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Wanted-The man with the key to the senatorial deadlock.

in sending a tank of ice water into the peculiarly significant. caucus room should be resented as a cold deal.

If the Van Dusen primary election bili becomes a law the occupation of the political mayerick will encounter perilous times.

Having felt the impetus of good times the South Dakota legislature has raised the salary of its governor, supreme and district judges.

If there is a county in the state that is not sure it has just the proper location for a normal school it should have a prize for overweaning modesty. The leaky old ship, Sagasta, has gone

politics and not all of the air bags of the ministerialists are able to raise him.

can see its finish, while the legislature is still in for an indefinite period of A glance over the daily real estate

transfers should convince the most doubting that Omaha realty furnishes one of the best places for profitable investment to be found anywhere.

certain number of days during the year. People of the Philippines.

It will be noticed, paradoxical as it

Having set several records during the past few months Omaha will next week add another feather by holding the largest foreclosure sale of land that has been pulled off within the memory of man.

Ambassador Choate made a base hit the first time up to bat on landing in England with kindly greetings about equally divided between the grandstand and the bleachers and everybody in England is today willing to admit that he is good enough to stay in the game.

The slaughter of normal school bills continues in the legislature. There has not been a session for many years in which less than half a dozen of such measures were introduced and they have invariably met the same fate. Yet the projectors never appear to be dis-

The bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes is making fine progress in the legislature. If the cigarette trust does not accept the invitation to come down and square itself the coming generation of Young America in Nebraska may have to give up the cigarette kindergarten and start in at once with its first lessons on the cigar.

Sir John Falstaff's encounter at Gadshill with "eleven villains in buckram and nine in Kendall green" was a pared with the latest performance of the Filipino junta, which has magnified two stragglers picked up by the insurgents into "600 American prisoners." If a corporal should happen to stray into the hands of these imaginative patriots the world would soon be told that General Otis and his whole command had been captured.

The local popocratic organ and the popocratic county attorney should try to get together on the question of the ability of the republican county judge to render an impartial decision in the preliminary hearings editorially the organ of the gang insists that the county judge is blased him as a model of fairness. It always and cold at the same time.

THE NEW ARMY BILL

plished without concessions to the opconents of a permanent standing army. ministration desired, but it will be effect at once.

bill provided for a minimum force after | which was disregarded. July 1, 1301, of 38,000. This legislation will dispose of the question of the or-Business letters and remittances should be addressed to The Bee Publishing Company, Omaha. Drafts, checks, express and postoffice money orders to be made payable to the order of the company.

THE BEE PUBLISHING COMPANY. tion may be unnecessary. Meanwhile the volunteers who are hoping to be soon relieved from service and permitted to return home will very heartily welcome the legislation. Doubtless some of the volunteers will re-enlist under the new law, but the expectation is that most of them will accept the earliest opportunity to get back to the United States and resume peaceful pursuits. This is undoubtedly the case as to the volunteers who are in the Philippines, many of whom, as was stated by Senator Allen a few days ago in the senate, do not like fighting a people with whom Americans should e on friendly terms.

AMBASSADOR CHOATE

Less unsold and returned copies.... 10,152 Choate on his arrival in England was of the most cordial character and will be pleasing to most Americans as a manifestation of British good feeling. accord such a greeting to the diplomatic the United States and in view of the diminished by repeated funding at lower fact that Mr. Choate is a new figure in

St. James will achieve a popularity as but the general policy of the people has great as was enjoyed by any of his as a rule been against the permanent predecessors. While known not to have debts that mark the financial conditions had any experience in diplomacy, his of European countries and cities, fame as a distinguished lawyer and a brilliant orator preceded him and it is that will place him high in their es- people. teem. The only drawback he may encounter is in finding ready appreciation for the rare wit which gave him the foremost place among American afterdinner speakers, but he knows how to gods and men with contradictory adapt himself to circumstances and theories and opinions. The results of down in the troubled waters of Spanish | will doubtless use this faculty to the | the coroner's inquest in the New York best advantage. Mr. Choate represents poisoning case have not reached the the highest type of American culture grand jury before numerous other exand he is moreover thoroughly Ameri- perts, more or less distinguished, arise Congress just now has an advantage can in sentiment and feeling. We may over the legislature in the fact that it be sure that he will say or do nothing testified that the defendant wrote the to impair the friendly relations between the two countries, but everything to strengthen them.

