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M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public. That packers' combine had better not be too hoggish.

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GEO. B. TZSCHUCK

The corn crop sometimes has a ninelived career, too.

candidates, but he cannot buy off all the republican voters.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson takes it all back, and admits that Nebraska is in the corn belt.

Mercer has worked the business interest racket for five terms in congress, but it won't work any more.

The annual by-play over the proposal to purchase guns for the High school cadet battalion is about due.

The advance agent of the meat-packers' combine seems to have gotten quite a distance shead of the show.

If many more democratic state conventions "stake down silver," Colonel Bryan will begin referring to "the crime of 1902."

per cent by the Indiana factories. Prices of bottled goods, however, remain as maimed in the company's service, men facturers, and there would come a bat yet unchanged.

on the tapis, but the business man without an excuse to offer to get out of serving will be a rarity.

Wonder if a member of the Commoner staff was put on the democratic ticket in Lancaster county to hold that paper in line for the nominees.

Unless a brake is put on the deadly automobile we are likely to be disappointed over the figures of population growth disclosed by the next census.

It is announced that Prince Henry may return to the United States next spring. Speak early, for front places at the free distribution of decorative souve-1.30 St. 15

homeseekers' tours. The name makes tlers to the west.

peregrinations, its efficacy will be be-

youd dispute.

Pennsylvania people appear to be unable to make up their minds whether convening their legislatures in extra session to tackle the coal strike problem would relieve them of their troubles or simply add to them.

Music has charms to soothe the savage breast, but it takes something more subproposes to merge a dinner with their meetings to make sure of the attendance | Colorado and Utah.

of a quorum. Council Bluffs is doubtless disappointdent Roosevelt to stop off in that city,

on this side of the river.

assessments and contracts.

TIME FOR PLAIN TALK.

Labor strikes are nothing more nor less than industrial wars, which carry in their train all the horrors of a desperate life and death struggle. In this respect the strike of the Union Pacific shop men does not differ materially from all similar conflicts between workingmen and their employers. Nearly every strike in which large numbers of workingmen are engaged is accompanied by turbulence and bloody encounters between the strikers and the men who have taken their places, and frequently between sympathizing union workmen and nonunion workmen. The fray in which a nonunion machinist imported by the Union Pacific from Chicago lost his life in a shocking and deplorable but by no means an exceptional incident.

Up to this time The Bee has refrained from discussing the merits of the Union Pacific strike, but the time has now arrived for a little plain talk.

With the internal management of the affairs of the Union Pacific the public has no concern, and pobody in the community has a right to interfere. It is ities, but regard him as the logical canonly when the peace and public safety are menaced, or endangered, or when the lives and property of the patrons of the great railroad are put in jeopardy that the state and the community would be justified in entering a remonstrance, or calling a halt.

Ordinarily, strikes are precipitated by a demand for higher wages, resistance to wage reduction or a demand for re-28,820 dress of grievances, real or imaginary, but in this instance no such condition existed. In reality, the so-called 30,120 strike of the Union Pacific machinists ted States becomes the permanent bank-.29,000 and boiler makers is not a strike, but a lockout. Up to the time when Press dent Burt issued his mandate, substituting piece work for day work, there was not the slightest disposition on the part of the men to quit their jobs. Mr. Burt's piece work edict was practically an order for every member of the machinists' and boiler makers' union to cut loose from the union or leave the company's employ. In other words, it was a declaration of war against the machinists' and blacksmiths' union.

Mr. Burt knew that under the rules of the international union its members are prohibited from doing piece work, than a deliberate effort to break up that the motto of trades unions is "An Mercer may be able to buy off some attempting to destroy the blacksmiths' and machinists' unions at one blow Mr. Burt also struck a blow at every trades sibility for all the natural consequences, including destitution by starvation, asas the ruler of any country who declares war against another country assumes the responsibilities of all its terrible consequences.

