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In the meanwhile the alleged local coal trust is enjoying a peaceful armistice.

the effect that the pretender has es- the eastern markets. caped. He always escapes in all the comic operas.

President Roosevelt has so far shown remarkable ability in steering clear of and increase its taxable wealth. pitfalls in the Venezuelan matter and he avoid embarrassing entanglements.

U. P. Baldwin does not propose to toward the maintenance of public given it. take any chances with a public debate on the question of railroad tax-shirking. stigmatized by the railroad tax bureau He has been admonished before that his weakness lies in talking too much.

Montana law makers have had the discourtesy to turn down the demand olis for woman suffrage by a decisive vote. The suffrage brigade will not be saying

Omaha and Nebraska are bound to- York, Philadelphia and elsewhere, it pal government. gether for better or for worse by ties will at least suggest the expediency of that cannot be severed. Whatever pro- devising a way to prevent the recurmotes the growth and prosperity of rence of such a condition. Omaha benefits the state at large.

ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION. Whatever retards the growth and prosperity of the state hurts Omaha. In the parlance of the trades unions, an injury to one is an injury to all. The hot wind against rebates and discriminations by With this brilliant example before them

Nebraska, the drouth that withers the ers of the Interstate Commerce com- prising Nebraska legislators to work up crops in the Republican valley or the mission. We have heretofore given an a junket of their own to St. Louis at the semi-arid region depresses business ure, which relates principally to rail- exposition management. and retards the growth of Omaha. The roads and is really supplementary to the

closing down of the Omaha smelting interstate commerce act. It will unworks or meat packing houses, the fail- doubtedly be approved by the president disaster that cripples Omaha would also isting law more effective. While some seriously affect the prosperity and well- of the great combinations, as the Standbeing of every section of the state. The taxable wealth of Nebraska, in. longer asking rebates because being

OMARA AND THE STATE.

cluding railroads, is computed at \$1,200,- more or less interested in the railroads, 000,000 to \$1,300,000,000, of which \$140,. yet the new law will afford protection 000,000, or thereabouts, is located in to the numerous small shippers who are Omaha and South Omaha. These two now at a disadvantage by reason of the

cities are practically one, and together discrimination in rates in favor of the they pay more than one-tenth of all the larger shippers-a condition that it has state taxes. In round figures, Omaha seemed impossible to remedy under exalone has paid more than \$1,000,000 in listing law. A good feature of the bill state taxes during the past ten years, is that it applies to persons or corporaand its proportion of the state tax will tions who solicit or receive any rebate grow as the city grows in wealth and or discrimination as well as to corporations that grant them, the penalty being population.

If Omaha were wiped out by a con- the same for each. flagration a deadly blow would be in- Whether or not anything more will be flicted not only upon the city, but upon done by the present congress in the way the whole state. If Nebraska were in of anti-trust legislation is uncertain. birthday banquet at Peoria. This will policy and a policy of absolute renunciathe position of the state of Kansas with The bill creating a department of comreference to its commercial metropolis merce, now in conference, contains an as Kansas City is in Missouri, or if anti-trust provision added by the senate Omaha were located in Iowa, the bulk and it is expected that this will be acof the burden of state taxation now cepted by the house, in which event it borne by Omaha would be thrown upon is thought that nothing further will be the shoulders of the state at large. Give enacted. This amendment provides for that will grant moderate increase of pay Omaha a population of 250,000 and tax- publicity and it is said that together to all the federal judges, so that the able wealth of \$250,000,000 and the bur- with the Elkins act goes as far as the federal district judge, who is lowest on 9,875 den of taxation now carried by the bal party leaders and the administration the list, will hereafter receive \$6,000 a ance of the state would decrease propor- propose to go at this juncture. At all year instead of \$5,000. In Nebraska we tionately, while its land values would events some progress will have been are still paying our judges of the state increase correspondingly. With 12 per made toward meeting the public de- supreme court \$2,500 a year. cent of the state population at Omaha mand for legislation to put a stop to and South Omaha the producers of the railroad discrimination and the superstate have a home market for a large vision and regulation of the combina portion of their food products that tions engaged in interstate commerce. would otherwise have to be marketed and with this done there should be less beyond the state, and the producers in difficulty in taking what further steps

