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It seems safer after all down south to be a black postmaster than a white editor.

It's a triffe early yet to figure on the succession to Pope Leo, notwithstanding the pontiff's advanced age.

From the work of the council as a that there is a city election ahead.

they were merely sparring for wind in cerned they have annulled their conorder to stave off action.

to pay miners by the ton on estimates which are in possession of nearly all of rather than actual weight. Estimates the anthracite field. cannot be checked up half as readily as the scales.

the cards are now stacked the republican city primaries are to be set for Friday, February 13. Are not fellows who stack their cards for Friday. luck?

EVIDENCE OF CONSPIRACY. There is abundant evidence of combicoal output and withhold that fuel from the last few years will be maintained. government volunteered to take care of the public. The testimony before the

senate committee of investigation has shown conclusively that there was a perfect understanding among those engaged in the industry in regard to the distribution of coal and also in respect to prices, while investigations made at have to pay anywhere from one to two various localities have developed the fact of combinations between railroads and dealers for the purpose of keeping coal from the markets. These investiga- It is strange that the representatives of tious have disclosed facts attesting the

most culpable disregard of the public interests and the well known sufferings of hundreds of thousands of people.

The facts presented to the grand jury at Chicago point unmistakably to a conspiracy between the coal operators and to show their hand by co-operating with Mr. Howell, but we have positive dealers, in which the railroads are probknowledge that the owners of the water ably involved. The evidence shows that works in New York would be yery much there would have been a sufficient sup-

ply of coal if it had been placed on the pleased with a compulsory purchase on the terms proposed by Mr. Howell. market instead of being sidetracked. At There never was a time since the Milwaukee it was found that some of works were built when machinery and the dealers had large amounts of coal cast iron pipes have commanded as which they were holding for higher high a price in the market as they do prices. A large store of coal was found now. Water mains which could be at Terre Haute and other points in cars. bought five years ago at \$18 per ton are the pretense being that it was not selling today at \$37 per ton, and the shipped to its destination because of labor cost, computed at the present the lack of motive power. These and wage scale, would be equally in favor other facts brought out by inquiry and of the company and against the city. investigation prove beyond a question An appraisement under the original that there has been widespread comcontract excludes-the franchise. An apbination, and conspiracy, embracing praisement under the compulsory purboth anthrachte and bituminous operachase clause would include the franchise tors and dealers, with the coal transor at any rate raise a question about porting railroads as a party, to curtail the value of the franchise to be settled the distribution of coal and extort the in the courts, with a possible judgment highest prices possible from the con-

Yet in the face of all this President the water works would cheerfully ex-Baer, at the conference a few days ago change their bonds for an equal or with Mayor Low of New York, had the larger amount of the bonds of the city hardihood to say that there is no coal of Omaha with a very liberal allowance combination and to assert that while he for their watered water stock.

is responsible for the companies of which he is president, he is powerless

sumers.

CITY AND COUNTY MERGER. to control the action of the other com-The charter committee of the Companies and of the individual operators. It is a matter of common knowledge. mercial club has decided to ask the however, that most of the hard coal legislature to submit a constitutional amendment to permit the enactment of production is practically in the control of railroads united on the communitya law authorizing the merger of the board of equalization it is quite plain of interest plan and that the presidents governments of Omaha, South Omaha of these roads have been in the habit and Douglas county. The proposition is of meeting periodically to regulate out. eminently sound and in the interest of which one takes advantage of people's help-Viewed at long range, the fight of the put, freight charges and prices. So far more economic and better government, cattle barons at Washington looks as if as the independent operators are contoo ambiguous.

It should be borne in mind that the tracts with the railroads, but until very recently they were completely under the proposed merger of the city and county No wonder the coal operators prefer control of the coal-carrying railroads governments was embedded in an amendment to the constitution by the It is useless for Mr. Baer or anyone

following language: else to deny that there is a coal com-

The government of any city of the bination or that there has been con-The idea that the state must have spiracy to deprive the public of coal. money before it should undertake to The evidence is overwhelmingly against merged, wholly or in part, when the propo- To dim the fame of the British rivals by spend it seems to be altogether foreign to the conceptions of some of our Ne- that it will be made still stronger by thority of law to the voters of said city ploit. So extreme a triumph might be and county and receives the assent of a thought ill-natured. further investigation.

