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The Nebraska senatorial pot is beginning to bubble all over the surface.

Only two weeks left to take an inventory in readiness for the new century.

And that letter of acceptance from David B. Hill to a seat beside Bryan at that Jacksonian banquet has not yet come.

In deciding where to do your Christmas shopping you will make no mis- priations for negro schools. As long as takes if guided by the announcements the negro could exercise the right to in The Bee's advertising columns.

Islature should be a bill to reimburse brought the First Nebraska boys home. him.

Council Bluffs is now reported in the there is any contagion floating around

A new French farce is reported to be so funny that it caused a man to laugh gro citizens. Naturally, a protest has himself to death. As a last resort to been entered in vigorous form by the bring back a smile to popocratic faces this play might be tried.

The acreage in Nebraska sown to senatorial aspirations is larger this year than ever before, but it is a foregone conclusion that the January freeze will catch all but two of the plants.

Does the agreement between the guaranty bond companies to uphold rates on schooling, but because the schooling is official bonds constitute a trust? Here not available. While congress is disis a poser for Trust-Smasher Smyth to answer before he makes his exit from should take notice of the negro situation office.

England has followed the United ment of the negro. States in pressing the claims of some of its citizens against the government of Turkey. If this thing keeps up the Turk is likely to acquire the habit of paying his debts.

A woman has received the decoration tion. Several of those conferred on the order.

A New York judge has ordered the personal tax assessment of William Waldorf will only keep his word and stay on the other side.

Nebraska is prosperous and the state treasury is in good condition, but for all that there is no prospect that all the appropriations asked for will be made. Every institution and public enterprise have an isthmian canal which should designs. which can lay a foundation for a claim be an American private way and the inon the state is preparing to put in a bid terests of Germany and France, to say for everything in sight. These claims nothing of Russia and the smaller can be materially pared and some of states, are identical with those of Great them ignored and the state would still Britain. How does it happen that be more than generous.

England could never consent to the modification of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty it will sell out to this country? It would as indicated by the senate, the English press is intimating that in case concessions are made elsewhere the digrity dependence of a United States canal." guan ditch seems to be, in a way, an alimenof that country would not be offended. International diplomacy is a queer thing military canal, as the opponents of its and when it is summed up practically neutralization propose, and it shall be duplicates the maneuvers of professional require verification.

the local popocratic organ rushes to the world opportunity to be independent of defense of the republican mayor of a United States canal. There is no district court on charge of accepting bility of that route. This is admitted bribes, by making him out to be the by the Walker canal commission. It is order will be obeyed. victim of "an organized assault upon also conceded that it has some decided the integrity of the public service." advantages over the Nicaragua route. Without reference to the guilt or inno- The Panama canal is well advanced and cence of this particular officer, the affin- can be completed in a few years at a cular issued by the directors of the Indianity between the World-Herald and offi- cost considerably less than the estimates cial crooks is only once more exem- for the Nicaragua canal.

STATUS OF ANNEXED TERRITORY.

merits and will command general attenthe United States and, therefore, that must apply equally to all people. He argued that the Porto Ricans and the States and that the provision of the and imposts must be uniform in the United States applies to the new possessions. The ex-president asserted that congress could not go outside of the constitution in the government of annexed lands. In spite of any treaties or congressional legislation, he urged, the constitution extended to our new

possessions. These opinions of General Harrison, who is recognized as one of the ablest living constitutional lawyers, will intensify public interest in the cases before the supreme court of the United States, in which are involved the questions discussed by the ex-president. Argument in these cases was begun before the court yesterday and a decision in them may not be long delayed, since it is of the utmost importance that do they be soon determined by the highest judicial tribunal. If the decisions of the court should be adverse to the presisa dent's policy a complete reversal of that policy would be necessary, in which 925,459 12,038 event public opinion in regard to retaining the Philippines might entirely change. There are few if any of our people who are willing to accept the Filipinos as citizens of the United States and to have the tariff laws extended to the islands. Undoubtedly the views of General Harrison will have the effect o strengthen sentiment against the prevailing policy regarding the new ossessions.