Whether Mr. Burt is acting on his generally accepted opinion that the lockout of the machinists and boiler makthe old men in the shops without any apparent design for such cruelty. Public opinion in this regard may be groundless, but it is nevertheless supported by the fact that the men locked out by Mr. Burt's edict were paid off with checks that canceled all obligations of every Prices of bottles have been put up 10 nature the company may have assumed to each individual. Men who had been their hand, were compelled to sign away eign trusts. There cannot be a reason-Those business men's juries are still all the privileges that had been granted them or claims they might have had by reason of injuries, and all the obligations the company may have assumed

Mr. Burt insists that the change from day's work to piece work is in the interest of the workingmen, but it is passing strange that he has not been able to convince the workingmen that it is their interest rather than the company's interest. People who are not familiar with the intricate questions involved would naturally ask themselves how mechanics who have had an experience of more than thirty years with day work should be so oblivious to their own interests if by changing to piece work they could better their condition.

To the community at large the privation to which several hundred old citi-"Colonist excursions" is now the polite | zens, who have erected homes in this term for what were formerly called city, who have raised families in this city, and who have contributed to the no difference so long as they bring set- upbuilding of this city, have been subjected without provocation, Mr. Burt's policy certainly cannot commend itself. A Chicago woman proclaims her abil- It is equivalent almost to an order of ity to cure dogs by Christian science expulsion and extermination since Mr. treatment. If the system can be extend- Burt has declared positively that he will ed to quieting cats on their midnight not recede nor arbitrate, not accept any suggestions that would lead to a harmonious settlement of the difficulty between himself and the company's employes who are locked out.

PLEDGED TO ROOSEVELT

Not only has every republican state of the nomination of President Roosestantial to soothe the civilized man. That | done this are those of Kansas, Iowa, | them most? explains why the auditorium directory Minnesota, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Delaware, California, Idaho, Washington.

The latest of these conventions, that of Utah, thus refers to the president in printions of \$17,000,000, of which twoits platform: "In Theodore Roosevelt thirds, or nearly \$12,000,000, is to be ed over its failure to prevail on Presi- we recognize his worthy successor. We spent in the erection of public buildings. do declare our loyalty to him and our How easy it would have been for conbut there is nothing to prevent Council unqualified approval of his administra- gress, if Mr. Mercer had insisted upon Bluffs people coming over to Omaha and tion. He has met the many problems it, to have inserted a provision in this joining in the reception to the president that have confronted the country with bill stipulating for the eight-hour worksplendid courage and statesmanship. He ing day in all public building contracts. has, by his generous and fearless advo- A few lines added would have done, but Paving work that should have been cacy and support of western interests the workingman will seek in vain for completed, much less started, by this and measures, justly earned the grati- anything in Mercer's omnibus bill retime is still engaging the attention of tude of the great west. He possesses quiring an eight-hour day, or, for that the council. One of the crying needs of that rare combination of qualities, cour matter, safeguarding the interests of Omaha which the coming legislature age, tact, scholarship, loyalty to princi- labor in any manner. should heed is the demand for a revision ple, civic and personal honesty, united

velt.

At a conference of leading New York unanimously that it was not only wise to endorse the administration, but to enthere is said to be no precedent for such on public building contractors. a course in that state, it is yet highly probable that the convention will accept the decision of the leaders who were present at the conference and declare in favor of the nomination of the president two years hence. In that event there will be vey little doubt as to who will be the republican candidate for president two years hence, if indeed there is any at present. Nothing appears to be more certain than that the west will be solid for Roosevelt in the next national convention, and it is not apparent that he is likely to meet with opposition anywhere. He is at this time exceedingly strong with the republicans of the entire country, who not only admire his sterling qualities and great abildidate for 1904.

