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(Seal.) GEO. M. REED, Notary Public in and for Douglas County, Neb. Judge Sullivan is apparently fast becoming one of the staunch members of the sect of dissenters.

"Sundry legislative expense" appears press company finances.

The beef inquiry board is headed for Omaha. Its members could not choose a better place for a brief spring outing.

From the latest information Joe have succeeded in reconcentradoing the Texas legislature.

of the people expressed by majority vote at the polls.

If there are 20,000 applicants for appointment as lieutenants under the new army bill, we may be sure Nebraska is well represented in the list.

The statement that Colonel Jack Chinn has resumed operations in Kentucky may be expected to be followed by the usual funeral announcements,

It is really too bad the supreme court refuses to regard the vaporings of the popocratic organ as binding precedent on which its decisions must be molded.

A hundred dollars is a big price for a prescription, but the indications are that the friends of that Pennsylvania solon did not realize how sick he really was.

The Bee prints more paid want ads every day than any other paper published in this section. People pay for ish feeding in transit rates on live stock

them. Times must be more encouraging up in the range country in South Dakota when horses have increased in price to crop of Nebraska, as well as depriving

stealing.

In his zeal to make one public salary last until another public salary begins Congressman Robinson seems to have forgotten to hand in his resignation as judge of the district court.

The legislature of Maine has refused to incorporate the proposed ice trust with a capital of \$60,000,000. It is unnecessary to remark that the big concern was intended to freeze out all competition.

The local popocratic organ, referring to the election of a republican senator, into beef and mutton, which without professes to see for the fusion forces success in defeat. We doubt, however, whether ex-Senator Allen can see it that way.

The startling discovery is made that rate it is more profitably converted into the explosion at Toulon was only part meat. of a conspiracy to blow up everything combustible in France and the people once more rejoice in the prospect of revplutions galore.

Examiner Simpson's search for precedents would indicate that he is endowed rate to which he is not entitled, scarcely with that judicial cast of mind which must have made him a regular supreme tracts to haul a certain amount of court when he took possession of trembling little "snide" offices.

China's unreasonable refusal to hand over a choice province to Italy was a serious breach of international courtesy, and its later decision to give the apology for the delay along with the territory shows a sense of propriety highly creditable to Lord Salisbury's admin-1stration.

The news that farm lands in York county have advanced \$5 per acre in the two last year while farmers have made from \$25,000 to \$50,000 during the past fifteen years in agricultural pursuits suggests the idea that Nebraska, as a field for accumulation of wealth, can give the Klondike cards and spades and then win

Colonel Ray of one of the immune in the regiment, either officer or private, who has not been on the sick list since be built on the famous "one-hoss shay" clways comes up smiling for duty.

rency question. It is understood that perity of the granger roads, which have gain anything by the change. the republican members of that coin- been most conspicuous in the recent remittee will sit with the special com- vival of railroad values. mittee of house republicans and it is said that the advocates of currency reform are hopeful that a plan will be devised acceptable to the next congress and to the country.

The house committee consists of Henderson of Iowa, Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Payne of New York, Overstreet, of Indiana, Curtis of Kansas, Lovering Business letters and remittances should be addressed to The Bee Publishing Company.
Omaha. Drafts, checks, express and postsoffice money orders to be made payable to the order of the company.

[Ohlo. The republican manufacture of the company.] Ohlo. The republican members of the senate finance committee are Allison of Iowa, Aldrich of Rhode Island, Platt of Connecticut, Wolcott of Colorado, Burrows of Michigan and Platt of New York. Thus every section of the country is represented in these committees and among the members are men who have given very thorough study to the 0 currency and are well-informed as to public sentiment on the subject. If these men do not succeed in framing a plan of currency reform acceptable to the next congress there will be very little chance of any currency legislation by that congress.