INJUSTICE TO THE NEGRO.

The inevitable consequence of the disfranchisement of the negro in the southern states by means of the alleged educational qualification is already in evidence in Georgia, where one house of the legislature has given favorable consideration to a bill reducing the approvote there was only one way to make him a useful citizen, and that was by The first bill introduced into the leg- according him full privileges for his eduthe contributors to the fund that conception of the duties devolving upon

The incentive to raise the standard of the negro is removed when the franthroes of a moral reformation. If chise is taken away from him on account of his ignorance. The proposithe little city across the Missouri usu- tion in Georgia practically amounts to up. The fact that lynchings are the in courage, but poor in mechanical reto a point where the cost would be paid such killings than it is for their victim. negroes who are adversely affected, but the chances are that the protest will receive but little attention.

This phase of negro disfranchisement is most serious from the broad point of allow them to go his surety. As he view, because it threatens to keep the country weighed down with an uneducated class-uneducated not because they do not want to avail themselves of cussing the apportionment bills it in the south and, if possible, exert some influence to prevent such unjust treat-

A COMPETING CANAL. The statement of one of the London papers, that if the United States should determine to seek military control of the proposed canal and if Nicaragua should consent to it, then it will be open to of the cross of the Legion of Honor-the Great Britain alone or in conjunction second in history to receive the decora- with other maritime states to consider whether another canal, not under the men could doubtless be transferred to control of the United States, may not the other sex without loss of prestige to be worth making, ought to receive the attention of those who are contending for a military canal. If the United States shall go on and build the Nicaragua canal in disregard of the pro-Waldorf Astor stricken from the rolls hibitions of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, on the filing of an affidavit that he had why may not Great Britain, alone or in removed to London and had no intention conjunction with other maritime nations. of returning. The public will try to complete the Panama canal, which could get along without the taxes if William be accomplished in half the time that will be required for building the Nicaragua canal?

As to this the New York Journal of Commerce says: "Great Britain might easily persuade itself that it could afford to guarantee interest on the cost Frenchmen continue work at Panama and that even in the face of a threat of After proclaiming in a loud voice that the Nicaragua canal the French canal games put up on the diamond. company does not name a price at which not be a violent supposition that Europe had already decided to preserve its in digestion it causes, the proposed Nicara-If we make the projected waterway a the judgment of the world that we peting waterway open in peace and in As was only to have been expected, war and the Panama route offers the South Omaha, who has been held to the longer any question as to the practica-

The effect upon the Nicaragua canal of for gas and then not furnish it. The dividends.

in regard to the political status of an maritime powers would indoubtedly be esty with the Indianapolis Gas company. nexed territory and of its free civilized disastrous. The commerce of those Good inhabitants are a contribution to the powers would naturally use the neudiscussion of the question which tralized canal. All the influence of the some that under the most favorable appreciated. the people of those islands are entitled conditions the projected canal will be to all the rights and privileges guaran- a losing enterprise. There can be no teed by the constitution. He declared doubt that such would be the case if that the constitution applied alike to the there should be a competing waterway states and the territories and that it favored by all the other commercial nations

This is a matter which has perhaps Filipinos are citizens of the United been too little considered by the opponents of the Hay-Pauncefore treaty. constitution requiring that duties, taxes but from the practical point of view it is manifestly of very great importance.

A PROJECT OF THE FUTURE. Doubtless before the incoming century is very far advanced the project of connecting the great lakes with the Atlantic ocean by a ship canal will take practical form. In the opinion of the deep waterways commission, whose final report was recently transmitted to conbe from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario by cost of a twenty-foot channel is estimated at a little over \$200,000,000 and for a thirty-foot channel, including the deepening of the harbors of Duluth and competition of bituminous coal.

Chicago, \$326,000,000. These are large figures and such an expenditure is not to be seriously considered at a time when it is contemplated to construct an isthmian canal that will not cost less than \$200,000,ernment in the near future. There is no urgency for a ship canal connecting ther development of the central west and the northwest during the next twenty-five years may make the demand for such a waterway imperative. Whenever that is the case the canal will be built at whatever cost and the govern- distribution ment will be better able to stand the expenditure than it now is. We have enough costly enterprises in view for the present.