INTERNATIONAL COMBINATION. In his speech before the Utah republican convention. Senator Beveridge of Indiana urged that removal of the tariff would not destroy trusts, but would merely create international trusts. He held that American, English and German trusts would combine instead of compete, and said that "until American industries shall dominate the industries of the rest of the world; until the Uniing house of nations; until we have grown so great that we are the controlling influence in international commercial policy, American trusts are better for us than international trusts." It should be borne in mind that there

are industrial combinations in Germany and England and that the tendency abroad in this direction is very strong. Recently there has been organized in Germany a trust which includes all of the coal, iron, steel, wire, sheet metal, girders and structural iron manufacturers and interests in the empire-a trust and his order was nothing more nor less German combination is based upon an down with the express promise that that agreement that its members shall conthe machinists' and boiler makers' union. I tribute to pay to such members as ex-Mr. Burt certainly must have known port their products a bonus equal to the difference between the current price of injury to one is an injury to all." In the merchandise in the German markets and the price actually obtained for it abroad. The organization of this trust was largely with a view of meeting the union in the land and assumed respon- encroachments of American manufacturers. In England the tendency toward combination was never so strong as at saults and bloody riots just the same present. The report of Mr. Bell, a British commercial agent, on industrial conditions in this country, has aroused the interest of English manufacturers to an extraordinary degree. British newspapers urge that England must completely own motion or under orders from higher | modernize, upon American models so authority is problematic, as is also the far as these are applicable, her whole industrial system, so that she can be in position to meet the tremendous comers was part of a plan to get rid of all petition which is surely to come from America for the command of the foreign markets. This means that there must be industrial combination there as here and in spite of the conservative character of British manufacturers they

will undoubtedly come to this. The removal of the tariff would open our market to the foreign combinations. with certain disaster to individual manuwho had lost an eye, a foot, or part of the between the American and the forable doubt that this would result, at least in many cases, in international combinations and the creation of absolute monopolies. We should then have presented a far more difficult problem than at present, for not only would competition be completely throttled and rendered practically impossible, but we could not deal with international trusts as we may do with those exclusively domestic. Under existing conditions there is competition, and it is largely successful. Nearly 60 per cent of the iron and steel manufactures of the counproposition would destroy most or all of these companies and open the way to international combinations and worldwide monopoly.

MERCER AND THE WORKINGMEN.

David H. Mercer pretends to be a friend of the workingmen and looks to reputation for being easy money is too them for assistance in his quest for a well established abroad. sixth term in congress. But how has Mercer ever shown his friendship for the workingman? As chairman of the public buildings committee, our nonresident congressman claims special ownership in all measures appropriating money for the erection of public buildings. He poses as the inventor of the omnibus bill, as applied to the distribution of public building pork, and boasts that his position as chief distributer of this patronage enables him to get anything in congress that he convention endorsed the administration chooses to go after. When has he used in strong and unqualified terms, but a this powerful lever to go after anything number of them have declared in favor for the workingman? Has be not, on the contrary, ignored the interests of velt in 1904. The conventions that have labor where he might have promoted

The principal point in the labor program in this country is the adoption of a uniform eight-hour working day. Mr. Mercer's omnibus bill carried appro-

It is true that a separate bill is pend of the laws relating to paving petitions, with profound statesmanship, that ing in congress establishing the eightmakes him the ideal American president, hour day for all work on government

We pledge him our personal devotion." | contracts, but there has been opposition This voices the general sentiment of to it, particularly from the shippards, western republicans toward Mr. Roose- who argue that they must compete with foreign shipyards and would be at a disadvantage if limited to eight hours a republicans on Saturday it was decided day. But there is no foreign competition in the construction of public buildlags and no reason whatever to prevent

dorse Mr. Roosevelt for 1904. While the enforcement of the eight-hour day Inspection of Mr. Mercer's omnibus has carefully safeguarded the real estate dealers and agents of public building sites in their real estate deals with little or no heed to it. the government; that he has carefully stipulated for the remission of liquidated damages for delay when the contractors fail to come under their time limits, but not a word for the benefit of the workingman. With Mr. Mercer it is everything for the real estate specu- Rosewater Governor Savage says that he is nothing for the workingman. Is this the kind of friend workingmen

of this district want to keep in congress? What good can come to them in holding him in a committee chairmanship to be the return maneuver from the editor of used in logrolling railroad rights-of-way, The Bee is anxiously awaited by a reading fat mail contracts and big bills for public that delights in the polite billingstransporting troops for the railroad cor- gate being employed on both sides. porations, but nothing for the workingof Columbia real estate speculators and turn a deaf ear to their just demands? Does Mercer take the workingmen for chumps, or does he think he can keep on buncoing them forever?

