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The glorious Fourth!

Be sure to celebrate today.

Nebraska crops are just right for a joyous celebration of the Fourth.

The music of the turnstiles is the kind of music the exposition managers best enjoy.

Camara's fleet is penned up in a narrow canal, but it is much more at sea than any other Spanish fleet.

Fusion does not prove that the free silver issue has been resurrected. That is one of the things that helped the killing.

credit for possessing the foolbardiness governor of Porto Rico. of desperation. The death struggle is dramatic.

While remembering the sacrifices of the men of '76 do not forget those made by brave men of '98 in the engagement before Santiago.

It would be nothing more than he deserves if the people would not call him "Pecos Bill" any more, but make it "Santingo William."

The revenue stamp famine is the only thing of the famine kind the American people have ever experienced and the fatalities will be few.

Iowa republicans seem to be throwing caution to the winds. The platform writers at one of the congressional conventions last week lapsed into poetry

When the farmers market their wool they realize that there is considerable difference between a republican and a democratic administration of national

is the operations of the gang of gamblers which must be respected, and bunco men who had attached themselves to the enterprise. No one else is to blame.

A handsome railroad depot is valuable to any city for creating a favorable impression upon strangers. Omaha now has at least one depot of which the people need not be ashamed.

If Omaha is to boast metropolitan airs during the exposition is it not time that all night street railway service were materializing? Plenty of cities smaller than Omaha enjoy all-night street cars.

The most unique as well as appropriate celebration of Independence day not the dictate of wisdom that we conanywhere will take place right on the exposition grounds at Omaha, where and the precepts of the founders of the rises a triumph of peace in the midst of republic? war.

The Bryan regiment is still calling for ing without much further delay. The alone would draw volunteers in such republic which would plunge us into turned away has been effectually ex- far escaped by strictly following the

The people who have been postponing visits to the exposition under the apprehension that the show was not complete should deceive themselves no longer. Those who come now will avoid the crush and have the benefit of conveniences which are sure to be later overcrowded.

Fifteen thousand workmen began work on the first day of the month in the Birmingham coal and iron district of Alabama at advanced wages and with assurance that there will be work for all for an indefinite time. This without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation on earth.

The occupation of the new Burlington depot for the use and accommodation of passengers calls for an acclaim of jubilation. Omaha has waited long for passenger terminal facilities commen surate with its importance as a railway to be the only legany constituted board? son, but as the first ever harvested in center, and this is the first step accomplished toward its realization.

PORTO RICO AFTER SANTIAGO,

force may be sent, perhaps a portion of boodle. in view of the splendid fighting qualities weeks longer. shown by the latter at Santiago there, need be no fear that the volunteer force will fall in efficiency anywhere. If less the vounteers are not inferior in courage vantages as our soldiers are likely to erate enthusiasm. encounter in Porto Rico or elsewhere

and they have done their duty with an intrepldity and valor worthy of veterans, The preparations for an early movethe intention to postpone the campaign against Havana, perhaps until autumn. The rainy season has begun in Cuba and while that lasts military operations could be conducted only with the greatclimated troops, if subjected to the hardships of active campaigning, would undoubtedly suffer severely from diseases peculiar to this season. Another considwould be perflous to expose our war union, ships to these violent storms, during the prevalence of which they could probably accomplish very little against Havana. The blockade can be maintained, but that does not involve the risks incident to active operations against forts and land batteries. Still another consideration is that with Porto Rico in our possession and a part of Spain might conclude to sue for peace, the one real national holiday. surrendering Cuba without further fighting.

At all events the decision to send an expedition to Porto Rico immediately task of taking that island will not be law. easy. The Spaniards have not been idle and the defenses of Porto Rico are unorons resistance to an invading army. posed to send there. It is the present in-The Herdman gang must be given tention to make General Brooke military Collins, Birkhauser and Karbach have

INDEPENDENCE DAY.

