy of giving free professional education to our own youth and then depending on foreign populations for manual tollers. The desks with flowers?" "I think the idea is to put the alderman in better cdor with the people."

difficulty is that our native-born people of the United States are rapidly coming to be-lieve that they are above manual labor. It is this thought which that helped and is beloing to throw the industrial machinery of the people out of adjustment. It is this feeling that is giving life to all the wild feeling of control of the seventh daughter of a seventh daughter," she hoarsely whispered. "Poor thing!" exclutined Edith, much moved. "What stacks of old hats she and her mother must have had to fix over and wear! No wonder her head is affected! Ah, "et al. "So wonder her head is affected! Ah,

man.

ized the governor's utterances before he be-came surrounded on all sides at the state house by politicians and flatterers. The News may say, at the outset, that it has no prejudice against the governor running again and it rather inclines to the belief that he is the strongest man the fusionists could name. The letter of the governor, which is

of state universities they are going up to be educated at the public expense. reproduced elsewhere, is, however, a very clever piece of sentence-making. Ostensibly written for the purpose of giving to th world, or rather that portion of it that is interested in Nebraska offairs, that he does not desire the office again, it very cleverly avoids stating anything of the kind. He says that he is not a candidate, that he does not seek another nomination, nor will he ask for a third term, but nowhere does he say he

came to him because of the jealouries of other applicants, all of whom are indebted to him for political favors. If any one imagines the Hon. Silas A. Holcomb is not

ould be safely turned over to the national treasury at a fair interest rate.

If the unexpended money voted by the legislature and the people of Douglas county to aid the Transmississippi Exposition were placed at the disposal of the exposition management there would be no need of bonding the gate receipts.

The city of Washington is an interesting place just now, but that is no reason why meddlesome outsiders, espe-cially politicians who have an "ex" be-and will give its best influence to the fore their titles, should rush in and make themselves conspicuous in a Cuban lobby.

The massing of the whole regular army along the Alabama and Florida coast may after all be the most effective way of forestalling war with Spain by that Uncle Sam means business in case Cuba is not evacuated.

Now that the United States government has made a good beginning with is fixed by charter, just the same as that guilty. the study of everything in the soil and of all other city officers, is not a city cuunder the surface of the earth the kite ploye, will apply also to exemption from investigation of the upper currents of all other restraints upon bribery and air may be appropriate. The field for blackmail. The charter prohibits all city investigation is large and interesting.

No little thing like failure to pass the physical examination ought to stand in the way of appointment to the police force by the reform police board trinity so long as the applicant has the endorsement of the reliable man or the man of inflooence or other members of the gang.

With the reduction to the ranks of detectives for raiding police-protected gas, free water, free telephones, and gambling houses without special orders there is nothing to hinder him from acbefore them as an example, members of cepting gifts from contractors who obthe police force may be depended on to observe the rule against seeing anything they are expected by their superiors not policemen to pay car fare out of their to see.

It took the legislature of Massachusetts just twenty-five minutes to act benefited by having policemen occaupon the suggestion of the governor and sionally on board their cars or that the pass a law through all its stages making city is entitled to free transportation for an appropriation to render the militia firemen and policemen in consideration available for war purposes in the event of special protection, why should not the of their services being needed by the police board arrange by contract for national government. There is plainly tickets at nominal prices to be used by nothing slow about Massachusetts.

Omaha is out of range of Spanish guns, ing gift-taking by city officials and embut that does not mean that it will not be ployes was to stop the pernicious system affected by war. The emptying of Fort of wholesale petty bribe distribution Crook, even temporarily, is a blow from which had proved so demoralizing and which local business must suffer. The operated as the wedge for boodling on a idea that any country can increase pros | larger scale. For this reason, if for none

idea that any country can increase prosperity by resorting to destructive war is a delusion and a snare intended only for the swallowing of credulous people. It is all very well for William Jennings Bryan to preach to the free colnare to the free members of the National Guard of Ne-braska and of other states in a state of intolerable suspense. Most of the mil-itiamen are employed in workshop or itiamen are employed in workshop or itiamen are employed in workshop or itiamen and the uncertainty by which no right to entertain a sespectful apthey are confronted creates a feeling no right to entertain a respectful ap-of unrest not conducive to efficient work. peal for peace from the diplomatic rep-tation would be swift and sure. But as

Cuba without war, always sympathizing with the efforts of the Cubans to secure independence. We have condemned as strongly as anybody the cruel policy of Spain in Cuba. Our hope of the maintenance of peace, with justice to the Cuban people, has not been realized. Our government, moved by the inhumanity of Spain in its treatment of the people of Cuba, has decided to take action to put an end to that state of things. In that veidlet The Bee concurs

support of the government.

