in all branches of the public service.

There is some merit in the claim of

alty paid by it of 5 per cent on its gross

for the franchise that gives it a practi-

cal monopoly for furnishing gas for

year 1901 is said to aggregate \$15,000.

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As a Napoleon of finance, Millard Fillmore Funkhouser, the democratic chairman of the finance committee of the school board, stands without a peer.

The verdict of acquittal in the Bonine case is simply another illustration of the oft-demonstrated fact that it is impossible to convict a pretty woman of a perious crime before a susceptible jury.

no one would suspect that the legislaresent the Hawkeye state at Washing-

If the Omaha Real Estate exchange succeeds in securing a more equitable creased property values.

To the intimation that the school board order requiring six periods of need clarification. But whether alum or class room service instead of five from each High school teacher has been largely ignored, Principal Waterhouse enters a confession in avoidance.

The supreme court of Nebraska has decided that a road overseer is not an officer of the district, but of the township in which the county road is sitnated. But suppose there is no township division in the county, then what?

The bureau of identification of the national organization of police chiefs is gathering a collection of photographs of anarchists which it hopes to make complete. Anarchists who have not yet been identified will please send in their

Only one free silver coinage bill so far introduced into congress, and that any thought. by an obscure backwoods member. If the silver billionaires still pin faith to their propaganda they should see to it that at least the usual number of "by requests" put in their appearance.

That bill to reimburse the Pan-American exposition losers out of Uncle Sam's treasury does not seem to have sounded on hospitable ears. It will be hard to persuade anyone that the Buffalo fair would not have come out in fairly good shape had it been less extravagantly and more judiciously man-

Did you notice the well-patronized advertising columns of The Sunday Bee as compared with alleged competitors? away cigars or roses to bamboozle advertisers to take its space. The Bee The Bee's patrons get full money's

If Presdent Roosevelt's advice to the red man like any other man is followed out what will become of the Inthe other reservation invaders who have or consul of the United looked to Uncle Sam's guardianship of whom the president shall incomes?

Nebraska republicans regained control of the state only after suffering purgaion through the ordeal of fire and water. To retain the ascendancy the party must make an honest effort to execute every promised reform. No republican back slider can ever justify himself by pointing to some populist predecessor who did as bad or worse.

As expert mathematicians in long division and cube root, the legal reptions money,

A MATTER NOT SETTLED.

Governor Savage has ventured to assure the people of Nebraska in an interview in the World-Herald that the controversy over the improper manipuvate gain has been settled. The governor is quoted as saying:

You know it has been charged that he invested the school fund for his own benefit and that the great fund was in danger of being lost. I want to say that I, with the members of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, personally went to the treasurer's office, looked through every record and counted every dollar of cash on hand. We found every dollar there in cash or properly accounted for, and we found that Treasurer Stuefer has invested within ten months over \$1,000,000 of the public school funds to the best of his ability. I want to tell you that every dollar of Nebraska's money is in safe hands, for I believe that State Treasurer Stuefer is as honest a man as the sun ever shone upon, and when the last day of his office expires you will find that every dollar of Nebraska's money will be there, not in certificates of deposit on broken banks, but in cold cash. ready to be counted out. You may depend upon it. That settles one matter.

Governor Savage may depend upon it that this explanation does not settle the matter with the intelligent people of Nebraska, by a long ways. His assurance that the records of the state treasurer are accurately kept and that In the exhibit made to the Board of Educational Lands and Funds every dollar of the school money was either there in cash or properly accounted is not called in question. But the more fact that the books of the treasurer balance with the certificates of deposit and cash on hand does not explain the shady bond deals and speculative transactions by which the school fund has been milked by several thousand dollars that have gone into the pockets of middlemen who had not a dollar of their own at stake, but on the contrary were given revoked since it was made public that in the district judges to serve as refthe use of state funds and securities by the state treasurer.

