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Mrs. Carrie Nation has bombarded a Hastings saloon with chunks of ice. This be resented.

To Manitoba-Please close the open

Clear the track for the invasion of Nebraska by the United States army and navy to put down the uprising which the State Board of Health says it is powerless to suppress.

The figures of the State Board of Health indicate that a mistake was made in not appointing the members census enumerators when the population of Nebraska was last checked up.

Ex-Senator Hill declares himself as opposed to the spirit of running after titled Europeans. Mr. Hill's criticisms of others must be taken with allowances, as he has no daughter to marry

No explanation has been vouchsafed per cent interest on illicit deposits of state school money should not pay something into the county treasury as inter-

The federal grand jury at Louisville has returned indictments against a railroad for giving rebates to favored shippers. If such prosecutions can be made to stick and are consistently followed up the rebate business will suffer a severe setback.

Passengers on the same steamer with Prince Henry report that the prince slept most of the time for forty-eight hours after leaving this country. Before his departure he admitted things United States.

democratic press on the tactful manner in which ex-Treasurer Meserve backed out of his indictment would indicate that the editors do not consider the nominating him for governor on a reform platform.

The twenty-nine precinct assessors of Douglas county have held a conference over their impending task of listing and appraising the taxable property. The first thing the assessors should have conferred with is their own consciences, in order to ascertain how they can live up to the oath which they are required to take as assessors.

The High school cadets are to be firilled with real guns in the near future. prove of any value remains to be seen. The next twentieth century war will be fought with machine guns that discharge showers of bullets and make individual musketry fire child's play.

German manufacturers are complaining because German steamship lines transport American goods to competitive Nothing which could happen would be such a boom for American shipping as to have foreign steamer lines refuse to carry American goods. Where ever there is a market for American goods the manufacturers will find a way to transport them.

Dr. George L. Miller has ventured to remind the deluded disciples of Coin Harvey and William Jennings Bryan instructions as to the nature and exthat bimetallism is dead. The old demo-True dollar coined will contain 100 cents to our government the negotiations can worth of metal, is not dead, but free coinage at a ratio that would put 50 soon after his arrival in this country cents worth of silver into a coin and the minister stated that Colombia view of their mutual interests and percall it one dollar has ceased to be a greatly desired that the United States haps also of their respective obligations tast factor in the management and desti-

NEBRASKA'S GREATEST NEED.

The acquittal of ex-Treasurer Meserve on the plea that as custodian of the permanent school fund he could not be held liable for pocketing interest on money deposited contrary to the provisions of the constitution again emphasizes the imperative demand for constitutional revision, without which the financial affairs of the state cannot be safely conducted. The most speedy and effective way of applying the remedy is through the submission of the necessary amendments to the constitution at the coming election. To accomplish this purpose a special session of the legislature should be called at once.

This is by no means a frivolous scheme nor is it a new demand prompted by any personal or special interest. The need of constitutional revision was strikingly impressed from the very time the supreme court began to interpret the constitution in connection with the safe keeping and investment of the school funds. Eight years ago the editor of The Bee invoked Govthe legislature in a letter of which the following is a copy:

OMAHA, March 6, 1896-Hon. Lorenzo Crounse, Executive Office-Dear Governor: You doubtless remember that I have upon several occasions sought to convince you of the necessity of a special session of the legislature. If I remember rightly, you agreed with me that the state finances were badly tangled and our revenue laws seeded revision to enable the state to meet its obligations. If I understood you correctly, your disinclination was due to fear of the expense by reason of an interminable session.

