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Loud noise does not constitute th sole proof of patriotism.

A limited postal savings bank system offers the only avenue to place a real popular loan.

The United States' trade with Spain has been shrinking steadily for fifteen years. If stricken off the list entirely for the time it will hardly be missed.

Sagasta won the plaudits of the Dons by his promptness in cutting off diplomatic relations, but McKinley beat him penses. badly in getting ready to assume hostile

have gathered in fourteen Spanish ves-1 Bryan will get in the game.

If the practice period of the volunteers at Fort Crook lasts four weeks they can participate in the exposition's travagant estimate, opening day exercises and share in the enthusiasm of the demonstration.

taken advantage of the police board assurance that it will keep open a position for any member of the police department who enlists to fight for Cuba's freedom.

The Missouri mule may be patriotic, but that is not the right word to apply to the mule dealers who attempt to corner the mule market for the purpose of pinching the government in a time of necessity.

History tells us that the king of France and 10,000 men marched up the hill and then marched down again. Nebraska has been called on to furnish only 2,100 men for the volunteer army, otherwise Governor Holcomb would doubtless repeat the French perform-

That Board of Education committee that was to have investigated the question of intercepted revenue must have fallen asleep. Because the board underestimated its income is no reason it should not insist on covering into its treasury every dollar that properly belongs to it.

In Oregon, the only state in the union so unfortunate as to have a political campaign on hand, that conglomeration of malcontents fighting for the offices under the banner of so-called fusion is still parading as the "reform forces," while all the real reformers are going about their business.

The soldier boys will return to Omaha but not before they have helped Governor Holcomb get away with the supplies he bought by telephone and without competition. After this little job is covered up, the governor may be expected to withdraw his objections to the removal of the camp.

The pickpockets and thieves who are making Omaha their rendezvous appear to be in blissful ignorance of the increase in the police force. An organization of all the people who have been robbed in this city under the noses of the police during the past few months would show up a small-sized army in

One of the typewriter companies is ad-American typewriters are good, but doesn't it also give the Spaniards a chance to retort that not all of the type- private property on the sea ought to be writer war victories were won by Weyler and Blanco?

There is loud complaint in Antwerp over the suspension of shipments of cut dlamonds to the United States. The people of the United States are said to be the best judges of diamonds in the world and they are good buyers, but just now they are putting their money into other things, consequently the diamond cutters of Antwerp are out of work.

The Canadian Postal department is also a deficit making department, but gives direct encouragement to attacks the deficits are growing less. The last upon defenseless merchant vesse's in ordeficit was \$586,539, as against \$781,152 | der to obtain prize money. in the previous year. The number of letters passing through the Canadian postpostal cards 26,140,000. The Klond'ke trade and thus depriving him of the reexcitement will increase the business sources of war is one of the least objective committee, none of whom can transportation of the first regiments of this year substantially.

ance in the treasury for this purpose. ships. The object of war being to inflict large sum demanded by immediate taxa- with the least possible loss to ourselves, nation. Fourth, that aggressive war be- legitimate and justifiable practice. ing impossible without immediately

fund is required. indefensible.

\$300,000,000 If it lasts more than a year liberal estimate of what it will cost up to January 1, 1899, including the \$50,-000,000 already appropriated for navy and army equipment, is \$130,000,000, as follows:

Estimating the addition to the army at 160,000 men, their monthly pay roll at it is significant that this took place si-\$25 per man would be \$4,000,000. Estimating their subsistence at 33 cents per day per man, or \$10 a month, makes the islands belong. The terms of the neu-\$1,000,000 per month. Adding \$400,000 trality proclaimed by Portugal appear a month for subsistence of horses and incidentals makes a total of \$6,000,000 a month for pay and subsistence of the

Estimating the addition to the navy at \$650,000 per month makes the total \$1,000,000 for the increase of naval ex- time until our naval authorities obtain