The assurance given by Governor Savage that every dollar of Nebraska's money is in safe hands and that at the expiration of Mr. Stuefer's term as state treasurer every dollar of public money will be there in cold cash will be very gratifying to taxpayers of Nebraska, but that does not meet the point at issue. The question that still confronts the governor as chief executive of the state is whether the state treasurer has, in making lavestments of the permanent school fund, paid heavy bonuses to favored bond speculators when he could and should have dealt directly with the county boards and either given the respective counties the benefit of the excessive interest coupons or placed the coupons to the credit of the school fund. The delusion under which Governor From the quiet that prevails in Iowa Savage has been impressed with the idea that the Stuefer incident is settled ture will be called on only next mont's may perhaps be dispelled when he reads to elect a United States senator to rep- the comment of J. Sterling Morton that servative, which hits the nail on the head in this fashion:

There is an old-fashioned way of clarifydistribution of the tax burdens it will ing muddy water with alum. When the distribution of the tax burdens it will ing muddy water with alum. When the to have expended. have accomplished a great deal in the carrying trade for passengers and freights. It is not apprehended that this new direction of reduced taxation and in- between St. Louis and Nebraska points the drinking water was pure Missouri river aqua, settled and clarified with alum.

The accounts of State Treasurer Stucfer the process Dr. Rosewater has not yet, seemingly, determined.

A big frog sitting by a limpid stream the bottom of which is visible to the naked eye, can make the water very muddy the moment he jumps into it, and so all the Burt county, Otoe county and other bond purchases were quite queer and inexplicable until Stuefer jumped into the discus sion of them, and now they are more inexplicable than ever and queerer and muddier and nastier. Let Stuefer have an expert in truth-telling inform the people of Nebraska about his school money invest-

Surely Mr. Morton is not prejudiced Governor Savage or any other member of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, and Mr. Morton reflects the views of ninety-nine out of every hundred people who have given the subject

REORGANIZE THE SERVICE.

At its recent convention the National Civil Service Reform league considered the question of reorganizing the consular service and there was general approval of the bill for this purpose framed by Senator Lodge. There is also a movement on the part of numerous commercial bodies looking to the reorganization of the consular service. As the president is strongly committed to this there is very favorable promise of action on the important subject by the present congress and probably at this session. The Lodge bill is a comprehensive

measure, which not only recognizes the And The Bee does not have to give civil service reform principle, but provides for the co-operation of the civil service commission in the examination gets the advertising patronage because of candidates for appointment in the consular body. The bill proposes the gradual re-examination and re-classification of the service within two years of the passage of the act. The exambreak up the Indian tribes and treat ining board is to be composed of the secretary of state, or such person in that department as the president shall dian agent and the Indian trader and designate, and a consul general States the tribal Indians as the source of their nate, in conjunction with the civil service commissioners. This board is to determine the scope and method of the examination, but among the subjects it must include in its tests shall be language. The service is graded by the below 36 mills and may have to be bill into six classes, and from those passing the examination the names of estimate for city and county tax for the five highest shall be submitted when | 1902 will aggregate 6 per cent, exclusive a vacancy arises, the president making a

The bill provides for 4 consuls gen- 21/2 per cent on the actual cash value of eral of the first class, 13 of the second resentatives of Omaha's franchised cor- class and 19 of the third class. The within the city limits to maintain the porations who have demonstrated to consuls are to be 37 of the first class, city and county government for one their own satisfaction that their clients | 35 of the second class, 60 of the third. are overtaxed deserve recognition in the 40 of the fourth, 30 of the fifth and 50 form of honorary degrees for masters of of the sixth, the salaries ranging from face capitalists who have money to inthe abstract science. If they should \$8,000 a year down to \$1,500. All fees, delve into the mathematics of four di- with the exception of those of consular purchase of Omaha realty. The quesmensions they would soon prove that agents, are to be turned into the treas- tion that presses for immediate considthe city owed the franchised corpora- ury, consular agents receiving one-half eration is, What can be done to avert

places the consular service on substan-lity of Omaha? There are only two tially the same basis as that obtaining ways to bring about a reduction in the in the army and navy. The president is levy: One is by increasing the aggrefrom place to place, as he may think decreasing the aggregate expenses. lation of the state school fund for pri- advisable, substantially the same as The first can be done only by raising army and payy.

