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Parties leaving the city for 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.

The wrong party evidently got his foot in the trap which was set for General Dewet.

of architects is to build the new Carnegle library at Lincoln.

Visiting editors are respectfully requested not to use the blue pencil too freely on Ak-Sar-Ben's ritual.

affairs. People who travel these days take an even chance of being held up whether they travel in palace cars or box cars.

The news from the Transvaal indicates the "I regret to report" season is not yet ended in that quarter of the globe.

THE PEOPLE DECIDE THE ISSUE. two-thirds of what, at the beginning of As a matter of fact, said Governor hostilities, the British military author-Roosevelt, the democrats cannot de titles believed would be sufficient to cide which one of their various heresies crush the defenders of the republics. the people shall regard as most im-There is not even a conjecture as to portant. "The decision rests with the how many men the Boers now have unpeople themselves and those who are der arms, but whatever the number opened by two characteristic speeches from proposed to take its place, and the proposed to take its place, and the proposed of happiness impaired in consequence? capital, but all benefiting the workers, led primarily interested in our financial they are capable of keeping their enhonesty and industrial well-being canemy fully occupied and occasionally not and will not admit that any pos- hitting him a hard blow. Though oversible difference is caused by putting shadowed by the Chinese conflict, the South African war still presents feathe free silver plank in one rather than another position of the platform. If tures of interest.

a man announces that he believes in KEEP THE BLACK SHEEP AT HOME. the doctrine of cowardly surrender and It is an open secret that the fight for also in the doctrine of the repudiation the coming legislature of Nebraska will of debts, it makes not the slightest difbe hotly contested. It is also a foreference as to the order in which he gone conclusion that the chances of puts the two policies. Neither does it electing a republican majority of the make any difference what the populegislature depend entirely upon the listic democracy lays most stress upon, character of the candidates nominated its determination to debase the curby the party. rency or its determination to degrade

In order to win the favor of the people the men who present themselves for said: The American voters are giving their suffrages must bear reputations thoughtful consideration to the issues that command confidence and respect. presented by the two parties and the In-No man with a spotted record should dications are that a very large majority be given any countenance in his aspiraof them are giving greater attention tions to occupy a seat in the next legisto the question which affects their lature. No man who has a record to definancial interests and bears upon their fend or explain has any right to jeopprosperity than to any other. This ardize the success of his party by is shown in the fact that nearly all thrusting himself forward as a candithe leading newspapers of the country date this year. give precedence to this question. Even if the stakes were not as great Among these are papers that oppose as they are, it would be inexcusable for the so-called imperialistic policy of the republicans in any district to hamper administration, but frankly admit that President McKinley or weaken the the paramount issue is whether or not state and congressional tickets by loadthe currency shall be maintained on a ing them down with boodle men and sound basis and the prevailing prosholdups. That class of candidates perous business conditions continued. have been the bane of the party in Ne-Especially are the great financial and braska for years. The same thing is business interests of the nation caretrue of professional office-seekers. fully considering this question. A

whose sole object in seeking a place in leading organ of these interests indithe next legislature is to barter their cates the prevailing sentiment among votes for a lucrative federal appointment. the effect on industrial affairs of a The only safe plan for republicans is

bered that any state of facts or any nominate only reputable men whose conditions that excited a fear as to the known integrity is the guaranty of good stability of the currency would be ali conduct. sufficient to bring in another era of

general distrust and business prostra-THE AMERICAN POSITION. tion. It goes on to point out what is A Washington dispatch of a few days to be expected in the event of Bryan's ago said it was considered important pire. election. An effort would at once upon diplomatic grounds that the be made to secure the free coinage of United States should have a respectable silver and if unsuccessful at first it force in China when the end comes, although not essential that the force would be pursued unceasingly until secured or until his administration should be as large as that of Russia, terminated. The effort to accomplish Japan or Germany. It was suggested this and the accompanying agitation that this country may be called upon to It is to be noted that an Omaha firm | would prevent the development of bus- play a leading part in the settlement

iness interests, apprehension would of of the future of the Chinese empire and our declaration that the territorial innecessity pervade financial circles and the status of affairs which existed in tegrity of China should be respected 1893, 1894 and 1895 would be in large and that all nations should have the same commercial rights there, even part repeated. That reflects the general feeling among men of practical though some international control and advice were necessary to the native

Chinese government, would gather a The wage earners of the country, also, are giving due consideration to dignity from the presence of several this question, for it concerns them brigades of American troops and some perhaps more than any other class. powerful American ships which might And no other question is of so great

not be derived from the presence of a interest to them. For three years few shattered regiments and illthey have had prosperity. With conequipped gunboats.

stant employment at good wages they A later dispatch states that the ad-The century year seems destined to have as a class greatly improved their ministration is determined to keep now preparing one for her reception.