Competing the cost of ammunition and Thus far the Spanish have captured month, making a grand total of \$10,000,one American ship and the Americans | 000 per month, or \$80,000,000 for the cost | fleet, was true, it is unlikely that either of war up to January 1, 1809. Including portion of the flotilla is going to Cuba sels. As soon as the ratio reaches 16 to therewith the preliminary outlay of have only \$130,000,000 needed in addition to carry us to the end of the year. And this is in every respect a most ex-

gold reserve and with at least \$50,000,000. It is noticeable that no one has yet in sight as receipts of the internal rev- there would be in no danger from any enue war tax before the end of the cal- fleet Spain could send against them. endar year, would not a national bond issue of \$500,000,000, \$300,000,000, or any first movement on the part of Spain in other sum be a monstrous imposition upon the wealth producers of the coun-

The suggestion that the interest bur den on \$300,000,000 of bonds would be ing the policy of the nation since its over the financial strain by an issue of treasury certificates covering a temporary deficit in anticipation of the revenues from the new war taxes?

Assume, however, that the war may be prolonged several years, what excuse is there for the present congress to create a new bonded debt at this time, when it is absolutely certain to reconvene in regular session in December? Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. If the war with Spain shall develop into an inmillions, it will be time enough to mortgage the nation when the necessity arises. Even then a bond issue would be a doubtful expedient when by the all the money it may require from the draining the treasury of its gold.

MERCHANT SHIPS OF THE ENEMY. The captures of Spanish merchant ships by American war vessels are popularly regarded as notable achievements. As a matter of fact they are not entitled to such distinction, since the captures of the captors, except in very rare cases. It is, however, a part of the business of war-though not universally regarded as a proper or desirable part—and as such with popular commendation and excites more or less public enthusiasm.

The question has been vacsed whether this country ought to carry on this sort of warfare and a Massachusetts representative has introduced in congress a vertising the fact that a typewriter in resolution declaring that the merchant first-class condition was fished up out of ships of the enemy shall be exempt from the wreck of the Maine. That shows that capture as prizes unless they carry contraband of war or try to violate a blockade. Those who advocate this urge that respected the same as private property on land is by civilized combatants, who eral superintendent should no longer repay for it when appropriated. It is also urged that such exemption by the United for one of the six managers. States as proposed would be in accord with the position taken by this government more than a hundred years ago portant question on which hinges to a that all private property at sea in time of war, except contraband, should be exempt from capture. It is further said sponsible. With the known divergence that nearly all modern writers on international law favor the exemption, partly on humanitarian grounds and in part for the reason that the practice of seizures

On the other hand, the practice is defended on the ground that the weakenoffices last year was 123,830,000 and of ing of an enemy by cutting off his ocean

terms. In the war with Spain the more Mr. Henry W. Yates, Omaha's well this country can do to weaken the reknown banker, disagrees with The Bee sources of that nation the sooner the in its opposition to a national bond issue end of the conflict will be reached and under pretense of war emergency. Mr. the capture of her merchant ships is one Yates asserts: First, that the total sum means of accomplishing this. If these which may be required for the Spanish ships were exempted from capture and war will reach \$300,000,000 in addition permitted to go on their way to Spanish to what has already been expended, ports they might be converted into war Second, that there is no available bal- vessels and their guns turned upon our Third, that any scheme to obtain the all the damage possible on the enemy suicidal by wrecking the credit of the enemy's flag is held to be an entirely

As between these views we are inavailable funds, a bond issue becomes clined to think that the popular judgabsolutely necessary. Fifth, that the in- ment will favor the latter. It is probpresident may exercise his authority and paying citizen who has no interest in the chant ships. But it is extremely doubtperpetuation of a bonded debt it appears ful whether the merchant slaps of Spain | made thirty years ago. will be exempted from capture, at any The assumption that the war with rate so long as Spain adheres to her patible with a state of war, for the vesimportant part of his resources.

