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Here's luck to the Easter bonnet.

Every city cannot boast two police judges, but Omaha is always up to date. When the mail carriers get their new

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summer shirt waists they will be "just too sweet for anything."

When John D. Rockefeller reads the statistics of the small profit in refining and selling petroleum he will probably wink the other eye.

After the railroad consolidators get through with their work the advocates of government ownership will surely jump into the breach.

A few state legislatures are still hanging on. It is worthy of note, however, that their pay does not stop at a fixed limit, as it does in Nebraska.

Now that Mr. Knox has accepted a place in the cabinet the opposition tion of railroads and the overvaluation papers can lay the Griggs paragraphs on the shelf and start in on a fresh lot.

What goes up must come down. This time-tried law of nature should not be overlooked by the speculators who are sky-rocketing stocks high up in the air.

The court marshal of Germany has to allow the emperor to do the talking and the fabric collapsed. in the future.

If you want to buy a railroad, now is Sloux City & Pacific, and the best bid-

der gets the road. The Iowa farmer is stuck in the mud at present. While this is inconvenient, tions that have flooded the markets with it means that the soil starts the season with a reserve of moisture which ren-

ders almost certain a large crop.

It is figured that the organization of the new steel trust will necessitate the payment of a revenue tax of \$700,000, which will go into the national treasury. The people will pay the freight just the same.

Tamales and pigsfeet have been added to the diet of the soldiers in the Philippines. If the commissary would only furnish pies "like mother used to make" the soldiers in the far east would be contented and happy.

French agrarians are making war on American corn. If the French people ever give the great American cereal a fair trial as a cheap and wholesome food product the agrarians will have some difficulty in weaning them from the diet.

Boni Castellane says the creditors who have not made him any trouble will be the first ones to get their pay. Unless he makes better progress in the future than in the past the claims will all be people. The adjutant general of the putlawed before he gets around to the

\$10,000 to probe the crookedness of the comparison with that of General Corbin. late popocratic government of that city and the county in which it is located. If half the stories circulated have any truth in them \$10,000 will not make a good start toward the bottom of the rottenness.

Carter Harrison will have to put eral of volunteers he showed a resourceclamps on his head if he wants to supof emperors' jobs. Bryan will do well to keep an eye on young Carter.

powder magazine and the sooner they recourse to stratagem quite as deceptive liberty; we are helping her to liberty." are adjusted the less liability will there and tricky as that which resulted in says Mr. Beveridge, be of an explosion.

THE COMING FINANCIAL PANIC. NEW YORK, April 4 .- Today was one of

violent excitement and extreme nervous tension in the stock market. Prices fluctuated in an unprecedentedly violent and erratic mapper all day. The speculative spirit had apparently run wild and no feat seemed too good to attempt in the feverish imagination of the excited speculators. The boldness and recklessness of the manipulation, however, probably were never before equaled on the New York Stock exchange and variations of a point or more between sales were viewed with much equanimity. Blocks of thousands of shares of stock were tossed backward and forward and millions of dollars were ventured with no more concern than though pennies were being pitched. News of actual conditions of properties played no part whatever in the speculation. * Speculation has been fairly rampant on the stock market during the short week and the violent price movement and the unprecedented volume of the dealings in the stocks which have held the foremost place in the dealings indicate wildness and reckless excess. The speculative fever is evidently widely extended and the telegraph plays an important part in the dealings, bringing orders to the Stock exchange in immense volume from all over the country .- Associated Press Dispatch.

Coming events cast their shadows be fore. It does not require a prophet nor evitable recurrence of widespread financial disaster.

More than fifty years ago an eminent modern governments, whether the form trade, financial panies are sure to follow each other like waves at least once ory rests upon a sound basis or not. has proved it to be an essentially corby the new generation, and the impend-

The generic cause of all financial The panic of 1837 was due to the inflation of land values and reckless speculation in real estate.

The panic of 1857 was caused by the creation of wildcat banks and the issue of irredeemable bank notes, with which the country was flooded. Incidentally, it was also due to overvaluation of real west of the Mississippi.

