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Mascagni still keeps up a fuss. He can't compose himself as well as he

can music.

With a second telephone company in ought to be much cheaper there soon.

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The newspapers that are announcing the discovery of gems in Kentucky must have got next to Colonel Watter-SOD.

The anti-American meat agitation by German farmers and landlords has its logical result in an anti-horse meat agitation by German meat consumers.

tumble in Berlin, but the price of canned not go on holding out the promise of

FORECAST OF THE SESSION. The second and closing session of the This country has been largely instru- hands. present congress, which begins Decem- mental in bringing other powers not ber 1, will last about eleven weeks, only to a proper recognition of the Ordinarily little business is none at the rights of the Chinese empire, but also short session beyond the passing of ap- to a sense of the wisdom and expe-

propriation bills, but perhaps the coming | diency of establishing equitable commersession may prove an exception. This cial relations with China. Our goverais indicated by some of the forecasts of ment has contended for the principle congressmen who are arriving in Wash- of the "open door" in trade, so that all ington. It is the expectation that the countries doing business with that em- for the benefit of credit mobilier can self-reliance of spirit which makes sources and build up its own industries. trust question, for one thing, will re- pire would have an equal chance, a "fair ceive serious consideration. Repre- field and no favor." There is every sentative Hitt of Illinois, chairman of reason to believe that this principle will canal will have to be discarded and the committee on foreign affairs, said a prevail and it will undoubtedly have dumped into the scrap pile. few days ago that there will certainly a most earnest advocate in Mr. Wu. be a report on the subject, whether any who has shown himself to be in hearty legislation is enacted or not, and this sympathy with the American position

report will indicate the general trend of respecting the commercial interests of thought on the part of the republican his country. party and will show what may be expected in the future. The people are NEW RAILROAD TAX ON GRAIN. looking for action by the present con-There is absolutely no legitimate exgress for the regulation and supervision cuse for the proposed advance of gain of the great combinations and the understanding is that the president will recrates which has just been announced for all western shipments eastbound ommend this. A mere report on the or southbound. It is simply an exercise subject, therefore, will not be satisfacof arbitrary power on the part of the tory to the public and the republican leaders in congress should see that to transportation companies to tax the defer legislation regarding the trusts for productive capacity of the agricultural another year, or until the next congress west to the limit of what it can be

made to bear. Just at the moment when could act, could hardly fail to be damagthe grain crop of Nebraska is beginning ing to the party. to be disposed of the farmer is met at There is another question that is also urgent and should receive serious conthe toll gate and refused access to marsideration at the coming session, that of ket except on penalty of paying 3 cents. over and above the ruling rate, on every amending the interstate commerce law

so as to enlarge the power of the com- bushel of wheat and corn he has mission and render the act more efraised. In all conscience the rate of 12 cents fective. This is a matter of not less importance than trust regulation and as on wheat and 11 on corn, per 100 pounds, measures are already before congress from the Missouri river to Chicago, was providing for the amendment of the law high enough. It was enormously remuthere appears to be no valid reason why nerative to the roads. The net earnings there cannot be legislation to meet the of all the grain carrying western roads overwhelming public demand for have been swelling to such magnitude strengthening the law so that the Inter- that they hardly know how to dispose state Commerce commission shall not of their profits and some have had to longer be powerless to prevent prevail- remanipulate their capitalizations to ing abuses and violations of the law on conceal so far as possible the real facts.

At the same time out of profits, all paid the part of the railroads. While these are the matters of chief by the producers of the freight, the importance calling for action at the roads have so improved their facilities coming session, there are others that as to reduce immensely the cost of should not be neglected. The question of carriage. It is known to every intellitariff commission of the character gent railroad manager that grain can showed that he has his eye on the seat of already indicated by President Roose- today be transported from the Missouri velt, and which it is understood he will river to Chicago at a higher net profit recommend in his annual message, is one on a 10 cent rate than it could be some

of these. Another relates to currency years ago on an 18 cent rate. conditions in the Philippines, which are . It thus appears that the carryimminent prospect in South Omaha, talk an injury to both the government of the ing corporations have first taxed islands and the commercial interests grain raisers for providing facilithere. The question of reciprocity, par- ties for reducing cost of transporticularly as to Cuba, will be pressed tation, and then raised the tax to property and infinitely more menacing to upon the attention of congress by the after the cost has been reduced. In president and ought to be definitely any other country but this such arbi- more lives than parlor matches are respondetermined and not permitted to re- trary exactions would raise a popular main as a source of controversy among revolt. The railroad corporations of this ourselves and irritation to the other country have, however, so habitually exercised the sovereign power of levy-

countries. If the policy of reciprocity is to be abandoued, let it be so declared; ing tribute on producer and consumer if not, it should be put into effect that their latest performance scarcely The price of horse meat has taken a without further temporizing. We should creates surprise. Acres 14

VITAL POINT OF THE COAL STRIFE.