> SAILING OF THE FLOTILLA. At last the Spanish flotilla has sailed

multaneously with the declaration of learning stage. neutrality by Portugal, to which country to be fair, but it is evident that the declaration was delayed to suit the convenience of the Spanish admiral,

According to the dispatches the flotilla is divided, one portion sailing in an east-10,000, sailors and officers, the naval ern and the other in a northern direction. pay roll at \$25 per month per man. It also appears that some of the torpedo would aggregate \$250,000 per month, boats will not be sent across the ocean, Adding cost of subsistence at \$10 per weakening the flotilla to that extent. As month brings It up to \$350,000. Adding to the destinations of this force all is for fuel and other naval incidentals necessarily surmise, but now that it is on the move it cannot be but a short information of the course it is taking and what its probable designs are. If transportation on land and sea at the statement made a few days ago, that \$100,000 a day, we add \$3,000,000 a General Blanco had notified the Spanish government that he did not need the or to Porto Rico. Is it possible that it \$50,000,000 for war equipment and we has designs on any of our Atlantic seaports? That has been suggested. If that should turn out to be the case those ports are well prepared for defense and t would go hard with any Spanish fleet With \$50,000,000 of gold lying idle in that should attack them. This is esthe treasury in excess of the \$100,000,000 pecially true of New York, which according to those familiar with the defenses The sailing of the flotilla is really the

the war and it will have the effect to intensify interest.

WANTED-A GENERAL MANAGER. More than nine months ago The Bee trivial, as there would be no need of urged upon the exposition directory the mperative necessity of placing the gen-shown to American ships. ing more nor less than a proposition to eral supervision of the exposition into navy will find better work to do than to capcreate a permanent bonded debt, revers- the hands of a man vested with the functions of a director general or genbirth. Would not this be more unwise eral manager. No international exposiand more nearly suicidal than bridging tion has ever yet been held without such an officer at its head and if the experience of other expositions counts for anything, its success depends in a great measure upon the concentration of authority in one officer charged with the active duties and responsibilities of general control.

> This was also the consensus of opinon of the exposition directory, the only difference being as to the proper time when this action should be taken.

When the subject was before the board terminable conflict costing hundreds of in the early part of November it was referred to a special committee. That committee made its report to the full board on November 13, setting forth that in its judgment it was premature establishment of a limited postal savings to appoint a director general or genbank system the government can borrow | eral manager, but for the time being the committee recommended the employcommon people instead of building up ment of a general superintendent of all bond syndicates and bank combines that departments by the executive commitmay at will create money panies by tee. Inasmuch as most of his time prior to the opening of the exposition would be devoted to the supervision of construction work, the selection, subject to confirmation by the whole executive committee, was conceded to the manager of the department of grounds and buildings.

For reasons never explained this resoare made without any risk on the part lution was allowed to remain a dead letter for three months, until the middle of February, when A. C. Foster was named as general superintendent. The selection of Mr. Foster has met with activity in prosecuting it naturally meets universal approval and no fault has been found thus far with his performance of the duties devolving upon him. It is a matter of notoriety, however that there has been a studious effort to prevent Mr. Foster from being anything more than a minor employe, not in full charge of even one department.

Now that we are within one month of the opening of the exposition and when co-ordination of all the business of the exposition is absolutely required to maintain discipline and harmonious co-operation of all departments, the gen-

main a mere figurehead or errand boy The time has come for the board of directors to take action on this all-imgreat extent the success or failure of the enterprise for which they are reject to supervision and direction by the tionable methods of bringing him to possibly exercise the functions of a gen-regular army.

eral manager and none of whom will be lowered in rank or deprived of any credit or ho by by the creation of a general manage clothed with full ex-ecutive power in all matters that require personal decision and direction.

