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The report that the South Dakota fusionists are still dazed by the election returns requires no confirmation.

Wonder if the money paid the bill to by Mr. Mercer's manager.

If a tithe of the mutual charges made election is to be credited, we may look for a big rise of the price of copper.

One of two things-Grover Cleveland either made too many speeches or he did not make enough. The results permit you to take your choice of explana-

So far there has been no authentic picture of Mascagni showing the cut of his hair, and until such proof is forthcoming we must reserve judgment as to his rank as an artist.

That well defined rumor that Mercer proposes to contest the election may be believed in the District of Columbia, but it is not taken seriously in the Second congressional district of Nebraska.

Congressman Cannon starts as the recognized leader and logical candidate in the speakership race. Most of his competitors are only trying to land in desirable committee chairmanships any

The Mad Mullah has broken loose a spectacular warrior.

rometer reads all right.

Colonel Bryan's advice to "the friends of reform" may be summed up in the words, "Never mind." The colonel has had so much experience in political hope deferred that this suggestion is natural under the circumstances.

Nothing has been heard of the pro-Nebraska submitted to the voters last week, but we violate no confidence in expressing doubts that it received the requisite majority for adoption.

The stay-at-homes are now coning in feat of the fusion reform candidates. Who knews but that the defeat might have been more decisive if the stay-athomes had turned out in full force at the polls?

And now it is intimated that the executive mansion provided for the governor by a recent Nebraska legislature is a sort of white elephant on his hands. But it is a white elephant for which the Aaxpayers of the state have to furnish the fodder.

Congressman Burkett has the distinct tion of being the only member of the Nebraska delegation endorsed by reelection, although five of the six present Nebraska congressmen were up before the people. That constitutes quite a big bouquet.

The election of two novelists-Winston Churchill and Booth Tarkington-to seats in the lower house of the Fiftyeighth congress ought to serve to put a little ginger into the congressional Recreadable even if it does not increase its anything.

MERE STUPID BLUSTER

His accidency, the moribund governor proclamation to mankind in general and the people of Nebraska in particular that Omaha and Douglas county are to with the services of Congressman Mercer. This terrible threat is reverbercoupled with a declaration that Omaha

These gloomy forebodings, coming and an Arctic temperature, may diswho had hoped to find a lodgement The animus is too transparent, Omaha this is by keeping their countries on and Douglas county have never occupled very prominent places on the state ticket or in the state house, although mustering from 12,000 to 15,000 repub-Hean votes and contributing more than for helping to elect Bryan to congress same district and the republican oppo-

admonished to mind its own business. Omaha and Douglas county repubcounty to discipline, Omaha will have some other time.

Fortunately, however, for the republican party, the outgoing governor, who his gall.

IMPOTENT EMIGRATION LAWS. The governments of Austria-Hungary will not achieve much success in the proposed restrictive legislation on emiposter will be included in the official gration. Such legislation, periodically statement of campaign expenses sworn enforced with greater or less rigor for centuries, has uniformly fatled, and under modern facilities of locomotion must be increasingly futile. Means of evaas to money spent in the late Montana sion will be found, for men feel an instinctive right to go wherever they hope to better their condition, and that arbitrary decrees in restraint thereof are

not morally binding. The true and the only effective way for the more autocratic governments of it will be found loyal to the principles Europe to keep their subjects at home and policies of the party two years away. Some 19,488,739 acres were disposed is to improve general conditions there, is to improve general conditions there, and especially to relax the hardships is to be fought. The political revolution gether is a large ared nearly as large as of military service. That burden presses that has taken place in some of the half of England. The firm and ranch emiwith tremendous weight upon the poorer classes, the small farmers, peasants, artisans and tradesmen. Industrial conditions in Europe, though doubtless upon the whole steadily improving, make it none too easy for such to support themselves and families and get on in the world, even if they could command their full energies in gainful pursuits, The incubus of military service diverts a vast proportion of their labor. The time required for actual service in the army, or, what is tantamount, to pay the taxes required by militarism, makes a terrible inroad upon their industrial