An attempt will be made by the police to repress all sorts of uncouth behavior at the coming Ak-Sar-Ben carnival. The chief incentive to ruffianism unquestion ably lies in the throwing of confetti. against which The Bee has repeatedly entered protest as a dangerous and unnecessary form of hilarity. It is given out that confetti-throwing will be permitted only inside the street fair grounds, but it is just as dangerous and objectionable there as it would be outside of those limits. A year ago the plea for just once more was made on the compared with which the United States | that to forbid its sale would entail hard- | skin. steel corporation is a cheap affair. This ship on the dealers and the bars were let

of a treasury surplus can be appreciated. The secretary of the treasury has amdays, there would be real peril. An ex- be exposed. cessive treasury surplus is of course an treasury deficit.

within the next three weeks. The Bee mighty big mistakes. wants to reiterate its words of caution to republicans throughout the state to look well to the qualifications of their legislative nominees. The coming legismeasures of vital concern to Nebraska's future welfare and progress and safe, honest and far-seeing law-makers will be in demand.

Do the republicans of the Second Nebraska district want to be represented in congress by a paid commercial agent who is identified by residence and by property interests with the district of Columbia, or do they want to be represented in congress by a man who makes his home in Omaha and intends to live in Omaha and share its fortunes, come what may?

If the value of that chairmanship were so great and Mercer so indispensable in it as Mercer's champions would have us try, for example, are by individual or years ago that he saw a chance to jump independent companies. The democratic into the United States senate? Was the Mercer more indispensable now?

> No danger that we will not have our full quota of foreign prodigies touring the United States this winter on concert stage and lecture platform. Our

There'll Be a Hot Time. Philadelphia Record.

There will be some fun in the Orient soon Fighting Bob Evans will assume command of the Asiatic squadron some time in October.

Baltimore American. Mr. Bryan wants to know if it would not stop horse stealing to imprison all the horsethieves. We believe such an effort is

constantly being made.

Some Effort in that Line

Sure Enough New. Atlanta Constitution. There is something sure enough new under the sun. Senator Teller now says he always has been a democrat, except on the

slavery issue and, perhaps, the Jonah and whale puzzle. Hard Coal Substitutes.

Chicago Chronicle. It is to be hoped that some of the experiments upon substitutes for hard coaloft coal and coke, Texas oil, Admiral Somebody's coal dust bricks or something else -will prove successful. If the anthracite output should be reduced 50 per cent or more in consequence ne great harm would he done except to monopolists upon whom we need not squander sympathy.

Cradling Infant Movements.

Boston Transcript. Fancuil hall was the cradle of liberty some century and a quarter ago and it has been the cradle of a good many infant movements since. Fortunately for the survived long after being forced into the protecting walls of the cradle. It takes more than high-sounding rheteric and a historic hall to make a proposition practiSAVAGE'S LAST KICK.

Hildreth Telescope: Rosewater and Sav age should be suppressed. There is work enough ahead fighting the common enemy without scrapping within our own ranks. Fremont Tribune: Mr. Rosewater promises another reply to Governor Savage's latest. Isn't it about time for the Humane society to butt in and put an end to this

Hardy Herald: Governor Savage and the bill discloses the fact, however, that he wily editor of The Omaha Bee are having a war of words that will hardly repay the effort. People over the state expect The Bee's apology in campaigns and pay

> Calaway Tribune: Governor Savage calls Rosey a d-n fool. Rosey calls Savage a liar, thief and a general all around scoupdrel. We for one would like to know how Ezra got possession of that treasurer's note. Who stole it? Beatrice Sun: In closing his letter to Mr.

lator and the building contractor, but done with letter-writing, and that if Rosey bothers him any more he will simply take it out of his hide. There is nothing diplomatic about that sort of language. Norfolk News: Governor Savage has taken another slash at his antagonist and

North Platte Tribune: Governor Savage has indicted another letter to Editor Roseman? Why should the workingmen of water, and the latter promises to make this district send a man to congress to one of his characteristic replies. The govpull chestnuts out of the fire for District ernor and the editor have evidently a long letter-writing campaign ahead of

> Dakota City Eagle: Governor Savage has certain men to the Omaha police commis-\$20 gold pieces could not be piled up high enough to do the business. Strange, but ley pardon?

when he goes into a bullfight.

