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Britain may yet be driven to the desperate resort of firing some of Alfred Austin's verse at the Boers.

Will the three harpooned secretaries a thing. Whatever may be the prececome to the feast, with the defuncto dents, it seems to us the time has come U. S. S. acting as toastmaster?

Retrenchment must be the watchword for the new school board. The new year must see the deficit decreased or at least not increased.

greatest jamboree tonight that has ever as the friends of bimetallism," said the been seen in these parts. And tomorrow katzeniammer and jimiams.

From the looks of things the uitlandten boom for the supreme court clerkship a boost.

The popocratic orchestra leader evidently learned no new music during his stay in Texas. The best he has been able to do up to date is to ring in a few variations.

PALING A PREMIUM ON DESERTION, cors during the term for which all officers If everything is squared why should BRIEF BITS OF STATE POLITICS. For thirty years every succeeding are elected, American congress has stultified itself. This part of the constitution has ref-

and disgraced the nation by offering erence to special legislation only and that it is being done for the protection high premlums to deserters from the not to general legislation. It prohibits of his surefies? army. The present congress is in a fair the enactment of laws for the henenit way to outdo all previous congresses in or to the detriment of individuals, bu-

that respect. Although the session has does not inhibit general laws that apply scarcely opened, the calendars in both uniformly to public offices either exist- owing to the action of the railroads on houses are already loaded down with ing or to be created. This has been the which that territory is dependent. The bills removing the charge of desertion interpretation of the state supreme railr ads refuse to give the fruit grow- are the result of republican administration. from men whose names are on the roll court as applied practically to the case. of dishonor of the union armies. It is of ex-Mayor George P. Bemis,

a matter of history that more than to, When Bemis was elected the charter be allowed to route the shipment and 000 of the men who enlisted for the war fixed his salary at \$2,500 per annum as unless the controversy is settled soon between 1861 and 1865 and for the most mayor and as ex-officio member of the part received bounties for what fire and police commission he received should have been a patriotic duty de- a further allowance of \$600. When the modity which must find its way to bear than should burden a Christian. serted the flag they had sworn to up- legislature reorganized the police comhold. Theusands of these cowardly mission in 1805 the mayor in the mildle fruit industry has grown to huge pro-

traitors skulked away from the battle- of his term was cut out of the police fields and thousands more never came commission and his salary reduced by within gunshot of the enemy, but made \$50 a month. This became one of the their way across the Canadian border, points of contention before the supreme than those offered by nearer fruit grow- a political bearing. Desertion from the army is a court in the case testing the validity of high crime in every civilized the law and the court ruled the point nation, punishable with death in not well taken, because the constitu- the railroads. This is certainly a great times of war and long imprison- tional provision prohibiting reductions ment at hard labor in times of peace. of fees and salaries did not apply to Deserters who received no greater pundigeneral legislation.

If the contention of Albyn Frank is isliment than dishonorable mention in the records of the war office should be based on section 16 of the constitution, satisfied, but congress has persistently which prohibits the legislature from ininterposed not only by removing the creasing or diminishing the compensacharge of describent but also by placing tion of any public officer during his them in position to draw pensions for term of office it is equally inapplicable.

imperiling the life of the nation since the supreme court has interpreted Not only do these restored deserters that section to be applicable only to draw pensions from the time their constitutional offices, and the office of names are restored to the roll, but they clerk of the district court is not a condraw back pensions for all the years stitutional office.

between the close of the war and the Manifestly the law-defying action of time they are put on the pension list. Albyn Frank is, to call it mildly, ill-ad-Thus millions of dollars have been paid, vised, and unless he recedes and makes 24,490 as premiums on desertion which should a settlement as required by law it will justly have gone to brave and loyal vet- be the duty of the board to institute erans and their families or else should proceedings.

have been left in the pockets of the

Why any man who has for thirty years neglected or been unable to get his record of desertion straightened out should be entitled to any consideration at the hands of congress and why the valuable time of the national legislature should be taken up with the consideration of bills for the benefit of army deserters passes comprehension. No parliamentary body of any other country would stultify itself by doing such for closing the doors of the pension office against military deserters.

