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Subscribed and sworn before me this 1st day of January, A. D. 1900. M. B. HUNGATE. (Seal.) Notary Public.

The boodling members and ex-members of the school board should move to Montana and run for the legislature.

Where is the oldest inhabitant? Has he ever known a month of January in these parts with fogs and April mists?

It might be inferred that the banana peels were scattered thickly throughout South Africa from the frequency with which British generals fall down.

It may be too late this year to introduce the Ohio idea in non-partisan municipal elections, but it is a reform that of dollars. While it has been well untinent.

A New York man proposes to pass a bill limiting inheritances to the sum of \$10,000,000. The great majority of men would certainly be satisfied with that amount.

Why can't the Commercial club take up the question of suburban electrical motor lines? That would do more to build up Omaha's local trade than any project in sight.

PACIFIC UABLE PROJECTS. There are three distinct propositions countries, yet this fact may tail to affair would be as lonesome as eating a before congress for a Pacific cable, tessen opposition from this source. The boliday dinner in a strange land, One of finese provides for a cable to free ship advocates, embracing most if follow the route already surveyed by the not all of the democrats in congress, will

and officers of the navy, in order to re- measure. duce the cost. When completed the It has not developed, so far as we cable is to be put in charge of the post- have observed, that there is any repub- tronize the advertising columns of home master general to operate. Another lican opposition to the measure in either newspapers that are always called on bill wants the government, through the branch of congress and the probability to battle without price or other reward posimaster general, to bargain with a is that it will receive manimous repubcompany to lay a cable, the government lican support. The country expects the Omaha. The Bes Building, South Umaha. City Hall Building, Twenty-fifth and N streets. Council Builds, 10 Pearl street. ficial messages, the cable to be the prop- foreign commerce. The duty of doing erty of the company and at the expirathis is imposed upon the party in power tion of the twenty years government by the promise of its national platform messages to be sent at one-half the rates and it is demanded in the int rest of charged private individuals. A third American trade. Great as has been the bill is a compromise, proposing a govgrowth of that trade, in spite of our deernment commission authorized to conpendence upon foreign ship owners, it is tract for laying a cable by the lowest not to be doubted that it would have

responsible bidders, the cable to be unbeen greater without such dependence. der the control of the commission. Our commercial rivals are steadily in-It is said that the first of these menscreasing their merchant marine. They ures, introduced by Senator Hale, is know the value to their trade of transmost favored, the general feeling in conporting their products to foreign margress being that a Pacific cable should kets in their own ships and under their be a government affair. This is also own flag. They encourage ship buildthe view of Secretary of the Navy Long, ing and they have found it to be profitwho was before the committee on naval able and advantageous. Can there be affairs Tuesday. A company has been a reas nable doubt that the United organized for the purpose of laying a States would have a like experience uncable from San Francisco to Guam and der a similar policy?

THE MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN.

per annum for twenty years, during On the 6th day of March Omaha will which time the company will carry all elect a mayor, city treasurer, compgovernment messages free and atter troller, clerk, tax commissioner and nine .24,620 that period will charge only half comcouncilmen. In other words the immercial rates. This would make a total pending municipal election involves the payment to the company of \$8,000,000. entire government of the city for the disposed to weaken. or enough to indemnify it practically next three years and intimately affects for the entire cost. The Hale bill conthe interests of the taxpayers and future templates an appropriation of \$10,000,growth and prosperity of Nebraska's 000, the estimated cost of a cable to the metropolls. With such vast interests ina government enterprise. it would be naturally expected that

It is quite probable that this plan will every property owner and every individprevail, though it is not unlikely that | ual concerned in the progress of Omaha there will be some controversy as to the | would take a live interest in the aproute, there being advocates of a line proaching municipal contest.

from Alaska which they claim would From the business standpoint the city cost less than by the proposed route of Omaha is a corporation, with the citisurveyed by the navy and would have zens as stockholders, the council acting other advantages. There is no coubt as its board of directors and the mayor a Pacific cable will be laid and the as its president and general manager. have been assailed by the Filipinos, present indications are that it will be With many millions of property and done by the government. hundreds of employes to supervise and

THE DANISH WEST INDIES.

