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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, A. D., 1902. M. B. HUNGATE, (Seal.) Notary Public. day of September, A. M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

The coal miners observe Mitchell day 000 to the fund for permanent improvenow. They will celebrate Roosevelt day ments, a special allowance of \$1,700,000 later.

Colonel Bryan is again headed for home to be on the spot with a message of sympathy for David B. Hill when the returns come in.

President Roosevelt's Thanksgiving gate sum of \$6,300,000, after in addition reasons will doubtless be advanced for proclamation is out. Now let Ezra P. paying operating expenses and 7 per them to cast their vote for the nontell us why Nebraskans should be un- cent dividend, there remained a surplus resident congressman at the election. of \$2,116,900 for the last fiscal yearusually thankful.

If you are not registered you cannot vote. If you have not registered, you the farmers pay the whole bill out of gress Mercer is allowed \$100 per month have only one more opportunity coming their own pockets. -and that is Saturday next.

It's easy for the city council to pass 2.416 miles of Burlington system in Ne- secretary of the committee of which he missing. resolutions asking for extensions of braska was during the same time ex- is chairman the work that would destreet railway facilities. Getting the ex- emplified by Beating the state out of volve legitimately upon his clerk, with-

BENEVOLENT ASSIMILATION. The air of benevolence with which which this law was intended to give. ing towns and cities. The terms of the President Hill surrounds his great rall- It is the opinion of the attorney general franchise are so extremely liberal that road corporation in the process of assim- of the United States that the law of Mr. Hayden should encounter no diffillating their substance is well calculated 1890 can be extended so as to prevent culty in securing all the necessary capto be witch the farmers, provided there is the suppression of competition and the ital required for building an extensive

looking under the surface. To a large con- constitutional power of congress is the principal country roads in the course of North Dakota farmers Mr. ample for this purpose. It is expected county. Hill proclaimed the other day, no doubt that President Roosevelt will recom-

perity for the northwest. He had ex- to congress to give this supremely impatiated upon the glories of agriculture portant matter prompt and earnest conat great length and in a strain implying sideration. that his own corporation was not in-

tended to be selfishly gainful, but that it was an institution conceived solely in benevolence and altruistically operated performed is all the reward to be exfor the behoof of the farmers who are absolutely dependent upon it for trans- dividual is glad to have its efforts ap- described his Washington home in this portation.

Mr. Hill, however, was significantly the following letter is therefore specially silent upon the history of the vast gratifying to The Bee: monopoly he has built up and especially upon the manipulations, operative and

financial, by which this has been accomplished. He was especially silent appreciate the splendid work by The upon those methods by which lately Omaha Bee in reporting our conventions. competition throughout a dozen states has been slaughtered by the merger of the three mammoth systems of the serves special recognition for his gentle-Great Northern, the Northern Pacific manly care and management of that work, and the Burlington and at the same time and I am very glad indeed to be able to their capitalization has been enormously inflated. The northwestern farmers pay I thank The Bee for its uniform courtesy,

port of his company, just made public.

shows that during the past fiscal year

it made a special contribution of \$2,000,-

the income account does not disclose

the freight, notwithstanding the benevo- for its full reports and for its generous lence of Mr. Hill's intentions. It treatment of our people while in Omaha. Very truly yours. might have marred the unalloyed bliss

BENJAMIN LYON SMITH. tian Missionary Society. The Bee not only makes it a point to

tell you how much we appreciated him and

his work. In the name of the convention,

by doubling the fixed charges of the give all the news promptly in the most Burlington as he has done, upon which readable form, but always stands ready teered no explanation of any such in- for the advancement of Omaha or the congruous element in his eleemosynary general public welfare. In the Christian church convention it recognizes the or-But Mr. Hill did incidentally confide ganization of great religious and moral to his hearers the circumstance that as factors, and as a newspaper takes pride

MERCER AND THE CLERKS.