In my judgment the necessity for a special session is more urgent today than it ever has been. The recent decision of the supreme court relative to the school fund would in itself afford justification. The construction placed by the supreme

court upon the constitutional provisions and tatutes bearing upon this subject clearly points out as the only remedy a constitutional amendment that would permit the investment of the school fund in other than United States, state and county bonds,

You will doubtless agree with me also that we have outgrown our present constitution in many respects and need several important amendments at the earliest possi ble day. These amendments to the constitution could and should be submitted through the special session of the legislature, to be voted on this fall. If these amendments were bunched and

submitted on a separate ticket I have no doubt they would carry. In view of the fact that we are very close upon spring, a special session of the legislature would not wanton assault on the ice trust should likely extend beyond the middle or last of April, as the farmers would be obliged to go home to attend to their spring work. I have refrained up to this time from urging the special session because I did not want to fight windmills or agitate a proposition that would not likely materialize.

Will you please indicate by mail, or ver bally if you expect to be here within a few days, what your views are on the proposed session and whether there is any likelihood of its being called. I feel confident that we could get the Commercial club of Omaha and the bulk of all our business men to endorse the movement, because we sadly need several important amendments to our charter, which we can- and he urged that it ought to be known not hope to get before next year in April, as there will be another United States ductive of the results intended before be made the foot ball of all the elements in the legislature Awaiting an early reply, I remain, very

truly yours, E. ROSEWATER. P. S .- From the political standpoint I regard an extra session as the only hope for why the banks that are ready to pay 3 republican success this fall. We must policy from that embodied in the pendeither plug up all the holes at the state ing bill. capital, straighten out our financial difficulties and submit all needed reforms to the people in the shape of constitutional est on the county money deposited with amendments, or meet the enemy on the beaten, because we will be on the defensive from start to finish.

Had Governor Crounse acted on this suggestion there would have been no Bartley defalcation, no Stuefer bond deals and no Meserve "vindication." There would have been no costly supreme court commissions, no fee-grabbing scandals and no loose planks all over the state house. True, the legislature of 1895 submitted twelve amendments which failed to receive the necessary majority, but this failure was due to the fact that they were submitted in came pretty swift for him while in the an exciting presidential election year.

All the arguments of eight years ago in favor of a special session to remedy The comment of the populist and the glaring defects in the constitution are more applicable today.

Eight years ago the aggregate floating debt of Nebraska was not much over \$1,000,000, while today over \$2,000. windication strong enough to warrant | 000 of state debt has accumulated, although the constitution limits the state's debt to \$100,000.

Eight years ago the expenses of a special session might have been a serious burden, because the state was in the midst of its worst period of drouth, crop failure and financial depression. Eight years ago there was no visible offset to the expense of an extra session. while today the abolition of the supreme court commission by the enlargement of the supreme court would alone more than save the outlay.

True, there is no pressing demand for a revision of the Omaha charter, but but whether the drill with muskets, there are several important subjects breech-loading or muzzle-loading, will that require legislative action at the earliest possible day.

Now, as eight years ago, the republican party is in control and will justly be held responsible for failure to give the people the needed relief which should have been afforded years ago. The failure of the fusionists to do their duty when they were in power is no excuse for allowing things to continue to drift along without an effort to place the affairs of the state on a sound basis.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH COLOMBIA. The new minister from Colombia having filed his credentials, it is to be presumed that negotiations with that government in regard to the Panama route will be promptly reopened. Minister Concha, it is understood, has full tent of the concessions which Colombia is willing to make to the United States himetallism, which presumes that every and if these shall be found acceptable be speedily concluded. In an interview both employers and employed are

indicated that his government realized beginning to have a more intelligent that our completion of the canal would be of very great benefit to that country as Colombia is concerned there would be no difficulty in reaching an agreethat the southern republic is prepared to be fair and reasonable, instead of being, as had been apprehended, greedy and exacting. It will probably be shortly known just what Colombia has to propose or what she is willing to do, and in the meantime the advocates of the Panama route in the senate will not allow any action to be taken on the Nica-

ragua bill. One of these, Senator Hanna, is quoted as saying that the Panama route will yet be decided upon by congress and at this session. He expressed the opinion that from the standpoint of the United States the Panama route would be preferable to that of Nicaragua, even if the price of the canal property were increased by \$20,000,-000. "This canal proposition," said Mr. ernor Crounse to call a special session of Hanna, "is not one of sentiment, nor are we going to spend millions in excess of the estimated cost of the Panama because the Nicaragua route is a few hundred miles nearer Mobile than is the isthmus. Besides," he added, "the whole Nicaraguan scheme is impracticable." Of course a great deal depends upon what Colombia is disposed to do. It has been alleged that there are serious legal difficulties in the way and if such is the fact it remains to be seen whether they can be re moved. Negotiations will at once disclose whether or not there is any such obstacle.