Nebraska would lose the difference in shall be found necessary to the carry-Latest advices from Morocco are to the cost of transportation to Omaha and ing out of a comprehensive policy of trust regulation and control. If the at-Manifestly it is to the interest of the torney general is given authority to ex- In the meantime Uncle Sam is expected to people of Nebraska outside of Omaha to pedite proceedings against corporations back Omaha in every enterprise and ef- amenable to the law and is provided fort that tends to promote its growth with adequate means to carry on prosecutions there is every reason to expect

The demand of Omaha for the enact- good results in the not remote future. to pay their just proportion of municipal upon to make every effort to enforce the taxes in addition to the taxes they pay laws to the extent of the authority

schools, county and state government is as supremely selfish and calculated to It is an interesting fact both as evitributed value of railroad terminals and abundant supply of capital that the sec- ball players and vaudeville artists.

improvements at the Nebraska metrop- retary of the treasury has been deluged with letters from persons who want to This idea is sought to be insidiously bid for the Panama canal bonds that ulcated through paid editorials fabri- are to be issued to defray

Boston is found to have existed in New intrusion and confusion in our munici

The Minnesota legislature has appointed special committees to investi-

gate personally into conditions at St. Louis before taking action on an appro-The house of representatives passed priation for the state's participation in without debate the Elkins bill providing the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

The speedy adjustment of the threatened strike among the job printers and ure of its principal banks, in fact any and its effect will be to render the ex- pressmen of Omaha shows what can be known, has decided that his children shall this an addition of 10 per cent has been done to avert labor troubles when all at present be educated in Holland, that hot- made to cover omissions, bringing the total parties go at it with a spirit of mutual bed of anti-British feeling. Dewet stands confidence. If the Union Pacific strike ard Off company, for example, are no could now be settled on some plan satisfactory to both employes and employer, the labor situation here would educated by foreigners instead of in Engbe completely relieved.

> It seems that the fraternal insurance bill endorsed by the state convention of fraternals as just the thing for Netional speech, which was delivered in the braska does not satisfy all the frater-French Chamber the other day by Paul nals. It will be in order now for the

friends of the measure to charge the opposition with being stirred up by the jealousy of the old line companies.

_ its existing possessions, not to prepare for The governors of three states, Illinois, fresh conquests. They wanted a policy of Indiana and Iowa, will participate as peace with dignity. There was, however, stellar attractions at a Washington's a vast difference between an aggressive tion. Latterly there had been a new polpresent an opportunity to repeat three icy by which France had been made the times over what the governor of North Carolina said to the governor of South east. According to this policy they were forbidden not only to speak, but even to Carolina at their famous meeting.

Congress has just agreed to legislation alliance.

Correct Diagnosis.

New York World. The best thing about our 11,000,000 fighting men is their practically unanimous desire to make fighting the very last resort.

Working the Elevator.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Germany is trying to raise the blockade and Venezuela is trying to raise the money. give both of them a friendly lift.

A Senatorial Surprise.

Indianapolis Journal. If the senate did not surprise itself in passing the Elkins anti-railroad discriminamay be depended on to continue to ment of laws that will compel railroads The administration can be depended tion bill it surprised the country. Just how that body got at the bill is one of the things which is not explained.

A Bright Prospect. Washington Post.

We have made a start in the right direc-£100. tion in the matter of providing adequate as supremely selfush and calculated to It is an interesting fact both as $ev^{!}$ pay for the judges of our courts. Some rob the balance of the state of the dis-dence of the national credit and the day they may be as well paid as our base

Willing to Pay the Price.