After days of fencing between Presi-

Mitchell, in answer to the crucial ques-

tion of the president of the arbitrating

board, affirmed that under existing con-

ditions it is possible absolutely to stop

the coal supply of the country either by

est in the commercial reform of China. take the settlement effectually in its own

While it is generally conceded that the Panama canal at \$40,000,000 is a

good bargain, still some who are well will have to be done over again. Some of the engineers' estimates of the French engineers were designed contractors and most of the machinery that has been employed on the

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Court injunctions have no terror for the mayor and board of aldermen of Denver when it comes to an extension of street railroad franchises. The nat-

ural inference is that the example of St. of the fundamental failacies of their rea-Louis has had no terrors for the Colo- soning. Before stating it, we may remark that the president is quite as clear and rado tramway promoters and municipal logical a thinker as his headlong free trade franchise dispensers.

friends. He is a lifelong protectionist by P. S.-According to latest advices the conviction, and an avowed advocate of the mayor of Denver has gone to Texas and upbuilding of an American merchant marine by a policy of government protection. And will probably remain there until the court has cooled off.

President Mitchell has steadily grown settled views. upon public public opinion the last few And he did not. The fallacy of his sudmonths, and during no time more rap-

idly than the four or five days he has they misinterpret a deliberate national views. The only error in the case is the policy adopted by the nation for the wel- complete misconception of the free trade been on the witness stand. He has fare of the nation as a policy of individual papers. crossed swords with some of the keen-

achieve success."

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched on the Spot.

conspicuous place on the humbug list to a in an apartment house. Missourl genius who compounded a tabloid of whisky warranted to produce as much ecstasy and self-esteem as three fingers of

calculated to make all topers fill the arching heavens with howls of joy. So the Missourinn said. But the postmaster general slyly remarked, "You'll have to show me." The Missourian was willing to experiment victims. Calling to his presence a gentleman from Kentucky, a man from Indiana

and a fellow from Massachusetts, all of the postal corps, General Payne delivered six of liminary revolution. the tablets to each, with instructions to follow the directions plainly printed on the labels and to report progress to him next home near Washington. evening.

The gentleman from Kentucky alone was absent from the meeting of the following day. Investigation showed that he had dissolved the six tablets in one goblet of water, had guiped down the mix and would be unable to report for duty in less than six days. The man from Indiana was able to navigate, while the fellow from Massachusetts tearfully begged to be excused from further compulsion to turn his stomach into a headache mixture filter or he would be compelled to resign his member-

ship in the prohibition party. The experiment was, however, eminently satisfactory. It convinced the postmaster general that there was no good substitute for the real article, and tabloid drunks were

excluded from the mails.

for the year only \$45,000,000, or 45 per cent

A Free Trade Blunder

Philadelphia Press (rep.)

The free trade papers have eagerly seized service for individual benefit. They misinformed assert that much of the work on one passage of President Roosevelt's represent protection as a measure entered speech at the Chamber of Commerce din- upon to help particular beneficiaries, nor. The president said "it is a pleasure whereas it is a measure intelligently underto address a body whose members possess taken by the nation to help itself. The to an eminent degree the traditional Ameri- nation determined to develop its own re-In order to do this it decided to protect them scorn to ask from the government, whether of state or of nation, anything but American labor against cheap foreign labor and to secure the American market for the a fair field and no favor-who confide not American producer against cheap foreign inin being helped by others but in their own skill, energy and business capacity to vasion. It was a national policy for national advancement.