The clerks employed in railroad headquarters, railroad freight houses, banks and jobbing concerns in Omaha and the instead of \$157,009.47. clerks employed in the packing houses at South Omaha, regardless of party. are counted on to cast their ballots next Tuesday for David H. Mercer. A large a few years ago would have been re-

under the head of maintenance and that number of clerks who affiliate with the republican party were importuned, or the full income of the various properties dragooned, into voting the Mercer ticket owned and controlled, which is far at the republican primaries by their sugreater, leaving a further sum of \$2,600,- periors under the pretext that it would 000. In short, after paying this aggre- benefit their employers, and the same

Bryan. Now, what has Mercer done to merit verily a big benevolent enterprise of the support of wage-workers and es-Mr, Hill's, but for one thing, viz: that pecially of clerks? As a member of con-

for clerk hire, but instead of paying out extend his benevolent activity through-The benevolence of that portion of the salary allowance he has pocketed out the land. Strange that other sections Mr. Hill's scheme represented by the the \$1,200 a year and saddled upon the do not seem to realize what they are

Effect of Prosperity.

adequate protection against monopoly traffic between Omaha and the neighbor-BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched

on the Spot.

The tendency of people troubled with a surplus to "burn money" has taken a firm state and national complications and grip on Uncle Sam and he is doing a stunt in that line unrivaled in magnitude and economic results. While the average mortal attempt at reaction that it might almost burns money for individual pleasure, your be called insolent. State control of cities the top-notch price of coal which prevailed

during October the bureau of engraving and printing was kept warm by burning and again that in municipal affairs it each day about \$40,000 worth of retired bonds, paper money, postage stamps and sible. The state and the municipality I ave like evidence of wealth issued by the government. As an offset to this costly heat is to bring in confusion and ruin. It is all well enough to say that the cities the bureau credited up a saving of \$150 in

coal. Beginning with July, 1901, following the repeal of the stamp tax on bank checks, elegraph and telephone messages, and augmented this last July by the repeal of all stamp taxes, the treasury has been redeeming the revenue stamps remaining in the hands of purchasers throughout the country. The stamps have been shipped in wagonloads, a considerable portion of the bulk being made up of the blank checks upon which the stamp was impressed. Carloads and tons upon tons of this stuff have been shipped to Washington and stored in the treasury.

Greece and Italy to Norway and Russia. During the fall large numbers of settle-They have souvenirs and bric-a-brac from nents have been made, enabling the reevery quarter which fills their residence moval of the stamps represented by the in this city. Siberian bear skin, rugs payments. As fast as a wagonload of stamps from Alaska, ivory carvings from Japan, was released it was hauled over to the bureau and shoveled into the big incinerator built solely for this purpose. to.'s skin from Java, a marble bust from

Italy which closely resembles their little process of destruction was going on, and daughter, being a few specimens. The latest collection of trophies is from the Philippines, where Mr. Mercer traveled extensively last summer in the course of a trip, starting east from New York and ontinuing east till he had touched San Francisco and again reached Washington. That's the kind of a poverty-stricken was tried.

charged with the duty of witnessing the In the tabular statement printed in operation of burning the stamps stood by Tuesday's issue of The Bee, making a to see that the stamps all went into the detailed comparative exhibit of Nefurnace, the fireman and engineer experibraska railroad assessments by counmented. It was found that about two parts ties, an error appears in the column of coal to one part of stamps and checks showing what the railroad assessment made a combination producing splendid re-

sults. of Washington county should be. The And so, day after day, the big wagons Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha transported boxes and bales of stamps and road should be assessed in that county stamped checks to the bureau and the stokers sandwiched a layer of several thou-\$169,219.70, instead of \$16,921.97, and the sand dollars' worth of government securiassessment of all the roads \$309,307.20, tles between a few cents' worth of coal. At the end of the month it was ascertained that an average of a ton of coal daily had A fact has just presented itself, albeen saved through the use of the highthough no attention is paid to it, which grade fuel, a total saving of \$150 for the

month, estimating coal at \$6 a ton. garded as of immense importance. It is Elliott Woods, superintendent of that the price of silver, which has been capitol at Washington, declares that the steadily falling, has now reached the building is bubbling over with wit and

lowest point in the London market humor, prompted by the coal famine. He mentions some of the suggestions for fuel known in the history of that metal. It which he has received from visitors: seems to pass unnoted even by Colouel "Storing the heat from warm debates; "the seasoned timber from which cabinets are selected;" "planks from political con-If that Northern Securities merger is ventions;" "some of the dried old fossils really the beneficent and benefolent un- in the senate;" "logs which are rolled by all members;" "the protected cradles of dertaking Jim Hfil would have the pubour infant industries." and the "Steps lic believe, the Great Northern railwhich are always taken to remedy all matway magnate should be in demand to ters."

