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PARTIES LEAVING FOR SUMMER.

day of July, 1900. (Seal.)

Parties leaving the city fo 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 will gladly take all the nev factories it can get and then try for

Intimations of a short apple crop in Nebraska have a tendency to bear cholera morbus market in this vicinity.

Several ears are close to the ground over in Iowa awaiting to hear Governor Shaw on the question of the senatorial vacancy.

McKinley and Roosevelt clubs are springing up all over Nebraska and Iowa proaching maturity.

The Bee's compliments to all the parhave earned success.

The order of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad forbidding employes to hold political office will not be imitated by the roads doing business in Nebraska.

How many new business enterprise were being located in Omaha four years ago under the menace of Bryanism and before the advent of republican pros-

It is noticeable that Adiai Stevenson is not giving vent to any opinions on China, South Africa or anything else, All Adlai is expected to do is to look pleasant and wield the axe.

The Chinese government insists that it is doing its best to protect the foreign legations in Pekin. The trouble is that the best the Chinese government can do is not up to the requirements.

The fusion candidate for congress in the First district seems particularly anxious to have his republican competitor help him draw a crowd to listen to his exposition of popocratic vagaries.

Those Idaho fusionists that are having such a hard time to get together evidently lack the experience of their Nebraska brethren. They should call in some of the dictators who run the machine in this state.

Chicago finds that a surplus remains in the Methodist general conference fund without even calling on the guaranty put up by its citizens. This is a record not often matched by great national assemblies, either secular or religious.

The nomination of Sam Lichty for state auditor on the middle-of-the-road populist ticket is liable to recall several unpleasant memories in the vicinity of the state house machine to which he was such a stumbling block during the last legislature.

Governor Poynter has appealed to the supreme court to come to the rescue of that six-thousand-dollar-a-year donothing State Board of Transportation. If the court had been so disposed it could have passed on the points at issue in several cases decided during the last

The Bryanites keep right on accusing the American press of discriminating against them, although constantly draw ing on their space for the publication of prepared interviews and answers to selfpropounded questions. No candidate was ever treated more liberally by the opposition press in the way of opening their columns to his statements and opinions than Mr. Bryan.

Chairman Jones of the democratic committee has begun his regular issue of hourly bulletins expressing his satisfaction with the conditions of the cam- be content with receiving nothing. From paign and conjuring up all sorts of air the technical point of view this may be castles for the Bryanite following. Chairman Jones indulged in these entertaining pleasantries all through the battie of 1896 with the only result of fooling a few credulous people who gave belief to his effusions.

WHAT WOLLD BRYAN DO!

Hanna announced that all the volunteers n the Philippines would soon be brought home. That was put out as a vote catcher. But when McKinley telegraphed for troops to go to China General MacArthur answered that all the troops in the Philippines were needed there and would be for months to come. One regiment only was sent. Since lidle in the treasury. Otis left we have had no cables saying "The

war is over."-Nebraska Independent. It is always easy for a man who watches a game to point out the mistakes of the man who plays. But it is another matter for him to play the game himself.

The question is, What would Bryan do if he occupied the presidential chair? of August. It is easy to understand, in Would be disband the American army view of the appeal of Minister Conger. in the Philippines and expose the lives and property of American citizens and Washington with consternation. The citizens of foreign nations who rely upon minister stated that quick relief was the United States for protection to mob violence and pillage by the Filipinos? and there could be no doubt as to the Would be send the troops home in the face of the revolutionary outbreak in where all the foreign ministers are quar-China? Would be refuse to join the tered, was under constant fire of shot other civilized nations in their effort to and shell from the Chinese troops. Evisave the Europeans and Americans from massacre because to do so might frighten voters into the belief that he was launching out upon an era of militarism and conscription?

Mr. Bryan has publicly declared within the last few days that he approved the course President McKinley and his administration are pursuing in China. That means that Mr. Bryan, if he were president, would have done exactly what McKinley has done in the matter of dispatching troops to the rescue of Americans and Europeans in China.

Mr. Bryan has also declared himself in favor of a protectorate over the Philall the people in the islands against foreign invasion and domestic insurrection. in the Philippines without an army sta tioned in the Philippines large enough to cope with internal or external enemies of law and order? It follows thereexercises a protectorate it must maindifference would it make whether Amerother?

ened out of their wits by holding up happen. Mark Hanna as the embodiment of militarism, imperialism and all the other any agreement can be reached on this nightmares that have been conjured up most important matter and that it will in the interest of Bryan's candidacy for finally be determined that the force of president.

