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A Fine Piece of Art Work.

Ord Quiz. The Sunday edition of The Illustrated Hee was as fine a piece of art as we have looked upon for some time. The edition was especially prepared as an Easter num-

Governor Cummins of Iowa is making something of a veto record for himself.

Now for the final tug between the wets and the drys in all our Nebraska

Watch out for eleventh-hour roorbacks fabricated to order to stampede the South Omaha municipal election.

Mark down the year 1902 for furnishing a snowy Easter. There's no telling when another like it will be forthcoming.

What is the difference between a money slot machine and a trade slo machine so far as the anti-gambling law is concerned?

It is to be noted that while Governor Savage says he did not authorize the publication of his program, he carefully avoids calling it in.

Isn't it about time for some one to turn up a copy of an alleged secret report made by Prince Henry on his recent visit to the United States?

It may be worthy of note that the Iowa legislature, which convened the first week in January, is still in session and no senatorial deadlock, either.

King Edward will soon be congratulating himself that he has but one coronation fete to go through in a life-time. If it were an annual event he would be sorely tempted to abdicate.

Was the landslide that buried Senstor Jones at the Arkansas primaries a knock-out of the cotton bale trust or is it to be interpreted as a backslide of the half horse half alligator democracy from William Jennings Bryan?

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy is calling popular imprecations down upon himself for cutting the pay of the royal cook on the theory that true economy begins at home. If the royal cooks were only organized as a union the king might expect a strike in his kitchen.

Miss Stone, the ransomed missionary, shows great discretion in saying that she of her captivity. With a fond remembrance of the profits of their successful exploit the Bulgarians would be strongly | the young women students has not been tempted to make her next visit more costly than the last.

The committee appointed to investigate the charges of bribery in connection with the approval by congress of the purchase of the Danish West Indies insists it will go to the bottom of the case. If any money intended for congressmen has been intercepted they want to know who has been beating

Omaha bank clearings show a gratifying increase during the past week as compared with the corresponding period last year. Omaha leads such commercial centers as Buffalo, Milwaukee and St. Paul by from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. while its clearings exceed by more than 80 per cent the bank clearings of Denver and St. Joseph.

commissioner of the United States Maripe Hospital service that vaccination your arm sore or your lower limb ache of the good people who have not yet carried their arm in a sling or limped with a cane.

ENFORCING THE LAWS. The course the administration is taking to enforce the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws is said to be viewed have not hesitated to utter their remonstrances in private. They had not tary Root the former said there would would really try to put these laws into United States all that had been asked, value, instead of allowing them to continue as dead letters, certain congressfrom fear of the hostility of the corporations attacked. Many railway managers or their representatives have been at the like fortifications belonging to another national capital recently and evidently these congressmen have fallen under their influence.

These gentlemen will learn, however, if they are not already aware of the spected. The Cuban people are parriotic tion to enforce the laws is approved by a simple performance of duty. President Roosevelt is not an enemy of corporations that comply with the laws. as he had previously done in public ing this matter it would be well to the laws are being disregarded and vio- like proposition. Such reflection must no doubt he will perform this duty tion at Havana is reasonable and that whenever necessary, regardless of corticians. The proceedings that have been | doned. Violations of the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws are justified by conditions which it would have been a re- which it is generally conceded abridges proach to the administration to ignore." the independence of the new republic. Violations of the interstate commerce Undoubtedly these will be to the advanofficials. Rate-cutting and the paying our demands so far as to affront the This could not be permitted to continue | thereby incur their enmity. and the prompt action taken to put a stop to it merits the heartiest commendation.

What is to be apprehended from the alarm which this course is said to have caused some congressmen is the failure of proposed legislation for strengthening the interstate commerce law and opposition to such legislation, which is sober up. The saloon was closed by the very general, is said to be manifesting police and the bartender placed behind itself strongly at Washington and its iron bars. influence is apparent in the apathy that pervades both branches of congress in regard to this matter. Congressmen who fear the power of the corporations -and they are numerous-will do nothing to enlarge the authority of the Interstate Commerce commission and consequently the chances are small for anything being done, at the present session at least, for making the law stronger and more effective. But if congress is oner with bug juice and served notice under the influence of the corporations the president has shown that he is not and that he proposes to do his duty in or prepare to mop his lacerated feelings enforcing the laws. This attitude may make those who disregard and violate the laws enemies of the president, but it will strengthen him in popular confidence.