WHERE WILL IT STOP A decision has just been rendered by

practices. According to well-versed the district court that members of the police and fire departments are not city officers subject to the restrictions and limitations of the city charter. The obbringing that nation to a full realization ject of this decision is to enable policemen to exact free passes from the street railroad company

Unfortunately, this doctrine that a police officer whose appointment and pay tem proves a good remedy, we may expect it eventually to be adopted genofficers and employes from accepting erally by other states. any gift or privilege of value from any

franchised corporation or contractor. The cordial relations hitherto existing Policemen, under the charter, are rebetween the states of California and Nequired to report the condition of gas and vada seem to have been rudely broken electric lamps, defective sidewalks and off and diplomatic intercourse between other matters of importance in which Sacramento and Carson abandoned, owcorporations and contractors are intering to a disagreement over grazing lands. ested. If a policeman can accept free The California ranges are suffering from street car passes with impunity he has a prolonged drouth and although the the right to demand and accept free grazing is good in Nevada the state

authorities refuse to permit the Califorstruct the streets. quence thousands of cattle from Call-Grant that it is a hardship to compel

fornia are being shipped to Utah, Wyoming and other states where grazing own pockets while on duty, why should they not pay fare when off duty? Grant even that the street railway company is

policemen and firemen in active service? The primary object of the law prohibit-

he prisoner. On the doing. doing, or, what is more inexcusable, to fend wrongdoing in others. contrary, he will be sent to the ward for criminal insane at the penitentiary

Shadows of Coming Taxes. The carly intriduction in the house ways

insanity results in a verdict that the and means committee of a proposition to raise an additional \$100,000,000 a year by taxation for war purposes is a particularly grim chadow which coming trouble casts before it. It reminds us that if we must defendant is sane the trial on the orig-While such a trial for insanity sep arate from the other trial will not ba have war, we must pay for it, and it is a very costly proceeding. It will strike at all that defense from the indictment, is will certainly make it more difficult to classes, too. Taxing beer, tobacco, coffee, tea and bank accounts-all of which are insecure an acquittal on that theory. The cluded in the schedule-will make a very large proportion of all the people in the ountry join in paying the day, and its hurdens will be felt by all. But this is only the lighter part of the taxation of war. whole purpose of the court in taking this view of the insanity plea is to make sure that justice be done without violence to the ordinary court rules and

Increased Product of Beet Sugar.

criminal lawyers the new decision will criminal lawyers the new decision will practically eliminate the insanity plea from criminal practice, since that plea will subject the indicted person to a trial for insanity which might result in incarceration in the insane ward of the penitentiary practically for life. In has grown from nothing in ten years. It has prebled in five years of great depression, 1892

a word, it will make that plea almost as dangerous for the criminals as pleading guilty. The plea of insanity as an excuse for crime has been badly abused and is in disrepute everywhere. If the Iowa sysmeasured by nations.

> What War Means for Spain. Bartford Leader.

Bartford Leader. Probably few Americans are able to re-alize what a war with America will doubt-less mean to Spain. It means not simply the tess of Cuba and perhaps Porto Rico also. It means not abne overwhelming na-val defcat and bankruptcy of the national treasury. It probably means the downfall of the Bank of Spain, the one great finan-cial institution of the country, and with its fall the collapse of other hanks and sorres of corporations—a general panic, stoppage of industries, ruin for mony thousands of wake of all this un uprising of popular pas-sion and disorder, perhaps revolution itself, and a sweeping away of the dynasty, as Nania cattle owners to herd their animals and a sweeping away of the dynasty, as Na poleon III loss his throne after Sedan.