We are inclined to doubt whether an acceptable plan will be devised by this joint committee, for the reason that it is likely to be largely under the same influences which dictated the bill reported from the house banking and currency committee-a measure that did not command the support of a majority of the republicans in the last congress. That bill was carefully drawn and in some respects was commendable. It did not regard the demands of the more radical reformers, though it would in time have served the purpose they de-

sire to accomplish. It was a compromise, but it proposed to eventually to have been a considerable item in ex- eliminate the legal tender notes and give to the banks a monopoly of the paper currency of the country. No measure of this character will ever be adopted, because no political party will take the dangerous responsibility of striking down the government paper money and giving the banks the ex-Balley's constitutional trocha seems to clusive privilege of supplying the people with a paper currency. This fact should be clearly understood and if the senators and representatives who will en-The best way to get into the mayor's deavor to prepare a currency plan do chair after all is by virtue of the choice not take it into account the time they devote to considering the currency quesfon will be wasted.

A large majority of the people believe that the United States legal tender notes should remain a part of our currency. They are satisfied with the greenback and they reject the theory that there is danger in that currency and that its existence is a barrier to prosperity. These people are also inveterately opposed to giving the banks a monopoly of the paper currency. No party can afford to ignore this public have been designated to consider the due regard for popular sentiment they may be able to propose legislation that will have some chance of adoption. Otherwise their labor will be to no pur-

FEEDING IN TRANSIT RATES

The proposal of the railroads to aboladvertising in The Bee because it pays threatens injury not only to the stock men in the range country, but to the Nebraska farmer. It means, if carried into effect, cutting off several cents per bushel from a large portion of the corn such an extent that they are worth the farmers of a market for thousands of tons of hay and other rough feed now

a source of revenue. Under the present system cattle and sheep from the range country are shipped into Nebraska and other corn states to be fattened and prepared for market. They are then shipped to market on payment of the proportionate share of the through rate. Home consumption is thus provided for millions of bushels of corn at a price from 1 to 4 cents per bushel greater than any grain shipper could afford to pay. Thousands of tons of hav are profitably converted the bringing in of range stock would never be cut. Many heavy corn-growing counties in Nebraska do not now ship a carload of corn a year, for the

The contention of the railroads, that under the present system they are defrauded in many instances by the original shipper disposing of the live stock together with his through bill of lading, thus giving a second party a reduced merits attention. The railroad confreight for a specified sum and it is immaterial whether the ownership of the freight changes in the meantime or not. Those best able to judge assert that the instances in which changes of ownership have occurred are exaggerated many times by the railroad offi-

cials. The real object of the move is to deprive the cattle feeder of the benefit of the through rate by forcing him to pay the sum of the Should this be done thousands of head Nebraska corn than now and owners Omaha has a gain of 8,000 to its credit. who desire to continue feeding range stock must pay less for their corn and rough feed in order to make a profit on home from Cuba to be mustered out, the transaction. The abolition of the Unless conditions change materially, feeding in transit rate would mean a however, there is no prospect of the severe blow to one of the greatest in- First reaching its native state for many regiments now in Cuba is the only man | dustries of Nebraska and the conse- months. The people of the state have quent loss of an immense sum to the the satisfaction of knowing that their under the system which has heretofore govfarmers and incidentally to the entire volunteers are standing fire like sea- erned our fereign office, with its "clean going to the island. The colonel must business interests of the state. The soned soldiers in the far-off land. grower on the range is also vitally inplan. He has been through everything terested, as under existing conditions

A MENACING SITUATION.

The boundary situation in Alaska threatens to become troublesome. The governor of that territory, who was in Washington in the interest of legislation affecting the territory, said to a newspaper correspondent that any effort on the part of the Canadians to extend their authority in the region in dispute would meet with armed resistance on the part of the Americans and that bloodshed would surely follow. He said the American miners were worked up to a point of extreme bitterness and resentment and are determined to prevent Canadian encroachment on what this government claims as its territory, It appears that the Canadian mounted police are already patrolling portions of the land involved in the boundary controversy and the American miners prodirection.