The one hundred and twenty-second of Omaha. anniversary of the Declaration of Independence will be widely and enthusien so active and assertive as it is given the American people a keener and more comprehensive sense of the greatness, the power and the dignity of the nation. War has revealed to many what they had not conceived of before. It has shown our extraordinary ability to utilize rapidly our immeasurable reources. No other nation as unprepared for war as were the United States two months ago could have accomplished so much in so short a time. It has illustrated anew the martial spirit and the courage of our people, it has demonstrated the patriotic devotion to the gov ernment of all sections of the union and it has shown that we are recognized as What stopped the June racing meet a power in the affairs of the world

It is well to have this awakening o patriotism. The republic is worthy of the unstinted love of its citizens. other country has done so much for mankind. The declaration of principles heralded to the world one hundred and twenty-two years ago has exerted a more beneficent influence than any other political deliverance ever made. strict regard for those principles by the American people since the foundation of the government and also for the precepts of the illustrious men who sub scribed to them has been fruitful of the best results. With an experience so rich in blessings and in benefits, is it tinue to faithfully regard the principles

Never before has this question been so pertinent as now, when the American people are confronted with the prorecruits and the men will be forthcom- posal of a new policy, when there is be ing urged upon them a radical depar idea, however, that the name of Bryan ture from the traditional course of the numbers that they would have to be dangers and perils that we have thus teachings of the founders of the repub lic. Let us on this anniversary of the Declaration of Independence give the fullest play to every patriotic impulse, but let us not forget the counsel of the great men who established free government on this continent and laid the foundation of what has become, alike in moral and material power, the foremost nation of the world.

WHY THEY ARE SO DESPERATE.

In the face of the specific decree of the supreme court declaring Herdman Gregory, Peabody and Bullard without title to the office of fire and police commissioner, the outlawed board persists in defying the courts and public sentiment by refusing to vacate.

The question naturally arises, Why are these men so desperate in their efforts to retain control of the police force after the highest judicial tribunal has was marketed in San Antonio last week them and declared another set of men only notable as the first bale of the sea-

Brooke, which will start immediately police protection. When the defunct Texas coffon growers ought to be in He will be a factor in the race, provided after the fall of Santiage. It is now in- board is forced out the men who have high feather. tended that the expedition shall consist been guaranteed protection will insist of not less than 27,000 men and a larger on the refunding of a large part of the

General Shafter's army if it can be With this threat staring them in the spared after it shall have accomplished face and the summary cutting off of ness. Its purpose was good enough and the task in which it is now engaged. revenues derived under cover of pay- under certain circumstances it might cers. Such a division will be acceptable to The desire of the military authorities is ment for professional services, the have been useful, but the United States the democrats and we believe it ought to to send some regulars to Porto Rico, be- Herdman gang finds itself in such des- is securing all the volunteers necessary be to the popa, Heving that they would be more effective perate straits as to make them willing for both the army and the navy withthan the same number of volunteers, but to resort to anything to hold on a few out the intervention of any interme-

THE ONE NATIONAL HOLIDAY.

No great success has attended the efthoroughly disciplined than the regulars fort to enlarge the list of national holidays. Labor day has the distinction of and dash, if the whole body is to be being the first and thus far the only judged by the small portion that is with legal national holiday, but at best Shafter. These have been tested by as Labor day is artificial as a holiday and fierce fighting and under as great disad. Its celebration attended with but mod-

Congress has been content to permit the states to name the holidays and Christmas, New Year's day, Thanksgiving day, Memorial day and others are ment upon Porto Rico Indicate that it is thus made holidays in nearly all the states. Arbor day is also growing in made the birthday of Jefferson Davis a holiday and five have thus honored General Lee. The birthdays of Wash- diers. It is not wholly lost, est difficulty, besides which our unactington and Lincoln are holidays in many states. One state, Pennsylvania, has eleven full holidays, which include Good Friday and the spring election day. There are twenty-eight days in eration is that the period of hurricanes urday afternoons, that are legal holithe year, aside from Sundays and Satdays in one or more of the states of the

The Fourth of July, the day commemorative of the birth of the American republic, needs no statute to compel its celebration. It is the one day recognized by everyone in all the states as an inherent holiday and properly celebrated in any manner that will signify the continued rejoicing of the people in Cuba occupied by an American army, olutionary patriots 122 years ago. It is the courageous action taken by the rev-

THE DUTY OF POLICEMEN.