but the proportion of alcohol consumed is Of course, individuals have been helped "Aha," gleefully shout the free trade by it and have profited by it. So indipapers. "see how the president scouts and viduals profited by the government aid to scoffs at the whole idea of protection and the Pacific islands. But the nation granted ship subsidy!" And in this precipitate and such aid, not for their benefit, but for its unreflecting conclusion they illustrate one own, and the advantage accruing to it was immeasurably beyond any advantage to individuals. They took the early risk and encountered the early hardships, and the later profits they reaped came with a far greater harvest to the nation. Individuals have derived advantage from the protective policy, because the advance of the nation is the advance of its individual being such and being at the same time a members, but the advantage has been sound reasoner, it may be assumed that he equally open to all. Among Americans it

did not say anything inconsistent with his has been "a fair field and no favor." ! President Roosevelt did not stultify himself in his utterance. His words are enden and deluded free trade admirers is that tirely harmonious with his long settled

> one of the number. One of the servants George Washington did in 1797. became alarmed when \$450 in cash, some

silver and a quantity of other things had been purloined. Confession was made to hardly obtainable. The following figures the senator, who refused to prosecute. The Postoffice department has awarded a Instead he closed his home and took rooms

> PERSONAL NOTES. It's up to Governor Bailey of Kansas. No wife, no inauguration.

President Roosevelt effectually evaded his newspaper following during his bear hunt. King Edward proposes to take a good on others and the P. M. G. furnished the long rest. His nephew of Germany has gone home.

> Dr. Rodriguez Alves has been made president of Brazil without the usual pre-Brigadier General H. S. Hawkins has

been detailed as governor of the Soldiers' Uncle Sam will give President Loubet a

warm welcome. The French helped us out of a pretty tight scrape once. William David Porter, eldest son of the

famous American admiral of the same name, has just died at Petersburg, Va. William H. Day of New York City will attempt to organize at Glen Elrie, a vil-

lage on the Hudson river, an art-produc-ing community similar in character to that founded in England under the suspices of an effort to do so and giving it up.

placed in the National Academy chapel, Annapolis, in about ten days, in memory of Lieutenant Commander Jesse M. Roper, who was killed in 1901 while commanding

Chairman Griggs of the democratic conmy monument. Mr. Waggles-The truth as you see it or the truth according to your neighbors? gressional committee met an acquaintance "Well,

"It isn't necessary." "It isn't necessary." "Oh, no. Just walk five m'les in leisurely fashion and every twenty or thirty yards hit the pavement a hard whack with your cane and swear." A young clerk in the Treasury departwent in to bid Secretary Shaw Philadelphia Press: "The evidence shows," ald the magistrate. "that this threw a brick at the complainant, her hus band "Not so fast." Interrupted counsel for the defense. "The appearance of the man is evidence that the brick hit him, which proves that she must have thrown it at

Mahometan nation. The substitution of beer and wine for spirits has been a great

terested observers.

improvement. Early tomperance reformers established a brewery near Boston; the beneficent "Washingtonian" movement of the '40s looked to moderation, not ab stinence, and in both respects the reformers' instincts were sound.

AMERICA A TEMPERANCE NATION.

General Sobriety of the People a

Marked Characteristic.

New York World.

Somerset upon completing her tour in this

country that abe had been surprised by the

"general sobriety of the American people"

included the closing days of the campaign.

most a nuisance. But Lady Henry's ob-

servation agrees with that of all disin-

The Americans still consume much of

what are classed as "alcoholic drinks,"

smaller than in any other great non-

is the more impressive in that her stay

when liquor flows freely and "treating" is

The remark attributed to Lady Henry

Even abstinence is more common than in the past. The drink habit yields not only to a better understanding of health, but to business necessity. Our vast railroad systems are run, from the bottom nearly to the top, by tectotslers. A drinking man finds it every year harder to get or to keep an exacting post, and thus the spur of ambition carries men past the screen doors. Even the circus is temperate: the "Greatest Show on Earth" was organized by P. T. Barnum as a band of nondrinkers. Social ideas have also changed; a president of the United States would hardly own and run a distillery today, as

Accurate and recent comparisons of the liquor consumption of various nations are are approximate:

> Consumption in Wine

Gallons Per Pers. Beer, Spirits, V 13.3 1.10 31.7 1.13 27.5 1.94 6.2 2.02 Country. United States..... Great Britain..... France 1.40 That we drink less beer than any other great nation save France, loss wine and spirits than any other whatever, doubtless has much to do with the "greater alertness and energy" which Lady Henry finds in Americans, and with the marvelous material success which that alertness and energy have conquered.

LINES TO A SMILE.

Cleveland Piain Dealer: "They say our currency should be more elastic." "Well, I'm willing they should stretch a little more my way."