efficacy. Cheap land, exemption from compulsory military service, lower taxes, betagain in east Africa. The Mad Mullah ter wages, more abundant opportunities of Omaba has been tearing around be- and ampler liberties in the new world tween the city hall and the New York are an irresistible temptation which no Life building for several days. He is system of regulation can effectually modify or thwart. So long as the new world offers such contrasts with the old Omaha shows up creditably in the emigration will continue to bring tens weekly bank clearings statement with of thousands hither. The one thing an increase of 11.5 per cent over the which would go farthest to check emiclearings of the corresponding week of gration, a universal and honest disthe preceding year. The business ba- armament and abandonment of militarism, is exactly the one thing that

the governments of Europe seem as yet to be not ready to adopt. EMPEROR WILLIAM IN ENGLAND.

There may be no diplomatic signifito his uncle, King Edward. It is posis a disposition in some European quarters to regard it more seriously, espeposed amendment to the constitution of cially in view of the fact that the king of Portugal is also soon to be a guest of Great Britain's sovereign. There is said to be no doubt in European diplomatic circles of the existence of a secret agreement between Germany and Great Britain relating to the partition of Porfor their share of the blame for the de- tuguese East Africa and it is suspected ness community will inspire confidence that Asia Minor is also included in the scope of this convention.

What more natural, then, than to as sume that the visit of the German emperor to England has something to do with whatever plan is embraced in this traising the necessary funds to carry the secret treaty, especially as it is understood that the emperor is anxious that nally projected. Great Britain shall purchase the territory of Portugal in Africa, upon which that country is believed to have an option, perhaps with the understanding that Germany shall share in that terrifory, or at any rate be given certain rights and privileges there. Those who thus theorize see in the coming visit to England of the king of Portugal a strong reason for their view. It is manifestly most improbable, however, that the meeting of these sovereigns contemplates any deal in regard to territory in East Africa or elsewhere. This is not the way in which matters

of this nature are discussed and settled.

None of these sovereigns could do more

than suggest and advise, being unable

feeling in Germany and no little anti- people do not want it. German sentiment in England. This is be punished for summarily dispensing among the people and it has seemed recently to be growing, its source being chiefly commercial rivalry. Emperor ated through the Lincoln Journal, William's visit, it is not unreasonable to assume, may have a tendency to allay Bee (without Sunday), per copy... 20 and Douglas county are to be left out this feeling of hostility or at any rate Bee (including Sunday), per week 120 in the coming distribution at the state to check its growth. There is undoubtedly the most friendly feeling between the two sovereigns and an earnest desimultaneously with cold wave signals sire on the part of both to maintain and strengthen the good relations between courage if not frighten some patriots their governments, which it is obviously in the interest of each to do. Both around the capitol, but most people who King Edward and Emperor William deunderstand the source and inspiration sire to conserve the peace of Europe will dismiss them as mere stupid bluster. and the most effective way of doing

WESTERN REPUBLICANISM.

good terms with each other.

The eastern press accords proper recognition to the west for its share in one-eighth of the entire revenue of the the late republican victory. It is glostate. Nobody in Omaha ever proposed rious news, exclaims one paper, that to punish Lancaster county republicans comes from the whole country, "but especially so is that which comes from when Lincoln and Omaha were in the the great states of the west, whose eyes and thoughts are on the future nent of Bryan resided in Omaha. No- and where an empire of new national body ever suggested that Lancaster strength and greatness is building with county should be punished for falling marvelous strides." It halls with ento elect Judge Field to congress, and thusiasm the fact that the states of the if Omaha had even made suggestion west have emphasized anew their loy-39,400 it would have been cautioned if not alty to republican principles, as the hope and mainstay of their own and the na-

