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GEORGE B. TZSCHUCK.
Subscribed and sworn before me this ist
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Notary Public. PARTIES LEAVING FOR SUMMER.

the summer may have The Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Business office, in person or by mail. The address will be changed as often as desired.

Omaha's autumn festival is an assured success. But everyone should continue to push it along just the same.

If the local democracy split up into a few more clubs what fun they will have getting together on a new fusion basis,

he never prospered before.

was not sufficient to protect him.

arty.

Woolley ticket.

it was viewed from.

coins at their face value. Hayti is slow, among thoughtful people, who are not European nobility has been offering a controlled by prejudice or passion and encumbered with a wedding ceremony.

Chemically speaking the fusion conand vigorous shaking to keep them from separating.

several generations.

Colonel Moise, aid-de-camp to his exshould be established without delay.

to Japan, where several journalists have about the wedding of the crown prince.

In addition to many other things the profanity of the American "mule skin attractive. ner" will be more than John can with-

half million dollars could not have been whose renomination was predestined by gathered in as city taxes in that time his party. This week The Bee gives a without the assistance of republican new portrait, taken by its staff pho-

After cogitating for four years David B. Hill has come to the conclusion that genuine brand left-hardly enough to his life at home and on his farm in Linflavor the diluted mass which will as coln. semble at Kansas City.

The Jacksonian club went through a mocracy in this vicinity.

AS TO A THIRD TICKET.

having been deferred until the declara- tive.

crats need no longer hesitate as to one of the most costly of these pleasure whether they will support the party boats. which has fixed the gold standard in These are only a few items from the law or will place a ticket of their own literary and pictorial menu card of next in the field. Four years ago the independent demo- send copies to your friends.

Communications relating to news and editorial matter should be addressed: Omaha Bee, Editorial Department. 10 of prosperity would make a grave mistake in supporting a third ticket and thereby possibly endangering the success of the sound money party. Such country and at the same time contribute

> ist McKinley is not so strong as he was made under the new law putting the city. With the ruins of its burned district four years ago and that Mr. Bryan is office force on the county pay roll was stronger. That paper says it believes as ing majority, but of the actual result we can see no reason for any intelligent doubt."

in the triumph of Bryanism.

"For Bryan's sake" he should be de. ask himself is, Will a change of party stopped to the advantage of the taxpayto lend their votes to a cause the very for vice president was Thomas A. Henfeated for the presidency because he in the only way now possible harm the ers. has prospered under republican rule as country and particularly his own inter- With an economical and careful ad-A New York boy has been killed by latter fact can better be seen if we turn present fusion board, the tax rate would doing well? Do the gold democrats owe A New York boy has been killed by latter fact can better be seen if we turn present fusion board, the tax rate would lightning while playing golf. Even the our minds back four years. Then the be reduced instead of increased. But no to take and give nothing in return and do luctance. prevailing style of incandescent hose question was different. We were in relief can be expected in that direction honest men endorse the course of the fawn-The trusts will be personally rep. self was. What will help us? Mr. selection of county commissioners who resented at Kansas City and they will Bryan and the populist democracy will rescue the affairs of the county democrats—in fact, all men—are in debt to el as much if not more at home with promised relief from debt by partial re- from the grasp of the fusion machine. e democrats than with any other pudiation and stimulus for trade by inflation. To the thoughtless, the igno-To make the slogan complete the pro- were more or less fascinating. They property here in Omaha is that relating ago. In the establishment of the gold to his selection is his subordinate rank. He hibitionists should have nominated a had nothing to lose and the hope of im- to the valuation of banks and bank prop- standard law the gold democrats should is a brigadier. As such he will be outman named Wild for vice president. It provement was enticing. The great erty. All the banks in Douglas county find ample reason for standing by the re- ranked probably by the chief military reprewould then have been a Wild and body of those then misled now have are listed for taxation at \$585,597, which this there will add one more gloomy inch Dispatches from Tien Tsin say the not back. They are no longer idle, but this is arrived at is by taking the actual rifle fire of the American and British busy. They will view the delusive figures and dividing by six on the theory marines was "beautiful." This prob- promises, which have not changed in that other property is taxed upon one- Intemperate Remarks by a Temperably depends upon which end of the gun the least, very differently. They will sixth of its full value. The reason for ago they hoped to be the gainers." This