New York Tribune. It might be supposed that the prevailing high prices for meats of all kinds would cated by the railroad literary burean constructing the isthmian waterway. A cause vegetarian societies to prosper and under the supervision of John N. Bald- Washington dispatch says that from the like unto green bay trees. But in some expand as never before-in fact, to flourish food are still few and far between, except among infants and invalids. The consumption of beefsteaks and chops continues to be

WHAT WE BUY.

Since the return of the Boer leaders to Statement of Property Included in the South Africa there has been some shifting Panama Canal Purchase, in their attitude towards the new govern-

Brooklyn Eagle. ment and towards each other, and the new This government does not propose to turn rulers are at. a loss as to whether to be over to the new French Panama Canal amused or worried about it. Botha, who ompany the sum of \$40,000,000 without retook the lead in Europe, has fallen back in ceiving adequate return. This money is favor of Delarcy. Delarcy, since the batnot to be given as a payment for the rights tle of Magersfontein, has displayed con-

siderable hostility towards Kruger and and concessions of the French concern, but that blisters the corn fields in central common carriers and enlarging the pow- it will devolve upon some of our enter- Cronje. He always considered that the incapacity and obstinacy of Grouje in the face pany is entitled to on account of what has actually been accomplished in the construcof the advice he offered was the cause of the Boer disaster at Paardeberg, and that tion of a canal. It is estimated that the exblizzard that destroys the live stock in outline of the provisions of this meas- the joint expense of the state and the Mr. Kruger showed equal stupidity in his er on on the route is worth support of Cronje, despite strongly worded \$27,000,000, while the Panama railroad stock protests from Delaroy. Altogether Delarey at par is worth almost \$7,000,000. The maps, drawings and records of the comwas dissatisfied with the old administration pany are quoted at another \$2,000,000, makand he is now willing to accept loyally the new condition of affairs. Botha, it is ing a little over \$36,000,000 in all. To

up to a round \$40,000,000. For this big sum of money the Frenchaloof from his comrades, a stubborn, vinmen will give to our government among dictive character. The fact that ex-Presiother things about 30,000 acres of land, dent Steyn is spending his time on the which, with the lands belonging to the continent and that his children are being railroad company, cover nearly all the ground required for the actual construcland seems to prove that he, like Botha, tion of the canal. Something like 2,300 has no desire that his sons should be buildings will fall into the possession of trained to love the British empire. our government on concluding the bargain,

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

among them being offices, guarters, store-French foreign policy, in certain circumhouses, hospitals, shops, stables and misstances, was the subject of a rather sensacellaneous structures. There is an Immense amount of ma-

chinery, consisting of a floating plant of Deschanel, who formerly presided over the tugs, launches, dredges and spare parts; deputies, but has not been active in pollrolling plant of locomotive cars, etc.; statics for some time. There are a good many tionary and semi-stationary plant, including Frenchmen, he said, who believe that the excavators, cranes and pumps. In additrue policy of the country was to organize tion to all this there is a quantity of surveying and other instruments, office supplies and stationery, surgical and medical outfits and miscellaneous supplies covering thousands of items. The official estimate of the time re-

quired to complete the Panama canal is ten years and the estimated cost is \$184,loser in Asia, Africa, Europe and the far 000,000. The Walker commission thought it would take eight years to build a canal at Nicaragua, with a greater probability think of the lost provinces, for fear of enof exigencies causing delay at this place couraging a sentiment that might be danthan at Panama. The estimated cost of gerous. This course was not so fatal to maintenance and operation of the Panama Chauvinism as it was to the finest aspiracanal is \$1,800,000 a year less than the us. One of the sweetest pleasures of the tions of the purest patriotism. He bade proposed canal at Nicaragua. The Panthem remember that the men who opposed ama route would be 134 miles shorter than Gambetta and Jules Ferry were the very the Nicaragua route from sea to sea, with men who surrendered Egypt to England fewer locks and less curvature, both in deand very nearly gave Bizerta to the triple grees and miles.