## LIFE of the REPUBLIC in NO DANGER.

The Outlook The held in Lincoln, Neb., and Mr. Bryan made in which the democratic campaign will probably be conducted. He said:

abiy be conducted. He said: If every Filipino were to die the world would go on, but this nation, the greatest republic of the world's history, puts out its light. If the republic turns its back to the doctrine which we loved a century and a quarter ago, then to what nation of the world can the people look for hope and in-spiration? So you ought to be proud that you are an American citizen and are able to say: "If the republic goes down I am not to blame for its downfall!" This potion that the defeat of Mr. Bryan est participation of which they are capable." of most Americans, if they allow themselves This notion that the defeat of Mr. Bryan

would be the downfall of the republic was still more explicitly put by Mr. Towne, the populist candidate for vice president, who

If the citizens of this country at the forthcoming election shall ratify and con-firm the presumptuous stretches of au-thority that have characterized the conduct of the administration, then we shall not be in danger of establishing an empire: the empire will have been already established. radical a change in the currency as would in silver at that ratio, would be followed by at least temporary disaster, will hardly Mr. McKintey also warns his hearers be questioned by any. The immediate efagainst disasters which he believes the de- fect of such a change would be to overthrow feat of his party will involve, but his faith credit, public and private, to paralyze inin American institutions is not so feeble dustry, to compel a readjustment of values, that he thinks a democratic victory will to produce an immediate collection of debis, imperil them; it will imperial national proswith a consequent distress of debtors, and perity and national honor, but not national

condition of the country, which he attributes present conditions must place his advocacy o four years of republican administration: We have lower interest and higher wages; We have lower interest and higher wages; more money and fewer mortgages. The world's markets have been opened to Amer-ican products, which go now where they have never gone before. We have passed from a bond-issuing to a bond-paying na-tion; from a nation of borrowers to assation of lenders; from a deficiency in revenue to a surplus; from fear to confidence; from en-forced idleness to profitable employment. The public faith has been upheld; public order has been maintained. We have pros-perity at home and prestige abroad. The scronosed reneal of the sold act and fall.

the establishment in its place of free silver great powers have been intrusted to Mr. pire, by the re-election of Mr. McKinley.

to keep the black sheep at home and before and it is safe to assume that the great majority of these are grinding out ragtime melodies on schedule time.

"Republic or Empire" Plank.

Louisville Courier-Journal. Better make the battle cry "Republic or Umpire." Everybody has it in for the um-

What 's an Injunction?

San Francisco Examiner. Injunction: Something that enjoins ordinary men but does not touch railway of ficials-as probably defined in the next dictionary.

> Croker a Competent Judge. Washington Post

Mr. Croker thinks that the people's distrust of silver comes from ignorance. If this be true Mr. Croker was one of the principal ignoramuses in 1896.

Li Hung Chang in Doubt.

Philadelphia Inquirer. Judging by surface indications, Li Hung Chang evidently does not know whether he is going to run things when he arrives at Pekin or whether things at Pekin are going' to run him.

China, the Maniae Nation. Philsdelphia Press.