premium for some time and taking them are susceptible to the influence of facts. could hardly make things much worse at the assessed valuation. and might make them better. This year Democrats indignantly deny that they they will see that any serious change are never right and in proof of their must be for the worse and those who

enough of these to decide the result. cellency the governor, and Deputy Oil with determining the result of the presi- why property owners in the center of the of tobacco is a "body and soul-destroying" Inspector Fanning are again without a dential election are the wage earners and city should have the benefit of street evil." which every same man, whether he political home. A new state institution as the great majority of these are re- improvements all around them, yet per- happen to be a consumer or an abstainer, for the care of democratic orphans ceiving higher wages now than they did sist in obstructing improvements where the question of the canteen on sublunary suppose that they will vote to maintain the cost. In looking for contempt precedents the conditions from which they have the Nebraska supreme court might go benefited. The more intelligent of them been sentenced to long terms in prison tage from a change, while there is every ticket. The man chosen for second place in this case the officers of the army. They just decided in New York has settled the

> their injury. THE SUNDAY BEE.

Readers of The Ree Sunday will have army mule is to be turned loose on the spread before them a number of exclu-Chinese. The charge of the mule to sive and special features which will

> some portrait of President McKinley, water. who is also to be renominated by his republic is timely and should be strictly "sweet reasonableness." Hear him: party in its convention at Kansas City enforced. The exertion of ordinary prethe coming week, as well as a notable caution for the Fourth of July celebrapears in various characteristic phases of uable property and more valuable lives.

Another feature sure to strike the pop- sessment is to be added to the bridge ular fancy is a group of snapshots made fund. If Douglas county is not soon at the recent policeman's picnic, expos- planted to bridges almost as closely as tions that an officer of the National Temlittle program of expulsion four years ing the different kinds of fun indulged in it is planted to corn it will not be the perance society undertakes to sweep away of such importance that it may be car ago which seems to afford the example on that festive occasion. Well known fault of the bridge contractors and the and precedent for a similar performance characters, easily recognized from their popocratic majority of the county board. modest reformer. What can you do with a the plaintiff's hopes for damages were not on the part of the County Democracy photographs, have been caught by the now. Continuous vaudeville is not in it camera and presented in a new light with the show put up by the local de- unfamiliar to their every-day friends.

presidential ticket in the field, as they vogue in preparing it for the market, citement of listening to the election redid four years ago? This question will The accompanying illustrations show be determined next month, after the the progressive stages of the manufac-Kansas City convention, the decision ture at once entertaining and instruc-

tion of principles of the Bryanite party Another illustrated article takes up is promulgated. As the character of the subject luxury in the modern floatthat declaration is already known, it ing palaces owned by American yachts would seem that the sound money demo- men with glimpses at the interior of

Sunday's Bee. Be sure to but it and

THE COUNTY FINANCES. opinion of some that an independent. The increase in the tax rate fixed by Business letters and remittances should be democratic ticket this year would get the county board on an increased vala great many more votes than in 1896, uation for the coming year calls atten-The Philadelphia Record thinks that tion to the fact that the county finances and believes that "if he runs for the pres-Remit by draft, express of postal order, payable to The Bee Publishing Company, Only 2-cent stamps accepted in payment of mall accounts. Personal checks, except on Omaha or Eastern exchanges, not accepted.

The Philadelphia Record thinks that tion to the fact that the county mances and believes that "if he are too much neglected by the taxpayers tidency he will be element of who are vitally concerned in the expenditure of the county funds. There is no distinct that the county mances are too much neglected by the taxpayers tidency he will be element of the county funds. There is no distinct that the county mances are too much neglected by the taxpayers tidency he will be element of the county funds. There is no distinct that the county mances are too much neglected by the taxpayers tidency he will be element of the county funds. There is no distinct that the county mances are too much neglected by the taxpayers tidency he will be element of the county funds. "instead of being driven to a reluctant are too much neglected by the taxpayers idency he will be elected." The admiral choice between two evils in McKinley who are vitally concerned in the expen- is a good soul, but somebody has sucdemocrats who are opposed to them question but that considerable room for both and to the policies of which they retrenchment is open in the various State of Nebraska, Douglas County, 88:
George B. Tzschuck, secretary of The Bee
Publishing company, being duly sworn,
says that the actual number of full and
complete copies of The Daily, Morning,
branches of administration under the
supervision and control of the county
may be so, but it seems to us that the
sound money democrats who regard as
sound m of first importance the maintenance of the tendency has been toward increased distributed among 3,000 men for the time the gold standard and the continuance expenditure and an expanded salary list mentioned gives an average of about 23 wherever the fusionists could be made the beneficiaries.