> some modifications, but in its general have been specially favored in the matprovisions it contemplates such a re- ter of valuation. The other can only be organization and remodeling of the con- accomplished by radical retrenchment sular service as could not fail to greatly improve the service. It is very generally conceded by those who have given attention to the matter that the consular service is now in the main efficient. A majority of those engaged in it are capable, diligent and faithful men. But as was said by President Roosevelt in his message, "a standard of excellence cannot be permanently maintained until the principles set forth in the bills heretofore submitted to congress on this subject are enacted into law." The great interest being manifested by the commercial bodies of the country in this subject should secure the desired legislation.

A CANAL COMPLICATION. What is known as the Maritime Canal the canal commission and alleges that sum of money. That government, it corporation from taxation. appears, has admitted the sale of lands to the company and the granting of franchises and concessions, but has and most economical way to have afhad been annulled and the franchises court would have been to have called of the fact, by the commission. The Maritime company protested against this action, pre- and cumbersome supreme court comsenting its protest to the Department of mission. Now that we have the com-

the company, but to regard the action judges of the supreme court. The court of money invested. But there was nothing in the upper house. of Nicaragua as official and final, and cannot be lawfully enlarged except by in a better light as regards the charges A few days ago Senator Cullom of Illinois upon the suggestion of the secretary of constitutional amendment. The saving that were made against him. No intimation was credited with remarking upon the vocompany and will proceed with the bill law affecting life, property and consti- made against him is that he has conspired visitors. which it has reported providing for the which it has reported providing for the which it has reported providing for the with a close business associate to purchase the Washingtonness associate to purchase to pu construction of a canal. How this sum- session of the legislature to provide for state school fund at a handsome profit and House. As soon as he appeared in the presimary way of dealing with the matter submitting the much demanded propo- at the expense either of the said fund or dent's reception room the president saw will be regarded by the Maritime com- sition at the next election. pany remains to be seen, but if it be true, as stated by the company, that it has exas stated by the company, that it has expended \$1,700,000 for lands and franis the recognized organ of the finance having so attempted has signally failed. If minutes. The president listened with smilchises it is not to be expected that it committee of the school board, the ap- he has nothing more to offer, and with the ing countenance. will make no effort to recover this. The parent deficit in the school fund on Jan- evidence implicating him in the affair un- "All right, senator," he said in a loud State department has recommended that uary 1 will be \$150,000 in round figures. rebutted, we cannot do otherwise than be-voice when Mr. Cullom had finally concluded appears in the last number of the Congovernment cost about \$100,000, but it is now is an open question. If this is whitewashing, and if Mr. Stuefer is innocent is questionable whether the company true the Commercial club coterie that of any such offense as is charged it does queried the anxious senator. will be satisfied with such an arrange- made the big fight for Mr. Funkhouser appear to us that it ought to be no very diffiment, which would return to it but one. as a brilliant financial manager is not cult matter to make a showing in the matseventeenth of the money it claims in position to shower boquets upon ter which would be plain and satisfactory Somebody might hear us."

complication will delay canal legislation. but it may interfere with the beginning of construction unless congress or the government of Nicaragua shall make a something more stringent is required for fair settlement with the Maritime Canal company.

itself.

the recognition in each community of

bring Nebraska back into the republican

column. To seek to avoid factional dif-

ferences by bestowing the favors upon

some one who did nothing at all simply

demoralizes party organization and dis-

members of the local bar make the se-

lections for vacancles on the district

bench. In this the governor endorses

the home rule principle which those who

are advising him to usurp the powers

of the mayor and council over the police

commission would have him violate.

Boston Transcript.

A Left-Handed Rebuke.

Baltimore American.

By donating \$10,000,000 to the cause of

higher education Mr. Carnegie has indi-

rectly rebuked that young man Schwab who

Superfluous Information

Cleveland Leader.

Whenever a bank cashler or teller runs

away with money not his own the news-

papers hasten to say that he was a "trusted

"trusted:" if he were not he wouldn't be

An Explanation Wanted.

Washington Post.

Judge Dunne holds that it is all right for

after it has been rendered. We are quite

sure that this eminent and just Chicago

jurist is a son of Ireland, else he would

Prelude to a Kick.

San Francisco Call.

Now that the American people have taken

to raising money for the relief of the

women and children in the British concen-

tration camps in South Africa it will not be

long before they will begin to urge the

government to interfere on behalf of the

Boers. When the American begins to put

his money up for a cause he is getting

Just a Finger or Two.