China is the maniac nation of the Orient She is raging like a lunafic cursed by homicidal tendencies." There is nothing left for her but a straight-jacket and civilization is

sion or the Peh Yang.

here.

of Parliament, colored people were proat a ratio of 16 to 1, the proposed repeal of | McKinley by congress, but what citizen has presidential campaign has been the Dingley act, with no definite tariff policy had his rights of life, liberty, or the pursuit other matters affecting the interests of the two principal candidates. Mr. Bryan and Mr. McKinley. On July 10 a ratification meeting of the democratic nominations was "dire consequences to credit and confidence," with "dire consequences to credit and confidence," who offered up their lives of their own free the two principal candidates. Mr. Bryan abandonment of the Philippines, he believes. Soldiers have died in Cuba and in the Philippines, but they have been volunteers who offered up their lives of their own free tail a million on the abortive Jameson to husiness and industry," and would pre- will for humanity, fighting against despota brief speech, which illustrates the spirit vent the establishment of a just and gen- ism in the one case and against anarchy in erous government in the Philippines "in the other. It would be easier to find 1,000 which the inhabitants shall have the larg- men in New York City who have suffered injustice from the imperialism of Mr We think that to the sober second thought Croker than one man in the United States who has suffered from the imperialism of

to give such thought to the political issues Mr. McKinley. Abroad, in Cuba there is satisfaction with presented to them, the dangers pointed out by Mr. McKinley will seem to be real and present conditions and confident hope of imminent; those threatened by Mr. Bryan early independence, promised by a repuband Mr. Towne will be, if not wholly imag- lican congress and reiteratedly assured to inary, exceedingly remote. Whatever be the Cubans by the president. From the the cause of the country's present pros- Porto Ricans we hear no complaints against perity, that it is prosperous, and that all the tariff, which it is in their power to classes share in some measure in its pros- abolish when they will. In Hawaii the only perity, will not be questioned. That so complaints come from Japanese laborers, who, having had their wages raised several be involved in the immediate adoption of times since annexation, are, American-like, the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to inspired by the increase to strike for more. 1, and the payment of national obligations It is only from the Philippines that any complaints come back to us, and with them come the indications of a desire for peace under the United States flag, and greetings of thousands of children already gathered into schools never before opened to them, and certain to be closed if the American flag should be pulled down.

The terrors of Mr. Bryan and Mr. Towne are either a dramatic fright assumed for in many cases bankruptcy and impoverishexistence. He thus describes the present ment. The advocate of free sliver under effect or a hystorical fright which sober minded men will not share. The republic is not so feeble. It survived the election upon the ground either that the ultimate of Mr. Jefferson, whose election was supbenefits will recompense for the immediate posed to be subversive of Christianity; of disaster, or that 16 to 1 is a mathematical formula of absolute and eternal justice, and General Jackson, although from his corrupjustice must be done though the heavens tion of the civil service we have not yet

STORY OF WESTERN EXPANSION.

Planting of Great States and Cities

who have died within the past few days-

Milton J. Payne and Charles A. Chace-were

among the founders of Kansas City, the sec-

brought upon us the Mexican war; of Mr. On the other hand, it would be difficult Plerce, though it involved the repeal of the for Mr. Bryan or Mr. Towne to specify a single instance of injury as yet inflicted Missouri compromise, and of Mr. Buchanan, or immediately threatened by that imperial- though it prepared the way for the war of ism which, in their judgment, threatens the secession, and the republic will not be months ago, not to seek any advance in The proposed repeal of the gold act and downfall of the republic. Doubtless very whelmed in ruin, or converted into an em-

ected, and taxes were put on the profits of gold mining instead of on the broad shoulders of the working class. These, and raid; and when that failed they set themselves to secure their end by constitutional meanr, as Cecil Rhodes expressed it. The present war was the result. But the work ingmen of Britain were in ignorance of all this, for many and varied forces were at work to make white appear black, and, as was to be expected, succeeded. Thus it comes to pass that such questions as old age pensions, the housing of the people,

the eight-hour day, and others of equal importance to the workers, have dropped out of the public mind or have been drowned in the cheering for great British victories. "Were time given to allow the public mind to return to sanity before taking the national verdict on the war, there would be still some hope for labor candidates. Forces are at work which are already beginning to tell in the right direction. For one thing, the cost of living has gone up considerably, owing to the war. In the coal trade, the mine owners are taking advantage of the patriotic mood of the nation to play havoe with every form of industry. Coal has almost doubled in price. Corporations are paying twice as much for gas coal as they did two years ago, and the price of gas is being raised all around in consequence. Railway companies are raising their fares and rates from the same cause, and steel and iron works are being shut down to prevent loss from carrying them on. Mr. Benjamin Pickard, member of Parliament, chairman of the Miners' federation, stated in a speech the other day that the profits of mine owners this year fully recovered; of Mr. Polk, though it are fabulously in excess of last year. To complete the scandal, it is only necessary to add that the miners are not benefiting to the extent of one cent thereby, as they are under an agreement, made eighteen wager before the end of 1904."

mining region of the Transvaal wages were

high: an eight-hour day was secured by act

LAUGHING LINES.