Dakota City Eagle: Strange as It may appear that every time Governor Savage pens his mouth he gets his foot in it. His customed work. reign in office has been one continuous blunder. By the time his term expires and The Omaha Bee gets through showing ground that money had already been in- him up in his true light there will not vested in a supply of colored paper and be enough left of his political corpse to

South Omaha Independent: Governor Sav age has partly opened that "mysterious" should be the last of it. It ought to be ley, Judging from the artistic manner in which Editor Rosewater handled the exposed portion of that cigar box in The Bee last Now that there is a somewhat pan- Sunday leads us to believe that the governor lcky feeling in financial circles, the value will withhold what other "mysterious" contents that wonderful box may contain.

North Platte Tribune: If the historic and frequently referred to "cigar box" at ple currency resources which can be Lincoln contains such great secrets that It used in a variety of ways to relieve the can be used to hush up the mouths of situation. If there were now a deficit certain ones, it is time that Governor Sav-

Blue Springs Sentinel: That was a brilevil, but it is not so great an evil as a liant closing sentence of the governor's in his Sunday's letter informing Mr. Rosewater that if there was any mere of it he would that is a scarcity of the very best apart-Islative candidates have been nominated mental richard a could more thoroughly show the recent insettle with him after stepping out of the ments for families of large means. Nothing in Nebraska by the respective political feet of stature will look when you go after this statement of fact. parties, leaving the others to be named Rosewater. People once in a while make

Sidney Republican: Governor Savage has sinuations about Rosewater's connection with some shady deals, and now the little editor of The Bee gets after his excellency lature will be expected to grapple with in real style. He has no terrors for Mr. Rosewater and every time he monkeys with the buzzsaw he will get worsted. The govrnor is small potatoes, few in a hill, and has got discounted by his party and the people in general. Nobody pays any attention to what he says and cares less.

> Scotts Bluff Republican: As we predicted a couple of weeks ago. Savage has let his mouth run around loose, until Rosewater has him just where he wants him. Last Sunday's Bee went after Savage in a manner that must make him feel like 30 cents on circus day. If the governor has anything to prove that Rosewater has in any way defrauded the state, he is guilty of gross negligence in office in not having him prosecuted. On the other hand if he has not got the evidence, he has made a 'damfool' of himself.

Columbus Telegram: After the threats made by Governor Savage as to what he would do in the matter of exposing Edward believe, how is it Mercer was so anxious Rosewater, the public had a right to believe to throw it aside when he imagined two that Ezra would fish up something astounding out of that famous cigar box. But he didn't. His promised sensation was no sensation at all. He simply made an ass of chairmanship less valuable then or is himself and gave Rosewater new opportunity to hurl his harpoon into the Savage belly. The result of the Savage-Rosewater controversy, summed up, does no harm to Rosewater, but firmly establishes Savage in the ranks of the nincompoops.

Syracuse Journal: The Rosewater-Savage controversy continues. Governor Savage closes his last loving epistle with the statement that when he retires from official life he will "balance differences fully" with Mr. Rosewater. The Bee still insists that the governor should open that cigar box lid and expose the contents to the public gaze. "Lay on, McDuff, and damned be he who first cries hold: enough," about voices the sentiment of the people of the state. There is a large-sized nigger in somebody's wood pile, and whether Rosey's or the governor's, the people want him routed

Kearney Hub: Governor Savage has replied to Edward Rosewater's open letter and has produced a very warm roast, but that is all that can be said of it. He reiterates some charges against the Omaha editor and makes some new ones, but does not offer any of the proof that he was going to produce, or in other words to flash those cards that he had "up his sleeve." The letter concludes with statement that he will pay no further attention to Rosewater, but will attend strictly to the business of his office, but if further attacked he will find a way to settle all scores after his term as a public official has expired. This may be construed as a threat, but threats don't go, or it may be a bluff, or it may not mean any thing at all.