The estimated time for deep draft yessels to pass through the Nicaragua canal The operations of the British Postoffice was placed at thirty-three hours, as against Savings bank became so vast that the old twelve hours for Panama, these estimates headquarters in London were no longer being the time of actual navigation and adequate, and the bank was recently not including delays for winds, currents or moved to a more imposing and commodarkness. If the passage were made withdious building. This is the third strucout interruption about a day could be saved ture built for the institution since its by the Nicaragua over the Panama route better and brighter with each returning foundation. The popularity of the Postoffice by ordinary steamers handling commerce summer. Savings bank system is shown by the between our Pacific ports and all Atlantic statement that the number of depositors ports, and about two days by steamers of in 1880 was 2,185,000. In 1903 they number the same class trading between our guif 9,000,000. The amount due depositors in ports and North Pacific ports. The time 1880 was £33,750,000; in 1903, £145,000,000. advantage of the Nicaragua route would be The Postoffice Savings bank receives deposless in the case of fast-powered steamers, its from individuals, from a shilling to the use of which is increasing. Between £50, in one year the total not to exceed £1,000, including interest. The British Atlantic ports and the west coast of South America the Panama route has the adgovernment is also engaged in the business vantage of about two days, and between the of life insurance to a limited extent. Angulf ports and the west coast of South nuities are granted on the life of anyone America the Panama route has the adover 5 years old, and life insurances are vantage of about one day. The trade of granted to persons between 14 and 65 the western coast of South America is a years of age. Children between 8 and 14 can be insured for £5. The maximum chiefly in European hands. limit of annuities and life insurance is POLITICAL DRIFT.

The Polish question was the subject of a Oregon's new senator answers to the more or less animated debate in the Prusname of Levi Ankeny. He hails from Walla sian Diet the other day. The official estimate included about \$330,000 for increase of Walla.

in 1874 graduated from Trinity college,

salaries and premiums to schoolmasters and There are sixty-one counties in New York officials in the Polish districts, and \$750,4 state and only nine of them have demo-000 for the establishment of garrisons in gratic sheriffs.

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Proprietary Rights in Circus Posters Judicially Upheld,

Minneapolts Times.

Justice Holmes of the United States sureme court has come bravely to the defense of the circus poster. He has declared, in a formal opinion, that the pictures of gauzily and abbreviatedly-clad fenales on the show bills are as much entitled to protection by copyright as any other work of art. When they are drawn to order and printed in many colors at great expense, they should be the property of the circus company wherever they may stick, whether on the side of a country barn or on a city billboard. As property they are entitled to protection the same as any other advertising device.

So rules the court and so say we all of springtime is the contemplation of the bright new circus bills. They are as welcome as the dandelions and the cowslips. They cheer one even as the chirp of the early robin cheers. They even seem to have a fragrance of their own-and perhaps they have if the paste is sour-but be their perfume what it may, they give promise of returning summer and that is sufficient. Let them be protected. We cannot all view the creations of the masters, but we can all see and enjoy the showbills and we want them defended so that they shall be

LINES TO A LAUGH.

"That's a beautiful rug. May I ask how much it cost you?" "Three hundred dollars' worth of furni-ture to match it."-Chicago Tribune,

Photographer-How was it that woman refused to take her pictures? I thought I heard her say they looked like her. Clerk-It was her friend who said that.-N, Y. Heraid.

Mrs. Henpeck-I read this morning about a man who was arrested twenty minutes after his wedding and sent to prison for fifteen years. Isn't that awful? Mr. Henpeck-Oh, I don't know. The law doesn't compel him to take his wife to prison with him-Baltimore Herald.

"What's the matter? What are you shlv-ering about?" demanded the first rabbit. "There's a dude out there with a gun," replied the other. "Well, he doesn't see us at all." "That's just it. He's aiming at some-thing else."--Philadelphia Press.