Every member of the police force is after the fall of Santiago is obviously the laws. In the discharge of this duty judicious. Of course a strong squadron he must be governed by the interpretawill accompany the military force. The tion which the courts place upon the

Every policeman now on the force holds his appointment under the charter doubtedly in a condition to make a vig- provision which conferred upon the governor the power to appoint a board of How much of a force the Spaniards fire and police commissioners for metro have in the island is not definitely politan cities. That part of the charter known, but it is probably as numerous has been declared unconstitutional by as the American force which it is proup of the mayor and Messrs, Coffman, been recognized and designated by the only legal police authority for the city

The chief of the fire department and astically celebrated. Not for many the decree of the court, but the chief peace and liberty? years has the patriotism of the people of police and two or three other police at this time. Everywhere men feel, as liable to dismissal, set themselves up they have rarely felt before, a profound above the supreme court and array pride in and love of country. The themselves against the legal authority. events of the past two months have It is hardly necessary to warn police board should resign. Those who desire act for it.

> The failure of the Edmisten gerrymander apportionment for the populist PLANS OF NEBRASKA POPOCRATS. state convention to stick, its champion himself being forced by popular protests to record himself against his own scheme, is the first rebuke to the state iouse machine administered by the populists opposed to ring rule. Chairman for a repetition of last year's threethroats of the party in the wee hours chance of the morning.

The official organ of the populist party, the Nebraska Independent, excision of the supreme court upholding the principle of municipal home rule. It says that the doctrine of inviolable local government is basic with the popend has been put to the constant legislative tinkering with the local affairs of governor have so lost all sense of deeency and propriety as not only to oppose the principle of municipal home the supreme court.

There is nothing to prevent any assonot have races without law-breaking of the community in its opposition to police-protected gambling and bunco

Work. The first bale of cotton of the season vestigate the conduct of the defunct plant or the second year growth. It be ignomialously beaten also.

police commission the fact would be dis- is only in softhwest Texas that the cot- STATE PRESS ON STATE POLITICS: Vigorous preparations are in progress closed that a large sum of money has ton plant will live through the winter for an expedition to Porto Rico, to be been put up by gamblers and keepers obviating the necessity for replanting under the command of Major General of lawless resorts for a guaranty of each year? Under these conditions the for the popocratic nomination for governor

> The headquarters of the National Volthat organization is going out of busidiary organization to arouse patriotism or prod men up to their duty.

The boys from Fort Crook comprising try were in the thick of the fight at San-should be elevated to the position. tlago, losing their colonel and having York Times (rep.): Our friend Mathews troops from the Nebraska post cannot of General Shafter's division.

The war has already cost the United States a great deal, but thus far nearly favor as a holiday. Two states have all the money paid out has been for Adams of Superior seems to be the man supplies bought from American manufacturers or dealers and to pay the sol-

As Free as the Air.

The best exercise is walking; the best frink is pure water; the best grace to cultiate is unselfish love, and the beauty of it is they are within the reach of the millions.

One Craze Banishes Another.

raze. A nation cannot consistently be proincial and imperial at the same time. The Volunteer at the Front. "Not a man flinched," says Colonel Roose-

Yet two mouths ago these heroic soldiers to the occasion. Here's to You, Gomez!

New York Sun

The report that Gomez is sick is not surprising. The long strain of deprivation sworn not only to enforce but to obey and doubt, heightened by the prospect of success at last, because of General Shafter's army, would be enough to overcome the strength of any youthful patriot, let alone the worn veteran at the head of the Cuban revolution. Freedom to Cuba and health to Gomez!

Forfeiting High Ideals. St. Louis Post-Dispatch

The United States have exerted a tremenwe deliberately turned aside from the paths of conquest and the ways that lead to purely national glory, regardless of the individual. and have set up a new ideal of the subversion of mational ends to the elevation, the development, the happiness of the in judgment of the supreme court as the dividual based upon the consent of the governed, upon justice and personal liberty. Are we not great and strong enough to take the entire fire force have complied with down again and continue our mission of

High Moral Platitudes. Philadelphia Record.