THEY ARE MONOMETALLISTS. Senator Aldrich was entirely correct in saying that the advocates of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to The Jacksonians are promised the 1 are not bimetallists. "Masquerading chairman of the senate finance committee, "claiming to be in favor of the monetary use of both gold and silver, they have for the last four years been eners secured possession of the meeting gaged in a crusade in behalf of the which was intended to give the Edmis- single standard of silver, in a serious attempt to place the money and business of the country upon a silver basis. * * * The democratic advocates of allists, but silver monometallists of the most pronounced type They reject

the county be made a collection agency |

Grand Island Republican: What's the

will overlook it. seem to be in an embarrassing position present prosperity and era of good wages case no prosperity had occurred? joyed except on condition that the roads

Wayne Republican: Cheer up, Brother Howard. We were in hopes that Cornell would get it in the neck on the insurance. immense damage is likely to be in- deal, but he didn't. It does seem to us flicted, as fruit is a perishable com- you are having just a few more crosses to market without delay. The California North Platte Tribune (rep.): Judge-elect

markets at prices far more attractive ter of his judgment in cases which may have

ers. The whole industry, however, is at all times entirely at the mercy of the World-Herald is jumping on the popocratic State Board of Transportation be power to be exercised arbitrarily by aries. That's right, Brother Hitchcock, You tain Cock's order, the loop would not have cause it is doing nothing to earn its salthe railroad managers and it is just will soon find out that not all the "looters" such flagrant impositions upon shippers belong to the republican party.

> Robinson will be asked to explain why he that bogus conversation on the bridge? voted to seat a polygamist in direct opposi-

tion to the constitution and common de-Over in Great Britain some of the cency. But John isn't worrying. He is a eral Otis directed to his subordinates comwealthy nobility are competing with modern reformer and in Nebraska any old manding them to let go their "grafts" and one another in making donations for thing of that brand goes without a great reform their conduct. It reads as follows: deal of explaining. the equipment of the volunteers in the

South African war. In this country Madison Star (pop.): It begins to look as if the State Board of Transportation like misconduct by persons holding positions there is no necessity of calling on any would be something more than a mere name in the military or civil service have of late one class to bear the war burden. When and that it will soon begin to perform the been brought to the attention of these headthe president called the attention of duties for which it was intended-the low- quarters. It is reported that passes are obcongress to the belligerent conditions ering of exorbitant rates now being levied tained and transferred for a money conby the railroads-and the three secretaries sideration; that compensation is made for of the board will now have something to the transportation of persons and things on do besides enjoy the snap which has here- public conveyances or conveyances con-

O'Neill Independent (pop.): The populist party will not make any unjust demands for and that contributions are solicited, if not the honor of supplying a tail to the presi- exacted, and at any rate received from subdontial kite in 1900, but there are a few sug- ordinates for the purchase of presents to a plank declaring unequivocally for the gov- ing in its effects, appears to have reached a ernment ownership of railroads.

Tobias Gazette (rep.): The republicans strong hand imperative.

power to win at the coming fall election ments and others exercising control are f they will lay aside everything that will directed to lend their best efforts to this in any way handicap the party and all pull end. They will be held responsible, each together. It may seem a little early, but within his proper sphere, that all reports It is our opinion that it is best not to be and allegations of offenses of this nature caught napping. Get ready at once. Clean are probed to the bottom and when found rency bill itself should be adopted. The year than was contracted. When it is up the old campaign cannon. Get a new to be supported by evidence, that the offeeling is said to be that there will be considered that most of the new mort- supply of smokeless powder, burn up the fenders are brought to justice. "Apart from the gross impropriety

Statutes, which prohibits incumbents of su-

contribution, from persons in government big figure in this great talker's presidential employ receiving a less salary than them-

has just been turned loose, continues predicament in which he found himself when to be a source of discord between St. the gallant cowboy appeared on the scene Louis and Chicago. The metropolis of the Mississioni river metropolis of decorate all the saloons and dance halls the Mississippi river resents the at- from Massachusetts to the Golden Gatebusiness, conditions most unlikely to tempt of Chicago to drain its slops into That was a master stroke of Hogg's in borarlse, the secretary of the treasury will the river, but Chicago serenely points rowing that pet panther and putting the have to report at the end of the year a to the health board certificate, by which boy orator proudly at the front while the free coinage are not in any sense bimet- surplus of not far from \$100,000,000. It St. Louis is guaranteed immunity from scared beast trotted happily home at the mand fathers to most only a reducer in end of a lasso, after having been nearly

worried to death by the hounds.