AMERICAN INFLUENCE IN CUBA. almost as rapidly as the corn crop is ap. pendent government, for which the would simply mean the annihilation of and that the queen is not happy there, con- damage in Negros. be prevalent within Cuba in the future. an independent movement. The dissenticipants in the great vacation contest There is no good reason why they should sion or lack of understanding in this and particularly to the winners who not be. As the Boston Transcript says, vital matter is the most discouraging to cease." There are great opportunitie for American capital in the island," says that paper, "yet capital must wait for the formation of a permanent govern ment there. Cuba, with all its natural resources, is in need of the investment of our money. When once the Cubans have demonstrated their capacity for self-government by actual test, there is no question that American investors will seek this new field and that the commercial ties with our near neighbor will e as strong as those of politics. Yet in this American influence there is nothing that can be considered hostile in any

> Having given the Cuban people self government, there is every reason why American influence should be exerted there in every proper and legitimate way to induce them to cultivate the most friendly relations with the United States and not to discriminate against thi country in their foreign felations. Here they will always find their best and most profitable market. To this country they must always look for protection against foreign aggression. In this country they have their surest friend. Not only have we a claim upon their gratitude, but they are bound to us by self-interest. These considerations make it inevitable that American influence will be very strongly exerted in Cuba in the future and it should be to the great benefit of They have to do something to make good its people.

way."

# BAD COUNTY FINANCIERING.

The exhibit of county finances made by the treasurer in his semi-annual report shows that on July 1 the cash on hand was \$179,663.51. This represents the balances in the various funds on deposit to the credit of the county treas urer. From these deposits the taxpayper cent.

Estimating the average balances in the county treasury at \$150,000, the taxpayers of Douglas county should have received on the same basis \$3,000 in interest during the past year.

The only excuse given for failure to exact the payment of interest from the canks on county deposits is that the depository law fixes the minimum of interest on county funds at 3 per cent Inasmuch as the banks refuse to pay 3 per cent the county funds are presumed to be handed over to the banks without interest, although there is a suspicion that interest is being paid to somebody for the use of this money.

Whenever the attention of the Board of County Commissioners is called to this palpable disregard of the public interest the plea is set up that the county has no right to accept less than 3 per cent on its deposits and must therefore correct, but we ventum to say that the evasion of the spirit of the law is much more reprehensible than would be the acceptance of 2 per cent instead of 3 per cent. It is more than likely that

induced to pay 3 per cent for county deposits at least part of the year, if not

all year. It goes without saying that no taxpayer would enjoin the county treasurer from accepting 2 per cent or mandamus the commissioners to keep the money

further comment.

The thing is too transparent to need

DELAY THAT MAY BE DISASTROUS. Our government has been advised by Admiral Remey, at Taku, that the international column would not begin its advance upon Pekin before the middle that this information was received in necessary to prevent a general massacre meaning of this. The British legation, dently the power of defense was weakening when the dispatch was sent and it was realized that the besieged dele gations could not hold out much longer There was a desperate situation and it is reasonable to presume that since then it has grown more desperate.

Yet with a large international force a Tien Tsin and Taku a movement on Pekin is delayed and for this two explanations are given. One is that the European governments, skeptical as to the authenticity of the report from Conger, have adopted the idea that there are no foreigners alive in Pekin and that consequently there is no need for haste ippines, which means the protection of The other is that there is friction in regard to an international commander The assurance given by the government How could a protectorate be maintained of the United States as to the authenticity of the Conger dispatch, with the corroborative evidence, should have removed all doubt on that score. The precautions taken by our State department fore that so long as the United States in the matter and the unquestionable honesty of the Chinese minister at tain an army in the Philippines. What Washington, conclusively show that the dispatch was authentic and there is no ican troops are kept in the Philippines reasonable excuse for doubting it. As as the mainstay of a protectorate or to the question of a commander-in-chief whether they are kept there as the de- for the allied forces, as we pointed out fenders of the American flag and au- a few days ago it is a most unfortunate thority? If it is militarism in one case feature of the situation that threatens is it not just as much militarism in the to have very disastrous consequences. It involves a delay in the movement on Mark Hanna makes a good target for Pekin that may extend even beyond the popocratic organs and caricaturists, but middle of next month and in the meauthe American people cannot be fright- time the worst that has been feared may