Every effort should be made to avert any trouble of this kind and if Governor its part to get mixed up in the war were Brady correctly states the situation, unfounded and that it is anxious to be on which there is no reason to doubt, it is friendly terms with this country, clearly the duty of the Canadian government to put a check upon the representatives of its authority in Alaska. A collision between Americans and Canadians might have very serious consequences. There might easily arise from it a grave international controversy. It certainly appears, from what was said by Governor Brady, that the Canadians have pursued a most unfriendly and irritating course and it cannot reasonably be expected that this will be tolerated indefinitely.

A REBUKE TO THE GANG. The decision of the supreme court dismissing the Broatch-Moores case is a body blow to the Herdman gang of their last hope of recovering control of the machinery of the city government upon the bogus claimant for the place in their attempt to get their grip upon the city by legislating the last republican administration out of office, they tried to eatch their breath in conspiring with the man they had legislated out of the mayor's office to override the expressed will of the people by trumping up charges of ineligibility against Mayor Moores.

From beginning to end the whole proceeding against Moores has been a malicious persecution gotten up by political mountebanks and professional outlaws backed up by a newspaper fence with the sole object of plunder and po- Spaniards upon the peaceful inhabitants of litical capital. While berating Mayor Moores for taking advantage of a legal technicality debarring the contestant when the wretched policy of greed will be revealed to them in all its hideousness, and opinion and it is safe to say that none from bringing the suit, they try to cover then there may be an uprising which will will do so. If, therefore, the men who up the fact that the whole basis of the be greatly regretted by those who have incontest was an alleged violation of legal currency question will do this with a technicality. The report of the referee was inspired, if not written, by the republican lawyers that have been side system which has succeeded in turning the

With the decision of the supreme court confirming Mayor Moores in his office the gang will have to devise some new scheme by which to recuperate and replenish its barren political larder.

NOW FOR THE CHARTER BILL.

The Douglas delegation to the legislature should get together at once and to the city charter and other measures relating specially to this city and county. Only two weeks of actual session remain in which this legislation can be perfected and carried through. be done within the next ten days.

The amendments proposed to the charter are neither complicated nor numerous. They relate simply to defects or omissions which experience has shown to exist. Still they are serious enough to cripple the municipal machinery in several vital respects that should not be neglected.

The pressure from interested parties always exerted to defeat needed reforms should be resisted by the delegation and the public interest alone should have the deciding weight,

reason that with the feeding in transit And now we are told that the tempo rary fusion of six years ago in Nebraska has been made permanent. While several of the fusees will enter vigorous denial against such a statement, the very name of permanent fusion is a misnomer. When the parties to the socalled triple alliance persist in retaining separate names and separate organizations they can not regard the union as comparison of conditions in Nebraska, however, will convince any one that instead of having been strengthened of victors if they don't get the spoils? late the adhesive power of fusion has been noticeably weakened and its permanency materially impaired.

The new packing house year commenced with March 1 and South Omaha makes a very flattering showing. The cipal centers shows an increase of only locals on his shipments. 5,000. Chicago just holds its own as compared with last year, Kausas City less of cattle and sheep will be fed on shows a loss of 15,000, while South

The Third Nebraska will soon come

Don Carles, the industrious, is at it

a matter of fact the railroads them- manifestors he has probably never gone Before the adjournment of congress selves would in all probability be heavy in the wildest flight of his patriotic imthe house republicans appointed a losers in the end. They cannot afford agination and the truth of the matter special caucus committee to prepare a to cripple this great industry, new is he could go no further if he would, plan of currency reform for submission presperous after years of depression, for He has nothing to offer Spain better to the next congress. The senate and the sake of a small temporary gain in than himself and as hard pressed by thorized its finance committee to sit revenue. Abolishing the feeding in imbediity and corruption as that counduring the recess to consider the cur- transit rate would strike at the pros- try is there is no evidence that it would

The portion of the fusion forces which was left out in the distribution of official plums has not yet been heard to express satisfaction with the state auditor's plan of giving subordinates two fat positions at the same time.

Senator Hoar and all the rest of the anti-imperialists are mournfully notified that the cause is lost since ex-Senator Peffer has gone unanimously for expansion in the last number of the North American Review.