ECHOES OF OUR WAR.

The famous loop of the Brooklyn during for Frank's creditors under pretense matter with Bryant for supreme court clerk? the battle of July 3, which has called forth York Times (rep.): The sting of ingrati, sharp criticism on Rear Admiral Schley, fude will soon be superseded by the itch was not ordered by that officer at all, but for power with Mr. Hitchcock. He may not that gallant officer took the responsibility The southern California fruit growers forget the ingratitude right away, but he for it, whether right or wrong. At the conforence of the captains of the Santiago fleet Fairbury Enterprise (rep.): Democratic with President McKinley last week, Capapers are quick to resent the idea that the tain Cock of the Brooklyn, replying to a direct question from the president, said the loop was made by his orders. One of the ers the rates they have heretofore en- But who would come in for the blame in officers present at the conference explained

These are facts. Every attentive student to a correspondent of the Brooklyn Eagle of events in South Africa has need to rethe reason why Captain Cook refrained from member them in his efforts to understand assuming, responsibility for the maneuver: events there. "Rear Admiral Schley, from the very first

assumed the responsibility for this maneu-THE PASSING OF GREAT SCOTT. ver, accepting at the same time all criticism

that went with it. It would have been rather Tobias Gazeite: If we are not very much out of place for Captain Cook to announce mistaken Judge Scott of Omaha will feel that be ordered the loop, in view of the the "sting of ingratitude" from more than Holcomb has taken his seat on the state statement of his superior officers, for to one in Omaha after he ceases to be judgesupreme bench. It is hoped the new judge have done so would merely have added ad- Gretna Breeze: The irrepressible Judge portions because the growers have been will not prove so radical a populist as to dilenal fuel to the fire of controversy then Scott has stepped off the district bench for ever. While he has been a member of the

flower of the British army.

success in the Peninsular war that made

Wellington famous. At Waterloo he was

clearly out-generalled and out-fought until

the Germans, under Blucher rescued him at

drew Jackson, with only 300 men that could

woodsmen, merchants, clerks, wharf-rats,

beachcombers and free negroes, all hastily

enlisted and rudely armed, mot and defeated

Packenham, in command of 12,000 of Wel-

lington's Peninsular veterans, the very

be called soldiers and a motley crew of back-

the critical moment. At New Orleans An

The famous loop has been unduly magnijudiciary of this district he has made himfied by the opponents of Rear Admiral self cordially disliked by everybody. In Pawnee Republican: Editor Hitchcock of Schley for the deliberate purpose of dis- Sarpy county he adjourned court numbers crediting his splendid achievements in the of times in order that he might satisfy his destruction of Cervera's fleet. Had it been personal ambitions. He was the craziest generally known to have been made by Cap- judge that ever sat on the bench in Sarpy county. A client who had employed an at received serious consideration, nor would torney that the judge disliked could not get the soundness of his judgment in ordering it justice. The voters did a good thing when Stanton Picket (rep.): Next fall John S. have been questioned. But what becomes of they retired to private life this man. Peace to his ashes.

York Times: Today Cunningham R. Scott Manila papers publish an order from Genis a private citizen, and, like the rest of us, subject to the annoyances and torments that can be inflicted by demagogues and petty tyrants in office. While clothed in brief "Alleged cases of bribe-taking, of the authority he not only played such fantastic acceptance of gifts from inferiors and of tricks as make the angels weep, but he made it as uncomfortable as possible for all who were compelled in the pursuit of justice to come in his way. His fellowmen entrusted him with a little, temporary power and he gave them an illustration of Jeffries and Gessler and that class of petty and despicable tyrants. He only lacked the authority to hang and burn and quarter trolled by the public to officials unauther and starve men, women and children, while ized to receive it, and for their own benefit: he mocked them in their sufferings. Besides all this he is a charlatan and a buffoon. Lawyers snickered and litigants laughed at his ridiculous antics on the bench and felt a contempt they dare not express. If he had fined all who held his court in contempt in proportion to the contempt they felt, the fines would have amounted to more than all the taxes in the state.