In this way the county attorney's democrats will do their duty to the office, since occupied by a democratic incumbent, has been more expensive to to the restoration of true democracy the taxpayers than ever before. A new by voting for the republican candidates. auditing department has been created the people of Bloomington, Ill., are already Indiana. John W. Kern, is a native of sia which Lord Salisbury some time ago That is the only wise course for men entirely outside of the offices provided setting to work to rebuild that considerable Botetourt county, Virginia, and an intimate declared to be exploded, but which has That is the only wise course for men entirely outside of the offices provided who understand the dangers involved for by law in order to give places to stroyed by fire. This is the indomitable Senator Daniel W. Voorhees for many CHANGE WOULD BE FOR THE WORSE. county clerk, by whom it had always middle west. Equally in its degree Bloom-The New York Times does not agree been previously performed. In the clerk ergy that were shown by Chicago following with those who think that President of the court's department the first rule the great fire of a generation ago in that They had expected, after all the rough rider stronger. That paper says it believes as to increase the salaries far above what architects are busy with the necessary prefirmly and confidently as it can believe had been paid by the clerk in his indianything as to the future that Mr. Mc- vidual capacity when he figured on re-Kinley will surely be elected. "It may taining all the fees for himself. With be on a lighter vote or by a smaller mathematical the income from the clerk of the court's paper, "or it may be by an overwhelm- office going into the county treasury instead of into the private coffers of that official the office should be a source of two general facts—one that the people countability were enforced. Various other never get from the democratic party and have no definite plans or purposes sub- leaks, most notably those in the jury that they can now support Mr. Bryan, as mitted to them by the democratic party; service which make our courts so exthe enactment of the present currency law has, they say, removed the strongest reason that when the time comes pensive, the prison feeding contract of has, they say, removed that he reliable to the senate, the great boss having in the senate to the harvests of 1900), the deficiency was for a decision the question which every the county jail and the proposed raid for voter not blinded by party passion will a fake county fair could and should be voter not blinded by party passion will a fake county fair could and should be ing received from the republican party the years of a democratic nominee who was

ests? In regard to the latter the Times ministration of county affairs as concredit and national prosperity. Does the some time before accepting. On the ocsays: "The tremendous force of this trasted with the profligate policy of the republican party deserve to be punished for casion of his second nomination as vice the depths of business stagnation and until the people arouse to the necessity ing hypocrite who accepts hospitality in the distress. What the voter asked him- of looking after their interests by the daytime and steals from his host at night?

self was. What will help us? Mr. selection of county commissioners who is there not a question of gratitude and Leadership a Matter of Rank-Uncte

The most ludicrous farce of the sysrant and the desperate the promises tem employed in making assessments of much to lose. They are creditors, not is supposed to include capital stock, surdent to the history of political ingratitude debtors. They are going forward and plus and undivided profits. The way and even political crime. fear to be the victims where four years the one sixth percentage in assessing real and personal property, however, is a chemical union of the elements com- remarks the Times, will be the most would sell his property for the amount tolerance which mankind has agreed to fall of sending American troops cut under the posing them and it requires constant careful as to the possible effect of their at which it was assessed, although votes. "In 1896 they felt that a change plenty of people would dispose of realty which the Methodist general conference to those who went with the Pekin relief ex-

are never right and in proof of their must be for the worse and those who contention point out that the party has are capable of voting their convictions. Nineteenth street below and block in we know that prohibition does not prohibit, and Americans at least would have felt been on every side of every question and not merely their party predilections length between Dodge and Capitol ave- and even though the effect of nominal pro- more confidence in the results. Posssibly which has been before the public for will not vote for a change." In the nue. No contract for paving this street hibition were to make an army of drunk- the others would have resented our foropinion of the Times there will be should be let unless it includes the strip ards. But really that is a view as incredible wardness. On the other hand, they might The voters who will have most to do yet been paved. No good reason exists taken by the same committee, that the use marked the movements of the international ter. Each company has its company committee, that the use four years ago it is most reasonable to they might have to bear a portion of grounds, and discuss it as a matter of ex-

know that they could derive no advan. nominees on the prohibition national of expert witnesses. These witnesses are real estate ownership extends. A lawsuit for making uncomplimentary remarks reason to believe that it would result to must not be confused with any individ-