The courts at Akron, O., are trying the city building and lynched prisoners confined therein, and those who particible excuse exists for lynchings, and the

The modest guaranty bond companies want Nebraska's incoming state treasurer not only to turn over to them his entire salary but to go down in his lown's New Agricultural Record Expocket for an extra \$1,000 to boot to could not well afford to comply with these demands without discrediting himself, he has properly declined the bond companies' offer and undertaken to furnish a personal bond by the grace of his

The amount of goods received at the Omaha custom house Indicates that the trade of the city is in a most healthy which has come to this and surrounding draw their trade is naturally reflected in trade centers and Omaha is getting floor on a good thing.

The men who participated in the reare reported to be in bad physical condition, and, now that the strain is removed, on the verge of both physical and nervous collapse. Such races are in no sense sport, but trials of endurance carried to the limit which is dangerous to the participants and should not be tolerated.

The disgraceful lynching in Indiana Colorado the officials were really part-

The professional base ball players and the so-called base ball magnates have locked horns over the conditions of their contracts for the next year's season. This contest for supremacy promises to be more on the square than most of the

An Internal Commotion.

Baltimore American Judging from the amount of political intary canal.

Six Days for Rest.

Kansas City Journa Mr. Bryan was wise not to start a daily horse traders. The statements of each thereby gain a decided military advandally in a campaign, but an editorial artitage, there will inevitably be a com- cle doesn't look well printed over and over in a newspaper.

Now Watch the Result. Cleveland Leader The courts of Nebraska have decided that the Standard Oil company must open its

books to the attorney general of that state.

Now it remains to be seen whether the Hoosiers Retort Warmly. According to the infamously libelous cir-

a competing waterway the neutraliza- people of Indianapolis need not fear to The views of Ex-President Harrison tion of which was guaranteed by the challenge comparison on the score of hon-

Crops, Increased Majorities. Iowa gave a republican plurality of 98,543 governments concerned would be used The crops raised in Iowa this season will tion. General Harrison holds that Porto to discriminate commercially against the bring in \$102 for every man, woman and Rico and the Philippines are a part of Nicaragua route. It is the opinion of child in the state, and the prosperity is

Cruel Social Exactions.

Philadelphia Times We are now in the floodtide of the social season and the cruel exactions of society are felt by a very large class of its worshipers. We do not now specially refer to the exactions which the rich impose upon those of more moderate means by making nocial entertainments so exabandon hospitality or impoverish themselves for their more fortunate but generally not more accomplished neighbors. We especially plead the cause of the young men and women, and especially the buds of society, who are compelled to sacrifice home to pass the ordeal of a social season. Transvaal.

Grip of the Cont Combine. Philadelphia Record There are indications that the project for the construction of an independent line of railway from the Wyoming anthracite coal field to tidewater has been postponed gress by the secretary of war, the most or defeated. It is alleged that the capifavorable route for a ship canal between talists in control of the Eric railway have the lakes and Atlantic tidewater would obtained a master share in the stock of the Pennysylvania Coal company, and that they way of La Salle and Lewiston and line. If this report should prove true the will not assent to the building of the new thence to the Hudson river by way of power of the great anthracite roads to fix Oswego and the Mohawk valley. The permanently heavy freight rates would be so enhanced that no reduction in the price of hard coal could be hereafter expected. The only hope for the consumer would be in the leveling tendency exerted by the

The Anthractte Combine.