majority of the votes cast in such city and also a majority of the votes cast in

west to the seaboard. The year opens would be glad to have the national well for agricultural exports and there government offer to help care for this nations and conspiracies to limit the is reason to expect that the record of class of unfortunates. If the national

> ANTICOMOTION AND the dependents in any one of our states NUT GREATLY ALARMED.

it would enter no protest against it. If Howell has his way the city would be compelled to pay for the franchise as well Slashing the assessment returns, as as for the tangible property. On those made up by the fax commissioner and terms the company, we feel sure, would the Board of Review, means a correcheerfully aell out, but the city might sponding increase in the levy for every millions more than the plant could be reduction in the total property valuaduplicated for .- The Bee. tion. The people have had their ex-If the company would cheerfully sell out

pectations set on a low city tax rate for on the terms prescribed by Mr. Howell, 1903 and ought not to be disappointed. the water works are not co-operating with the senator from Douglas .-- World-Herald. The Omaha representatives of the water company do not appear to be It has required much more time for many man to toll up the stairway of fame than very much concerned about the comit has for him to slide down the banister pulsory purchase bill and are not likely of obscurity,

As it Looks to the Operators,

Detroit Free Press. More testimony is coming from the coal operators to show that the miners struck in order to get a little time to spend their accumulated wealth.

Vagaries of Motion.

Saturday Evening Post.

Superfluous Explanation. Philadelphia Record

Some of the operators say that they are not in the business for their health. Unfortunately they are in the business to the decided detriment of the health of other people. Arousing Dangerous Wrath,

Buffalo Express. It is a large undertaking to hold up 76. 000,000 people for one of the necessities of life. The coal trust has roused the wrath of the people and must take the conse-

Jollying John Bull. Washington Post.

quences.

Mr. Charles T. Yerkes understands his business. He is throwing a big jolly into against the city. Under such conditions the English people about the superiority there is no doubt that the owners of of their goods and workmanship. There is nothing like being polite to the con-

Trying it on the Kids.

Baltimore American. The next experiment under government auspices is to be made by trying adulterated food on infants and dyspeptics. It wouldn't be much harm to kill off a few dyspeptics, but it does seem rather rough to get up a poison squad of infantry.

No Difference in Results. Cincinnati Enquirer.

Some coal dealers will learn before the present investigation is completed that there is no difference in principle between ordinary highway robbery and that kind in lessness to overcharge them for the neces but the verbiage of the amendment is of obtaining by force the money that does not rightfully belong to the procurer.

A Beat that Was a Beat. New York Tribune.

Yankee jack tars still hold their own against challengers in oarsmanship. Neverlegislature of 1895 and submitted with theless, it is a strange tale which comes eleven other amendments in 1896, in the from China that a boat's crew from Uncle Sam's battleship Kentucky beat the best rowers of John Bull's man-o'-war Glory by a mile in a five-mile race at Hong Kong. metropolitan class and the government of A hundred yarda victory would be enough

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

fining influences had the events described The standing army of Russia in time occurred in the wilds of Thibet. They peace numbers over 1,600,000, rank and file, will, perhaps, be set aside as not pertinent, or 4 per cent of the male population be on the ground that the riotous miners are tween the ages of 21 and 60 years. It is not typical Americans, but ignorant fordivided as follows: 627,000 Infantry, in 25 eigners-an assumption not casy to suparmy corps, 52 divisions, 209 regiments and fort, since a large proportion of native-836 battalions; 117,000 cavalry, in 23 divisions and 634 squadrons; 138,000 artillery, other large element has lived in the region with 412 batteries of field artillery and 46 long enough to have imbibed something of of horse artillery; 34,000 engineers, 34,000 commissarial, transportation, medical and other departmental troops, and 60,000 Cossacks. Liability to military service is general between the 22nd and 44th hirthdays. the only exemptions being in favor of the Cossacks of the Caucasus, who have a special organization; the settlers in Turkestan and the territories of the Amur; the non-Russian population of Astrakhan, the Asiatic provinces and Archangel. A million men have every October 1 attained the mil-Hary age, but only 300,000 are required to bring the standing army up to its peace establishment. Every urban and rural district has its recruiting board, which is informed of the number of recruits it must furnish to each arm. Selection is made between October 15 and November 15. Usually about 48 per cent of the conscript candidates are exempt or ineligible.