Chicago Record: "We're engaged, but I fear we shall never be able to marry?" "Why not?" "I spend nearly all I make talking to her ever the long-distance telephone."

the American Wilderness. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The rapidity with which the western part. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The rapidity with which the western part of the United States has been transformed from savagery into civilization is shown in an impressive way by the fact that two men who have died within the past few days-

Philadelphia Record: Swipsey-Muggsy swiped a pair o' shoes from a store yisti-

among the founders of Kansas City, the sec-ond city of Missouri in point of population and wealth, and neither had reached a nota-bly advanced age. Both of them saw that town expand from a frontier outpost which

tion opened. Second Delegate-I don't know. It struck

me the statistics were not presented in a way to give the Lord a clear idea of the political situation.

Philadelphia Press: "It's strange," re-marked the sentimental young Benedick, "how Fate throws different people to-gether. By the way, how did you come to know your wife"." "I don't." replied the old married man, "and I never expect to." "I don't," replied the old married man, "and I never expect to."

Pittsburg Chronicle: "Speaking of the concert of the powers," remarked the Snake

Editor 'Who is?" demanded the Horse Editor.

within a little over a generation of time. Nothing in the history of the spread of civilization over the world is more remark-able than the planting of states and cities in the the spread of the powers is search-ing for keynotes, they can be obtained in large numbers in the United States."

place within the past half century. A woman died a few weeks ago who as a baby was one of the survivors of the massacre at Fort Dearborn by the the the massacre at in the American wilderness which has taken place within the past half century. A upon the political issues of the Where are they, I say? "Talked theirselves to death, I spoke up a solemn-faced man in the ence, in response. Fort Dearborn by the Indians in the war of 1812. Fort Dearborn was on the site of the modern city of Chicago. That baby of 1812

SINGLE TAX IN PERIN. City Where Henry George's Theory is in Actual Operation. Charles Denby, former United States minister to China, writes an interesting article for Collier's Weekly about the capital city of the great Chinese empire, in which he says: On approaching Pekin the traveler sees the great wall surrounding the city. The south wall of the Tartar city is the north wall of the Chinese city. The entire circuit around both cities is 24.25 miles-14.25 for and wealth, and neither had reached a notathe Manchu city and 10 for the Chinese. The wall around the Manchu city is fifty

the wall around the matched city is not feet wide at the top and sixty at the bot-tom. It is of earth faced with brick, each great trade center whose name is known was a fine prayer with which the convenof which weighs sixty pounds. The wall all over the world, though neither of them around the outer, or Chinese city, is thirty feet high, twenty-five feet thick at the bottom and fifteen at the top.

granite, and the massive doors are locked ably Census Director Merriam's count will at a little after sundown.

broad streets and avenues. The only work that is ever done on the streets is just before the emperor goes to one of the temples, Then light yellow dirt is scat-

tered on them.

was born in it. In 1860, which is pretty nearly the earliest date that Kansas City figured in the census tables, it had a popula-The arches of the gates are of solid tion of 4.418. It had 133,000 in 1890. Prob-

show that its population has gone up close The Tartar city is occupied by the court, the princes, the legations and stores and growth of Kansas City has been no more to the 200,000 mark in 1900. And yet the business houses, but the important busi-

remarkable than that of Chicago, Minneapness of the city is done in the Chinese olis, Omaha, St. Paul, Denver and many city. Here are the theaters, the clubs and other western towns which could be named. the great wholesale houses. The Tartar The creation of all of them has taken place city was laid out in a grand style, with within a little over a generation of time.

make a record in every field occupied by condition. either the arts of war or the arts of peace.

There is every reason to believe that Prince Tuan either has not ratified The Hague peace treaty or has forgotten about it.

South America might as well lay off on the war business for a time. Other countries are too busy to pay any attention to its little squabbles.

ago.

business prosperity.

acter and thoroughly representative.