Philadelphia Record. The railroad companies whose lines penetrate the anthracite coal region in Pennsylvania have now, in consequence of late purchases, a practical control of sup- not take the oath of office on an old Latin 000 and perhaps considerably more. A transportation. It is not at all likely that ply and prices, as well as of the means of Pacific cable is to be laid and other heavy they will attempt to use their monoply for expenditures are to be made by the gov. an undue advance in the prices of hard coal. They will seek to divide the business and to systematize it without running the risk of loss from overproduction or such the lakes and the Atlantic, but the fur- overcharge for their product as to compel consumers to the use of other fuel. It is quite possible that there may be ultimate benefit for both the coal roads and the public in a policy which shall lead to continuous and economical working at the mines and to improved arrangements for

New and Old "Alabama." Philadelphia Ledger

The sailing of the Alabama for its first sea duty suggests comparison between its licity in such matters the better." equipment and that of the confederate ruiser of the same name, and this, in turn, suggests that if the war in which the old the cases of the rioters who destroyed Alabama won its notoriety could have been ended much sooner and with much less loss of life and property. During these forty pated are being found guilty and sen- years, there is every reason to suppose, cation, thus giving him an intelligent tenced. Except in aggravated cases, the south would have gone on cultivating its where justice has miscarried, no possi- plantations with slave labor and paying little attention to the development of sooner the country wakes up to this would have kept up its progress in manumechanical industries, while the north fact and punishes those who take life in facturing as it has done. As the old the name of Judge Lynch the sooner Alabama would have been annihilated by the class literature in the country. will the disgraceful practice be broken new Alabama without being able to harm it in the slightest degree, so the south, rich yet it affords food for interesting reflection on the use of political economy and the logical sequence of events.

TYPICAL FARM STATE.

cites Admiration. Louisville Courter-Journal.

The state of Iowa has long been famous has made a new record in the prosperity of farmers. The average yield of corn for the decade has been 32.2 bushels per acre, but this year the crop measured out 40.3 bushels. The yield of wheat has been only surpassed twice during the last ten years, and was 14.3 bushels per acre. Crops of other kinds have been abundant, there being a falling off only in broom corn and sorghum, and this being more than made and growing condition. The prosperity yield of corn was 345,055,040 bushels and at 27 cents a bushel foots up a grand total states from which Omaha wholesalers of \$93,164,860, being the biggest item of a??. The aggregate value of all the farm products of the state is put at \$229,805,055. its share of it. There is still room for of gold and shows that the Iowa cornfields more who desire to get in on the ground are a greater source of revenue than all the gold mines of North America, besides affording a much more satisfactory way of living. Iowa is one of the banner states in the union, but though so exclusively agricent six-day bicycle race in New York cultural it appears to have no hostility to railroads. Its mileage is a third larger than Kentucky's, is steadily growing and is lightly taxed, thus affording transportation facilities and a ready market to all the products of its farms.

CAMERA TRUST HALF SHOT.

of a Combine That Ruthlessly Pinched the Dealers.

Chicago Tribune The Rochester Optical and Camera comhas this redeeming feature over that in a view to monopolizing the photographic inpany, a combination formed a year ago with Colorado a month ago, in that the public strument business, has already got into officials did their best to prevent mob trouble. The trust began swimmingly with violence and to enforce the law. In a capital of \$3,500,000 and at once put its new powers to the test by raising prices ners in the lynching, doing everything upon retailers. As a result the business and by laying some rigid restrictions they could to encourage the mob and to of the combined firms feil off \$400,000 durof the Panama canal rather than to facilitate it in carrying out its lawless ing the first year and the trust now finds itself hard pushed to pay the guaranteed dividend on its preferred stock. In order to raise the money before the end of the year it has been compelled to cut its own prices, thus disorganizing the market and inflicting a hardship upon dealers who bought goods before the break came. The natural result is the rapid depreciation of camera trust shares and the concern seems to be in a fair way to join the increasing number of defunct trusts.

The experiences of this ambitious combine are instructive. The prompt falling off in its trade shows how futile it is to attempt to force a fictitious increase in the price of any commodity that is not a necessity of daily life. People can get along without cameras and many did so rather than pay the larger prices demanded by the trust. In other words, an attempt to force up prices on luxuries promptly leads to a loss in trade, while an attempt to force up prices on necessities stimulates competition. In either case the trust is likely to come to grief sooner or later. The experience of the camera trust is exceptional only in the remarkable quickness with which this would-be monopoly reached

the end of its tether. Many other combinations formed with similar aims during the historic trust craze of a year or two ago are now facing difficulties of the same sort. The overcapitalized concerns and those that sought to exact higher prices for their products are the ones that are likely to be in the deepest water. The collapse or quiet dissolution of many such concerns has almost cured apolis Gas company it is stealing to take the mania for combination. Investors have gas which you pay for in advance and don't discovered that the bigness of an enter-

TRAPPERS TRAPPED

Kansas City Star: Those who say the Boers are ignorant of the science of war are respectfully referred to the latest explotts of Dewet and Delarcy.