With the truly good champions of conquest and colonization, who are impressed with a solemn sense of the Christian obligations of this country to the poor savages officers who desire to continue in the of the Philippines and of the awar weight of our moral responsibilities and duties to made very able speeches for the republican selves beyond the pale of law. Such They simply overwhelm us with their ima course cannot fail to prove disastrous mense moral superiority. We feel as if to them. Those who do not desire to Chadband and Stiggins were holding a conretain their positions under the lawful demnatory conference over our want of the moral stamina to make good Christian pato obey the law should range themselves enthusiasm for our country's imperial greattriots, imbued with a requisite degree of with the lawful authority irrespective ness. We experience relief only when our of any action that may be taken by the instructors mingle commercial supremacy, deposed board or anybody pretending to calculations of the value of the sugar and tobacco plantations of the Philippine islands and other trading gammon with their high gubernatorial nomination. moral platitudes.

Renominate Governor Holcomb for a

Thied Term. Central City Democrat (dem.) Judge Howard of the Papillion Times says that Governor Holcomb will be renominated and I am afraid he tells the truth He is not in favor of that nomination, but Edmisten certainly appears to be in an he does not fight as if he desired to pre uncomfortable position something like vent it. I do not believe it possible for the the French king who marched up the republicans to beat us this fall, but we hill and then marched down again. The can easily beat ourselves and in my judgenlargement of the populist state con- Governor Holcomb. If nominated I believe vention does not mean that the program he will be beaten and I am afraid his nomination will beat the whole ticket. It will ringed circus is off, but that it will take bring into the campaign some outside issues onger for the machine leaders to wear that are very dangerous. Our people do not the delegates out and put them to sleep he has been there long enough and that take kindly to a third term. They think while the slate is rammed down the some other good man ought to have

I do not like his record on the pass question. I do not believe that any public officer ought under any circumstances to accept a pass from any rallroad. The defense is that the republicans have always taken presses unqualified approval of the de- these passes and they will be estopped from making any fight against the governor of that ground, but there is this difference: They are and always have been the railroad party. They admit that they are the hired men of the corporations and that these ulist party, which should rejoice that an passes are a part of their just compensation, while we claim that we are opposed to railroad domination in politics. We pas Nebraska cities and towns. In this the laws to hold these corporations in check We legislate against them and then accept Independent is eminently correct and it favors at their hands. It won't do, brethis only a pity that the outlaw police ren, it won't do. You cannot serve God commissioners appointed by the populist and mammon. You cannot fight the railroads with much effect with both pockets full of railroad passes. Again, the governor has allowed the peo-

ple to pay the pent of his dwelling house, rule, but also to defy the judgment of which other governors have refused to do. All these things will be used against him with telling effect and, coupled with an immense campaign fund, they will probaciation of men from conducting horse the hands of the public enemy. If nomiraces on a legitimate plan, but to use nated I will simport the present governor a racing meet as a pretext for setting up on the ground that he is infinitely better a gambling joint is a punishable offense than any man our opponents will put in under the laws of Nebraska. If we can the field, but I will say right now and here that I will have no heart in the fight. Why not nominate some other man and escape it is far better for us to do without them. all these false issues? Why not nominate The Bee feels confident that it has the Brother Sprecher's candidate, W. A. Poynsupport of all the law-respecting people | ter of Boone? He is a good man and an honest man. He has refused big bribes from republican candidates. His record is clean from start to finish. He will get every vote that Holcomb will get and several thousand more. That office ought to be given to a democrat, but as long as we can't get that or anything else, for God's entered a judgment of ousier against and sold at public auction. It was not sake give us a man that we can elect and don't compel us to make a defensive campaign. We are willing to give up every If a grand jury were called to in- the United States from the perennial but do not force us to stultify ourselves and parading up and down their coast line with

Papillion Times (dem.): Ex-Mayor Welf I Lincoln is being groomed as a candidate he can prove himself right on the prohibi tion question.