Grand Island Independent: A week ago yesterday Editor Rosewater made a strenous denial, and supported it by the evidence of General McBride that he had never horrowed a dollar of the state funds. as Governor Savage had charged. Yesterday Governor Savage, through the State Journal issued another letter, in which he fails to disprove that evidence, but charges that Rosewater borrowed from a bank years ago and has failed to pay. Mr. Rosewater announces that he will answer this charge country, most of these children have not in due time. Governor Savage has no far failed to make any showing whatever as to the man who attempted to bribe him in the matter of the Omaha Fire and Police commissioners, and likewise as to the

pose. It would perhaps be well for the future of the republican party, were Savage to close his administration with a

cleansing up of the whole stink, so that it could be permanently disposed of and buried beyond reach. St. Paul Republican: Whether the note

which Governor Savage holds is genuine or

not, its history certainly is not such as to make it a very reliable piece of evidence. It seems that it has been held for years by men who feared an attack from Rosewater as a club to be used in self-defense. It has not been presented for payment and one of the men who held it stated that he would not part with it for several times its face value. It is for a small sum, only \$150, and it does not appear probable that such a debt could have been outstanding against a man of Rosewater's prominence for twenty-five years without some effort being made to collect it. Savage stands self-convicted of an attempt to silence criticism by threats that this note would be produced, until Rosewater gamely called the bluff. Hence the governor is in a bad hole to start with, having forfeited public respect by attempting to bribe a newspaper. He adds no dignity to his position by bringing several foreign matters into the discussion, such as loans for them. That is carrying kindness too far. Rosewater negotiated with banks and litigation in which he has been involved over their payment. He fails dismally to redeem his promise of taking the lid off the Bartley cigar bex, although defied by Rosewater to do so, thus confessing himself to be a

bluffer as well as a bully. Savage has gone the full length in disgracing the office to which he was elevated by a political accident. No matter how irregular any of Rosewater's transactions may have been, the manner in which this little McBride note has been suppressed for years only to be extold how he was offered money to name posed now as a punishment for legitimate newspaper criticism of official proceedings is sion. He says the bid was \$7,500, but that contemptible, cowardly and reprehensible. If it is the most conclusive evidence that can be produced against the man it were how high was the pile offered on the Bart- better to file it away carefully once more in that "mooted" cigar box, along with the York Times: Governor Savage intimates other skeletons of former days. Rosey has hat when he is out of office he will adjust shown himself able to take care of himself his differences with Editor Rosewater. It in a set-to of this nature on former occawould have been just as well if he had sions and we lock for him to come out on thought of that before he entered the arena top this time. If he neglects not only to with the clusive bull of Bashan. A governor clear himself of any wrong doing but fails must necessarily forego some of his dignity to reach a vulnerable point in Ezra's elephantine hide we shall be convinced that the sion in cabinet circles. "There's one thing that his brain no longer performs its ac- retary Wilson, "and that is he never im-

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in

the Metropolis.

A great many boys are fairly happy and cigar box formerly owned by Defaulter Bart. | pocket money for Fourth of July and Christkinds of money at any old time. It all de- He is also at work on a volume describing pends on the size of the family purse or the new Germany of the last decade, which spoon or none at all. Francis Marion Whaley is a New York kid of 14, unusually years, being six feet tall and in Harvard's preparatory school. A fortune of \$500,000 is held in trust for him. For some time past his allowance has been \$7,000 a year, but it was insufficient to meet his wants instead of a surplus, and if the treasury age turn the box open to the public gaze, and the courts advanced his stipend to \$10,let the result be what it may. If there 000 a year. Beside he was allowed to blow were hard put to it to meet its own is a skeleton in the closet it might be \$100 for a watch and \$350 for a horse. Mr. obligations, as it was in Cleveland's best for the party and the state that it Whaley knows a good thing and is not slow in pushing it.