tion's prosperity. licans surely ought to have a right to . Another paper declares that the polit repudiate the nomination of a non- leal revolution which has taken place resident candidate forced on them by in the states that were formerly under nonresident corporations and imported the influence of the free silver craze nonresident voters. If repudiation of and of populism is an event of the utsuch methods will subject the city and most importance in the political history of the United States, the effects of to submit gracefully, reserving to itself which will be felt in many ways. Still the privilege of reciprocal treatment another finds in the returns from the western states a refutation of the as sumption that the west is dissatisfied the recent election presages democratic with the tariff. It declares that the inis fulminating all the anathemas, has telligent farmers of the prairie states nothing to give except a few more par- have come to the rescue of the workers dons and nothing to take away except in our great cities "and have united to save them from the consequences of their own folly. They have refused to disturb the prosperity that exists; they have disdained to be allured by the temptation of voting for a change, when no change could be for the better. These expressions will be appreciated by the republicans of the west as a just and merited acknowledgment of the great service they have rendered the country, at a time and under circumstances when such service was of the

very highest importance. Western republicanism is of sterling quality and its most recent expression may be accepted as an assurance that definite time beyond. The people of ago. the west have learned at least quite as well, perhaps even better, the lessou taught under democratic policy. They have good memories and they want no more of the hard experiences of a few years ago. It can be confidently predicted, therefore, that the republican west will long remain faithful to the principles of republicanism and when again called upon will marshal itself done under the standard of that party to which it so largely owes its development and its prosperity.

COMPLETE THE AUDITORIUM

The reorganized Auditorium directory should waste no more time in the revision of plans and discussion of future uses of the structure until after they have solved the financial problem.

Whether the enterprise was wisely projected or the wrong location selected are no longer debatable questions. The ground has been purchased and paid for, the architect engaged and the foundation of the building is laid. For obvious reasons Omaha cannot afford to cance in the visit of Emperor William allow the enterprise to fail. This city cannot afford to be advertised as falling sibly a simple act of courtesy, but there down in any great undertaking even if

it has to strain all its energies. An appeal to public-spirited citizens and a long pull, a strong pull and a pull all together will, we feel sure, place the managers of the Auditorium in position to complete the structure during the

coming year. What is now needed most is a man at the helm whose standing in the busiand enlist the active co-operation of all the men interested in promoting the

growth and welfare of the city. With such a man to lead on there should be no difficulty encountered in Auditorium building through as origi-

The bridge question we always have with us. The periodic assurance that the Union Pacific bridge and the Union Pacific terminals are available at rea sonable rates to all railroads that de sire to enter Omaha seems to be a de lusion, if not a snare. At any rate, the Chicago Great Western has been compelled to invoke the power of the federal courts to gain entrance into this city, and unless the courts render a speedy decision in its favor its advent may be

retarded for months, if not years. The close vote on delegate in Okla oma, which was supposed to turn or the demand for statebood, is expected to have a bad effect on the prospects ord and make that great journal more to bind their respective governments to of the statehood bills in the pending congress because it makes it appear as The obvious conclusion, therefore, is if the people there were not satisfied when Mrs. Hetty left the office.

that Emperor William is merely paying among themselves that they preferred his respects to King Edward, though to cease being a territory. Congress of Nebraska, has issued a semi-official this may mean something more than certainly should not undertake to imcourtesy. There is a strong anti-British pose statehood on any territory whose

President Stickney of the Chicago Great Western flatly takes issue with Vice President Bird of the Milwaukee that freight rates are unreasonably low. When railroad doctors disagree who shall decide? The Interstate Commerce commission may agree with Stickney, but inasmuch as it is powerless to enforce its opinions the Chicago Live Stock exchange and all-other complainants of Congressman Mercer, Rosewater and may whistle and scold all they want to.

Government by injunction ought to work both ways. If it is true that the Union Pacific strike smashers are making systematic efforts to get the strikers involved in trouble and into contempt of the federal court by inciting assaults on strike breakers or guards, a counter injunction ought to be procurable to restrain the mischief makers from provoking violent encounters.

Lincoln people are not enthusing as much as they ought to over the prospect of connection with Omaha by suburban electric trolley. Perhaps they fear the trolley managers will not be as good to them in the way of distributing free passes as the railroad managers are reputed to be.

> Follow the Leader. Baltimore American (rep.).

The opportunity for President Roosevelt to grapple with his party and compel it to act as he believes it should act is one not Five More in the Tomb.

Philadelphia Record (dem.). The process of elimination goes on-Bryan, Croker, Hill, Gorman, Johnson Meantime the democratic party survives and grows stronger east and west.