THE ALLEGED FILIPINO ALLIANCE. tween consular representatives of the United States and the Filipino leader, the old system of watch and ward and then in the discussion of the course and impress each citizen into the service a the duty of this government toward the

the conferences held between Aguinaldo them the only thing demonstrated was may seem, that the men who are fighting and the American consul at Singapore, the lamentable ignorance of these withardest to prevent any changes in the with a view to inducing the former to acpresent city charter are the same men company Dewey to Manila, there was a case, the experts for both sides agreed who opposed its enactment two years clear understanding that if the Filipinos that an unimportant writing was in the should co-operate with the Americans this government would respect the efforts of the natives to obtain independence. Aguinaldo, it is said, fully outwhich embraced the independence of the Philippines, with a liberal government. The assurance of co-operation given by Aguinaldo was accepted by the American consul and by Dewey and the Filifleet to Manila, where it is an unquesthat in accepting the assistance of the benefit of all doubts. Aguinaldo Dewey made no agreement on behalf of the government, he having victorious.

by virtue of which he was entitled to and the dispatches of the State department to prove that there was absolutely tame feat of the imagination as com- alliance of any kind had been made with Aguinaldo or with any one else in the Philippines. He asserted that there had been no aggression on the part of the American forces in the Philippines, which have been fighting only in selfdefense. He said the orders of the president, all through January and into the month of February, called upon Otis and the other commanders to forbear shoot- new parties always start out by fathering anybody, to stand only upon the

defensive. Admitting that there may have been no arrangement or understanding that committed this government to the support of Aguinaldo, it is still a question criminal whether in accepting Filipino assistance charges brought before him. Speaking an obligation was not incurred which we have failed to regard in the course pursued toward those people. Admiral each other with penknives is a disand ignorant of the law. Speaking Dewey, if correctly reported, has said grace to the state. It would have been through its county attorney it praises that there should have been some bad enough had these solons ambitious acknowledgment by our government to carve out careers for themselves retakes a popocratic organ to blow hot of the services they rendered sorted to jackknives or dirks for that

Fear of an extra session of the Fifty- self-government. Perhaps if this had apparent as to become ridiculous. A sixth congress was the most potent he been done the conflict with them would standard weapon for the Idaho legisfluence in securing the passage of the have been averted, but they have been lature is a matter of no small imarmy bill, but this was not accem- treated as a people unworthy of any portance, and if that body does its learned to regard Americans with even gatling guns. approved by the president and go into more bitter hatred than they did Spanlards. It is true that our forces in the ! Under the provisions of the bill the Philippines are fighting on the defensive, Lincoln newspapers are doing their best 100,000 soldiers, the number to be re- of all responsibility for this condition of ing the consolidation of Omaha and duced after that time to 27,000. As affairs? May it not find that we owed South Omaha. The fact that the Linoriginally reported in the senate the an obligation and a duty to the Filipinos coln papers are against the proposed

> Recent discussion of proposed charter amendments has emphasized the fact that Omalia as a city not only has no sinking fund to extinguish its bonded municipal debt on maturity, but also that under existing limitations no such another the next, is not likely to lose its fund can be accumulated. The reason is that the money now raised under the name of a sinking fund levy is all required to meet the interest on outstanding bonds, leaving nothing to be laid aside to meet the principal when due,

While the charter permits the council

o issue renewal bonds to take up the city's matured obligations, thus avoiding what might be the disastrous consequences of default, no provision is at hand for reducing the total indebtedness of the city. On the contrary the people the British authorities have taken new bonds issued from time to time to meet the demand for public improvements or to take up floating debt keep rolling up the grand aggregate and hold it verging close on the percentage of presented is nothing more nor less than that of a permanent or a temporary bonded debt. If Omaha pursues its It is not the habit of Englishmen to present practice it will have a heritage of permanent debt to hand down to the representatives of other countries than future. Interest payments may be American cities which have sinking There can be no doubt that the new funds in name only and are content sim-American ambassador to the court of ply to meet annual interest payments,

Before committing Omaha irrevocably to the policy of permanent debt the to be expected that at the first favor- many intricate features of the problem able opportunity he gets to talk to should be given more careful study than Englishmen he will make an impression has yet been bestowed upon it by our ship in international affairs.