Indianapolis News: The Boers have an old-fashioned but reliable way of getting out of a trap. When they find themselves cornered they turn round and lick the British like thunder.

Chicago Chronicle: Intelligence from South Africa indicates that Lord Kitchener of Khartoum is finding the Boers a somewhat different proposition from the barbarous, undisciplined mandists. The "occurrences of unfortunate occurrences" continues with disagreeable regularity.

Springfield Republican: Delarey is the latest Boer leader to score. His defeat of General Clements appears to have been travagant as to compel others either to worked out on the Majuba hill and Spionkop principle. It is noteworthy that the three principal Boer generals in the field-Dewet, Delarey and Boths-are active at widely separated points, something like the three apexes of a triangle. Dewet is south of Bloemfontein, Botha is in the eastern health and practically all the comforts of Transvaal, while Delarcy is in the western

Philadelphia Times: A Dutch rising in Cape Colony may not be probable, for the reason that the burghers are ill supplied with arms and ammunition, but they are persistent in their political activity, and there is enough unrest to embarrass the colonial authorities. Under such conditions a serious military reverse like that just reported is not without positive danger to the British power throughout South Africa. When a nation has once started on the wrong track its troubles grow upon it rap-

PERSONAL NOTES.

Milner's olive branch has a good sized knob on the end of it.

The cruiser Olympia is to have the handsomest figurehead in the service, but it is not as a figurehead that it has gained its reputation.

As Governor-elect Hunn of Delaware is a member of the Society of Friends he will bible, as has been customary, but will make affirmation with uplifted hand.

Representative Gamble of South Dakota, who refused a renomination last summer, is an active candidate for United States senator to succeed Pettigrew, and declares that his election is as certain as anything can be in politics.

Arabi Pasha, who for eighteen years has been held a prisoner in Ceylon by the British authorities, will be pardoned shortly, it is said, and allowed to leave his island home. He is not yet over 50.

Chancellor Magie of New Jersey was asked last week to give a private hearing in a divorce suit. He answered: "Rest assured that the last thing this court will do is to keep such cases secret. The more pub-

Captain Holmes, 76 years old, has arrived at San Francisco from New York, having completed his eighty-first trip around Cape postponed forty years it might have been his latest breaks all records in the number of individual voyages around the stormy

> Mrs. Cushman K. Davis, widow of the late Senator Davis of Minnesota, denies that she intends donating her husband's fine library to the State university, but will keep it in remembrance of the senator. The library is one of the finest private collections of high

Congressman Gaines of Tennessee urged the committee on rivers and harbors to the curtailing of the negro schools down result of violent passions on the part sources, would have had to succumb quickly river, claiming that much good would be ander to lunch with him. "Not much," said Berry. "We don't give a dam for a lunch."

A germ sharp in Chicago, doubtless an unbeliever, turns a hot air blast against the churches of that city. He says they are not properly ventilated and are reservoirs of foul air, in which millions of microbes wax fat and get in their deadly work. Th hardest feature of the indictment is the for its agricultural wealth, but this year charge that the odors generated in the churches are far from being "odors of

sanctity. Vice President-elect Roosevelt will open the new century for the international committee of the Young Men's Christian association by delivering an address at a whether pure thinkers and profound scholmeeting in Carnegie hall, New York, at 4 ars like Frederic Harrison, or practical p. m. of December 30. Copies of the ad- men of the world like the brilliant English dress will be read at that hour before naval commander, Lord Charles Beresford. meetings of every branch of the association in the United States and Canada, so that Mr. Roosevelt will probably be, in effect, speaking to the largest audience ever ad-

HONESTY IN MODERN BUSINESS.