control, prudence and common sense would dictate extreme care and sagacity

The arrival in New York of an agent in the selection of the officers and manof the Danish government, said to be agers of the corporation. Those most charged with the sale to the United extensively interested in the corporation States of the West Indian possessions -the heaviest taxpayers-would be exof Denmark, appears to confirm the re- pected moreover to see to it that only her name is unknown. ports of neg-tiations between the two responsible, reputable, honest and comgovernments looking to the transfer to petent men should be chosen to adminthis country of the three Danish islands | ister the affairs of the city. That would for a consideration of several millions be the ideal of municipal government. The real in Omaha, as in all other will soon make its way across the con- derstood that Denmark desired to dis- American cities, is in striking contrast pose of these possessions, which are of with the Ideal. Politics is a very ponot the least benefit to that country, tential factor in the selection of municithere has been doubt respecting the pal officers, and the indifference of the

statement that our government was se- great majority of taxpaying cltizens to riously considering the question of buy- take an active interest in primary elecing them. It now seems, however, that tions and the refusal of the best class of this was well founded and that negotia- citizens to accept positions in the public

tions have proceeded so far as to war- service throws our city governments rant the government of Denmark in into the hands of professional polificians ing on them the honors of illustrious gen- covered water bottle that would show white ending a representative here with au- and self-seekers who very often could not make a living otherwise. A majorthority to make a sale. A Washington dispatch says there is ity of the men who offer themselves as reluctance in official quarters there to candidates are not wanted, and those If the telephone wires had been discuss the subject, because discussion who are wanted by the public do not might prejudice any attempt of the adwant the office. The practical man of affairs must ministration to secure the assent of congress to the acquisition of the is- therefore accept these conditions unlands. It should be a safe prediction til the community can be roused to that congress will not assent to the pur- its own interest and until men of standchase of these islands, however small ing and ability can be induced to make Kentuckians are pressing the Texans | the price Denmark may ask for them. some sacrifice for the public good. Rautclosely on the record for effective use of The United States does not need them ing against political machines and the revolver. Fifteen out of a possible and there is no doubt they would prove bosses and denouncing the work of coneighteen bullseyes made in the last ex- a burden rather than a benefit. The ventions and low character of political candidates does no good. God helps hibition shoot in Kentucky is a record administration will make a grave misthose who help themselves. The man take if it shall commit itself to such a who wants better government must help transaction. to make it better, not by praver or by cursing, but by efficient co-operation. THE SHIPPING SUBSIDY BULL He must take an active part in the The supporters of the shipping subsidy primary election and back by the ballot hill intended to promote the building up the candidates who are most deserving. of a merchant marine for the foreign It is utterly impossible to have the mucarrying trade, express confidence that nicipal machinery operated on a bustit will become law at this session of conness basis so long as business men regress. The senate committee on comfuse to become candidates for municipal Logic of Some of the Queer People of merce and the house committee on maroffice. chant marine are giving hearings on the measure and these expressions of The school board seems favorable to a opinion have been for the most part faproposed change of the commencement vorable to the bill. Among those who exercises of the High school whereby have appeared before the committees is the graduating class performers are to Montreal was assured there was rejoicied the president of the National Manufac- be supplanted by some prominent in Canada, as it was believed a large proturers' association, Mr. Theodore C. speaker invited to deliver an address Search of Philadelphia, who has given upon an instructive educational topic. to the subject thoughtful and practical After doing away with the essays, oraconsideration. He urged the proposed tions and declamations a rule barring legislation as of the first importance to the exhibition of floral tributes will be the expansion of our commerce, in ad- in order. dition to which it would strengthen the The beauties of the iron fence which nation's naval and military power and separates Omaha's two railway stations would enlarge an important home industry. He pointed out that but 10 per cent of the foreign commerce of the United States is now carried in American vessels, while if a proper share of travelers and tourists. A tunnel under the shipping trade were secured many the tracks should be provided without collateral industries would be benefited making the public wait for it as long as Lawrence route. populist party in Nebraska and did all by the increased ship-building. He it had to wait for the passenger staurged that the whole nation is contions. cerned in the proposed legislation. Ex-Senator Edmunds made an argu-Just when the free silver wing of ment before the house committee in bedemocracy is congratulating itself that half of the bill. He said that all who its troubles in New York were at an are in favor of the extension of Ameriend the gold democrats proceed to gain can commerce must admit that some control of the congressional delegation county board for the year 1900 promises broad measure of the character of this of the party and oust one of Bryan's no relief to the taxpayers. It would be bill could best aid in bringing about followers from the campaign committee. interesting to compare this list with the the result desired. He declared that The troubles of the democracy are born | York and other American ports. county pay roll of 1890, when there was the great and fundamental principle of , with astonishing frequency and in most more work in every one of the county the measure was that it gave no scope cases are twins, for combinations and syndicates of ship owners and no field for trusts, as its Susan B. Anthony and her woman suf-Chicago has again demonstrated that operations were open to all alike and frage committee have been accorded a The traffic on the St. Lawrence route had sured that this is not real prosperity. If it is too swift for St. Louis. While the the advantages conferred were as free hearing before the judiciary committee Missourians were talking about an in- as the cean itself. Others, prominent of the United States senate. The comjunction to restrain the Chicagoans in commercial affairs, favored the bill. mittee will give the great champion of from turning the water in their canal There is, on the other hand, some woman's rights a very respectful hearinto the Desplaines river the people on strong opposition to it. Labor organiza- ing this year, just as it has done every

