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GEORGE B. TZSCHUCK. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my (Seal.) N. P. FEIL, Notary Public. People are not even to be allowed to sleep without a reminder of the trusts,

having now combined.

The fast train fever threatens to beplacency.

Omaha bank clearings are making a first week of the new year 33.3 per cent in advance of the 1898 record. Just keep your eye on Omaha and watch it grow.

If the free silver lieutenant governor in the senate in the matter of rulings matter of appointments they should be in harmony during the whole session.

fer to have a few slices of Canada tacked on to its borders.

The educational endowment left in is probably due to the fact it was overlooked when the final cleanup was made.

According to one of the American peace commissioners it was merely an understanding that the United States would maintain the open door policy in the Philippines. This means, doubtless, that understandings are no necessary part of the conditions of the peace treaty.

It is eminently fitting that the school teacher should follow the soldier into Porto Rico. If there is anyone who can successfully light the lamp of learning in the island it should be General Eaton, who started so successfully the same work among the freedmen of the south at the close of the civil war.

The governor of South Dakota, not being on speaking terms with the legislature, sent his secretary over to read his message. The governor had all the advantage in the first round, for by the time the lawmakers had stood the fire of 30,000 words they were badly winded, while the governor sat in his corner apparently as fresh as ever.

The home-coming of some of the sick from the First Nebraska demonstrates immediate return of the regiment are not overly wise. Those who are soon to reach San Francisco come from the tropics and will reach here in midwinter. If such a change of climate does not prove disastrous it will be fortunate.

Among the numerous proofs of prosperity the returns from the smaller postoffices throughout Nebraska, all showing are specially encouraging as indicating making better exhibits if the business better business. Incidentally these reports ought to explode effectually the delusion that the recent Transmississippi still further curtail the opportunities of large. Exposition built up Omaha at the expense of the smaller towns in Nebraska. separating the public school fund on offer any argument in support of the

practice show that poorer results were the battles of Manila and Santiago. Uncle Sam has additional reason to be the best in the world-

quiet way, preparatory to a public agiman strongly in favor of the United sometimes charge that our only thought way that it actually did had the gov- developed hostility to railroads in Ne tain nearly 50,000 people in which there is States retaining permanent possession is for money making. The south is ernment service in the navy yards not braska. These causes are enumerated of the Island and doubtless all Ameran association in the east that numbers mote annexation and there can be no gress who favor the absorption of the cally forced upon all. The north and regard to it. island by this country.

this declaration, which received execu- to continue to progress it must turn tive approval: "The United States again to the north and learn the lesson hereby disclaims any disposition or in- of universal education. tention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and ashis last annual message President Mcthe industry of the people and assist literated, if not forgotten. them to form a government which shall the manufacturers of metalic bedsteads and the executive clearly define our re- name and recall his achievements for come epidemic in railway circles, but it maintain this guardianship only so long poration which he had created and to is one of the few diseases upon whose as it shall be necessary to establish which he had given vitality has taken opinion we cannot compete successfully oughly that the railroads have in no

as the majority has been with him in the may be made in behalf of Cuban an- will pass into history as a failure. nexation. Every consideration of na-Governor Pingree of Michigan is op- sons for annexing Cuba. It will be Edward Bellamy had dreamed about in soil, the mines and the mills of the posed to the annexation of the Philip- urged that the people are not capable of "Looking Backward," but it was an at- United States, he closed the door efpines and doesn't care who knows it. If self-government, that an independent tempt to carry corporate socialism, or fectually upon American commercial the United States is to go into the anstate formed by them would be connexation business Michigan would pre- stantly racked by internal troubles and that American interests there would not congenial to the toilers by surrounding this will prove to be the case. The some of the Cuban people are not fit for cilities and church privileges and amuse- every effort to retain and there is every Havana by the Spaniards is not so large self-government and it is a fact that ment features of a city. But the expanas to give treasury officials any trouble the history of the Latin race does not sion of greater Chicago and the demise in doing so, while other countries having warrant faith in the ability of men of of Pullman following upon the great all. That even a few dollars was left that race to maintain stable govern- Pullman strike, which struck a fatal abate their efforts to enlarge it because ment. But we must not be guided in blow to the Utoplan idea, has swept the for self-government. If in the future cago. they should find independence unsatisfactory and of their own free will should ATTACKING CIVIL SERVICE REFORM. ask to be taken into this republic, we In the house of representatives on may then without reproach consider the Friday there was another attack on the would be to discredit ourselves before cation it has been given, made a rather the world and to forfeit the confidence formidable showing of strength. In the good reason for anticipating any such of civilized mankind in our honor and committee of the whole a motion to increase as the expansionists talk of

conduct of affairs.