Indeed it is by no means certain that each of the powers shall take independent action-a course which could hardly fail to prove disastrous. It is stated. While it is the irrevocable purpose of for instance, that General Chaffee may the United States to give Cuba an inde- lead the way to Pekin himself, but that the cemetery is not favorably located, preparations are now in progress, it is the American force and it is perfectly inevitable that American influences will safe to say that he will not undertake leaving the Cubans to manage their own fact in the situation and is pregnant gers were inspired to utter their warning. political affairs does not mean that the with danger. It is understood that our interest of the United States in Cuba is government is making efforts to overcome the difficulty, but the advices from Admiral Remey are far from reassuring

With the advent of the twentieth century the world will witness the passing of the drug clerk. A Chicago contemwhich provide gum, perfumery, chocolate and telephone connectious have added a department in which the deposit of a cent gives access to the city directory, the one of the few exclusive functions of the drug clerk that up to this date had not been invaded by the new fangled inventions and mechanical appli-

These stories about 20,000 traveling men trooping for Bryan will be taker with several grains of allowance. Who are the traveling men who were for McKinley four years ago and are now for Bryan? Sixteen to one the real traveling men who were for Bryan in the depression year of 1896, but are for McKinley in the prosperity year of 1900, far outnumber those who have turned the other way.

Those attorneys for the late clerk o such pleasantries in their motion for rehearing before the supreme court are simply throwing a large-sized bluff. their claims for the fee for legal services charged up against the present clerk of the court, who is in reality the inter-

Russia's foresight in constructing the trans-Siberian railway comes into play when it finds itself called on to mobilize a military force on the Chinese border. The builders of that road are entitled ers of Douglas county are getting not to as much credit as the generals who one cent of interest, while the money in have put the Russian army into effective the hands of the city treasurer draws 2 discipline and invested it with modern

Count Boni de Castellane has fought another duel. If George Gould could only prevail on his brother-in-law to have himself killed off in an encounter with pistols and coffee he would rid France of a nuisance and this country of a perpetual bore in the shape of cable dispatches about Castellane's capers.

The county commissioners should b experts on the question of suburban electric roads on their return from their bring home with them several good suggestions that will be utilized for the benefit of Douglas county taxpayers.

A reciprocity treaty with Italy is the practiced by the present republican administration. President McKinley is neglecting no opportunity to strengthen and expand the United States as a commercial power.

Political Crime Confessed.

By adopting a resolution in favor of the some responsible depository could be fessed to the nation its sin against the vide.

ballot. There was nothing in the career of Senator Goebel to make him a popular idol if he had lived he would stand as a menace free government. The republicans in

the democracy name monfers the fact. What Are tand Pactories Fort

Indianapolis News. A German paper says that English manufacturers are still experting modern weapons to China. Of course, what's the safety of the European nations to the profits which a May 20 tells how mail, precious to the few men can reap. Perhaps the German troops, is diverted from its proper destinaeditor would check" business enterprise!

#### Back Into Discurity.

We fear Hon. Richard Metcalfe, the gentleman who carried the platform from Lincoln to Kansas City, is destined to slip back into obscurity. However, the Post has the satisfaction of knowing that it did everything in its power to keep the limelight on the young man.

#### Same Old Story from Nome.

The story of Nome seems to be about the same as that of all wealth seekers. The few find success, the many failure, suffering and death. And yet, despite the warning that the government cannot take care of the adventurers, the golden ignis fatuus will probably continue to lure the reckless on to lingering poverty and death.

Forgotten Pence Congress.

Does anybody happen to remember that there was a great peace congress of all the civilized nations a little while ago, called together at the instance of the Russian czar? Possibly its deliberations may have helped to soften the ill tempers of the world and lubricate the workings of international affairs, but at the present moment it looks much more as if the Father of all Evil had been throwing sand and red pepper therein.

#### Bay State Bags Some Glory. Boston Transcrip

Massachusetts is always at the front when here is any fighting under way. The lieutenant and colonel, senior captain and at east one other company commander of the Ninth infantry are from Massachusetts and there are two hundred Massachusette men in its ranks. The Fourteenth, which is on its way to Taku, is known in the army as "The Royal Irish," and it has a good many men in its ranks, too, who are natives of the Bay state.