> More than 900 chrysanthemum plants are on exhibition at the flower show opened

at the Agricultural department building came and scared away his pursuer. this week. They embraced 122 varieties. All were propagated in the hot houses of the department and many of them are

majority in the council the power of appointing the boards of public safety will pass to the governor.

Coming at a time when people were beginning to hope that the government of cities was about to be withdrawn from handed over to normal rational, local interests, the Ohio code is such a plucky

incle does it to save coal bills. During means state politics in cities, and although state politics is necessary and desirable in state affairs, it has been proved time means corruption. No other issue is posutterly different spheres. To combine them

> are part of the states, and the whole, being greater than the part, must be supreme This is superficially true. The cities are

creatures of the commonwealth. They have such distinctive characteristics, however, and their problems and possibilities are so remote from those of the country districts. that a declaration of modified independence is inevitable. The American colonies were a part of the British empire, West Virginia was a part of Virginia, the Balkan states cities revolution is not necessary. Neither, grateful to this American matriarch. of course, is complete separation. All that the illustration used means is that the progress of events often breaks asunder

and dangerous. The urban centers of American life must have free play. Their home rule. State politicians who refuse In the latter part of September, while the to be converted by arguments will be con-

while the officials of the Treasury department were racking their brains to figure out a fuel supply for the various bureaus, the engineer at the bureau of engraving and printing was seized with an inspiration He suggested the utilization of the wagon loads of stamps and stamped checks for the purpose of producing steam. The thing

verted by votes. PERSONAL NOTES. Did the salt trust dissolve because there was too much water? Lieutenant James Powell, who has just

died at Conneaut, O., was a direct lineal descendant of the Stuart kings of England. While the officials who ordinarily are

> Dr. Frank Strong, who has just been insas, is the author of an excellent blography of Benjamin Franklin. Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, who

is on his way to the Philippines, was robbed at a hotel in Hawail of a valise containing money, jewelry and valuable papers. Prof. Frederick Hirth, teacher of Chinese at Columbia university, told his class the

other day that the Chinese language is not particularly difficult of attainment, but that they must not expect to chat with their laundryman in a few weeks.

the between them to declare an opinion, such is Stanton. their fear of their royal parent. Private letters from Sorrento bring the nformation that F. Marion Crawford's health is giving his family much anxiety.

The novelist recently had a serious hemorrhage, it is said, that left him in a weak condition. He recuperated rapidly, however, and since his condition has been more satisfactory. Congressman Robert W. Davis of Florida

was out hunting south of St. Augustine a was gaining and the fugitive climbed a

carried his independence with him to Lon-

don and showed it in marked fashion during

his interview with Colonial Secretary Cham-

berlain. The latter addressed him as "Mr.

Dewet," whereupon the warrior from South

Africa corrected him by saying "General

Dewet." Almost immediately afterward

Mr. Chamberlain repeated the "Mr.," and

Dewet said sternly, "General or nothing."

troduced the Bessemer steel process in the

United States and the leading men in that

industry today are pupils of John Fritz.

tree just in time to save himself. He remained there several hours before help Old Hugh McLaughlin, the Brooklyn po-

ELIZABETH CADY STANTON.

Minneapolls Times; The cause of women's suffrage has lost a mighty champion in the death of Mrs. Stanton, but what seems to us more than that, cause of clean living, of sweet womanilness, of high ideals, of pure government has lost an advocate that shall not soon be replaced.

Indianapolis Journal: Comparatively few women, it is true, have gained the right of suffrage for which she battled most strenuously, but in other lines the advance has been greater and more rapid than even she could have hoped. Laws have been modified, property rights equalized, educational opportunities widened and avenues of industry opened to women to an extent that could hardly have seemed possible fifty years ago.

Chicago Chronicle: Mrs. Stanton did not succeed in completely converting American womanhood to her conviction that the ballot is a cure for all evils. But while mock that ing with only partial success upo obstinute lock the concussion of relaxed the rivets on many other osed has doors. There is not a woman the has succeeded in law, medicine, journalism, the were a part of Turkey-they are not so arts and sciences, higher education; trade now. In the case of the large American and commerce but feels or ought to feel