The renomination of Governor Poyntes

was to have been expected. We need not

conceal the fact that there is considerable

criticism of the governor, but it is true that

mong the masses of the people Governo

Poynter is highly honored and respected

The criticism of the governor comes from disappointed office-seekers and this criti-

ism will not be serious in the impendin

campaign. The fact remains that while

Governor Poynter has been required to dis-

appoint a very large number of ambitious

gentlemen he has been a good and true

chief executive of the state. It is easy to

criticise, but we must remember that Gov-

When it is borne in mind that this ef

one of the clerks of his excellency the

BOER ACTIVITY.

governor of Nebraska.

his political flower beds.

The appeal of the State Board Transportation for a new lease of life is there can be no doubt this question is further evidence that political suicide the maintenance of a sound currency is never committed with the eyes open.

Ever since the fusion step ladder was found too short to reach the grape crop at Grand Island the state house machine has insisted the grapes were sour, anyway.

Minister Conger, if alive, may want a word to say for himself whether he prefers to be boxed up in Pekin or boxed up for a one-year term in the United States senate.

Governor Poynter would have stood a better show of receiving an endorse ment from the Grand Island convention if he could have managed to censor his corporation record.

Adlai Stevenson is putting in his time fishing and may be expected to continue to do so most of the campaign. The head of the ticket can do the talking for the entire aggregation.

While the local democrats are trying to fuse with one another, why not throw the same doors open to the populists and silver republicans and put an end to the three-ringed circus farce at once?

The fusionists say that Samuel Lichty term, passed through a trying period, being is not a genuine populist, anyway. That called to office just as the state was thrown he is not of the state house brand was into a fever heat by preparations for war evidenced during the investigation of and having to attend to a thousand and one duties that were never forced upon another the auditor's office by the last legislature.

The raid on the county treasury under

pretense of holding a fake county fair is to be merely a cloak for pulling off a racing meet. The county board should put its foot down on this graft without further ado.

Now that all the state conventions are over and Treasurer Meserve did not receive a nomination for anything he might take time to figure out where the idle school money is deposited and take the public into his confidence.

Bryan's book on the first battle contains a laudatory compliment for Wharton Barker. Since Mr. Barker accepted the presidential nomination of the Cincinnati convention, however, Bryan wants it distinctly understood that he takes it all back.

The democrats and populists in Nebraska are disputing over the question on the conflict to the bitter end. of which has been swallowed. As both A recent statement places the British are troubled by indigestion neither is losses in South Africa, from all causes, is Prosperity a Doubtful Blessing absolutely certain which has been the at not far from 60,000-a number conwill probably be cleared up.

In all respects they are aloof from any movement that would very much better off than ever before. unnecessarily entangle the government They are asking themselves whether of the United States in Chinese affairs. it is wise to invite a change from all It must join with the other powers in

this by voting for a party whose pol- the effort to get to Pekin, but it does icies antagonize those which have not follow, the dispatch, which may given the country prosperity and which have had official inspiration, goes on is as great a menace to financial and to say, that the government will be business stability as it was four years led into taking part in any bickerings

or dissensions that ensue over the fu-The paramount question is that one ture of China after American citizens which most deeply concerns the inter- have been taken care of. It is further

ests and the welfare of the masses of stated to be the intention of the adof the people. In the present campaign ministration to withdraw our forces military and naval, after the Americans in Pekin have been relieved and wash and the continuance of industrial and its hands of Chinese affairs, looking

only to the preservation of such privileges as it has a right to retain for PUFFING POYNTER BY MACHINE. Americans. The popocratic puffing machine is These statements are not in complete

accord. Our government cannot play again in full blast. Hand-me-down edia leading part in the settlement of the torials are being ground out for the fusion organs by the yard and public future of the Chinese empire and also wash its hands of Chinese affairs, but opinion is being molded to meet the emergency. The following, a specimen it is safe to assume that it will take no position not in harmony with the cirbrick of the syndicate puffery, has ap-

cular defining its attitude which was peared during the past week in all the sent to foreign governments a few populist country papers that are on the mailing list of the popocratic machine: weeks ago. So far the administration has acted in this matter with excellent The ticket chosen by the fusion forces of Nebraska is a strong one. The nominees for judgment, which has placed the United presidential electors are men of high char-

States in a very strong position for dealing with future events.