A Clean Sweep. Minneapolis Journal

Spain left Guam "as usual." The treasiry was found to be swept as clean as an mpty molasses hogshead in fly time,

Yellow Kids Hard to Please. It is a noticeable fact that the same people who were most sorely worried over Gernany's alleged unfriendliness toward the pose to resist further aggressions in this United States a little while ago are the ones are mad now because Gerwho many has taken steps to

Friendship for All.

Atlanta Constitution. Now that the time has come for the Ger man fleet to proceed to another station, our government has been intrusted with the care of German interests in the Philippines. This evidence of good will and trust is no all pleasing to the Anglo-American partisans, but it serves to emphasize the fact that there are other nations to which we owe duties, and that the line of patriotism is that of riendship with all and alliance with none.

Cuba's Roll of "Patriots."

Philadelphia Record General Gomez's Cuban army seems variable in numerical strength as was Falstaff's array of men in buckram. The federal paymasters, with \$3,000,000 in cold cash, will reach Havana next week, and the Cuban who is not on Gomez's army roll may count holdups and desperadoes who had hung himself mighty unlucky. There are about 48,000 rank and file, according to the veteran insurgent commander's count, but the Cuban Assembly can stir up only about 30, 000, all told, to share in the windfall of fedto which Frank E. Moores was elected eral bounty. But none will be left out, in by the voters of the city. Having failed all probability, for lack of a place on the muster roll. There's nothing like the clink of gold to bring your genuine Cuban inurgent to the front!

The Polley of Greed,

Harper's Weekly. Have we no messages of peace for the world? Undoubtedly we have. The nation that has done most for peace and humanity has not changed its character. The people deceived by craft, cupidity and mendacity rushed into war, partly because their wrath was aroused by what they regarded as the murder of the sailors of the Maine, and partly because their humane susceptibilities were appealed to by the tales which came to them of the cruelties practiced by the Cuba. The nature of the American people has not changed, and the time is coming the motives that are new swaying the minds of many who want to keep the Philippines, will some day lead them to overthrow the to personal gain.

WHEELER AND HIS OFFICES.

Mischievous Precedent Prevented by Speaker Reed.

Philadelphia Ledger. Some unpleasantness was caused in the losing hours of congress by the episode in which Speaker Reed declined to recognize Representative Joseph Wheeler for the purse of making a personal explanation. agree upon the proposed amendments speaker was right, however, and General Vheeler was wrong. During the late session of congress General Wheeler, though in to take part in the proceedings, because of a oubt whether his appointment in the army did not disqualify him as a legislator, and there could have been no harm done by letswayed legislation to suit themselves. We Swift is more marvelous than this? have seen how that system works in other countries, and we want none of it in the has been elected to the next congress, and supply, causing floods and drouths alterif he chooses, next winter, to lay down his nately, but that it actually changes the clisword and don his tega, he will be heard as mate to some extent, making it more changeto whatever he may have to say.

COLONIES AND SPOILS. Will Acquisition of the Former Cure

the Latter Habit? Chicago Record. It is scarcely necessary to refer to congress' last act in turning the census over to the spoils system in order to establish proof of that body's enmity to civil service reform. Indeed, almost any legislative body in America, from the Chicago city council to permanent, although each may hope in the national congress, may be depended upon time to swallow the others. Careful to uphold the spoils creed to the limit of its ability, because a majority of any such body will be composed of men professionally addicted to politics-and why should they be

The effect of the colonies upon this grained, stupid and victous adherence to the spoils theory will be among the very interesting developments from our acquisi-Only the other day James Bryce published

tions of territory. an article dealing with English colonial experience. It is highly significant that this for what success England has achieved in its tropical and subtropical colonies first to the fact that it has taken their administration out of party politics and has built up a great corps of specially trained administrators, who hold their places and are promoted regardless of the changes of political fortunes in England, who know intimately the conditions and needs of the colonies and who look to that service as a life profession, in which advancement depends upon their own capacity.

It is needless to say that no such body of administrators could possibly be built up sweep" every time the administration

changed. If the colonies can be successfully govmarket in its immature condition. As saying a great deal. Beyond issuing compared with the United States.