Chile and Argentine have signed conditions for the sale of all warships now building for either country in European shipare professedly religious men, and all of yards, and each has agreed to dismantle a number of its most powerful men-of-war in compliance with the treaty of July last. ences which, we so proudly assert, tend which provided for the limitation of armaments. Unqualified and practically compulsory arbitration having been made the subject of a convention of the same date, the two republics will hereafter have little use for destroyers, battleships and other jingo paraphernalia. They will have no occasion to fight each other, and their distance from possible assailants is their sufficient defense. The Chileans and Argentinans are wise in their day and generation Other governments which confer together when the exactions of the "beef trust" in peace congresses, but shy at the mention of arbitration and disarmament, prefer to postpone the practice of wisdom to the are evils not to be compared. There are coming of the millennfum.

Water works upon an immense scale are in course of construction in various parts of West Australia. Among those recently completed are those at Mundaring, twenty three miles from Perth, which are expected to have an important influence upon the gold mining in the Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie districts. The Helena river has been entirely dammed by concrete weir rising 100 feet above the river bed, and having its foundations at one point 100 feet below the river bed. It is 700 feet long at the top and fifteen feet wide there: eighty-five feet wide at the base, and provided with a waste weir and a free overflow of five feet deep and 400 feet wide. The depth of water is 100 feet, and the claims he originated the rooster as a party river, which runs in a deep valley, feeds emblem by writing to an Indianapolis edithe dam for seven and one-half miles of tor to "cheer up" and print a rooster in his its course. The capacity from twenty feet paper. above the river level, the lowest depth

from which water will be pumped, is 4,600,-000,000 gallons. But it is one thing to collect the water at Mundaring, 320 feet above Annuals they will have or the passenger the sea level, and another to force it department will accumulate several bunches through thirty-inch pipes to Coolgardie, of trouble. 1,400 feet above the sea level and 325 miles The Pennsylvania republican legislative

distant, and to Kalgoorlie, 1,230 feet above the sea level and twenty-five miles further off. This is done by eight sets of pumping stations, each with extra engines and pumps, in case of breakdowns, each set of engines being capable of pumping 2,800,000 Pennsylvania constitution. gallons a day; and a number of minor and regulating reservoirs are provided, besides service reservoirs at Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie,

republicans in the legislatures of Louis-.... Admiral Makarov, the designer of the suciana, Mississippi and South Carolina and only one republican representative in the cessful ice-breaker Ermak, which keeps the

treatment of nonunion miners could hardly PROSPERITY OF WAGE EARNERS. show a greater lack of humanizing and re

> Gains in Wages More Permanent Than Gains in Prices.

San Francisco Chroniele An insatiable home demand for staple commodities is gradually raising their prices in spile of the counter effect of economies reducing the cost of products. This rise of prices, however, is by no means so great as social agitators would have us bethat finer civilization of which we boast. Heve. Increased expenses of households is

But, omitting them from the discussion, mainly accounted for by the satisfaction of what is to be said of coal operators, transmore costly desires. Few are now satisfied portation companies and retailers who, rewith what would have contented them a degardless of the sufferings and needs of milcade ago. But while prices are rising they lions of their fellow-creatures, have, among | do not yet even approach the level of twelve them, placed what is in many instances a years ago, when all were happy and social prohibitive price on one of the necessities agitators had not got fairly to work in the of life? Not content with a fair and honest United States. On October 1, 1890, Bradprofit they have taken advantage of an street's index number indicating the relainusual situation to exact exorbitant prices tive range of prices was 105,396. On Octofor the product of the mines, have placed ber 1, 1902, it was only \$7,422-a difference unnecessary difficulties in the way of pro- of 18,572 points. It is only by comparing curing sufficient supplies of the fuel and present prices with those of the lean years all over the country are grinding the faces of the middle '90s that we discover a rise. of the poor. Whatever the miners them- On April 1, 1895, the indext number was 66,selves may be, these mine operators and \$72, a fall of 39,124 points from the highowners, these railroad companies, these water mark of 1890. Since those dark days, speculators, these retailers, most assuredly when labor was unemployed and commodido represent the average intelligence, the ties were sacrificed at any price which average humanity and the prevailing Chriswould bring money, commodies have gained tian sentiment of the country. They are 20,550 points. And they ought to have educated men, some of them cultivated gained. It is not to the interest of society men, so far as the schools go; some of them that men should do business at a loss.