**Omaha** has an experimental tannery for sheep pelts, but what it wants is the development of a great tanning industry that will work up the hides of all the animals slaughtered at this point. The tanning of these hides would furnish the foundation for leather goods factories of various kinds that would eventually give employment to thousands of men and women wage-workers. No more promising enterprise could be

inaugurated here than the establishernor Poynter has, during his first official ment of tanneries capable of handling all the hides now being shipped out of Omaha.

Populists are hard to please. They are now roasting the city officials of fusion emanates from the gifted pen of Lincoln for not paying more attention to the entertainment of the delegates to

the late fusion conventions held in that bouquets thrown at the governor will be recognized as the home product of place and roasting the city officials of Grand Island just as severely for ex-

tending hospitality to the delegates to the mid-road state convention. Now The Boers are keeping Lord Roberts you see it and now you don't.

very busy and making good the assur-Why should nearly \$180,000 of the ance they gave out after the taking of money belonging to the taxpayers of Pretoria, when the British fancied that Douglas county lie on deposit in the the termination of hostilities was at

banks without returning a cent of inhand, that they still had plenty of fight terest? Would any firm or corporation in them and the war was far from ended. The announcement that after let some one else have the use of that he spent four years in travel. much money without some consideraall the precautions taken by the Brit-

'sh commander a Boer force has cut tion? his line of communications and cap-Senator Pettigrew is willing to be tured a small body of soldiers and a lieve the unsupported word of a Fillsupply train is striking evidence of the pino soldier of fortune in preference continued activity of the indomitable to that of Admiral Dewey. In that as defenders of their country, as well as in many other respects. Senator Pettiof their stern determination to carry

grew differs from a great majority of the people of the United States.

Prosperity, after all, may be but a doubtvictim, but after election the mystery siderably larger than the Boers have tul blessing. Kansas, it is said, has 2,000 ever had in the field. It is a number more planos this year than she ever had seems really say and light-hearted

An Unexpected Appropriateness. Philadelphia North American.

The Bryan and Stevenson notification meeting is to be held at the Indiana State Fair grounds on the 8th of next month. There is an unexpected appropriateness about it. Will those kinetoscope pictures showing Candidate Bryan at work in th hayfield, clad in torn overalls, a wooler shirt and an old straw hat, be exhibited from the platform as a background while he is reading his speech of acceptance?

#### Stevenson Should Not Be Slighted.

Philadelphia Inquirer. On the level now, it would not be fair to make a fuss, at that Chicago encampment over Bryan and not invite Adlai E. Steven son to share in the festivities. Sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander, etc. W make mention of this fact now because there appears to be a disposition on the

and moated "Forbidden city." part of the Honorable Carter H. Harrison and former Governor Altgeld to attempt something of the kind when, in point of fact t wouldn't be even half fair. Adlai E. has war record of his own that is calculated to give an earthquake the shakes.

### PERSONAL' AND OTHERWISE

The Kansas wheat crop cuts a big figure n American politics every four years.

A few people are still talking about Dewey to be interesting. as an independent candidate, but Dewey isn't listening.

The evidence in the Goebel case goes to show that Kentucky can raise a large crop of trouble at very short notice.

General Wheeler is getting near the age of retirement, but his fighting blood is still up, and he has his eye on China.

their war ships, with a view to a grand in- including Tungcho, Ch'anpingchou, Paternational regatta in Chinese waters. The best evidence of the reconstruction of Cuba is Governor General Wood's remark that he can spare a few more troops. Senator Hoar of Massachusetts takes most of his exercise before breakfast, when he walks a mile or more every clear day. Roosevelt and enthusiasm appear to have been the principal features of the conven-

Mr. Sheng, superintendent of telegraphs in China, seems to be capable of giving the latter case. Taxes vary, also, with the points to the British censor in South Africa.

The report that Oom Paul has had his whiskers trimmed is attracting much attention. It is regarded as a sign of a coming change. Emperor William of Germany has ordered

Ihmael Gentz, the well known painter of Oriental scenes, to prepare a series of paintings of the kaiser's recent pilgrimage to Jerusalem.