It is reassuring to discover that paval

and military officers can take a wee nipple

without falling into disrepute or under the

the attention of the Women's Christian

Temperance union, for otherwise that fer-

vent body will start in pursuit of the sup-

posed offenders and chase them with pro-

Where a Censor is Needed.

Philadelphia North American.

husiness. He should either censor the

speeches of government officials, who con-

fess that the concentration camps are so

bad that they are being broken up, or blue

feasts and pink teas in the camps and as-

testing shricks from here to Manila.

Brooklyn Eagle.

sion before it is rendered.

newspaper to criticisc a court decision

employe." Every man in a bank is

military fever is catching.

used to work for him.

MERCER'S BRIDGE BILL

That bill introduced by Congressman Mercer for the construction of a bridge at courages those whose active efforts are South Omaha, according to the press dispatches, is a matter of speculation. General Manager Kenyon of the Stock Yards company has wired Mr. Mercer for a copy of the bill, for, as a matter of fact, no one here knows what it means. Moreover, if the government or anybody else is to build a bridge across the Missouri at this point it is very probable that the Pontoon Bridge and Ferry company would have to be "seen" on the proposition, inasmuch as that company has against Treasurer Stuefer or hostile to some rights and privileges, especially on the other side. However, everybody, it is safe to say, hopes that congress or some body else will eventually construct a bridge

at this point .- World-Herald. For once we fully agree with our enterprising contemporary. The South Omaha bridge bill introduced by Congressman Mercer is apparently "a matter of speculation." The inspiration for the proposed motor bridge may not emanate from the managers of the Pontoon Bridge and Ferry company or from the general manager of the stock yards. It is purely "a matter of speculation," but could, if it passed congress, be annexed to the multiplex air line system of suburban roads projected by Congressman

Mercer's chief fugleman. In these days of industrial evolution there is a good deal more money in handling electric motor franchises and bridge construction privileges than there is in selling town lots and farm lands.

A CONDITION-NOT A THEORY. The taxpayers of Omaha are confronted by a most serious situation. The enormous increase in taxation within have taken the pains to explain how in the the past five years has made the burdens dickens a newspaper could criticise a deciof local government almost unbearable. On an assessment presumed to represent 40 per cent of actual value the tax levy for this city and school district aggre gated 25 mills in 1899, was increased to 28 mills in 1900 and in 1901 it was raised to 34 mills under pretense that the increased revenue would be applied to the payment of the deficit then existing in the school fund.

Now it transpires that this deficit not | ready to talk business. only was not wiped out, but it has been enormously increased. Unless a very material increase in the aggregate assessment of property in Omaha can be made the city tax for 1902 will not fall raised to 40 mills. The lowest possible of special taxes levied for improvements. This means a tax of from 2 to every foot of ground and every building

With such taxes staring them in the vest are not likely to venture into the their fees as compensation. The bill this menace to the growth and prosper- to their guards STILL CALLING ON STUEFER.

empowered to move consuls around gate assessment, and the other is by should follow the example of Admiral Schley and demand an investigation. His silence on the matter can have but one effectfurnish wind to the sails of his adversaries he now disposes of the officers of the the assessments on individuals and cor- Lets have the whole story, Mr. Stuefer. porations who have hitherto managed York Republican: The temper of the peo-

Doubtless this measure will undergo to keep their assets covered or who ple of Nebraska is such that they will not endure doubtful transactions in the manipulation of the state's permanent school fund. Two deals, wherein several thousands of follars have been realized by speculators, have been ventilated. It may be, as the treasurer says, that he had to buy the bonds in the market, but the question is, the gas company that the annual roy- Why were they paid for by the speculators upon his words, enthusiastically comparing receipts is in the nature of a payment to invest them by methods that certainly warrant suspicion. It would be wise for lighting and heating purposes to the cita big salary to look after the immense izens of Omaha. This royalty for the interests in the treasurer's office.

