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The foot ball season is nearing its culmination and the record of the season's deaths and injuries on the foot ball field will soon be made up.

Former Commissary General Eagan is preparing a petition to congress for a restoration to rank and duty. Some people ought to know when they are well treated.

Municipal ownership will probably be the battlecry of all parties in the coming city campaign. The difference, if any, will be on the question where and when to begin.

The popocratic county attorney for this county was vindicated in the recent election by a loss of nearly 2,000 votes. Wonder what he would do if he sought a new vindication?

If the tax assessor has appraised your Board of Review, sitting in the city hall, and have the matter fixed up.

While the World-Herald is puffing it self as a great prophet it might go over the files of its paper and read its prediction, a few days before the last election, of democratic victory in Ohio by the success of the McLean ticket.

The government of Natal is said to be bankrupt as a result of the South African war, which by destroying its trade has played havoc with its revenues. Wonder what Natal would do if it had a war of its own on its hands.

A thriving Nebraska town in the southeastern part of the state refunding its bonded indebtedness and reducing the interest rate from 6 to 41/2 per cent. And yet the Bryanites tell us the gold standard makes money dear and

The rival inter-city motor lines are a distance it would seem that that mustanter.

The income of the school board from the license fund will be materially curtailed during the coming year and the board must either curtail expenses in some direction or force an increase of taxes, which already are too burdensome in Omaha.

If there is not pie enough in the fusion bakery to satisfy the appetite of populists, silver republicans, Bohemians, Germans, Scandinavians, Irishmen, Jews, Gentiles and colored reformers there will be blood on the moon by the middle of January, and don't you

Whatever may be the merits of the controversy the trouble is to be deplored, for it has been the general desire of year without labor troubles if possible.

view of the situation. a constitutional amendment restricting many and Russin became possessed of ignation. This week, without waiting cause there seemed no prospect of more

DISHONEST COMPETITION. Out-of-town subscribers of The Beehave recently been flooded with circulars and sample copies of the Omaha World-Herald importuning them to dis-

Elkhorn Valley is a fair sample: ten days prior to the November election the World-Herald mailed a sample copy of its semi-weekly to The Beo's weekly list bere-no more, no less. This week every It is evident that they have your list. How they obtained it you will probably know how to learn.

Under the moral code, which should apply to the newspaper as well as to all other kinds of legitimate business, the buyer of stolen property, knowing it to be stolen, is no better than the thief. Remit by draft, express or postal order, payable to The Bee Publishing Company, Only 2-cent stamps accepted in payment of mail accounts. Personal checks, except on Omaha or Eastern exchange, not accepted. THE BEE PUBLISHING COMPANY. another merchant. Yet this is precisely what the Omaha newspaper fence has done as a piece of its peculiar brand

of lournalistic enterprise, The facts are substantially these: Some months ago the business manager of The Bee discovered discrepancies in the subscription books that culminated in the discharge of two employes. One of these managed to purloin surreptitiously proof sheets of the greater portion of The Bee's mailing lists. With this recommendation the party, like most of the other Bee employes discharged for questionable practices, readily found a lodgment on the payrolls of the fence.

24.995 Against such dishonest competition The Bee has no remedy except the superiority of its publication and the natural resentment its patrons must feel at the low and underhanded trickery to which its would-be rival is constantly resorting in its desperate effort to build itself up.

THE OPEN DOOR QUESTION.

Our government has not yet received formal reply from any of the European powers to its request for definite assurances that the rights of the United States in China will be respected. According to reports from Washington there is some disappointment in administration circles at the apparent reluctance of the nations having territory in China, particularly Russia, to give the assurances asked for by the United States, though it is still hoped they will ultimately respond as desired. When the American note was sent to the several powers it was thought that the Russian government would promptly reply, availing itself of the opportunity to once more attest its friendship for this country. That it has not done so, but on the contrary has asked to know the reasons why the United States should now request such assurances, is a cause of surprise and has created the impression that property unjustly and has favored your Russia is preparing to prolong negotineighbor, go tell your troubles to the ations or possibly refuse to give the Russia having already proclaimed to