HANDWRITING EXPERTS. The handwriting expert once more bobs up into prominence to confound to confute the evidence of those who iddress on the death-dealing package.

The crux of the whole question is whether the handwriting on that package was that of Molineaux, the ac cused. Around that point the battle The question as to the nature and ex- will rage and from all indications a tent of the alleged understanding be lost of experts will swear both ways, pared with even three months ago, and other each equally certain he is right and the other who contradicts him a fool. This Aguinaldo, will possibly never be satis- has been the result of every such trial If the police force is cut down much factorily settled and perhaps too great for years and the public is beginning lower Omaha may have to go back to importance has been given to the quest to take the cocksure opinions of ex-

perts with a large grain of salt. Of the last six prominent criminal trials in which these experts played On the one hand it is asserted that in prominent parts in at least three of nesses. In one of them, the Kennedy hand of the defendant when, as a matter of fact, it was not. Similar blunders

were made in other cases. These expert witnesses, if they know lined his policy in these interviews, anything about the subject, seem to forget it when they go on the stand and confine themselves to the theory most favorable to the side in whose behalf they are called, irrespective of reason or other considerations. This is so well pino leader accompanied the American known that it has operated to lessen the confidence of both the courts and tionable fact that he rendered valuable the public in such evidence. Until the service. But Mr. Pratt has stated that experts can reach some rules of agreein the arrangement with Aguinaldo this ment among themselves in the absence government was not committed to any of other incriminating evidence the ourse or policy, while there is no doubt average jury is sure to give the accused

Not only the English-speaking races so stated. The Filipino claim is that but the civilized world will draw a there was virtually an alliance and that breath of relief over the news that this contemplated recognition of the Mr. Kipling has passed the crisis and right of the insurgents to independence is likely to live. For days this peer-In the event of the American fleet being less master of poesy and expositor of human nature has lingered on the verge In the house of representatives, on last of death's dark river, while the world Monday, Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio re- has watched anxiously but almost withferred to this matter, asserting that no out hope. Had he died at this time it alliance had been made with Aguinaldo would have been a public calamity, for much as he has done he yet stands the support of the United States and in the noonday of manhood and the that the fight against the Filipinos was past is but an earnest of what a breach of good faith. He cited the he shall do in the future. America feels president's proclamations and orders that Mr. Kipling belongs as much, if not more, to her than to England, and we unite with our English brethren in no ground for the statement that an a sincere prayer that the sweet singer

may be speedily restored to health. Another new party born at Cincinnati. New parties have a habit of being born with the regularity of children in a poor nan's family. While each has a different name, those brought into existence in recent years have all the symptoms of a common parentage. These ing all the political vagaries extant. When they succeed in attracting any considerable number of followers the more conservative throw overboard the radical doctrines and the disciples of discontent proceed to hatch another party.

The fight in the Idaho legislature in which distinguished statesmen scarified and that they should have been purpose, but when it comes to pen-'economy effected.

given assurance of at least local knives the inadequacy of the tool is so such consideration. Instead of efforts to duty it will not only adopt one at this concillate, our course has been such as session, but will be careful to com-

As was to have been expected the annexation ought to furnish one of the best reasons in the world why every-SINKING FUND OR NO SINKING FUND | body in Omaha and South Omaha but also the pages of history. should be in favor of it.

Commendable Celerity.

Philadelphia Time Talking of France, a nation that can be deprived of a president one day and elect head for very long.

> Nerve that Failed. St. Paul Globe

roted a leather medal for his "nerve." Too Many in the Secret. Chicago Post. Ian Maclaren says the British navy was eady to assist the United States if it be came necessary during the late disagree

into their confidence on this subject. Business on the Mend.

ment. It is surprising how many, many

Baltimore American. Large orders for locomotives have been lines, and a better indication of increasing The reception given Ambassador assessed valuation allowed by the law, business could not be had. When the rail-Summed up in a word the question roads are having all they can do, the people him to jail, passed a law that prevented of the country are not idle.