FUTURE OF CO-EDUCATION.

We are very much inclined to doubt the existence of any substantial grounds for the apprehension expressed by President James of Northwestern university that a serious crisis is at hand in the movement for co-educational instruction in our institutions of higher learning. Co-education has secured its firmest

footbold and has advanced farthest in the state universities maintained by our western commonwealths as the capstone of the free public school system. As a public institution supported out of the proceeds of general taxation, our state universities could not consistently draw a line between the sexes without destroying the very foundations of equality upon which they have been erected. The fact that the older and professional demagogues and impudent privately endowed universities of the light For example. Lawyer Ed P. east which were under no obligations to admit women have practically all of son, has had the audacity to charge that them thrown the doors wide open in Koutsky, the republican candidate for nearly every department is proof positive that the "crisis" foreshadowed corrupt Omaha machine. Mr. Kelly, a does not affect the principle of co- brother of Mayor Kelly, in addressing education, but rather the regulation or repression of certain disputed features that have of late become more pro-

nounced. That co-educational institutions require closer and more careful supervision of the student body and more than any other. strict control of student life outside as quite well qualified to run their own city. well as inside the lecture room and laboratory than those devoted either to young men or young women by themselves has been recognized from the first, although, perhaps, the necessity has not been met as fully as it should be. From natural reasons which have does not expect ever to revisit the scenes excluded the one sex from that class of college athletics in which most public interest centers the recreation side of developed as strongly as that of the young men and this defect must be made good by expansion in other directions. The rapid growth, however, of a distinctly college spirit among the young women as well as among the young men is doing more to round out student life in the co-educational uni-

versities than any other agency. At all events, one thing we may rest assured of-whatever new departures may be grafted on co-education, the system is here to stay and will go forward

instead of backward.

NAVAL STATIONS IN CUBA. protest through the ballot box by about three to one. Under the Platt resolution the United States was to have six naval and coaling stations in Cuba and among naval officers Havana has from the first been regarded as the most important place of all that have been considered. These mary. If he had exercised his memory With the assurance of the special mistake to defer to the opinion of President Palma in opposition to an Amerwith glycerine lymph will not make stated that Admiral Bradford, who is on behalf of the republican ticket now cruising in Cuban waters investi- headed by his brother. Two years ago there ought to be no further objection gating locations for stations, is most he did not dread the Cmaha machine against compulsory vaccination of all strenuous for establishing a naval sta- and did not sound the fire slarm bell will never protion at Havana, urging that in case of over the danger of annexation of South war requiring operations in the Gulf of Omaha with Omaha.

ance to have a strong station at Havana. of things that men who could see noth-But granting this, it would yet seem ing wrong in the rotten municipal adthat our government should consider the ministrations that have cursed South sentiment of the Cuban people in the Omaha for the past few years should with alarm by some congressmen, who matter. In the conference a few days prefer to support for mayor of South ago between President Palma and Secre- Omaha a man who was notoriously implicated in the South Omaha school thought it possible that the president be no difficulty about granting the board scandal to a man who bears an unsuilled reputation for honesty. Foreffect and now that he has shown that so far as all except Havana was con- tunately the respectable South Omaha he intends to thoroughly test their cerned. He declared that in his judg- taxpayers are too intelligent to allow ment the Cuban people would resent the themselves to be frightened by bugselection of the capital of the new re- bears or humbugged by mountebanks men have become alarmed, doubtless public as a naval station for the United trying to impose on their credulity. States or for any foreign power. They would never agree to allow anything