the world that the port of Talien Wan

is to be open to the commerce of all the world, it is thought not improbable that the Russian government may simply refer the United States to its former declarations on the subject and consider that no further guarantees are necessary. This is practically what Germany has done. It is suggested, however, that if Great Britain, Germany, Japan and the United States believe it is for the best interests of the world that the integrity of the Chinese empire should be maintained, Russia and France or both combined will not attempt to overturn this opinion. On the other hand it urged that the United States having neglected the opportunity to exact assurances for the protection of its interests in China when these were first put in jeopardy by Germany's seizure of Chinese territory and by the acquisition of exclusive Russian privileges in again sparring for first place on the China, our government cannot reasonstreets of Council Bluffs. To a man at ably expect Russia to give it concesslous for which it has nothing to give nicipal corporation is in position to act in return. "The time for us to have as referee and enforce its judgments in | made conditions with Russia," remarks the New York Times, "was when Russia wanted something that was against our interests, to-wit, the acquisition of Manchuria, and would have been willing to pay something for it. Why should she pay anything now, when she has got all she wanted from us, our benevolent neutrality, for nothing, or at no greater cost than the bestowal of international compliments, which cost nothing, at the State department or at the White House? Now it is we that want semething and we have parted. for nothing, with the equivalent for which we might have had it." The Times regards our attempt to get from the continental powers by separate action what we forewent the opportunity The journeymen job printers have to get from them by joint action with agreed to disagree with their employers | England as an acknowledgment of the and a general walkout is threatened. great blunder we made a year and a took possession of Chinese territory.

half ago when Germany and Russia Perhaps at that time a request by Omaha business men to get through the this government for assurances that its rights and interests in China would be It was just about a year ago and satisfactory answer, but circuin- It goes without saying that Kansas City war, he was refused and treated to a cold that Congressman-elect Neville dis- stances were then of a nature to re- will exert every influence within its soub. tinguished himself by writing his letter quire extraordinary prudence and cirexplaining the causes of populistic de cumspection in our relations with Eu- pel the retention of the differential by grievances of the outlanders to remedy which generacy. Now that Mr. Neville has a ropean powers and it is possible that which its jobbers and manufacturers Great Britain brought about war against the certificate of election in sight entitling had we then demanded what we now have for years enjoyed undue advantive of the Sixth congressional district in a controversy that would subset this contest if it will only present an high as 300 per cent, and yet Canada taxes perhaps he will take a more optimistic quently have operated to our serious unbroken front and give the Burlington American outlanders in the Klondike 104-5 Congressman Roberts has reached as we now have, nor did any one fore- others, those who are not with us are Washington in readiness to take his see that we should have. We were not against us, eath of office. Now the bombardment blind or indifferent to the possibilities of the anti-polygamists will be renewed of Chinese trade a year and a half ago. The populist organs are now taking a his wife. "The fact is," says the Tribune. from all over the country. It would not but we did not value that trade as we new tack in their assault upon National "Major Logan himself was anxious to go. he surprising if the movement should now do. Having obtained a foothold in Committeeman D. Clem Deaver. A He enlisted first for the war with Spain finally culminate in a proposition for the far east not dreamed of when Ger- week ago they were demanding his res-

pean governments. To the Editor of The Bee: You must have many. Russia will hardly array her- with the salary list. a World-Herald man in your camp. About self against the influence of these three powers in behalf of the open door in treated to a sample copy of the Daily W .- H. government has made no mistake in this matter.

> No fair-minded man can doubt the election of the republican candidate for governor in Kentucky on a fair count

THE KENTUCKY SITUATION.

Democratic papers in that state have conceded his election even without the W. P. instead of W. S. Taylor and the just decision of the court of appeals that these should be counted as the voters intended ought to put an end to all controversy. Yet Goebel and his adrelying upon the infamous election law of which Goebel is the author to accomplish that purpose. That law was the leading issue in the campaign and it was repudiated by the people, but the unscrupulous partisans who hoped to profit by it still intend to use it to defeat the popular will. As now indicated they mean to play their dishonorable and disgraceful game to the last card.