Philadelphia Record: "Although I hats work." mused Idle Tim, "der is one job I wouldn't mind takin." "What job is dat?" queried Dusty Den. "Why, colorin' meerschaum pipes."

Chicago Tribune: Just then an automobile went by, "Well," remarked the delivery wagon

Villiam Morris. A tablet in bronze and marble will be blaced in the National Academy chapel, Annapolis, in about ten days, in memory If Lieutenant Commander Jesse M. Roper, who was killed in 1901 while commanding

Somerville Journal: Mr. Wiggles-When I die I want only the truth carved upon

Chicago Post: "I wish I belonged to a reply was a pithy counter query: "Have you ever been in a skirmish and got

est and best trained intellects of the country, and has demonstrated himself superior to every test. While the Philippine Islands have hardly been a paying investment upon the whole, the official figures just given

out by the War department establish the fact that the Philippine exports to the United States have trebled in value the best Kentucky vintage and at a price in two years.

Elattery of Imitation. Washington Post.

Bishop Duncan has been warning the young Methodist ministers of Virginia against early marriage. Just see what General Corbin has started.

Touching a Tender Spot.

Baltimore American. "Let them take it out of their freight rates." When Mr. Mitchell made this reply to one of Mr. MacVeagh's questions he the anthracite coal trust's power to oppress the public and their employes.

Outlawing the Parlor Match. Chicago Chronicle.

When the underwriters and the fire department officials have succeeded in placing the parlor match on the index expurgatorius they may profitably turn their attention to another agency which is quite as dangerous

life. Gasoline causes more fires and takes The Poor, Pinched Trust.

New York World.

The poor but plous Standard OH company has been obliged to cut its dividends for the

upon its nominal capital, instead of \$48,000,-000, or 48 per cent, as for the last two years. No wonder the trust has lately found it reason of his frequent declaration that he

Petrel of Cavite, P. I.

"Keep it

From "Private" John Allen, one of the in Washington and was asked:

comes the best story about the president's hunting excursion in Mississippi. "Private" Allen, who acquired his honorable title by licked?"

last quarter down to \$10-making the total commissioners of the St. Louis exposition, how are you feeling?" The Georgian's

William Morris.

salmon and fresh beef in this country shows no indication of a decline.

Colonel Mosby, Colonel Summers and Colonel Lesser will have to fight it out with sharpened steel pens fired at long range and whisky cocktalls for three.

The railroads seem to be proceeding on increased taxes by raising grain rates on merely a prospect of a raise of taxes.

If the prayers of the Union Pacific strikers can move the skies there will be a heavy snowstorm all along the line from Ogden to Omaha within the next few days.

It is said that the defenses of London are found to be very imperfect. But heretofore it has been understood that He declared that the progress of the the British navy is the real defense of London

power for manufacturers will raise the cept among the few people who call price of real estate and make investments in Omaha attractive and remunerative.

The democratic lamentations over the lack of a competent party leader fail to take account of the fundamental fact that leadership depends at least as much upon the led as upon those who assume to lead.

Omaha is manufacturing explosives for Uncle Sam and other peaceful belligerents, but the dynamite and glycerine which it exports is not a circumstance to the political dynamite which it keeps in store for every emergency.

The earliest political bird on record is George W. Clark, of Dallas county, who has formally announced his candidacy for the speakership of the next Iowa house. The members of that body will not be elected till a year hence.

If the district court judges are willing and eager to assume the extra duties, as they seem to be, the canvassing board the position of minister of commerce, to check up election returns and issue in which capacity he will revise and election certificates should be abolished. Any clerk can do the job subject to treaties of China. The new conditions court revision.

Acres in the local division of the local div

The tax theorists have no difficulty in sary and the task imposed upon Mr. working out a beautiful scheme of taxation which produces perfect justice for with him is a most difficult one. At between them is actually established every taxpaying citizen. When it comes, however, to putting the theories into practice they would run up against joying advantages and privileges not to be cut off. It infallibly will command numerous perplexing snags.