Popocratic papers never tire of sandbagging General Funston. Their latest howl is over his admission that a numpower to be set up where the citizens of Cuba would see a foreign flag flying ber of soldiers who took part in the capconstantly in their capital. This sentil ture of Aguinaldo were disguised in ment is reasonable and should be re- Filipino undress uniforms. This is denounced as a most atroclous violation of fact, that the purpose of the administra- and it is easy to understand that the the rules of war. These horror-stricken and his performance of them is entirely satpresence of a foreign flag over fortificapatriots evidently are not aware of the the people. They see in the course taken | tions at the capital of the republic would | fact that such practice is not out of the be offensive to their patriotism and ordinary in war. During the civil war therefore very certain to create and soldiers who served as scouts on both keep alive among them a strong feeling sides masqueraded in all sorts of ap-He made this plain in his first message, of dislike for this country. In consider- parel. General Fremont, for example, papers have frequently seen dispatches of think they are doomed to disappointment, in his West Virginia campaign had a speeches when he was a candidate for think of ourselves in their place, to con- company known as the Jesse scouts, vice president. But when he finds that sider what Americans would say to a under Captain Carpenter of Kansas. who were operated disguised as Virginia lated it is his imperative duty to take lead to the conviction that the objection farmers and mountaineers, yet were on action for enforcing them and there is of the Cubans to an American naval sta- the payroll of the army, and while they took the risk of being dealt with as spies proper regard for their patriotic feeling in case of capture they were recognized poration protests or the fears of poll- requires that the proposition be aban- as a legitimate part of the union army. Nobody in those days deemed the em-Our government has required a good ployment of these scouts as a violation deal of Cuba. It has imposed conditions of the rules of war.

The fdea that anybody interested in the growth and prosperity of Omaha is act were frankly admitted by railway tage of Cuba, but we should not carry hostile to any legitimate enterprise or project that would build up South of rebates was freely acknowledged. patriotism of the Cuban people and Omaha is senseless. South Omaha is as much a part of Omaha as North Omaha. time getting to the front as an aspirant South Omaha was founded and built up for the republican nomination for gov-A TALE OF WOE IN THREE CHAPTERS by citizens of Omaha who are still in-An awful, awful tale has been un- terested in its manufacturing concerns, its banking institutions, business houses and real estate. Everybody interested in Omaha knows that anything that A man with unsteady legs and buzzing brain lost \$300 in a saloon and was Omaha would seriously damage Omaha. making it more effective. The railroad taken to the city jail until he could All attempts to array the two towns against one another or to make believe that Omaha people or papers are conspiring against South Omaha can be traced to political demagogues and heard of them, and whether so or not, the grafting blatherskites who hope to profit to recover the money, but refused point by stimulating local prejudice and fomenting discord to distract attention while they are getting in their work.

folded by the double-headed "Daily Yel-

CHAPTER L.

CHAPTER-II. -

The wicked chief of police managed

blank to unbosom himself to the rep-

resentative of the "Daily Yellow," who

was armed with plenipotentiary powers

of inquisition and all the instruments

for roasting. The chief of police went

CHAPTER III.

have befallen Omaha such as has never

been witnessed west of the New York

Grand Central tunnel but for the timely

THE SOUTH OMAHA CAMPAIGN.

a democratic meeting, declared:

can serve the people of South Omaha better

E. Rosewater of Omaha. It is said that Mr.

our good city. We are told that Mr.

in the interest of Mr. Koutsky's nomina-

tion and election. What does this mean!

Through what agency shall this money get

back to the original owner, houest Frank

And more of such Pharisee gabble.

lible enough to swallow the preposter-

sands of dollars to assist Kontsky in

defeating Kelly at the primaries he

ought to be confined in the asylum for

the feeble-minded for the rest of his

at the primaries was not Omaha money

self by his own conduct. He had for-

feited the confidence of the republicans

Koutsky, or his agent, of course?

Also believe they are

We do not want the aid of Mr.

retreat of the chief of police, coupled

low" of these parts.

with a handkerchief.

rest.

And now it is reported that an appeal is to be made to Attorney General Knox so far even as to resent the intimation for an opinion whether the proposed that he had supplied the drunken pris- discrimination of the National Federation of Women's Clubs between white semi-officially on the inquisitor either to and colored constituencies would not be requirement for race equality prescribed surdity of this contention is disclosed by Thereupon a lurid double-shotted the most casual reading of the amendbroadside was fired that made the earth | ment, which refers only to discriminations by the United States or by any quake for half a mile around Fourteenth and Farnam and shook the plate glass state. The federal constitution has no Paxton hotel. A catastrophe might club women's federation than it has with that of a trades union or a secret society. The club women have tackled the color question of their own volition and will have to fight it out among