The Goebel law provides a state board of election commissioners whose decision is final when it declares that a candidate of the same party as a majority of the commission has been chosen, but subject to appeal to the legislature in case of a decision favorable to the candidate in sympathy with the minority members of the commission. Thus should the majority of the board say that Goebel was elected the decision could only be set aside, if at all, by the courts, while if it should be decided that Taylor, the republican candidate, was elected, an appeal may be taken to the legislature, which the democrats control. The latest advices say that if Goebel is not given a certificate of election by the state board he will accept the verdict of that body and not carry the contest to the legislature, but no such assurance has come from the candidate himself and is not likely to. The probability is that he believes there will be no necessity for an appeal to the legislature, that a majority of the members of the state board of election commissioners being his partisans will give him the certifi-

cate of election. It is to be apprehended that this will be the result, though there are powerful influences at work to defeat the infamy which the Goebelites would perpetrate and to save Kentucky from the obloquy and repreach which the state would suffer from their success. Democratic newspapers and thousands of democrats are arrayed in earnest opposition to the Goebel scheme of highhanded fraud and robbery, while the their side, are in no mood to permit themselves to be deprived of the fruits of a fairly wen victory. Should a majority of the state election board render a decision against the unmistakable verdict of a majority of the people of Kentucky, there would be grave danger of a popular uprising that might have the most serious consequences. This possibility may not be without influence upon the state election board.

MUST STAND TOGETHER. In union there is strength. Whenever the business men of Omaha can be united on any vital issue they will carry their point. This has been the secret of success of commercial competitors and should be the keynote of Omaha's jobbers and manufacturers in every effort they are making to secure fair treatment if not equal favors from public carriers. Heretofore the lack of harmony and superabundance of selfishness on the part of some firms have prevented Omaha from receiving proper recognition by traffic managers and rate-makers. So long as concerted action on the part of shippers can be thwarted by special favors in the shape of passes and secret rebates the railroad managers will ignore Omaha's grievances and pay no attention to its his throne, but the local Nicaraguan thrones

demands. The reason why Kansas City and other competing business centers have been able to distance Omaha in the race for commercial supremacy is chiefly because its business men stand together lature of the state since 1886, and do not allow themselves to be bought off or bulldozed into submission.

Now that the battle over the Omaha-Kansas City differential is on, the mettle of Omaha business men will be put to a test that will demonstrate whether to this country. Omaha can present a united front and road has taken position in favor of placing and keeping Omaha on an equal plane with Kansas City in competitive dently there are a few suckers left. territory it would be an eternal disgrace for Omalia to stand aloof and let Pretoria, in accordance with instructions assist in the movement to induce congress the road fight it out, or, worse yet, to from our State department, asked President to establish the national Appalachian park. discourage the managers of the Bur- Kruger if he might be allowed to take respected would have received a prompt lington by dividing among themselves. disadvantage. Besides, we had not at all the backing at its command, bearing per cent." that time so great an interest in China in mind that in this campaign, as in all

world vastly greater than before and populist who refuses to play the role gave their consent."

which fully justifies our government in of assistant democrat and to co-operate GRIND OF THE POLITICAL MILL. asking definite assurances from Euro- with the conscienceless leaders who are Hastings Tribune (rep.); Major Dungan, paper. Of the many letters received upon the support of Great Britain and and file of the party better than the kind of work. the following from a postmaster in the Japan and the example of the former men who are propagating fusion for the

We hope our new regent will not underone of The Daily Bee subscribers were no doubt the result will show that our not vote the fusion ticket. It will surely Crawford Gazette (rep.): "Pie, give us have been done nearly as foolish, but we pendent.

who were expelled from the faculty for cause are already boasting that they will be reinstated as soon as the new contested Nelson county votes cast for board gets into office and one of the of War Meiklejohn come from a diseased soil with America's high-pressure system for the abolition of this tariff, so that the term, attributes his turning down to the fact that he refused to inject poliherents seem determined to persist in tics into the university management. their effort to steal the governorship. If one of the regents has been cut out because he refused to bow to the political dictation of the state house machine what is to be expected of the new board when it is constituted of a popocratic patronage distributors?