The payment of a bonus for the franchise does not, however, constitute an and report of the officers who checked up his intentions, how ardently he hopes to 30, 1898, for the benefit of the sufferers; exemption from taxation; it simply fur- the state treasurer in the matter of the nishes a basis to the assessor for reach- school funds is wrong. It is either that ing an estimate of the value of the franwrong .- Minden Gazette.

chise, irrespective of the gas generating Don't quibble, Jeff. It isn't worth while. and distributing plant. In other words, You know as well as anyone that the in while the gas company has paid for the vestigation made by the state officers and the report of the state treasurer himself privilege which constitutes the franchise company, organized under the laws of the payment in itself does not operate have nothing to do with The Bee's charges. his degree at college, where he had already as these, however, have reckened without The Republican defended Mr. Stucfer dur-New Jersey, is threatening to further as an exemption from taxation. Under ing the campaign upon the ground that he complicate the Nicaragua canal project. the constitution of Nebraska the fran- is not permitted by the law to place the the speeches he made in his own state suffered in the explosion of our battleship This company claims to have purchased chises of corporations are subject to tax- trust funds in depository banks and that brought him such fame that he was invited has been submitted to the Spanish Treaty the route surveyed and recommended by ation independent of their holdings in he could legally report them only as a to stump Indiana and Maine, and since then Claims commission, and the demands foot realty or personal property, and the all franchises and concessions have been mere fact that the franchise has been been refuted by the investigation. But The in the Union League club, New York, or States (in accordance with the terms of conveyed to it by the government of acquired either by purchase or by the Bee's charges have not been disproven, nor Nicaragua in consideration of a large payment of royalty cannot exempt the has any attempt at investigation been still remembered and referred to. In the settle all claims of its citizens against The Bee still maintains that the best and Otoe county bond deals; if guilty, he has only to continue the role of the instated to our government that the sale forded temporary relief to the supreme jured innocent to convince his best friends

> benches, rather than through the costly week was all right so far as it related to the state school fund. It shows that there fund. It is a case which admits of no future." The principle that should govern in pings can change our views of his actions or said.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

of his guilt.

needed to keep the republican party in Governor Savage wants to let the

People who were awarded medals at the paper. One also finds more gold in circus great Pan-American exposition can secure the lation here than in the west. prize by putting up the price. If we could only can a few tons of surplus

would be raised several degrees. A New Jersey man who acquired the trance habit, returned to consciousness just Now four more South American repubas his wife was closing a deal for a new lies are girding themselves for war. The husband. The mean thing!

> Two families in a legal mixup in Philadelphia have five lawsuits on hand and more in prospect. Philadelphians resort to desperate means to keep awake.

Spring clothespins to muzzle the lips of state as a model commonwealth The story current in the enemy's coun-

try to the effect that Bryan's Commoner I suppose from the fact that the westerner and Carry Nation's Hatchet have formed does not want to indicate he is at all una clubbing combine, is without foundation. The Hatchet is buried. Captain R. P. Leary, hero of Samoa, and

first governor of Guam, is about to be retired as a rear admiral. The story of Leary's life in the navy would throw "Fighting Bob's" in the shade without a single draft on the imagination.

At the instance of fire insurance com panies department stores in eastern cities for the "good old times" and to compare in their show windows. Heretofore these day with those of the days of our granddisplays of incendiary material caused many fathers and grandmothers. The smartinsurance companies to sweat blood. A bunch of students at Ann Arbor uni-

expect the fat of the land for \$3.50 a week? has given to the Harvard art museum some gorgeous articles of wearing apparel worn

their graduation in the eighteenth century Dr. Green's grandfather graduated in 1784. Captain W. A. Mercer, who distinguished himself as manager of the Indians at the Omaha exposition, has been relieved from duty as Indian agent at Leech Lake, Minn. The captain proved very obnoxious to the timber rooters in that section, and they have sought his scalp for three years.

Kansas City is preparing to accord a table. The fact ought to be forced upon hospitable reception to Minister Wu Tingfang on December 19, when he will attend the annual banquet of the Kansas City Commercial club. A public function will be held at the clubhouse in the afternoon in order to give the women a chance to meet the Chinese diplomat, and a committee has been appointed to show him the

The British censor is not attending to his ticket was only 71 less than in 1896 and the gain in the republican vote was 1,445. social life: printed by the London Times, describing There are thirteen counties in Wyoming serting that the reconcentrado Boers are presidential election of 1900, an unusual fashion." so bountifully supplied with luxuries that they do a thriving trade in the sale of food showing for a party which polled less than 60 per cent of the total vote of the state. | picture of society in 1901, but in 1775, a

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Wausa Gazette: Our friend Stucfer Etchings of Men and Events at the National Capital.