CHEERY CHAFF.

Yonkers Statesman: She-I'm one of her ddest friends. He-You look it.

Chicago Record: Pearl-That Italian ven-for is up with the times. Ruby-In what way?

Pearl-He sells horseless chestnuts.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "I see that Mrs. Kruger always cuts Oom Paul's hair." "Say, you can't expect such a man to be afraid of anything on earth, can you?"

Chicago News: "Don't you know," she hirped over her teacup, "that you remind as of the bread mother used to make?". The old joke in new form staggered him. "In-in what way?" he gasped. gasped. "Why, you are so crusty.

Washington Star: "You had better swear off on tobacco. I'll show you a man of 90 who has never smoked in his life." "Fetch him around: I'll show you a man of 98 who has smoked all he wanted to." selves.' The obvious purpose of this law, as

construed by the United States supreme Chicago Times-Herald: "You are my court, is the protection of employes in the ideal." he said earnestly: "the only girl I ever loved, the only girl I ever could love. discharge of their official duties and the Narther could possibly fill the void in my maintenance of proper discipline in the govheart." "And if you never had met me. George." ernment service. If contributions from

those in public employment can be solicited she asked anxiously, "would you never have cared for any girl at all?" by others in official authority, a request in

THE LAUGH-MAKER.

Long as a mule's-his beastly brother-Who lets one chilling frown give place But only to present another: Who always is content to grope Along the path of care and bother And discontent, can never hope To win the good will of the Father. God has no use for solemn chaff. But loves the man that makes us laugh.

The sunshine of a merry smile, The music born of rippling laughter, Are sent by heaven to beguile The tedious march to the hereafter. Their rays will pierce the darkest clouds And light them with a sliver lining. Dispel the gloom that oft enshrouds The dreary lives of the repining. Fun's golden cup is sweet to quaff-God loves the man that maker us laugh.

The sunshine of a merry smile

mand, failure to meet which is likely to arouse resentment in officials having the Denver Post. The morbid man who wears a face Long as a mule's-his beastly bro

ositories, is of very considerable im, new school building that keeps the

ure that will prevent the gorging of the

It is believed that in all probability. unless there is a great diminution in incports and stagnation in domestic

THE TREASURY SURPLUS. The question of dealing with the treasportance to the financial and business

lars a day, shall be made immediately ers are prosperous. ment.

little later the available cash balance

even more important that congress should at this session adopt some meas

available for commercial use without endangering the interests of the govern-

is also figured that by midsummer or a Chicago stall-fed microbes.

the war budget was voted with a practically unanimous approval and every taxpayer, high and low, contributed his tofore been theirs.

share without grudge or grumbling. What about that High school injunetion? With the injuncting judge releury surplus, raised by the action of gated to private life there ought to be

money lying idle in the banks at 2 per interests of the country. A New York cent interest while the taxpayers are the bonds sold nearly a year ago.

Farmers in populistic Saunders county treasury with vast amounts of money paid off a little over \$100,000 more of received from taxes than that the cur- mortgage indebtedness during the last serious peril of financial stringency and gages filed are either renewals or rep. driftwood and cut the anchor lines, select distress next summer and fall unless resent part of the purchase price of real good, competent leaders that are not fighting congress provides for some method by estate the significance of the showing which the receipts from internal reve- is apparent. Surely even a popoerat nue taxes, amounting to a million dol- will not deny that the Nebraska farm-

Secretary Gage in ordering the receipts some chance of raising the restraining have to be conceded by the democratic orfrom internal revenue to be deposited order which prevents the school hoard ganization in order to perfect a fusion and plaints and do not relate to specific ofin the banks that are government de- from proceeding with the erection of a not least among these additions to the Chi- fenses, have a more or less substantial foundispatch says it is regarded there as paying twice that sum for interest on of the state of Nebraska have it in their

for spoils and give the enemy a good, sound shaking up.

