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If congress had more "closing hours" nothing would protect us against a flood of federal legislation.

When it comes to launching proclamations, the strikers and the railroad managers display almost equal proficiency.

Congressman Richardson now takes it all back and admits that he was the one who was taken in by Captain Christmas'

Now watch Our Dave come sliding down the pike with another set of building plans for that house tucked under his arm.

The saddest part of the adjournment of congress is that for a few months at least members will have to put up gate. money when they want to witness fistic exhibitions.

By proving equal to the occasion precipitated by the king's illness, Queen Alexandra is sure to endear herself more to the people than she could in any other way.

Last year Omaha's paving season was delayed by neglect to get petitions in promptly. This year the petitions are in, but we have another source of delay in the unseasonable weather.

The cat with the proverbial nine lives will have to defend its laurels against the case of the Omaha Savings bank depositors that has been before the supreme court nine times and no certainty of the end vet.

Perhaps arrangements might be made so that by concentrating the rainfall the proposed isthmian canal might be dispensed with and the ocean vessels taken straight across the continent overland, without requiring even a lock.

The success of Buffalo and Charleston in prevailing on Uncle Sam to foot their exposition deficits makes the success of Omaha in not only footing its own bills but also paying back the money subscribed by the stockholders shine all the greater.

this bridge is not already constructed and open for traffic.

The county board has found its hands so full with the review of the county assessment that it has been compelled to extend its sessions as a board of year, however, should not have to be repeated, except in part, each succeeding year.

some months ago.

plicitly in their platform for tax referso. speople have been aroused by corporate the consolidation of their forces and the no effort to advance this great work.

evasion of tax burdens.

quartermaster's warehouse to cost passage of the bill by the senate and its of a people that have sown well and signature by the president. Thereupon cultivated thoroughly." Advance Agent Tom Blackburn rushed to the World-Herald office and unloaded his burden with the following explanation and misinformation:

This bill fixes Omaha as one of the great distributing points for military supplies. The building will be erected on the government corral grounds and is to be used for storage and distribution of quartermaster supplies.

In January, 1900, a bill was introduced in both the senate and house appropriating \$50,000 to establish a general depot of the quartermaster's department, and was referred in each house to the appropriation committee (where it was pigeonholed). On March 13, 1900, a few months before the military headquarters of the Platte were removed from the Bee building, Ed-

ward Rosewater prevailed upon Senator Thurston to introduce a bill to make the old postoffice building such a general depot. Congress; however, did not approve of the ties of paying rent for offices in the Bee building for an indefinite period, while the new federal building was being completed, and Mr. Rosewater's plan falled. On the 18th of last March Mr. Mercer in-

troduced his bill "To provide for the erection of a quartermaster's warehouse at Omaha, Neb.," and appropriating \$75,000 for the purpose. On May 2 Quartermaster General Ludington gave it his unqualified approval, say-

ing: quickly shipped to the middle, northern and

northwestern posts." In due course, the bill was, on May 6, recommended for passage by the commitrepresentative in congress had the meaeure taken up and passed in both houses and signed by the president inside of two

warehouse bill was rushed through at hill, who was the special commissioner the last hour of the session with the of the United States in the negotiations usual grandstand pyrotechnics, to create with China, to the effect that the reprea sensation, just the same as all sentatives of the powers calculated the preceding bills for which Our Dave debt according to the value of the tael sion or favoritism. claims all the credit. It will also be in gold at the rate of exchange then prenoted that the passage of the bill vailing and this being so it certainly through the senate, preconcerted and appears like an injustice to China, silprearranged doubtless through the en- ver having greatly depreciated, to deergetic assistance and efforts of Senator | mand that she shall pay at the present Dietrich, is attributed altogether to the rate of exchange. Therefore the posicongressman from the Second, as if he tion of the United States on the queshad been the only factor.