Congratulations All 'Round,

Buffalo Express, The passage of the army reorganization bill gives both sides cause for congratula-The administration is to be congratulated on being allowed an adequate military force to carry out its policies; the rates, but the total indebtedness will opposition is to be congratulated on its the field of diplomacy his welcome to not be reduced. In this respect Omaha success in preventing the permanent en-The action of the senatorial candidates | England is perhaps to be regarded as is no different from a great many other | largement of the army; the country is to be congratulated on escaping an extra session of congress.

Germany's Good Will.

Kansas City Star. Germany is taking steps to remove retrictions imposed on American insurance companies doing business within its domain. The Germans are also displaying a disposition to modify some of the governmental meats. The Germans seem to have suddenly became exceedingly anxious that England shall not monopolize this country's friend-

Pity the Poor Plumber. St. Paul Pioneer Press. It is probable that the plumber, whose

depredations have for so long impoverished those who live by modern improvement, will actually feel himself aggrieved if the Prof. Wood plan of thawing out pipes by electricity should become popular. It may be that the mills of God, which have seemed o grind everybody, more or less, excepting he plumber, are about to suck that gentleman in between their manifold wheels.

Prosperity Entering New England.

Springfield Republican. wave of husing observable in the west for a year past appears gradually to be creeping over New England. The state labor "Bulletin" for January reports a distinct gain in the volume of employment and payments of wages among the leading industries, as comevidences are not wanting of a quickening in trade and industry all along the line. Especially striking is the testimony coming from the cotton goods market, which has been so terribly depressed for so long a time.

> Creature Spurns Its Creator. Philadelphia Record

In proceeding under the Ohio anti-trus law against the Standard Oil monopoly, the attorney general of that state has been confronted by corporate power exercised in its most cynical and unsparing form, so that not only has the law been set at paught. Transvanl coat-of-arms. but those who have sought to enforce it have ministered by a creature of the state that is pean kings he has twelve seniors and five beyond and above legal regulation. Even an order to produce the books of the cor- of Europe is 51, and their average length circumstances tending to prove the company guilt of the offenses charged, and the prosecution is thus effectually blocked, while the offenders take the remote chances of punishment for contempt of court. The of having received five brevets for gallant monopoly continues, on its course unruf- and meritorious conduct in active servicefled, although under the Ohio law it has no legal existence.

RIDING FOR A FALL. Trusts Taking On an Overdose of

Watered Capital. Chicago Post

The announcement that the Pottery trus s rocking to its fall will scarcely excite surprise. As one of the banking houses concerned in the combination explains, the main difficulty is overcapitalization. This, indeed, s a difficulty which is serious enough to upset the best-planned trust. The stock of the American Potteries company has been fixed at about \$30,000,000, while the annual output of all the potteries in the combination amounts to only \$10,000,000. No business can be profitably conducted which does not "turn over" its capital at least once a year, ac ording to the banker who has subscribed heavily to the project and who now believes that the consolidation is in danger. Here we have one of the weakest spots

n the trust scheme. Consolidation is ad-

vocated in the interest of economy and resulting cheapness of the products to consumers, but where inflation and overcapitalization are permitted there can be no economy and no reduction of prices. conservative financial papers have felt themselves called upon to sound a note of warning. The Investor lately called attenion to the collapse of several trusts in the sanic year 1893 and pointed out the danger of similar disasters at the first appearance of unfavorable industrial symptoms. enterprises can withstand a period of deression, but overcapitalized and watered ompanies find their stocks reduced one half or more in value in the shortest space of time and are helpless to avert the debacle. Banks have also been looking askance at various projected trusts and have refused inancial assistance to promoters. The whole novement is felt to be a gigantic and doubtful experiment at best, for there are recognized limits to the economic advantages of even the most legitimate consolidation. ompetition cannot be eliminated in any cases the trust distinctly encourages comexpects to be invited to join the trust and shown by statistics just published.

IMPERIALISM IN INDIA.

Famine and Plague, Tyranny and Lust for Empire.