The panic of 1873 was due to the Issue of a colossal volume of irredeemable greenback currency, the overcapitaliza-

overspeculation in every branch of in appreciate its moderation and restraint glass except with food by restaurants dustry, coupled with extravagance and it is necessary to consider the previwastefulness in public and private life. ously defined national policy of the The promoters, plungers and boomers United States respecting Cuba. He had created fictitious values out of all cites the utterances of a number of proportion with the actual wealth of the fallen a victim of the labit of talking country, and when the knife was in Jefferson, in favor of the acquisition of too much. His successor will do well serted into the balloon the gas escaped Cuba by this country or in support of

> tition of these disasters. Within the past two years gigantic enterprises have Multi-millionaires have sudfloated. acquired by promoters of trust combinawhich faith and water constitute the alone within the past two years is combonded debt of the United States, the bonded debt of all the states, the bonded debt of all the counties and all the cities of America twice over.

This era of wild speculation has natuand their example cannot fail, sooner or the welfare of the American people.

later, to contaminate the entire country.

within the next decade. EFFORTS TO DISCREDIT FUNSTON.

The effort to discredit the exploit of will have no weight with fair-minded defense of Cuba. The Cuban people, even so the service he has rendered the Denver citizens have raised a purse of country as a soldier will bear honorable The fact is, however, that General Funston has shown himself to be a very capable commander, as well as an in-

regiment he made it one of the best

what the laws of war permit. Funston's stratagem and with very few exceptions heartily approve of the presadjer general in the regular army. It may also be remarked that Aguinaldo isfied. On the contrary, the reports from Manila indicate that the captive is well pleased with the situation, as he well may be since he is out of danger and is receiving considerate treatment. Those who attempt to belittle Funston and to discredit what the Army and Navy Journal characterizes as a unique and brilliant feat invite for themselves the ridicule or contempt of all fairminded people.

DOUBT RUSSIA'S SINCERITY. While it is said that our government regards the latest assurances given by Russia as the most salutary event that the son of a prophet to foresee the in- has occurred for several months in the eastern situation, a quite different view is taken of the matter in England and it is reported that the Japanese student of social science and political government is not satisfied with the aseconomy declared that under existing surances. These are to the effect that Russia intends to leave Manchuria as was monarchical or republican, whether an integral part of China and to withthe fiscal policy was protection or free draw her troops from that province as rapidly as safety will permit.

This is viewed by the London press. every twenty years. Whether this the- which may be assumed to reflect in some degree official opinion, as meansufficient to say that the experience of ing that Russia proposes to remain in the last half of the nineteenth century | Manchuria. From what has been made public of the Russian assurances the rect prediction. It is an historical fact British interpretation seems hardly warthat the panic of 1837 was followed by ranted. The declaration on the part of that of 1857; and the next panic would Russia that Manchuria shall remain an doubtless have materialized in 1877 but integral part of China is the all-imfor the civil war, which accelerated the portant point, but it would have been financial crash and brought it four years more satisfactory if the Russian govearlier-in 1873. The panic of 1873 had ernment could have made its assurance its recurrence in 1893, and under ordi- in regard to the withdrawal of troops nary conditions the next panic would be less indefinite. The promise to retire due by 1913. But we are now living in as rapidly as safety will permit may a much faster age. The costly lessons mean in six months or six years, for of the past seem to have been forgotten the Russian government of course re serves the right to determine when ing financial crash is liable to occur safety will permit the withdrawal of within a much shorter period that troops. This is the feature which causes doubt, for there appears to be no good reason why Russia should keep panies is inflation and overspeculation. in Manchuria the large military force she now has there. The province is quiet and orderly. There has been no disturbance in any part of it for months. What need is there, then, of keeping

there an army of 175,000 men? Japan is anxiously watching the course of events and it is said contemplates submitting another protest estate in paper towns on the prairies which will be in the nature of an ultimatum. It will thus be seen that the latest assurances of Russia have not removed all danger from the situation.

AMERICAN TERMS DEFENDED.