racity. In sounding the timbrel and hence the serious way in which the mattween a general depot and quartermas- shown a persistent disposition to ter's supply purchasing station and a squeeze all they possiby could out of lican state convention blinds the popoquartermaster's warehouse. The original China, are likely to insist upon their cratic editor to every good quality he bill, which Mercer purposely defeated demand and may enforce it in the event possesses. two years ago, contemplated the creation of the continued refusal of China to of a supply purchasing station similar to comply. The probable outcome; how-Another curfew ordinance has been those at Philadelphia and Jeffersonville, ever, is that the Chinese government of the Steel trust, its earnings for the the first victim of record. He produced started down the city council chute. Ind., where millions of dollars are ex- will yield rather than face the danger period exceed by more than \$10,000,000 the copper coin. dropped it into the slot, gave How many curfew ordinances does a pended annually not only in the pur- of more serious trouble. chase but also in the manufacture of quartermasters' supplies. The quartermaster's warehouse is simply an extension or addition to the corral, where supplies will be stored and reshipped have had under consideration the as they may be required at various

military posts. was introduced to keep the army headquarters in the Bee building is malicious | ter. and baseless. When the Thurston bill was introduced, on March 13, 1900, the old postoffice building was almost ready for occupancy by the army and all arrangements for the removal of the army headquarters had been made. The removal took place on June 30, 1900. for the permanent location of army headquarters in the new postoffice building when the west wing was completed, there was no possible return to the Bee building.

On December 18, 1900, nearly six months after the army headquarters had moved from the Bee building, E. C. Snyder, our Washington correspondent, wired the following dispatch from Washington: "Quartermaster's supply depot bill is pending in Mercer's committee. He refuses to move its reference to the military affairs committee. conclusively disproves the assertion of Mercer's advance agent that the efforts | the French government. to pass the Thurston bill were inspired by a selfish motive. The Thurston bill was referred to Mercer by Speaker Henderson to expedite its passage. The was loyal to Omaha and would exert all Among the historic achievements of of his efforts to get it through promptly. ernment. The republic of Colombia the congressional session just closed The fact that he has secured an appro- offers to give to the United States all must not be overlooked the franchise priation for a \$75,000 warehouse does necessary jurisdiction over the canal grant for the hot-air scheme for a not vindicate him for defeating the bill and territory requisite for its construcfourth bridge across the Missouri river that would have given Omaha a quar- tion and operation, the United States to at Omaha. The only wonder is that termaster's supply purchasing depot. pay a reasonable annual compensation, While the quartermaster's warehouse buildings would not be worth as much

to Omaha as one purchasing depot. while to satisfy intelligent and unbiased equalization a week beyond the date men that he acted squarely and in the in subsequently fixing the annual comoriginally set. The work done this interests of Omaha when he defeated pensation. Colombia has given evi-

the quartermaster's bill two years ago. JULY DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST. The New York Commercial says that Of course, the fact that the time is the dividends and interest payments of governments. The southern republic near at hand for another campaign, in this month will exceed in volume those which he will seek re-election, has noth- of any previous July in the history of Panama route is contingent upon our ing to do with the sudden onslaught of the country. They will amount to very government obtaining reasonable terms the attorney general of Colorado on the nearly \$124,000,000, or \$14,000,000 more and conditions, the bill passed by consmelter combine in that state. Still, as than the disbursements on these ac gress specifically providing that if satisa vigilant fusion official, he might have counts of the corresponding month last factory concessions are not secured from discovered this 16 to 1 trust octopus year. That paper ascribes the steadily Colombia the president shall negotiate increasing dividend record of the last few years in large part to the fact that Minnesota republicans pronounce ex. the process of consolidation of interests that the United States shall construct has been in progress during that time the Panama canal it is reasonably to be including the pending constitutional and its effects are now being shown in amendment raising the taxes on Minne- the amassing of profits. "Previous to in the way of that enterprise. sota railroads from 3 to 4 per cent of this era," it remarks, "there were thoutheir gross earnings. The demand for sands of small corporations that scarcely more equitable taxation of corporations showed themselves as financial powers | Panama route will have commenced. is the issue in every state where the in the business of the world. But with | Certainly President Roosevelt will spare

THE QUARTERMANTER WAREHOUSE. ening of their scope of activity and to-At 1:47 o'clock, standard time, Mer- day their stockholders are receiving divier's advance agent, Tom Blackburn, dends that would never have accrued raceived the following dispatch: "House to them under the old system of operajust passed my bill giving Omaha a tion. The country never before saw a day when so much gold was parcelled \$75,000. David Mercer." At precisely out to individuals as that in which it 4:14 p. m. another dispatch was received is now rejoicing. It is the golden era of by the advance agent announcing the America's prosperity, the harvest day

There are some who doubt whether the situation is altogether healthy, whether some things are not being done financially which are infractions of natural economic laws and therefore dangerous. But there can be no reasonable doubt that the country is having a high degree of solid prosperity and so far as appears there is good reason to expect its continuance for several years. There is a disquieting feature of the situation in the labor troubles, but there is ground for boping that these will be settled before any very serious harm results from them to the business of the country.