Lord Charles Beresford failed to give that omentum to the policy of expansion in The measure is not just what the ad- to incite their hostility, so that they have promise on nothing less effective than he is connected with either the army or the but the act just passed suspends that feature clared that the British empire was a great deal too big already and he did "not wish to see any more of the charts marked with tarily. president may keep under arms and in that they did not begin the conflict. But to hold Omaha down in the showing to he did not know what the American policy the field until July 1, 1901, a force of will impartial history acquit this nation be made in the next census by oppost was, but he doubted very much if we wanted "any more property," and he made this statement, too, right in Peace Commission :: Reid's hearing. He was probably thinking of India, what it was, what it is, what it has cost and of all the crimson with which it has marked not only the geographical charts,

The strong hand of British rule is still able to keep the many millions of that great section of the globe in sullen subjection. But it has been found necessary to suspend the boasted privilege of free speech. the native newspapers the methods employed to check the plague and relieve the famine were praised in English, while in parallel columns and in their own dialect the natives have been urged to evade the outrageous laws and resist all police interference. It did not take long for inflam-A Nebraskan has been sentenced to a matory speeches and editorials to develop year in the penitentiary for trying to steal revolutionary tendencies, which were asa trainload of cattle. He ought also to be kind of Indian Peter the Hermit, who, according to Mr. Washburn Hopkins of Yale university, "is known in Europe and America as a Sanscrit scholar, in India as a dangerous malcontent.'

He had given his countrymen this startling counsel: "Down with the British; now is the moment to act. Our people are already inflamed with hatred." Doubtless he spoke true, and the British were actually attacked in Poona. One officer was killed and another was wounded. "Then," says Mr. Hoprecently placed by several of the great trunk kins, "the British woke up, applied their usual rule of thumb to the break in the machinery, convicted Tilah of treason, sent famine, which "answer the same purpose population-are now in their third year, or that it is time to seize Thibet. "What are we sitting here for, doing nothing?" he asks. "We ought not to let our soldiers rust out, now that the Tilah campaign is over. We ought to take Thibet. It would make a capital summer resort; it would be a defense against possible aggression on the part of Russia; and, finally, they all drink tea up harbor will salute it with seventeen guns. restraints on the importation of American there, and it would open a first-rate market for our Indian teas." They must have soldiers and have something for them to do, even when "order reigns" in India. A steady undertone of suggestion of the lull before the storm, of the quiet stress and wary lookout of the camp in the enemy's country, predominates in all the latest correspondence from India.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Senator Jones of Nevada has been in formed by the manager of his gold mines in Costa Rica that a valuable lead has been

found on the property. George McC. Harvey, who has just pur-Springfield Republican.

country at the court of St. James. In southern Saxony the people are going

to honor the memory of the late Prince Bismarck by having a competent sculptor carve he features of the great chancellor on th highest rock in that region. Supreme Court Justice Edgar L. Fursma

was the only judge in New York who held court on Washington's birthday, outside of police magistrates. Fourth of July and Christmas are the only holidays which he observes as legal. An enormous pipe has just been made for

President Krueger by a Dublin firm. It is of the finest briar root, the stem of cut vulcanite, and the case is of leather lined with chamois. On the front of the head of the pipe and carved into the wood is the The German emperor has just completed

in addition felt the sting of contempt ad- his 40th birthday. Among the eighteen Euro- in tune and settled down to grow up with juniors. The average age of the sovereigns poration in court has been resisted, on the of reign twenty-two years. The oldest is ground that they would disclose facts and the king of Denmark, who will be 81 this their forefathers? The ox knoweth his stall April.

General Marcus P. Miller, who commanded the forces that captured Hollo, will reach the age limit March 17. He bears the honor three in the civil war and two in Indian campaigns. General Miller was born in Massachusetts.