Sharp, Deserved Rebuke for Chronic

Baltimore American. There are some people whose dyspeptic dispositions have put them so at odds with mankind in general that they love to prate about the degeneracy of the present times. Of late they have turned their wrath against the prevalence of dishonesty in business circles. Seizing upon one or two notorious cases of defalcation which have recently come into public view, they are waving them violently before all who will sordid and plutocratic as it is today. Mr. look upon them as proofs that integrity no longer exists.

The barkings of pessimists are very poor

testimony in behalf of any statement. and tendencies and can see good in nothing. People of that temperament always minivitality they falsify. There never has from the aristocratic top to the cockne been a time when perfect business probity bottom of London social life. was more at a premium than it is at present. Neither has there been a time when, in proportion to the opportunities offered for wrong-doing, has there been less | Charles warns us that "in the mother land crooked work actually done. Honesty has its commercial value now as well as its ful havor in the ranks of society." ethical beauty and for that reason men have a double incentive for being honest. The thief is just as despicable today as ever, it matters not whether he be guilty of petty larceny or of some immense peculations. The persistency with which the business world shuns one who has once been tainted with questionable transactions s a conclusive proof how dishonesty is abominated.

The intricacies of modern business de mand the employment of thousands in whom honesty must be found. The new business regime has created numberless positions in which confidential relationship is an indispensable requisite. The success of many an enterprise, therefore, depends upon the high standard of honesty which the men who conduct it possess. The more honest a man is the more he will be in demand. The less honest he is the more stubbornly will he be distrusted. The man, as a result, who wins the opportunities that lead to success and who holds those opportunities after once they are won is he man who is famous for his integrity. Such a one can always command a premium on his services.

The world is not yet rid of rancals, to be sure, but it is gradually increasing the army of men who are reliably honest The standard of integrity is lifting, not declining. Even commercialism-that cold and unsentimental king of the business goods for the lowest prices and with the world-has decreed that honesty pays. Vir- quickest delivery. In other words, it's get, but it is all right to accept full pay prise does not determine the size of its tue and self-interest, therefore, prompt its hustling progress against plodding conperpetual practice.

0------Direct Election of Senators.

Plainview Republican. Edward Rosewater, who is a candidate for United States senator. favors the election of national senators by a vote of the people, or the popular vote. This would, we think, prevent corruption of legislators and save time and money besides. The disgusting deadlocks, contests and delays would be done away with. People always look with suspicion upon a body of men who are surrounded with wealthy and ambitious candidates and great temptations are too often offered. Rosewater would be the very man to fight an amendment

........ MODERN MEANS OF TRAVEL. Navigating the Air and Plowing the Deep Below the Surface.

through congress to remedy the

evil, as nothing is too big for him

to tackle.

New York Tribune. The last quarter of this century has been notable for a long list of important marvelous variety of achievements methods of travel and transportation. Daring inventors have been constructing airships of fantastic shapes, but the day when battles between nations will be fought among the clouds, as Tennyson dreamed, or when atmospheric greyhounds The Boers are persuaded that Sir Alfred in rapid transit between Europe and gress after the American occupation, the wonderfully enlarged in the last twentyn this republic, the railroad corporations

the view. Underground travel is now occupying a ar wider place in public attention than by the Cuban government, are, of course, ever before. The colossal undertaking of matters about which no exact information carrying New Yorkers from the Battery to exists, but the chance for a large and the Bronx beneath the surface by swift profitable speculation which will throw into trains is fully under way, with every pros- the shade the profits of the great speculapect that the work will be completed within tive operation when the old Mexican rethe appointed time. London now sends public bonds, once repudiated, were aftera host of passengers through the depths of the earth every day, and the Yerkes Ameri- est, can easily be seen. can syndicate within a few years will add to the tunnels of the world's biggest city trust for any government which may be a system that will increase enormously organized there, but for the general good the facilities for movement from one end of the mass of its people, and it is certainly of the British capital to another. Paris is clear that among the subjects which con-Horn. His first trip was made in 1857, and delighted with its beneath-the-surface rail- gress will be called upon to decide when way lines. So is Boston. So is every other it passes upon the result of the Cuban community that is provided with railroads constitutional convention will be to render inder the streets. The tendency of population to huddle itself together in vast is not mulcted by the assumption of the aggregations is so marked in this genera- Cuban debt. tion that the builders of traffic lines must