Harry-You and Tom appear to be the best of friends. Dick-Why shouldn't we be? We never A New York legislator who travels on a say what we think of each other .- Boston Transcript This will oblige the railroads to hand out Merchant-Did you find out what that merchant-Did you had out what that gentleman wanted? New Clerk-No, but I found out what he didn't want-Merchant-What? How dare you-New Clerk-And I sold it to him.-Phila-delphia Catholic Standard. prepaid tickets. Maine's receipts from fees for the organization of new corporations were nearly \$100,000 last year. The corporation fees are doubling annually. "What you need, my dear sir, is exercise." "Exercise? Why, doctor, I'm the floor-walker in a big department store!" "I know it. I repeat it, sir; what you need is exercise."--Chicago Tribune. Senator Matthew Stanley Quay is closing up his forty-sixth year as a public officer. A consultation of physicians is not necessary to determine that Matthew has the

THE NATIONAL CREDIT.

such nice things about the Montana men from now on.

That Nebraska City railroad organ must have got an extra order to turn over its whole editorial page to the railroad tax bureau and send the bill for the cost of setting and inserting the ready-made stuff.

together on a commercial alliance. We thought that is what the two countries did when his son, Count Boni, married the daughter of Jay Gould.

Omaha will be gratified to see the from the foundation with the opening of affected by their assessment for city difficulty. spring, but a good many people in taxes at Omaha. Omaha are from Missouri-they want to see the last bricks laid before they jubilate.

After sifting all the evidence adduced in the investigation into the Lessler the railroads are compelled to pay their bribery charges the conclusion is forced share of municipal taxes the city tax that the bribes were all offered without rate will go down, real estate values any bribe givers behind them, just as will go up, and when real estate in terest in gold at the rate of 2 per cent Topsy grew up without any father or Omaha is relieved of the excessive burmother.

fees of the sheriff's office have fallen so that they will not pay the salaries of increase Omaha's contribution to the the deputies and office help, why has state treasury and the outside counties not the work of the office been reduced and school districts will pay that much enough to permit of a reduction of the sheriff's force?

It seems that the tangle in the Delaware senatorial contest is not to be unraveled forthwith upon the mere offer of Addicks to withdraw, especially when there is a well-defined suspicion that the withdrawal has some kind of an invisible string attached to it.

Democratic leaders are exerting themselves to bring the race problem to the front, north as well as south. But they can not square their demands for equal treatment of the brown people in the Philippines with their denial of civil rights to the black people of the south.

Hobson of Spanish war fame thinks pretty conclusively demonstrated that the same theory that the legislature that his efforts to secure retirement there was an understanding between undertakes to make the purchase of the from the navy have been frustrated by operators and railroads in regard to a political conspiracy that fears his projection into the political arena in the which was to deprive the New England tric lighting plant, the telephone system Alabama district in which he resides. "A man with his fighting reputation had. ought not be abashed by obstacles of this kind.

win, but the people of Nebraska are too amount of interest shown by the public, things this is undoubtedly a perverse genintelligent to swallow such chaff. They Secretary Shaw is inclined to believe eration, and total abstainers from flesh are awake to the bunco game the rall- that a flat 2 per cent loan could be road taxshirkers have been playing for floated at par. The last bond issue was years. They know that the values of made at par, but in addition to bearing enormous. Americans want hearty meals, the railroad terminals at Omaha have 2 per cent interest the bonds were worth even at high prices.

never figured in the assessment of the another one-half per cent interest when The marquis of Castellane thinks the railroads by state boards. They know deposited by national banks to secure United States and France should get that not a dollar of the value of these circulation. Some of the treasury offiterminals has ever been distributed to cials feared that unless the canal bonds Alaskan Pacific. Lynn canal is a magnifitheir county, school district or state. were placed on the same basis as the They know also that the assessment of 2 per cent bonds of 1900 they could not these terminals for state, county and be sold at par, but the great desire man-

mileage basis from Omaha to the west changed this feeling and the opinion is into the Yukon valley without paying walls of the auditorium building rise boundary of the state will in no way be that they could be sold at par without