Dr. Hall, president of Clark university, says: "I can't get over the feeling that the argument that we ought to take up the white man's burden, as Kipling calls it, is false teaching. It is a bad pedagogy to teach people at the point of the bayonet, and is repugnant to our methods. As a general

principle it does not succeed." The voting by the New Jersey legislature act that the only other individual who ever received such distinction at the hands of New Jersey was Captain Samuel French, or valor during the Mexican war. When the

his state and joined the confederate army. Emperor William never plays cards ex cept for very low stakes. Yet in a game with a Leipzig lawyer once upon a time the latter lost 20 marks. He laughingly exclaimed: "I have got into a regular robers' den." Everybody roared with laughter, his majesty was staying the following year at Barby and noticed the lawyer, he went up to him, handed him a 20-mark piece set in diamonds, in the form of a scarfpin, and

said: "Restored by the robbers." In his eulogy of the late Mr. Dingley last week Representative Dockery spoke of the great changes in the house since it met at he opening of the Forty-eighth congress Of the 356 men who were then sworn in only seventeen are still there, and in the next session there will be only fifteen. namely: Bingham, Ermentrout and Har of Pennsylvania; Reed and Boutelle of Maine; Cannon and Hitt of Illinois Payne, Ray and Wadaworth of New York Henderson and Hepburn of Iowa; Bland o Missouri; Steele of Indiana, and Lanha

of Texas It is interesting to learn that the English man is the greatest user of intoxicants in the United Kingdom, that the Scotchman field at all attractive to capital, and in some stands second in the list and that the Irishman is the third. This is not according to petition. If its prices are too high a small what has generally been believed concern competitor at once perceives the chances of ing the use of alcoholic drinks in Great successful rivalry, and in any event he Britain, but that it is the proper order is get more than his plant is worth. No trust every man, woman and child in the United can succeed which is not either based on a Kingdom the expenditure for liquor was \$19 natural monopoly or else genuinely con- during the last year. The Englishman spent siderate of the popular interest and so \$20.50, the Scotchman \$15.25 and the Irish-honestly and efficiently conducted as to give man \$13.25. In the same order, there was the consumer a share of the benefit of the consumed 2.41, 1.66 and 1.54 galions of alcohol.

ECHOES OF THE WAR.

The bill reviving the grade of admiral b the many tran gione to the president for aproyal. The purpose of the act is to fittingly recognize the pre-eminent services and valo of George Dewey at the battle of Manila this country which its friends expect from bay and subsequently. Under existing law the Cuban soldiers as somewhat unhopeful every prominent Englishman, especially if the admiral would be retired next December, navy. Speaking for his own country he de- of the law in Dewey's case, so that he may lutionary war were guilty of many unseemig

Porter the rank and title lapsed. Like conditions are attached to its revival as a reof \$13,000 per annum, without the customary deduction when on shore duty. An admiral his own steward and two cabin boys to wait pass the appropriate legislation to secure the on him. A separate range is provided for the preparation of his meals, and the govsisted by the exhortations of one Tilah, a in the way of tableware, excepting crockery, which he is obliged to purchase for himself A superb military band is always at his orders.

The duties of the commanding admiral of

he navy have never been defined by legis-

save such as the secretary of the navy overtaken at Cherry Hill and made prisoners he was made a full admiral, never did anything in particular. Nominally, he was ringleaders were tried, convicted and sen-Survey, but this simply meant that the Washington at the request of congress, board reported to him at intervals-a mere formality. It was much the same way with Farragut, of whom no duty was required coupled with the fact that the municipal after he came back from the famous cruise, authorities of Philadelphia had shown no free speech and returned to polo and the which, as admiral, he made in foreign waters inclination to protect congress in its peacesuppression of the plague." The plague and to show himself and his ships. Dewey may ful deliberations induced it to withdraw to possibly be put at the head of the retiring Trenton, where it remained until some time in India as does the annual overflow of rivers | board or board of inspection, but he will in February, 1785. In the meantime anin China"-that is, carry away the surplus not be obliged to do any work, presumably, other stormy meeting had occurred among Admiral Dewey's new uniform will have the troops in the command of General at least the former is, for famine is more on the collar of the coat four silver stars | Wayne, but that stern old patriot was not or less permanent. Last year it raged more and two foul anchors in gold. On each as merciful as Washington and he sunthan in 1896-97; but now tt is slowly dying sleeve will be a strip of gold-embroidered pressed it by summary executions of the ina natural death, having about run its course. oak leaves, which are insignia peculiar to stigators which did much to discourage But even India does not seem to satisfy admirals and vice admirals. The shoulder further troutles of this nature. Congress entirely the British jingo's lust for empire. straps will display four silver stars and two finally settled with the soldiers by giving An officer of the government has proclaimed foul anchors in gold. The dress sword belt them due bills for the full amount of the will be of navy blue, cloth edged with gold pay due them, redeemable at the pleasure cord and embroidered with oak leaves. Like of the government, and most of these were all other naval officers, Dewey must wear sold by the soldiers for one-eighth of their white pantaloons at all seasons while in the tropics. The flag of an admiral is a blue near the beginning of the present century rectangle with four white stars upon it It will float from the peak of the Olympia in a few days and every war ship in the fortunes in both Philadelphia and New Long may Admiral Dewey bear the honors so worthily won.