Figures compiled by the Iowa State Railroad commission show gross receipts for the year ending June 30, 1899, almost \$3,000,000 more than reported by the railroads for the previous year, and for the year 1893, which state than ever before, with a compennumber of employes is 32,385 and their wages and salaries \$18,406,383. Is it any wonder that Iowa is staunchly republican when it is sharing so largely in republican prosperity?

It is pleasing to know that the tinder boxes at old Fort Omaha are to be razed and that the large brick structures are to be preserved and put to some good use. This was doubtless brought about as a result of the recent ant Secretary Melklejohn.

The Bee's special Thanksgiving number Sunday made a distinct hit as the best newspaper ever published in these parts. The Bee is not a cheap newspaper, but the best is always the cheapest.

They Have Other Troubles.

The manner in which the Boers tear up rallway tracks indicates a decided disinclination to bother with any grade-crossing problems.

Exchanging Goods for Gold. Globe-Democrat. A fleet of thirty-five vessels has been en-

5,000 tons of structural republicans of the state, with right on flow of Australian gold to this country is steel from Philadelphia to Australia. The likely to continue. Consider the Promoter, The Marconi Wireless Telegraph company

should a concern whose plant will consist merely of a few poles, a few brass balls and the atmosphere of the earth need \$10,-000,000 in its business? Their Fitting Grave. New York Tribune

has been capitalized at \$10,000,000. Why

It is well that the dead of the Maine are to be brought home for sepulture in their in another war, they -must not slumber there Where stranger steps and tongues re

Along the heedless air. Not even though those stranger tongues would give them all honor as the first American martyrs for Cuba's sake. The fitting grave of the American sailor or soldier is under the American flag.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The National Grange has \$50,000 in the treasury, and its members are not calamity Michael Davitt, during his day in Parlia-

enforced, sitting invariably in the same had Metcalf not shot him instantly. seat. The king of the Mosquito territory has contracted a morganatic marriage and lost

chair. The new legislature of Massachusetts will have nine democrats in the senate and seventy in the house of representativesmore democrats than have been in any legis-

are about as substantial as a broken rocking

The life-sized bronze equestrian statue of Frederick the Great, by J. L. Gorome, the go before congress in the interest of the French sculptor, which he will exhibit at proposed Appalachian National park, conby Peter Gibson of Cincinnati and imme- D. C., N. G. Gonzales of Columbia, S. C. diately after the exposition will be shipped P. A. Stovall of Savannah, M. H. Cone of

A swell New York fakir who takes in so maintain that unity to the end. In much coin that he hires men to shovel it, view of the fact that the Burlington indignantly protests that his offer of 10 per Waddell of Wilmington, N. C., J. S. Carr of cent profit every week to depositors is strictly honest, and that he makes it and pays it. His patronago is enormous. Evi-

When United States Consul Macrum, at charge of enoney sent by English people to

South African republics. The burdensome

The Washington correspondent of the Chicago Tribune says Mrs. Logan is troubled When that was over he resigned only be-

trying to deliver the party over to the the boy orator of Adams county, is now en- classic heights of Omaha dedicated to the There is still reason to think that democrats has a hard row to hoe. A gaged in setting his pins for the nomina- muse, honors The Bee with a poetic outthese assurances will be given. The plebiscite, however, might demonstrate tion on the fusion ticket for congress to burst of indignation against the tyrannical continue their subscriptions to this United States can confidently count that Mr. Deaver represents the rank succeed R. D. Sutherland. There are three orders of Governor Leary of the forlorn isla or four others who are engaged in the same of Guam. The provocation for this sonor-

is very likely to be followed by Ger- sake of keeping up their connection Liquor Dealers' association is now claiming Norfolk Journal (rep.): The Nebraska all the credit of electing Holcomb. That takes a very serious responsibility off the shoulders of a lot of other fellows, and China and France is pretty certain to take to turn out all the present tutors and puts the liquor dealers in the worst light follow the course of Russia. We have employes in our State university who did they have ever appeared before the public.

bring disgrace and defeat to our party pie, or we perish!" is the incessant cry of just as it did down in Kansas. Thing: hordes of office-hungry democrate and populists since the recent election. The great ought to have more sense.—Nebraska Inde- trouble is there is not nearly enough pie to ling multitude. They can observe the jostgo around. These hungering ones seem to But Will the Nebraska fusionists realize this fact and the scramble is said have more sense? Discarded professors to be sickening. This is indeed a cold, cruef world

present democratic regents who was brain and as The Bee says are "simply of life. not given a renomination, although he effervescence of small-bore apprehension lest had been serving only an unexpired some eminent Nebraskan outside the fusion that work is an enemy of ideal existence, paper may be brought to this country free tional arena."