ANOTHER ISSUE WITH OHINA.

Last Tuesday the Chinese government was to have paid to the powers the first installment, amounting to a little over \$8,000,000, of the indemnity, the share under the provision of the treaty she is privileged to pay at the rate of exchange that prevailed at the date of the protocol, April 1, 1901, when the regard to the construction to be given the language of the protocol and our government agrees with the Chinese tee on military affairs. Yesterday, in the contention and is willing to accept payclosing hours of the session, the Omaha ment accordingly, while the other governments are disposed to insist upon being paid at the present rate of ex-

change. It will be noted that the quartermaster | There is the authority of Mr. Rocktion seems absolutely fair and proper, Like his master, Mr. Mercer's advance but it is doubtful if other governments

PROMPT ACTION ON CANAL BILL. Already the president and cabinet course to be pursued in carrying out the provisions of the isthmian canal bill, The intimation that the Thurston bill which means that there is to be unnecessary delay in the mat-The general belief is that no difficulty will be found in securing a satisfactory title to the franchises, rights and property of the New Panama company, or in obtaining the required concessions from Colombia. In regard to the former it is the intention. of the president to proceed carefully, so As the Thurston bill expressly provided that when negotiations are completed not a shadow of doubt will rest upon the title of the United States to the property acquired. Some of the ablest lawyers in congress have held that the Panama company is fully authorized, by the action of the French court last year, to dispose of its property. It is contended that the power to sell is sanctioned in the most unequivocal terms, but it is stated that our government may seek further judicial action in France and possibly will even endeavor to have the matter passed upon by the French parliament. For any efforts What do you suggest?" This inquiry that may be made in these directions there is assurance of the assistance of

In regard to concessions from Colombin, the basis of a treaty has already been drawn. Our right to construct the canal will not be derived from the speaker very naturally believed Mercer Panama company, but must come from a treaty direct with the Colombian govto be fixed by the two governments will afford enlarged storage facilities for every hundred years; except the quartermasters' supplies, a dozen such amount for the first term is to be fixed at the end of fourteen years. Upon ratification of a treaty the sum of It will take Mr. Mercer a good long \$7,000,000 shall be paid by the United States, this amount to be accounted for dence of a disposition to grant to this country necessary concessions and it is Patriotic Moves for Revenue Only. not doubted that a fair and satisfactory treaty will be effected between the two understands that the selection of the with Nicaragua and Costa Rica. As Colombia is undoubtedly most desirous assumed that she will put no obstacles

There seems, therefore, good reason to expect that within a year work on the union of their energies has come a wid- the importance of which to this country for gain under federal auspices.

and to the world no one more fully appreciates.

It is vouched for by the chief of the secret service that the circulation of allsilver counterfest coins has been reduced by 80 per cent within the last year. The secret service men are careful, however, not to say to what extent the circulation of these counterfelts is carried on, and, as a matter of fact, it is hard to see how they could tell, since mint officials say that all-silver counterfeits have been made that defy detection by every ordinary means. Nobody knows how much spurious silver coin has been floated by counterfeiters willing to give full weight in silver and take their profit out in the difference between face value and bullion value. It is not so much difficulty in floating the counterfeit without detection that hinders the expansion of this business as the expensive character of the dies, stamps and other machinery necessary and the obstacles in the way of setting up and operating the plant in secret. But so long as our coinage laws offer a premium of 50 cents on every sliver dollar, the temptation to all-silver counterfeiting will be a constant menace.