BEE LINES.

Those readers of Dickens who have read the grave deliberations of the Pickwick club over the Bill Stumps stone will be pleased to know that insofar from such things occurring solely in fiction one of them has transpired within the last few

Some wag at Kensington, Minn., either singly or through a conspiracy, caused to be published in the papers that he had discovered a runic stone of great ancientness, covered with queer devices, which it was chased the North American Review, began believed by the best local scholarship would work as a reporter at the age of 18 on the throw some illumination upon the vexed question whether America was discovered Harvard university prides itself on the by Columbus or the descendants of Hengist fact that Joseph H. Choate is the eighth and Horsa. It happened at this juncture alumnus of that institution to represent this a learned professor of the Northwestern university was deep in researches of Norse liscovery and when the glad tidings of the discovery reached him his spirits and ex-

Visions of immortal fame floated before his entranced imagination. He would prove not only that the Norse discovered America but that they also obeyed scriptural injunction and multiplied and replenished and possessed the land. What was more natural than they actually founded a vast empire with Kensington for the imperial capital. The very derivation of the word favored the idea. By dividing it up into its three syllables and using a liberal translation "Ken" would mean to look around, "sing" to produce music and "ton" undoubtedly a corruption of "tune." Clearly then when the weary Norse reached this delightful 18 spot they looked around, sang a selection

the country. Has not the fact that the descendants of the Norse flocked to Minnesota some strange connection with its previous occupancy by

In the golden springday of life I stood, On the flower-lined border of womanhood.

And the sun was bright and the skies were and the ass his master's barn, and what stinct should lead the descendants of the viking to "yump their yobs" in Sweden and Denmark and flock to the scenes of ancest And the woman basked in its cheery rays, stinct should lead the descendants of the tral greatness? The whole thing was clear

but the runic stone came not and the professor took to haunting express offices. At last his suspense became unbearable. He went to the railroad officials. Tracers were sent out, but all in vain, and now as the poor professor dreams of the American of a sword to Admiral Sampson recalls the haughty bastions and towers around Kensington he is reluctantly realizing the fact that they did not, and moreover that the that they did not, and moreover that the Till they smothered love, and I proudly great a wag as the rustic gentleman who civil war broke out Captain French deserted drove the hard bargain with good old Mr.

Private John Alien, the wit of the house, ells a good joke, which, as usual, is on himself. During the last campaign he said Then my heart was pierced, as by gleaming a drummer met a friend in Memphis and "Well, sir, I have heard the hottest debate today to which I have ever listened. the emperor as heartily as the rest. When It was down in Mississippi and the repub-It was down in Mississiph and the repub-lican candidate was a white man and he made a good speech, but when he finished a little And I aid my bustling old king of kings In selling bacon and cheese and things, lican candidate was a white man and he made

'nigger' got up and tore his argument to "Did you learn his name? tatters. quired the surprised listener. "Yes, I think they call him John Allen." Mr. Allen is below medium size and is very dark.