with a guaranty bond that the Omaha themselves. bastile would hereafter be open at all The northwestern representatives of hours of the night and day to the spethe National Editorial association, cial commissioner of the "Daily Yellow," which is chiefly made up of dentists, whose stock-in-trade hereafter, as in the milliners, dressmakers, photographers, past, is to be found in the deep recesses a slight sprinkling of journalists who of that dungeon where the wicked cense have never seen a perfecting press, and from troubling and the weary are at other people who enjoy free ride junkets and love to wear press badges, is said to be headed for Omaha and the Com-The South Omaha municipal cammercial club is asked to spend a few hundred dollars for their entertainment. paign has developed a wide field for The experience of the club with the Canadian and Manitoba editorial excursion would not seem to justify a very Smith, who is employed by Tom Denniheavy investment in that direction.

American Push Balked.

mayor, is a tool of Dennison and the New York Mail and Express, It is not likely that the French government will sell their tobacco monopoly to American capitalists. It would be I come before you as a republican and a however, if it would. No man who ever supporter of the regular nominees of the smoked a French cigar looked farther for city democratic ticket. I am not a the cause of anarchy, assassination and politician and have nothing to fear in exrevolution. pressing my views. I believe home talent

Open to Suspicion.

Indianapolis News. It is good news that the president pro oses to examine, with closest scrutiny all bills removing the charge of desertion from men that served in the civil war. If men Frank Koutsky makes frequent calls to see him for some reason. Every one knows were wrongfully charged with desertion it is hardly likely that they would wait nearly that it cannot be to the best interests of forty years before seeking to have the rec-Rosewater has already contributed \$3,000 ord corrected.

Samples of Dave's Thoughtfulness.

Valley Enterprise. Congressman Mercer is flooding the cour try with a free distribution of garden seed trees, etc., furnished by the United States rovernment. Mr. Mercer is very thought-If any South Omaha democrat is gulful of his people, especially just before an election, in which congressmen are chosen Except in congressional campaigns Dave ous story that Rosewater, or anybody Mercer has become a foreigner to Neelse in Omaha, would contribute thoubraska

Make It Unanimous

Boston Globe, A recent technical article by a well known classical teacher contains the following life. The thing that beat Mayor Kelly

"The ultimate and persistent character nor South Omaha money. Everybody istic and potency of all combined terms is knows that Mayor Kelly defeated himpervasive reciprocal modification, without regard to specific affinities and influences uperimposed upon their fundamental attitude and operation.' of South Omaha, who registered their

Contrary minded, no; it is a vote! Efficacious Temperance Reform.

Philadelphia Press If this man Kelly had told the truth The Union Pacific railroad has he would have said that he has turned several other important railroad lines in this political headspring because his refusing to employ men who frequent liquor brother was defeated in the late prisaloons. This rule applies while the men are off duty as well as when they are on duty. And as a consequence many of the he might also have remembered that his saloons in places along the Union Pacific conscience was not shocked two years lines have been compelled to close from a ago, when Rosewater was induced to lack of oatronage. Such action on the part ican naval station at Havana. It is go to South Omaha to make speeches of great business interests is much more influential in restricting the use of intoxicants wan laws passed to prohibit the liquor traffic and to the enforcement of which public opinion contributes no aid. It bahly be possible to stop entirely the dringing of intoxicants, but if the church and business interests combine the alter the fact that she has some highly evils of the liquor traffic can be reduced educated officials who have been adepts Mexico it would be of the first import. It is in accord with the eternal fitness to a minimum,

An Ingenious Campaign

New York Tribune.