MONEY SIDE OF THE BARGAIN.

Cost of Philippine Occupation and Prospective Returns. Springheld (Mass.) Republican.

the United States government is now at the have some difficulty in doing so, rate of from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 a year, and is increasing; while the Agricultural on it, the gain of \$3,400,000 would cost an again in this regard. expenditure of four times that amount. But we should not, of course, get the whole rade under the open door or any other polcy short of absolute prohibition of imports rom other nations.

How far is our present course in the islands calculated to create a market for Amercan wares outside of the powder and bullets we are paying for ourselves? This is what Clay MacCauley, the missionary, wrote from Hong Kong on the subject before the present outbreak, and in clear-sighted anticipation officials. of such an outcome of an attempt on our part to annex the islands:

"Then, should such war be undertaken, it should be known by all that the consequent destruction of the present industries and had the wool pulled over their eyes. commerce of the Philippines, so far uninjured, would be an incalculable disaster to the United States, in the permanent embitterment of the people of the islands against us, in the loss of the good will of our prove friends among the world's nations, and in that the stories of a desire on the final effacement of our own national east to the United States?"

great \$20,000,000 bargain,

The cry now is that "we could not help it." to us.

Nevertheless, we should not miss what so ardent a jingo as Lord Charles Beresford of insidious microbes! said, during his recent stay in the United States, of the trade value of political possessions, Egypt in particular:

"Save for its strategic advantages, Egypt has not been worth a shilling to England. Great Britain has sacrificed lives and money to make Egypt safe and secure and it has out the Egyptian army and police in order. t has gained no financial advantage." And to the same conclusion spoke John

Morley recently to his Montrose constitu-

"We have had practical dominion in Egypt for now something like seventeen years. Speaking broadly, our occupation of Egypt whatever else it has done, has not improved in any appreciable degree the Egyptian market for our goods, and while our imports into Egypt go up extremely slowly, the and Germany have gone up very rapidly." Which adds a mite to the mass of fact that is crushing down the trade argument of jingoism into everlasting ridicule. But if markets cannot necessarily grabbed by grabbing territory, least of all

can they be built up by shooting down the people who are to constitute such markets. REDEEMING THE DESERT.

ast Possibilities of Ir ligently Applied. Washington Times. One of the features of the closing night of the fifty-fifth congress was a lively effort partners of the gang and shared its great powers of the government to the task made by Senator Carter to secure the pasof promoting private interests and adding sage of an appropriation bill. The object of the bill was to provide for the watering of the arid lands in Montana, Nevada and other far western states, at the government exense. It is said that this measure, if it had been successful, would have added immense

ion in the northwest. The proposition, however, in connection with the immense amount of good already done by similar irrigation schemes in the west, suggests an interesting train thought. To the members of the First American congress it would have seemed utterly absurd that a large tract of land, practically attendance as a member of congress, refused a desert in its natural state, could be made fit for the habitation of human beings. They could have understood the principle as applied to a small farm, but the idea of mak-Whatever is to be accomplished must be broke his resolution when he attempted ing half a state arable by any such means to address the house. In his special case they would have dismissed as a chapter from Guillver's "Voyage to Laputa," Yet the ing him speak, and the country would have thing has been done, not once or twice, but in the course of which the latter happened willingly condoned any technical violation many times. What is more, it is averred of law in his behalf, but a precedent would that the climate as well as the soil of some have been established, which might have of the western states has been changed by present said: "Well, I wish I could say as bred much mischief at a later date, when this means, and that nature, in solitudes inscrupulous military politicians might have once fit only for the coyote and the sageused it as an argument why they should be hen, is now fostering the efforts of man to ecognized as full members of congress, and establish homes. What fairy tale of Dean