The Panama canal measure authorizes On the contrary, the assessment of the the secretary of the treasury to borrow terminals, depot buildings and other im- on the credit of the United States from provements in Omaha will lower the time to time, as the proceeds may be state tax rate and raise real estate val-

required to defray expenditures authorues in Omaha. To be more explicit, if ized by the act, the sum of \$130,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and to issue coupon or registered bonds. redeemable in gold coin and bearing inper annum, to be disposed of at not less den by which it has for years been de-

pressed it will be sought by foreign cap- States are to be given an equal oppor-The question presents itself that if the ital for investment and improvement. tunity to subscribe therefor. It will An advance in real estate values will only as required to meet expenditures and they are not made available as less into the state treasury. Incidentally there is no doubt that they would be an increase in real estate values in Omaha will stimulate an advance of a considerable amount of capital is not promptly disposed of, since undoubtedly land values all over Nebraska, just as returning even so small an interest as

the growth of Chicago and St. Louis has the bonds will bear. stimulated the increase of real estate values in Illinois and Missouri.

WILL CONTINUE INVESTIGATION. on the ground of opposition to municipal The congressional committee charged ownership of the water works or any with an investigation of coal transportadesire to obstruct the purchase of the tion, and as to whether there was a complant. It has objected to the bill mainly bination or conspiracy between the rall- because it overrides the principle of roads and operators, has been authorhome rule, not only in providing for a ized to continue its investigation and to governor-appointed water board to pervisit such cities as might be necessary. form purely local functions, but in legis-This is the proper course. 'The testi- lative prescription of what Omaha must

water works compulsory, it can make the transportation of coal, the effect of the purchase of the gas works, the elecmarkets of the supply they might have or the street railway compulsory. If it can make the purchase of the water

The Bee's position relative to the

There is not a doubt that a similar works compulsory irrespective of the state of affairs existed elsewhere and it wishes of the people who must pay for is most desirable that the fact be fully them, it can later make their sale com-

The insurance companies are very ascertained and exposed. We do not pulsory. Overturn the principle of home strenuous in their opposition to any know what can be done in the matter- rule and the legislature can direct the change in the revenue laws that will whether those guilty of such a conuse of property belonging to the municimake them pay more taxes than they spiracy, involving suffering to many pal corporation in any way it sees fit. have been paying. That is perfectly thousands of people and serious injury If it can compel Omaha to buy the plant natural, but the representatives of the to industries, can be punished, but at that supplies water to South Omaha, it insurance companies will have to ex- any rate a thorough and searching incan compel South Omaha to buy the plain why Nebraska should not levy in- vestigation should be made and un plant that supplies gas to Omaha. Desurance taxes on the same basis that doubtedly the committee can be trusted part from the principle of home rule obtains in Illinois, Iowa and Missouri. to do this. If what was disclosed at and there are no limits to legislative motiva.

Prize in the Alaskan Dispute.

Kansas City Journal. Canada is much in need of a port on th cent body of water, as important in a strategic way as any on the western coast of this continent, and should it become possessed of this great land-locked harbor school district taxes distributed on the ifested by the public to buy them has it could place its goods and merchandise duties to a foreign nation, it would be hundreds of miles nearer to the Orient and might be able to defy and threaten our supremacy in the Pacific at some critical time when least expected.

TWO ENGINEERS IN THE CAB.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: It has been suggested that every locomotive cab, at least the locomotive cabs of express trains. should have two engineers, who can divide between them the responsibility of constant watchfulness of the track ahead. When the lives of so many are dependent upon the steadiness and constancy of a single pair of eyes, it would seem as if than par. All citizens of the United this were a happy suggestion.