Judge Van Wyck of New York pre-

Mayor Moores' proclamation restrict-

Two-thirds of the increased county as-

Prophets Without Honor. Washington Star.

grown in our Philippine possessions and the preliminary loud talk by the amateur Will the sound money democrats put describes the primitive methods still in prophets is usually forgotten in the ex-

> "Our Friends the Enemy." Some men who think they are patriots are only partisans.

Throes of the Dying Century. to get slightly bewildering. It comes from the dubious prospect ahead. all quarters of the globe while you wait.

Working the Old Game.

Chicago Record. Wasn't it strange that rain came along and saved the wheat crop just when the innocent outsiders had loaded up on a nice

Jollying the Old Admiral.

Admiral Dewey, it is reported, notes "a strong feeling in the west for Mr. Bryan'

Do Strikes Pay the Strikers?

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. cents a day for each man. The wages of the men for the same period would have amounted to \$276,000, a loss of \$244,356.

Good Sample of Western Pluck.

St. Louis Republic American pluck of the finest type is revealed in the undaunted spirit with which fusion favorites and take the work away spirit that has always been the keynote of years. He is now city solicitor of infrom the jurisdiction of the republican the marvelous march of progress in the dianapolis.

CONCERNING GOLD DEMOCRATS.

Why They Should Stand by the Republican Party This Year. New York Tribune.

A republican congress and a republican president gave the country a gold standard revenue instead of an expense to the law. Gold democrate received from the retaxpayers and would be so if strict ac- publican party something that they could yet a number of thoughtless people assert object of which is to upset the conditions dricks, the choice of the St. Louis conventhat are responsible for current national tion for that office in 1876. He hesitated the republican party for the stand it has that demands payment; not a debt that can troops which will be sent to China, is an be charged off; not a debt that was liqui- officer with a fine record and is worthy of dated in advance by the votes of four years the fullest confidence. The only objection Russia. Yet the population of Japan is this, they will add one more gloomy inci-

THE CANTEEN AND THE ARMY.

New York Times Mr. James B. Dunn of the National Tem-Mr. James B. Dunn of the National Tem-perance society has written to the Evening be observed that here is a case in which Hayti has decided to take American describes the general feeling, at least that a forced sale would not bring more Post a letter upon the army canteen, which the promotion of General Miles to a lieuthan one-sixth of the actual value. Ap- seems to us to have all the vices of the tenant generalship might have been turned plying this principle to the banks, we see discussions upon this subject of the "cru-The multitude who live almost or the authorities taking actual cash held saders." It is as unfair as the editorial re-The multitude who live almost or wholly from day to day, to whom a bank surplus and saying that it is which, as these same persons know who with all, of the foreign officers there and week's idleness or a month of bad busi- only worth one-sixth of its face value. have read them, are inspired by that par- the influence of the United States would ventions this year are an emulsion, not ness means a loss very hard to make up. No one ever heard of any banker who ticular blend of ignorance, insolence and in have been correspondingly greater. Instead

faraticism. If we take the view of the original report, wisely declined to accept, that the permitted pedition under Admiral Seymour, or under a One of the petitions before the council liquors is a "sin," then, of course, there is as happened to the Tien Tsin relief expedifor repayement applies to a strip of no more to be said. There is nothing to do tion, we should have had a man at hand enfrom Douglas to Dodge, which has not to the great majority of adult male Ameri- have welcomed our action as furnishing a with a lieutenant colonel commandant, seecans as the view which we believe was means of more hearty co-operation than has ond in command, adjutant and quartermaspediency, which Mr. Dunn and his kind at once precend and refuse to do, the best thing Woolley and Metcalf constitute the we can possibly do is to take the testimony haps, have realized how far up and down not only know more about the comparative fact that a man can get damages if his ual of the same name residing in Ne- an unrestricted saloon than anybody else, on the air above the land to which he has braska. The Nebraska Metcalfe and but they are also more warmly interested prohibition are total strangers to one than anybody else in the efficiency and welfare of the enlisted men and discipline showed that the wall of a twenty-story of the army, to which excessive drinking is building on Broadway overhangs the land one of the greatest enemies.