Mr. Smuts, who succeeds Dr. Leyds as secretary of state for the Transvaal, is little over 20 years old. He was educated at Cape University and at Cambridge,

qualifying as an English barrister. Lord Pauncefote, the English minister to this country, who has just received the LL. D. degree from Harvard and Columbia, is not himself a university graduate. After leaving the Marlborough school in England

Eugene V. Debs dentes that he is to with draw as a candidate for president on the ocial democratic ticket and he does not

nderstand how the story started. Debs not only will not withdraw in favor of Mr. Bryan, but advises his party friends not to consent to fusion candidates on local tick-

Captain Alfred Dreyfus is described by a correspondent who has just seen him as baving undergone a wonderful change in his

appearance since he landed in France about twelvemonth ago. He is no longer wan and thin, a veritable wreck and the picture of melancholy. On the contrary, he has

In general, the diplomatic representatives have their residences on Legation street. which the Chinese call the street "of the subject nations." On this street the Dutch legation is the first you pass after enter-

was a woman before Chicago began to ing the Chen Men or Meridan gate. emerge from the swamps near the head of hundred yards further is the American legation, and opposite is the Russian; then city in the United States in population and come in their order, on either side of the street, the Spanish, Japanese, German, French and Italian legations. Along the moat on a side street close to Legation towns go, and has in the neighborhood of street, there is the British legation, and 650,000 people, but there are persons residing some distance away are the Belgian and in it who remember when its population was Austrian. The imperial maritime customs less than 20,000. At a time within the mem-

under Sir Robert Hart has its chief office Inside the Tartar city is the Imperia city, surrounded, also, by a wall. In this inclosure is located the great Catholic mis-

Inside of the Imperial city is the walled foreign flag waving above Florida and the strip of territory along the north line of the Gulf of Mexico onward to the Mississippi and for many years beyond that time the country's western boundary was the Sabine river and the Rocky mountains.

'Carnation Prohibited city.' Here lives the emperor, who is well called the "Solitary Man." In 1894 the foreign representatives were admitted for the first time in the precincts of the prohibited city.

The system of taxation in Pekin peculiar and some account of it may prove Pekin is situate in the prefecture Sheen Tien Fu; that is, the region inclosing the imperial capital. It is divided into two hsien or districts, viz: Wan Ping Hsien and Ta Hsing Tien, comprising roughly the eastern and western portions of the city respectively. These two districts within

the city, together with twenty-two dis the site of the present Kansas City, as hi All the powers of Europe are counting tricts and departments outside of Pekinpoint of departure, which made him the pathfinder of the Rockies and the Sierra chou, Sanho Sien and other towns-make up the above-mentioned fu, or prefecture. nost picturesque figures of history. All of these places pay, through their re spective district or department magistrates a land tax on arable land only, which tax goes not to the provincial treasury at Pao Ting Fu (the capital of the province of Pechili), but to the imperial board revenue at Pekin. This tax varies when the land is held from the emperor from that levied when within the domain allotted to a prince or his support, being larger in crop-producing quality of the soil from 10 cents to \$1.50 an acre, the land in each district being returned by officers designated

> aged. not this practically Henry George' idea of the single tax, and is not a discrimination as to the crop-producing quality

of the land wise and proper?- I note, in passing, that at Hong Kong city lots are not taxed according to their valuation, but

according to their rental value, and this seems to be a wise procedure.

Inside the city of Pekin there is no ta: on land, houses or personal property. Goods brought throught the city gates pay a likin tax, but are exempt from taxation The only tax on land and afterward. houses in Pekin is the tax on the transfer of real estate, amounting to about 16 per cent of the price paid. This tax is ex acted on a sale of property whether in or out of the city, whenever the change of the title registered by the parties in the

registry at the magistrate's yamen and a red deed is given. This exaction, however is said not to be uniform.

To the absence of onerous taxation of the body of the people may, to a great extent, be ascribed the permanence of the government. Nevertheless, in some parts of her great dominions there have

always been riots and insurrections. They have greatly grown out of antagonism to foreigners, which unfortunately has recently found some show of justification in the high-handed seizures of Chinese tergrown much stouter, has a healthy color and ritory by Germany, Russia, England and France.