Senator Beveridge of Indiana makes : The panic of 1893 was the inevitable strong defense of the legislation of con-American statesmen, beginning with the view that the island must sooner or

The signs of the times point to a repellater come under American domination. Referring to the Teller resolution, pledging the United States to leave the your time. The government is getting been launched and syndicates, enor- government and control of Cuba to its ready to close out its interest in the mously overcapitalized, have been people when pacification should be accomplished, Senator Beveridge says if denly sprung up like mushrooms in the this means that the United States night and colossal fortunes have been should utterly withdraw from Cuba the resolution "is destructive of the unanimous conclusion of American stateshundreds of millions of securities in manship and public opinion from before the foundation of our government," potential elements. The increase in the | declaring that "it is not within rational market quotations of railway securities belief that congress intended such a sudden reversal of the unbroken line of puted at from three to five billion dol- expressions of American purpose on lars, a sum that would pay the entire this subject." His own interpretation of the Teller resolution is that it requires that the United States shall see to it that a stable Cuban government is established and maintained and that the island is protected from all foreign inrally created an era of heavy borrow- terference or attack. He urges that it ing, overproduction, extravagance and does not deny, but demands, that the wastefulness. Men who can increase United States shall take measures to intheir wealth hundreds of thousands by sure, on the one hand, the realities and the turning of the wrist are not slow to not the mockery of liberty to the Cuban indulge in reckless and luxurious living, people and to insure, on the other hand,

Discussing the conditions, Senator While it is impossible to forecast the Beveridge says it is necessary to both time when the reaction will set in, it Cuba and the United States that no is safe to predict that it will come foreign power shall establish any but trade relations with Cuba. It is also necessary that the United States shall actually possess such naval stations along the Cuban coasts as may be neces-General Funston in capturing Aguinaldo sary to our national defense and to the unaided, could not properly fortify or army is said to have characterized equip their harbors, or build a fleet nec-Funston as merely a "boss scout," but essary to the island's protection. But with naval stations in possession of the United States "the independence of the island and its people from every foreign power and every combination of foreign powers is assured and the American republic secured from attack in the gulf, trepid fighter. As colonel of a Kansas at the mouth of the Mississippi." The conditions relating to the assumption or in the volunteer service in the matter contraction of debt by the Cuban govof discipline, while as a brigadier gen- ernment, the right of the United States to intervene for the preservation of fulness and efficiency not excelled by Cuban independence and for the mainpress the policy of expansion started by any officer in the Philippines, regular tenance of a government adequate for his election to a third term in the or volunteer. That he will maintain the protection of life, property and inmayor's chair at Chicago. His friends this record as a brigadier general in dividual liberty, and the requirement in see before him governorships, senator- the regular army is not to be doubted, regard to sanitation, are defended by ships and presidencies, to say nothing It was to have been expected that the Senator Beveridge as absolutely essensympathizers with the Filipino insurrectial to the peace and welfare of Cuba tion would denounce Funston's exploit and the security of the United States. as unworthy of an American soldier. He holds that our Cuban legislation de-The minister of each of the powers rep- because in order to reach the wily in- prives Cuba of nothing that can help resented in China has a different plan for surgent chief it was necessary to resort her, but bestows every benefit and settling the indemnity and insists his is to stratugem involving deception, but erects every safeguard necessary to her the correct one. With China averse to there are plenty of precedents in war- orderly self-government, insuring the desettling at all, between them it is not a number of them in our own civil war- velopment of the island's resources and likely the end is near. These differences that justify what Funsion did. Both the highest happiness possible to its are like a bonfire in the vicinity of a union and confederate commanders had people. "We are not depriving Cuba of

strong defense of the American terms, state officers could scarcely find time sible under the laws of war. His plan, But will a majority of the Cuban people to attend to the numerous meetings while of his own conception, was ap- be convinced that these will have the without neglecting their regular duties proved by Generals MacArthur and salutary and beneficent results pointed Instead of creating new boards the last Wheaton, who must be assumed to know out by Senator Beverldge? That is the legislature has taken to creating comimportant question to which an answer missions, no less than four new ones Meanwhile the American people are is anxiously awaited. It is the general having been breathed into being. If any longevity. All those countries in which very well satisfied with the result of belief among those who have recently visited Cuba that the conditions will board and a commission let him step show a corresponding reduction in the litically right. ultimately be accepted, but there is a forward and give the much desired en- average length of human life. The natural ident's action in appointing him a brig- considerable element of opposition yet to lightenment. be overcome.

himself seems not to be at all dissat- INTEMPERANCE-RUSSIA AND KANSAS. From time immemorial the intemperate use of intoxicants has been an affliction and a curse to mankind. How to eradicate the drink habit has been a problem with which rulers, statesmen and revelators have wrestled since the dawn of civilization.