> PASSAGE OF SHIP SUBSIDY BILL. The passage of the ship subsidy bill by the senate was expected, though the majority for the measure was somewhat larger than had been counted on, it having been thought that more than six republicans would vote against the bill. Senator Allison's opposition was to the general subsidy feature of the measure and not to the mail subsidy ments, most of which were adopted. time of contracts and another providing country may be expected. that the mail subsidy should not at any time exceed \$8,000,000 annually. In voting against the bill, therefore, Mr. Allison put himself on record as opposed simply to the general subsidy feature. Senator Spooner, who also voted against the bill, said in the course of the debate that with the general motives of the bill "no good American could find himself in opposition," but he thought the true method for reviving the merchant marine was by levying discriminating duties, as was done by the first congress. Mr. Spooner doubted if the pending bill would accomplish the results hoped for by its advocates definitely that the bill would be proenactment. All the republican senators who voted against the measure are favorable to the building up of an American merchant marine for the foreign trade, but they would pursue a different

There will probably be considerable opposition to the bill in the house. Doubtless there will be some republican ocal issues. In that case we shall be opposition to it in that body. The fact that the republican national convention refused to insert a declaration in favor of a ship subsidy in the platform will justify the assertion that the party is not committed to such a policy. It against the diversion of the subsidy to well established steamship lines which were rejected by the senate will be insisted on by the house before its final

A LESSON IN CONCILIATION, The settlement of the Boston strike, in which more than 20,000 men were involved, furnishes an object lesson in conciliation which ought to prove of great value. As soon as the trouble became serious the governor of Massachusetts interested himself in the matter and with the assistance of the mayor of Boston and the secretary of the Civic federation, brought about an understanding which appears to be satisfactory to all concerned. There was no arbitration, no formal recognition of organized labor and no controversy over a conciliatory spirit the strikers were rope and Germany. enabled to withdraw from their position without humiliation and without surrendering any principle. Nearly all of them have returned to work and another signal victory for industrial peace is recorded.

It should and doubtless will have can be accomplished when the right effort is made and when both parties to a labor dispute are willing to listen to what is fair and reasonable. Another illustration of this was recently furnished at San Francisco, where the strike in the Union Iron works, which had been prolonged, was brought to a close through the mediation of the Nafirst refused to consider the intervention of the federation, but it was brought to see the mistake of this position and the controversy was then easily settled. Still another example of what may be done where the spirit of conciliation is applied is seen in the settlement of a dispute or difference between the coal operators and miners of Illinois, whereby a threatened strike Was averted.

All this indicates that new influence are at work in the interest of industrial presidential nomination. It is not seeming peace, not the least of which, it is for him to proclaim at Washington that to be believed, is the fact that taking a more rational and practical saramount issue in these United States, should complete the Panama canal. He, to the public. Both, it is probable, are

understanding of the cost of labor troubles, which statistics show to be and he expressed the belief that so far very great. At all events there is reason to conclude that conditions are improving and that strikes and lockouts will The time may never come when there

ment. It was to be inferred from this become less numerous from year to year. will be no labor disturbances, but already it is found that such troubles may be diminished and that when they occur a speedy settlement is possible. For this improved condition the National Civic federation deserves no little

Omaha promoters propose to invade San Domingo with a scheme for the construction of a railroad that will connect the rim of the island with a capital located in the interior. That there is nothing small about Omaha promoters the king of Dahomey and the sable Sambos of Santo Domingo will soon discover. If the enterprising Omaha explorers do not carry off the island it will be because it is anchored down deep into the Caribbean sea.