The one commodity which has risen to them have had the full benefits of the the price level of the early nineties is religious and moral instruction and influ- labor. According to Carroll D. Wright, United States commissioner of labor, and a place our civilization on a higher plane our most reliable authority on labor statistics, wages in nearly all industries are history of the world. Yet, for greed of higher than ever before-higher, even, than money, these types of the highest Christian at the high water period of 1892, for in the early nineties wages continued to rise even after commodities began to decline. Indeed, during the hardest times, day wages did not fall in unison with commodities. The trouble was lack of employment at any price. Now, not only are wages higher than ever before, but labor was never so constantly employed. The caused an increase in their butchers' bills, annual receipts of the average workingbut high-priced beef and high-priced fuel man must now be nearly double those of There was never a time in the his-1895. satisfactory and procurable substitutes for tory of any nation when the workingman beef; there is no substitute for fire when could get so much comfort for his year's wages as he can get today. He gets more money than he got even in the early nineties, and for a given amount of money he can buy far more than he could buy then. Elder Smoot is justified in restoring the The gains in wages are more permanent

than gains in prices. They come rather W. J. Bailey was inaugurated governor of more slowly, but they last much longer. They do not fluctuate like the prices of It took several years of litigation to incommodities. When workingmen suffer it duce the register of deeds of Milwaukee to loosen his grip on \$22,000 office fees. The as from the inability of employers to prois not so much from a reduction of wages, supreme court gave the necessary jolt and vide work. The prosperity of the workthe money dropped into the public treasury. ingmen is, therefore, bound up with tha Samuel Gruell of Wells county, Indiana, prosperity of the employer. When employers make money on their output they one of the oldest democrats in that state. employ all the labor which they can get. When prices are low they discharge all who can possibly be spared. Society should therefore rejoice in that general

prosperity, which induces strong demand Sixty-day passes do not pass current with which causes prices to rise, which enthe Montana legislature. "Annuals or courages all employers to employ all the none" is the slogan of the patriotic solons. help they can get and pay high wages for the service.

PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

caucus has adopted a resolution for final "Johnny," said the teacher, "what is Morocco famous for?" "For a certain kind of kid leather made from dog skins in America."-Brooklyn Eagle. adjournment of the legislature on April 16. If that resolution is adhered to it will assure the abortest session since biennial sittings have been held under the present

"I see that the war between the rival base ball factions is ended." "Wonder what they will do now?" "Take it out of the umpire, perhaps."--Cleveland Plain Dealer. The republican majority in the New York legislature on joint ballot is 84 votes. In Pennsylvania it is 144. There are no

"Some people," said Uncle Eben, "gits sech a reputation as kickers dat if dey trys to be pleasant, folks takes it foh granted dat it's sarcasm."-Washington Star.

than was ever reached elsewhere in the civilization ignore the instincts of the comionest humanity. For a multiplied percentage of gain they trade on the necessities and sufferings of their fellow-beings and apparently divorce themselves from all sense of moral responsibility. Some of these very men were loudest to complain

the mercury is at zero.

'h" to his name.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Kansas without a matrimonial halter.

forn Americans are among them and an-

Omaha has connected with the Southwestern Horse Show circuit, that in- procity treaty in that time, too." cludes also Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Denver. The place to entertain the horses.

It turns out that that Marconl-gram daily newspaper, which was to be published simultaneously on all the ocean steamers that plow the deep is to be only a ticker service furnishing bulletins for the passengers to bet on.

Senator Dolliver's optimistic remarks about the trust magnates working themselves to death were probably intended as a joke, but the danger is that the deadly effects of the trusts will be felt more by the consumers of their products than by their owners and promoters.

The National Board of Trade has called upon congress for the adoption of an educational test to foreign immigrants. How much education must a man have in order to be able to break rock or handle dirt in subways and sewers, work in the coal mines, sweep streets or scrub floors?

The question, "Has the government a mines?" having been put to a number rendering the foreign buyers less dis- and Board of Review. of eminent local attorneys, the consen- posed to keep up the independent attisus of opinion is unquestionably that tude they have manifested for some when there is no retainer in sight.

had the Bryan label on it too many bringing full coal cargoes this way. democrats in congress might refuse support for fear they would be building up more capital for their late leader.

on their balances in Chicago and New as best they could, oftentimes at a ma-

York, why the county money should be terially higher price. The trouble is in

THE PRESIDENT IS EMPHATIC. county exclusive of those cast in such metropolitan city at last election. Washington reports say that Presi-