good faith. EDUCATION NORTH AND SOUTH. difference so noticeable as in matters of tion for the last twelve years, but it has education. In this the southern people never amounted to anything more than are more nearly like those of European to show who are the spoilsmen and this countries, though the percentage of peo- is all it will amount to in the present ple of European birth is smaller south instance. The regular appropriation for than north.

being devised to bring a still larger opportunity to go on record. percentage of the youth into the public | The most aggressive opponents of the ried to the extent of compulsory at istered are republicans. Mr. Grosvenor with the usually careful and conservatendance, at least a sufficient length of complained that the law had overthat those who have been demanding the time to acquire the rudiments of an reached itself, that it had throttled the must be a surprise that an article so the islands have no stomach for the business education. Nearly all the northern appointing power of the government and one sided and so devoid of appreciation of spreading the particular brand of liberty states have laws providing for the sup- that it had been extended far beyond of conditions which confront railroad for which the American government now ply of free text books and other neces- what was dreamed of when it was en- ridden farmers and shippers in a prairie stands. sary equipment for children of needy acted. Mr. Hepburn of Iowa said that state should be given the endorsement parents, so every child may have the when the law was passed it was esti- which publication in a magazine of opportunity to acquire an education, and mated that not more than 10,000 of the scientific standard is supposed to consome states, notably Nebraska, provide employes of the government could be

free books to rich and poor alike. true. The children of the wealthy are fied service-a very gratifying fact, for which, if it finds fruition in law, will ents, but is not true as to the people at The remarkably effective gun fire of levies on property belonging to white fits of which to the public service of the the American navy during the late war people to be devoted to the education country have been beyond computation. started the European nations to mak- of white children, and that raised But it will not be uninteresting to note ing comparisons. The English navy is from property belonging to the colored the opinion of Governor Roosevelt, who generally looked upon as the most effect- race to the education of negro children. as a former civil service commissioner squadron is the crack section of the ble property belongs to the whites, and ing of the reform as anybody. In his head off bills creating a commission ance is the greatest the colored people which he urges radical changes in the grievances and enforce orders.

grow up in ignorance. proud of his boys. It is the climax of root of the free school system and its application of the reformed system to professor has apparently discovered proof that man for man and ship for advocates must be devoid of all conceptue has produced a very something which no one in Nebraska of the enormous expense thus involved, burship the navy of the United States is tion of the value to the state of univer- great improvement in the character of was ever aware of, the only qualification of the value to the state of univer-

propaganda is already at work in a minority which withholds the boon.

recognized as generous to the point of been put upon a merit basis." west cheerfully tax themselves to sup-There is in this a temptation which port their schools and outside of all sentimay put the honor, integrity and good mental reasons would not abandon the faith of the American people to the system. The new south commercially severest test. It is therefore well to has learned a valuable lesson from the are of our own making. Congress made to an economic revolution. If it wishes

ANOTHER SHATTERED UTOPIA. No institution conceived by the human serts its determination, when that is ac- brain or builded with human hands is complished, to leave the government and permanent. The pyramids of Egypt are control of the island to its people." In crumbling into dust. Babylon with its colossal garden walls and gates of brass Kinley said: "As soon as we are in has come down to us in the shape of possession of Cuba and have pacified the ruins. No man can tell the spot where island, it will be necessary to give aid stood Carthage, the metropolis of the and direction to its people to form a gov- Phoenicians. Contemplating the vanity ernment for themselves. It is important of all things terrestrial King Solomon that our relations with this people shall exclaimed, "There is nothing new under be of the most friendly character and the sun." The fate that has befallen the our commercial relations close and recip- builders of ancient cities will overtake rocal. It should be our duty to assist in due time the builders of our modern in every proper way to build up the sky-scraper cities, which in their turn waste places of the island, encourage are doomed to be leveled down and ob-