Senator Millard may be satisfied with the revised plans for the Seventeenth street front of the federal building, but the people of Omaha are still puzzling their brains about the absorption of the \$500,000 which was voted by the last congress for the construction of the west wing of the federal building that should have been completed for \$300,000 without bankrupting the contractor.

A Chicago woman has started a crusade to displace the present force of jailers and substitute college bred men, those from theological schools preferred. Her idea is that the refining influence of a literary-religious atmosphere would be a great force for reforming the inmates. No educational requirements, however, will be exacted from applicants for incarceration in the jail.

A Des Moines judge has decided that a wife who keeps a boarding house is not bound to board her husband when provision. His objections were stated in he is physically able to work and help the debate of last Saturday and he keep up the family, but refuses to do proposed several important amend- so. If this decision holds good throughout the country a considerable addition Chief among them was one limiting the to the available labor supply of the

A Reliable Forecast.

Memphis Commercial. The annual eclipse of the sun by Easter bonnet is close at hand.

Two Hands in Action. Philadelphia Ledger. Emperor William's hand stretched across

the sea to America is not supposed to know what his other hand, stretched across the land, is doing in China.

Speeding Belated News Detroit Free Press. As Field Marshal Wolseley is going to South Africa, perhaps he will be able to convey to the Boars some authentic information that the war is over. They don't seem to understand it so far.

The Wonder of the Southwest.

Before Arizona becomes a state, let the nation reserve to the whole people that magnificent scenie region traversed by the grand canyon, for a national park Nobody wants it now, except the people and congress can take it for them by merely saying so. Delay will be expensive.

Combine of Steamship Lines.

Indianapolis Journal. The Morgan steamship syndicate has just ome into control of the White Star line, which makes six lines under its control if reports are true. This movement toward a monopoly of steamship transportation to Europe was not begun long ago, but to has been pushed with the Morgan energy. The evident purpose of these purchases is to control the transportation between the is more than likely that some of the United States and Europe so as to enjoy amendments providing safeguards a monopoly. It is so great an undertaking that its success would be doubtful if othe men less forceful had it in charge. The point is made that this is a trust, but it cannot be said that it is the result of the protective policy.

Antiquated Navigation Laws. Portland Oregonian.

All ships look alike to this rising nation when they ask permission to carry the name and fame of Germany around the world and a right roya! welcome they give Mr. Hill's big steamships when they ask for German registry. The marine policy of the United States is too exclusive to permit the growth of our merchant marine by these methods, which have made Germany and England the powers which they now are on the high seas. The United States is the only country on earth which limits the growth of its merchant marine by excluding all competitors from the business. The antiquated navigation laws of this country are seriously in need of revision, and they are changed all of the subsidies that are piled up cannot place us on an even rights or wrongs, but by the exercise of basis with the unsubsidized fleets of Eu-

BRYAN AS A PARTY BOSS.

Few Pointed Remarks from a Demo eratic Source.

Chicago Chronicle (dem.). It is a fact that the Chronicle has disposition to censure nor even to critigenerally good effect. It shows what cize William J. Bryan for any portion of his course which does not tend toward another democratic defeat with him as the democratic candidate for president or dictating the terms of the democratic platform. But the Chronicle criticizes and censures him for assuming to dictate to the democratic party who shall be its lead-

ers and candidates in the future. Recently Mr. Bryan has been at New York and Washington, perhaps in other eastern political centers. At these places tional Civic federation. The firm at he has taken it on himself to declare that such democrats as David B. Hill and Arthur P. Gorman, of national fame and honored as statesman before he was a voter. must have no part in framing democratipolicies nor in the nomination of democratic candidates this year or in the near future.