Papillion Times (dem.): The pops can unteer reserves has been closed and hardly refuse to give the democrats and silver republicans the nominations for congressmen in all the districts if we give

Greeley Leader (rep.): Judge Reese in named in connection with the office of governor. The only possible objection we could have is we don't see how the boys of the Law department of the State university can spare him from the place he now oc cupies. He would give the state an able, he Twenty-second United States infan- clean, conscientious administration and he

their lieutenant colonel among the of Fremont will be a candidate for state wounded. While these casualties are auditor and it is the opinion of the party sincerely to be deplored, the part of the that he is the best man to put on the ticket. We know of no better and believe fail to create greater interest among a ticket throughout it will win the heat if the republicans can make up as clean people in this section in the operations and race by several lengths. It is a sure thing that Mr. Mathews is a very competent and strictly honest man.

Minden Gazette (rep.): The more you think of the matter the more Captain for the republicans of the Fifth district to nominate for congress. He is an old soldier and if the "old boys" want a man at Washington to look after their interests the man who has seen active service can come the nearest feeling and knowing their wants and needs,

Kearney Hub (rep.): Schwind ought to nake an ideal quartermaster. As secretary of the late reform sounte at Lincoln he drew pay for 151 days' labor in a session of seventy days. This is a good record of the address he said: "Think it over and There is one thing to be said for the colomendation for the quartermastership of the gladly excused." nial policy-it has given pause to the curfew Bryan regiment. If he fails to live long and prosper it will not be because he has lost an eye to the main chance.

Springfield Monitor (dem.): The Seward Independent-Democrat came out last week with Hon. William L. Stark of Aurora at the head of its editorial page for governor and welt in speaking of the fight at La Quasina. gave several good reasons why he should be nominated by the silver forces to head were private citizens. The history of the the state ticket this fall. The Monitor is American volunteer is that he always rises free to confess that it is somewhat taken with the suggestion, and while it still believes a democrat should be given the place, and while it is in favor of Edgar Howard of Papillion, as the democrat of democrats to fill the place, we believe we could support the Hon. William L. Stark with more grace than any candidate yet mentioned, Governor Holcomb excepted. If Mr. Stark is pop enough to give up a \$5,000 a year job thetic leaders I ever saw, is much beloved for half that amount, we are good enough democrat to give him our undivided support should be be nominated.

Alliance Times (rep.): From a report isthe political work of the fusionists covering presence and can say and do exactly the the period between July 1, 1897, and June 14, right thing at the right time. I saw him dous moral influence upon the world. This 1898, it appears that the poor pops are put- under fire a number of times during the moral influence is based upon the fact that ting up the funds almost entire for prose- war and can testify to his personal bravery. cuting the work of "reform." The "silver I saw much of him at the siege of Bilbao whatever to spare for this purpose. The tive and a lovable and courageous general. democrats, who appear to monopolize a greater share of the offices, paid into the An officer of the Hugh McCulloch, quoted \$4,676.62 Somehow or other the democrats of Manila: "We first fired the port battery up the sword for a high moral object, and, cause of "reform" as the pops-except that board battery, repeating this operation four they are more enthusiastic for office. The or five times. The second time we came dently his desire for party success is not greater than his love for "silver." St. Edward Sun (rep.): T. L. Mathews of Fremont is a prominent candidate for

emination for state auditor. Mr. Mathews service of the city against placing them- the rest of mankind, there is no arguing. party to our people a few years back. The Sun unqualifiedly endorses Mr. Mathews' nomination. He is highly spoken of by his neighbors and will go into the convention at Lincoln with a united and enthusiastic delegation from Dodge county. At this time we know of no man that could command more votes than T. L. Mathews throughout the state should be receive the nomination. Hastings Record (rep.): Judge M. L. Hayward of Nebraska City seems to be having things all his own way in the matter of a The Record favors John C. Cowin in the event that he may be persuaded to make the race. This desire is not instigated because we dislike Hayward less, but that we verily believe General Cowin would make a better campaign. Both men are generally known. Either will make a splendid executive and their records are spotless as business men in their respective localities, financially and otherwise.