Those who find pleasure in bestowing a St. Louis to take a last farewell of his reasonable amount of attention on public brother, who has since died, a telegram affairs, and especially on that play of per- dated at St. Louis, without referring to the sonal motives for which public affairs furn- well known fact that the brother, himself a ish a convient field, should not everlook the distinguished citizen, was desperately sick, campaign which was begun months ago and said that the secretary was in the city, still continues in the hope of getting Secre- presumably for the purpose of arranging tary Hitchcock of the Department of the his private affairs preparatory to his with-Interior out of President Roosevelt's cab- drawal from public life. Occasionally the inet. The method adopted for that purpose report is less circumstantial, merely saying is not strictly original, but the scale on that the precise date of Mr. Htchcock's reswhich it is being employed and the zeal, the ignation has not been fixed; but in every skill and the quiet persistence which the instance the assumption is that his impendmanagers exhibit are novel, and must be ing retirement from the cabinet is a matexceedingly interesting to all who are ac- ter of common knowledge. quainted with the circumstances. Now of course the persons who procure

As we understand the matter, Mr. Hitchcock has not the slightest reason to suppose aware that there is no truth in them; but that the president desires to replace him, nor any intention of asking to be relieved. His duties are congenial to the secretary, why Mr. Hitchcock will and should resign. isfactory to his chief. But there are a few malice in their fabrications. Their object persons who burn to bring about his retire- is to create, as one might say, an atmosment, and their plan of operations is de- phere in which he will sooner or later find serving of ecrutiny, though not necessarily it ifksome to breathe, and they apparently of imitation. During the past winter and expect to succeed in making him so uncomup to the present time readers of the newsthis general character from various parts of but in the mean time their proceedings the country, more or less conspicuously constitute an interesting study in political "The Hon. So-and-So, commonly ethics. It is really astonishing that they mentioned as the probable successor of Sec- have been able to invest their scheme with retary Hitchcock, who is understood to be so sweet an air of innocence and to carry about to resign, says that the place has not it on so long. It is not essential for the been offered to him as yet, but that he purposes of this brief and dispassionate acshould be disposed to give such an offer his count of a singular undertaking to inquire serious consideration." The announcement too curiously into the question of its authis never made twice in the same form, nor, orship and promotion. If there were no so far as we have observed, is a single in- antecedent evidence of the fact, this one dividual designated as the coming man more continuous performance would clearly enthan once. Sometimes a dispatch does not title its managers to whatever credit is and ask you to answer it by a simple 'yes' allude to the succession at all, but relates implied in the descriptive term, "a smooth or 'no." exclusively to the present incumbent. Thus article." not long ago, when Mr. Hitchcock went to

REPUBLICANS LINING UP FOR FRAY. I the republican newspapers of the state in

Dakota City Eagle: W. G. Sears, speaker of the last legislature, is not losing any ernor of Nebraska.

Wausa Gazette: Judge Robertson of Norfolk is gaining in popularity as a possible candidate for governor on the republican ticket this fall. There are no reasons why Mr. Robertson should not have the united would obstruct the growth of South support of northern Nebraska, and we believe he will.

Columbus Times: The Times is pleased to learn that Hop. W. M. Robertson of Norfolk has entered the field as a republican candidate for the nomination for governor. If there are others we have not Times is for Robertson.

Auburn Post: Judge Paul Jessen of Ne braska City is being pushed forward by his friends as a candidate for governor on the republican ticket. Mr. Jessen is a clean, upright young man with a splendid record behind him as a citizen, school teacher, lawyer, soldier and judge, and if elected would make this state an ideal governor.

Wood River Interests: The name of Hon. W. A. Prince is being quite frequently mentioned in connection with the congressional race in this district. Prince's brilliant rec desist from further insulting innuendoes unconstitutional as an infraction of the ord in the legislature four years ago gave him a state reputation and makes him a by the fifteenth amendment. The ab- strong man for congressional honors. Governor Abbott is also mentioned as a possible

nominee. Wood River Interests: The republican Láncoln on Wednesday, June 18. Already among the rank and file if a Bartley apolo gist is put up for governor it means a Waterloo at the polls.

congress are in order, we rise to nominate that greatest of all republicans and states men, the Hon, Gustave Runge, In presenting the name of Mr. Runge we realize that he has never stolen any banks nor been mixed in any necktie parties, and he may be lacking in other qualifications to commend him to the suffrages of the people-but, "divil the odds, we nominates him, any

Stanton Pickett: H. C Russell of Schuy ler is a candidate for governor and the Grand Army of the Republic post of that city is out with resolutions asking the republican party to make him its candidate. Mr. Russell was formerly commissioner of public lands and buildings and is the present postmaster at Schuyler, Schuyler also has a candidate for state treasurer in the person of E. H. Phelps, and he's a good

Columbus Times: The republican stat convention will be held in Lincoln June 18only two and one-half months hence. It is rare a state convention is called so early in the season, but this year it is the wisest move that could be made. Let a good tic ket be selected and give the voters of this state an opportunity to become well and thoroughly acquainted with their fitness and qualifications and Nebraska will roll up 20,-000 republican majority.