of commercial treaties with a score of Should they decide to go it alone the

One of the first lessons of the home well-nigh exhausted. But England proper-Commercial club should be for home merchants and manufacturers to pafor every public enterprise and every public improvement.

There may be a hundred men in Omaha qualified to select good men for municipal office-men who would administer the affairs of the city in the interest of the taxpayers. But how many are there who can insure the election of such men? A river never rises to a level higher than its source.

Senator Blackburn at a recent banquet spoke on "Kentucky and Its Relations" to the National Democracy," A large and influential section of the party has filed a cross-bill to the perition of present leaders for a consolidation of interests and has succeeded in making a pretty good showing.

#### All the World On. St. Louis Republic

When lovely woman stoops to felly it's generally unsuspected beforehand, but the whole world seems to have a tip on the impending fail of Ladysmith.

Warning to the Wenk-Kneed. Washington Post

An Iowa democrat who was trying to mount the Chlengo platform fell down and was run over by an automobile. This should be a warning to all those who feel

#### A Political Gold Mine, Chicago Times-Herald.

Two United States senators are to be a gold mine.

#### Stretching the Limit. St. Louis Republi

If Barrett goes far enough back he can blome George Washington for the Philippine insurrection. It is certain that if Washington had not fought for American independence the United States would never

#### Awful Tragedy of the Deen, Philadelphia Press

Few more terribly dramatic tragedies of the sea have ever been recorded than that of the stoamer that went down in St. Mary's bay, Newfoundland, last week. In the midst of a raging sea, but in sight of watchers on the headlands, she struck and sank. No living thing escaped, and even

#### New Experience for British Officers. New York Sun.

The British officers are going through an experience for which their previous service. no matter how long and how constant, has not prepared them, and it is an experience nished a searching test of their military in 1881, so also in 1900, South Africa is proving a grave for British military reputations.

English papers resent the assertion that Interstate Commerce Commission Tells of Evils If Cannot Remedy. with an army of 160,000 men in South Africa the military strength of England is The Interstate Commerce commission for mayy engineer and to be laid by vessels of course vigorously antagonize the patronage movement instituted by the is a small part of the empire in area and several years has been asking congress to population, though exceeding the rest in seaith. A table printed by the Lindon able it to prevent discrimination and to ex-Telegraph shows the war strength of the creise some real control over the railroad empire is greater than most people imagine. rate situation. But congress has done nothing. The commission, in its thirteenth an-The compilation shows: 238,172 hund report, just issued, repeats its recom-Army at home and abrond ... mendations of former years, finding in the Itin Reserves situation additional arguments for early congressional action in the direction indicated. omanity

BRITON-BOER ARGUMENT.

230,000 A railroad company, says the commission, Imperial native army of India tex-1541000 fuding native states), propean volunteers in India and 20,000 any real power in this commission, or any moerial Service Troops. manner tribunal or court, to limit the amount nadlan Militia nadlan Militia Reserves pe Colony Volunteers, Mounted 501.100 7,400 w South Wales forevs. outh Australian forces orces of other Australian coloules, ew Zealand forces 12,000 Other colonies, etc....