New York Tribune: The Plainfield horror and other railroad disasters prove the be seen that the bonds are to be issued necessity of having two engineers in the cab of every mile-a-minute express. Two pilots stand in the wheelhouses of our ferryboats. If one of them is overcome security for bank note circulation. Yet suddenly by illness the other is at his side ready to relieve him. As a mere matter of economy the railroads would save money by putting two engineers close to the throttles of the meteors on the rails. · There's a tidal wave of public opinion here and now which comes rolling in to overwhelm unwise disregard of public welfare in transportation policies and methođa. Who can stand against a tidal wave! Howell-Gilbert water works bill is not Two engineers in the cabs of fast passen-

ger trains are as necessary as two pilots in the wheelhouses on the ferries watch- of the present shah, it is asserted, is a ing for possible dangers. Railroads which refuse to meet so reasonable a demand will not long enjoy public confidence.

Official reports of the French government Springfield Republican: The fearful accin sociological matters are always very dent on the Central of New Jersey railroad late, but whether they have any bearing is likely to result in the voluntary or enforced practice by railroads using a certain on the question of France's dwindling population or not, these reports, as they retype of locomotive of placing an extra man late to the industrial work of women from in the cab besides the engineer and firemony taken by the committee at Boston do in a strictly municipal matter. On man. On the ordinary locomotive the fire- 1865 to 1896, are still interesting. In 1866 man is always close by the engineer in there were 4,642,000 women workers in the prosecuting his work. But on the so-called republic, and in 1896 6,382,000. In commerce 296,000 women were employed in camel-back locomotives the fireman is 1896, as against 158,000 in 1866, or one placed beyond the assistance of the englwoman to two men. The increasing numneer when coaling and stoking the fires. her of women employed in the post, bank-Such an engine was drawing the express ing, carrier trade and transportation busiwhich telescoped the local train at Westness is still more striking, being from 15,000 field, N. J. According to the dying statein 1866 to 164,000 in 1896, whilst in several ment of the engineer, he was giving his momentary attention to a break which was independent callings the numbers have increased nearly fourfold. It appears, too filling the cab with sicam, and so missed that the trades and industries from which danger signals thrown slong the rear of the delayed local train. If the fireman women are excluded are declining.

or a third employe had been in the cab Actually Down to Shooting. with the engineer the accident would in all probability have been prevented. The

Into'ilgence from Honduras is to the efblame would seem to lie upon the railroad fect that a civil war is in progress, but the company quite as much as upon the engiproceedings indicate that it is really an unneer of the express. It provided an engine civil war. At least the opposite facilons which kept engineer and firman spart, and are shooting at each other just like the left to one man the duty of regulating participants in the recent "peaceable" speed, looking out for signals and attendblockade down in Venezuela. There aping to any little accidents that may happen at any time to the mechanism of the local pears to be a good deal of confusion in the use of adjectives in these matters.

Wreschen, the ides being Schrimm and that military centers stimulate national railroad pass is liable to forfeiture of office. feeling and loyalty. Herr Fritzen, a clerical deputy, said that he had no doubt that the union of the Polish districts with Prussia was final and insoluble, but he did not think the government was going at all the right way to work. All these bounties to schoolmasters and other officials, he said, only made them the abject creatures of the central authorities, and added to the mistrust and irritation of the Poles. He doubted whether the imgrip. perial palace at Strasburg had been of Some members of the Pennsylvania legany practical use, and was not at all sanislature, in their haste to sell the \$100 guine of the beneficial effects of the royal residence proposed at Posen. Count yon the state, accepted \$87.50. Now the market Buelow, in reply, affected indignation at price has risen to \$97.50. the idea that the government would attempt to exert any pressure upon the The territorial debt of Arizona is \$2,700. schoolmasters, and maintained that it was 000, of New Mexico \$1,100,000 and of Oklaabsolutely necessary to strengthen the homa \$527,000. The assessed valuation of German element in the eastern provinces these territories is: Arizona \$68,000,000, by establishing German settlements, main- New Mexico \$36,000,000 and Oklahoma \$75. taining a system of large and small pro-000,000. prietors, fostering the development of Lee S. Overman, the new senator from towns, and promoting the growth of a Ger- North Carolina, is 49 years old. He is a lawyer of ability, a native of Salisbury, and

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man middle class.