The trouble with Mr. Bryan is that h thinks there was no democratic party nor democrats previous to the time when he became the populistic-democratic candidate for president. It is not seemly for Mr. Bryan to say in New York whom the democrats of that state shall nominate for governor or support for the democratic ex-Senator Gorman, now re-elected from Maryland to his old seat in the senate. must not interfere in democratic manage

ment during the coming campaign. Mr. Bryan has become a very unimpor nies of the democratic party. He should

A Mossback Argument

We do not believe that any considerable

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Scenes and Incidents Observed at the

National Capital.

the audience.

\$100,000.

the rear of the church.

hands and Mr. Mason said:

"Doing well?"

verywhere?

'Very well indeed."

"Yes," replied Mr. Bryan.

'Yes, splendid prospects."

prosperous. I met him one day and asked

on "Principles and Policy" before the Lena-

says that making speeches is like making

speech and the bread will come out 'sad.'

ing a speech and it will turn out a flat

thrown up the window to let a cool draft

of air circulate about the place and in the

morning have the girl tell you that the

cold air had made the batch of bread fall?

Well, that's the way with a speech. You

President Roosevelt says he is coming to

e merely a buffer between members of

congress and constituents looking for of-

fice. Congressmen and senators bring such

persons to him and thereby save themselves

the unpleasant duty of turning down the

visitors. Mr. Roosevelt, by the way, told

two Texan visitors the other day that after

leaving the White House he intends to

write a history of the Lone Star state. One

of the visitors was Colonel Andrew Jack-

In accordance with the unvarying custon

of his predecessors, President Roosevelt

will soon sit for his portrait for his medal,

which will be struck by the Philadelphia

mint. No suitable portrait of the president

is in existence and one must be had, in

profile. Such a view is considered requisite

by the mint bureau. Features upon medals

look flat when reproduced in the full face

view. Only one presidential medal has been

so adorned—that of the elder Harrison

Director Roberts of the mint bureau has

several times sent to the White House for

what the president considers to be his best

profile portrait, but as yet no photographer

The photograph having been made to suit

the president's taste, it will be sent to the

chief artist of the Philadelphia mint. The

latter will reproduce its features upon

medallion, about a foot in diameter, com-

posed of a mixture of beeswax, gum and

an occasional touch of the thumb nail and

a brush with fine bristles, the latter being

used to work in the hair. The finished

The reproduction will be placed under

blunt point guided by hand over every line

of the medallion. This point will be con-

nected by a beam to another point, tipped

with a diamond drill, beneath which will

rest a small disk of metal three inches in

diameter. Every bit of relief work upon

the surface of the large medallion will be

reproduced, proportionately smaller, upon

the small disk, in relief, and vice versa

Thus the medallion in cameo will be beau-

tifully copied in intaglio upon the little

disk. The latter will be used as a die from

which the official Roosevelt medals will be

You will be able to purchase as many

Roosevelt medals as you may desire. They

in bronze, All of the presidential medals

stamped.

has been permitted to pose the chief ex

son Houston, a grandson of Sam Houston.

"You have got to have

Washington Methodists have secured

The interior of the church is to be

Philadelphia Press (rep.).

The irrigation question is a momentous thereby "diminish the value of the present one for the western part of this country and farming lands throughout the union. its application to congress for federal as- This is an old argument. It was used by sistance in impounding the waste waters the mossbacks of 100 years ago against has our sympathy. The proposition of the every proposition to develop our ther pending irrigation bill is, in brief, to take western territory beyond the Alleghanies the proceeds of the disposition of all public and to improve the means of communicalands in the thirteen semi-arid states and tion between the east and west. It was territories and expend it in the construc- used as an argument against the Louislana tion and maintenance of irrigation works purchase, which added millions of acres of for storage, diversion and development of productive land to the national domain. The water for the reclamation of arid and semi- theory of this class of objection is that the arid lands in that section of the country, greater the country is, the larger the area This does not look like a very radical measof its productive land, the poorer each indiure. It is merely a proposition that the vidual farmer must be. A single easis in government shall expend what it receives an enormous unproductive desert would be from arid land in providing the means for the ideal happy land for such people. te reclamation and development.