Actual war strength of the empire. J.188,170 commission points out, the published tariff

has been little more than a basis from A list of guns in possession of the Boers which to calculate concessions and discrimhas been published on what is said to be inations, with the result that shippers who trustworthy authority. According to this failed to secure these unlawful favors were account, the Boers have eight 7.5 cm. Krupp In many cases forced to do business at a guns, sixteen 7.5 cm. Creusot guns, eight or loss and in some instances were driven out nine Maxim-Nordenfeldt field guns, twenty- of business. The commission at the present four 3.7 cm. automatic Maxim guns, eight time cannot punish these infractions of the 12 cm, field howitzers-four from Krupp and law. It desires the power to enable it to do four from Creusot-four 3.7 cm. Krupp so, Regarding the movement toward rail-

mountain guns four 15.5 cm, Creusot guns. road consolidation the commission has this in all, with old guns, the Boers possess to say: eighty or ninety pieces of artillery. During "It is a matter of common knowledge that recent years the Boers are said to have vast schemes of rallway control are now in bought \$0,000 Mauser rifles and 35,000,000 process of consummation and that the comcartridges, as well as a large number of petition of rival lines is to be restrained by Martini-Henry rifles. these combinations. While this movement

has not yet found full expression in the The Tugela river, where the hottest argu- actual consolidation of railread corporations, ment is supposed to be on at the present enough has transpired to disclose a unificaime, is a treacherous stream. Tugela, tion of financial interests which will domitranslated, means fear. It is a mountain nate the management and harmonize the stream and shows as lively a tendency to operations of lines heretofore independent swell up as does the Ohio in early spring. and competitive. This is today the most It has been known to rise forty feet in a noticeable and important feature of the railnight and fall with like rapidity. The cur- way situation. If the plans already foreelected by the Nebraska legislature next rent is at all times exceedingly swift, while shadowed are brought to effective resulte Philippines, and that it shall be entirely volved, apart from all political bearings year, and some politicians seem to think a heavy rise will sweep away any tempo- and others of similar scope are carried to being a member of the Nebraska legisla- rary bridge that may be erected. The three execution there will be a vast centralization ture will be just about as good as owning drifts or fords at which the British flanking of railroad properties, with all the power army is operating are called Maritzer's, involved in such far-reaching combinations, Potgeiter's and Trichard's, about ten, fifteen yet uncontrolled by any public authority and twenty miles respectively from Colenso. which can be efficiently exerted. The re-

straints of competition upon excessive and A British statistician, writing about the unjust rates will in this way be avoided South African war, does not indulge in the and whatever evils may result will be usual cant about humanity and civilization remediless under existing laws." being boosted by the raid upon the twin The case is none too strongly stated. Com-

republics. He considers the venture as a petition as an effective factor in the control cold-blooded commercial transaction, the of the railway rate situation is rapidly disbenefits of which he measures by the stand- appearing. Injurious discriminations are ards of pounds, shiilings and pence. In common and of course these discriminations fact he figures that the bloodshed and the are usually in favor of the large concern or destruction of life and property will yield trust, at the expense of the small shipper a handsome return on the investment. He who therefore finds it difficult to continue in says: "If it costs 20.000 British lives to business. Unless congress takes action soon conquer the Transvaal and this ex- along the lines recommended by the compenditure produces an increase of \$11,000,mission the people presently will find them-000 a year in mining dividends, each life will selves subject to a railroad trust that can be bringing an annual return of \$550 more fix prices to suit itself. than an ordinary life of the class from which most soldiers are drawn is considered to be

worth in any civilized community."