#### The Ninth at Tien Tain. New York Sun.

In the desperate fighting at the storming of the Chinese city of Tien Tein, against greatly superior numbers, the Ninth infantry and the detachment of United States marines seem to have been at the front or near it and their losses were severe. Their valor was not in vair, as the first reports indicated, for the assault was renewed and the town has been taken. Colonel Liscum has found a brave end to his gallant and faithful service of nearly forty years. The behavior of the American treops at Tien Tsin was admirable and makes a man still prouder of being an American.

#### American Influence in Corea.

Philadelphia Ledger. Corea's electric railway is to be trebled n length because of a peculiar superstition. It now runs to the cemetery in which the late queen is buried, which is five miles from Seoul. The royal astrologers declare sequently the king has ordered it to be removed to a point fifteen miles from the capital, and the railway is to be extended to the same place, in order that he may visit it conveniently. As the road is in American hands, it is not impossible that the astroloby means well understood in this country.

## Action Fit and Fine.

rooklyn Eagle. Perry S. Heath, first assistant postmaster the press bureau of the republican national committee for the campaign. He has made ice, to engage in party effort, is a recogniporary foreshadows this sad condition tion of the principle of separating official by announcing that the slot machines from political work. In that principle is the essence of civil service reform. in former times both parties virtually made official places campaign headquarters, without offending the public sense or taste, But politics sets a better example than now Mr. Heath is an effective newspaper man He knows and respects public opinion. That explains why he resigns and it will explain the strong record which he will make in the new work which he is to assume.

## DAVIS AS A CENSER-SWINGER.

Adoration of Brynn Ahend of His Glorification of McKinley.

Kansas City Star. Webster Davis is already swinging his enser with ardent devotion at the shrine of William Jennings Bryan and is sending up a wave of incense which invelops the apostle of free silver in a cloud of sweet fragrance. In an effulgent burst of eloquence at Lincoln Davis exclaimed: "Let us hope that the future American histor vill be able to record on a gilded page e, casant story that in the year 1900 a . u giant came out of the west as the champion of the people and grappled with the ugly monster the district court who are indulging in trusts, and, after a struggle so fierce and terrible that made the whole world stare, he overthrew that monster. Then the joyous shouts of approval from the masses of his countrymen filled all the land and future generations blessed the champion of the people-William Jennings Bryan."

It will be gratifying, of course, to Mr. Bryan to be characterized by a man with and sturdy glant, pursuing to their guilty and blood-stained lairs the Octopus and the Troglodyte. It will be flattering to the great emancipator at Lincoln to be accred ited with a degree of dauntless herolam that will dwarf the feats of Hercules. What, indeed, was the strangling of the Nemean lion the killing of the Lernean hydra, the ure of the Cerynelan stag and of the Ery manthain boar, the elegning of the Augean birds, the capture of the Cretan bull, the subjugation of the man-eating mares of Diomedee as compared with the struggle of tery. William Jennings Bryan with that hideous mpersonation of evil-the money oligarchy, which has inherited the greed and the im placable rapacity of all the centuries since hath found a nobler strain of praise for Bryan than Tennyson for Eustace. The new couplet will be:

My Bryan might have sat for Hercules Let not the joy of Mr. Bryan over the encomiums of Davis be modified one jot or tittle by the eulogies which his new disciple tour of inspection and they ought to was wont to heap upon McKinley. At the very best, the president was never nounced by Davis to be anything more than 'sweet' and "god-like." The American people prefer the rugged qualities of a sterlng manhood to the attributes of an angel or a saint. Mr. Bryan has still the best of latest fruit of the reciprocity policy as it with Davis and Mr. McKinley will now feel that Davis damned him with faint

The hero whom the people adore is he wh wrestles against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of his world, against spiritual wickednese in high places. In the presence of such in trepidity the saccharine qualities of McKinley, which were wont to stir the eloquence of Davis in former days, fade into insignifi amendment of the Goobel election law, the cance. Let Mr. Bryan revel in the adulation organized democracy of Kentucky has con- of Davis and take the goods the gods proECHOES OF OUR WAR

The inefficiency of the mail service in the Philippines continues a source of great ir-Kentucky had the right end of the fight and ritation to the soldiers on duty in the interior. A letter from an Omaha volunteer of February. Eight or ten letters have been mailed to him since that time and a bundle of newspapers every week. This is not an isolated instance. Manila Freedom of "For a whole dreary month," says Freedom, "500 sacks of mail, destined for these islands, have been rotting in the holds of the transport Hancock lying in an Asiatic port. We are not concerned as to whether the Hancock has gone off on a fishing excursion or whether the commission held the ship at Nagasaki in order to run up to Tokic that they might see the geisha girls dance. What Manila wants is those 500 sacks of mail.