In the tropics the use of one or other alcoholic stimulant has been interdicted to the believers of its varied religious. Mahomet had prohibition engrafted into the Koran, making the use of wine a cardinal sin.

In the temperate zone the consumption of liquors has been almost universal. but beastly drunkenness was much more common during the middle ages and even in the last century than it is in our own times.

In America frequent and ineffectual attempts have been made to destroy intemperance by the suppression of the liquor traffic. This was notably the case in Maine, Iowa and Kansas within recent years. The impracticable side of the Kansas experiment has been effectively exhibited by Mrs. Carrie Nation and her batchet brigade. In spite of constitutional and statutory prohibition, saloons have flourished in the larger Kansas towns, while the smaller towns and villages have been cursed with bootleggers and drug store joints, where the vilest of liquors are sold surrepti-

tiously to young and old alike. In marked contrast with the complete failure of prohibition in Kansas stands the more rational attempt of Russia at temperance reform. In Russia the only | 110 years the United States government has stimulant in general use among the lost through dishonest agents and officials peasants is whisky. The excessive use only about \$16,000,000 in the handling of of liquor has literally impoverished and gross receipts of \$32,663,313,548.13. degraded the peasantry of Russia to an extent not found in any class of any other country. As far back as 1885 the first step toward the restriction of the liquor traffic was taken by the czar through an act prohibiting the sale of spirits apart from the sale of food and by one explosion. forbidding the sale in these establishments of spirits by the bottle in more than one room or the keeping of spirits on the premises in open vessels. This law killed the drinking house pure and simple, but the peasant could still drink all he desired by going to the restaurant.

Six years ago the Russian government assumed the monopoly of the entire liquor traffic in several of the provinces most afflicted by drunkenness, but the gan at \$1.20 a week, because there is more final overthrow of the system will take work to do. But there are so many who place by 1904, when the manufacture want chances without work that the Carand sale of spirits will be a strictly governmental function. First and foremost, liquor will not be sold by the ment, and then for cash only. The credit system is one of the powerful incentives in Russia for the general debauchery of the peasantry. So long as they could buy liquor on credit they would mortgage their crops, their cattle, and, frequently, the farm itself. The love of money is the root of evil. When nobody but the state can make direct or indirect profit from the sale of spirits the evil will be minimized and the number of habitual drunkards materially reduced.

In this country the government monopoly of the liquor traffic was tried in South Carolina some years ago, but proved a dismal failure by reason of the general evasion of the law. The South Carolina dispensary was not patronized by the great majority of consumers. The saloon and drug store joint flourished openly in Charlestez, Columbia and in every other important town of South keeper or upon his patrons. The conflict between the constabulary and the police, backed by the liquor dealers, the experiment and restoration of the old system.

In Russia a conflict between the police and the constabulary would not be possible. While the Russian police is notoriously venal, it cannot openly bid defiance to the czar and the laws enacted by his orders.

The handsome donation of John A. Creighton to the university which bears perfect safety. scope and usefulness of that institution, which has long been a possession in which Omaha takes pride. It is Omaha's spirit and munificence, but if those who are identified with the city would copy the example of the Creightons it would and educational institutions.

One of the largest English cutlery manufacturers is now in this country with on this side of the water. This is only following out the policy of foreign manufacturers in other lines. When they see the trade slipping away from their Americans certainly have no life of the United States.

A Chicago man has secured a verdict jury suit which failed because of the attorney's neglect. A few examples like this might accomplish some good in altogether too prevalent.