Bahia boasts black diamonds. "It sounds grewsome," writes Julian Ralph London has the largest bank. China has women hod carriers. from Orange river, "to liken the sending out of an army to the return of 'dust to dust, Topeka has a deaf mute barber. as new to Roberts and Kitchener as it was and yet if the reader could see an army or Frisco has a Chinese daily paper. Indianapolis sends pumps to Russia. to Buller and Methuen. Their tasks here- any number of soldiers in khadi out on the Louisville has a negro barbers' union. tofore were comparatively easy. They have veldt he would at once think of the simile. England has 347 women blacksmiths. been through no strain of war which fur-nished a searching test of their military dust bin of creation. Its vegetation, animals Antwerp has a municipal cab service. China has six smokeless powder m'lls, abilities. They are all now learning the and insects are nearly all of different shades Washington, D. C., has 2,000 printers. art of war in an entirely new school, and of dust color. As I write the men are dis-At Ladysmith whisky costs \$5 a bottle. they are enduring in the process an ordeal solving mud in their pails and dipping Hungary leads in glass jewel production which will determine for the first time if brushes in it to paint their white etraps mud Paris has the biggest quill toothpick mill England was justified in the past in heap- color. Every pouch and strap and cloth In Saxony toy-makers earn 1 cent an Java furnishes two-thirds of the quinine eralship merely because they came back vic- or dark is undergoing this treatment. And ised. torious over comparatively feeble foes. As the drummers are doing the same with their Germany has twenty-three boats of over 17,000 tons capacity. drums-painting the white, glistening cords with mud, muddying over the golden lions Berlin, Germany, is to construct an under-ground railway costing \$25,000,000. and unicorns and the gaudy regimental The firm of Stahl & Straub, a Phila-delphia concern that failed recently, showed liabilities of \$1,221,308 and assets of mottoes, so that everything shall look like the yeldt-so that we shall be as dusty as the country."

## TALL RECORDS MADE IN '09

A BODY WITHOUT POWER.

Chicago Record.

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

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elved the in ut of style.

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The aggregate bank clearings of the year were \$50,000,000,000, an increase of 57 whit over the record of 180%. What a mondous volume of business these figures represent!

We raised nearly 2500,000,000 bushels of orn, of which the average price was 3 cents per bushel higher than last year. We raised 537,0000 bushels of wheat and 000,000 bales of cotton

All tonnage hauling records were broken at Ashtabula, O. on April 27, on the Lake Shore ridlway, when an oastbound coal train of sixty-five cars, carrying 2,000 tons, was hauled by one becometive.

The moving of thirty-four miles of trains In one day over one division of the Penn-sylvania railrend is sold to have broken the world's record in train moving. This was on the Pittsburg division and 1856 care can charge for its cervices whatever If pleases and as much as it pleases, without were moved.

We sold and exported \$1.252.500,000 worth of our domestic products, and our total export and import trails for the first time exceeded two billions. In the total of the exports manufactures appear to the value of \$356,000.000, an increase of \$55,000,000 over of such charge for the future when complaint is made by an aggrieved shipper. Shippers generally, it is also said, have been practically unanimous in favor of a single

classification of freights, uniform for all Nebraska broke its corn-producing rec NeDraska broke its corn-pracheting rec-ord. In this state the corn crep of list exceeded the record of the best previous year by 14,217,240 bushels, the footings show-ing the enormous total of 241,125,050 bushels. Freedoms to 1559 the greatest corn year was 1897. Last year's error, however, was not only the largest, but upon the whole of as fine a quality as any ever raised in the state. The average yield to an acre was 24.5 bushels. 109) roads and all sections of the country, and reasonably stable when established. On competitive traffic between great centers, the

33.5 bushels. An old record was broken and a new one made by the Minneapolis lumber mills last year. The total cut for the year was 550, 000,000 feet. The cut in 1838, which broke all records, was 482,000,000 feet, so that the new records, was \$3,000,000 feet, so that the new record was made by an increase of nearly 100,000,000 feet. The world's largest saw-mill, that of the Chippewa Falls Lumber company, closed down in November for this season, with a cut of \$6,000,000 feet. This was the largest season's cut on record for a single plant.

There were shipped from the mines 47,-250,000 tons of anthracite coal, the largest production in our history. The production of bituminous coal is estimated at 100,-000,000 tons. In a closely related branch of industry, the from trade, we find our from furnaces turning out 25,000 tons of pig from a day, as against 235,000 a year ngo, and prices of from and steel are double what they were then. We export four furne as much from and steel are double times as much iron and steel as we did ten years ago and import one-fourth as much. With a newspaper train carrying the New Years ago and import one-fourth as much. With a newspaper train carrying the New York Sunday papers and consisting of three baggage cars and a locomotive the Lacka-wanna railroad, on September 17, heat all records between New York and Buffalo, covering the 410 miles in the actual run-ning time of seven hours and twenty-three minutes. At times on level stretches a speed of eighty miles an hour was at-tained. The westbound Burlington fast mail beat all previous records between Chicago and Omaha on February 18, the actual running time being eight hours and forty-four minutes for the 502 miles. The best previous runs were made on the Bur-lington in hine hours and twenty-three min-utes, and on the Northwestern in nine hours and twenty-nine minutes. For sev-eral spurts this record-breaker exceeded 104 miles an hour.