Schuyler Sun: The thirst of some demonot be guenched. In Merrick county the fusion candidate for sheriff was beaten by fifty-four votes, the clerk by forty-two and the clerk of the district court by eighteen. Each has begun a contest for no other reason than that they want the offices and want majority who are the creatures of the them badly. Here's hoping that they will

with one accord jumped on to D. Clem pitch of his muse; Deaver, the populist national committeeman for Nebraska, and demanded his resignation D. Clem Deaver before election declared he would not be a party or further the schemes had been the largest in the history of democracy. These populist papers now howiof politicians to deliver the populist party to Iowa railroads. Other interesting sta- ing for his resignation base their demands fistics indicate that 1,200 more men are on the fact that D. Clem is a "leech and employed for railroad work in that bloodsucker at the public crib," a "sorehead and inveterate officeseeker." Good Lord, he shouldn't be condemned for that! sation greater by \$1,200,000. The total wouldn't be a good populist with those virtucz (?) eliminated.

Fremont Herald (dem.): The Nebraska City News has it "from what it considers a reliable source" that Hon. C. J. Smyth is o be appointed dean of the law school of the State university, and that E. Benjamin Andrewe, who is at present at the head of the Chicago public schools, is to be made chanellor of the university. The "other side" would doubtless say that this was all very wrong, but really, how would they like it themselves? When one side does it, they call it "politics:" when the other side does it, it is "patriotism." We think the state personal inspection of the abandoned school-and all the state institutions-should barracks by General Miles and Assist- be kept out of politics, of any brand, as much as possible. There isn't any of it any too

good. Fremont Tribune (rep.): The good fusion wire pullers, who were looking for the court, which is the best thing from a discovered that Clerk Campbell's appointment runs on four-year terms and that he constitution, but no constitution is tight Here it is: enough to hold any republican in office when soon be "removed for cause" when the fusionists get comfortably settled in office.

## ANOTHER VERSION OF STORY Private Grogan Inclined to Doubt Re-

port Concerning Colonel Met-

enif's Alleged Cruelty. SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Nov. 26 .- C. L. Grogan, late of Company L, Twentieth Kansas, is in the city visiting his parents. Concerning the alleged killing of a supplicating unarmed Filipino by Colonel Metcalf he says he is surprised at the statement made by native soll. As O'Hara wrote of those slain Callahan, who was his lieutenant. Grogan says Callahan and Hall were five companies back from where Metcalf was at the time of the killing and could know nothing of the matter from their own personal knowledge. Grogan says he and five other privates were detailed to bury the dead Filipinos after the battle of Caloocan, on February 10. While he and a private from Company I were at work together they came upon the who seemed to have fallen while fighting. His companions looked at the body and said the fellow had been taken prisoner with him and tried to get him to go along. called alarmists. More recently, however,

## FOR AN APPALACHIAN PARK home office giving the output of all minerals

Committees Appointed to Lay the Matter Before Congress and Services of Women Enlisted.

BATTERY PARK HOTEL, ASHEVILLE, N. C., Nov. 26.-George S. Powell, president of the Appalachian National Park associstion, has appointed a committee which will the Paris exposition, has been purchased sisting of M. V. Richards of Washington. New York, E. P. McKissick of Asheville, J. A. Holmes, state geologist of North Carolina; J. F. Hayes of Pennsylvania, A. M. Durham, Frank Lochran of North Carolina, Josephus Daniels of Raleigh, N. C., H. S. Harkins of Asheville, N. \*C., S. P. Ravenel of North Carolina. A resolution passed asking the women of the United States to