velous escape from the beer garden panther down in Texas last week will probably cut a

The Chicago drainage canal, which campaign this fall. Pictures of the serious

)'Neill Independent (pop.): Edgar How-

gestions as to the platform upon which its superiors. The commanding general is concandidate for president must stand that will strained to the belief that these reports, which are in the nature of general comcago platform that the populists will ask is dation. The evil, corrupting and far-reach.

stage which renders its suppression with a

"Commanding officers, heads of depart-

which such acts manifestly involve, the acceptance of gifts from inferiors by superiors is repugnant to section 1784. Revised

Greeley Leader (rep.): Mr. Bryan's marperior positions from receiving 'any gift or present offered or presented to them as a

With all the litigation which the Pacific Express company furnishes the courts in this county the corporation as the standard of value." ought to be willing to keep its headquarters here and contribute to the tax receipts.

Out of 441 members in both houses of is incomprehensible. The inevitable efcongress 320 are lawyers, which goes to fect of opening our mints, independent show why we have so much law-making of other nations, to the free coinage of

retainers for congressional favors,

The condition of the Filipino government is indeed deplorable. The congress and cabinet are so busy keeping out of the way of the American forces that they have no time to devise ways and means to pay even the government's running expenses.

lation asking a loan the first thing, ver standard by this country." All values For the present it is thought \$10,000,-000 from the United States treasury will supply the demand. The people have evidently heard that "Uncle Sam disorder, industrial enterprise would is rich enough to give us all a farm." halt, a check would be put upon our

Oom Paul is achieving as great a reputation for bottling up British troops panic disastrous to all legitimate interas Hobson did by his efforts toward ests. bottling up the Spanish sallors in Santiago harbor. One danger to which Paul menace to the welfare and prosperity will ever remain impervious is that he of the country that a republican conneed have no fear of being Hobsonized, gress proposes to give the gold standard

The teachers in the Omaha public that in doing so it is performing a duty the new Board of Education proposes | est importance. to abrogate the permanent tenure rule adopted by the last beard. The new board has made a good start, but it is to be hoped no step_backward will be taken by it in the matter of the civil service.

Robert E. Lee Herdman has managed to get the democratic state committee to endorse him for the position of clerk of the supreme court. The committee, however, has not yet been able to show him how the four-year term of the present incumbent can be cut short without his aid or consent except by arbitrary judicial action.

It is reported from New Y rk that was there for the bondsmen to take pos-Frank J. Gould is beginning to put his session the day before Frank went out money in real estate for investment. which he asserts is preferable to stocks and bonds. When it comes to invest- the fees yet to be collected by Frank's ment in real estate there is nothing successor, Broadwell? more substantial in value than good Nebraska property available for farming and stock raising purposes.

Hon. Cato Sells, the Demosthenes of the lowa democracy, has delivered himself of the opinion that Nebraskans salary of an officer during his term of did not know of the scandals that have are the best representatives of Jeffer- office is baseless. This section of the whilan democracy in the United States. owa has kept so steadily in the republlean column that no Iowa democrat has gotten close chough to Jeffersonianism in recent years to know the real thing when he sees it.

all the theories upon which bimetallism can be intelligently defended and per-

sistently advocate a course which is sure to result in the use of silver alone How any rational man can doubt that

the so-called bimetallism advocated by Mr. Bryan and his adherents would bring the country to a silver standard for the benefit of corporations and other silver, at the existing legal ratio, would clients who can afford to pay handsome be to expel gold from eleculation and to a large extent from the country and

that having been accomplished we should necessarily reach a silver basis. All financial experience demonstrates this, our own history furnishing abundant evidence. What would follow? "It is not necessary for me," said Senator Aldrich, "to enlarge upon the evils, the loss, discredit and disaster which Puerto Rico comes up like a poor re- are sure to follow the adoption of a sil-

would become unsettled, financial distrust would take the place of confidence, business would be thrown into foreign trade, labor would receive a severe blow. Nothing could avert a