Another fact which is known to scientific men is that the cutting off of forests in United States. As for General Wheeler, he many states is not only affecting the water able than in former years. This is one of the strong arguments for the preservation of our forests by law, against the reckless depredations of the lumbermen. With all the materials now at hand for fuel and building purposes, there is no need that we should ose our forests; and if the present unserusave itself an expenditure of millions in the As time goes on, doubtless, man will learn

better and better how to centrol the mighty forces of nature, and to turn to good account those which he cannot control. In his "Traveler From Altruria" Howells puts into the mouth of his Altrurian a suggestion on this line. In telling of the Altrurian department of public works he says that one of the first things accomplished by it was the cutting of a canal through an isthmus which connected the continent with the mainland, so that the equatorial current could flow along the shores of the country; and he states that by this means the climate total number of hogs packed at the prin- learned and judicious observer laid the credit was changed from inhospitable bleakness to balmy warmth. Changes greater than anything in the funciful descriptions of this book discover, one of these days, that we are can dollars, this government might make the growth of the nation hampered by the being paid in money which is just as good Ties for 50c. NO HUMBUG. greed of kings and the hindrance of foreign as its own. wars. The science developed through many generations comes in the prime strength to a land unmarred by the hand of man. We have no ruler but ourselves. The plan. He has been through everything the feeder can and does pay more for service in the interior of Alaska the feeder can and does pay more for again, but just what he proposes to do the world will be ready to acknowledge that they shall work all their lives to undo the court were suddenly called upon to define they shall work all their lives to undo the court were suddenly called upon to define R. S. WILCOX, Manager.

BEE LINES.

The attempt of Aguinaldo to get the countries of Europe to recognize him suggests a stiff upper lip in Chinese matters, but if the idea that if they do not comply before is unferstood that John Bull provides the The expense of Philippine occupation to General Otis gets hold of him they may starch.

The illness of Mr. Rudyard Kipling is department has just issued a report showing replete with a valuable lesson, which it is that the total import trade of the islands for to be hoped that he will not fail to learn, dezen years past has averaged only about Uniformly, Mr. Kipling has not failed to \$17,000,000 a year. If we should get the vilify America and Americans as a body. whole trade, and if it were all not profit, the The offense is not one that is palliated by present bargain could not be considered a youth, for it has been repeated frequently highly profitable one in view of all the risks and recently, but after the universal involved. If we should get the whole trade sympathy the great writer has received from and make the handsome profit of 20 per cent | the American people he should not offend

> The authorities at Wellington, Kan. decided that they would christen their new jail in honor of the first inmate. A Mrs. Horton was the first to be granted admission and the structure was named "Horton" jail The trial of the woman resulted in acquittal but the name of the jail was not changed. On the other hand its celebrity became greater. That naturally angered the woman and she has now expressed her disapproval filing a big damage suit against the

> The formation of the wool trust will probably lead to some loud bleating when the minority stockholders find that they have

A New York woman who lectures on household economics is authority for the following statement made deliberately before an audience of young women: "I hope to see the day when kissing is unknown. I wish it could be made illegal. I never let ideal of human freedom and of each man's anyone kiss me. I hope no one will ever rights in the pursuit of happiness. Need try to kiss me, for I will not let them. more be said to show the fatuity of the pro- Nothing is said as to the age of this woman. posed annexation of these islands of the far No statement exists as to whether she possesses the blooming charm, peculiar to her And true to this prediction, we are now sex, which would induce any rightly conproceeding to shoot out of existence what structed man to try to lift himself by his little market existed as the result of the boot straps to the top of the Eiffel tower, if necessary, for a sip of the labian nectar, We hear very little nowadays of this and in the absence of these facts the statephase of the question. Secretary Gage is ment might be allowed to go as the vapornot saying much at present about "phil- ings of what Mr. Alexander Pope would anthropy and 5 per cent." He and Sec- call "a stale virgin with a wintry face." if retary Wilson and other spokesmen for the it were not for its possible moral effect on money side of the grab are not now telling the unsophisticated. Presumably this woman the people how we shall keep our mills go- is not so entirely bereft of human sensibiling, selling beds for Filipinos to sleep in lities as to found her objections upon the and woolens for them to wear and wheat theory that kissing, like the old gentleflour and dressed beef for them to eat. No. man's job of shearing pigs, involves too much squealing for the amount of wool We never wanted the islands-providence, realized, but is rather based upon the midestiny or something else forced them on crobe fallacy. But, by the shades of Eros, that is worse. Think of the softly tremulous and warm red "Cupid's bow" as a nest