You can't change the instincts of a cuttlefish any more than you can change of the United States being \$400,680. the spots of a leopard. Whenever the China, however, refused to pay at the World-Herald is cornered it tries to current rate of exchange, urging that cover its serpentine tracks by shedding barrels of ink. This was its course with the Bartley pardons and this is its from which supplies stored there could be ent. There is a difference of opinion in lief for the people, by refuting the miscontention that the overburdened tax- est in stock speculating. payers of Nebraska can get no relief except by the election of a fusion state board is disproved by the record of previous assessments made by fusion boards, as well as by republican boards. The true remedy must be sought through the direct intervention of the courts, with such construction of the laws as will leave no loophole for eva-

Complimentary allusion to the perrepublicans should vote for the fusion candidate. Republican papers have a agent has an impediment to his ve- can be induced to take this view and cratic paper saying a good word for any- owners and the millers and the grocers. one on the republican state ticket. The pounding the hewgag for Mercer, he ter is regarded at Washington. The popocratic paper emits nothing but parseeks to obliterate the difference be- greedy European powers, which have tisan rancor all the time, and the very fact that a man finds favor in a repub-

According to the quarterly statement the earnings for the corresponding the button a vigorous push and promptly months of a year ago. This ought to be a good time to get in applications to Mr. Carnegie for new library buildings for ambitious cities and towns.

Iowa is to receive \$456,417 in payment of a hoary-headed war claim, by virtue of an item in the general deficiency bill passed by congress. A windfall like this would be a blessing for the Nebraska state treasury with its big load of warrant indebtedness, but Iowa does not need the money.

The ovation accorded Speaker Henderson on his felicitous speech declaring the session closed sine die hardly accords with the stories so persistently circulated out of Washington by his enemies that the speaker had lost all his popularity with house members.

What a Conversation that Would Be. Chicago Post.

to have Senators Carmack and Patterson

on the deck of the Olympia and "a long distance from home" just for three min-Does One Swallow End All? Washington Post.

The Nebraska democrats accepted the populist platform in order to get the nominee for governor. It is an easy matter to tell which party did the swallowing. Ensily Satisfied.

Brooklyn Eagle. If the house of representatives has its way the new peso of the Philippines will be worth 40 cents. So long as it does not look like 30 cents we don't care what it is worth.

Looked On, Amused Kansas City Journal. Admiral Dewey emphatically denies that he recognized the so-called government of Aguinaldo. Aguinaldo's government, like the Spanish ships when Dewey got through with them, was wholly unrecognizable.

> Line Up and Claim It. New York Tribune.

The college commencement season being almost over, we embrace this opportunity to assure a host of ardent young gentlemen who, despite a lot of nonsense to the contrary, don't imagine that they own the earth, that they will be heartily welcome to as much of it as they can prove title to at any time.

Philadelphia Record. Purchases of lands in the west for national park purposes have resulted in the redemption from vulgarization or destrucof many wonderful works of nature and grand canyons, geysers, cataracts and primeval forests have been secured forever as public possessions. Every new state has its prime novelty of nature and the instinctive disposition to secure it against vandalism usually takes the form of an application to congress to condemn the land for a national park. Superadded to this in recent years have been found thrifty provisions prescribing methods for utilizing federal bosnessions. It is not enough to own the parks; they must be made sources of public revenue. Hence the proposition in congress that the government shall practically go into the bathhouse business at White Sulphur Springs, I. T., and the further attempt to make Uncle Sam the custodian for hire of the famous Wind cave in South Dakota. Let there be as many national parks as may be required, but no exploitation of them ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in the Metropolis.

most remarkable factory in the United States stands at the intersection of Mulberry and Bayard streets, New York City, and is locally known as Public School No. 23. Here are gathered in school hours tionalities, from Europe, Asia and Africa, and its business is to convert this raw material into a finished American product. speaking one language and saluting one fag. Boys and girl from Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Egypt, Spain, Poland, Austria, China, Servia, Scotland, Roumania, Hungary, Russia, France, Ireland, England, New Guinea, Venezuela, West Indies, Canada and New Zealand are to be found in this school. Before they arrived here they knew no other language than the language of their mother country, which they heard at home. When they leave school they know the history of the world, the geography of the earth's surface, the meaning of the American institutions under which they live: they also know how to read and write English readily. The school is two blocks from China-

town, three blocks from Chatham Square and a stone's throw from the Bowery, and from these foreign settlements draws its pupils of mixed races. There are only a few pupils who are Americans of the second generation. The same subjects are taught as in the

other schools in New York-spelling, grammar, geography, arithmetic, decimal and common fractions, business forms, history, composition, music, drawing, physiology, physical culture, manual training, sewing

and cooking.