Those inclined to regard the conduct of

at this time have probably forgotten that ur own troops after the close of the revo-

remain in active service during life, unless acts that made them cut but a poor figure he chooses to go on the retired list volun- in the eyes of the world. That they were inexcusably neglected is now known of all men, but few remember that these heroes, Admiral Dewey will be the third American at least on one or two occasions, acted more to attain the top rank in the navy. Admiral as though they were the followers of some Farragut was the first and David Porter sec- Robin Hood or mediaeval knights than as ond. The honor was conferred upon them liberators of their country. In the early by congress as a reward for distinguished spring of 1783 while congress was in session service in the civil war. With the death of in Philadelphia the grievances of deferred pay over ame soldierly patience and formidable mutiny followed. The mutineers ward for Dewey. The rank carries a salary proceeded in company formation to Independence hall, and filing down the street proceeded to bottle up congress beyond the appoints his own chief of staff, who must means of escape. The committee appointed not be under the rank of captain, and the for that purpose waited on the perturbed personnel of the staff otherwise is made up legislators and were received by a commitof as many officers as he deems requisite, tee composed of John Adams, Thomas Nelselected by himself. On his flagship he has son and James Wilson. These gentlemen a cabin of his own, in which he may dwell were informed by the mutineers that conin solitary state. He has also his own cook, gress had just twenty minutes in which to soldiers' back pay in full. Only after the most difficult work and by promising that ernment finds him in a dozen of everything their interests should receive the immediate attention of congress were the soldiers convinced of the unreasonableness of their demands and induced to raise the blockade, General Washington learning of the trouble sent General Lee with a regiment to the relief of congress, but when he reached Independence hall the siege was over. Purlative enactment. In fact, he has none, suing the mutineers, however, they were may choose to assign to him. Porter, after after a slight resistance in which three men were killed and several wounded. The chairman of the Board of Inspection and tenced to death, but afterwards pardoned by

This, however, did not end the matter and the mutterings of discontent in the army, face value. They were finally redeemed and the profits realized on the transaction formed the cornerstone of many immense York.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

Chicago Tribune: "What? Fizzlewig a awyer? Has he the face to set himself up in that business?"

"Yes, he has, And if he had the head to back it up he'd make the best lawyer in this town."

Brooklyn Life: "But you got a pretty good hand on that gag o' yours in the second act."
"They'd just begun to laugh then at the jokes in the first act."

Chicago Record: "Do you think the Indian will ever be civilized?"
"Yes; Spotted Crow sent in a request the other day to have his name changed to Polka Dot." Indianapolis Journal: The Housewife-Is this here milk pure? Don't you try to de-ceive me, now. The Milkman-I will not, ma'am. It is

not pure. It is half cream. Yonkers Statesman: in the selection of terms.

discovery reached him his spirits and expectations arose and sang together even as did of old the stars of morning.

"I asked here if there was a crush at Mrs. Flirt's reception and she said she never saw so much mashing in her life."

Washington Star: "Mammy," said Pick-nninny Jim, "was George Washington first in war?"
"Yassindeed." "Yassindeed."

"Well, I doesn't wanter 'sinuate dat any-body is in de same class wif George Wash-in'ton. But I wants ter call 'tention to de fack dat Dewsy was on de ground befo' do wah happened, waitin' fur it."

Indianapolis Journal: "Say, that was a mighty honest looking old farmer," said the office loafer, as the client went out, "Just the kind of a good, whole-souled face to in-

ite confidence.

"Just what he has been doing," the lawyer explained. "He is in to see about a little, old brick transaction he was drawn into."

AN UNREALIZED DREAM

Denver Post

fair.
And the joy-birds were singing everyand the ass his master's barn, and what where, where would be more natural than this subtle in-

A suitor came in a manly youth Whose eyes were mirrors reflecting truth, hot with instructions how to embalm the stone in moss and get it to him with the least possible delay and irrespective of cost. He sat down to ruminate. Days passed, He sat down to ruminate. Days passed, of the upper world, and I bade him go. A suitor came in a manly youth

A year sped on, and another came A knight in the lists of legal fame. And he whispered the story low and sweet, And laid his heart at my queenly feet. But his name was m'ssing from titled lore, He was but a toiler in life, no more, And I muffled th) blow in regretful phrase viking palaces that might have reared their As he passed from my sight with reproving Raze

yearnings of hearts that were brave and bold
And pure in affection as virgin gold.
A king would come with a titled name
And i'd rule as queen in the world of fame,
And the years sped on with distressing pace,
Each penciling lines on my once fair face,

blade,
blade,
With the growing fear that I'd die a maid,
And when hope was waning another came,
And I forced a smile and assumed his name,
The dramed-of kingdom I'm ruling o'er

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