Hopeful Jeems Hopes On. Indianapolis Journal. Senator Jones of Arkansas, chairman of

the democratic national committee, thinks victory in 1904. He is the champion rainbow chaser. A Mighty Close Call.

Indianapolis News.

As the District of Columbia court of appeals has decided that the district liquor laws do not apply to the capitol, no degress is so justly celebrated is feared. --

Shaking a Stock Argument.

Chicago Chronicle. One of the stock arguments for the trust system is that it cheapens production by ecenomy in operating expenses. This argument is somewhat shaken, however, by the spectacle of the biggest trust in the bunch paying a crazy man \$1,000,000 per year for scooting around Europe buying champagne for all comers.

A Few Farms Left. Springfield-Republican.

Uncle Sam appears will to have considerable land to sell at low prices or give hence, when another national campaign of last year, according to the report of states is not for a day. Those which gration into the northwest from the central have returned to the republican fold Mississippi states accounts doubtless for and renewed their loyalty to republican the increase in sales over those of the previous year. There is going on in connecprinciples may safely be counted upon tion with this migration a lively land specto do their duty by the party in the ulation such as has not been seen in the next national contest and for an in- west since the boom of fifteen years or so

> Era of Indian Monuments 'St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Civilization of the Indian seems pretty close when we read that marble dealers of Omaha have just closed a contract whereby they are to erect for the Cheyenne and Ogalalla Sloux Indians a monument to be placed on the battlefield of Wounded Knee, in South Dakota, which the Indians insist on regarding as a massacre. There is already a monument to the United States soldiers who fell there at Fort Riley, even more strongly than it has just Kan,, and with both sides to that sannot likely to be forgotten, although the circumstances have already faded from the policy of nominating men for office ments where they have met their white party to name such men for office. be pretty thickly sprinkled with them. the whites ought to find something convincing in this project of the Sioux Indians. It is less than half a generation since they were in blankets and turkey feathers.

PERSONAL NOTES.

A man in St. Louis has developed a mania for hugging women of that city, and even the people of St. Louis think

John B. Jackson, recently named minister to Greece, has started from Berlin for the United States for a stay of six days before assuming his post.

Robert T. Baptist, ex-slave from Virginia, who has given \$1,000 to Booker Washington for the endowment of a Tuskegee scholarship, is employed as coachman by General

Carpenter of New York. . Civil Engineer Robert E. Peary has reported for duty at the Navy department, Washington, but will not be assigned until he fully recovers from his recent opera-

tion. He still uses crutches. Some of these people who insist that a woman can't understand politics will reg ceive an awful jar when they learn that a widow was arrested in Denver for repeating. But, by the way, if a widow shouldn't receat, who should?

Geronimo, the famous old Apache war chief, now a prisoner at Fort Sill, Okl., has a daughter who is a pupil at the Mescalero Indian school in New Mexico. Her name is Lenna Geronimo, she is 13 years old and she is quite a handsome girl of the Indian type. To her one-time bloodthirsty father the girl is the apple of his eye.

Colonel Hardy W. B. Price of Clayton Ala., is one of the few still surviving who took part in the battle of San Jacinto, which decided Texas independence. He is still hale and hearty and remembers the battle as though it happened but yesterday. He is 85 years of age, having been born in Edgecombe county, North Carolina, on

Hetty Green has been having a little vacation at Atlantic City, but while there kept in touch with the stock market. One day she went into a broker's office and was mistaken for a book agent by the manager, who pretended to be too busy to see her. Mrs. Green, however, made one or two remarks which struck him as being very sagacious and he was beginning to thaw "Don' let me disturb you. I am Mrs. Hetty Green. Maybe you've heard of me." The manager had not yet recovered his breath THE DEFEAT OF MERCER.

David City Record: Dave Mercer was defeated for congress in Omaha. The Bee's sting proved fatal.