Indianapolis News: Fulfilling all of the rivileges and meeting all of the duties in life this noble woman had still the old ties which have ceased to be convenient greatness of mind and character to adopt and useful and have come to be irksome all women as her sisters in a very intimate sense and give her life to their uplifting. She lived long enough, in her gipe eld age development demands it. They must have loved and honored and reobgaized, to be comforted with the acknowledgement that most of her ideals were sound and? true. Surely she was blessed as she lived and as

she died-leaving a memory that ple those that come after her. Minneapolis Tribune: Mrs. Stantos

one of the noted group of women, including Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stows and Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, who seemed to combine qualities that fitted her to shine both in , the domestic circle and in public life ... , She Captain Rowan, the man who "carried married at a comparatively early age. Her the message to Garcia," is so sick of the children clustered about her knee. Six of subject that he is sorry he ever carried it. them were at her bedside when she passed away. Yet she found time to do much stalled chancellor of the University of Kan- literary work, to occupy herself with public questions and to be a leader in movements which she regarded as reformatory.

Springfield Republican: Mrs. Stanton's home life was all that the most exacting advocate of "woman's sphere, the home, could desire. She had seven children and

six are living. Theodore Stanton is a well known literate and journalist, resident in Paris. Margaret Livingston Lawrence incited known as an authority and teacher in physical culture, long at the Teachers' college, in New York City. Harriet Stanton Blatch is a prominent figure, in English It is not generally known that the shah philanthropy and social labor. Altogether of Persia has four cons now in Europe no life can have been more fully justified and, perhaps, none more fullful in sifts and inoffensive, with hardly enough spirit to humanity, than that of Elizabeth Cady

FLASHES OF FUN.

Judge: Thorns-How about that o stock you bought? Was it a good thing? Bramble-No. I was. oil

Somerville Journal: Hicks-fis manners are very bad, aren't they? Wicks-Yes, but you know he b for five years. Hicks-His table boarded

was out hunting south of St. Augustine a day of two ago when a large black bear took to hunting him. The congressman took a shot at bruin and then field, but the bear a shot at bruin and then field but the bear

Judge: Madge-What does she mean by saying that men are not as chivalrous as they used to be? Marjorte i annoose that wents years ago ahe used to get the tage to be

Somerville Journal: The worst thing about teiling a funny story to a man is that you have to listen patiently afterward while he tells you a story that he thinks litical boss, laughs at a published rumor that he covets the chair now occupied in the United States senate by Thomas C. Platt. "No, no," says Hugh. "Here I am a man is funny, too. against a hard combination in the senate-Platt and Hanna and Quay. Oh, I guess not." General Bragg's transfer from the con-Ulate another of the senate of

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system of suburban railroads over all

Mercer's literary bureau is now trying

to impress the public that the reason he

has not established a home in Omaha is

because he is too poor to do so and is

picturing the modest quarters he occu-

ples in Washington in language designed

to excite sympathy. When he had him-

self written up in the Washington Post

a few months ago to tell what a great

man he is regarded away from home he

Mercer finds his chief relaxation in

travel. To him travel is almost a passion.

While he was a bachelor he traveled far

and wide and since his marriage in 1894

the two have sojourned in about every

civilized country. Some three years ago

they spent several months in Europe,

journeying all over that continent from

brocades and embroidery from China, tap

estries from Turkey, a rare white alliga-

wanderer Our Dave really is.

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to be no going behind the returns, no restraint of trade. He believes that the

with sonorous oratory, that the supreme | mend legislation on the line indicated object of his road was to secure pros- by Mr. Knox and the people will look

GOOD WURDS FOR THE REC While the consciousness of duty well pected, a newspaper as much as an in-

preciated and approved. The receipt of language:

CINCINNATI, Oct. 27 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I am just home from our Omaha convention and take this first opportunity of writing and telling you how much we It is with pleasure that I transmit to you the formal vote of thanks of the convention for your work. Your reporter de-

ensions, however, is not so easy.

The students of Michigan Agricultural college have not yet asked for arbitration of their differences with the faculty. They demand of the latter unconditional surrender.

A man who would resort to the importation of Iowa repeaters to secure a fraudulent nomination would not hesitate to resort to the same means to procure an election.

A little thing like the council overriding his vetoes does not discourage Mayor Moores. A council meeting without a few vetoes to override would not seem like the real thing.

may be a good thing, but it can't be amended and extended "and thus remedy wages or would have had an opportunity worked without more policemen. And its defects and so effectively regulate to take the place of the man chosen by needed to pay the bills.

choose between Tom Reed and Mark He pointed out that if that law exhausts Twain for commencement orator. They the power of congress over monopolies are bound to have a joke either on them. the American people find themselves selves or on the orator.