It is to guard against this democratic the validity of public law, confident

schools are fluttering over a rumor that to the American people of the very high-

DUTY OF THE COUNTY BOARD. The action of the bondsmen of the late clerk of the district court in taking possession of the office one day before his term expired, coupled with the notice served on the Board of County Commissioners by Albyn Frank after he

had ceased to hold office, indicates a concerted design to exploit the county treasury. If, as has been given out by Albyn Frank, there is no deficit in his accounts except the amount he has retained under pretense that the legislature had no right to curtail his income what need

of office? And what right have these attention of congress. bondsmen now to handle any part of The contention that the law limiting

the income of the clerk of the district court in metropolitan cities to \$5,000 per annum from and after July 1, 1899. violates that section of the constitution law. The board certainly cannot plead which prohibits the reduction of the the baby act by pretending that they

constitution reads as follows: The legislature shall not pass local or special laws in any of the following cases: * * * Chartening or licensing ferries or toll bridges; remitting fines, penalties or for- office when Mr. Frank's bondsmen hav, feltures; creating, increasing or decreasing shown their lack of confidence by ns.

in the national treasury will show an increase over the balance reported at

circulation and kept in the treasury would be very ilkely to cause trouble in the money market and seriously affect business interests. Under existing friendship she mustn't revive that old "right law the secretary of the treasury is of search" doctrine which made the war of authorized to deposit internal revenue in banks that furnish the required bond security, as Secretary Gage has done as a former democratic secretary and of the treasury, Mr. Fairchild, did. There are but two ways in which the national treasury can give relief to the

money market in a time of stringency -the deposit of public funds in the banks and the purchase of bonds. Secretary Gage has employed both these the public, but there has been a vigorous clamor against his action and congress has called upon him for information in regard to the placing of deposits. Undoubtedly Secretary Gage has been

absolutely fair and straightforward in this matter, but it is a question whether the secretary of the treasury should such magnitude that the wisdom of committing it to the will of one person may

fairly be doubted. The Financial Chronicle suggests that congress pass a law requiring, not merely authorizing, the secretary of the treasury to deposit each week in depository banks all the money collected by the government in that shall be required. This would take from the secretary all discretion and responsibility in the matter of depositing the public funds and prevent any expenses. Under this plan the money received by the government for taxes ation. would become immediately available for senator Stewart Squelches a Rumor.

the use of the people, instead of lying idle in the treasury. There may be valid objections to this plan, but it certainly merits consideration. The accumulation of money in spooky rumor. the treasury, when the business demands for currency are greater than ever before and growing, is manifestly a condition that needs correction and

The county commissioners cannot play

ostrich in ignoring the defiant letter of Albyn Frank, in which he boldly de clares his determination to pocket the surplus of the fees collected since July 1 over and above the limit fixed by the

permeated the clerk's office. They cau no longer excuse their indifference to the public interest by accepting the as surance that everything is square in the

fees, percentage or allowances of public offi- suming possession of Frank's accounts. and there,

More Work, Less Play. Philadelphia Ledger.

Congress should let the prize fighters have the beginning of this year of \$60,000,- a monopoly of the much talk and little to dictate Governor Poynter's appointments

Remember 1812. Louis Republic

If Great Britain counts on American 1812 necessary.

Teaching Filipinos How to Shoot. Globe-Democrat. Commodore Watson will open at Manila

a naval school for sixty likely young Filipinos. The Malays have an aptitude for the sea that can be turned to good account. Sample of Boer Irony.

Indianapolis News The fact that General Buller has done little or nothing since being in South Africa gives a touch of fine irony to the heliomeans with unquestionable benefit to graph signal of Boers to the British re-"Why is Roberts coming? What cently: has Buller done?"

> Striking a Popular Chord. Grand Island Republican

The Omaha Illustrated Sunday Bee conained an excellent illustration of a lesson in music as taught in the Grand Island Manila, stopped at Guam to take possession graded school. The Bee at present is devoting considerable attention to the public have so important a power to be exer- schools of the state. The subject is one no powder to return his visitor's kind salute. in which all citizens take a just pride and The expand or contract the currency is of The Bee is striking a popular chord in treating it so generously.