Beatrice Express: The defeat of Dave Mercer was due to a bitter fight in Omaha, which fight he courted rather than shunned. Scribner News: Dave Mercer and his friends are probably willing to admit that Edward Rosewater had at least one more Valley Enterprise: Douglas county has

cone democratic, all on account of trying o force Dave Mercer onto a revolting people and thus spite Rosewater. Holdrege Citizen: Because of the defeat

The Bee will have another scalp in their belt and a whole lot of fellows clamoring for revenge. Fremont Tribune: The Tribune greatly

egrets Mercer's defeat in Omaha, but since the victor is a fusionist it is pleased to know the honor fell to Gilbert M. Hitchcock. He is a gentleman and a scholar. Kearney Hub: Poor Mr. Congressman Hitchcock will have to flock all alone by himself when he gets to Washington, so

far at least as Nebraska congressmen are

concerned. His second state is nearly as

bad as his first. Stanton Picket: What now, we wonder does Mr. David H. Mercer think of Edward Rosewater's ability to influence 300 in t looks as though some power had influenced fully 3,000.

Holdrege Progress: Rosewater and The Bee, not the fusionists, elected G. M. Hitchcock to congress. "Rosie" was it again as in the days when he, with his little Bee, swept Tom Majors from the horizon of political ambition.

Blair Courier: Hitchcock, et cetera, defeated Mercer by 1,800 votes. There were a good many things that contributed to this result and few there be to deny that E. Rosewater was one of them. The rest would take too long to tell about.

Waterloo Gazette: One thing in the campaign is to be regretted, to our way of thinking, and that is the personal fight made certain promises, and the voters have made on Rosewater and the lack of effort to conciliate the factions. Fighting Rosewater only made him fight the harder and it may be that his influence would not have been so great had a more conciliatory course been taken. True, his fight on Mercer was probably personal, but abuse of Rosewater didn't help the matter any.

Springfield Monitor: Those republicans who have been trying to make themselves no getting around the fact that his bitter to hold the money power within bounds fight against Dave Mercer was the cause without impairing the public credit and terioration in the eloquence for which con- of the latter's defeat, no matter what is order. These are the lessons democrats important factor in Nebraska politics, tice shall we confirm our usefulness as a whose support in future campaigns cannot be ignored. Columbus Telegram: No use denving it

> The result of the late election in Omaha establishes the fact that Edward Rosewater, with his newspaper behind him, is he most powerful political factor in Nebraska. Aside from Mickey, the average republican candidate for state office had majorities ranging from 800 to 1,500 in the Second district, and yet in that same district Rosewater defeated David Mercer, republican nominee for congress, and elected Gilbert M. Hitchcock, democrat, by 2,000 majority. It was a remarkable fight. It was a good fight. The result is good. Mercer is and has been a corporation tool. tal; let it now do something for the pro- list states the republicans have made ex-Hitchcock is a man of principle, and will his election wholly to his ancient and implacable enemy, Edward Rosewater, who also in the same fight aided in the election of a part of the local democratic ticket in Douglas county. Rosewater may be corrupt, but it is a fact that whenever he fights a republican nominee it is after the corruption of that nominee has been fully established. . . He showed a high grade of manhood in supporting his bitterest personal enemy in order to defeat the railroad candidate for congress. All men do not have the moral courage to lose sight of personal interests in order to accomplish public good, as Rosewater did when he elected Hitchcock and defeated Mercer. Ord Quiz: The fate of the republican