Alliance Times: The name of Captain J. C. Gammill of Frontier county has been suggested for governor. The Times is advised that Captain Gammill is one of the sturdiest republicans and one of the brainiest men in the state of Nebraska. He has battled for both his country and his party with a vigor surpassed by no man in the state. He is and would be entirely free from any entanglements with factions or rings, and that is the sort of a man it is especially desirable to nominate this time

Grand Island Independent: The repub lican state central committee at its meeting at Lincoln yesterday fixed June 18 as the date for holding the state convention. It appears that so early a date was agreed upon primarily to clear the republican atmosphere of the state, which, it can be admitted, has been densely forgy for some time. It will depend largely upon what kind of a spectacle will be revealed, upon the clearing away of the fog, whether Governor Savage's successor is to be a repub-Hean or not.

St. Edwards Advance: We understand that Boone county is to have a candidate up | there was a pistol shot, and a bullet buried for the congressional nomination. The tracif in the floor at his feet. friends of H. C. Vail of Albion have induced him to allow his name to be used in the convention. Mr. Vail is one of our most successful lawyers, has always been in harmony with the republicans of Boone county and hails from a county that turns out good cried to the man behind the bar. solid republican majorities. In consideration of these facts his chance for catching he said, turning fiercely upon Visscher the nomination are much better than any candidate thus far in the field.

Wayne Herald: Two mighty good men are being very much talked of for governor only knows where we're at. Nebraska is around him. said to stand at the top notch, in that there are less illiterate people in her boundaries, according to population, than any state in the union. But this does not again." alter the fact that she has some highly in filching the state and who have placed day night at the Arifugton to the Gridiron

a darmed unpleasant situation, a position the press hopes to be released of next fall.

fortable that he will be glad to escape. We

Hartington Herald: Thus far it appears that there is not to be a scarcity of good material from which to select a congressional nominee at the coming congrescional convention. Cedar county will present the name of J. F. Jenal, Dixon county will come forward with J. J. McCarthy. George A. Brooks of Knox, Judge Boyd of Antelope, Mr. Vail of Boone, Dr. Hanson of Platte are avowed candidates. There are also others who have not announced themselves. The friends of E. A. Wiltse of Thurston county and of William M. Warner of Dakota will have an eye out for an opportunity to secure the nomination for flieir favorites. These gentlemen, though not avowed candidates, are too loyal to their party and state to refuse to accept should the convention single either out for

Albion News: The News is authorized to say that Hon. H. C. Vail of this city is a 80th birthday on April 3. candidate for congress, subject to the best judgment of the republican congressional convention. If a man's tastes run that way, it is legitimate, proper and honorable for any American citizen to aspire to a seat in the nation's congress. Mr. Vail is desirous of the nomination only upon the condition that the convention shall deem him the best and strongest man to make the race. He does not propose to spend any great amount of time in the pre-convention canvass. He has the assurance of considerable support outside of his own county, which has caused him to decide to become a candidate. Mr. Vall stands well state convention has been called to meet at at home and there will be no objection to giving him the solid delegation from here. the political war horses and politicians are Among all the names mentioned for the title "The Plains, Across," in defense of windows and other glassware in the more to do with the constitution of the prancing around and getting pretty well place, Mr. Vail is fully equal to any of which Mr. Brooks says: "In the rude balwarmed up. It is the general sentiment them in point of ability. He has always lade and songs of the time, the phrase for been a consistent republican, and stands for the better elements of the party. Should he receive the nomination he will make an Sidney Telegraph: Since nominations for active and effective canvass of the district.

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Scenes and Incidents Sketched at the National Capital.