Lincoln News (rep.): The developments regarding the methods of raising campaign ssessments among the fusionists demonstrates that the greatest need for reform exists among the reform forces at the state house. It is shown that the campaign committees have been assessing every holder of a job under the state administration, and compelling each one to pay a scheduled sum for the glorious privilege of holding office under a pop governor. Now this is a decidedly un-American method-that is, it is opposed to the spirit of our institutions, as t is nothing more than a genteel method of blackmail. The office-holders are not the losers by it, because their salaries are graded a little higher than they otherwise would be, and the public is really the contributor to the expenses of a lot of political hangers-on and campaign stump speakers. The system is bad, and its maintenance under republican state administrations was vigorously condemned by the populists, but they seem to have taken it up just as soon as they got into office. Bad as the assessment practice is, it does not appear black when compared with the false pretensions to reform of the reformers. It must be admitted that the men who are most interested in continuing in office ought by right to pay the expenses of keeping them there, as outsiders are not likely to contribute funds for the glory of the cause, but the heinous nature of the offense is aggravated by the fact that the system denounced by the reformers is actually practiced by them

Watson's Opportunity.

Springfield Republican. The actual damage Commodore Watson could do in attacking the Spanish coast would be small. He would never think of bombarding defenseless seaports, for that is behind the spirit of the age; and as for bombardment of forts at Spain's principal naval bases, they would result in nothing very tangible unless long continued and followed up by an armed occupation. Watson's great opportunity-and it would be a great stroke of luck to him-would be to meet the Spanish home squadron. But he has chance of making himself famous in that way, unless the Philippine expedition returns, for the Spaniards will keep what few ships they have left under the guns of forts. The more the proposed expedition is analyzed, the more it seems to depend upon its moral effect for success. will certainly be humiliating to the Spanish people to see a Yankee fleet saucily a chip on its shoulder.

MEN OF THE HOUR.

One of Dewey's sattermen, known as Bill Savage, struck the fortification of Old John Barleycorn in the vicinity of Cavite the day after Montelo Jumped the bridge and abtorbed enough of it to banish from his voabulary every word but "hurroo," which to mumbled incresantly. A court-martial ound Bill's egaduet positively outrageous, probably because none but he got in on the round floor. He was given fifteen days in bains. The sentence was certified up to Commodore Dewey, who wrote on the record as follows: "The proceedings of the court are approved; the sentence is disapproved, and the accused, William Savage, s ordered returned to his post in consideration of the glorious victory won by the lect under my command."

Commander McCalla of the Marblehead is loing more service than any of his associates in the tropics. He is everlastingly nammering away at the Dons wherever hey approach within his range. He alows no opportunity to escape him and he covets and generally gets the most dangerous assignments for a gunboat. secret of his activity is a commendable desire to wipe out a stain on his record and ecover the numbers lost through condemnation by a court-martial a few years ago Abuse of members of his crew placed him on the black books of the navy. Now no man in the navy has a more loval, brave and devoted crew than Commander McCalla Adversity is a great teacher.

When the Roosevelt rough riders had been sworn in and were just about to depart for Tampa Licutenant Colonel Roosevelt said to them In the course of a brief address: "You have now reached the last point. If any one of you don't mean business let him say so now. An hour from now will be too late to back out. Once in you've got to see it through. You've got to perform without flinching whatever duty is assigned to you, regardless of the difficulty or danger attending it." At the conclusion to start with and is an excellent recom- if any man wishes to withdraw he will be

> Soon after Thomas L. Rosser's appointment as brigadier general had been made one of the newly appointed officers in Washington asked the general where he was going to have his uniforms made, remarking that he had had six suits made, at a cost of \$700. "I will only need," remarked Rosser, "a flannel shirt, which I can buy anywhere, a pair of shoulder straps and a string or piece of braid around my hat to designate that I am an officer."