The suggestion that while the Louis!ana convention is making a new constitution for the state the parishes be changed to counties to conform to the nomenclature in use in every other state has not been warmly received in the tion would be unwise and might prove the seizure of merchant ships carrying the state. It is suggested that the county is far from being republican, suggesting a territory presided over by a count, and that the English shire would really be more appropriate. But the parishes of Louislana are reminders of the fact that terest on \$300,000,000 would not reach able that some of the captures which the state was organized and divided a sum demanding any greatly increased have been made will not be systemed along church lines, and it would be more taxation, as no provision for a sinking by an admiralty or prize court. The proper to change the names of these divisions, which are mostly names given From the bondholder's standpoint the release some of the vessels taken before by the church authorities, than to change position of Mr. Yates may commend his proclamation defining the attitude of from counties to parishes. South Caroitself. From the standpoint of the tax- the government toward Spanish mer- lina was formerly divided into parishes instead of counties, but the change was

The Washington correspondent of the Spain may cost \$300,000,000 is mere purpose to seize American merchant Madrid Imparcial, as consolation for its guesswork. The cost of the war will de- ships. It is well for the United States Spanish readers, tells them that the pend upon its duration. It may cost to show all possible consideration, com- states counted on to furnish the men and it may cost \$500,000,000 should it sels of neutrals, but there is no good by threatened Indian uprisings and that extend over two or three years. A very reason for showing any for the vessels in the states of Ohio, Illinois and Iowa of the enemy, which are a part and an the citizens have already been called away from the Cape Verde islands and feeding the American populace it is only

> Governor Holcomb's persistence in gathering the militiamen into Lincoln when they had been ordered to be mustered in at Omaha is a very nice thing for the railroads. The railroads would be pleased to keep hauling the soldiers back and forth all over the state so long as the people pay the freight. But then the populists will get even by incorporating another harmless resolution denouncing the railroads in their next

The value of bicycles and parts of bicycles exported from the United States during the month of February last was \$754.476, an increase of \$188,733 over the corresponding month of a year ago. American bicycles go to every part of the world, the exports of greatest value being to Great Britain and Germany, though the trade with Great Britain is on the decline, while that with Germany and France is steadily increasing.

Bryan's Touching Scruples.

Mr. Bryan says he fears that if he enlists as a private soldier his motives will be as a private solder his motives will be misconstrued. Oh, come Mr. Bryan! The public will give but little heed to the persons who plas unfavorable constructions on the action the man who goes to the defense of his bouttry. Don't allow this notion to keep for away from the recruiting station.

The Spanish vessels already captured as prises of war will be turned over to prize courts, but they ought to be released in ture unarmed oyster smacks and lumber

No Politicians in Command.

This question of military fitness should be question considered in the appointequally in the choice of officers above the colonel, the commissioning of whom s in the hands of the president. The teer army to be now put into the field is a good army, but its efficiency may be greatly weakened by the appointment of inefficient The United States had experience in this line in the early '60's. The men who receive commissions in the army now about to go to the front should be military men,

Generosity of Employers.

The great spread of the movement to encourage enlistments by continuing the sala-ries of employes who join the army is as unexpected as it is gratifying. During the lest week many large employers of labor have made arrangements either to pay their employes wages during their absence, or to retain their places for them until they return. This is the most practical kind of encouragement for their epmloyes and for the country. It shows that these men have that true love of country which does not hes itate to make sacrifices for its sake.

Experienced Men for Counsel,

The recall of a number of retired naval officers to active service is very appropriate in this crisis. The American navy has al-ways been in good hands, untainted by political influences, which may go far to account for its uniform success. The president has assigned Rear Admiral Erben (retired to the active command of the naval defense system of the coast line, including the naval militia and the mosquito fleet. In naval strategy, also, the government should be well supplied now that Captain Mahan, the cele-brated author of books on sea power and a world-wide authority, has been ordered to join the naval strategy board at Washington.

THE RAILROAD SQUEEZE.

Pinching the Government in the Chicago Tribune. In determining to charge 2 cents a

tita for the transportation of all state and referal troops the railways have made an unpatriotic and unwise move. Their act looks like an attempt to hold up the public in an emergency. The rate is double that which these same reads have usually bee tions of a private character. made a rate of I cent a mile to the Omahs exposition. For several years they have given a 1-cent rate to the annual Grand Army encampments and other large or grazations. The regular troops thus far carried south have been taken at a rate of less than 1 cent a mile, because the roads were compelled to offer their lowest profitable figures through competitive bids. That they should now turn around and charge 2 cents a mile for the much larger bodies of militia is inconsistent, unpatriotic and extremely gravise. The bills for the transportation of these regiments must be paid by the people of the several states, and the arbitrary ling of the sums justly payable for that service will be universally regarded as an of opinion in the executive committee on act of extortion. The fact that the rate is the necessity of concentrated authority the same as that charged during the civil the necessity of concentrated authority in the operation of the exposition, the stockholders and the people generally have a right to expect and demand that the directors discharge their duty without further delay by placing some one at the inevitable result will be an adverse pupular feeling against the railroads which capture feeling against the railroads. in general control of the exposition subexecutive committee. Such action will not be a reflection on any member of the