It will be noted that this amendment dent Roosevelt has been very emphatic permits not only the merger of the the 13th, liable to strike a streak of ill in stating to members of congress who whole county government with that of have conferred with him, that if there the city, but any part thereof, so that is not anti-trust legislation at the pres- one board of commissioners, or one Now that John N. Baldwin of Iowa ent session he will call the Fifty-eighth mayor and council, could manage the has inspected the Nebraska legislature congress in extra session very soon after affairs of both city and county, or one much at one time. Thus we have in this an ice squeeze than any wooden ship, and in person as head politician for the March 4. The president is quoted as treasurer and one auditor could make all Union Pacific, the people may rest as- saying: "If there is not time to pass an the disbursements and collection of It is an experience which the forces of law

be enough time between March 4 and transactions of the county and city again. August 1 to do it, and there will be time without consolidating any other branch for the ratification of the Cuban reci- of government.

The last clause in the amendment of There is no doubt that Mr. Roosevelt 1895 would, doubtless, he most objec- feats let us look beyond the seas for a mois most earnest in the desire for early tionable, as it would enable a small next thing is to make sure we have a anti-trust legislation and probably minority to defeat the will of the mawould not besitate to call a special ses- jority, but this clause was inserted as a sion of the new congress if the present compromise with Senator Noyes, who at imperial government will indorse their one should fail to act. It appears prob- the time declined to support the bill bonds to the extent of \$250,000,000. able, however, that this will not be unless this provision was inserted. As Simplon tunnel, now well under way, is to necessary, the indications being that an a matter of fact, the legislature could be fourteen miles long and will cost anti-trust measure will be passed. This provide for the merger of county have been overcome. Water trickling down is fully assured so far as the house of and city treasuries without a constitu- from the top of the mountains, 6,000 feet representatives is concerned and repubtional amendment by requiring the high, flows into the tunnel at the rate of lican senators are showing a favorable county treasurer to collect all taxes disposition toward such a measure. The within the county, thus doing away with president is no less anxious that the reci- all the other treasurers. A county tax sible. The engineer, by pumping cold air procity treaty shall be ratified and the commissioner could assess all the prop- against the currents, has reduced the temprospect is very good that this also will erty in the county for state, county and be done. As matters now look, it seems city purposes. quite safe to say that there will not be

A separate amendment granting to an extra session of the Fifty-eighth con- citles of the metropolitan class the right gress.

to make their own charters was also introduced in 1895, but defeated by AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS. the lobby representing the franchised

There is a good foreign demand for corporations. That the same influence wheat and corn, the exports of which will make itself felt at the present sesduring the present month from New sion nobody need doubt. It is barely York have been about 6,000,000 bushels. possible, however, that the corporation The active purchases, it is noted, are managers no longer have any objection not the result of any material reduc- to home rule, by reason of the policy tion in prices of grain, but are rather adopted in the mode of assessment and right to take possession of the coal the result of decreases in foreign stocks, taxation through the tax commissioner

While nobody has any serious objecthe subject is one too deep and too vital months. Aside from the smaller stocks tion to the bill postponing the Omaha to elicit an offhand opinion-especially abroad, the purchases have been stimu- city election from the first Tuesday in have bewailed this tendency, just as they lated to some extent by the wet weather March to the third Tuesday in May, the have deplored the steady increase of Ameri-

delaying shipments from the Argentine. assertion that this change is in the in-Congressman Shallenberger wants it Another stimulant of active export pur- terest of better government because distinctly understood that the bill which chases, says an eastern commercial pa- "the roustabouts will get out at any dian business men he has introduced to regulate the trusts per, is the abnormally low ocean rates time, while the business men are too enough to understand that their fairly pros was not drawn by Colonel Bryan. This for transportation, due to the profit- busy or too delicate to go out in March," perous but as yet undeveloped country explanation is necessary because if it able figures tramp steamers obtain for is absurd. Retail merchants are just as full of business in the latter part of Meantime it is stated that the freight May as they are in the early part of tion. congestion on western railroads is seri- March. In fact, most of them are more ously affecting the export trade, partic- busy in May than in March, and many from this country over the frontiers of ularly of corn. The New York Journal of the jobbers who are at home in

One of the bills introduced into the of Commerce says there has been a very March are liable to be away from home tal always seeks profitable investment legislature provides for a reduction in active demand for export corn, but ex- in the latter part of May. The true in- without much regard to arbitrary geothe interest payments on bank deposits porters have had no end of trouble in wardness of the move is that the mem- graphical lines. Within the last five years of county funds from 8 per cent to 11/2 nilling the orders and have sustained bers of the Douglas delegation want to per cent, or a reduction of one-half the considerable loss because shipments take an active hand in the primaries present requirement. With our banks have not come forward within specified and some are ambitions to occupy share of it was bound to find its way into paying 2 per cent 'n deposits of country time, thereby forcing them to go into places under the new administration. the potentially rich regions adjacent to confirm him in his belief. Even those correspondents and receiving 2 per cent the market again and fill their contracts That is the milk in the cocoanut.