There is fair promise of a revival of spellbinding periods in the upper house. have been businesslike, with little attempt a oratorical flights. A letter to the New York | den of Eden. Tribune foreshadows a change, for among the new senators are "two capable of mold ing and uttering eloquent perorations-Bailey, the beautiful, from the Lone Star state, and Burton from Kansas. An annonneement that Mr. Bailey would speak invariably filled the galleries of the house, and a devoted following hung breathless with Treasurer Stuefer's checks? Better al- him to Webster, whom in the early days of tain a slice out of Uncle Sam's "pork". low some of the funds to remain idle than his ambition he took for a model and to barrel, that hard-working person will whom he has always been faithful. Before scour the country to find claimants whose he left the other side of the capitol Mr. cases might be wire-drawn so as to constithe state of Nebraska to pay a big man Bailey threatened to 'stir up' things in his tute plausible demands. One might have new sphere, but a new senator must bide supposed that claims arising out of the dehis time. Like a freshman at college, he struction of the Maine had been settled, so St. Paul Republican: It is now up to The requires discipline and is not encouraged to far as the United States was concerned, by Omaha Bee to say that the investigation assert himself. No matter, therefore, what the relief act passed by congress on March quicken the pulse of the senate, it may be one would have believed that Spain had some time before an opportunity occurs for made atonement for a crime (its responsior an acknowledgment that The Bee is him to fill the senate galleries or thrill his bility for which remains unproven) colleagues by the eloquence that is so much through the sacrifice of the lives of its appreciated in Texas."

teacher of elecution, and ever since he took. Those who have entertained such notions won a name as an orator, he has been the claim agent. sought after as a public speaker. In 1888 A long list of claims based upon injuries "balance on hand." The charges made in he has been one of the most popular of the up to a goodly fraction of a million dollars. this connection by the fusion organs have national spellbinders. His answer to Bryan The undertaking on the part of the United casioned much favorable comment, and is the treaty of peace) to "adjudicate and made. If Mr. Stuefer is guiltless the best last campaign as spoke in 100 counties of Spain" is the excuse for this attempt to thing he can do is to demand a searching his state and is said to have been as fresh raid the federal treasury. The case of the official examination of the Burt, Cuming at the end of his tour as he was at the be. United States marines killed and wounded ginning. Senator Burton is a native of at Valparaiso, and the indemnity exacted Indiana but has lived more than half of from Chili on that account, have been cited his life in the state of his adoption. He is as precedents in justification of the present a lawyer by profession, and it has always demand. On the other hand, it is conthe Nicaragua route had been selected erees when not busy on their respective given to the press by Treasurer Stucker last United States senate. For the last twelve naval court of inquiry to find clear evidence years, indeed, he has frankly worked for of the authorship of the destruction of the the nomination, and six years ago was de- battleship and of the fact that the United is at the present time but a trifle more feated by only one vote in the caucus. But States had, by virtue of the relief act after this repulse he showed no rancor or aforementioned, decided to recognize the missioners, however, they ought to be This balance is, or was at the time, in the bitterness and worked so carnestly and right of the sufferers to indemnity as a It is stated that Secretary Hay has superseded at the earliest possible mo- state treasury. This is certainly a good gealously for the success of his party that claim against themselves, therefore, the decided not to consider the claims of ment by additional duly constituted showing so far as it relates to the amount he carned the substantial reward of a seat

state the senate committee on inter- in money, to say nothing of the bene- has ever been made by anyone that his different Roosevelt, who, as controverting the demanda of the Maine oceanic canals has decided to pay no fits of a responsible judiciary to pass books were not properly kept or that he is is well known, does not hesitate to speak Claimants asserts that the treaty in quesattention to the claim of the Maritime final judgment upon weighty matters of short in any of his accounts. The charge loudly while holding conferences with his

of the countles issuing them. The charges him and walked over to him. With much and several other important particulars. were strongly made and it seemed to most solemnity Mr. Cullom took Mr. Roosevelt According to the World-Herald, which people that Mr. Stuefer has thus far made over into a corner of the room and whis-

the company be paid for the lands held But what the actual deficit has been lieve that he, to say the least, willfully as- his confidential communication, "nobody by it, which according to the Nicaraguan during the past several years or what it sisted Mr. Neligh to milk the state school shall ever hear what I say to you in the "But how about this particular matter?