As a result of the late election Senator Harris is left as the last remnant going to be so easy a matter as might engaged in the supply will be subordiof the representation of Kansas pop- be supposed from a superficial considera- nated to the supreme public interest. ulism in congress, and the congressional directory the term "democrat" will be cial laws of China, which have been substituted for "populist" as descrip- in operation for a very long time, some they can adjust all their relations withtive of him, He explains the substitu- of them probably for centuries, will be a out deadly interference with the public tion briefly and completely by saying: "Populism is dead." This is the theory no people are more tenacious of old cus- If they can it will be fortunate for them, on which the democrats in nearly all toms and usages than the Chinese. of the western states are working.

reciprocity if we do not intend to fulfill it. The statehood bill for the admission of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona should and very likely will be

passed at the coming session. The promise therefore is that the closing session of the fifty-seventh congress will be busier and more interest-

as the public interest is concerned. Mr. ing than short sessions usually are and the theory of recouping themselves for there is reason to believe that in regard to the more urgent and important matters demanding attention its deliberations will not be altogether fruitless.

> a coalition of the operators or by a gen-SUCCESS IN THE PHILIPPINES. eral strike of their organized mine In his speech at Memphis President workers. Roosevelt expressed unqualified satisfaction with general conditions in the Philippines and entertained no doubt that the results attained will be lasting. islands both in material, well being pendent proprietors. It was practically and as regards order and justice has

been astounding and there can be no fectually to combine to so extreme a Lower taxes, cheaper ruel and cheaper doubt this is the universal opinion, exwas competition, and an effort either on themselves anti-imperialists. While there the part of miners or of proprietors is still some trouble from the depredations of ladrones and brigands, the president said the islands have never plenish supply. been as orderly, peaceful and prosper-It marks nothing less than an indus-

ous as now. trial revolution when combination as a As to the declaration of the president practical fact supplants competition. that the United States will continue to The situation now is a union of the prodischarge its duty in the Philippines. prietary interest by successive combinagiving the people good government and tion of independent firms and companies promoting the development of the islands into constantly larger concerns, until the industrially and commercially, it will control of all is vested in a comparabe concurred in by the American peotively few hands. It is all the more ple with practical unanimity. There are very few men in this country of any hold in their grasp also the means of responsibility or influence who now adtransportation from the mines. To meet vocate any other course and as an issue combination with combination, the only so-called imperialism no longer possesses any interest. A great work has been

done in the Philippines in behalf of civilization and it will be continued. -

COMMERCIAL REFORM IN CHINA. Mr. Wu Ting-fang, for five years

region Chinese minister to the United States The developments of the investigation is returning to his native land to take thus signally vindicate the fundamental position taken by President Roosevelt as the volunteer and appropriate represystematize the commercial laws and sentative, neither of the one nor the other contestant in the strike, but of the in that empire, brought about within great third party, the public, whose inthe last three years, render this necescomparably greater interest in the fuel

Wu and those who will be associated troversy when an indefinite deadlock present the commercial treaties of The general community cannot permit China vary widely, some countries en- the supply of a prime necessary like fuel accorded to others. This must be the supply by whatever means may be changed so that all shall be placed upon | necessary, and the interests of both paran equal footing and to do this is not ties, the labor and the capital, directly

tion. Then the revision of the commer- The vital question now being tried is electrical energy with means for its transwhether those parties can agree, whether task of the most arduous character, for interest, which is to have sufficient fuel. fortunate for all. If they fail, nothing

supply is directly involved by the con-

The United States has a great inter- is more certain than that the public will Co surpass him.

was proud to have been the necessary to add a cent a gallon to the price of refined oil! Pensylvania avenue the other day.

Working in Hard Lines.

dent Mitchell and the phalanx of learned Philadelphia Press. counsel representing the transportation The free trade newspapers have hard work President Roosevelt is shooting bears down and mining corporations, a colloquy bein making their articles on the tariff intel- in your state you are keeping so far tween the former and Justice Gray ligible, in view of the great increase in im- away?"

"Sh-h-," said Allen, mysteriously, and, touched the heart of the matter so far ports. In ten months of this year the imtaking his interrogator by the lapel of the ports were \$261,900,000 greater than in the corresponding time of 1898 and \$61,700.000 coat he led him into a doorway. quiet," he whispered, darkly, "but the more than in the same months of last year. reason is I'm a bear." Since then "Pri-Still the democratic cry is for aweeping vate" Allen's friends have been studying away the tariff. The truth is that the tariff the market anxiously. has made the nation so prosperous that it can afford to buy more of foreign goods,

> John Mitchell as a Witness. Philadelphia Press.

luxuries as well as raw materials.