the accompaniment of the picturesque make the issue particularly timely and scribes for the democratic party on the highest class of testimony. The results were theory that its ills are many, as accord- overwhelmingly in favor of the restricted and at the third cornice four inches and The great national nominating con- ing to the late democratic candidate for and inspected drinking of the canteen, as three-quarters. At the New street end ventions are naturally the center of unit governor ten different medicines are reversal attention. In its issue just prequired. He does not present to against the unrestricted and uninspected there is an overhang of one and one-eighth versal attention. In its issue just prequired, the does not present to against the unrestricted and uninspected there is an overhang of one and one-eighth inches and in addition to this there are versal attention. In its issue just pre- quired. He does not pretend to say the effect of this absolutely conclusive show-The city tax collections for the month vious to the Philadelphia convention The what the trouble is, but it is doubtless ing, Mr. Dunn finds it proper and tasteful, of June promise to astonish the natives. Bee presented its readers with a hand general debility and an overdose of ice and even Christian, to insult the officers of the army by charging them with cooking their reports to suit what he assumes to be the views of the War department. There could not be a grosser or more baseless insult than this, and yet the insulter delivers tographer, of William Jennings Bryan, set apart for celebrating the birth of the it with the air of calm argumentation and

"Under such circumstances it was not to be expected that many officers, dependent he is still a democrat, but sorrowfully series of pictures showing him as he apthe War department. . . . Any public quittance of all claim for the encroachment adverse criticism of an army officer jeopardizes his position and puts him out

of favor with the War department." It is such reckless and insolent assump-Carpenter's letter tells how hemp is nection with a political campaign is that is under popular or legislative discussion. | center of the earth.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Jeff Davis is running for governor down in Arkansas. Some heartless cartoonist, bereft of respect for the dead, pictures David Bennett Hill

as a dicky bird. If the democrats take Sulzer in their's it will be pretty strong evidence that there is "a stick in it."

The democrats about to assemble in Kan-The war news of the world is beginning saw City will naturally "view with alarm"

> The prohibition candidate for president is all Woolley and a yard wide. characteristic loyalty to principles the party refused to take a Swallow. Colonel Drinkwater is going to Kansas

City to do some political booming.

colonel's name will not attract much attention, except on the side. Rev. Sam Jones calls the democrats of Georgia "a lot of damnable red-nosed ras-Jones is a Georgian himself and a

fair judge of creed and color. Charles Emory Smith serves notice through the Philadelphia Press that "the republican party will not permit its platform to be Quigged a second time."

The German-speaking socialists had better watch out. The socialist candidate for ernor of New York, Charles Corrigan. lessly corrupted.

at Philadelphia had a lot of fun there on for one moment, taking into consideration account of his marked resemblance to Hanna, the opinious or feelings of the millions of poured advice into his ear or warned him against real or fancied dangers to the 'grand Chinese of which there have been so many old party."

The democratic candidate for governor of Western men who attended the Phila-

delphia convention were much disappointed 5 feet 9 inches.

The Alabama populists are having difficulty in maintaining their state ticket. Three men nominated for state offices have declined-Rev. S. M. Adams, named for governor; A. G. Drake, named for state treasurer, and John H. Porter, nominated for superintendent of education.

Lieutenant Governor Woodruff's announce ment that he does not want the nomination From this it appears that the average aufor governor of New York and that he will must rainfall of the Indian continent, calgo back to business, though he will not retire from politics at the end of his present term, is translated by the experts as mean- the deficiency was five inches. In 1895

The only recorded instance in many president by the Chicago convention in

ALLIED ARMIES IN CHINA. Sam's Position.

General Adna R. Chaffee, who has been taken on the money question. It is a debt ordered to take command of the American troops to China. He will, consequently, be most part mountainous, the territorial area under the command of every Englishman, of which is less than Sweden, while the Russian, Japanese, German and Frenchman with whom he may be required to act in alliance. It may be that the government loes not desire any greater prominence for our forces than this. Only a small number of troops will be sent and our interests in China are comparatively slight. A secondary to good account. If Miles had been sent to command in China his rank would have general command of an English officer to be defeated and surrounded, as has happened sale, under any conditions, of intoxicating Russian officer to be led into an ambuscade,

OWNERSHIP IN AIR.