NO BONDS ARE NEEDED.

Increase of Vational Debt Unnecessary to Pay War Expenses.

should be met by taxing the people instead of by borrowing money on the credit of the government. That policy is commended to us both by justice and by expediency. It is a policy of wisdom and of safety.

The Times urges congress and the admin-istration to ask the American people to pay as they go in this war. The internal revenue taxes laid in Mr. Dingley's bill will yield nearly a hundred millions, withou touching tea and coffee or providing for any increase in the tax on alcoholic liquors. Add these imposts and still others not in-cluded in the present bill sufficient to bring up to \$150,000,000 or \$200,000,000, and retain the section authorizing the secretary of the treasury to issue 3 per cent treasury certifi-

Madrid Imparcial, as consolation for its Spanish renders, tells them that the states counted on to furnish the men for the war find themselves handicapped by threatened Indian uprisings and that in the states of Ohio, Illinois and Iowa in the citizens have already been called on to protect their western frontiers from the raids of red men. If this is not quite up to the yellowest of fakes with which our yellow papers have been if feedling the American populace it is only because Spanish journalism is yet in the feeding stage.

Once be paid out again, so that no contraction to the tout as might happen if two hundred millions or more were sudenly drawn from the reserves of the country from the reserves of the country if the holding in the states of Ohio, Illinois and Iowa in the citizens have already been called on the citizens have already been called on the citizens have already been called of the drawn from the residue of the treasure, It would be of immense benefit to the country if the holding in the states of Ohio, Illinois and Iowa in the citizens have already been called of the drawn from the restrict of the throne, the country in the through and in the restored to the throne, the country in the through and provocation and who have few trade, bustingle Carlist prince is alive, the harly of the Basque provinces and Nevarre will support his claims, and the mineral peace. So long as a great part of the throne, the country in the through and the through and provocation and who have few trade, bustingle Carlist prince is alive, the harly on the harly of the basque provinces and Nevarre will support his claims, and the restored to the throne, the country in the though and in the second of the Basque provinces and Nevarre will support his claims, and the treasury of the Basque provinces and Nevarre will support his claims, and the provinces and call the provinces and shear the noisy some interpal peace. So long as a great part of the throne, the country in the holding and long as a great part of the throne, the only a very small war on hand, which is a time during the last sixty-five years. into the depths of apprehension and business depression merely because we have a difference with a week and shabby old remnant of a country and shabby old remnant of a country lished some elaborate statistics of compartheir physical condition reaches everywhere one-fifth our size. English capital does not ative expenditure on their fleets by the lead- and is confined to no class, pampered set, get chicken-hearted even when England has three wars on hand at a time, each one more troublesome than ours. If we pay for this war while we are making it we shall prove to the world and to ourselves that it is not

a very big war. Attempt to pass a bond bill through the senate, and we not only raise all the perilous broad of silver and populist questions, in-cluding the "coining of the seigniorage," but we open so wide the flood gates of senatorial pratory that the last reconcentrado would die and most of our war ships might have to be sent to the dry dock before the bill could be zent to the president people will not complain of taxes to

provide money to put an end to the hell the Maine. They are ready to put Spair out of Cuba without increasing the national

Let us pay as we go. MEN OF THE HOUR.