The president put his finger to his lips. "Sh-u-u-h!" he whispered, "not a word!

ter which would be plain and satisfactory somebody might hear us."

Nomebody might hear us."

Nomebody might hear us."

And so the senator went away. He does of saying to his wife some of the charming of his wife some of the charming amount of letter writing or newspaper clipnot know yet what the president might have would be surprised and gratified at the amount of letter writing or newspaper clip- not know yet what the president might have

appearances seem to convict him of wrongdoing as they do and feel that if he has any
defense to make aside from bluster he is
doing an injustice to more people than
himself by refusing to do so. Each day

"I notice in coming from the west to
hauge the hashington Star: "Is you all gwine to
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hauge in co the men who did the work that helped defense to make aside from bluster he is more I see of paper money of small dedelayed only makes stronger the conviction interviewer. "Out where I live one doesn't see a paper dollar once in six months. If you give a dealer a ten-dollar bill out of which to take a quarter he will give you back a half dollar, a quarter and nine silver Come in and shut the door.

The Kansas City expert is not the first man to go into a trance when a surplus of wives found him out.

If King Edward's coronation comes up to the prospectus, it will materially increase the galety of June days.

If the door.

If we been east about a month now change in the first cannot been unable to find an explanation. The only possible reason 1 have discovered is that there are a large number of government employes in this section of the country production of the country production.

If we been east about a month now Miss Goldrox's lover, "I realize that your daughter is an heiress, but I assure you that I would be just as anxious to marry if she were a pauper." "That settles you," replied her father, "we don't want any such fool as that in the family." try and that they are all paid in small

> "This reminds me of the peculiar sys- friend tem of the westerners have of paying for cold and tap it next July, human comfort small articles, such as ice cream, liquor, soda water, or anything that doesn't cost over a dollar or two. In the first place, the westerners always carry their silver loose in the trousers pockets. You seldom see a man with a purse. After he has taken a drink at a bar he will dive down into his pocket and pull out a whole handful of silver dollars, half dollars, dimes and nickels, the amount varying from five to fifteen or twenty dollars. He pours all this out on the bar and spreads it out as unruly boys are in use in Massachusetts a man does in counting money. The barschools. Some people point to the Bay tender selects what he wants for the drinks and the purchaser sweeps the money off the bar into his pocket. The practice arises, willing to settle."

THE GOOD OLD TIMES.

Days of Our Daddies No Better Than

Chicago Tribune

It is a frequent habit of the moralists as well as of sociological students, to sigh have abandoned displays of Christmas finery the morals and manners of the present ness and fastness and boldness of modern society more than once have furnished versity have filed a hot protest against themes for poets and essayists as well as hash and hamburger steak as a steady diet. for the pulpit and have been placed in No doubt such a bill of fare is weighted contrast with the modesty and dignity and with the germs of revolt, but do the students propriety of those old days-so often, in fact, that we have come to regard our Though life become a desert waste, Ex-Mayor Samuel A. Green of Boston forbears as patterns of exemplary conduct. Tran-It is refreshing, however, now and then to find testimony that some of the grandto find testimony that some of the grand-mothers were no better than some of their descendants. Testimony of this sort is Now mingles with the angel choir by Harvard students of his ancestors upon mothers were no better than some of their contained in a letter which was sold an autograph sale in New York the other day. It was written at London in 1775 by Sophia Montague, wife of the English admiral who commanded on the North Amercan station. Lady Montague had been to supper and with feminine frankness and enthusiasm describes it to a friend,

It was the best supper she ever "supt at." Everyone was drunk, "on my conscience," but she did not consider that any matter, "for we were good company." Then Lady Sophia gives a description of They have but dropped their robe of clay London women in general. "They turn day into night and night into day" and are "as mad as March hares." She thinks their dress is preposterous. They "paint and pinch their bodies in tight stays till Th they sink, for to be very small at bottom and hanging over at top is quite the tion except Nevada, is growing in voting fashion." No natural color is another fashstrength. In the presidential election of ion and "feathers fifteen inches long in 1900 the vote for Bryan on the democratic the head" is another. Lady Sophia's letter closes with this sweeping indictment of social life: "Inconstancy, the fashion; neparation, the fashion; to be with anyand the republicans carried them all in the body but your husband, at the top of the