The thought of such a thing would be stigma upon the gallantry of a Digger Indian. But what if there are microbes, what difference does it make? Could a sane man desire to die of any more agreeable disease? Since we must shuffle off this mortal coil let it be by this microbe route, and we will snap our fingers in the face of science and die joyously, using our last breath to ask for another infection.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The "Admiral Dewey" rose now has the call. Perhaps any other dewey rose would smell as sweetly, but its value lies in its lasting quality.

Alexander Dowling, a justice of the supreme court of Indiana and a resident of importations from such countries as Belgium New Albany, bears so strong a resemblance to the president that he is known as "the man with the McKinley head."

General Wade Hampton was awakened one night not long ago to find the roof of his house in a blaze. He would not disturb the rest of his household. Despite his cork leg he went up on the roof himself and helped put out the fire. Prof. Henry A. Rowland of Johns Hopkins

university, by a recent invention, has simdiffed the art of telegraphy so that it is no longer necessary for operators to learn the Morse system. Any one who can work a typewriter can send a dispatch. It is hardly to be wondered at that Admiral Camara declines the marine portfolio

in the new Spanish cabinet, preferring to remain in command of his squadron. He found that position last summer the safest and most irresponsible of any in the whole shooting match. Admiral Dewey is heartily thankful for tracts of land to that already under cultivafavors bestowed, but his countrymen can do

him one more favor, as important as any yet conferred upon him-quit writing letters to him. The admiral is a busy man and should not be bothered with letters, of which he receives thousands in every mail.

Like his father, the standard oil Croesus young John D. Rockefeller, who has just been elected a director of the Lackawanna road, teaches a Sunday school class in the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, New York City. He also plays the violin, being a member of the Rockefeller family orchestra.

Speaker Reed and Mr. Choate, now ambassador to England, were at a dinner party, to mention that he had never in his life ridden on a railroad pass. A congressman much." Reed looked at him solemnly for a moment and then drawled: "Why didn't you? Choate did."

The portrait of Lieutenant Commander Richard Wainwright, U. S. N., which was presented to the city of Gloucester, Mass., by Mrs. Wainwright, has been received by Mayor French. It is three-quarters life size. It will be hung in the mayor's room, together with the first American flag raised in Porto Rico, which was given to that city by the gunboat Glou-

Boston has declared war upon the English sparrow, and the movement has the indorsement of Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale, Bishop Lawrence, Lewis C. Dabney, Alex S. pulous waste of timber continues it will not Porter, Charles C. Jackson, Henry L. Higbe long before some other sections of the ginson, Mrs. John L. Gardner and others as country besides the far northwest will be prominent. The movement is based on the begging for artificial irrigation. By proper ground that the universally objurgated sparforest laws enforced now, the country can row is "a public nuisance and a general expense and a serious esthetic injury."

"Ben Hur," General Lew Wallace's masterpiece, was first dedicated "To the wife of my youth." When the book began to make its way General Wallace was flooded with letters of condolonce on the supposed death of his wife, the writers basing their sympathy on the dedication. Mrs. Wallace had herself written the words, but for the next edition altered them to the following, which has ever since been used: "To the wife of my youth, who still abides with

Paying Spain in Its Own Coin.

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> Defining a Smell. Detroit Journal

The army court of inquiry may be will of the people determines what this con- strictly practical body, but when it or any tinent shall be whether it shall be made desolate by the greed of a few or beautiful definition" of the term "deathly smell" it the enlightened effort of the many; exhibits itself as bound by words rather than whether our children's children shall have ideas and as inclined to fine-spun definitions, to his present duty in the tropics and his stock than it would be worth on the is more uncertain than ever, which is they are mere children in political genius consequences of our mistakes. Which shall the amell of a rose or of a cabbage, how I would it begin?

ITALY IN THE CHINA SHOP.