The Roosevelt youngsters will be in their giory today as leaders in the annual eggrolling contest in the lot back of the White House, Easter Monday ranks next to Christmas in the joyous calendar of Washington children, and if the weather is favorable they troop in vast number to the White House for the famous egg-rolling frolic. For several years past the White House made no contribution to the jolly crowd. This time there is a fine bunch of youngsters in the White House to lead the play in "our back yard."

In itself the egg-rolling is a event. All the children of the city crowd the beautiful lawns, rolling eggs down the slopes and then tumbling after them. Boys in the prettiest and brightest clothes mingle with young newsboys and little street gamins. Girls with nurses and without them help to swell the throng. All Washington comes to look on. The Marine Band plays.

Senator Mason of Illinois turns loose another story from his vast stock and makes a former resident of Omaha the central figure to wind the yarn on. Those who remember Will Visscher will understand at once the wierdness of the story. It does not fit him, not by a jugful. According to the rotund senator, Visscher was in Deadwood many years ago and was a victim of exceeding bad luck. He had no money, and was walking the street, wondering how he could get a drink of whisky to cheer him up. He saw a number of miners and cowboys enter a saloon, and, noticing that they were particularly disreputable in appearance and carried guns, he followed them in. When he got inside he addressed the assemblage without waiting for the formality

of an introduction. "Gentlemen," he said, "I have just witnessed a most deplorable incident. In a saloon down the street a man with a gun forced an unarmed stranger from the east to take a drink of whisky, even though the stranger protested that he had never tasted liquor in his life, and was morally opposed to its use. New," said Visscher, glaring around him, "I would like to see some one try to make me take a drink against my will."

He had hardly uttered the words, when "You have me "Hold on," he shouted.

at a disadvantage. I left my gun at the hotel! "Never mind that," said the man who had fired the shot. "Here, barkeeper," he 'Put up six glasses there, and fill them all. You,

"will drink all of them."

Visscher protested, but another bullet struck the floor at his feet, and he thereupon turned his attention to the bar. The of Nebraska on the republican side of the glasses had all been filled, and Visscher fence. They are W. G. Sears of Tekamah emptied each in turn, while the man with and W. M. Robertson of Norfolk, and we the gun stood ready to enforce his combelieve they are men who, if elected, would mand. When Visscher had taken the last have the honor of the party and the wel- drink and a row of empty glasses stood fare of the grand old commonwealth of before him on the bar, he turned a glow-Nebraska at heart. If they would not, God ing and a smiling face upon the bad men

> "Now, gentlemen," he said, cheerfully, "if anyone will fill those glasses up again I'll just drink my way back up the line

Senator Hanna gave a dinner last Satur-

club. He has been a guest at every dinner since he has been in Washington, relates the Washington Post, and he took the opportunity, to use his own words, of playng a return engagement.

The dinner was elaborately served, the menu being prepared with especial care. Being attended only by members of the club, the dinner was marked by a delightful freedom. Although Mr. Hanna was the host, the clubmen did not allow him to escape a few turns on the gridiron, and during the evening there were several "skits" which were a surprise to him. The senator was the central figure of many "presentations" each accompanied by a speech more or less personal in its nature. The climax came when he was told that as much had been said about his "barrel" the Gridiron club did not propose he should be without one. Thereupon he was given a very handsome miniature barrel of black the publication of these statements are well walnut, bound with silver hoops and with it will be observed that they are clever a silver spigot, designed to hold anything of a drinkable nature. The silver bands enough to refrain from giving any reasons were decorated with a garland of gridirons and a silver plate, appropriately inscribed. There is not a visible trace of calumny or The stand upon which the "barrel" rested bore a silver gridiron with Senator Hanna's monogram. Senator Hanna's response was humorous and appreciative.

> The congregation in the house cleakroom were talking of stump speaking and the men who interrupt, reports the New York

World. "I got hold of one of those 'yes-or-no' men last fall," said Representative Capron of Rhode Island. "He asked me two or three absurd questions and insisted I should answer him 'yes' or 'no.' I protested that the questions could not be answered by a simple negative or affirmative, but he held on. Finally I said to him:

"'Now, just to show you the injustice of your stand, I will ask you a question "'I'm ready,' said my tormentor.