Corn King Phillips, recenty dethroned in Chicago, is about to invade the reservation course with regard to the railroad as- of mamon, familiarly known as Wall sessment question. Instead of joining street. In an interview he explains his "Omaha is an excellent distributing point price of silver was higher than at pres- in the only practical effort to secure re- change of base: "I not only believe, but I know that big prices and a speculative statements and lame arguments of the grain market help every man in the land and I'm here to see if I can spread that railroad tax bureau, it seeks to befog | belief and excite an interest in New York the real issue by political gabble. Its in grain speculating, as there is an inter-

"I don't do the trading for the mil-Honaires, though I would be glad to get their trade, but I want to get about 1,000 customers who are fair dealers-men who handle the stuff, say in 5,000 bushel lots, If I can do that I can handle, say 5,000 bushels a day and I believe that that volume of trade would put 10 cents a bushel on wheat and corn in the Chicago market. "That's what makes prosperity. It's speculation-the good prices that come

from speculation-constant flow of wealth. "It wasn't McKinley who made prosperity. Joe Leiter had as much to do with it as any man in the country, but Providence gave us a big crop and fate gave governor by the republican paper of his Europe a poor crop. Then Leiter rushed home town is paraded in the local popo- in and bought millions of bushels of grain. cratic organ as conclusive reason why He sent the price up 10 cents a bushel; corn followed up in sympathy and the value of the crop went up not less than \$100,000,000. The farmers got a share of sense of propriety, but catch any popo- that and the railroads and the elevator

"Don't say that somebody had to be the loser. Nobody loses when money floods the country, for in the flow and ebb all get a portion of it."

There is or rather was a new slot machine. It appeared in a Bowery "museum." but is now laid up for repairs, reports the Evening Post. "Drop a penny in the slot, press the button and see a wild, mad dance." A typical East Side "spieler" was stout needle concealed in the center of the push button and the pressure on this button, besides sending the needle into the finger, exposed a mirror in which the vic-

tim could see his contortions. The "spieler" kicked the machine pieces and threatened to bring "de gang" and "clean out" the place if the proprietor resented its destruction.

In the year 1898, the first of the consolidation, there were 141,745 arrests in the five boroughs of New York. Last year there were 133,749, a decrease of 8,000, notwithstanding the steady increase in the ity's population.

Of the arrests for the more serious offenses, reports the Sun, the number for highway robbery decreased from 81 to 55, for assault and battery from 8,506 to 8,416, for gambling from 389 to 295, and for passing counterfeit money from 49 to 37.

The arrests on the charge of being "suspicious persons," which are usually without legal effect, increased from 6,446 to 7,565 and for petty larceny from 5,807 to 6,154. The number of homicide cases in the first year of consolidation was 322; last year it Was 295.

Undoubtedly Admiral Dewey would like The arrests for intoxication-there is less intoxication in New York than formerlywere 87,490 in 1898 and 35,394 in 1901. substantial and important decrease in the number of arrests was in those of violation of corporation ordinances. These amounted in the first year of the consolidation to 18,725 and last year to 8,504 only. There was a decrease, but not to the same extent, in the number of arrests for vagrancy, from 7,759 to 6,648 and for disorderly conduct from 29,353 to 28,390.

In arson there was some increase and the number of arrests for receiving stolen goods, 93 in the first year of consolidation, was 207 last year, a marked increase. In the first year of consolidation one person was charged with carrying knockout drops. There was no arrest made on this charge last year.

For abandonment the arrests in the first year of the consolidation were 1,419 and last year 1,872 and on the charge of bigamy they decreased from 54 to 37. Generally speaking, the number of ar-

rests for minor offenses fell off considerably. In 1898 there were 2,128 arrests for violation of the liquor tax law and last year there were 1.610 only. The number of arrests for volation of the health laws increased from 682 to 2,054.

PERSONAL NOTES.

That gypsy who prophesied that King Edward would never be crowned may be entitled to another guess. Herr Most wept when sentenced to a year

in the penitentiary. Some day he'll get

something worth crying about. Dr. Joseph P. Cobb, the newly elected president of the American Institute of Homeopathy, is one of Chicago's most disinguished physicians.

ienounced as the worst cort of comic opera doggerel. It will not be set to music by any omposer who cares for his reputation. From the trend of some of the questions asked Admiral Dewey by the senate com-

Alfred Austin's coronation ode is being

mittee Senators Carmack and Patterson seemed to regret that the Spaniards were whipped in Mantia bay. Captain I. M. Smith, the first man who stretched wires across the state of Wisconsin, is still living in Topeka, Kan. He

scientific standpoint for the last fifty years. Police Captain Miles O'Reilly, the Brooklyn terror who was recently transferred to New York, is making things lively for his men in the downtown district. He actually appears to think that policemen should do their duty. One day last week he had eight before the police commissioner for failing to respond to a fire alarm. Fines were imposed on the double quartet.

has also made weather observations from a

THE NATION'S FINANCES.