Lake Michigan, while today it is the second Oh. commercial and industrial importance and is one of the four or five greatest cities of the earth. St. Louis is an old city, as western towns go, and has in the neighborhood of What was it Sis and her beau had to say made!

Here are the imperial dwellings and halls and offices -fifty or more. This inner inclosure measures about two and a quarter miles in circuit and is called Taz Kin Ching, or

The sunflower which sprung up on each side of the old Santa Fe trail, part of which ran through Kansas, has been adopted by Kansans as the emblem of their state, and though the name of the Santa Fe trail

brings up memories which seem today to be as ancient as the time of the Arabian Nights, there are many persons in Missouri and Kansas who are not very aged who remember when that famous highway was furnishing its Iliads to the literature of American adventure. Some persons can be met on the streets of St. Louis who were here when Fremont started in the early 40s on his career of exploration, with St Louis as his headquarters and Westport,

Nevadas and gave him a place among the About the same time Marcus Whitman was start ing from the same point at the mouth of the Kaw with the great colony of settlers which won the territory covered by the present states of Oregon. Washington and Idaho for the United States, by treaty with England, just before Fremont, Stockton and Kearny were planting the Stars and Stripes in California and advancing the boundaries of the American domain in the southwest to the Pacific. The story of American expansion in the contiguous part of the resent United States is a wonder tale. Much of it has taken place within the for the purpose, as good or bad, high or low. memory of many persons who are not yet

> Some of the conspicuous participants in it have, comparatively speaking. been alive until yesterday.

> > LABOR AND POLITICS.

English Labor Leader Writes on Outlook in Great Britain.

James Kier Hardie, the well known Engish labor leader, examines in the August Forum the present position of "Labor and Politics in Great Britain." He tells of the nception of the labor movement, of the lifficulties encountered in getting represeptation in Parliament, of the fusion o the various labor parties into the "independent labor party." He concludes with a strangely optimistic prognosis of the part organized labor shall play in the politics of the empire, in which he says:

"One factor which will tell seriously against the chances of labor candidates at he next general election is the prevalent war spirit. For about a year every question had been submerged by the wave of socalled patriotism which has swept over the A subsidized press so preyed upon and. the feelings of the nation, so misrepresented facts and glorified untruths that for a time the people went mad in support of a war for the suppression of two republics, whose greatest crime lay in their determination o protect labor against the encroachments of the speculative capitalist. In the gold

Nobody Knows but Mother. S. E. Kiser in the Times-Herald where is the jam that Aunt

listened and then snuck

away? Nobody knows but mother.

ory of many living persons Missouri was the only state west of the Mississippi river and the entire number of states was twenty-four, which is now forty-five. Rich-ard W. Thompson of Indiana, who died a few months ago, saw in his early years a

Nobody knows but mother.

KEEP A WHISTLIN'.

Denver Post. Denver Post. Don't you never weaken, neighbor, When the world's a lookin' blue, When the days are days o' labor Bringin' no results to you. Keep a climbin' up the ladder, If you git a tumble, risc-Keep a whatin' till the shadder Ups an' scurries from yer skies!

Don't you let yer courage flicker When yer battlin' with despair. Meet yer troubles with a snicker. Give the laugh to every care. Trouble of n is a bladder You kin prick with enterprise. Keep a whs'lin' till the shadder Ups an' scurries from yer skies!

Keep yer pot o' nerve a b'ilin', Keep yer energy on tap. When yer downcast, go to smilln' Like you didn't care a snap. On the top o' fortune's ladder With its glories fix yer eyes. Keep a whs'in' till the shadder Ups an' scurries from yer skies!

Everybody has their troubles, Some are mighty hard to bear, Some are only filmsy bubbles Stuffed with nuthin' wuss than air, If yer sad, you might be sadder; Don't set 'round and bellows sighs-Keep a whaiin' til the shadder Ups an' scurfies from yer skies! Ups an' scurries from yer skleat

Every lane must have a turnin' An' you'll reach it by an' by: All the luck fur which yer yearnin' 'Li be yours afore you die Don't you wince beneath the gad. Smother hope until it dies-Keep a wha'lh' till the shadder Ups an' scurries from yer skies!



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