> Speaking on this subject the Army and Navy Journal observes that "keeping distant soldiers in the closest touch with those at home is the best way to ward off home sickness. One of the most pitiful ailments that can attack a soldier is homesickness Those who have seen its victims bear wit ness to the deep pathos of the sufferer's anguish." Reasonable promptitude in deliv ering mails to soldiers so far from home should be had at any cost. Letters from home are the best assurance the soldiers can receive that they are not forgotten Navy Journal, "who for any cause not abso- the opinion being that the law was not lutely imperative, delays the letters and properly passed. The State Board of Trans General Lee, recommended him for appointpapers in transit to our soldiers we would portation has ever been a useless thing down the American flag, "shoot him on the but even the state house officers, who comspot." visited with severe penalties to interfere with the passage of the United States mails, and when this interference occurs in war peals, time and in the case of our men at the front the punishment should be correspond ingly increased."

Freedom gives a brief account of the na tive reception of Judge Ide, a member of the civil commission, at Manila. While the Judge was transferring his baggage from the steamer to the shore three of the webfeet made away with his footwear. Perhaps they thought the judge had other shoes and would not mind bestowing these small tokens of civilization on the needy representatives of the Filipino people. They made a mistake, however, in not consulting the commissioner before they walked away with his property. They were arrested and taken to the San Fernando police station The shoes were taken as evidence.

Before the advent of the Americans the natives were accustomed to have the shoes of commissioners and other governmental representatives in close proximity to their persons. The force of habit may be responsible for this latest freak of a kleptomania among the Filipinos.

The island of Cebu, P. I., U. S. A., re- daily. ports the arrival of great swarms of locusts, to the huge delight of the native boys, who capture them by the bucketful. To the palates of some natives they are a so thick that they were photographed, the dark, cloudy day. They did not light in Cebu, but the flight was an hour in passing. It reminds one of bleeding Kansas in '74. They are reported to be doing considerable

Here is an illustration of the average Filipino notion of the Americans. When the Grant sailed from Manila she took back to the states a lot of military prisoners who have terms to serve there. They were lined up on the wharf in front of the quartermaster's depot preparatory to going out to the transport. The Filipinos looked on with considerable interest. It seemed to the showing that the Americans did not hesigeneral, will soon resign to take charge of tate to punish their own men for offenses. But one of the Filipinos privately told an American that the real reason the men were a fine officer. His retirement from the serv- being sent back was that they had refused to fight the Filipinos.

under native management was opened on June 1. An endowment of \$100,000, Mexican, has been secured from among the wellto-do Filipinos in Manila and efforts are making to increase it. Here is a chance for some wealthy American to make a tenstrike for his country by a substantial gift to this college. It starts principally as an industrial school, to teach applied industry agriculture and business. The plan conemplates having later a preparatory school for courses in the arts and sciences.

## PERSONAL POINTERS.

Give New York plenty of prize fights and she will not care about politics.

A letter from Stephen Crane to Richard Hovey sold in London last week for \$50. The wise men who went to Cape Nome provided themselves with return tickets. but they were not the majority. General Lew Wallace is another man who

believes that "eastward the course of empire takes its way." Muzaffarred Din, shah of Persia, who is visiting the imperial family in St. Peters-

burg, has invited them all down to see his folks next winter. Admiral Dewey proves the falsity of the old belief that a sailor is not at home on a the "men of thought and men of action" horse. The admiral is an excellent horse-

man and rides often. Senator Hoar of Massachusetts spends the summer afternoons reading under a tree on the forensic celebrity of Davis as a youthful | the lawn of his country place. "It is the best

way to forget the heat," he said recently. The American athletes, having carried off about everything in the line of championships at the Olympic games, will now rest and give the others a chance to win a few things.