go below. And now comes the inventor of the Holland submarine boat and declares that the crossing of the English channel can best be made in an underwater vessel. He does not assert that it will ever be possible to complete a voyage from Sandy Hook to Queenstown beneath the waves. Passage of thousands of miles under the ocean, he frankly admits, are not practicable but insists that submarine boats offer peculiar advantages in the traversing of turbulent bays or channels. It may be so, but it is not likely that sunken ships, blindly drive through the water will be overcrowded with travelers for many a day to come.

NOT SURE OF HIS FACTS. Greed of Gain Not a Distinctive American Vice.

Portland Oregonian. Bishop Potter's view that the greed o gain is peculiarly the vice of American society as compared with that of England finds no support from able Englishmen. Frederic Harrison, in his article in the current number of the North American Review, "Christianity at the Grave of the Nineteeenth Century," writes:

"Fashion, as it is called, is now at the mercy of any millionaire gambler, or any enterprising Monte Cristo from across the seas. . . During the reign of the queen wanton extravagance in dress, in living, in galeties, has never been so crazy as now, with such sordid devices to scrape together the means for such extravagance, such open sale of rank and person by those who claim to lead society and dictate its taste."

This is the testimony of an Oxford gradvate, a man of the highest standing as a thinker, a scholar and a brilliant writer. At nearly 70 years of age Frederic Harrison thinks that English society was never so Harrison does not speak in the spirit of that kind of pessimism that is not seldom found associated with Christian piety, for he is a rationalist. He speaks simply as a They are usually Ishmaelitic in their tastes political philosopher who describes English society as he sees it, and stigmatizes it as "a world of smart hariots and titled demize every virtue or every noble thing batches." By this testimony of this diswhich they meet, while evils and vices are tinguished English man of letters "the always magnified. When pessimists dash greed for gain" that plagues Bishop Potter to the front, therefore, and claim that the in America would plague him far worse in old-time business honesty has lost its England, where it is vastly more pervasive

Now let us turn to Lord Charles Beresford's article, "The Future of the Anglo-Saxon Race," and take his testimony. Lord the corruption of money has wrought fearfesses that-"British society has been eaten into by

the canker of money. From the top downward the tree is rotten. Beauty is the slave of gold, and Intellect, led by Beauty, unknowingly dances to the strings which are pulled by Plutocracy. What shall we say of the new order of Wealth, of the greed for gold, which is its mainspring, of the way in which those who by birth and education should be the sternest protectors of the race, abandon all and fling themselves This exceedingly strong language con-

on the shrine of the Golden God?" cerning the greed for gain as saturating English social life is used by an energetic man of the world, a gallant naval commander, a member of an illustrious aristocratic family, whose political experience and social life have been full of the best opportunity to know the truth whereof he speaks. The testimony of Lord Beresford corroborates that of Frederic Harrison and convicts Bishop Potter of ignorance in his charge that American society compares disadvantageously with that of England in the matter of being blood-poisoned through the virus of the "gold bug."

Hustlers Force the Pace.

Our locomotive makers are getting con racts from India in the face of brisk British opposition. It's the old story-the best

NATIONAL STEPS IN CUBA.

Drift of Sentiment Reflected in the Constitutional Convention.

Philadelphia Fress. The Cuban constitutional convention has been from the start in the hands of the ultra radicals. The "republicans," to whom Mendes Capote, the president of the convention, belongs, represent the extreme demand of the war party in Cuba, which proposes to have independence, a government with an army and navy, a full diplomatte establishment and all the opportunities for officeholding which go with an expensive national government. This party and the nationalists, who are only a shade less conservative, have emphasized in every possible way the connection between the coming government of Cuba and the fugitive republic which maintained a brilliant resistance but a less conclusive sovereignty against the power of Spain.