ticket in the Second congressional district, wherein Dave Mercer went down to defeat in a republican district, constrains the Quiz guinary conflict commemorating it, it is to make again the protest, which it has made frequently before, against the foolish memory of nearly everyone. Should the have any considerable surap on their hands. Indians generally take to setting up monu- There is no necessity for the republican adversaries in battle the country would should make no difference whether the man was right or wrong in his scrap-the fact Those who doubt that they will ever fall that a man will have to fight any considinto the customs and modes of thought of erable number of his own party to get to office ought to disqualify him for nomination. It is not the party's place to voluntarily inherit a scrap just to show that it believes the man right. If a man has the smallpox it is not necessary to ask how he got it before you decide whether or not to take him to your arms. Likewise, a man with a political fight on his hands. The case of Mr. Mercer is an exasperating one. He has made a good congressman and stood well with the powers that be. But he had the displeasure of The Bee. Whether he was justifiable in his fight with Rosewater is not for us to say. It was naturally hard for people to turn such a man down simply because he was opposed to The Bec, but the question arises, Would it not have been better for all concerned to do so rather than to lie down when they have to? Have they rubbed it into The Bee by nominating Mercer against The Bee's protest and later by seeing The Bee get Mercer's scalp? The thing that we are contending for is that any man opposed by many of his party should not be nominated. whether he is a friend or foe of The Bee You remember the case of Tom Majors The Bee fought him, but he was nom! nated and defeated. Later McColl, who was ardently supported by The Bee, but opposed by a large number of other re publican forces, was nominated and suf fered a like fate. In each case the republican party was the real loser. Felrepublicans, let these things stop. Let it be the rule of the party that an man who seeks a nomination at the hands of the party must agree with his adversaries before nomination or go away without the nomination. Let us do our own turning down, not turn the job over to the democrats. One means continued republican victory, the other republican defeat, Boom in Arid Lands.

Minneapolis Tribune.

It looks as if the arid lands were going to be able to pay their way, and even more. The passage of the irrigation bill has evidently stimulated sales in that region. It is announced that by the time the pre- King Christian of Denmark, the shah of liminary surveys are completed and matters in readiness for beginning work on the dams the funds available will be two or three times as large as was anticipated.

The Right Policy.

New York Tribune. Some of the important railroads in the west have been liberal in advancing wages,

What the Returns Signify

Republican Endorsement.

Philadelphia Press (rep.). The country stands by the president. The continent from the Atlantic to the Pacific there is the same swelling note of republican victury.

Wha: Democrate Must Do. At anta Constitution deen 1

The pericy of one democracy is plain. The futile and defeated issues of the past must be cast out of the camp. The consolidation of the party upon the supreme issue must be effected and the line of batequal rights to all men and special privi- of the nation, it must turn its back resoleges to none, we will win in 1904.

Some Word Ahead.

Washington Star (rep.) The Dingley law needs revision. trusts need regulation. Of talk on both of those propositions the country has heard Douglas county? To a man at this distance no little, and before December 1, 1903, will hear a good deal more. A do-nothing congress will not meet the requirements of the situation. A republican majority shuffling and evading in matters of pressing national concern will be out of line with the record of an organization which was founded in courage and has justified its long existence by material accomplishments.

> Promise Must Be Fulfilled. Chicago Post (ind.).

There is, in fact, little room for difference of opinion as to the outcome. It teaches no wonderful, sensational lesson, but it emphasizes the conservatism of the American people. The republicans have given them the opportunity to redeem these promises, preferring reform with a minimum of disturbance to heroic remedies and doubtful expedients. The victorious party will have to justify this confidence and meet the expectations of the people.

The Lesson for Democrats

Louisville Courier-Journal (dem.), It is for democracy to steer between sobelieve that Rosewater's influence in The cialism on the one hand and expediency Bee against republican candidates, or, in on the other hand. To ally tradition with northern state, lost several of the southern fact, to whatever party candidates be- progress; to identify expansion with free- states, split the party in two, drove praclonged, was no longer effective, have again dom; to cleanse the Augean stables by a been shown that they were off. There is process of evolution, not revolution, and said to the contrary, and the little editor have to set themselves and to learn, and will still have to be looked upon as a very as we master them and put them in pracnational force and recover the power which a fatuous, blind incompetency threw away.

Beware of False Confidence.

Baltimore American (rep.). that unless the dominant party is ready to pear east of the Missouri. see its strength dwindle away it must be up and doing. The republicans must see disaster at the east and a populistic-fuand realize this, and if they would stay the sion revival in the west. The result is exebbing of their tide of votes they must actly the reverse of that. Wherever demcombat democratic regeneration by posi- ocratic gains have been made they have tive and speedy work for the people. The appeared in states where populism was party has done all it needs to do for capi- either ignored or repudiated. In the popuducers. Looked at "the day after," no traordinary gains everywhere. greater error appears possible to republicans than false confidence growing out of Bryan will have the consolation of the re-Tuesday's sweep, and consequent negligence flection that he was in at the death and of the people's interests.