Twenty-five years ago George M. Pullbe free and independent, thus realizing man, the American palace car magnate, the best aspirations of the Cuban peo- conceived the idea of founding an indusple." These utterances of the congress trial city that was to commemorate his lations and obligations toward the peo- centuries to come. Within less than ple of Cuba. We are their self-ap- two years after his death that life d.cam pointed guardians, solemnly pledged to has been shattered. The soulless corpeace and order in the island. We are advantage of a decision of the courts to under the most sacred promise to aid dismember and dismantle the town of the islands. He says: "The manufacthem to form a free and independent Pullman and allow it to be swallowed up race against the record and finish the government. Our honorable duty is to by the greater corporation, known as the counsel and advise them in the task of city of Chicago. Its churches, schools establishing self-government, exercising and public halls, its market house, pubonly such authority over them as shall lie library and dwelling houses are to be freight cost that the American farmer provide separate cars or compartments be required for the peaceful and orderly put on the auction block to be sold to the highest bidder. The town of Pullman In view of this it is obviously the duty will cease to be in name as well as in is as fair with the republican majority of our government and people to dis- fact and the experiment to which George countenance any and every effort that M. Pullman had consecrated his energy

And yet Pullman's model town was the center of industrial activity is made be secure. All this may be verified by them with the comforts and conveniences foothold that Great Britain has obtained experience. It is doubtless true that of separate homes, the educational fa- in the Philippine trade she will make our conduct by any such reasoning. The model city of Pullman from the map and Cuban people must have a full and fair substituted for it the every-day, comopportunity to realize their aspiration mon-place humdrum of suburban Chi-

question of annexation. At present our civil service law and those who are opstrike out an appropriation for the civil service commission prevailed, 67 mem-The people of the north and those of stated by Mr. Grosvenor of Ohlo, the the south differ widely in characteristics leader of the anti-civil service reformers, and methods, but in no particular is this this has been an annually recurring mothe commission will be voted and the In the north means are constantly opposition will simply have had another

brought under its operation, whereas to-

the color line, the taxes derived from policy of civil service reform, the beneobtained in practice with all things are numerically preponderant, this civil service law of that state, Governor

founded on universal suffrage, universal the pation the benefits resultant upon the creation of the board having been SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT. There are many annexationists in intelligence is an absolute necessity, taking the appointment and retention utter subserviency to the railroads and Cuba, as there are also in the United Stripped of all sentiment, which prompts of navy yard employes out of the finds complete oblivion of the rights of the States, and it is to be expected that as the man not utterly selfish to desire the of local politicians and making them people. He even finds that the commisscoon as the time is ripe for an active elevation of his fellows, the refusal to consequent upon fitness and good con- sion "undoubtedly accomplished some diocese refuses to acquiesce in the selection movement in favor of annexation these put the means of education within the duct only, Governor Rooseveit said has good during its short life"-something, of Bishop Merrison. Meanwhile his saturity people will start an aggressive cam- reach of all is shortsighted and will in resulted in an incredible improvement, however, that has not been claimed paign. Undoubtedly an annexation the end lead to the downfall of the not only in the character of the work even by the commission itself. done, but in saving of expense to the After a hasty survey of the steps lead-The southern people concede that government. "Our present navy," he ing to the enactment of the maximum tation both in Cuba and here. The those of the north and west are shrewd said, "would not have been able to do freight rate law, we are asked to pause

icans who are there or who have inter- prodigality. Let all over the north and This is valuable testimony to the worth timent favoring free coinage of silver from the people who need them most. ests there are annexationists. There is west, in contrast with the south, the of the merit system and what is true of and government ownership and operafree schools, state colleges and universi- the services referred to by Governor tion of natural monopolies, of quasi-pubamong its members some prominent and ties, to say nothing of private educa- Roosevelt applies to every other branch lic works and protesting against the influential men whose object is to pro- tional institutions and those under the of the public service. The civil service growing power of the courts; second, patronage of the churches, are abundant reform pelicy is firmly established and crop disasters; third, mortgage foredoubt that there are members of con- and common school education practi- there must be no backward step taken in closures. Not a suggestion of the extor-

THE OPEN DOOR POLICY.

as is now generally known, means that of legislation. the tariff to be put in force in the Philipimports from this country as we will in writing the article in question. collect upon the imports from other countries.