The real estate men of New York announce a surprising state of things, and

The formation of so many great combina tions with their headquarters in New York has called here a large number of rich men busied himself recently making some in- and others who are in possession of big salaries. Many of these men are not ready to buy homes, while some, like Mr. Schwab, must wait to build. As a result, apartments that rent up into the thousands are In demand.

One immense building on the upper West Side, containing over fifty apartments and occupying one frontage of an entire block. disposed of three-quarters of its space on lease long before the building was completed. It has, you may be sure, all the usual modern luxuries and has also in addition a large automobile storage and charging room in the basement. The landlord does his share of charging on the rent.

When one enters the station at Ovster Bay, relates the New York Sun, he always the old back and its veteran driver, "Jake White."

The rig is an old, dilapidated surrey which even J. Pierpont Morgan or any other great man couldn't buy. The owner of the ancient vehicle has con

stituted himself President Roosevelt's "hackman." For the past forty years Oyster Bay has known these two almost inseparable fig-

ures. They are the first objects that meet the eye of the visitor upon arriving at the bay and the last things seen on departing. And this veteran jehu's vehicle is the one always chosen by the president to take him to Sagamore Hill when his own pri-

vate carriage fails to meet him. A story is now going the rounds of how a self-sufficient city chap, ignorant of "Jake's" local importance, ventured to criticise his rig and as it turned out to his ultimate discomfort.

When he entered the carriage and was about to be seated, he jumped up and exclaimed in a disgusted tone: "Say, old man, do you ever dust this

ark?"

Jake grew very angry, jumped up and pointed impressively to the dusty seat. "Do you see that air seat?" he asked. "Well, you feller, the president of these United States has sot dah time and time again.

"Seems to me if it's good enough for him it might be good enough for sich as "Then be jumps in back there an' says to

'Jake, day ain't no one can drive a hack like you. Just take me up the hill." "An' he don't call it an ark, neither, but when he gets up dah he says to me: "'How much is it, Jake?" "Of course I allers may 'one and a half,

Mr. President. That's not near enough,' says he 'You'll never get rich, Jake,' and he allers gives me a \$5 bill. "By the way it'll cost you \$5 to ride around the corner in the president's hack."

Miranda, a timorous spinster, who has reached a "certain age," has neither brothers nor beaus, reports the Evening Post. lieu of more capable and competent protection, when she goes abroad in the evening it is under the convoy of messenger boy. She has complained that by some inexplicable law of chance, whenever she has flowers or notes to be delivered, her call is invariably answered by husky youths strong enough to handle trunk, but when she desires an escort or some one to carry a heavy bag to the railroad station a tiny scrap of an urchin pre sents himself at her door.

Returning from a theater one sight this cek with a diminutive specimen, the was compelled to stand on a street corner wait ing for a car. The hour was late, an great secrets the historic cigar box is said | Miranda was nervous and half afraid. She

to contain and which he said he would ex. said as much. Her hired champion reassured her:

"It's all right, lady. Nobody ever speaks to anybody when anybody sees anybody is with a messenger boy.

Official statistics of school registration of Greater New York, given out by the Board of Education, show 234,000 pupils in Manhattan, 162,000 in Brooklyn and \$9,000 is Bronx, a total of 485,000 in three of the five boroughs of the city. This is an increase of 36,600 over last year. The number of children on part time, a condition due to overcrowding, is given as 69,000, an increase of 15,000 over last year. The number actually refused admission however, very small. The number admitted to half day classes is, however, oc large as to constitute a very grave cause of public distress.

PERSONAL NOTES.

General Coxey of ragged army fame is no onger chasing the octopus; he is busy training one.

A Massachusetts man sent the king of England some verses on appendicitis, and the king has sent him a letter of thanks Hon. John D Henderson of New York will deliver the address at the dedication of the Thirty-fourth New York regiment mon-

tember 17. Captain James R. Mullins of Detroit makes a good living capturing sea lions. He gets most of them on the coast of Mexice and Southern California. He has just returned from Europe, where he disposed of

ument on the Antietam battlefield on Sep-

A recently published pamphlet recalls the old dispute of two friends as to whether the word "news" was singular or plural. They telegraphed to Mr. Greeley the question: "Are there any news?" and he promptly flashed back the answer: "Not a new."