#### ELECTRICAL FAN COMBINE Fourteen Firms with a Capital of \$25,000,000 Control the Manufacture of Electric Coolers.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26 .- A series of meetngs of the electric fan manufacturers of him to \$5,000 a year as the representation ask we should have become involved tage. But Omaha can hold its own in cent on properties, some of which yielded as hotel during the past week and it has been decided to establish a permanent organization under the title of the American Association of Electrical Fan Manufacturers With a view to carrying into effect the decisions of the meetings a provisional comover the story that she urged her son to go mittee has been appointed, with H. Burd to the Philippines in spite of the wishes Cassel of Marietta, Pa., as chairman. The of other members of his family, including objects of the association are to secure betier, more stable and so far as is practicable, uniform prices. The electrical fan industry of the country is in the hands of about fourbusiness is more than \$25,000,000. All the eligibility to seats in congress to men territory in China, we have an interest for his reply, they are calling upon the the Philippines he was anxious to see serve sented at the meetings and it is said that coke made from this coal is said to be almost who are also eligible for the matri- in the commerce of that quarter of the national committee to expel him. The ice, and finally his wife and mother both there is practical unanimity among the equal to Connelleville coke. manufacturers.

ECHOES OF OUR WAR.

One of the aweet singers of Dundes, the ous onslaught is to be found in certain or ders of the governor requiring the native; to forsake a life of idleness and ease; to get 'a move on," to hustle, to tickle the fruit ful soil with spade or plow and raise fodder for themselves and incidentally for pigs, chickens, etc. The poets of Dundee are peculiarly fitted to fire the popular heart against the ceaseless baste, the strife and struggle of modern life. From you lofty perch they can look over intervening space and behold the smoking clouds of industry that shed flakes of ebony on Omaha's hustling throngs, pulling, hurrying in every direction in search of the festive dollar. No wonder the unseemly scramble, the sordid zeal for Uncle Sam's I. O. U., arouses indig-Hebron Republican: The contemptible bits nation in souls far removed from ignoble of mud thrown by that daffy organ, the strife. No wonder they protest against the panies of the United States are disposed to Omaha World-Herald, at Assistant Secretary threatened desecration of Guam's sacred make a spontaneous demand on congress The poet contends in vigorous phrases ited by the prices at which foreign-made

fold should achieve distinction in the na- and while appreciating the misfortune of of duty, those obliged to work, insists that if the than Governor Leary nominates.

be squelched. When a man is fairly beaten As the Dundee poet rebels against work, to a duty imposed solely for the purpose of he ought to be manly enough to acknowledge encourage him would destroy the force of keeping the foreign article out and not for Pierce Call: Populist papers last week ing lines of his bugle blast, to show the lofty able to sell their product for about 25 per

Oh. Leary, Leary, You make me weary.

order to drop a few words of friendly advice that they purchase in foreign countries. to the governor of Guam: Beware of the The manifest injustice of this must be apambition to become a hero. These are trou- parent to everyone. There is no excuse blesome times for heroes. We loved them for the tariff on paper, even from the standfor the dangers they have passed. Distance lent enchantment to their deeds; we placed them on lofty pedestals, sang their praises well as a protectionist-for it is manifest in countless songs, leaded them with houses, that a corporation which is capitalized for smothered them with shouts and adulation, erty and completely controls the home mar-But when they came and settled down to ket is able to make a normal manufacturer's stay awhile, and the tumult and the shout- profit without any governmental aid. ing passed away, they could not live up to the public ideal. They were themselvesjust ordinary men. Babbling tongues. prompted by envy and malice, were set in motion and soon the country was scandalized and sickened by shallow controversies shocking charges, cruel innuendoes and callow criticism. No hero of the war has escaped. If any warrior still at the front has an itching for a halo, a desire to pluck glory from the cannon's mouth, some kind friend should whisper in his ear the solemn caution: Don't!

Apropos of the latest discreditable evidence of mercurial public temper, a South emoluments of the clerk of the supreme Omaha contributor sends The Bee a clipping from the Chicago Drovers' Journal, which, financial point of view in the state, have he says, "is so full of good hard senseaccording to my way of thinking-so pointed in its dealing with that damphool thing, the has something like two and a half years yet | American public, that I would like to have of his present term. This is fixed by the it given a circulation as wide as The Bee's."