turers of Germany. France and Great control and regulation of rates. Britain, the farmers of Australia and of the Baltic provinces of Russia, reach tional honor and good faith requires this. grand in conception if not in realization, gentine should pay only the same tariff blacks, but for yellows, browns and half-There will not be lacking plausible rea- It was not exactly the kind of town that in the Philippines as products of the

There is not a reasonable doubt that reason to expect that she will succeed commerce with the islands will not the United States takes possession of the islands. If conditions improve there somewhat more in that market than they have been selling, but no material expansion of our commerce with the islands is to be expected under the oper door policy. The expansionists profess to believe that the trade of the Philippines will be very greatly increased uncourse is plain and not to pursue it posed to the law, or to the broad appli- der an American regime. That it will gard for the speaker of the house. be improved is probable, but there is no and even if this were to be realized the share of the United States could not be bers voting for it to 61 against. As very much larger or very valuable. The worth of the Philippines to this country the cost of maintaining peace and order | whipped them.

there under American rule.

MISLEADING THE PUBLIC. Under the title "Railroad Control in utes an article to the current Political Science Quarterly which purports to re-

Instead of describing impartially the In the south almost the reverse is day there are 72,000 persons in the classi- relations of the Nebraska railroads to have much more reason to be jealous of the increased business in every department, educated in private schools, those of a large proportion of these men and the victims of constant legislative perthe poorer class of whites have as a women have got into the service on their secution. "The first blow at the railthat better times are general. The post- rule indifferent free school facilities sup- merits and not by reason of having a roads," he says, was struck in the pasoffices in the little towns could not be plied for them, and the colored children political pull. Another republican mem- sage of a statute in 1881, fixing a max- ever, can be turned with immense precision are still more shabbily treated in the ber declared that "the law had grown imum standard of freight charges," men and other patrons were not doing way of educational facilities. In sev- steadily more odious with the people," But he is forced immediately to admit ernment controlling it. A navy can even be eral states a plan is being agitated which may be true as to his constitu- tacitly that the law struck no blow at all because it had been so cleverly conthe colored children. It contemplates It should be unnecessary at this day to that there was nobody charged with a danger and a curse. enforcing it and it remained a dead let-

In a similar apologetic view the law

According to Prof. Dixon it was the sel education. In a country like ours, the work done. In the navy yards of tion exacted of the secretaries since known to modern civilized states.

Spaniards in Cuba are probably to a and aggressive as a rule, although they its duty in the war with Spain in the to consider the causes of this suddenly are sections of New York City which conas, first, the development of a public senrailroads built entirely by bond subsi- good Baptist brewer of Poughkeepsie? dies. Not an intimation of railroad However essential the open door pol- interference in politics and railroad icy in the Philippines may be to Amer- domination of legislators and state offilean interests in other portions of the cers. Not a word about railroad den- they might tell the truth and let the people keep in mind the relations with and the ever active north and west, resulting in far east, it is entirely obvious that it ance of all law and their appears on know how hard the populist legislators were obligations to the Cuban people which a development which amounts almost will be of no advantage to our com- every occasion to federal courts to hang laboring for the public good. On the same merce with those islands. That policy, up indefinitely every objectionable face

Naturally then we might expect an pines will bear equally upon the im- ucqualified endorsement of the Brower and who would not have recognized a type portations of all nations. No advantage decision nullifying the Nel raska maxi- writer (machine) if he had met one on the will be given to the products of any roum rate law and superseding the country, not even to those of the United | courts in the power to regulate railroad States. It means that the Philippine rates given by the constitution exmarket will be exactly as accessible to pressly to the legislature. To be told the products of Great Britain, France, that the decision contains no new principles result is not a decrease in divorces or re Germany or any other country as it will nie whatever, however, is certainly going marriages, but an increase in marriages be be to the products of the United States. rather far, for if so we must wonder why fore magistrates. It is a question whether We deny ourselves any advantage and it should have attracted such widewill collect the same duties upon the spread attention and justified the author