If anybody was in doubt about John "T'll go into a trance and tell you what Mitchell's ability to present labor's side of I see." Stroking his white beard and as-This possibility, far-reaching and fatal in its effects, is the result of modern inthe case to the strike commission when suming a far-away look, he continued dustrial developments. There was no confronted with the able counsel retained such possibility when the coal supply by the operators, it seems that he may be at case. It is apparent from the way the now, pounding the desk with his gavel or was in the hands of innumerable indelabor leader is holding his own when sub- sawing the air with that long arm as he jected to the most searching questions that expounds parliamentary law. I can only out of the question for either side efhe knows his case better than any lawyer could possibly learn it in a short time, and point because the dominating principle | that he can handle it as well as any lawyer. leading the host in a fight for a rule; I see The reports of the hearings show that the interests of labor will not suffer because of lack of ability in their counsel or from could only go a certain length, when an inadequate presentation of their side of competition inevitably intervened to re- the controversy.

MODERN MOTIVE POWER.

Pre-Eminence of Steam Not Much Diminished.

turing industries.

homes of people.

General Breckinridge's suggestion in his San Francisco Call. annual report that a small, silent war dog. Sanguine persons who have been indulging such as the English lurcher or the white he belief that we have passed the age of Spanish terrier, might be particularly useful in jungle warfare, both to reveal the steam and reached the age of electricity will find a shock to their fond imaginings hidden enemy and to increase security. by reading the census on the motive power "I wonder what the anti-imperialists will of our manufacturing establishments. It may when they hear that 'Joe' Breckinappears from the figures that electric ridge has loosed the dogs of war again," manageable because the same hands notors in the census year furnished less said one distinguished officer.

"Yes," chimed in another, "and now 1 than 3 per cent of the motive force of our suppose the still, small bark of the Spanfactories. The statistics reveal the fact that in 1900 ish terrier will take the place of the 'still, we employed to carry on our manufacturing small voice of conscience."

chair.'

possible defense, the counter movement an energy equal to 11,308,081 horse power. "What we really need in the Philip among the mine workers has so far per-The return for 1890 was 5,954,655, for 1880 pines," said a third officer, lately returned fected organization that they are able 3,410,838 horse power. More than threeuniversally to stop labor in the mines fourths of the power employed in 1900 was and thus to cut off the fuel supply, as burnished by steam engines, and about 15 fast enough to catch up with the blamed was notably done in the anthracite per cent by water wheels. Electric motors pilipinos when they take it into their heads are credited with but 2.7 per cent of the en-

gain will probably he rapid. Improved the national patriotic societies.

tire power employed in American manufac-

Of course the horse power employed in manufactures is far short of the total motive force employed in American industry. For the operation of railroads alone there is required an immense addition to the facpersons applying for membership tory energy, and the street railways add anpatriotic societies who desire to search other vast sum of energy to the total. It is the records sections of alcoves have been in street railways that electricity would well stocked with the best books of this have made its best showing as motive character. Young women are often seen power, though it would also display a large day after day diligently turning the pages amount of energy in statistics of horse of these books. After weeks, and somenower employed in various services in oftimes months, their ambition to find anfice buildings, laboratories and even in the cestors of military renown is gratified by the discovery that some paternal or ma While steam continues to hold by a long ternal grandfather was honorably dis distance the foremost place in our motive charged. It works the other way, too, power it may be said to have attained the sometimes, for there were cowardice and climax of its supremacy. From this time | fear in the old days, and even soldiers on electricity is very sure to gain upon it, were guilty of these vices, as found by and in many parts of the United States the many of the aspirants for membership in

methods of converting water power into Senator Gorman of Maryland will not mission across great distances with small keep house in Washington the coming loss will enlarge the use of electrical winter, having decided to close his manmotors in factories as well as in railways. sion at Laurel because of a recent experi-We are then in the dawn of the electrical ence with dishonest servants. Some half age even if we have not yet attained the dozen persons in his employ joined in a full day. Steam has been a glorious servant conspiracy to steal money, allverware, bedto mankind, but despite his power and his clothes and other articles, the agreement utility electricity will eventually be able among them being that the plunder should go toward furnishing a hoyse for

ment in either army, was met by a friend in goodby the other afternoon, saying he was

going on his vacation. "How long?" asked "Hullo, Private," said the friend, jocu-Mr. Shaw, "Thirty days," was the clerk's larly, "how does it happen that when reply. "Great Scott!" exclaimed the secretary. "Thirty days! Why, I've only had three days' real loafing time in twentyfive years. Goodby. Hope you have a

good time." Since the nublication of Adjutant General Corbin's report it has come to be known as "the wine, women and song re-

port." It will be remembered that General Corbin discussed the canteen, commented adversely on the tendency of young officers to get married and recommended Some Washington correspondents asked the instruction of soldiers in music, espe-Congressman Grosvenor of Ohio for a cially urging that they be taught regimenprophecy as to the outcome of the fight tal airs and songs.