## NOTHING SERIOUS.

Detroit Free Press; "Are you curious or meddlesome?" "Not in the least, but when I come to anything locked up I have to find out what's inside of it or die."

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Don't you think Mrs. Plumper is too stout for a rainy "Well, it depends a good deal on the

Chicago Record: "Dauber says he is wedded to his art." "He evidently thinks he is, or he wouldn't

mistreat her so shamefully Indianapolis Journal: "What is a his-

"A historian is a man who lives long nough to write things up without getting contradicted." Somerville Journal: When a woman has

invited a neighbor and his wife to tea she always feels hurt and disappointed if the neighbor's wife doesn't ask her for the relipe for that lovely cake.

Chicago Times-Herald: "Have you ever noticed any signs of insanity in him?" asked the lawyer. "Have 1." echoed the witness. "Well,

say! I once saw him call a pat hand

crossed between the office of the surveyor of customs and the office of the new supervisor of census perhaps an interesting conversation might have been overheard.

hard to beat.

If the Venezuelan government is going to use the army for the purpose of securing a loan from the banks the latter should be provided with a navy to enforce collection according to approved modern methods.

A three million-dollar will contest is a windfall for the lawyers who are able to take a twist at the last testament, but there is such a thing as overdoing the work of legal fiction and manufactured testimony.

If we are to have an expansion of the investigating business it should not be confined to the city hall. There is a mare's nest in the office of the former clerk of the district court which would yield a paying lode if the shaft were sunk right.

Several miles of worn-out wooden block paying ought to be replaced with substantial material the coming season. As the intersection paying fund is limited the property owners who come in first with their petitions will have the right of way.

Jay Burrows was the father of the in his power to bring it up properly. It was one of the sorrows of the later years of his life that the offspring conducted itself so hadly that the father was compelled to disown it.

The revised salary list adopted by the offices than there is at present.

the lake broke the dam and turned it in. tions have declared against the measure other year within the last quarter of a

The unpaid claims against the exposi- sontative of the Farmers' alliance said of the hearing. tion are to be made the basis for a that the farming organizations are grand graft on the part of the lawyers opposed to bounties for speed. The free silver republicans need not who are trying to milk the cow. The and capacity, as proposed, and waste time deciding on the date for bankruptcy of the exposition is deplora- want bounties based on the holding their city convention. Having ble, but it will be still more deplorable products actually exported. It is shown been informed they are not to be inif hawyers are to appropriate all the pro- that this policy could not be confined to vited to the democratic soread their ceeds of its fissets.

and at the hearing on Tuesday a repre-century, and that is all that will come

American ships without the abrogation only hope would lie with the populists. queer people in it,

Sure Sign of Prosperity. Chicago Tribun

Newspapers in several Iowa towns chronicle a scarcity of dressmakers. The women are spending money in attending and holding dances, receptions and sociables, while their husbands are giving them money with which to have clothes, but the scarcity of dressmakers is forcing many women to make their own gowns. Dressmakers find their services in demand, and their earnings and those of the seamstresses have increased. Meanwhile it seems that the supply of scamstresses is not increasing in accordance with the demand. Many women who were forced a year or two ago to do sewing in order to increase the income of the family find that it is no longer necessary for them to toll with the needle. These are the conditions that have brought

could be no better indication of prosperity. CANADA FILES A KICK.

# This Queer World. Cleveland Plain Dealer,

When the improvements in the Canadian canals approached completion and a minimum depth of fourteen fect of water in all the waterways between the lakes and portion of the export grain of the west and and other American ports to the St. Lawrence route.

that this would be the result of the completion of the new Soulanges canal, the last

link in the chain of canals providing the deeper waterway paralleling the rapids of the St. Lawrence, that the Conners syndiwhich face one another and force pas. Montreal and at Port Colborne and a fleet cate organized a system of elevators at sengers to take the viaduct route to of steamers and barges of the enlarged transfer a few rols from one to the canal size. The avowed object of the syndiother are impressing themselves upon cate is to build up an immense transportation business over the St. Lawrence route, to their own profit and that of the Canadian interests in the canals and along the St.