One point brought out in this paper Thus, as Mr. Carnegie has pointed out, had its significance been grasped. It the United States will be in no better is shown that the freight tariff in effect position commercially, so far as the in Nebraska today is the identical tariff evil of the divorce problem will never be Philippines are concerned, than it was put into force November 1, 1887, nearly before the islands were taken from twelve years ago, without modification clergy. Spain. In 1896, the last year in which except in a few unimportant particuthere is any record of the commerce of lars. In other words, while the prices the Philippines, when all foreign nat of farm products and manufactured artions had the same tariff rates, with the ticles of all kinds have fallen from 30 exception of Spain, which of course was to 50 per cent, the railroads are chargfavored against all, the imports from ing the same prices for freight transpor-Great Britain amounted to \$7,104,000, tation today that they charged twelve from Spain \$1,422,550 and from all other years ago. And in the face of this fact countries \$2,404,450, of which the United we are assured by a writer who pro-States sent \$146,000. In Mr. Carnegie's fesses to have studied the question thorwith European nations for the trade of way contributed to the causes out of which has grown the demand for state

North Carolina is taking up legislathe Philippines at about one-half the tion designed to force the railroads to has to pay upon his products or the for white and colored passengers. American manufacturer upon manufac. When the Philippines are annexed and tured goods." He shows that distance the habit of railroad travel cultivated is in favor of these foreign countries umong the inhabitants congress will and he declares that when President doubtless be asked to pass a law requir-McKinley agreed that the products of ing all cars to be divided into separate Europe, of Australia, of India and Ar- compartments, not only for white and breeds as well.

> One Form of Happiness. Atchison Globe. After a man gets old the only kind of good luck he has is to wake up from a bad dream od he thankful that it was not true.

> > A Paying Graft.

Those fast Chicago roads are getting good deal of free advertising, but it is probably costing them more than the same amount would if paid for in the regular

No Backward Steps. The record of expenditures for benevolent

purposes last year in the United States was possibly Americans will be able to sell \$25,000,000. A country that spends that much annually in such a cause can never go back-New Grecian Bent.

It's proposed in Greece that no bachelors shall be allowed seats in the lower branch of the national congress. This may be be cause by their training they have less re-

Object to Rubbing It In. Kansas City Star.

The dean of Westminster says that, if any one is indiscreet enough to offer to place a statue of George Washington in Westminster abbey he will be obliged to refuse his sanction. The objection is simplicity-that ir won't do to place beside the dust of Britcommercially will probably never repay 4sh heroes the proud effigy of the man who

Riffing Soldiers' Letters.

Springfield Republican Letters are being received in Nebraska from soldiers now at Manila, which had Nebraska," Prof. F. H. Dixon contrib. been opened after being mailed and parts of the letters cut out, when they were resealed. It is said that the parts cut out evidently contained expressions of dissatisview historically and critically the at- faction with the service there and desire to tempts at legislative regulation of rail- be mustered out. If a censorship has actually schools. In many states this is car- civil service law as it is being admin- roads in this state. To those familiar been set up among the troops at Manila we have come to a pretty pass, truly. But it

MILITARY EXPENSES.

Enormous Cost Involved in the Pro posed Army Increase.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican. In republics it follows that the peopl the public, Prof. Dixon pictures them as increase of the army, expense aside, than of the navy. The navy can hardly be turned with effect upon the people themselves; it works beyond the coast line, and its chief objective is foreign nations. An army, howand rapidity against the people by the govincreased unnecessarily and not become menace, near or remote, to popular liberties or established institutions; but an army instructed by railroad representatives creased unnecessarily becomes by so much

The English people afford Americans an excellent example. They have always been jealous of the military power. While building up a great navy, they have kept the of 1885, creating a powerless board of standing army small, so that it now condonothing secretaries is held up as a tains but 163,000 men for service throughcompromise when, as a matter of fact, out the immense and much-dispersed emit was a railroad measure pure and fume each year and call for the army's inive in Europe and the Mediterranean As far the greater portion of the taxa- perhaps knows as much about the work- simple put forward by the railroads to crease on continental lines, but the people resist the tendency with the characteristic navy. The results of the year's target in many sections where this preponder- message to the New York legislature, in really endowed with power to redress English stubbornness and suspicion of the militarism that reaches into their homes.