Captain Bowman H. McCalla, commander of the cruiser Marblehead, vows that his

ship will go to the bottom raifier than become a Spanish prize. He is eager for a come a Spanish prize. He is eager for a towns, and its percentage of the general number of inhabitents. According to the tion to thrash the enemy, Captain McCalla hopes to render an extra good account of his ship and thus expurgate a blot in his naval record. Eight years ago he was convicted of cruelty to his men and was pardoned by President Harrison. Since then he has been a model officer and has been premoted.

Captain Sigebee of the cruiser St. Paul was with Farragut when the intrepid ad-miral "damned the torpedoes" and pushed through the blockade below New Orleans and flame a solid shot crashed through the courts, but they ought to be released in accordance with the president's proclamation. We believe this course will be heavily approved by the American people. Spanish merchantmen are entitled to as much consideration as Spain has voluntarily much consideration as Spain has voluntarily that went to." "What went to? The shot to appear to American ships. This nation's the ship, of course." "I don't of \$65,000 a month. The two roads, which went through the ship, of course." "I don't mean that," said Sigsbee; "where is the skirt of my coat?" And he felt around his hip. One section of the tail of his coat flew away with the shot.

A good story is told on Commodore Schley, commander of the flying squadron. While yet a midshipman before the civil was attached to the Niagara, re turning from Japan around the Cape of Good Hope. At one point on the coast of Africa, where the Niagara called, a member of the Japanese embassy on board procured a stock of monkeys. The monkeys were allowed to roam about the ship as they pleased. There were all kinds of monkeys, big and little Several huge ringtails would almost live in rope to backstay, always catching firmly by creatures about the decks and were a sub ject of especial aversion to Midshipman Schley, who on his watch was responsible or the decks' whiteness and cleanliness One morning Schley had the early watch

and with a gang of men was scrubbing down. The monkeys were full of mischief and were making the rigging ring with their chatter-"Bring me a bucket of slush," said Schley

orders that two of the big monkeys should

weather rigging, and made a wild leap for ment of a fixed annual tribute to the Turk-the lower studding sail sheet, which was over ish treasury. On the other hand, the Porte the water and thirty feet from the ship's side. Swish went the talls around the quiv-ering sheet. Alss, the tails slipped and two The Japs ran screaming from their cabins, but the officer of the watch, Lieutenant John Cuest, who died some years ago as a rear admiral, told them the ship could not be put about or her sail shortened in time to say the monkeys, so there was mourning in the apanese cabin that day.

Commodore George Dewey, commander of is an able sea fighter and will undoubtedly render a good account of himself. He is a native of Vermont, and a graduate of An-napolis, class of '58. During the civil war served on the steam frigate Mississipp New Orleans, Port Hudson and Donelson In 1861 he was commissioned a lieutenant commander, and in 1872 he received his com-mission as commander. In 1884 he was raised to the rank of captain, and served the Navy department in several posts, acquitting him self well in all of them. In 1889 he was com missioned as commodore, and at that time he was placed in charge of the bureau of equip ment and recruiting. The commodore is reliable officer in an emergency.



The cost of carrying on the war with Spain been brought to a successful conclusion. The very fact that the czar has ceased to press reatly taken under consideration the Porte's plan of autonomy for Crete, kalicates a strik-ing change of base. Until the present Rusbut now she seems willing to dwell together with her southern neighbor in peace and harmony. This entente between Russia and Turkey at the present time is especially sigrelations of those powers which have here-These give the czar the opportunity that is now failed to meet the requirements, and that tent to essential to complete the annexation of Man- in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's

cost well in hand and under control than to issue twenty-year coin bonds upon which the country would go on paying interest until 1918. The money paid in taxes would come from the active capital of the country, would at but, being paid into the treasury, would at tampering with the succession Spain had reaped nothing but ceareless civil war and of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion. If the legitimate heirs were to be and Jetsam of American life, those who can satisfy the succession of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion. If the legitimate heirs were to be and Jetsam of American life, those who can satisfy the succession of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion. If the legitimate heirs were to be and Jetsam of American life, those who can satisfy the succession of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion. If the legitimate heirs were to be and Jetsam of American life, those who can satisfy the succession of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion. If the legitimate heirs were to be and Jetsam of American life, those who can satisfy the succession of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion. If the legitimate heirs were to be and Jetsam of American life, those who can satisfy the succession of the first applicants represent the floram rebellion.