Familiar as it all sounds, this is not a

time to which we are referred so often for social practices which should be int tated by society today. Were the old times any better than the new times? Were they as good? Those who abuse modern manners and society must go back of 1775 to find their "good old days." But For some time past speeches of senators they cannot find them this side of the fall of man and the banishment from the Gar-

WE WILL REMEMBER THE MAINE.

Industrious Claim Agents Jogging the Nation's Memory.

Philadelphia Record. The industry of the claim agent is indefatigable. Given a ghost of a chance to obsons in battle, the destruction of its fleets at Manila and Santiago and the loss of its Senator Burton of Kansas was at one time West Indian and Far Eastern colonies.

occurrence could not be made the foundation of a duplicate demand.

In this connection the defectiveness of the treaty of peace with Spain is again tion was not intended "to provide for, but to relinquish and leave in oblivion, as settled in the tribunal of war, the grievances referred to." It is a grave fault of the treaty that it failed to give expression to the intentions of the signatories in this

LINES TO A SMILE.

Chicago Tribune: "Why, I couldn't begin to tell you half the things she has said about you," quoth Mrs. Selldom-Holme, pausing at last for breath.
"I'm so shall," exclaimed Mrs. Nexdore. with a joyful little gasp. exclaimed Mrs. Nexdore.

Philadelphia Press: Percy Vere—I still think there is hope for me, although she said "no," she was very sympathetic. Jack Newltt—My dear boy, that's the end of you. No woman ever marries the man whom she rejects sympathetically.

Somerville Journal: If the married man result.

Washington Star:

Chicago Tribune: "I done the shootin', protested the boy with the shotgun, "and now you want to hog all the game!"
"You bet!" said the boy in the good clothes. "Didn't I do all the hollerin' an yellin'?"

Chicago Post: "Binks seems to be -a great friend of yours and yet he never calls at your home." That's because he is a self-sacrificing

"He lets me put the blame on him when ver I stay too long at the club, and so he as become persona non grata to my wife. "ife."

Washington Star: "Our church fair was splendid success," said young Mrs. Tork-Did you sell lots of things?"

"Yes, indeed. Everything was ever so useful. I can't think of a single article that couldn't be saved up and donated to be sold at the next fair."

THERE IS NO DEATH.

J. L. McCreery There is no death! The stars go down To rise upon some other shore, And /bright in heaven's feweled crown They shine for evermore.

There is no death! The forest leaves Convert to life the viewless air; The rocks disorganize to feed The hungry moss they bear.

There is no death! The dust we tread Shall change, beneath the summer show

ers, To golden grain, or mellowed fruit, Or rainbow-tinted flowers.

There is no death! The laves may fall. And flowers may die and pass away; They only wait, through wintry hours, The warm, sweet breath of May. There is no death! The choicest gifts

That heaven hath kindly lent to earth Are ever first to seek again The country of their birth. And all things that for growth or joy Are worthy of our love or care. Whose loss has left us desolate, Are safely garnered there.

Adorn immortal bowers.

in everlasting song. There is no death! Although we grieve When beautiful, familiar form That we have learned to love are torn

From our embracing arms-

Although with bowed and breaking heart, With sable garb and silent tread. We bear their senseless dust to rest, And say that they are "dead."

They are not dead! They have but passed Reyond the mists that blind us here, Into the new and larger life

To put their shining raiment on; They have not wandered far away— They are not "lost" nor "gone."

Though disenthralled and glorified.
They still are here and love us yet;
The dear ones they have left behind

And sometimes when our hearts grow faint Amid temptations fierce and deep, Or when the wildly raging waves Of grief or passion sweep.

We feel upon our fevered brow Their gentle touch, their breath of balin Their arms enfold us, and our hearts Grow comforted and calm, And ever near us, though unseen,

The dear, immortal spirits tread— or all the boundless universe Is Life-there are no dead!