It used to be said that Nebraska was board-ridden with so many state boards the capture of Aguinaldo. Everything Unquestionably he makes a very for various purposes that the different proach the stringency of British law:

one can tell the difference between a modera civilization has gained ascendancy

The president of Venezuela has gone City Treasurer Hennings several better penalty in the shape of a dozen years or in the matter of tax collection. The more clipped from the last half of their Omaha official is content to let others make the assessment, but the Venezuelan president fixes the levy, on the same basis the old-time country printer charged for the circus advertisement- foe of long life. There are no statistics made the rate high enough to cover his available from China, but conditions there necessities and compelled the victim to

People who are seriously debating how the government should treat Aguinaldo have something to do with the longevity of will find a historical counterpart in its people, for it is the most equable on their discussion in that on what to do the giobe. Ireland comes next, strange to with Jefferson Davis, Whatever the say. Out of a population of 4,000,000 there government may decide to do we may Then comes Spain, with its medieval civilrely on a great nation like ours acting ization and its constant cry of "manana" only in the public interest without taint |-tomorrow. Here people five to remarkof petty vengeance for the individual.

While the whole world was sending money to India to relieve the distress of the starving millions, the government ducing people who live beyond the century was collecting in taxes enough to produce a surplus of large proportions in the government treasury. The showing ing 214 out of a population of 40,000,000. may speak well for the financial man- But in Paris the average length of life is agement of affairs, but it is a sad commentary on their humanity.

Put on the Brakes.

Indianapolis News. J. Pierpont Morgan is now interested in fish trust. Mr. Morgan should not go so fast. He will own the world presently, and then there will be nothing for him to do but to sit down and cry. A Moderate Rake-Off.

What an honest lot of folks we are! In

Pickle Fortune's Favors. Chicago Post.

How unequal are the favors of Fortune! While the czar and the kaiser are robbed of the joys of pomp and power by ungrateful subjects, Fodey Kabba, an African chieftain, is relinquished from forty wives

> Profits of Stamp-Licking. Washington Post.

This business of stamp-licking is liable to impart a disagreeable taste to the mouth when we reflect that notwithstanding our extraordinary expense account the government accumulated \$9,000,000 of surplus during the month of March.

Opportunities for Workers.

Mr. Carnegie says there are more chances for the young man today than when he benegie opinion will not meet with general the lefts. and cordial approval.

Jersey's Strange Dictation.

Washington Star. The New Jersey court of appeals has anded down a decision which insists that rusts must not, on acquiring new property. ssue stock for an amount in excess of its value. If New Jersey can successfully assume a parental dictation as to what the trusts can or cannot do, it will become a bigger state than either New York or Ohio. squatted on the pick of the land before the

Pay of Cuban Patriots.

The appointment of a special committee of Cubans to visit Washington and confer with the president relative to the Platt amendment will postpone final settlement of the question two or three weeks. As the Cuban patriots who compose the constitutional convention draw \$15 a day they will prevent any settlement as long as a pretext can be found for doing so.

FAKE INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

More Stringent Laws Needed to Punish the Fakirs. San Francisco Chronicle

It seems to be a recognized duty of society to protect simple-minded investors from the consequences of their own folly and upon this assumption the Ohio supreme Carolina, because the police refused to court has performed a service by driving enforce the law, either upon the saloon out of business a lot of so-called "investment companies" which have been infesting that state. Similar companies have operated in past years in this state and may be operating now. They are common in all finally resulted in the abandonment of parts of the world where they are permitted to exist, and such concerns as are reached by the Ohio decision are all fraudulent. We, of course, do not mean that all investment companies are fraudulent. Investment companies may be and many are legitimate and useful, but the taint of fraud is on all of them which profess to sell "maturities" or "endowments" or any form of return based on anything but interest compounded at a very low rate. One can go to a reputable insurance or trust company and buy an endowment or an annuity with Humanly speaking, he his family name promises to enlarge the will get what he buys. But he will not get it for next to nothing and there will be no element of chance in it. All so called "investment" or "endowment" "maturity" companies are frauds if they misfortune that it boasts so few men of profess to pay unusual rates of interest, or wealth in position to indulge their public return the principal within a very short time, or if payment depends on any form The names and promises of of chance. these concerns are legion. Their method of operation is in all cases the same soon compare much more favorably with They get all the money they can from their other cities of like rank in its charitable dupes, pay one set of investors from the money which they get from another set so long as they can profitably do so, and then Whatever visible assets remain are turned over to a "receiver," who, with the necessary lawyers, absorbs most of it and a the intention of establishing a factory trifle may be returned to the victims. Long before such a concern is settled up the managers, probably under other names, are hard at work repeating the same operation