TAXPAYERS AND CHARITY.

States in Which the Subsidizing Evil is Entrenched. American Medicine In the United States the total local and state aid to private charities amounts at least to \$11,000,000 a year. There are only a few of the states in which the subsidizing evil is not more or less intrenched. Pennsylvania is the worst of all, nearly

\$6,000,000 of the public money, more than for all the rest of the country combined, having been used in 1901. New York is next with about \$3,600,000. York it is the city and not the state that subsidizes. In Pennsylvania it Is the state, and the resultant degradation is general and greatest. Beside the wrong to the dependent, it is a wrong to the taxpayer and to the general public. There can be no reform so long as every influential citizen, interested as he is in some institution, dare not speak or act against the boss and the dominant party, democratic

or republican. State appropriations paralyze all independence and prevent the possibility of betterment. The boss is enthroned, so that criticism is unforgivable lese majeste. The second most important harm done by this wholesale bribery is that private beneficence is dried up. When the aid of the state treasury is so easily secured there seems to be no need of private charity. And with the loss of this personal interest there is the loss of the personal control which makes any institution of

value and of service to humanity. When the institution subsidized is sec tarian the most fundamental principle of our government, the separation of church and state, is outraged and the grant in such cases could be and should be declared unconstitutional. There is no absolute control by the state of the private subsidized institutions, twist and misstate the facts as one will, and without such control there is no guarantee of honest management. Falsified statistics are often the means of securing state aid. Charltable institutions should be wholly and absolutely supported and managed by

A REAL AMERICAN PERIL.

the state or by private individuals.

Too Many Royal Nabobs Visiting the United States. Brooklyn Life.

Indications seem to point to the fact

that our country is to become the stamping ground of royalty, and that if we cannot oast a court we shall eventually be able to show down at least a pair of kings almost any time. Thus far, we have had only princes as guests, but with the prospect of a visit from the king of Siam, the assurance of one from the prince of Wales and a second from Prince Henry of Prussia we may reasonably look forward to the time when the German emperor, the czar Russia, the Mad Mullah, King Edward, the akound of Swat, the khedive of Egypt, Persia and the sultan of Turkey will spend their vacations over here. Unhappily, there is reason to apprehend that an invasion of princes and potentates may prove a solution of the American danger entirely satisfactory to our foreign rivals. Surfeited with banquets, our captains of industry may become too torpid to retain command. Our statesmen and political leaders west have been liberal in advancing wages.

In this time of prosperity the managers of many a transportation line have been ready to make the lives of their men easier and happier.

mand. Our statesmen and political leaders. And chanted a melody no one knew; reduced to nervous prostration in their entry the Poet listened and smiled, for he was transportation line have been ready deavors to keep up with court etiquetts, three, and was mand. Our statesmen and political leaders. And chanted a melody no one knew; But the Poet listened and smiled, for he was mand. Our statesmen and political leaders.

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A Luminous Hint,

Boston Transcript (rep.). The people have given to the republicans republican party holds its own. There is a hint which it not heeded may be readily no reaction. There is no change. The converted into a command in the near fumen and the measures that for six years ture. The national administration has been have marched with events and dominated endorsed at the polls, and in the achievepublic sentiment still command and carry ment of this result the president's personal emphatic popular approval. All across the popularity has been the great factor. His political course with regard to the trust question has also contributed to the success of the party, for he has avoided extremes and has indicated a treatment of the problem which will curb "the evils of trusts" without affecting the economic efficiency of the combination principle.

> Bryanism Done For. Indianapolis News (ind.).

The lesson, it seems to us, is too plain to tle must be solid and enthusiastic from be misread or misunderstood. If the demo-Maine to California. On the straight, suc- cratic party is ever again to be an imporcinct platform of home administration, with tant and useful factor in the political life lutely on Bryan and repudiate utterly those influences which have brought such disaster upon it. Those influences operated this year, for the party was, as a national organization, facing both ways. We shall hear no more of the once talked of alliance between the west and the south against the east, for those men who were so eager for the alliance have made the west more republican that it has been at any time since the war. What we should be likely to see, if it were not for the eternal race question, would be an alliance between the south and the east as against the west. The latter section is done forever with Bryan and Bryan-The fact should be recognized by

End of Populism.