Captain John R. M. Taylor, Fourteenth itfantry, now attached to the bureau of insular affairs of the War department, has been detailed to write the military history of the United States for the last six years. including an account of the Cuban insurrection of 1896.

A man in public life noted for his brusqueness of speech was under informal discusold man's hand has lost its cunning and to be said in his favor, however," said Secportunes the department to get promotions or positions for his friends." "That's readily explained," commented Secretary Root, 'He hasn't any."

After his retirement from the post of ambassador at Berlin Andrew D. White will settle in Ithaca, N. Y. He is now at work on a book of reminiscences at Berlin in manage to thrive if they are favored with 1879-81, as minister at St. Petersburg in 1892-94 and as ambassador to Germany from mas time. Still others require and secure all | 1897 to his retirement in November next. whether the youth was born with a golden has grown from an agricultural to a big industrial power. His personal reminiscences will also contain much interesting advanced, physically and mentally, for his biographical and anecdotal material relating to Mr. White's personal relations with Emperor William.

Blackburn's Gold Brick.

South Omaha Independent. The mercerized goods so popular with the fastidious woman of today should not be confounded with the imitation that Tom Blackburn is trying to make popular with the voters of the Second congressional dis-

LAUGHING GAS.

Detroit Free Press: "You said he was a professional musician?" he professed to be a musician.

Yonkers Herald: Brown-I understand the German emperor says he will never con-sent to his son entering into a morganatio marriage.

Jones-Great Scott, man! Has Morgan got a corner on royal engagements, too?

Philadelphia Press: "These shoes," she said, with unusual candor for a woman, "are awfully tight."
"No wonder," he replied gallantly. "If I were in their place I'd be intoxicated, too."

Chicago Tribune: "The kind of work you have been doing lately," said the doctor, severely, "threatens to overtax your heart." "To overtax it?" grinned the professor. "Well, I suppose you'll 'fix' it for me for a little money, won't you?"

Washington Star: "So you regard trusts as positively beneficial?"
"I do," answered Senator Sorghum, "I speak with positive knowledge on the subject. They have benefited me immensely."

Baltimore American: "Have you any rticles of value with you?" asked the cusarticles of value with you? asked the customs inspector.
"Nothing," answered the returning traveler, "except a wealthy grass widow, whom I expect to marry as soon as I land.
"Well," mused the inspector, rubbing his chin thoughtfully, "I guess you can take her through. Seems to me she will come under the classification of baled hay, and that is free."

Detroit Free Press: "You believe in short engagements, don't you, dear?" asked the happy and accepted lover.
"Short engagements have always been my rule, darling," replied she.
And even then he did not seem happy.

Chicago Post: "Alas, alas," he cried, "it miy my three girls had been boys."
In truth, he was in sore trouble, with three young men thrumming three banjos and singing three different love soigs inder three windows at one and the same imperiors. ime. "I might as well be a victim of insomnia,"

PLOWBOY OF THE WEST.

Charles M. Harger in Leslie's Weekly Across far-reaching, level fields
'Neath carly autumn's sun,
'hanging a stubble of gold to brown.
The plowboy's course is run.

Chocolate ribbons of earth behind, Long miles of toll before; Whistling to rival the morn's clear call Of larks that skyward soar; Panting in noontide's fervid hear;

Facing the evening breeze-every round of his shining share Means more than the plowboy sees Beyond the greening days to come, Beyond the rippling wheat, Beyond the rippling wheat, Fair harve s of a world's delight Walt on a sturdy feet.

Bread and rest and happiness, ond aspirations gained, nforts sweet and treasures dear y longing hands attained—

All these, and more, are the wondrous gifts
That roll from the shining share
In ribons brown where the plowboy tolls
O'er the reaching acres bare.

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