On the surface, the care with which the old rules adopted by this republic were made the rules of the convention and the constant efforts made to preserve the continuity of organization, so that the coming government would be, not the successor but the old attempt at sovereignty in a new and successful form, is much more than sentimental. The two parties who are urging Cuban independence, one, the republicans, in extreme fashion, and the other, the nationalists, less extreme, are both made up of men of a type familiar in all Spanish-American history. With inventions. Among these has been a everybody knows, have for their chief pursome sincere men they include many who pose the successful officeholding and exploitation which has marked all the republies of South America, with the exception in recent years of Chill and Argentina.

If the coming government is treated as the direct successor of the Cuban republic, which maintained its shadowy existence will outspeed the champions of the sea from 1868 up to the dissolution of its con America seems still to be distant. An- Cuban debt will at once have a value of dree's effort to reach the north pole in a its own. How large this debt is no one balloon undoubtedly resulted in a tragedy, knows. The issue of 1872 is now selling and his rash adventure will find no imi- at 2 per cent, of 1869 at 3 per cent and tators, but if few practical gains have been of 1896 at 10 per cent. Bonds issued in secured with flying machines, the speed 1869 were sold for actual cash at good and luxury of travel by water have been prices at a time when Cuban independence seemed nearer than it ever appeared again five years. And the surface roads have until the declaration of war in 1898. The done so much that a review of the progress authorized issue of these bonds was \$20,attained since 1875 abounds in surprises. 000,000, though it is said that only \$4,000,000 In every civilized country, but especially were actually issued. No information exists as to the actual amount of bonds issued have overcome the most formidable ob- in 1872. Those issued in 1896 were sold by stacles, and year by year the possibilities the Cuban junta at 50 per cent of their of electrical development loom larger to face value.

The full amount of these issues, the own ership, or the sums originally received ward recognized at par and accrued inter-

The United States holds Cuba not in it certain that its ward, the Cuban people,

LIGHT AND BRIGHT.

Detroit Free Press: Mother-But, my dear, it isn't always the prettiest girl who gets the best husband. Homely Daughter-Perhaps not, but she has the most chances to.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: The New Physician—You need exercise. You ought to walk more.
The Golf Enthusiast (resignedly)—Then I'll have to enlarge my links.

Indianapolis Press: "After I have been working in the kitchen for half an hour," said she. "I don't have any appetite."
The hateful xretch turned over and over with his fork the mcurning-bordered steak that represented forty minutes of a woman's life gone forever and remarked: "I don't wonder."

Chicago Record: "How did you come to be a professional beggar." "I ain't no professional beggar. I'm em-ologed to git up statistics on how many heartless people they is in this town."

Chicago Post: "It seems to me your husband is more considerate in his treatment of the servants than in his treatment of rou," suggested the old friend. "Naturally," replied the wife. "I've got to stay and they haven't."

Detroit Journal: "She seems to me one of the most distinguished-looking young women in Boston!" "They tell dreadful stories about her!"

"Yes; they say, for instance, that the lenses of her spectacles are plain glass, with no magnifying power whatever!"

Chicago Tribune: Impatient Party—You talk as if you had your mouth full of mush. Suppose you stand a little farther away from the phone."

Exasperated Party (at other end of wire)—I shall stand away from I: entirely a few moments, sir, until I have cussed you good and hard, and then I'll talk to you again, you insolent donkey, as close to the 'phone as I please, deuce take you!"

ECHO SONG.

Thomas Bailey Aldrich Who can say where Echo dwells? In some mountain cave, methinks, Where the white owl sits and blinks Or in deep sequested dells.

Where the fox-glove hangs its bells,

Echo dwells.

Phantom of the crystal air.
Daughter of sweet mystery!
Here is one has need of thee:
Lead him to thy secret lair.
Myrtle brings he for thy hair.
Hear his prayer,
Echo! Eche, lift thy drowsy head, And repeat each charmed word Thou must needs have overheard

Yestere'en ere, rosy-red. Daphne down the valley fled, Words unsaid, Echo! Breathe the yows she since denies. She hath broken every vow; What she would she would not now; Thou didst hear her perjuries Whisper, whilst I shut my ey

Those sweet lies

Echo!







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