STANDARD MUST BE RAISED.

Demand for New Candidates on the

ming and other states where grazing can be had. So far as anown Califor-nia has the only drouth on record for 1808. A duly appointed commission has de-cided that the best way to celebrate the centennial of statehood in Ohio in 1903 will be by the erection of an appropri-ate memorial and library building at the state capital containing eighty-eight historical records and relics of the state. This would indeed be a sensible method of celebrating the centennial of state-hood-but it seems strange that a state nearly a hundred years old has not al-ready some such building as that pro-

President Tekamah Repu

much these stirring times, yet his duties theories of social reorganization and nowe on shore are no less important than a sea command. He is rounding out the fortyto the socialism and anarchy that are sweep-Chicago Record: "Then it didn't break your heart when Miss Skrimshaw refused ing over the land of highest freedom in the world. seventh year of service in the navy, during which he made an enviable record in war

and peace. Admiral Bunce is a sailor of the old SITUATION ON THE YUKON.

Admiral Bunce is a sallor of the old school. During his long career in the navy he has visited many foreign countries and seen much active service. He was born in Connecticut December 25, 1836. His early life was spent in that section of the country, where he received such education as the schools afforded. He entered the navy in 1851 and was appointed an acting midship-man in May 1852. He was sent to the Navel Subaldence of Extravagant Prediction About Klondike Wealth. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Extravagant predictions as to the am of gold that will come this spring from the Klondike region have subsided into an esti-mate of about \$10,000,000, and this may be man in May, 1852. He was sent to the Naval academy, from which he was graduated as a midshipman five years later, and was at-tached to the gunboat Germantown, in the difficult than was supposed, and hundreds' gave up in despair, sold their outfits and returned home. The tide of pilgrims to Alaska has greatly declined. In another month the ice will run out of the Yukon and the trip to Dawson may then be made by steamer. On the whole the rush thus far has entailed more toil and hardship than the results in sight justify. It will require a yield of \$10,000,000 this zeason to cover the cost of getting it to say nothing East India squadron, until 1860, when he was promoted a passed midshipman. During the same year he was assigned to the Brooklyn, in the Gulf squadron, which vessel was en-gaged in the Chinqui survey.

It was not until early in 1861 that Admiral Bunce, then a lieutenant, saw any active service. From that time until the close of the war he was in many of the more imporant engagements and was mentioned in sp cial orders and received the thanks of the Navy department for brave and heroic serviccs rendered.

argonauta, some of whom fell by disease in the cheerlens Arctic wastes. Nearly all reports agree that gold is widely distributed in Alaska, but is ex-ceptionally hard to got at, and also uncer-tain in quantity and location. One miner writes that he has \$13,000 in dust and spent He was appointed executive officer of the Penobscot in 1862 and in that vessel took part in engaging the confederate batteries at part in engaging the confederate batteries at Yorktown, Va. For a time Admiral Bunce did duty with the array and had charge of the disembarkation of the heavy artillery and mortars for use in the batteries in the investment of the place by General McClel-lan. Ha was an active participant in various expeditions along the southern coast, served in the attack on Morris island and Fort Wagner and received his first severe wound on board the monitor Patapaco during the night attack on Fort Sumtar. writes that he has \$13,000 in dust and spent \$18,000 to take it out. Everywhere the ground must be melted and shoveled away. When bed-rock is reached no gold may be found and the hole abandoned, unless going deeper is considered advisible. If gold is struck, drifting the pay streak begins. A stratum of gravel chove must be propped up. stratum of gravel chove must be propped up. Expensive caveins are common. One opera-tor lost his pay struck from this cause and spent \$50,000 to find it again. No gold can be secured without hard work, though the metal is often discovered unexpectedly. A considenable quantity is taken out of pock-ets caused by a dip in the formation. But everywhere it is a battle with perpetual ice, made worse in summer by the foot of melted clay, muse and slush through which the prospector wades, carrying on his back

the prospector wades, carrying on his back the fifty pounds to which the condition of the surface of the country limits him.