"The people who inaugurated the scheme the fusionists are in control. It may, there- of presenting Admiral Dewey a house were fore, be taken for granted Mr. Campbell will misguided; the admiral, in agreeing to acbe given his walking papers at the earliest | cept it, was misguided; when he made that moment after Holcomb and Sullivan are in hasty transfer he was misguided, and when control of the supreme court. Notwithstand- the people jumped onto him roughshod ing Mr. Campbell has been a capable and over the matter, they were misguided. It honest, in fact an ideal, court official he can was a piece of fool business from start to finish, and very small business at that. As a rule mercurial people who are ready to nake an idol of a hero and to shower at him contributions he doesn't need, are the very first to turn and rend him when he hows by some small, thoughtless action that he is human after all. To thinking, sensible people Dewey was no god when he was on his triumphant return from Manila, and he is no devil now that he has gotten mixed up with the people who think a 10cent subscription to a fool fund entitles them to forever after keep a string on the dime."

## CARRYING COAL TO NEWCASTLE.

Assumes a New Meaning in the Light of Existing Facts. Philadelphia Record. More than thirty years ago much alarm was created in Great Britain by a statement She left the soulless wretch and threw made by a prominent economist to the effect that the supply of coal was in danger of becoming exhausted within less than a hundred years. Thereupon a royal commissi n was appointed to investigate this important matter, and after a lapse of five years of study and investigation a report was made body of a Filipino with a knife in his hand stating that at the then existing rate of consumption the coal supply would not be in danger of exhaustion in less than 1,273 years. said it was the one Metcalf had shot. He This was in 1871, and the immediate effect was to give a sense of security to the people and was unruly. Metcalf stopped to talk and to bring into disfavor the views of soment, did nearly all his literary work in The Filipino sprung at him with his bowie a number of independent estimates have been tion of the coal fields very materially. On October 14 a "Blue Book" was issued by the

the house writing room, where silence is and would have plunged it into his body made reducing the time of possible exhausin the United Kingdom during the last year and in this volume one of her majesty's inspectors of mines, Dr. C. Le Neve Foster, declared that he would be lacking in his duty he should fail to repeat the plain warning of such an authority as W. T. Foster Brown who in his paper upon "Our Coal Supplies" stated emphatically that in another fifty years-that is to say, within the lifetime of many now living-the dearth of cheap coal would begin to be felt. In commenting upon this etatement the London Engineer says that, while not disposed to take an alarmist view of the situation, it is constrained to declare that the husbanding of the coal resources has become a question of national importance. The Engineer adds: "In America, in Russia, in China and e'sewhere there are immense supplies of coal as yet untouched. It will be with coal as it

was with wheat. At first we were self-sup- coats in cut and style. plying; then we bought from abroad. Meanwhile by all means do not let us be too extravagant!" The old saying about "carrying cools to

the light of these facts, and that which was originally considered an absurd proposition may in the not far distant future come to be an everyday occurrence. Bituminous coal 1: oday cheaper in this country than in Great Britain, and it does not require much atratch of the imagination to conceive of the p silbility, in these days of cheap ocean frei ht clate. Ours has. ing, that coal may become a regular art'c' of export from this country to Great Britain. During a strike of the Welsh miners, about two years ago, coni from Virginia was exwas found to compare favorably with that of the Welsh coal. Nova Scotla coal is now being extensively mined at Cape Breton, and immense wharves are being constructed at Sidney, with coal-handling appliances of the latest design and largest capacity. The Capa Breton coal deposits are controlled by a Ros ton syndicate, and we have reason to believe that the exportation of coal and coke to Great Britain on a large scale is contemplated. The teen firms and the capital employed in the Cape Breton coal does not, however, compare in quality for steaming purposes with the Great Britain has already become, in a

large degree, dependent upon fereign tron es, and when she shall also have become dependent upon fereign coal the bosition which she maintained for years as a leading producer of iron and steel will nec smailly materially affected. Indeed, signs of this approaching change are already apparent.