When the embassy now on its way from North Carolina. He was private secretary London to Teheran to present on behalf of to Governor Vance and has been a member King Edward, to his great and good friend of the state house of representatives five the Shah of Persia, the Order of the Garter, times, having been speaker once. gets back to the British capital, it may be A defeated candidate for office in Wiscon possible to sift the truth out of the many sin, complying with the law respecting cam stories that have recently been circulated paign expenses, filed an itemized bill conconserning the shah's harem. The story taining several specifications calculated to that has most persistently gone the rounds provoke a gob of sympathy from the deis to the effect that after his recent return feated. Listen to these significant items: from Europe the Persian monarch was im-"Expenses within two hours after receiving bued with the spirit of reform and that he nomination, \$24; organizing the Barta du weeded from his harem of 1,700 damsels Rudd club in the Third ward (I never saw no less than 1,640. Each of these, the the club), \$5; seeing people and being chronicler asserts, was given the sum of showed, \$6.50; beer, ginger ale, brown pop, \$1,000, and they went out to be quickly etc., \$45; cigars, good, bad and indifferent married, it being considered a great honor \$20. to have a wife from the royal harem. That Under the Massachusetts law the legislathe shah had a gay time in Paris and tura may interrogate the supreme court as Berlin and Vienna and other cities of the to the constitutionality of proposed laws. The system is exceedingly convenient and useful, and tends to prevent the passage of bills of doubtful constitutional validity. A series of questions was recently addressed

gravely doubted. On the other hand it is declared that no shah ever had so large to the court by the house of representatives a harem as 1,700 women, and even the respecting a bill giving cities and towns the notorious Nasr-ed-Din, who approached right to establish municipal coal yards and Solomon nearer than any other, had but to sell coal. The full bench sent in the between 350 and 370 wives. The harem reply. It was held that only in times of

twenty or thirty women.

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extraordinary exigency does such a right exist. One of the justices dissented. OUR

"They tell me your son is a close student." "He has to be; I don't allow him but a

-Cleveland endin' money. worth of stamps allowed to each of them by risin Dealer.

"I tell you," said the proprietor of the mountain resort hotel, "there's no life like that in the mountains. It's good living in this glorious air." "I guess there is a good living for you in this air," replied the disgruntled guest. "That's about all you appear to feed to your guests."-Philadelphia Press.

Fadds-A dentist ought to have a regular

Fadus-A dentist ought ought of have a regulation fraining as a physicilar. Fidds (with a dentist's bill for \$80 in his pocket)-Oh, I don't know. They seem to know how pretty well as it is. A dentist can generally pull a man's leg as well as he can pull his teeth, and quite as well as a surgeon.-N. Y. Sun.

WESTERN BLOOD.

Juliet W. Tompkins in Scribner's.

My tower faces south and north, And east it opens wide. But not a window-pane looks forth Upon the western side.

I gaze out north on city roofs, And south on city smoke. And to the cast are throbbing hoofs. The rush of city folk.

But not a ray of western light May 1211 across my work, No crevice opens to the night Where western eyes may lurk.

My crowded days are spent in quest Of eager city things. And when the little birds fly west, I would not hear their wings.

But they who once have climbed the Town When daylight lingered late, And watched the western sun go down Athwart the burnished Gate,

And felt the rolling fogs descend, And seen the lupin blown (And know: what things a western friend May offer as his own),

Ah, they can never still, for long-He knows what would be best Who built my tower high and strong, And closed it to the west!



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continent is admitted, but that he became * * so dismayed at feminine frailty and his own weakness as the story indicated is

very modest one, containing not more than