Licutenant J. G. Mason Blunt of the Third United States cavalry and now assistant quartermaster general served with Don Carlos in the Carlist wars of 1873-77 and gives rather a more favorable idea of the pretender's character than that generally accepted. "He is one of the most sympaby his followers and is one of the most gracious and graceful men I ever knew. he says. "In these particulars he is a typical Bourbon. He has the happy faculty of sued showing receipts and disbursements for putting at ease anyone brought into his republicans" seem to have had no silver and always found him an impartial execu-

campaign fund \$745, while the pops have in the Hong Kong Daily Press of May 9, en buncoed for this purpose to the tune of relates the following incident of the battle do not seem to be as enthusiastic in the and then came round and fired the starreport also shows that Tibbles, who fur- round the Spanish admiral came out in the nishes such grandiloquent letters every week Reina Cristina and gallantly assailed us. the pop press, receives \$10 per letter. Evi- , We received him warmly and I don't know how in the world he escaped with his life. While the old admiral was standing on the bridge a shot from one of our vessels blew the bridge clean over, but the admiral somehow escaped, for we saw him afterward calmly pacing the deck. Finding he could do no good he turned to get back into the harbor, but before he could take shelter an 8-inch shell from the Boston struck his vessel on the stern and set it on fire. Later on it sank with some 200 men. The admiral was among those who "In 1884," says the Detroit Free Press just after Commodore Schley returned from

rescuing the survivors of the Gree Arctic expedition, the chusetts Humane society him with a handsome medal his achievement, and Benjamin W. Crown infield, one of the Bay state's great orators was sent to Washington to make the pres entation speech. On the way to the cap tal Mr. Crowninfield fell in with an old an prominent resident of Boston, who took the privilege of asking the orator what his mis tion in Washington was. In reply the old gentleman was shown the medal and tolwhat was to be done with it. 'Strange co incidence,' mused the venerable gentleman from the Hub. 'Porty-four years ago, I 1840, 4 rode over the same line and met Gen eral Winfield Scott, I was as inquisitive then as now and asked him where he wa going. He said that a son of his friend Mr. Schley, had been named for him, and that he was going to Maryland to see th baby. Nearly half a century is past and nov I find you going to Washington to carry medal to the man that General Scott visited when the man was an infant."

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Claus Spreckels, whose wealth is now es imuled at \$70,000,000, was born a Westphalian peasant, and when he came to New York, in 1830, he worked in a grocery store Count Cassini, the new ambassador of Russia to the United States, is said to have extraordinary powers as a linguist. He peaks fluently seven languages, including Turkish and Chinese.

Bjorne Bjornson, Bjornstjerne Bjornson's n, who is an actor and stage manager, has been appointed director of the new theate at Christiania. His name is a shade less awful than his father's.

Soon after the civil war broke out the vol inteer army contained an Illinois colone an Ohlo major, an Ohlo staff officer, a New captain and an Ohio private, each of who became president of the United States. Senator Mills of Texas, who announced his withdrawal from the campaign for another term, and who was asked to reconsider, has written a letter to his son in which he says that he will remain firm to his original in

tention and withdraw from the contest. The famous Seventh regiment of New York City, which wanted to dictate terms of enistment at first and later begged for any terms, has been definitely placed with the nome guard by Governor Black. The organization is on the verge of collapse in consequence.

A sergeant of the marines at Camp Mc Calla, writing to a friend in Washington says that among the ammunition captured with Spanish soldiers on the 13th inst., were lot of pure brass cartridges. The effect of these is to poison the wounded and their use is forbidden in civilized warfare.

The Olympia, Oscar Hammerstein's unique amusement building in New York, was sold under mortgage foreclosure last week for \$967,400. Hammerstein paid more than \$1, 00,000 for the ground and considerably more than \$1,000,000 for the construction of the hullding. In other words it brings his business career at the Olympia to an end with a loss of more than \$1,000,000 on his plant, in

addition to the losses that he has incurred In operating expenses during the three years

that he has been running the house. Adam Hudson, the negro Janitor of the tevens building, in New York, has left a orlune of over \$30,000. He had been an employe of the Stevens family for fifty years and was the autocrat of the building of which he was janitor, having more to say than any tenant, or even, at times, than the owners themselves, who stood by him through thick and thin. His salary was

A new form of accident insurance policy, guaranteeing the holder against the coursequences of the damage he may inflict upon others, is being pushed in Paris. Parislan drivers are notorlously reckless and they look upon this method of protecting them; selves at small cost as a good thing. The scheme robs the running down of pedestrians on the streets of half its terrors for the cabbies and other drivers, but doubles the danger for the unfortunate pedestrian.

