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Western people do not fully appreciate the importance of the irrigation plans of the government. Although only about \$3,000,000 are available for immediate work it is fortunate for the west that the policy has been decided upon. Every great economic enterprise must have a beginning. America now enters upon the systematic utilization of the life giving waters of the arid regions. It means many, many millions of dollars invested and it means homes for millions of Americans.

#### ON THE EDGE OF THE BELT.

The city of Omaha and the state of Nebraska will be benefited. Every state west of the 100th meridian or having lands west of that meridian will be directly and immensely benefited. Our senators and representatives must look to their laurels and see to it that the government work and government appropriation are properly distributed. With millions of new homes to be made by hardy settlers the necessity for home life insurance companies becomes more than ever pressing and

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like the pioneer of old will be found blazing the way for loyal people to build up home institutions. With nearly \$5,000,000 at risk and writing nearly a quarter of a million per month this young aggressive western institution is forging forward. It will be on the ground when the new settlers come. It will be keeping the families of the old settlers. Every insurable man and woman in this growing west owes it to himself and his dependents to patronize the home life companies in these days of prosperity.

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### Tip Not Accepted

Robert Barr writes in the Saturday Evening Post of Philadelphia of his early experiences in England and tells this story regarding the tipping system:

"When I say I never gave a tip, I ought perhaps, to add that once upon a time I offered one, which, to my surprise, was not accepted. I engaged to write for an American paper some articles on the London parks, and I asked a friend how I could get accurate information regarding them. 'Nothing simpler,' said the Englishman. 'Drop a line to the ranger of Hyde park, and he'll set you right.'

"I wrote a courteous note to the ranger, and told him I did not mind parting with a dollar or two if he could, put me in the way of writing an interesting article. My communication was ignored, so fearing I had not offered enough I again consulted my English friend, and told him the amount proffered.

"That was very generous of you," he said sarcastically, "and I am amazed your munificence has not met with a reader response, for the ranger of Hyde park is his royal highness, the duke of Cambridge, uncle to the queen, and I am sure his expenses must be large."

### What Adam Was Doing

Portland Oregonian: It was midnight. Suddenly in the Adam residence there was a cry, then a series of howls, and one of the neighbors, passing by, heard the head of the house use language that was calculated to loose the thunderbolts of heaven on the whole neighborhood. She stopped, ran up to the door, and, pressing the button, listened eagerly at the speaking tube. "What in the world is your husband doing?" she asked, as the dulcet voice of Eve inquired her errand.

"Oh," replied Eve, "he is merely raising Cain. It requires strong language to raise a child like that."

And thus an expression was coined which promises to outlast history itself.

### Where the Trouble Lies

Brooklyn Eagle: "I don't understand it," she said.

"What's the matter?" he asked. "I've carefully followed all the rules for child training laid down by three kindergarten experts, and, in spite of it, Willie is growing worse and worse."

"Well," he returned, thoughtfully, "of course, the rules are all right, so the fault must be with the child. It would be reactionary to change the rules. Let us, therefore, trade off the child."

### Regular Affidavit Face

At a little dinner the other evening former Governor D. R. Francis of Missouri, a democrat, was given credit for having originated one of the expressions which was often applied to President McKinley, says the Boston Journal. A correspondent, one of the guests, was called upon, and in the course of his after dinner speech, to illustrate a point about some good coming from democrats, told this story: "I accompanied William McKinley to St. Louis on one of

his first visits there, when he was just coming into particular prominence. Dave Francis was governor of Missouri and went to McKinley's hotel with another of the state officers to welcome McKinley to the state. He went as governor and not as a politician. After the formal call I happened to get into the elevator with him, and I overheard his associate ask the governor as to what he thought of McKinley's future. Francis said, 'He will get along all right. He has a regular affidavit face.' I used that expression in my dispatch that night, and thus you see from a democrat one of the descriptive expressions of the loved and lamented McKinley sprang."

### Pen and Picture Pointers

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child, Miss Alice Roosevelt, now 18 years of age. The other children of the Roosevelt family are Theodore, Jr., aged 15; Kermit aged 13; Ethel, aged 11; Archie, aged 9 and Quentin, aged 5.

On May 19 last the people of Madison, Neb., unveiled a monument to the memory of the soldiers of Company F, First Nebraska Volunteer Infantry, who died in the Philippines. These are First Sergeant Arthur H. Vickers, aged 21, who was killed April 4, 1899, in action at Guiguento, P. I.; Arthur Simms, 18 years old, who died in the hospital at Manila, October 23, 1898; and Walter M. Riley, aged 25, who died at Maloico, April 5, 1899. The monument is of Berri granite, thirteen feet and six inches high, surmounted by an heroic figure in bronze of a soldier in heavy marching order. It is a simple but expressive tribute to the memory of brave boys gone to honored graves in the country's service.

### Carpenter's Letter

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