Now some of the Canadian papers have

steamers and barges, not to carry grain there will be no necessity to ask concress to Montreal for shipment to Europe, but to for the money. 'throttle" the St. Lawrence route and compel the diversion of the traffic to New

It was a marvelous piece of strategy, if those Canadian papers are to be believed.

The canals were ready to be opened for ticularly anxious to do business on them. broadening the canals, but private or cor- he will. porate enterprise hung back. American en-

terprise saw its opportunity, and American capital was obtained to take advantage of Some Canadians were induced to go into

the scheme, both from patriotic and speculative reasons. Instead of being welcomed and applauded, these Americans and Canaare now denounced as enemies of plan and put millions in it for the sole purpose of "throttling the Canadian route.

ANOTHER PACIFIC CABLE.

# Rival Projects for Communication with the Far East. Philadelphia Ledger.

If the several Transpacific cable projects shall be pushed to completion we shall not lack means of communication with the far east, which may now more properly, perhaps, be called the far west. The proposed cable line between Vancouver and Australia is a British imperial project, designed to bring England into closer touch with its colonies, Canada and Australia, as well as to serve the needs of increasing trade. The cest will be about \$20,000,000 and it is said the cable will be laid within two years. Then there is a proposition to lay a cable from about the searcity of dressmakers. There our Pacific coast to Manila, touching at

got together last week Dr. Miller of Cornell led off with an essay "On the Groups Which Have the Same Group of Isomorphosos." Another professor un-Groups Which Have the Same Group of Isomorphosos." Another professor un-loosened "On Cyclical Quartic Surfaces in Space of 'n Dimensions." This was fol-lowed by a humorous address on the "Proof of the Existence of the Galois Field of Order 'pr' for Every Inter 'r' and Prime Number 'p." By this time the boys ad-journed for lunch. journed for lunch. The news comes from Bowling Green, Ky., that Uncle Billie Pearson was a few mights ago presented a bouncing baby boy by his wife, who is very much younger than Uncle Billie. Mr. Pearson, and every-body knows Uncle Billie, is now 59 years of age. He was reared in this country, and lived in the Goshen country until hast fail, when he moved to Tennessee. He was married when quite a young man, and his first wife lived with him for sixty-one years. When he was past s0 years old she died, and witbin a year or two he marred again. By this second wife he had two finally succeeded, the Alaskan project was

that there is a demand for communication our northern boundary through British Columbia to the Yukon territory, down the

By this second wife he had en. Some three years ago the rengain. By hildren. S vife died. children. Some three years ago the second wife died. Without much loss of tim-he married a third wife, this time choosing a sister of his second wife, and by this third wife two children have been born, the hast one only a few days ago Great Lases Traffic Increasing

partly, at least, self-supporting, by going through Alaskan and other territory that is rapidly being settled, and they argue that the comparatively low cost of construction and maintenance will permit the new company to send messages to Asla for \$1 a word against \$3 or \$4 which a submarine The members discussed a great length in-proposed plans of raileng the lake level and recommend that the lake catriers work for the appointment of a Joint Canadian American commission to consider the mat ter. A new channel at Sault Ste Mari-was declared a necessity. dians in the syndicate have for their ob- complete the line. If all the claims which ject the killing of the St. Lawrence trade the advocates of the straits line make as to instead of its development. They are rep- the commercial need of the line and the low resented as putting a large amount of cost of building it are true, the projectore capital in monster elevators and new will embark their capital in the line, and

#### They Listen, but Heed Not. New York Tribus

The people of Kansas have \$50,005,000 laid up in their own banks, practically all of it deposited since the republican administratraffic, but nobody in Canada seemed par- tion came into power. But they have only to wait the visitation of Bryan to be anfallen away greatly and the trade of they want the genuine thing let them try Montreal was steadily diminishing. Capital him and his wildcat financial theory. But was needed to build up both. The govern- under the circumstances they will not dance ment had done its part by deepening and to this tune, let him pipe it melodiously as

future interpellations of the secretary of the treasury. He has evidently nothing t tion of what he deemed to be the publ Canadian interests who have concocted a interest. But his frankness has carried di-

CRY OF THE HOSTESS. Brooklyn Life Ch. I am weary, heart and hand. And warped and worn and strained So tired of entertaining and Of being entertaining!