In order to help the naval bill through the Reichstag, the German admiralty pubing powers. The aim was to show that Germany was far behind, and that, even with the increases asked for, German taxation on the score of the navy would be relatively light. Great Britain stands first, of course, in appropriations for naval purposes, her figures for 1896-'97 bein \$109,000,000. Next came France with \$59,000,000, then Japan with \$42,000,000, the United States with \$38,-000,000 and Rusela with \$32,000,000. many stood sixth with \$22,000,000, closely followed by Italy with \$20,000,000. This showing, it was argued, left the German empire in a position quite unworthy of her, whether one considered her population, trade, expanding colonial possescions, or her military power on land.

The total population of Russia is 126,366, 000, and counting the Russians in Finland and also those on board of the battleship. in foreign ports, in Bochara and Khiva, the general total of the population of the Rus sian empire is estimated at 126,411,000, of which 63,253,000 are males and 63,158,000 are females. It is very interesting and impor-tant to determine the population of the census of 1897, in the towns of fifty provinces of European Russia there were 11, 830,000; in the towns of ten of the Previous Hansky provinces, 2,058,000; in towns of the Sucasus, 996,000; of Siberia, 462 000; of Central Asia, 932,000; and of the Bochara, 8,000. In this manner the population of the towns of Russia is equal to 16,289,000; that is the population of the towns represents about 13 per cent of the total population of the empire. But if one includes the villages and emall settlements, the actual town population will not be less than 20,000,000.

By February 4, 1899, the Beira railway belong to the chartered company, aggregate 1,086 miles. Its telegraph system is of 1,856 miles and gives a net profit of about \$65,-000 a year. The line northward to Lake Tunganyika has been completed to Koto Kota, idly pushed. The company will hereafter go actively into gold mining. Many mills for stamping gold quartz are being erected and some of them will be in operation by June, thus testing practically the gold value of Rhodesia.

Until the German emperor's mailed fist closed around Kiao-Chou, adding it to his possessions as he would add a new jewel to his crown, Russia was content to let events The take their natural course in China, and to profit normally from events as they might rise, or as she could force them. But the challenge of Germany's impetuous ruler was Accordingly, her minister for foreign affairs reap harvests where the Russian diplomats have industriously sown for a long time. In order to do this more expeditiously she is inclined to close the Cretan question by accepting the Turks' plan as presented a short time since through Sir Philip Currie, contemplates dropping Prince George Schley took the two ciptive monays are carefully greased their tails, then with a savage whoop at them struck both with a rope's application of complete autonomy after the model of Lebanon and Samos, with the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos, which will be a subject of Turkey and the paymodel of Lebanon and Samos and Samos and Sa will probably agree to the proposals of the powers regarding the occupation of three Cretan towns by the three protective powers and certain other police regulations for

of moving on toward Constantinopie or what is more probable, she is holding it in abeynot and a little tablet is the only reminder ance until her plans in the far east have of him to be found there. The other, Cervantes, was begrudged the cheap resting place of a tomb and when a few years after his death another use was found for the land where he been buried, his remains were thrown into common treach and lost their identity among a pile of similar dismal rel-ics that were then hidden forever from sight

THE AMERICAN PHYSIQUE.

High Standard Required for Service

It was but natural that those who were the first to flock to the enlistment stations cates redeemable at one year. These measures would enable the government to carry on the war, and the internal revenue taxes should be continued until the whole war till, including the treasury certificates, had been paid.

give the czar the opportunity that is now carry on the war, and the internal revenue taxes should be continued until the whole to Turkey, however, will not go so far as to allow Sultan Abdul Hamid to increase his armament, either caval or military.