Increased Government Revenue. ^ahiladelphia Kecord

One of the results of improved trade and industry has been a large increase in the federal revenue from customs and internal taxes. The surplus of receipts above expenses for the last six months has been over \$21,000,000. This showing is in some part excess of its current expenses, congress accounted for by a decrease in expenditures The expectations suggested by his name to fix at the same time the security as compared with the corresponding six nearly \$284,000,000, will be the incitement to extravagant appropriations by congress; and these, taken together with the exasperaccumulation, beyond a week, of money ating prolongation of war expenditures in in the treasury in excess of current the Philippines, will operate to prevent any attempt to lessen the weight of federal tax-

Through the dark and dingy corridors of the capitol recently there stalked a rumor. It was a rumor of the weird and impossible kind, but one ought not get frightened at a

It was said that Senator Stewart would-But first it must be understood that Stewart has been a silver man since silver was discovered and he was born-the perione that should command the carnest for the white metal on every possible ocods being synchronical-and he has talked casion. Day in and day out he has de-

to the cause of silver has become prover-Notwiths anding this, the rumor showed

ghastly head. It was said that Senator Stewart would-Of course, nobody believed it. It second so improbable, so thin, so senseless. Still,

all things are possible, and especially in he senate. Therefore, Senator Siewart was approached by a correspondent who laid rumor at the senator's feet.

"It is said, senator," said the corre-

"Sir!" said the scantor, drawing himself o his full height, "I shall not. You insult ne by asking me such a question."

power of removal, and the feeling of security ard's soothing remarks to the democrats to the performance of faithful service, is in government employment, so conducive imploring them to take their medicine and thus seriously shaken if not entirely delook pleasant on every occasion his efforts stroyed."

fall remind us of the man that caused his usually quiet team to run away by wildly brandishing a whip and crying, A copy of the Honolulu Bulletin of De-"Whoa!" Edgar has strenuously opposed

cember 16, 1899, blew into The Bee office a the nomination of every fusionist supreme few days ago with a pathetic reminder of judge and governor ever elected in Nethe joyous summer days of 1898. On the front page is a familiar birdseye view of braska-be he populist or democrat; he the Transmississippi Exposition, with its takes the position of the man who declared beautiful buildings, shimmering fagoon, "he had rather be hit with a club than not broad avenues thronged with people and noticed at all." and in so doing assumes two Midways in full bloom. The Bulletin that his opposition to the healthy progress speaks in glowing terms of the show and of fusion and reform is more noticeable than would be his support. Seriously speaking-but we will not speak seriously of Editor Howard for, like Mark Twain's mule he is an "amoosin' cuss" whom we have not

urges Hawallans to take it in. If they heed the suggestion Omaha will take pleasure in showing the visitors a collection of ruins months behind the times. One Bright Spot that Shines in r

Amid all the uncertainties of human affairs, the clouds and sunshine that alternate Year's day. In illustrations, statistics and in the world's history, there is one bright descriptive details it has not been equalle1 this season. The half-tone supplement is a perfect jam of pictures of Oregon's in-

We were not placed upon the earth Tc grovel in the dust of sorr.w: Today should always ring with mirth Without a thought of the comorrow, And heaven has sent us cheery men To start and lead the merry chorus, To plerce with voice and pointed pen The earthly clouds that gather o'er us; To stab the gloom with humor's gaff-God loves the man that makes us laugh. equal to any in Europe. Uncle Sam should hasten to Hawaii his specific for backward people. The newspapers at least are eighteen "This Oregon of Ours" is the fetching headline with which the Portland Oregonian If introduces an elaborate annual review of the Pacific northwest. It was published on New

HERE AND THERE.