Piles of Good Money Pouring Into Uncle Sam's Chest.

Chicago Post. In round numbers the treasury figures show at the close of the fiscal year a surplus for the twelve months of \$50,000,000. According to the treasury report of Saturday the total receipts for the year to that date were \$559,553,985.31, and the total expenditures \$470,821,797.62. A comparison with the figures of last year shows that the terially decreased, the difference in favor of the present fiscal year being about \$27 .-

To get a better idea of the immense bustness carried on by the national government ceipts for each business day of the year have been \$1,800,000 and the average amount paid out for each day \$1,500,000, leaving \$300,000 of "profit" for every business day in the year. Notwithstanding the large appropriations made by congress (which come close to a total of \$1,000,000,000), the heavy expense of the war in the Philippines and the reduction in the war revenue tax made by the last congress, the surplus for this year will be \$15,000,000 more than that of last year. The available cash balance-money subject to appropriationstands at \$206,000,000; gold on hand, \$497,-000,000

It is interesting to note, as demonstrating in a particular way the healthful state of the country's commerce, that, while the internal revenue receipts fell off from \$304 .-000,000 to \$277,000,000 during the year just closing, the customs receipts increased from \$238,000,000 to \$255,000,000. And it may also interest the taxpayers of the country to know that pensions continue to constitute the heaviest item of government expense-

nearly \$450,000 a day. Looking generally at the nation's financial condition we cannot do better than to quote Secretary Shaw, who said: "The prosperity of the country is so great that all calculations are likely to be upset. If congress reduces taxes it seems to make little difference in the income of the government. The money comes rolling in faster than we know what to do with tr."

A PARTY OF NEGATION.

Democratic Way of Dealing with Great Issues. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The democratic party got a hard blow from Congressman Cannon of Illinois, the other day when he said: "We pull the wagon and we do the work, and you find the fault. We are doing the best that can be done in settling the questions that grew out of the war of 1898, but all that you can do is to scold." If anybody recollects anything that has been done by the democracy in recent years except to scold he ought to tell it as a contribution to history. When Money of Misstssippi, as blatant a demagogue as Clark of Missouri, or Tillman of South Carolina, was asked a few months ago how he would solve the

measure which the republican party has brought forward. Once or twice when it essayed something in the field of creative statesmanship it passed silver bills and put through a tariff which President Cleveland said stood for "party perfidy and party dissaid stood for "party perfidy and party dissaid stood for "party perfidy and party dishonor," and which he refused to sign, letting it become a law through the expiration of the time limit. All the legislation since 1861 which met the national necessities as they presented themselves has been energied by the resultion party and to executed a "mad dance." There was a enacted by the republican party and, in almost every case, against the persisten and malignant hostility of the democracy

Ostensibly the democrats are very anxious to have a Cuban reciprocity bill passed, but they favor this policy only as a means of embarrassing the republicans. But the republicans are not showing the slightest amount of embarrassment on this or any other issue. The Cuban question will be dealt with in this session and will never arise again to bother the republicans. The reciprocity which was favored at the outset by one element of the republicans has been given up, and probably never will been given up, and probably never will for the trust, t of the way, and congress will have a the session. They will make none to that of this congress. The democracy's only function is obstruction and even in this field it has no influence which any publicspirited American need reckon with.

REFORMING THE HOG.

A Movement Designed to Give Polish to an American Institution. New York Times

It is reported from Washington that the Agricultural department is about to undertako a line of experiments to establish the thesis that the hog is by nature a cleanly, and even dainty, animal-temperamentally something of a "dude," in factand that, given an environment which does not destroy his self-respect, his natural tastes will develop along the lines of his original preference for sweetness and light. It is probably assumed that if the hog learns to forgo certain gross indulgences, such as wallowing in muck and standing in the trough, he will presently become amenable to the considerations which govern in the intercourse between gentlemen. To prove this thesis, a hog with the proper phrenological development will be domiciled in a pen with some pretensions to architectural beauty. He cannot be civilized in a sty which shocks his aesthetic or the court of some sort. With affright in their demeanor, saking justice of some sort.