in some distant state. We need in this country more of the factories the owners prefer to keep the sternness of British law. We not only need trade, even if they are compelled to protection from concerns which any one with common sense should know to be come over to America to make the fraudulent, but from all that class of companies which purport to be engaged in le objection to foreign manufacturers com- gitimate business, and which may, in fact, ing over and expanding the industrial have a sound foundation in actual capital profitably employed, but are fearfully overcapitalized. In Great Britain when such stock is offered to the public the announcement must contain a correct statement against his attorney for the damages of the property purchased or proposed to sought to be recovered in a personal in- be purchased, the exact price paid and the compensation which the promoters or underwriters are to receive and the form in which it is to be paid. Then the investor knows what he is buying. These holding down legal malpractice that is announcements must be signed by responsible persons, who are civilly and criminally liable for false statements. The best cor poration laws for the protection of the American investor are those of much abused New Jersey, but they do not ap-

WHERE MEN LIVE LONGEST.

Strennous American Life Incompatible with Longevity.

Pitisburg Commercial-Gazette. Some recently published statistics prove that America leads the other nations of the world in the record of abbreviated deduction from these statistics is, therefore, that the strenuous life is incompatible with longevity. Where men live much in a few years nature exacts the stay on earth. It is the "shut-in" populations that furnish the largest number of centenarians. The active, aggressive peoples, the real makers of history today, are the short lived people. Intensity is the would indicate the existence of many very old persons.

In Servia in a population of barely 2,000 .-000 souls there are 375 persons beyond the age of 100 years. Servia's climate may ably old age, and there are over 500 centenarians among the Spanish speaking TRCCS. On the other hand, the active nations

show a correspondingly low record in promark. Out of Germany's 55,000,000 population only seventy-eight centenarians could be found. France is a little better, showone-fifth less than in the rest of France. thus showing that where once the whirl of modern life is felt men live their lives quickly and pass away in comparative youth. American statistics show only 460 centenarians, but we doubt seriously the accuracy of these figures. At any rate, the American life is said to be wholly unfavorable to longevity, and is growing more so with each succeeding generation. The conclusion is that to live long one must live in a mild climate in the temperate zone. Anxious ambition must be set aside. Intense and mad desire to get on in the of Edinburgh after mature study has come world or to appear well to one's fellows must be sacrificed. Life out of doors, a to the conclusion that Saturn is the dwelling place of Satan, so hereafter you need lazy, do-nothing, stagnant existence, in which ambition has no place and achievement no ally. These, according to the statistics we have cited, are necessary in order to gain many years.

But would such a life be worth the liv ing? "Better fifty years of Europe than a cycle of Cathay.'

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The glue manufacturers have decided to stick together. Walter Wellman has another attack of the pole fever. Mr. Wellman is determined

to get a reputation at any cost. Since the Chicago Post took the tabloid dose its neat, tasty and petite journalistic figure looks like the remnant of a bargain

An appendicitis club has been organized at Old Orchard, Me. As an appendix to society the club expects to cut quite a Every true-blooded Buffalo is tendering

the glad left hand to Aguinaldo. The insurgent chief is a distinguished addition to a corporal's guard. Carrie, too, was in

poor voice, as she didn't have a chop for breakfast. Ella Wheeler Wilcox delicately protests against being stared at in the street cars.

That's one of the penalties of being a warm poet. The agitation over the real estate market in China is due to the fact that Russia

plat was filed. Philosopher Dooley's "Archey road" is taking on an up-to-date face. The famous highway is to be paved and the tribe of

Hennessy is inconsolable. Maine's crop of sardines, amounting to thirty-eight carloads, is being hurried to various distributing points. The French labels are said to be fine specimens of the

art preservative. The report that the Hawaiian legislature is unable to pass a bill is a mistake. The appropriation bill went through with a whoop and the members are diligently drawing their stipends.

Some people in St. Louis are worrying themselves needlessly about what United States commissioners to the fair For one thing they will draw will do. their salaries.