It hasn't been many weeks since the bilities, with which neither the federal Cubans took charge of their government | nor state governments can deal, but he and yellow fever is already reported declared that when the currents of mothere. Cuba must begin to feel again nopoly evil flow out over state lines and like home to the Cubans.

No doubt the South and Central Amer- reach. ican countries are marvelously rich in resources, especially in revolutionary resources, which are the only ones which who concur with the attorney general. their people have shown any industry in Mr. Knapp says the anti-trust law is developing.

Blowing bank safes seems to be a profitable industry these days when the banks are overflowing with money. It was not so attractive an occupation before republican policies turned the tide of prosperity in our direction again.

South Omaha's city ordinances are tary, as that which would bring the now accessible in a bound volume officially complied. We have for years been advocating a compilation of wise and well-grounded rule of the com-Omaha's city ordinances which no one mon law. The fundamental departure can now tell anything about. It costs from that rule in the Sherman act is, in and clerks of election who would make money to prepare such a book, but it is my judgment, the cause of its utter faise returns and counts, that the punishmoney well spent.

from accomplishing its intended purpose The republican party has always stood it has indirectly aided-in many cases by the people, for it is through the balfor an honest ballot and a fair count. forced-the very result it was designed lot the people speak. The debauch-The republicans of Omnha will not countenance fraudulent registration, repeatthat had the common law rule been obing or voting by the endless chain, served in the Sherman act and in kinwhether these lawless practices are in dred legislation by the states, we should the interest of candidates of their own have today a great deal more actual crats, they are not republicans, they are party or of fusion candidates. competition than exists.

The agreement of these able lawyers Associated Press reports of yesterday's upon a subject to which they have given election in Porto Rico show that the most careful consideration is important islanders know how to work the Mercer and should exert some influence. The scheme.) The Porto Ricans are not Sherman anti-trust law certainly has not by the county commissioners. The quite so badly hampered as the Mercer accomplished what it was intended to. board has granted a franchise and rightbosses are by a stringent registration There is competent opinion that it is de of-way to William Hayden to construct, law, or they would find it difficult to fective. The duty of congress is to operate and maintain a system of suburequal the record of the latter.

more than one-half of the taxes justly out paying him a dollar for this addidue, thus compelling the great body of tional work. In other words, Mercer has the taxpayers to bear this burden. The forced the secretary of his committee to

lent chiefly to itself.

ing has deprived some deserving citizen STRENGTHEN THE ANTI-TRUST LAW. of his district of an opportunity to earn There are some who hold the opinion a fair living. On the principle that an injury to one that the Sherman anti-trust law exhausts the power of congress over is an injury to all, Mercer has wronged monopolles. This is not the view of every man who works for wages as a in such matters it can work that side of Attorney General Knox and it is inter- clerk and at the same time perpetrated the street itself. esting to note that his position is in- an inexcusable fraud upon the governdorsed by various officers of the ad- ment by signing vouchers for clerk hire

ministration. Mr. Knox said in his which he has put in his own pocket. Pittsburg speech that the power of con- Had Mercer carried out the act of congress is not exhausted in this law, but gress in good faith by employing a clerk. that the anti-trust act of 1890 may, under a man out of employment would either An eight-hour shift on the police force the existing constitutional grants, be have been able to find a position at good

the more policemen, the more money national and foreign commerce as to Mercer for the position in Washington. prevent the stifling of competition, the What would be thought of a state regulating of prices and the restraining officer, county officer or city officer who would force his clerks to do double work University of Nebraska seniors will of national and international trade." and then sign vouchers for clerk hire he Why should a man who is drawing \$5,000 a year for five months' active hopelessly impotent, facing a situation

> fraught with the most alarming possibe satisfied with his salary? Why should he rob another man of the opportunity of earning an honest living? Will the clerks of Omaha and South Omaha endorse such downright meanness and cover the country it will not do to say dishonesty by their votes? Will they that the evil is beyond the national stultify themselves? Is it not their duty

> to assert their manhood and independ-Chairman Knapp of the Interstate ence by administering a telling rebuke Commerce commission is among those at the ballot box?