We stronger grow upon our feet When foes of clinging care engage us If in our dail, wilk we meet A man with smile that is contagious. His face lights up the darkened soul, 's sun-rays plerce the veil of signess, Adds sweeness to the bitter bowl And makes the heartstrings thrill with gladness;

Shows us the grain hid in the chaff-God loves the man that makes us laugh



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months of 1898. The heavy cash balance sense joined with rollicking humor, Cap-

in the treasury, which now amounts to tain Leary is a broth of a boy, and every

by the sale of Guam postage stamps to collectors was only a minor detail of his states-

himself, and the president, about slavery nor reveal them at a mothers' congress. Her among the Sulus, and congressional commissions have been wondering what to do

system in practice there by proclamation. without cable communication with Washington, but out of reach of the mails. The genial Leary has not stopped at re-

forming the inhor system of his new subjects. He seems to be reforming their religion as well. He has, we read, deported all the Spanish pricats, "for reasons which were sufficient to him." We have no doubt

ounced the crime of '73, until his devotion at all that they are good reasons. The Still nebody but Leary would have hit upon so simple a remody.

What has become of the deported priests poems of the language. In the first Boor or whether Governor Leary's navy chaplain is performing their functions, we shall of concension that followed recorded British not learn till the next ship touches at failurs. In the present war the honors of Guam, and that may be a long while hence, strategy and of fighting have thus far been Meanwhile the genial governor may be re- on the Boer side, though nothing could ex-

fought of all he surveyed, and he has an oppor- white men, and when they have done tunity to work out, safe from interference, they have uniformly failed in grand strategy And the rumor gave an expiring gasp then an ideal government such as now exists no- and battle ractics. where outside the realm of comic opera. It was a record rather of failure than of

spot on earth where humor never fails. That is Guam. It came first within our kin when an American cruiser, on its way to dustries, resources and scenic wonders. Of the latter the half has not been told. and was greeted with all courtesy by the A New York paper tells with three-column slugs and pictures to match of a thrilling social episode in upper tendom circles. The incident introduced an element of comedy that was alone worth the price of purport of the sensation is that Mrs. Astor

entrance into the late war. And the mirthprovoking resources of Guam have not In nothing has the administration shown

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Murky World.

Philadelphia Times

the heart to rebuke.

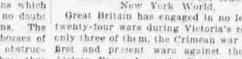
Astor box just as Mrs. Astor looked across greater judgment than in the assignment and saw the Gould party in the Gould box of a governor for Guam to replace the The brilliant lights did not fade or fall when courteous Spanish official carried off by our this occurred, but a deep hush fell on the man-of-war. It was felt that a comic opera vast assemblage, and it was during this inrole like this required a comedian and Captense moment that Mrs. Astor gave Mrs Gould, clearly and distinctly, a bow the most cordial. Nothing as vulgar as a cheer have been realized. In courageous good swelled the throats of the awed spectators. but a deep sigh arose and was echoed back from the vaulting ceilings until drowned by vessel that touches at Guam finds him still the orchestra. enjoying himself in his comic opera domain.

His ingenious scheme of raising revenue A modest, unassuming woman at Vienna, Ill., contributes a few practical ideas to the discussion on "How to Manage a Husband." manship. While Bates has been bothering She did not rush to the newspaper offices

methods were told in court. "My husband came in drunk the night before and abused with the coolies in Hawaii, Leary has settled me," she said. "I was going to call in the the question in Guam by a stroke of the marshal and have him arrested, but he He has simply abolished the labor promised to be quiet, and so I put him to bed. The next morning he began to abuse That is the advantage of being not only me again, so I blacked his eye for him." is on record that the practical application

of ideas was effective in this instance.

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BRITAIN'S WAR RECORD. Twenty-Oue Out of Twenty-Four Engaged in with Inferior Races.

Great Britain has engaged in no less than twenty-four wars during Victoria's reign. In

Spanish priests were formerly the bosses of only three of them, the Crimean war and the usin and they probably have put obstruc- first and present wars against the South tions in the way of the American bess that African Borrs, have the British tried con-

he could remove only by removing them. clusions with other than inferior races. In the Crimean war the record of British

blundering gave birth to one of the great war the story of Majuba hill and the treaty

spondent, "that you will vote for the gold lied upon to maintain his paternal adminis- coed the bravery of the British officers. ration with unnerturbed good humor. Sel- The simple fact is that very rarely in the kirk was not more completely the monarch present century have the British