The creditors of a broken New York broker had their expectations rudely shattered when the safe of the firm was opened stables, the slaughter of the Stymphalian and examined. It contained \$2 in stamp and twenty-nine bright, yellow coppers How that munificent sum escaped is a mys

Two grandsons of Li Hung Chang are to Washington, being prepared by a tutor for a course of study at the Vanderbilt uni versity, Nashville, Tenn. They speak Eng. men first began to worship gold? Davis lish fairly well, and as they have cut off their cues and dress like Americans they do not attract embarrassing attention. General Sir George Stewart White, the

hero of the siege of Ladysmith and the soldier who was not afraid to own up to it when he blundered, has just been installed in his new position as governor of Gibraltar When the general arrived at the famous British fortress he was given a hearty re ception by the soldiers. Senator Platt of New York went to have

prescription filled in a New York drug op recently. The young clerk taking longer to do it than the senator thought proper, Mr. Platt said: "Here, I'll do it. I back of the counter he made up the pre scription in a very short time. Before going to Kansas City to begin the

ractice of law in 1887 Webster Davis was a home, and later an office boy in a local law firm, in which position he studied for his hosen profession. He did not stay in Kansas City long, but went to Colorado, only has always been something of a rover, wandering at times from one city to another.

COURTS AND COURT DECISIONS.

Fremont Herald: The decision abolishing is worse than a useless appendage-it contains the assertion that the writer has draws thousands of dollars from the state base. They have crenellated parapets and not received a scrap of mail since the 234 treasury on false pretenses, and its bene-

Sullivan and Holcomb presiding, the case to batter down the walls, which it could against Resewater for contempt was taken under advisement. Rosewater is now found with veneration, as impregnable, and it is guilty, but is only fined with the costs. The upreme court, the fusion judges presiding. have evidently ascertained that they did not make a ten strike with their imperialistic censorship.

Neligh Yeoman: The Bee says there are 2,000 cases in the supreme court and that conditions and the flerce opposition of only about 300 can be disposed of on an population of a score of millions. average per year. In some respects it would be far better to have no suprem court than to continue present conditions. The present delay in litigation is steadily augmenting the difficulty, since many petty cases are taken up solely for the puroose of delay. Some remedy for the present onditions should be devised and that without delay, since at present in perhaps a majority of cases the highest court is barrier to the securing of justice.

Grand Island Independent: The State Board of Transportation has been wiped made an unhappy attempt to check Sheridan out of existence by a decision of Judge in the Shenandoah valley after Cedar Creek, Munger of the United States court in the the story of which has delighted all of Sher-"For any man," exclaims the Army and granting of an infunction against the board, idan's biographers. At the beginning of the recommend the remedy General John A. Dix and over \$10,000 per year will be saved, the president promptly appointed him and proposed to apply to the traitor who hauled An appeal will be taken from the decision, It is very properly made a crime pose the board and hire three secretaries at \$3,000 per annum, have no hope that the de- in the face of which the new struggle upon cision will be reversed by the court of ap which the united nation had entered. It was

#### WITHIN THE REPUBLICAN FOLD.

Wayne Republican: Roosevelt is coming Nebraska during the campaign and there s no reasonable doubt that his visit will be the cause of our famous citizen, W. J. Bryan, becoming convinced that the enemy's country is moving westward at an alarming pace Beatrice Express: It will be easier for the republicans to win in Nebraska this year than it has been in many years past. The feeling against Poynter in his own party is very strong, and the democrats are disgusted all over the state. Of course the republicans will have to work in order to win, but they are admirably equipped for work and have all the energy that could be desired.

Seward Reporter: The renomination o Poynter for governor puts new spirit into the hearts of Nebraska republicans. They have all the time had much faith in their ability to elect Dietrich, and that faith is greatly increased by the action of their opponents. Poynter can neither draw recruits nor hold his forces together and the prospects of Dietrich's election grow brighter

Falls City Journal: If Congressman Bur kett's term in office has strengthened him in other counties in the district as it has in Richardson, his majority will be greater great delicacy. They were reported to be than it was two years ago. Mr. Burket has shown himself worthy the confidence the result being only as that produced by a people bad in him by his work in the house of representatives. The way to have good efficient men in congress is when we know we have such a one is to keep him there This is Burkett's case and the people will see to it that he is returned. The oftener the better.