-Hawaiians are much exercised over given over for a smaller rate is hardly the shortage of cars and lack of motive the report of the senate committee recof 11/2 per cent is certainly too low. enormous movement of grain from the naturally be supposed that they American continents

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Perils of the Conl Squeese. Springfield Republican.

The leading citizens of another Illinoia town have been seizing upon a trainload pet vessel. In a recent lecture delivered of coal belonging to someone else and confiscating it to their own uses. From an Ohio city comes the report that prosecutions for petty fuel thievery have been suspended, which means that anybody is at crisis what appears to be a pretty distinct in its special work of breaking through ice sured that the legislative rolling stock anti-trust law at this session there will taxes and check up all the financial and order will do well to see does not recur

> Stupendous Undertakings. New York Press.

While we boast of our big engineering the Arctic regions. ment. There is the Siberian railroad, costing \$401,700,000. The Russians have planned other lines in various parts of the empire The \$1,000,000 a mile. Enormous difficulties 15,000 gallons a minute, and at a temperature of from fill degrees to 140 degrees, perature to 70 degrees. He uses the water not only for power to operate the refrigerating apparatus, but to compress air for

use in the drills. MORTGAGING THE CONTINENT.

Steady Flow of American Dollars Into Canada and Mexico.

Philadelphia Bulletin. Not long ago an official report stated that not less than half a billion American dollars had been recently invested in the railways,

mines, plantations and factories of Mexico. It is now declared that a decided movemen of capital from the United States over the Canadian border was witnessed during the last year, and the prediction is made that within a comparatively brief period the developing the great natural resources of the Dominion will reach a very high figure. A few ultra-British-Canadian newspapers

can emigration northward. It does not appear, however, that these apprehensions are Instincts of Common

shared in any perceptible degree by Canawho are intelligent stands in urgent need both of Yankee capital and enterprising Yankee farmers to increase its annual grain and meat produc

As a matter of fact, the flow of funds Mexico and Canada is simply an example of or so the amount of cash in the United States available for investment has in

this republic.

The actual annexation of Mexico may never occur and that of Canada may be a of the highest development of mankind long distance in the future, but there are will hardly wish to class the various outnet wanting indications that before the growths of the coal strike as manifestations explainable. If the present rate of 3 power, which when remedied, as is grad- ommending the establishment of a average American schoolboy reaches middle of the best twentieth-century civilization. per cent is too high, the proposed rate ually being done, will be followed by an national leper colony. It would age the United States will hold a virtual But how shall they avoid it? The evidences mortgage on pretty nearly the whole North of barbarity and brutality brought out by

Neva open to St. Petersburg the greater legislatures of Florida and Texas

part of the winter, has not abandoned his intention of seeking the North Pole in his An enterprising promoter in Ohio proposes to swell the 1904 campaign fund of the democratic party through the medium before the St. Petersburg Imperial Geoof soap. For every gross of bars sold the graphical society he explained once more. house will pay into the treasury \$1.20. The proposition is a happy one. It ought to inthe grounds on which he bases his hopes of one day reaching the goal which has duce the great unwashed to get busy. eluded other adventurers. Ermak, in Managers of the democratic party in Philadelphia thought they had done a good day's work when they nominated John Cadwalader for mayor, The Cadwaladers were among fields is more successful in operating upon the first settlers of the locality, rivaling the continuous fields found in extreme the Penns as pioneers. Ancient lineage was north latitudes than against the more moregarded as a fine asset by the minority, but bile ice nearer home. Admiral Makarov did John spoiled all calculations by refusing to not succeed in getting very far north upon run. his last expedition, but he brought back The New Hampshire constitutional con-

a very valuable collection of photographa vention has adjourned after agreeing to and specimens of the flora and fauna of certain amendments to the organic law of that state for submission to the voters.