There are always vital considerations number of eastern farmers are so ignorant against a new departure like this that as to be influenced by such arguments. If should be carefully weighed before the he who makes two blades of grass grow lecisive step is taken. There is, however, where one grew before is a public beneone objection made to the irrigation bill factor, then is not a government an enorthat we cannot respect. It is urged in the mous benefactor to its people if it changes minority report and it is elaborated and in- waste lands into blooming gardens and sisted upon by Congressman Sibley of this fruitful fields and adds so much to our prostate in opposing the bill. It is that it is ductive territory that the United States, unjust to eastern farmers for the United which is already producing enough to feed States to add millions of acres of productive itself and a part of Europe, shall become lands to our sational possessions and the granary of the world?

PARAGRAPHERS ON THE VELDT.

Kansas City Star: The prompt release of Methuen by General Delarey showed the great anxiety of the Boers to have the captive British commander get back to work. Philadelphia Press: If the Boers should capture one or two more British generals Lord Kitchener would be able to report that the war is over and people would then believe him.

Washington Post: At the present mo ment the English are reminded of Modder river and Spion Kop. And this is also the platform, baptismal foat and choir will be point where General Buller slips behind the

door for a quiet smile. Philadelphia North American: The Boer envoys, who are continually protesting against the shipment of American mules e South Africa for the use of the British army, manifest much unwisdom. The American mule is the best friend the Boers have, and to him they owe all of their

recent victories. Chicago Chronicle: Delarey's magnanim ity to the wounded Methuen is in part, at east, explained. Delarey's wife and chilwere once British captives and Methuen was considerate of them. There is no place on earth where manly men have their being in which will not be found the "touch of nature that makes the whole world kin."

Louisville Courier Journal: Why the Boers released General Methuen, when they might have held him as a hostage for the safety of some of their own leaders in British hands, is not apparent. Perhaps their movements are so rapid that they cannot reasonably embarrass themselves with the care of prisoners, especially when they are wounded. In any event, his re lease is an example of moderation which the British government can hardly afford to refuse to recognize in some substantial

Baltimore American: Lord Rosebery's paper which seemed to be flourishing and emark that in times to come the British could feel proud that their country passed him how he was coming on with the paper. through the storm without flinching, and 'Fine,' he said. 'Good advertising, good not for a moment dismayed, is not exactly circulation and everything in nice shape. the attitude the sation supposed it would Your paper is going everywhere?' I inquired. Yes, indeed,' he said, 'just put a be taking in the future when the empire. with all its great resources and tremendous mortgage on my house this morning to keep prestige went to war with insignificant little South African republics. England congratulating herself that she is not flinching in face of the Boers is anything but a heroic figure.

Detroit Free Press: The malicious cunning of the Boers reveals itself in the re- is in Adrian, Mich., has unbosomed himself lease of General Methuen. His lordship in as to speeches and speechmaking, relates captivity is worth nothing to the Boer the Washington Post. The congressman cause, but his lordship in the field, in command of British soldiers, is equivalent to a batch of bread. two Boer regiments. The adroit burghers the salt properly proportioned; the flour learn that a great deal of sympathy for the must be of the best and then the atcaptured general is expressed in London. mosphere of the room, which is to say the With native craft, they argue that if he is released he may be restored to command. Therefore they send him back to Kitchener You may start on your wrong leg in makwith their blessing and hopes of promotion. It is a wily plot, but it remains to be seen whether or not the British government will fall into the trap.

PERSONAL NOTES.

David B. Hill never worries, but he likes you, and away you go. Have you ever to worry others. kitchen for a drink and thoughtlessly

China's women are becoming civilized. They drink only pink tea now. Admiral Cevera, he of Schley fame, invented something in the wireless telegraphy line.