"'All right,' I replied. 'This is the ques tion: Have you stopped beating your wife? "I was bothered no more that evening," concluded Capron.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Geronimo, the octogenarian chief, of strenuous memory, wants to become an American citizen and a taxed Indian. General Exea Donmere, aged 95, is dead, He was the oldest officer on the active list of the French army. They don't retire officers in France at 64.

Alabama is to have an old-time fiddlers' contest with 100 entries early next month, one of whom will be ex-Governor Taylor of Tennessee. No violinist need apply.

Howard Gould has had Kilkenny castle photographed from every possible point, so that he can build an exact replica of the castle and grounds for his own use in America. Miss Susan Hale, a sister of Rev. Ed-

ward Everett Hale, D. D., has come all the way from far-distant Algiers, to participate in the celebration of Dr. Hale's The house erected by General George A

Custer in Topeka, Kan., in 1868, is being torn down to make room for a modern residence. The walls of one of the rooms are decorated with notes and figures made by Custer while planning his campaigns against the Indians. Sometimes when the Turkish sultan at-

tends a play in his private theater he hands in to the comedian an original joke or two of his own make. The actor gives these humorous efforts the fullest possible effect, of course, and perhaps that is why they are invariably received with great laughter. The Century paper on Great West in the April number by Noah Brooks has for its crossing the plains was 'the plains across never by any chance did the verse-maker write 'across the plains.' This form of locution was at once adopted by the plains nen, who unconsciously drifted into the use of the more poetic phrase, 'the plains across,' and to this day you hear it from old pioneers scattered among the solitudes of the far northwest."

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

Washington Star: "Have you made any efforts to collect your speeches for the benefit of posterity?" asked the admiring "What's the use?" asked Senator Sorg-im. "Posterity hasn't any vote."

Richmond Dispatch: "This system of bi-partisan boards is something comparatively new in municipal government, isn't it?" "Yes. 'You see, in the olden times you couldn't buy partisans as easily as you can today."

Detroit Free Press: Dennis-'Tis th' ear-riy bur-rd gets th' wur-rm, Misther Casey?
Casey-'Tis thot. If ye wa-ant to keep yere head above wather these days, ye ca-ant let th' grass grow under yere feet, Misther Dinnis. Philadelphia Record:

lawless town," remarked the stranger. "Wall, now, we hev lynch law an' mob law an' civil law. No, pardner, I wouldn't call this a lawless town."

Chicago Tribune: "I am atraid we shall have to try again, madam," the photo-trapher said. "You moved your head a have to try again, madam," the photographer said. "You moved your head a trifle."

"I did it on purpose," replied the sitter, fondling the dog in her lap. "I want to make it plain that Fido is the principal object in the picture." Boston Transcript: "Why did you leave

your last place?"
"It was so dull," replied the maid. "The master and mistress agreed perfectly, and never a thing came up for the servants to gossip about." Philadelphia Press: "I wonder," said the

Philadelphia Fress: I wonder, said the shoe clerk. "that the star boarder does not protest against having to carve those tough roasts, even if he is laying slege to the heart of our wealthy landiady."

"Perhaps." suggested the insurance man, "he is willing to encounter any obstacle while he is carving his way to fortune." SPRING FEELING OF AN EPICURE.

Chicago Inter Ocean I love to see the buds burst into bloom—
To hear the white brook singing like a
ballad—
To see the red tomato light the gloom;
And then to make the latter into salad. love to watch the pumpkin's brittle crust just forming in the way we all ren And dream the coming pie-curse, if I must. To follow its consumption in September.

love to see the fledgeling partridge pass Long months before I shoot him-little Long months before I shoot him—litt sinner! The little lamb frisk gayly on the grass Before I eat his julcy chops for dinner. love to see the rooster choose his mate From out the plenty of his barnyard

From out the pienty harem, And revel in my knowledge of the fate.

That waits their offspring when my teeth tear 'em. love to see the orchard blossoms break,

That sure will give my sons the belly-ache,
To keep the brats in bed whilst I do
slumber.

hear the young calf musically bleat Beside its loving mother, loud and long. Whereat my mouth grows moist at thought Veal cutlets at my favorite restaurong.

matter!) watch the young trout skimming in the And think how nice they'll look upon my

That's why I feel religious in the spring And watch sweet Nature's efforts kin But wish to heaven I wasn't old and gouty