> County Circuit Attorney Folk of St. defective and that a law can be drafted Louis, who has achieved a national repwhich will fully protect the interests of utation as an unrelenting prosecutor of the public and at the same time permit municipal boodlers, has served notice on agreements to be made to limit competiall whom it may concern in the city of tion. He is quoted as saying: "So far St. Louis that he will prosecute and send as I am able to reach conclusions satisto the penitentiary all perpetrators of factory to myself, I am of the opinion election fraud. Mr. Folk defines his pothat no legislation upon this subject is sition as follows: so much needed, or will prove so salu-

> Charges have been made that fraudulent voting will be attempted at the coming federal statute into conformity with the election. It will be my duty to prosecute every offender against whom evidence can be secured and it might be well to remind those who would vote unlawfully, and judges failure as a remedial measure. So far ment is imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than two years. The sanctity of the ballot is the basis of government

work and seven months' recreation not

to prevent." He expressed the belief ers of sanctity are not couffined to any political party, but operate in all parties from venal motives. They have no politics except in name, for there is no politics in crime. They are not demo-

> criminals and as criminals they will be prosecuted if they throw the gauntlet down ih the face of the law and public decency.

The first step toward securing subu ban electric tramways has been taken remedy the defects and to provide that ban railroads to facilitate travel and popularity of any line.

Indianapolis Journal

As one result of the financial management of the republican party the annual interest on the national debt is \$6,000,000 less full facts show that Mr. Hill's corpora- work over hours in doing work for than it was before the war with Spain, nottion is benevolent, indeed, but benevo- which congress has set apart an allows withstanding the issue of a war loan of ance for a separate clerk, and by so do-\$200,000,000.

Monopolizing the Graft. Chicago Chronicle.

The coal trust has advanced the price of anthracite to the dealers, but will not allow those tradesmen to advance the price to the consumer. The trust believes that

> Good and Bad Sense. Philadelphia Ledger.

England is simply amazed at the good sense shown in this country in handling the coal strike, while we are not even aston ished at the bad sense of England in handling the Irish question, but just accept it RS & matter of course.

Union of Crown Wearers. Baltimore American.

Mr. Carnegie's idea of a crown trust of all the rulers of Europe to repel the American industrial invasion is original, to say the least. But there is one feature without doubt in it; if the rulers accept his invitadid not pay out and pocket the money? tion and form the trust they will look to the inventor of the idea to finance the enterprise.

Grown in Public Favor. Indianapolis News.

No man in public life has grown more in popular appreciation than Senator Hanna. At the outset of his political career he was supposed to be a self-seeking, arrogant political boss, who depended largely on money to win his ends. He was pursued by the cartoonist and his character misrepresented and maligned. Gradually, by reason largely of his position on labor questions

and his interest in the civic federation, men have come to hold a juster view of his character. He is now generally recog-

nized as one of the intellectual leaders of the republican party, and no one is more eagerly listened to.

Pinch of the Harvester Trust. Philadelphia Record.

Notice has been given on behalf of the recently organized Harvester trust that prices are to be advanced 25 per cent, so that farmers who have hitherto paid \$100 for a machine must hereafter pay \$125. At the same time, the managing force of the trust is to be so reduced and reorganized that not less than \$500,000 a year will be saved by this process alone. By such simple devices this new industrial combination expects to obtain finge dividends on its \$65, 000,000 of liberally watered capital stock. No doubt it will do so for a season; but its peculiar field is wide open, and large profits

must in the end breed fierce competition. Activity of the Lone Bandit.

Minneapolis Journal. frequency and the success with

The which railroads are held up and robbed suggests the importance of providing betprotection by the railroad companies for the persons and property which they transport. This is emphasized by the fact Northern Pacific train has just that a been robbed and the engineer killed by one lone bandit in Montana. The probabili-

ties are that those lines of transportation which provide the most security against such attacks and can furnish the public the greatest assurance of safety will profit sufficiently by public knowledge of that fact to more than pay for all the extra expense incurred. Train robbing does not always involve loss or danger to the passengers, but it is not conducive to the

triumphs of the gardener's science and skill. The largest and handsomest plant is misnamed Black Hawk, for the blossoms, which are twelve inches in diameter, are white with a pink center. A bunch of this variety was cut and sent to President Roosevelt. The Japanese minister, Mr. Takahira, has been one of the most enthusiastic visitors at the exhibition, the chrysanthemum being his national flower

general at Hong Kong will not involve any Washington is flat mad. Housekeeping loss to him of the emoluments of office, the apartment flats are springing up in all salary at both posts being identical. The quarters, but chiefly the northwest dis-More than forty large flats have trict. been completed since January 1, 1901, a score of others are in course of construction, and several others, larger still, are tage of a residence so far from home. planned. General Dewet, the sturdy Boer leader