#### POLITICAL SNAP SHOTS.

Philadelphia Times: The passing of Sulzer and the resurrection of Stevenson are two of the unexplained mysteries of the late Kansas City convention, and Sulzer and all the charges of evil that were made Stevenson are wondering how it happened as against the party which I antagonized as a hard as anybody. Buffalo Express: How literally this is "the

enemy's country." so far as Bryan is coucerned, is strikingly indicated by the fact that there is not a democratic newspaper of importance in New England which is supporting his candidacy. New York Mail and Express: Fusion in Nebraska means a combination of political

adventurers for offices only. The capital of the concern is calamity, its motive power is my mind, the difference in primary belief, hunger, and its object is loot. Thus organ- but is founded solely on a blind prejudice ized the outfit is prepared to save the country while you wait. Minneapolis Journal: When notified of Mr. Stevenson's nomination Mr. Bryan said: 'Mr. Stevenson is an excellent man for the place. He supported the ticket in 1896, and

he can defend the platform in 1900." It needs it, a fact which even Mr. Bryan appears to recognize and, perhaps unconclously, admit. Cleveland Leader: "Why rob a grave? replied Oldham, the man who put Bryan in omination at the Kansas City convention. when he was asked as to the chances of Stevenson for the vice presidential nomina-

tion. Stevenson was chosen, but Towne whom Bryan preferred, is living in Bryan's best bedroom at Lincoln and will be made conspicuous throughout the campaign. St. Paul Pioneer Press: The drift away from Bryan among representative democrats all over the country is well compared by contemporary to the movement of Douglas and Bell-Everett men in 1860 toward Lincoln. When not only the nation's financial honesty, but its right to the attributes of a nation in lands brought under its flag, is as

## ON THE ROAD TO PEKIN

stake, there can be no real divisions among

who must "clear the way" for the country's

Problems to Be Solved by the Allied Army in China. New York Tribune

progress.

The march to Pekin must be made. That we may assume, is settled. It should have been made long ago. But if, through haggling and jealousies, it has been delayed until it is too late for rescue, it will at least be made for vengeance. Time was when a brigade or two would have accomplished it in a few days with little difficulty. Half savages armed with gongs and bows and arrows were no match, no matter what their numbers, for disciplined European troops with modern firearms. But today the Chinese are as well equipped as the Europeans, if not actually better, and with the imitativeness which is characteristic of them they are mastering the use of such weapons with ominous facility. So not only few brigades, but several army corps a the least, will be needed to make the in vasion of less than ninety miles and the work is likely to occupy more weeks than it once would have taken days. The present time is, moreover, unfavora

ble for the advance. It is the rainy season and in that country a July rain is a deluge, as much as ten or twelve inches of wate falling in a single day. The ratiroad has been destroyed and the wagon roads are mere cart tracks, upon which no constructive work has ever been done and they are now no doubt mostly under water. That is the state of affairs up to Tung-Chow, ten used to be a druggist myself." And going miles from the walls of Pckin. Thence there is a fairly good stone road, which is never flooded. As for the river, it is now in flood and navigable for boats of shallow draught. It is very crooked, doubling upon shoemaker in Gallatin. Mo., his boyhood itself and it has a strong current, so that the Chinese boats require a week or more to make the trip from Tien Tsin to Tung Chow, a distance of sixty-five miles. That time might be improved upon by a fleet of to return to the Missouri city in 1889. He tugboats and launches if such could be secured at Taku, as it probably could. The weather is intensely hot, the temperature

rising to 100 degrees in the shade and 150 degrees in the sun.

On reaching Pekin the invading force will the State Board of Transportation is a find Reelf confronted by wells of masoury righteous one and we hope it will stand. It fifty feet high, nearly fifty feet thick at the top and nearly a hundred feet thick at the numerous high towers with innumerable fictaries never gave anything in return loopholes. These would make the walls strongly defensible against a much auperior Grand Island Independent: When The force armed only with small arms. Heavy Bee was fined by the supreme court, Judges artillery is therefore imperatively needed roon do. The Tartars regard those walls probable that when they saw them crumbling into ruln before European guns they would be paniestricken and abandon further resistance. It is, however, going to be a series job to get the guns up there to do the work, in the face of adverse natural