for speaker. "Very well, boys," said he, Former Captain O. M. Carter, whose military career suddenly terminated in the Fort Leavenworth prison with a five years sentence against him for financial irregu-"I cannot see any one in the speaker's larities growing out of his connection with chair except 'Uncle Joe' Cannon. I see him the river and harbor improvements in Savannah, is due for release from confine-Prisopers are ment early next year. granted a curtailment of their sentence at see 'Santa Claus' "---and here the general the rate of two months each year for good laid his hand on his own breast-"down in conduct. Former Captain Carter has been his old seat on the floor; I see Dalzell a model prisoner and ten months will be

deducted from his term, according to pres-Babcock in his accustomed place, diplomatic ent indications. and able; I see Payne and Sherman pursu-In calculating the value of a public franing their accustomed roles and Littlefield chise much depends on the temper of the doing business at the old stand-all this I ommunity which has a franchise in stock. see in my vision, but 'Uncle Joe' is in the The New Jersey and Pennsylvania Traction company paid \$50,000 cash for right-of-way on 6,200 feet of a street in Trenton, N. J. Considerable sly fun, says a New York Besides the cash bonus the company is re-Tribune letter, is being poked at Inspector stricted to 3-cent fares, is bound to grant free transfers within the city limits, to

> submit labor disputes to arbitration, must pave two feet on each side of the rails, and pay to the city 1 per cent of its gross earnings during the first ten years, 2 per cent for the second ten years and 3 per cent for all subsequent years. Trenton authorities know how to drive a bargain for the public good.

AS THE LEAVES FLOAT DOWN.

A. J. Waterhouse in New York Times. 'Now watch," she said, "how the leaves

"Now watch," she said, "how the leaves float down, Drifting, drifting, drifting; Yellow, and crimson, and gold, and brown, Through shadow and sunlight shifting. And the gray old earth receives them all, As each to her warm heart presses, For she is the Mother; they hear her call, And answer with soft caresses:

" 'Oh, Mother, our Mother, too long, we

The length of the seasons' summing-We have strayed from your bosom, but now, but now We are coming, coming, coming.'

'Now watch," she said, "how our lives

Now watch, she said, "how our live drift on,
Flowing, ebbing, flowing;
Cheery, and dreary, and glad, and wan,
Going-ah, whither?-going.
But the gray old earth serenely waits,
For she knows we will seek none other;
When the winter of death is at our gates
We will turn to the dear All Mother;

"'Oh. Mother, our Mother, too long, too

While the mills of fate were humming.

The tides swing in, and the tides swing

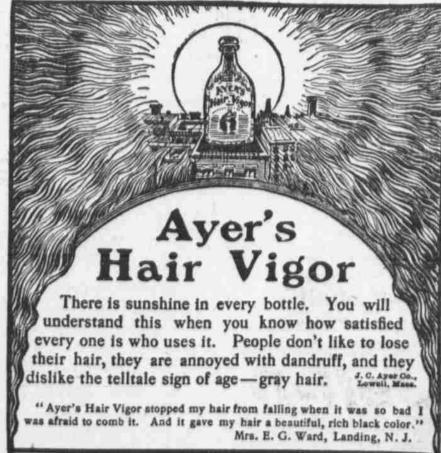
out-She whispers no more unto me-walk with faith to run with doubt, And the dreams that I build undo me; She

The fondest hopes in failures end.

Each chasing a ghostly other, But still she waltein, the changeless friend, And I turn to the dear All Mother.

Ob, Mother, my Mother, whose constant love The total of loves is summing,

The way is rugged where now I rove-I am coming, coming, coming.



Always restores color to gray hair.

from the east, "is not a small dog, with a quiet bark, but a pack of greyhounds Books of American genealogy continue to be sought by scores of visitors in the reading room of the Library of Congress in preference to works on almost any other subject. For the convenience chiefly of

to fight."