night attack on Fort Sumter. Barly in 1864 he was appointed on the staff of Admiral Dahlgren and was in charge of the scouting and picket boats of the staff of Admiral Dahlgren and was in charge of the scouting and picket boats of the squadron before Charleston. He served in the South Atlantic blockading squadron on several of the monitors until he was ordered north in Beptember, 1864, to take command of the monitor Monadnock. He took that vessel from Philadelphia to Ean Francisco. This was the first extended sea voyage ever made by a monitor. He received the thanks of the Navy department for this service and was recommended for reward to the president by the secretary of the may. At the dots of the Boston navy yard, and remained there until 1965. He was commissioned commander in 1871 and a captain in 1883. Between these years he served on many important commissions and commanded several of the larger naval stations and receiving ships. He was placed in commanded the North Atlantic squadron when that fleet maneuvered of Charleston, S. C. in 1896. He remained in command more than a year, when he was detached and ordered to take charge of the navy and at New York, where he is at present on duty. Admiral Bunce will be retired on December 25, 1898, when he will reach the age limit.

limit. Another characteristic story is told of "Fighting Bob" Evans, now commander of the lowa. Early in 1892 he rounded up a particularly elusive Canadian peacher in Bering sea. Boarding the sloop Evans found the skipper wrapped with the British flag and flory red whiskers. The spectacle startled Evans and he concluded he had run against a human pillar of fire. In addition to the iuminous color scheme the skipper opened his buttery and let go a volley of profanity that took Bob aimost of his feet. Now, Bob has a pretty extensive acquaint-unce with burning words, but the variety and picturesqueness of the skipper's pro-fanity convinced Evans that he was a movice by comparison. To give additional emphasis to his denunciations the skipper gave an imitation of an Indian war dance. The man decided to muzzle him. Suddenly stooping the steled with both hands a huge blubber fish that isy on the dock and shuped the Ganadian with it fair in the face. The thing was of about the ounsistence and pastness

"No; I got a raise in my salary the same day. Judge: Proud Father-My daughter strikes B and is reaching for C. Friend-Oh, but you can't real'y complain until she begins to strike you for V's and reach for X's.

Chicago News: "Our landlady encourages us to talk war at the table." "What is her object?" "It makes us more vigorous in our attacks on the beetsteak."

Washington Star: "Dear mil" exclaimed the girl with pensive, brown eyes and ink on her fingers, "I wish I had entered school a year sooner." "What is the matter, dear?" "Things are in such an unsettled state that I scarcely know what advice to give my country in my graduation essay."

Detroit Journal: "Mamma, the Smythe-ses are claiming that they too are da-scened from kings and are just as good as

than the results in man, 000 this season to require a yield of \$10,000,000 this season to cover the cost of getting it, to say nothing of the tremendous physical struggle of the argonauts, some of whom fell by disease in the cheerices Arctic wastes. The insufferable upstarts! Why, they have to go back thirty-seven centuries to ind a king in their lineage, while we have to go back but a scant thirty-five! The very idea!"

When the sleeping twigs awake In the warmth of vernal air. And their budding puises break Through the sheathing bark so bare,

By that silent power moved That all nature feels anew, Through all ages faithful proved, By returning sweet and true.

Breathe we then the air of birth, And ourselves are budding, too; From the bosom of the earth Spring her beauties bright and new.

Teeming life on every hand Bubbling, gleaming, sparkling, fair, Spreading verdure o'er the land, Yields a sweetness to the air.

Birds rejoicing, brooks set free, Give us music sweet and clear; Sap flows warm in bush and tree; 'Tis the morning of the year. B. F. COCHRAN.

"Time, young man, has taught us both a lesson."-Themistocles.

One point favorably settled is the abun-

It has taught you, young man, the wisdom of dressing as well as you can afford to dress, and it has taught us how to help you to do so at the least expense.

It has taught you the foolishness of shoddy and of a false "cheapness" and it has taught us that nothing is too good for the young man of to-day.

Let us unite issues on this basis of what time has taught us both, and let us give you the benefit of what we have learned about fine clothing in the past thirty years. It will save you money and will insure your being as well dressed as is possible.



teyond the mark. The yield will be a dis-appointment. Colorado alone produces twice as much gold in one year. Travel over the winter truths to Dawson City has been more difficult than was supposed, and hundreds