The leader of the anti-vice crusade in Chicago secured her experience by peddling patented device for plugging bungholes of beer and ale barrels. If the published picture of the crusader is true to life it behooves local breweries to establish fire guards.

New York and Brooklyn street railway companies are being pinched by juries in damage cases, the last verdict being \$22. 000. The companies hang the bulk of the population to carstraps so frequently that the victims find jury service the most effective way of reciprocating.

In the light of facts accessible to critics it is cruelly unjust to assert the Cubans are incapable of self-government. Members of the constitutional convention are drawing \$15 a day and show no unseemly haste in letting go a good thing. What American lawmaker shows a loftier perception of public duty?

BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

The shearer makes a poor shepherd. Faithful acts grow from active faith. Regret cannot bring the arrow back to

the bow. There is no profit in religion where there

is no loss. What is morally wrong can never be po-

Sometimes God's storms are but to drive

us into harbor. Blessings will be poured in only as you

our them out He who is willing to face failure can never secure success.

You can afford to lose the flowers of time for the seed of eternity. The man who revolves around himself

will never get anywhere. Reformers need to remember that new

roads are seldom smooth. You do not need to wear a stony look to be a pillar in the church.

The assets of character are in what you are and not what you have. Sowing in pain and tears promises the

reaping in plenty and triumph.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Nashville American: A Boston minister, in extolling conjugal fidelity, dwelt on the fact that Adam had but one Eve. True, and Eva had but one Adam. The market was limited in those days.

Boston Globe: The Brooklyn minister ho has refused to accept a \$500-a-year inrease in salary until after the mortgage on his church building has been paid seems to have the strange idea that churches really ought to do business on strict business principles.

Chicago Chronicle: A Gotham minister says that "Denominational relations should always be subsidiary to the kingdom of God, which is greater than all churches." The same being translated into vernacular intelligible means that he had decided to alter his creed to accept a call with a larger

salary. Boston Transcript: Rev. Minet J. Savage says that the orthodox idea of heaven is too cold. Perhaps the retort might be made that the other idea of it is too hot. For instance, in one of Dr. Holmes' hymns, we read:

Before Thy ever-blazing throne We ask no luster of our own.

San Francisco Call: A learned philosopher

not tell your friends to go to hades. A polite insinuation that his natural sphere is within the rings of Saturn will be sufficient. DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Philadelphia Times: "And when he pro-posed did you tell him to see me?" inquired her mother. "I did, and he said he had seen you sev-eral times, but that he loved me notwith-

Indianapolis Press: Penelope-I've been abrond so long; tell me, whom did Jack Gladys-He married Maude Jones, her mother, father, a maiden aunt and Maltese cat.

Boston Gazette: Mrs. Galloupe—Be sure and come, Mr. Gibble. I promise you shall meet, oh, quite a number of pretty women. Gibble—How can I refuse you, my dear madam? It will not be for the pretty women, however, but for you that I shall come.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "You called on her father, of course?"
"En' Called on her father? Certainly not. She sent him to me!"

Philadelphia Record: Jack-No; I don't see May as much as I used to. Jill-Really? Why, I heard you were engaged.

Jack-That's just it. It's dark in the parlor when I call now.

Chicago Tribune: "If I sh'd die, Mollie, ye'd buy a foine suit o' clothes f'r me, wudn't ye?" 'Av coorse, I wud. Larry. Ye know "While I'm alive, though, ye think rum-mage sale stuff is good enough fr me, do ye?"

THE ETERNAL GOODNESS.

John G. Whittier. I long for household voices gone, For vanished smiles I long. But God has led my dear ones on, And He can do no wrong.

know not what the future hath, Of marvel or surprise, Assured alone that life and death His mercy underlies.

And if my heart and flesh are weak, bear an untried pain, bruised reed He will not break, strengthen and sustain.

No offering of my own 1 have. No works my faith to prove: I can but give the gift He gave, And plead His love for love. And so beside the Silent Sea I wait the muffled oar; No harm from Him can come to me On ocean or on shore.

know not where His islands lift Their fronded paims in air; only know I cannot drift Beyond His love and care.



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