A New York man has a corkscrew boat which he claims is capable of miking fifty miles an hour. But what is the use of a corkscrew that does not go with the schoorer? So prostrate is my weighted soul With dinners, functions, tens, I'd build a house at the north pole To get away from these.

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Great Lasts traine determine DETROIT Mich. Jan. 17.—Seventy-fly-members of the Lake Carriers' association met here in annual convention today. Ex-President Thomas Wilson of Cleveland pre-sided. Secretary Keep read the annual re-port of the board of managers, which ended an increase in the tonage repre-sented in the association of 75,650 over 1988 and 40,600 over 1985, the best previous year The members discussed at great length th-proposed plans of raising the lake level

Convention of Mine Workers.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 17.-The third day a ession of the United Mine Workers of merica convened today with John Mitcheld

Kieman of the credentials committee sub-nitted his report. Fahey of the committee said the report. Ellinois made the bes-showing, with 55.000 members. Becretar W. D. Ryan of the state organization i liso treasurer of his organization, which have has \$12.980 cash on hand. During 189 he raised over \$300.000 and more than \$250, so was raised by 1 linois in 1898.

Section Men Killed in a Tunnel.

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the chair. There were s present. Chairman he credentials committee cort. Eshey of the comm port. Eshey of the comm port. Eshey of the comm

And with what joy I'd waltz about In hourly growing glee If no one came to ask me out Or ever called on me. A San Francisco woman has been in ; supposed that in some way she re-t the intelligence that her dress was

Girls working in the match factories of Oh, what delight to sit and gaze christ working in the match factories of England become permeated with the chemicals and minerals used. The sulphur sometimes cats their jaws in the most painful and disgusting way. Their wages average \$1.50 n week. Over the wastes of an Qu'be sure no form would cross the space Either of friend or for

Fearing no woman, man or child, Nor even the postman's ring, The cards and invitations pfied That he is sure to bring.

John C. Miles, a citizen of Connecticut, felt in freakish mood some twenty-five years ago and named his baby boy Four. The latter now appeals to the courts for a change, holding with some degree of reason that Four Miles is not the sort of name to the sort of name to be Yea, could 1 pay my calls and see My list quite clear again. My score wheed out, my tablet free, My mind at ease \* \* ah, then, offer a sensible girl in exchange for her

When the American Mathematical society I'd ask of fate, with grateful tears, This dearest blessing shown— For the remainder of my years Just to be let alone.

# Men's Shirt Sale

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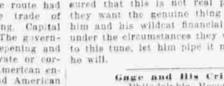
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MINNEAPOLIS Jan. 17.-A1 the annual convention of the Northwest Lumber Men's association, which met hore today, a num-her of papers were read, among them one by John Foley. New Hampton. Is The Re all Lumber Men's Insurance associa-tion also met and listened to the report of Prezident Ewing of Des Moines. Browning. King & Co.

EASTON, Pa. Jan 17.-A section gauge of ine mea were run down on the Delaware, Lackawama & Western railway funnel near Oxford. N. J. today. Two of the party were instantly killed and a third and shortly after being struck. The other six are scriouzly hurt. A coul train broke in two in the funnel and the engine was returning for the rear end. Gage and His Critics. Philadelphia Record It is doubtful whether there will be any Lumber Men at Minneapolis.

conceal and has done nothing in contraven may among some of the gentlemen who regard politics as their business and who are This is a queer world, or there are some in politics for what they can make out

of it.



Hawaii and Guam, which will be brought before congress this session as a necessity

from a military and commercial standpoint; and still another project is the revival of the old plan to lay a cable by way of Bering straits. When Cyrus Field and his coadjutors failed in their first attempts to lay the Atlantic cable, attention was turned to the route through Alaska; but, when Field

abandoned. The Northern Commercial Telegraph Company of America and Canada has undertaken to use the old route, now

marine cable across the straits to Siberia. where a line only about 400 miles will be needed to make connection with the Im-

from the United States to Alaska will be

northwest would be diverted from New York with Asia. The line will run by land from It was, apparently, with the expectation Yukon to Bering straits, thence by sub-

made the wonderful discovery that the Pacific line would be compelled to charge Americans who are associated with Cana- It is to be hoped that the company will

## perial Russian line. The advocates of the Bering straits route call attention to the fact that only 120 miles of submarine cable will have to be laid; that the overland r ute