See the presidents and managers, cast down and sorrowful.

Try to sidetrack the injunctions with their fine athletic pull.

Ah, the trust, trust, trust, all its rolling stock will rust, all its rolling stock will rust.

All its rolling stock will rust, and the sheriffs set the tariffs and the coaches coat with dust.

If the cruel courts persist in this unjust attempt to make severy railroad give its shippers, one and all managers, cast down the present of some sort.

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sense. His couch will be a bedding of clean straw; puddles will be guarded against by good underdrainage; he will have a choice of stimulating sunshine or refreshing shade, and instead of swill be will be fed on nutritious vegetables for which swine have ever displayed a fondnees indicative of good taste in dietetics Whether trouffles will be included in his

menu we are not advised. If under his improved conditions the hog shows a capacity for progress and displays a yearning for a still higher plane of living he might be moved into a mahogany sty expenditures of the government have ma- with brass trimmings and a tile floor, sleep on Oriental rugs of approved pattern and be familiarised with the use of the napkin at mealtime. On the other hand, should he show a tendency to revert to the disagreeable habits which have so long characterit may be said that the daily average re- ized him such tendency will be very properly attributed to the degrading influence of centuries of subjection to the brutalizing associations of the typical sty, which the farmer from time immemorial has considered not only good enough for him, but quite to his liking. It is not expected that he will at once respond to the elevating and refining influences of his new environment. The experiment will be considered successful if, in half a dozen generations or so, the hog shows a marked tendency to hecome a neat and self-respecting animal, abhorring a mudhole and preferring cantaloupe served on Dresden china to intercepted house drainage poured from a sour pail into a recking and bacteria-infested trough.

It is due to the Agricultural department to declare that this experiment is not mean; to be a eatire upon the missionary enterprise which sends teachers and preachers to, say, China or provides a professor of blology for the Woman's college in Constantinople, If it were it might be amusing, even if open to the objection of not being in strictly good taste. It is, we understand, a serious project, having for its object the reformation and elevation of the American hog.

SMILING REMARKS.

Detroit Free Press: Police Captain-So you shot the dog. Was he mad? Officer Grogan-No, sor; but th' leddy that owned him was.

Chicago Post: "All her smiles seem to be "Yes. She's a cowardly little thing." "How's that?"

"How's that?"
"She has no confidence in her ability to handle the untrained animal." Philadelphia Press: Ascum-Tou look wretched this morning, old man, what's the matter? What's the matter

matter?
Nupop—Lung trouble,
Ascum—Gracious! What's the matter
with your lungs?
Nupop—Nothing, but the baby was exercleing his all night. Puck: Mrs. Hoon—The deacon is such a good man.

Mr. Hoon—Yes; but sometimes I fancy his halo is a trifle too small for his head.

Washington Star: "I suppose you intend to go away for a little rest this summer."
"No," answered the man with a large family, "we are going away in the hope that we will appreciate home more when we get back."

Philippine problem, his answer was, "The Philippines may go to the devil for all I care."

This is the democratic way of dealing with great issues. That party's only function in the politics of the past forty years has been to obstruct every server.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

J. J. Montague in Portland Oregonian. See the kind, benignant trust, Butcher trust, Admit its right to profit evry cold out-

sider must.

See the prices rising, rising, higher, higher, evry day,
Till it would not be surprising
To see fathers fond advising
That their progeny eat hay.
While the trust, trust, trust,

chance to give its attention to something See the suffering and anguish of the trust else. The democrats have made no con-tribution to the constructive legislation of Why should anybody worry if it sells a ton of coal

ton of coal

For the figure that the av'rage mortal sets upon his soul?

How it spouts and fumes and rages,
At the thought of paying wages
That will cut into its roll.

Oh, the trust, trust, trust,
It is talked about, and cussed
And the public will not yield to its their last remaining crust.

To the trust, t To the groaning and the mosning fuel

See the labors and the struggles of the Railroad trust. How the cold and heartless government its merger seeks to bust. See its penniless attorneys prowi the pre-

With affright in their demeanor, asking

Of the busted and disgusted resirond drust.



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