WAR NOTES OF THE WIT.

Indianapolis Journal: Wibble-I'm get-ing tired of finding nothing but war news the papers. Wabbie-What in the name of commons ense do you want? Wibble-Facts!

Chicago Record: "Maria, is this red, white and blue ice cream wholesome?
"I don't know; but what if it isn't? Aren't you willing to take any risks for your country?"

Detroit Journal: "Kaiser Wilhelm," re-marked Rivers, "seems to be fishing for "You refer, of course," said Brooks, "to his German carping about our war,"

Chicago News: "I never saw anybody hate the Spanlards like my wife." "What makes her feel that way?" "She got to reading war news the other day and let a lot of raspberry jam burn up."

Judge: Sinking Spanish Officer-Ca-ramba! Alerta, ere I sink.

Rescuer-We'll be there in a momenta.
Sinking Spanish Officer-Diable cusp).
dore! A momenta will be too late. You don't seem to think how heavy these bravery medals are. Alerta!

New York Weekly: Captain Killem, U. N. (at Clenfuegos)-What's become of N. (at Clenfuegos) What's become of those bloodthirsty Spanlards who were attack us here? Lleutenant Slick, U. S. starving devils dashed off with it into

Indianapolis Journal: Wilson-What is the use of a strategy board, anyway? Jillson-It has the good effect of distract-ing the attention of the newspapers while the navy does its work.

Washington Star: "Is it soda wather re're drinkin'?" exclaimed Mr. Rafferty, "It is," replied Mr. Dolan.

"What flavor wer ye takm?"
"Of had a mixture; strawberry, vanilla an erushed vilets."
"Of never heard to the lolkes."
"Nor did Of but 'twor the only red, white and blue drink the clerk could put up." Chicago Tribune: Straining her to his

"You will wait for me, darling, till the

war is over, will you not?"
"George," she said, gently, "that is asking too much!"

ing too much!"
Grasping his hat the young man went away, inwardly cursing the Board of Strat-Chicago Post: "What is a battle like" she asked. "Well," returned the veteran thought-

"Of course," she answered.
"Then all you have to do," he explained is to imagine something that is entirely

THE BARDS IN BATTLE TIME.

The poets they sing of many a thing That happens in time of war; of battles well fought, of victories wrought n tyrant-taxed lands afar. war ships dire that beich forth the fire, They sing full many a lay. Of heroes brave they wildly rave In their own peculiar way.

octs attune full many a rune And poets attune tull many a rune. That was sung in ages past, For ears will listen and eyes will glisten. So long as wars shall last. Peace returning, there'll be burning Of many a poet's page.

Praise unstinted, poems unprinted
By the wary word-worn sage.

For many a thing with rymesters ring Ne'er happened in time of war— The war bards jingle, our blood doth tingle And the page of history mar. Minstrel "come off," the war-gods scoff At your ancient grand-stand play

For while you thus sing, your ting-a-ling The government mule eats hav DAVID RITTER Company G. Second Regiment, Nebraska olunteers, U. S. A. Chickamauga Park.

OUR DAILY BULLETIN.



PHILADELPHIA, July 4, 1898.- Just 123 ears ago today the Continental Congress, then sitting in this city, declared the thirteen colonies free and independent, and Uncle Sam was born. It was a great day, and the event concerns all Americans,

Will be great day in Omaha. And if you are going to the Ex-York state adjutant general, an Indiana position you will find it pretty hot, and for your own good in every way, drop in on us and get something cool to wear out there—a soft shirt, a clean collar or cuffs, light cool hosiery

straw hats. Crash or linen coats, duck and brown linen trowsers-any one of these will help out your comfort. Our assortment is the largest in Omaha and prices guaranteed.