If the present British ministry should attempt to increase the permanent standing favorable than by the American navy in means that the black boy and girl must Roosevelt says that civil service reform evident intention of the legislature that army four times after a very short, one methods have by long experience been the secretaries should be men expe-sided and victorious war, it would be over-Such a law would strike at the very proved to work admirably. He said the rienced in railroad matters. If so the thrown in a month. Yet the American administration has set out to quadruple the

Minneapolis Tribune: The war over the recent election of a bishop in Iowa has majesty is fairly cracking his cleven hoofs together in the excess of his glee over the dissensions among the brethren.

Boston Transcript: Rev. Dr. Peters of New York says the churches are leaving the people, not the people the churches. There not a single church. He remarks with an emphasis applicable to other cities than New York that churches are moving away

Brooklyn Eagle: The Women's Christian Temperance union threatens to boycott . Congregational college in Oklahoma to which Adolph Busch, the St. Louis brewer, has given some money, unless the trustee decline to accept the gift. Why do not the temperance women boycott Vassar college tionate rates imposed upon shippers over which was founded by and named after a

Savannah News: The chaplain of the Kansas legislature (populist) varied his prayer the other day by praying earnestly for the newspaper reporters present, that day the populist senate appointed as offi cial stenographer, at a good salary, a man who never studied stenography and who did not know one shortband sign from another, street.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: An organization of clergymen in Indiana has agreed that none of its members will perform the marriage ceremony for divorced persons. The these gentlemen are doing more harm or good to the cause they wish to aid. By driving people to the magistrates' offices for remarriage they are divesting the ceremony in the eyes of many thoughtless people, of might possibly have let in a ray of light its sacred character. The marriage which is purely legal in its form would naturally one must suppose, be all the more promptly subjected to a purely legal dissolution. The solved by such action on the part of the

> PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE. The most definite information obtainable

about the movements of Dreyfus is that he is not moving at all.

Real strawberries are the first premature sign of spring to appear hereabouts. The price will convey the necessary frost, As Josh Billings would say, now look out for reports of a short ice crop. The weather

is too severe to harvest it and the ice is too hard to cut. General Bruitscheff (O'Brien for short) is a Russian general and Baron Jahaun O'Kelley von Gallagher is an Austrian general.

You can't lose 'em. A Chicago policeman rescued from the maw of a cable train two women by bodily lifting them from their perilous position. His magnificent reach is the envy of the profession.

The star-eyed goddess presided at a Kentucky function recently and among her assistants were "Misses Sunshine Parsons, Starre Meade, Goldie Robbinson and Sunny Sanderson." Bluegrass belles are bound to shine in name at least.

Admiral Dewey promises to touch the button which will set in motion the machinery of Toledo's exposition, May 1, 1902. This will be an agreeable change for the admiral. At present he is being touched every day for his own buttons.

Conditions are ripe for a large crop of libel suits in Chicago. Newspapers there are telling some awful stories about each other. Publishers are only restrained from grabbing each other's hair by the fact that there is precious little hair to grab.

People who are perplexed and annoyed by the turn of affairs at Hollo should put the blame where it properly belongs. The widespread papering of the Philippines with flaming soap posters was ample provocation for revolution. The natives promptly resented implied insults.

Current comment on the antics of the Omaha babeon is to the effect that his effort to elevate the stage should be commended and cultivated. This is a wrong assumption. The missing link simply gave an exhibition of masculine realism, which

is not permissible on the stage. The Illinois supreme court has decided that lobbyists, whether known as legislative agents or attorneys, cannot successfully bring suit to recover claims for services from their employers. This is for the reason that lobbying is against public morals

and is entitled to no legal standing. St. Louis grudgingly admits that Boston's new depot is a big thing, but insinuates that the Hub needs a big depot to accommodate the crowd anxious to leave the town. The town by the big bridge finds consolation for its fall in a marked revival of interest in the poets. Town footpads now quote poetry as they go through the pockets of their victims.

Boston supports out of the public funds an orchestral leader, a bandmaster, a planist, an instructor in the theory of music, a teacher of singing and a municipal brass band. All these are under the direction of a music commission. Not the least admirable feature of the work of this commission is the suppression of street musiclans whose instruments are out of tune.

The State Attracting Favorable Attention in the East. Philadelphia Inquirer.

MONTANA'S BOOM.