The last addition to the New Hampshire It is a distinctly German idea which constitution was made in 1889 and the one animated the Society for the Prevention of prior to that in 1842. Substantially the Cruelty to Animals in Berlin to give a constitution is the same as when adopted dinner entirely of horse meat, to build in 1782. up the public taste for that food, so that

In New York City there are 7,600 policeold horses will find their way to the men and 10,000 saloons; in Pittsburg, Minbutcheries instead of being worked to neapolis, Providence and St. Paul the prodeath. It requires an intricate German portion between the two (three policemen mind to hatch out a scheme like this in to four saloons) is the same. There are the name of charity. So many horses are in St. Louis 1,300 policemen and 2,100 saalready used for food in Germany that loon". 500 policemen in Cincinnati to 1,700 there is no reason why any man with an saloous and 300 policemen in Milwaukee to erstwhile Bucephalus should not sell him 1,700 saloons. Boston has 1,200 policemen for meat. But heretofore horse has been for less than 1,000 saloons. eaten only by the poor, or the rich per-The republican leaders of Philadelphia chance when they trade with a deceitful have about agreed to the nomination of butcher. Now the point is to develop a District Attorney John Weaver as their taste for the rump steaks of draught animals among all classes of the people and candidate for mayor at the February eleccall it a species of philanthropy. tion of this year. The term of Mr. Weaver

as district attorney does not expire until The economic problem of Naples is just January, 1905. The salary of that office is \$10,000 a year. The salary of the mayor now perplexing the Italian government very seriously. Naples is a town of over of Philadelphia is \$12,000. Philadelphia holds its municipal election in February inhabitants and is without any and the mayor chosen at that time enters staple industry, with the result that there are always at least 150,000 unemployed, office in April.

and consequently distress and misery are never absent. All efforts to develop trades have failed but it is now proposed to make Naples the Mecca of all tourists to Italy, it being recognized that tourists are likely to prove its main source of subsistence. Among the plans proposed is one for the erection of a large gambling casino on the lines of that at Monte Carlo It is further proposed to line the shores amount of American investments devoted to of the famous bay of Naples with magnificent hotels. By these measures it is hoped to solve the problem upon which the existence of Naples depends.

CIVILIZATION AND GREED.

Humanity Ignored by "the Superior Race." Indianapolis Journal.

That very acute "heathen," Mr. Wu Tingfang, makes, in a current periodical, some comparisons between Chinese and western civilizations by no means to the advantage of the latter. He defines civilization as the sum of man's efforts to advance from a lower to a higher level, and, while he admits that western nations have done much to raise this level, he holds that the present tendency of Americans to devote themselves to money-getting and to attempts to become rich by the shortest roads is likely to cause the highest qualities of heart and intellect to suffer and so retard general progress.

If Mr. Wu were in this country now he would see in the coal situation much to

thick-and-thin upholders of the "American idea" and American methods as expressive the coal commission in its inquiries into the Head Clerk-It seems to me that old Joblots is beginning to lose his grip. Bookkeeper-Well, I don't know but you are right. He went out and bought an umbrella yesterday.-Somerville Journal.

Caller-I've found that there dorg that y'r wife is advertisin' 55 reward fer. Gentieman-You have, eh? Caller-Yep; an' if yeh don't give me \$10 I'll take it to 'er.-New York Weekly.

"My friend," said the fakir at the street any fittend, said the fail at the street corner, "I can sell you a salve for 10 cents that will cure that big wart on the back of your hand." "I don't want it cured," the hollow-eyed man in the crowd responded. "The baby uses it to cut his teeth on."--Chicago Tribune.

"Your boy," said the college president, "has been very wild, the worst boy in his class in fact." "Indeed!" exclaimed the father, "and will you withhold his diploma on that account?" "Oh, no! But it really should be a black sheepskin."-Philadelphia Press.

MORSE ACROSS THE TABLE.

New York Times

She taught me the code of telegraphy, The girl who alone has my heart, And over the table at dinner I'd pass (By drumming with finger on plate or on ginas) What message I'd wish to impart,

But that which I best liked to say to her, Unguessed by whoever was nigh, Was a sentiment which in three words I'd condense.

condense, Beginning, as sentences often commence, With the personal pronoun

The next word in order that followed it Must have come from Olympus above; I found it not easy my feeling to curb While I was transmitting that beautiful

No need to explain it was

In the third word, and last, of this triplet Intensest devotion I threw. By all unsuspected at being so bold. Clear over the table my ardor I told As I rapped out the little word



THE WHY AND WHEREFORE

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