Rights of Real Estate Owners in the Air Above Their Lands.

Boston Globe. long been recognized, but few people, per-

a legal claim. The evidence in the case just decided adjoining at the first cornice of the building The War department very wisely took this three inches and a quarter, at the second cornice three inches and three-quarters inches and in addition to this there are overhanging cornices and swinging shutters. The owner of the air encroached upon go opinions from experts that the consequent injury to him was from \$50,000 to \$250,000 Judge Lawrence of the supreme court has awarded to the sufferer \$5,000 damages. He says that the defendant will be

enjoined from maintaining the cornices and swinging shutters, the injunction to take effect when the plaintiff decides, if at all, to carry up his building, which is four stories high, or to erect another higher building. If the defendant agrees to pay the \$5,000 the plaintiff must give an acof the wall. The defendant must also de clare that he will make no claim of adverse possession for the time the cornices and

shutters remain. Real estate experts say that the case is a mass of expert testimony which would ried to a higher court on an appeal. The fanatic like that? One thing you can surely altogether "in the air." Theoretically, it do is absolutely to disregard his advice when would appear a man's ownership of an important and practical question, like piece of land extends upward to the limit One of the lucky circumstances in con- that of promoting temperance in the army, of the atmosphere and downward to the THE NEXT NUMBER

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A British naval officer, writing anony-

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

mously to the London Times, but clearly of president is Joseph Maloney, and for gov- high standing, his letter being accorded the honors of leaded type, eays that the real The Louisville Courier-Journal calls the cause of the uprising in China is the fact present democratic party "organized folly," that for years the great powers have reand decides to "go with the fools." The garded that country as the playground of taste of the star-eyed goddess is hope- their diplomacy, and have been carrying on the interesting game of outwitting each George Walker of the Alabama delegation other for a number of years, without ever, All sorts of men importuned him for favors, natives, or believing in the possibility of that concerted action on the part of the neglected warnings. He argues that the British policy of constant suspicion of Rusbeen pursued steadily nevertheless, is respensible for the whole trouble. policy, the writer argues, is confessedly a humiliating failure, and he proceeds to declare that the only satisfactory solution of the Chinese problem will be found in the cordial co-operation of England and in the appearance of Governor Roosevelt. Russia, and he urges the British foreign talk, to find a stalwart, broad-shouldered noss of the czar for Great Britain toward office to utilize the acknowledged friendlisecuring a permanent settlement of that far eastern question, which has so long been the terror of diplomatists.

The most eloquent descriptions of the gun." "Why?" famine in India, its extent, and the suffering caused by it, are scarcely so vivid as the bare statement of facts in the official communication which the vicercy, Lord Curzon, sent recently to the lord mayor of London. ulated upon data extending over the last thirty years, is forty-one inches. In 1896 is unparalleled in Indian records. In the middle of May, 1897, an area of 205,000 square miles, with a population of 49,000,000 persons, was affected. In the middle of May, 1900, the figures were 417,000 square miles (or nearly a quarter of the entire extent of the Indian empire), and 54,000,000 persons. In May, 1897, 3,811,000 persons were in receipt of government relief; in May, 1900, the total was 5,607,000. At the present moment, in the whole of the afflicted regions in British India, 15 per cent of the entire population are being supported by the government.

In summing up the present situation between Japan and respondent of the London Times says: 'Russian cannot permit Japan to occupy Korea and Japan cannot expose her country to the peril of seeing Korea in the hands of growing so quickly that there is an imperative need for territorial expansion. Fortytwo millions of people, brave and warlike, population is nine times greater. And expansion cannot be looked for in Formesa. Formosa will be developed as we develop India. No Japanese contemplates the immigration of Japanese into Formosa to displace Chinese and aborigines. Korea, on the other hand, having a climate and soil like that of Japan and yet being thinly peopled, is the natural and inevitable country for Japanese expansion. Korea must become Japanese, Japan must have Korea But to occupy Korea involves a war with Russia, for Korea cannot be held by the power that is not in occupation of the Leao-tong peninsula."