Lord Roberts owes an obligation to for can't tell anything about bread until you tune for taking him out of South Africa at the proper psychological moment. J. Frederick Stein, the first German teacher in Boston's public schools, died last week. He held the position for thirty-

four years. The "Alice Roosevelt" and the "Helen Gould" are the names of new roses exhibited by the American Rose society in

New York City. Major John E. Barrow, who fifty years age was partner in the grocery business with Ethan Allen Hitchcock, secretary of

the interior, is dead. Eben D. Jordon of Boston has given \$50, 000 to the building fund of the New England conservatory of music. He recently announced a gift of \$50,000 for an organ. Pablo, a half-breed Indian and Mexican

reservation in Montana 10,000 head of cattle and a herd of buffalo numbering 180, the largest on the continent. Dr. Fenger, the eminent surgeon of Chicago, who died last Friday, was known the world over as an authority on pathological

and a millionaire, owns and keeps at his

surgery. He is said to have performed between 7,000 and 8,000 post-mortem examinations. Cornelius Van Ness, the octogenarian millionaire of Port Jarvis, N. Y., bas just had gratified his desire of many years to be

baptised in the River Jordan, for the purpose of which he made a special trip to the Twelve millionaires, it is said, have left Denver because society would not open its

doors to them. Denver society exercises vermillion. The shaping of the relief demuch caution in receiving unidentified resign will be done with small tools of wood, cruits. A cashier's check is usually required to break in. Prof. Virchow addresses a letter of thanks to his friends in the current number | medalifon will then be electrotyped in metal

of his Archiv for their celebration of his 80th birthday on October 18, 1901. He received no less than 800 telegrams, besides many addresses. In one casket from the nedical societies of Austria there were eighty special addresses. From all Europe, from England, Australia, Japan and America came testimonials. While Prince Henry and his party were

visiting Niagara Falls Admiral Evans felt a hand fumbling under his coat for his watch. With characteristic coolness "Fighting Bob" caught the hand and, turning his keen eyes on the thief, said: "It's on the other side, but if you reach for it I'll crack you over the head." The admiral carried a heavy cane. As soon as the pickpocket saw it he tore away from Admiral Evans and will cost you \$2 apiece and will be struck fied into the growd,

have been in bronze; all have cost the same and all have been of the same size except that of John Adams. His is two inches in diameter and may be had for \$1.50.

MEDICAL ELECTRICITY.

Recent Developments Arouse Prophets and the Quacks.

Philadelphia Record. In days when the sum of human knowledge was very much less than it is now pretty nearly everything which could not be explained was secribed to electricity That wonderful force was even more mysterious than the phenomena which it was supposed to explain and it was because it was mysterious that it was regarded as the cause of things. The years of experiment and discovery seem to have confirmed the opinion of the ignorant. Electricity is seen to be the universal force. Motion light, heat, magnetism, life itself, are all forms of electrical energy. The most dunderheaded quack of the seventeenth century and the most enlightened science student of our own day are in substantial agreement. Prof. Loeb and Dr. Matthews affirm, in effect, that life is a manifestation of electrical force; that the "vital power" which the earlier physiologist regarded as a mystery that must be forever impenetrable in electrical, nerve force being a discharge of polarized electricity.