Washington Star: Italy proposes to keep

Chicago Record: Already the consequences of our policy of expansion are seen in the dispatches which come from China oncerning the part that China and Great Britain expect us to play in the affairs of the "Flowery Kingdom." Now that Italy is making demands upon the tsung-li-yamen for the cousion of a part of Chinese terriory the whole question of 'spheres of influence" is being raised, and a diplomat of high rank intimates that if anybody gets a slice of China the United States will need to

be similarly favored. Kansas City Star: It seems the height or depth of folly for Italy to interfere in the Chinese matter. England, Russia and Germany have interests in China which they are desirous of extending, but Italy's comree with China is insignificant and affords no excuse for intervention. Italy should remember its costly and fruitless attempt at colonization in Africa and remain at home. Italy is a great sufferer from trying to keep big company and maintain a great army and navy because its allies do. In the meantime the Italian people are overtaxed and are leaving their country by thousands for not only North, but South America.

Detroit Journal: Forgetting for the moment what China has done in the past, under pressure, in the way of leasing scaports to foreign nations, the news telegraphed from Pekin that the Italian government regards as insulting China's refusal to further dismember itself to make a Roman holiday, is itself an Insult to the Chinese, Why should they not refuse? Whose territory is it that Italy demands? Imagine the reply of Italy to China's demand for a lease of a scaport of Italy. But the fact is, China may as well submit. It has cut off a finger or two or three, and when a hand is demanded and then a leg it may as well ply the knife with as little complaint of the flow of blood as possible. is the penalty it pays for being so far behind in the procession of nations that it cannot hear the band play the popular song of the day-"Onward Christian Soldier!"

LIGHT AND BRIGHT.

. Chicago Record: "Pa, what is a hero?"
"A hero is a man who tries to read a
newspaper in the same room with a boy
about your size,"

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Jane is a close student of the Philippine war."
"What makes you think it?"
"She recently referred to Cupid as the mythological Ygorote."

Detroit Free Priss: Cawker-He is addicted to small talk.

Cumso-I am surprised to hear you say that. My experience is that he says but little, although he is well informed.

Cawker-That is what I mean, His language consists largely of monosyllables.

Chicago Tribune: She-The poet, Camp-ell, couldn't have been baldheaded, any-

She-He wrote "Distance Lends Enchant-ment to the View," didn't he?

Indianapolis Journal: "I have never yet quite figured out," said the man who has succeeded pretty well, "whether my wife has faith in my ability to do things, or whether her faith is in her ability to make

Chicago News: "Isn't it awfully dull and "Dull? No; somebody gets stuck in the mud near our house every night

Philadelphia North American:

Philadelphia North American: "I could never see anything great in your trip across the Rubicon," said Washington, "Now, when I crossed the Delaware, I had to contend with a great mass of ice," "Yes," replied Caesar; "but look at the risk I ran of meeting a frost when I reached the other side," And even one of the Roman senators smiled.

Pittsburg Chronicle: "The introduction of new cancellers into the postoffice," began Mr. Pitt. "Well?" asked Mr. Penn. "I was wondering if these new can sellers indicate an intention on the part of the postofilee authorities to go into the tinned

Chicago Post: "Ah, yes," she sighed, "I'm Chicago Post: "Ah, yes," she sighed, "I'm saddest when I sing."
"Then," he replied, "you must be an exception to the rule."
"What rule?"
"The rule that people are oblivious of their

own defects.

Washington Star: "I understand," said wishington Star: "I understand," said the morbid spectator, "that the prisoner is showing wonderful nerve."
"I don't know," answered the cynical lawyer, "whether he is showing wonderful nerve or whether he simply lacks intelligence enough to know when it is time to be scared."

ROMANCE AND REALITY.

He held her hand! Her eye flashed firet She writhed and twisted in his grasp! She writhed and twisted in his grasp!

She writhed and twisted in his grasp!

He realized that trouble dire

Would come, if she should break his clasp,

For wedlock—real of all true love—

Now held them in its potent band,

And she was trying to throw a carv
lng knife at him! He held her hand!

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