Some interesting particulars appear in the London press concerning that compact and formidable body of native troops which England has organized under the name of the West African frontier force and which has furnished the backbone of the Kumass relief expedition. It consists of two battalions of infantry, three batteries of artillery and an engineer company, with all necessary transport and medical arrangements. The rank and file are Hausas, Yorubas and a few Nupes, all superb specimens of humanity and all said to be in a high state of discipline. A battalion consists of eight companies, each 150 strong mander and two subalterns, with five British non-commissioned officers, besides native non-commissioned officers. Every company has, moreover, its own Maxim and gun detachment, the men being armed throughout with the .303 Lee-Enfield carbine. Two of the three batteries consist each of four seven-pounder guns of easy traction and quite powerful enough for the work expected of them. The third battery has a formidable armament of six Nordenfelt-Maxim guns of the highest pattern These guns can be readily managed by the powerful Hausan, even over very bat ground. The rapidity with which a battery marched in single file, as is usual in the bush country, is said to be very remarkable. The native gumbers have been trained carefully and are said to be extremly ef-

Most of the railways of China are in the region which is now the scene of military operations and of the depredations of the Boxers. A railway eighty miles long, belonging to an English company, extends from the port of Tien Tsin north to Pekin. At Fengtal, five miles south of Pekin on this line, begins the Belgian "Lu Han" railway, which extends southwest seventyeight miles to Paotingfu, where the Boxers have been particularly active. Both the English and the Belgian lines have been largely destroyed by the rioters. From Tien Tsin a railway extends 287 miles eastward to Chenchou and there are branches aggregating fifty miles. Altogether the English system has 407 miles and the Bel-gian eighty-eight. It is the former that is to be ultimately connected with Moukden, in the Russian sphere, where it will connect with the Siberian railway. About sixty miles of the American Hankan-Pekin line has been graded, but work is now stopped.

SMILING REMARKS.

Detroit Journal: In politics, the wise man layeth pipes, while the fool only

Chicago Record: "John is so absent-

"Is he?"
"Yes; whenever I give him a letter to mail he goes and mails it." Indianapolis Journal: "Let me sell you an alarm clock to help you get up in the

morning."
"Help me get up! Man, are you crazy?
All an alarm clock does is to make beeple feel doubly determined to stay in bed." Chicago Tribune: Mr. Bryan looked at his watch.
"Call in the young men of the press," he said. "This is my regular hour for assuring the country that the Chicago platform will be reaffirmed at Kansas City."

Pittsburg Chronicle: "I hear that married life is expensive," said a young man contemplating matrimony to a benefit of his acquaintance. rutsburg Chronicle: "I hear that married life is expensive," said a young man contemplating matrimony to a benedict of his acquaintance. "Well," replied the latter, evasively, "I saw in the newspapers that Brigham Young Roberts had just been fined \$150 for bigamy."

bigamy.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "That talkative Mr. Gabble reminds me of a heavy siege oon as it's known he's loaded every-

body runs for cover

Detroit Journal: The speaker waxed im-"Are you," he cried, feelingly, "of those tho, having eyes, see not, having cars. "Yes! yes!" thouted the assembled elec-ors, as with one voice. tors, as with one voice.

For all of these men, as it chanced, were candidates for places on the police force.

THE CANNON CRACKER.

Mary Marshall Parks in St. Nicholas. it was a Chinese cracker, All clad in glowing red. Lay trembling in a wooden box, Beside our Tommy's bed.

"Temorrow," sighed the cracker, "Unless I swiftly fly Long ere the shining sun is up, I shall most surely die!"

Out of the box he clambered, With many a glance of dread Where Tommy, dreaming of the Fourth, Lay tossing on his bed. The cracker, trembling greatly, Then hied him to a wood,

And sought a dark and lonely dell. Where drops of moisture stood On flowers and grass. He chuckled. the place t

And sat down on a cold, damp stone Heside a mossy tree.

The woodland creatures gathered, And gazed with startled eyes, And listened to his tale of woe With murmurs of surprise.

Said the selfish, boastful cracker "You see, I used my wits. My brothers in that fatal box Will all be blown to bits; While I, because I reasoned. And dured to net—" Per-BANG A terrible explosion Throughout the woodland rang. Per-BANG!

It was a frisky firefly Toyed with that daughing cuc. And into countless piece The cannon-cracker flew

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