failed to meet the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's church and the requirements, and that in consequence the filling up of Uccle Sam's army and navy with desirable recruits has been somewhat slow. Those who, however, have been in haste to make this out an army and navy with desirable recruits has been somewhat slow. Those who, however, have been in haste to make this out an indication of an inferiority of American physical states. In our belief this is not destined to be a very long or a very costly war. It is better to keep our arrangement for paying Es cost well in hand and under control than cost well in hand and under control than to the country long or a very costly war. It is better to keep our arrangement for paying Es cost well in hand and under control than to long the first country long or a very costly war. It is better to keep our arrangement for paying Es cost well in hand and under control than to long the first country long or a very costly war. It is better to keep our arrangement for paying Es cost well in hand and under control than to long the first country long or a very costly war. It is better to keep our arrangement for paying Es cost well in hand and under control than to long the first country long or a very costly war. It is better to keep our arrangement for paying Es cost well in hand and under control than to long the first country long or a very costly war.

collegiate circles as a whole the physical uplift, the result of gynasium training, out-of-door exercise and varied sports, is most marked. And far from our college men representing any caste in American life, reflecting the animal excellences of the stalled ox.

If the country has used of them there will be found thousands of her sons whose brain and brawn will meet all requirements what their duty is. Until the manhood o America shall fail in these two particulars when put to the test the pessimists and croakers should keep quiet.

MIRTH IN RHYME.

Chicago Record. The wheel expands a person's soul, For that, great praise is meet, Ah, would it might expand one's soul,

Detroit Free Press. The heights to which great men have Were not attained by sleight of wrist; ut they, though elevators stopped, Kept climbin g upward, hand o'er fist,

Chicago Tribune And now, proud Spaniard, to the dregs You've got to drain war's bitter cup. So often have you called us pigs That now, at last, we've bristled up.

Cincinnati Enquirer Said he, as he made his adieux.
"Since my hand you've seen fit to reficus,
By the aid of a knife
I shall finish my life

Madge is a patriot full of zeal, Her love of country does not lag; She nobly sold her precious wheel,

Indianapolis Journal She bids him go; she hides her pain, And piedges him—alack! She'll never taste ice-cream again Till he com's marching back.

Chicago News. "My voice is for war!" the Until his face jaas blue,

But he quit when a man in the gallery

"How about the rest of you?"

TWO SIDES OF THE CASE.

Denver Post Denver Post.

His two eyes snapped with angry fire, his besom heaved with mad,

And in his brain were heated thoughts unquestionably bad,

As slowly through the gaping mass he widged his way; a crowd

Of those delightful darling dears of whom we're all so proud.

A great show window held them there in femining delight. freat snow window need them there in feminine delight,
Entranced they stood while gazing on the things that met their sight,
The lovely hats, the dreamy goans, and fabries rich and rare;
Who but a brutd would blame the girls for standing, staring there?

When through the criwd so hypnotized, these words fell from his tongue: 'The men who run these places should be taken out and hung! The women stand and rubberneck just like a lot of crangs,
And show that vanity, not sense, controls their giddy brains! councilman I'd crowd a measure through To stop these cussed nulsances, and do it P. d. q.
And not compel the business men to tread the rallway tracks
Or push their way through such a mass of dressomaniaes!"

A little further down the street wedged in a crowd he stool And read the latest bulletins in an excited mood;
For full an hour he rubb rnecked on aching, tiptoed feet.
While women were compelled to walk out in the team-thronged street.
No words of protest came from them, but how their eves did leak Spain has marked, carefully and often magnificently, the graves of klogs and nobles whose names are linked with the slaughter of helpless peoples and the ruthless persecution.

The we their eyes did leak the words they did not dare to speak.

For each one thought the men who'd block the sidewalks thus should go that reputed kingdom where they never shovel snow.

Every One Excels in Something in Which Another Fails-(Syrus.)

This we apply to our Hat Dap't for there we do excel-Nowhere can you find such a gathering of up-to-date styles-in either Fedora's or Derby's-all blocks are represented-all colors-and all prices-We can suit you at any price you want to payfrom \$1.00 to \$5.00. See our display in our new 15th street window and then come in and let us show you the balance not represented there.



Clothiers, Furnishers and Hatters for men and boys.