Chicago Chronicle (dem.). With the exception of Nevada and Utah, where the election resulted in the triumph of some of the fusion candidates, the populist states of the west returned to their

original republicanism last Tuesday. These states are Colorado, Idaho, Kaneas, Montana, Nebraska, Neveda, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. Mr. Bryan carried all of them in 1896 but lost some of them in 1900. Now practically all

of them have deserted him and his cause. The populist states had an electoral vote of less than fifty altogether. Te secure this support in the electoral college the democrats in 1896 and again in 1900 sacrificed the electoral votes of every democratic tically every democrat out of office in states north of the Ohio river, reduced the party's congressional and legislative representation and paved the way for republican gerrymanders which nothing short of a tidal wave ever can overcome

Not one of these populistic states was democratic at any stage of the proceedings. All were republican in 1898, as they are now, but they condescended to vote fusion tickets for a season in the interest of cheap

During the campaign just closed Mr. Bryan Tuesday's election figures show that the spent all of his time in the far west. He democrats won more in the way of votes made another of his strenuous campaigns than did the republicans. They show, too, in the populistic belt and did not once ap-Obviously he expected to see democratio

Probably this is the end of populism. Mr.

presided over the ceremonies.

will be the prevailing occupation of the humble; hobnobbing with kings that of the wealthy. Besides the national anthema sung and played by delegations and societies of hyphenated Americans may render life unendurable, while we shall be in a constant state of pervous agitation lest something occur to introduce international complications. Altogether the prospect is not entirely reassuring.

tually be at a standstill. "Rubbernecking"

LAUGHING GAS.

Detroit Free Press: Alice—I could make a iterary hit if I wanted to. Agnes—What would it be? Alice—I would write a book called "Con-essions of a Widow."

Philadelphia Press: Uncle Eph'm had just ecured a divorce from his fifth wife, who had deserted him. suppose, uncle," said his employer, 'll be taking another wife in a few days."
"No, suh." replied Uncle Eph'm, widignity. "I'se not gwine to make a fad marryin', suh!"

Chicago News: Biggs-They say Mrs Gabbleton is guilty of an attempt at black Diggs-I don't believe it. Biggs-Why not?

Diggs-No woman on earth would think f accepting "hush money," Chicago Tribune: "Why does it cost so much less for a woman to support a family than it does for a man?" asked the curious

person.
"Hecause." repiled the experienced
mother. "the commission she charges for
doing the business is so much less than a
man asks for doing the same thing." New York Times: Pa-What did you carn at school today, Bobbie?
Bobbie-I learned to say "Yes, sir." Pa-Are you always going to say

Bobble-Yep! Detroit Free Press: "You are not calling on the colonel's daughter now, I under-stand," said Hunker to Spatts.

"No."
"Did she diamiss you?"
"O, no. I received an honorable discharge."

Philadelphia Press: Willie-Pa, what does good as wheat' mean? Pa—Don't bother me! Willie—Pa, would you say I was as "good

as wheat:
Ps.—I might after you were property
thrashed, and that's what will happen to
you if you don't stop asking questions. Chicago Tribune: "I notice you use the word 'chummy,' " remarked the girl with the spectacles. "By that I presume you mean intimate, do you not?" "Well, it means a little more than that," responded the other girl. "A flea. for example, is intimate, but I don't consider it at all chummy."

at all chummy. WHAT THE CHIMNEY SANG.

Bret Harte. Over the chimney the night wind sang And chanted a melody no one knew; And the Woman stopped, as her babe she And thought of the one she had long since And said, as her tear drops back she forced, "I hate the wind in the chimney."

Over the chimney the night wind sang
And chanted a melody no one knew;
And the Children said, as they closer drew,
"The some witch that is cleaving the black
night through—
Tis a fairy trumpet that just then blew;
And we fear the wind in the chimney."

Over the chimney the night wind sang And the Man, as he sat on his hearth be-Said to himself, "It will surely snow, And fuel is dear and wages low, And I'll stop the leak in the chimney."

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