The rapidity with which these flats, when ready for occupancy, have been filled has been remarkable. Heads of families have had themselves booked for quarters in the new ones months before their completion. The rents are about the same as those of the houses previously occupied by the flatters. It is clear, however, that the flat is the cheaper at the same rate, because in it there is no expense for heating or water, and there are economies in other directions. Washington has just found these things

military status of his visitor. out. Consequently the flats are full, with On the 31st of this month a dinner will a constantly increasing demand for more. The site of the new Hay flats is at the be given in the Waldorf-Astoria, New orner of Connecticut avenue and L street, York, to John Fritz, the ironmaster and in the fashionable quarter of the capital, inventor of Bethlehem, Pa., that being his only four blocks from the White House, and eightieth birthday. Mr. Fritz, is a native less than three from Colonel Hay's own of Pennsylvania, began life as a blackresidence on Lafayette Park. The building smith and has been interested directly in will have a frontage on each street of apnearly every important step in the iron proximately 250 feet, and is to be eight and steel industries. From 1869 to 1893 stories high. The floor space is to be cut | he was chief engineer and superintendent up into nearly 500 rooms, grouped into of the great forge and armor plant of the Bethlehem Steel company. He is thought to be the only survivor of those who inninety-five suites of five-room flats.

FLOUTING HOME RULE.

New Ohio Municipal Code Only Goes Half Way in Self-Government.

Chicago Tribune (rep.). Now we have Ohio playing leading lady to that great star in ripper legislation, Pennsylvania. What ripper legislation means can be seen in Philadelphia and Pittsburg politics. What the regulation of affairs from a state capital municipal means can be seen in Chicago's west park board. Experience and reason, facts and theories, the record of the past and the

spirit of the present, all cry aloud for home rule for great cities. Does the new Ohio code conform to this cry? It not only does not conform to it, it violently disregards and flouts it.

Interference with municipal governments in Ohio by the party in power in the legissuch a code, but has incorporated in it provisions which are subversive of the

First, the mayors of all Ohio cities are removable by the governor. If Illinois were under that law Governor Yates could keep on removing Chicago mayors until the people of Chicago were willing to elect some one who suited him. Surely this is a queer way of keeping municipal administration out of politics.

Second, all Ohio cities will have boards of public safety, which control the business affairs of the police and fire departments and will act as civil service commissions: By the forbearance of the state legislature the mayors will appoint boards of public safety, unless-note the playful, bantering spirit of the legislators of the Buckeye state-unless the common councils fall to confirm his appointments by a two-thirds majority. In all clites, therefore, in which the mayor cannot command a two-thirds

General Bragg's transfer from the con-ulate general at Havana to the consulate "No, suh; I opened a razor." sulate general at Havana to the consulate

Philadelphia Catholic Standards "It's ilmost impossible, dear, to igne a house or a shorter term than one year, nova-lays," he said, "so to protect myself I

social prestige of the American consul at Hong Kong is greater than that of the cor-responding official at Havana, and this would be a compensation for the disadvan-tage of a residence so far from home.

Somerville Journal: Ethel-Maude asked me to go to luncheon with her yesterday, but I couldn't. Alice-Why not? Ethel-I didn't have my pocketbook with

Chicago Record-Herald: "I-I have come," he began, addressing her father, "to-to suggest to you that a union of our families would-" "I am not in favor of unions," the testy old captain of industry interrupted, "and I will not submit to arbitration. Good morning." Then the suave Chamberlain followed Lord Kitchener's example and recognized the morning.

MORN, NOON AND NIGHT.

In the morning of life the youth see abroad, With confidence grand and sublime, And he says, as he enters on life's busy

"To the top of Fame's hill I will climb.

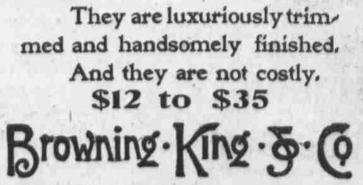
In the noonday of life the man looks

around, On those he has passed in the race; And he thinks no one else like him can For honor, for glory, for place.

In the evening of life the man meditates On all he has done, said and seen; And this is the verdict he mentally states: "Oh! what a darned fool I have been!" Omaha, Neb. -J. N. CAMPION.

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