The time was when Montana was regarded as a hopeful mining territory. Changes came and "Montana mines" was a byword to express anything that was played out and no good. The state received a black eye through several of its commercial and public transactions and it had gradually come to be looked on as a desetred mining camp and rotten political borough. The cloud is lifting, however, and the regeneration of the state is slowly but surely occurring.

Through intelligently directed plans for irrigation immense tracts of valley and bot tom land which have hitherto been regarded as unavailable for agricultural purposes on account of the arid quality of the soil have been made productive. The same method which enabled the Mormons to make Utah a land of milk and honey have been invoked to save millions of acres of Montana Farms and pasturage cover vast areas which formerly were dry plains; planters and catlemen are reaping the reward of their intel igent efforts.

The result of this is that farmers in the east are turning toward Montana more and more each year. The sales of public and railroad lands for agricultural and stock purposes last year in that state amount to over a million acres, mostly to new settlers, who are bringing money, machinery and stock into the state. It is, moreover, to a large extent a migration of Americans, for the percentage of foreign buyers is very small. A good symptom is that the land is passing from the hands of corporations like the Northern Pacific into the hands of individual farmers and grazers.

Nor have the newcomers remained satisfied with things as they have found them. Communities are organizing new irrigation and canal companies all the time and the best engineering talent is being used to direct these affairs with the greatest economy. This means an additional acreage of arable fand and the juvenation of Montana through an agricultural impulse.

BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

Hope is a tonic for patience,

Public favor is a poor platform to stand

Kind words take less breath than harsh

A diamond is worth more than its set tings.

You can't mend your manners with s needle.

Fear will finally padlock the lips of the most fluent infidel Impatience kicks over the dinner pall to

get to the supper table. College diplomas do not go as tickets of admission at the pearly gate.

The prayer meeting promise not put into practice adds a lie to your guilt, Covetousness turns a man out of the warmth of his own house to stand shivering on his neighbor's doorstep.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Brooklyn Life: She-But I never gave you any encouragement.
He—Yes, you did. Didn't you tell me
your father was wealthy?

Chicago Journal: Mrs. Tracey-Do you realize, my dear, that you have never done anything to save your fellowmen any suffering? Tracey-Didn't I marry you?

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "What an air of ownership the bride assumes?" "Yes, she went through the marriags ceremony as though it were her own pat-ent rite."

Chicago Tribune: "They say," ventured the young man, "that it is becoming quite the thing for newly married couples to go and see Niagara Falls in winter."
"It must be a beautiful sight in winter," she said. "I should so like to see it!"
His next trembling utterance settled it, and they are to start next week.

Chicago Post: "Describe to me," she said, "what you would consider an ideal "With pleasure," he replied; "but it will be necessary first that you explain to me what you consider your predominating traits."

Somerville Journal: First Gossip-What makes you think she is in love with him? Second Gossip-Well, I saw her pick a thread off his shoulder as she was stand-

ing talking to him last evening. Cincinnati Enquirer: "Wife ever raise Cain with you?" asked the fat man. "Sometimes," said the thin man; "but she does such an artistic job of it that she

Chicago Post: While she was getting ready to go to church she had been saying things to him because he would not go, and she had been saying them with considerable emphasis and rapidity.

He sighed and put down his paper.

"My dear," he said, "is this a day of rest?"

"Of course it is," she replied.
"Then why not?" he asked.

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(Respectfully and sincerely dedicated to Major General Nelson A. Miles and Major General Joseph Wheeler.) United now and forever, As brothers we clasp each hand; The northern blue will ever love The gray of the southern land.

Side by side now and forever With brave, loyal hearts so true, The southern gray will always be The pride of the northern biue.

The northern chimes with silver tones. Float from ocean's strand to strand, Greeted by the loving echoes. From the bells in Maryland.

Kind Reaven has joined the emblems, Weaving the banner so true—
The Stars and Stripes with Stars and Bars,
One flag for the gray and blue.

The gray of beautiful morning, The blue from the starry way, Rising in glorious dawning

Under the shining arch of love God's angels are marching through; One loving hand extends to us, The other's held forth to you.

They bring the wreaths of our union-Hear the bells of heaven ring! They chant our national anthem, They surround us as they sing.

Dear Father in heaven, bless us;
To Thee we will ever pray.
O. God of our free republic,
Lead us on in love today.
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Winter

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