The ignorant charlatans of a darker age, the "magnetic healers," "snapping" doctors and their kin insincerely claimed for electricity or magnetism no more than the enlightened electro-therapeutists of today claim for it as a curative agent. The latter do not, any more than did the former. admit the existence of any limitations to electricity as a remedy for disease. Formerly it was applied with no more plans for a church edifice to be built in reason than that which induced a man to that city as a memorial to President Mc-Kinley. The building is cruciform, with ward off rheumatism or than that which led the old lady to ride in a trolley car four corner towers surmounted by small domes, with a large central dome as a because electricity was said to relieve dominant feature. The entrance to the rheumatic pains. At an enthusiastic meetchurch is through a large classical portice. Ing of electro-therapeutists wonderful re-The auditorium is arranged so that the suits were ascribed to electricity. For example, a chuckle-headed boy who was too visible from all parts of the building. The stupid to add three and three became a galleries are supported by cantilevers rest- mathematical prodigy after thirty electrical treatments. This suggests, of course, ing on girders which run from the large the advisability of installing heavy batcluster of columns that form the intersecteries in the basement of the national capition of the cross. In this way there are no columns to interfere with the view of tol and connecting wires with the seats of senators and representatives. It is an evidence that people are not so credulous as they are said to be that so many conlighted from the dome, and from the windows on three sides of the auditorium. tinue to be afflicted with distressing maladies when cure by electricity is so sure Walting rooms, a pastor's study, choir and when live wires dangle from poles and rooms and reception rooms are placed at run along the streets within reach of the

The building, as contemplated in the poorest sufferer, Unfortunately the annals of medicine drawings, will be eighty-eight feet wide are little more than a record of the failure and 120 feet long, with a seating capacity of remedies which had been exalted to the of about 1,500 people. The estimated cost is skies. In other days men who stood at the head of their profession were positive Senator Mason and William J. Bryan met in their belief in systems of treatment which were later found to be without any in the Marble room lobby of the senate, reports the New York World. They shook virtue whatever. It is the memory of countless sure cures which keeps many sufferers from submitting themselves to the "So you are in the newspaper business beneficent shocks of electricity. To assume that the therapeutic value of electricity is not exaggerated by those who make its use a specialty would be to fly in the face of long experience. In their sug-"Good circulation and your paper going gestions as to the means of lengthening the average span of human life Prof. Loeb and Dr. Matthews do not mention electri-"That reminds me of a story," said Mr. Mason. "A friend of mine started a news-

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cal treatment.

Chicago Tribune: Tourist-That was a fearful tornado you had here a short time ago.

Omaha Citizen—Oh, it didn't seem so awfully windy. We had a populist national convention here once.

Brooklyn Life: "What scared you so? You are all out of breath."
"I just crossed the street in front of a cross-eyed bicyclist who was in a hurry." Congressman Burkett of Nebraska, who is booked to make a soul-stirring speech Philadelphia Bulletin: "Pa, why does woman have Wednesday or Thursday o some other day in the week printed on he cards?" wee County Republican club, whose habitat "Well, my boy, that's so her women friends can call some other day,"

Detroit Free Press: Dolly-Are you doing penance during Lent?
Polly-I think so: I go down street and look at all the lovely things in the shop windows without buying any.

Chicago Post: "Which do you prefer," asked the friend, "classical music or classical plays?" "Classical music, every time," answered Mr. Cumrox. "There's always noise enough in that to keep you awake." environments, must be perfect or both the

failure. You may be started wrong by the Chicago Post: "I wonder what he meant, said the man who had been trying to make 'introducer,' that is, the fellow who pre-"What he said, very likely," some one sides over the symposium, and he may have put your audience at cross purposes with suggested. Yes, I know, but he said my flow of yourself. You are 'faded' from that time on. Then a cold gust of wind may strike Philadelphia Press: Mr. Hauskeep—And what are you going to call your verses? Rimer—"A Broken Vase."
Mr. Hauskeep—Ah, that reminds me of a little thing our cook dashed off the other come home late at night and gone into the

New York Sun: Jasper-I always sympathize with the upper dog in a fight, Jumpuppe—You mean the under dog, don't Jasper-No, I don't. Some fool philan thropist is sure to come along and kick is the ribs of the upper dog.

Washington Star: "I am glad to see that there are no rumors of your resignation," said the friend.
"Yes," answered the public official, in a tone of slight discontent, "I am afraid am not attracting the attention that I ought to."

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Boston Transcript. Winter, unloose thy shackles!" crics the "And bare the breasts of fountains to the The mandate given, straightway it is done.

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Awakening from sloth and blissful case,
From sadness, gloom and cares that chafe
and fret.
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