## CONVERSION OF ROSSER.

Noted Confederate General Forsakes the Bryanite Party. Buffalo Express. Already a notable convert to republican-

sm is recorded in the person of General

Thomas L. Rosser of Virginia. General Ros-

ser was a confederate cavalry leader during the civil war, somewhat more noted for the extravagance of his speeches to his troops than for the success of his operations. He Spanish war Governor Tyler, by request of ment as brigadier in the volunteer army and assigned him to General Lee's corps. It was one of the most noteworthy examples of the obliteration of old civil war animosities notable because Rosser had shown himself since the civil war one of the most irreconcilable of the irreconcilables, a fire-eater and a waver of the bloody shirt of the most pronounced type. So recently as 1895 Rosser made a speech at a dedication of a monument to confederate soldiers in Richmond which contained, according to the reports in the press at the time, the following passage: "The men who overran us remind me of the locusts which are now infesting portions of this state. They couldn't whip us, but they devoured our substance. The army that devoured us was an army of substitutes. We killed all the substitutes. The men whom they represented stayed at home and made money and now draw pensions. I despise the man who gives United States money to a pensioner. This country can't stand it when it makes one citizen support another. I shall never vote for a congressman who is in favor of government pensions. I would say to Massachusetts, you pay your pensioners as Virginia pays hers. Some time ago we unveiled a monument to the greatest general who ever lived. Today we unveiled monument to the greatest private soldier who ever lived and in time we will unveil a monument to the president of the confederacy. But we are moked at the north and will live to see the Yankee army march again through the south and pull down our monuments. I don't know what sort of stuff the rising generation is made of, but if you and I are living there'll be bloodshed when

that is done.' This same Thomas L. Rosser has just written to Governor Roosevelt the following

letter "The Hon. Theodore Roosevelt: I have hitherto been an earnest worker in the ranks of the democratic party, circumstances and conditions have so changed that I cannot affiliate with it any longer. I naturally came out of the great war of the '60s between the states soured and prejudiced and it was easy to believe soldier. Though as a boy I was not a cessionist in the flerce and that followed I became thoroughly saturated with its venom. When war was declared against Spain in 1898, the fear that my country was in danger passed through me like an electric spark, clearing my vision and revealing the follies behind which I had been sulking. That the south is unanimous in its political opposition to the north, cannot satisfactorily be ascribed, to which all candid, loyal citizens should spurn. If the north can prosper, and it does, under republican administration, the south would blush to admit that it cannot do the same for it has equal opportunities. To say that republicans alone are dishonest and that democrats alone are honest, is foul blackguardism. I most heartily approve the administration of President McKinley and shall do all in my power to insure his election to the high office he now holds, and fully approving your political and admiring your military record. I rejoice personally and congratulate my country on our good fortune in securing your services as our vice president. Believing that it plants your feet firmly in the certain road to further advancement for you and additional prosperity for our country. Sincerely yours,

## MERRY CHATTER.

"THOMAS L. ROSSER."

Philadelphia Press: Tess-She loves Mr. lichman very much, does she not? Jess-Yes, according to Bradstreet she was him about \$25,000 worth.

Indianapolis Journal: "George, what does a presidential candidate do when he re-ceives the committee to notify him of his romination?" "Oh, he acts just like a girl who gets a proposal which she has been staying awake nights looking for."

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Ah, George," she sighed, "do you remember how we used to sit on one chair at papa's."
"That was all right at papa's." replied the practical George, "but I'm not a going to forget that these chairs cost me good Washington Star: "The writings of Con-

fuclus are unsurpassed as moral precepts," said the able Chinaman.

"Yes," answered the cynic, "but they re-semble most proverbs and other forms of good advice. When it comes to a pinch they don't stop any riots."

Philadelphia Press: "We're having our flat made larger," said the first Gothamite. "That's so?" replied the other. "How many rooms will you have then?" "Two. We're knocking out half a dozen partitions.

## AMERICA AND CHINA

Pittsburg Dispatch For ages unnumbered Old China has slumbered, With nothing to offer her hordes but despair; mandarins scheming. wiscacres dreamin And all her vales thronged with the bondsmen of care

Those millions benighted Have seen the fires lighted ong neighbor islands by liberty's van; Her tyranny dylng, In rage is defying The dayspring of progress awakening man

The first blush of morning Her dark slopes adorning Has startled the slaves of a thousand de-But darkness once scattered

heir fears will be shattered legions of freemen step forth from the shades. And shall not Old Glory Burst forth on that hoary id civilization like full midday sun? The hand that first guided

Our steps there provided work to succeed what bold Dewey begun The nation not spreading Its light is reces flame our forefathers gave into our

Progressive and living.
Will grow with the giving of feed on its fruits in the furthermest lands. hands

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