AS TO THE PAPER TRUST,

#### A Grasping Combine that Deserves the Aftention of Congress.

Kansas City Star. A monopoly that will have to fight in congrees at the coming session for its right to charge the American people more for a commodity than they would have to pay for it if permitted to buy it abroad is the Paper trust. It has a capitalization of \$55,-000,000, which is said to be fully three times the value of its plants. It controls almost all the paper mills in the country and recently has been steadily advancing prices. The tariff on paper is not as great no the duty on many other articles, but it is sufficient to give to the trust more profit than it is entitled to, and the publishing comexactions of the trust may at least be lim-

The import tax on paper is purely a prochains of toll are to be forged on the limbs tective tariff. It yields practically no revpops for office is so insatiable that it will of a defenseless people they should be per- enue at all to the government. The counmitted to chose more aesthetic occupations try imports \$3,000,000 worth of paper of all kinds annually, and exports \$5,500,000. Space forbids the publication of the entire Almost all the imported paper is lithopoem. Besides, its publication might pro- graphed or printed in some other way, or voke more inspired lines in that locality, is of a special character. The mills of the An eminent poet once remarked that in- United States produce about \$50,000,000 spiration is a genteel name for hard work. Worth of paper annually, and by reason of his metrical remarks. We append the clos- revenue purposes the manufacturers are cent more than they would be able to get if the tariff did not exist. In other words, the law enables them to collect from every consumer of their product the amount of tax Coming back to the plane of the common that the government collects from the peopeople from the cyrle of Pegasus, it is in ple on the insignificant amount of paper

point of the protectionist himself-unless he happens to be a paper manufacturer as more than three times the value of its prop-

LINES TO A LAUGH.

Cleveland Plain Dealer; "I didn't know Boxer was so bowlegged." "He wasn't until a few days ago. He went to sleep in the sun and that weeden to sleep in the sun and that weeden went to sleep in t leg of his warped."

Chicago Record: "Why did the beautiful Miss Punk have two wedding ceremonles?" "The blograph man was late so they had to go through the service again." Detroit Free Press; "As we got older we think less of ourselves."
"That's because we've had time to get thoroughly well acquainted.

Chicago Post: "It seems strange that you never received a proposal of marriage," remarked the sarcastic girl.
"Who says I never received a proposal of marriage?" demanded the other.
"Why, no one, of course, but I've always understood that you are a spinster."

Somerville Journal: Mrs. Housewife-And so you have fully decided to be mar-ried, Bridget. Have you considered that marriage is a serious thing? Bridget—Yes, mum. I've been watching you and Mr. Housewife.

#### Chicago Tribune Ribbon counter girl. Her weekly wage,

Married wealthy man of Old Hunks. Three plunks of middle age-Jewels now upon her may be see In chunks. And she takes, when traveling, nineteen Big trunks.

## THEIR WORKIES.

S. E. Kiser in the Times-Herald he met him at the door and frowned, Her heart was full of woe: She was a child of trouble, and
She freely told him so.
The gown that she hall hoped to wear
Would not be done that night;
She fretted and she fumed and there
Were tears that blurred her right.

She wanted him to sympathize:
Alas: the man sat down,
As though there were no such thing as
An uncompleted gown,
He merely gazed away at space.
And twirled his thumbs nor saw
The bitter tears that streaked her face.
Nor seemed to care a straw.

Herself upon her bed,
And mourned that she was treated so,
And wished that she were dead.
"Ah, men are selfish brutes!" she sighed,
"Who neither think nor care!"
And, with a breaking heart, she cried
'Twas more than she could bear.

He sat and twirled his thumbs and looked At something far away;
At comething far away;
Tomorrow there would be a note
They'd call on him to pay—
A note for thousands more than he
Could hope to steal or borrow!—
Upstairs, alone, mistreated, she
Kept pouring out her sorrow.

# Just the Men's.

The top coats that we have made for our boy friends this season are just like the men's

It isn't all boys' Newcastle" may assume a new meaning in clothing that has the distinctive style that the youngsters appre-

For boys of from 5 two years ago, coul from Virginia was exfrom \$4.00 to \$10.00.



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