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statute.

less desirous of conforming to them.

The fact is that whatever opposition

has thus far been manifested to the

railroads. It is from that source that

has been heard the determination to

test the constitutionality of the law,

while western railway managers have

quite generally shown a disposition to

conform to its provisions. As we have

heretofore said, it is desirable that the

law shall be given a test in the courts

If railroad managers are uncertain re-

they should take steps to have the ques-

tion decided, as it is said some of them

Meanwhile the Interstate Commerce

propose to do.

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Prospects are poor for the fence crop garding the constitutionality of the act on the government lands this season.

Have you been initiated into the Gopher Klan? If not, now is your time.

Nebraska lawmakers have decided to put in a few days without pay just to make full measure.

Its up to the weather man to make good the promise of better weather for those postponed primary elections.

Broatch's han on the twelve saloons in disfavor has been raised on condition that the saloon men stay on the reservation. This is reform with a big R.

weather 1-11-12-22

DELIBERATING UN THE ELKINS LAW. Eastern papers state that the trunk tine ratiroad officials are watching with ployment than will be wanted. a great deal of interest the operation and effect of the Elkins anti-rebate law. CRASTISING SOUTH OMARA.

It is stated that while the new law The Douglas delegation in the legislawill necessitate no radical changes in ture is not yet through trying to "get the policy and methods which eastern even." They have a rod in pickle for ronds have heretofore pursued and South Omaha for sending an antiwhich it is claimed have generally been Mercer delegation to the republican in conformity with the requirements of convention last fall, notwithstanding the interstate commerce law, there is a the invaluable service Our Dave had desire to see how the new law is going to better railroad conditions generally

bridge between Lake Manawa and the rather than to any changes which their South Omaha brewery. For that plece own lines will have to make. At the of base ingratitude South Omaha was same time it is said that western railspanked in the convention and left road men do not view the Elkins law without any representation on the rewith any such degree of equanimity. publican legislative ticket. "They appear to be pretty much at sea," This dose of Mercer medicine is now

it is said, "as to what the new law will to be followed up by charter amendor will not require of them." It is ments that will place that obstreperous pointed out that numerous conferences community into a corporation straithave been held, resulting in the conclusion that until something definite as scalded with Van Dusen vitriol and to how the new law will affect the westpurged with Mercerite. The prescripern roads has been determined the tion for the "get even" treatment was executive officials of each should coninjected into the new South Omaha tinue to operate their lines according charter under the plea that the time has to their own interpretation of the come for purifying the South Omaha

atmosphere of porkolific smells by sum-From what has transpired since the marily dislocating the mayor of that Elkins law went into effect it would town from all connection with and relaseem that the western railroad managers quite as well understand the reand placing the town under Puritanic quirements of the act as do the manrule. agers of the eastern fines and are no

According to Representative Gilbert, who figures conspicuously on the payroll of one of the big franchised corporations of Omaha, a large majority of new law has come from the eastern the people of South Omaha-democrats and republicans-are clamoring for a governor-appointed, police commission

to hold down the lawless and vicious elements. If Mr. Gilbert had taken the trouble to investigate, he would probably have discovered by this time that the men most conspicuous in clamoring for a governor-appointed police comin order to determine its constitutional- mission in South Omaha do not want to ity, so that no reasonable objection can hold down the lawless elements, but

be made to any move in this direction. they want to hold them up. If, however, it were true that a ma jority of the citizens of South Omaha demand this proposed change, why not trust the citizens of that town with the selection and election of their own police commission? Can it be possible commission has given an interpretation that a majority of the people of South of the Elkins law which will stand Omaha would allow themselves to be

pending a judicial construction. That bought up or persuaded by the lawless interpretation requires that the railand vicious minority into electing blackroads shall make no discriminations of mailers and boodlers? Why should the any nature. The published rates must mayors of South Omaha, who are by be absolutely adhered to as to all shipcharter expressly designated as conpers-if there are any concessions they servators of the peace and held responmust be granted alike to all. The small sible for the maintenance of law and shipper and the large shipper must be order, be barred from all connection treated precisely alike, and this applies with the police department, and left not only to freight rates, but to trans- utterly powerless to enforce law and portation given on account of a shipper's order?

business, which in the opinion of the Why not make the dangerous and San Francisco is now boasting the commission is the same thing as a rebate lawless classes harmless by empower- Pacific companies with the government, largest weather bureau in the United concession or discrimination. This post- ing the governor to appoint the mayors marines will be carried between Chicago largest weather bureau in the United concession or discrimination. This post- ing the governor to appoint the mayors and San Franciscor a distance of 2,300 miles, the anti-trust laws of the state. This led states outside of the national capital, as the police boards for South for \$5 a head for parties between 89 and to the appointment of a commissioner to if that gave it a monopoly on the best to be generally so recognized by the Omaha, and, for that matter, every 100 and \$2.12 for parties between 39 and to the appointment of a commissioner to take testimony under suit fied by the atrailroads. The purpose of the Elkins other town and village in Nebraska? The rate is only pue-sixth what the gov- torney general of the state. Hearings were

to contest the new ad valorem tax law

an ad valorem tax, but insist on having

West Indies to supply the demand. In- similar proceedings were instituted at deed it is not improbable that there will Lincoln a scattering of blackbirds and be more from that source seeking em- yellow birds in the lobby would ensue that would knock a hole into the receipts of the Lincoln hotels and make some people feel awfully uncomfortable.

During the entire campaign not a single candidate on the republican legisla tive ticket declared his opposition to the doctrine of municipal home rule while on the contrary several of them committed themselves to its support rendered in projecting a pipe-dream Yet here we have members of the Douglas delegation proclaiming that they were elected on that issue as a repudia tion of the principle of home rule. If they were so anxious to go up or down with the home rule issue, why did they

not define their position in answer to the demands made upon them during the campaign? Had they declared themselves before election as they have now, how many of them would be on jacket and the South Omahog is to be the floor of the house to vote away their that paper that Mr. Bryan is planning to constituents' rights of local self-goy. become chairman of the democratic national ernment?

If the legislature adjourns April ' according to the program now agreed upon, the laws enacted without an emergency clause will go into effect him with Harry S. New, son of the late July 7. But as most of the bills have had an emergency provision tacked on tion to the police and fire departments the three months given by the constitution to enable the people to familiarize

> themselves with new legislation will not cut much figure.

And now the East Omaha Bridge company wants to get out of paying city taxes in Council Bluffs on the same the purse strings of the district. Any move ground that the Union Pacific bridge was pulled out from under by the aid of a friendly United States court. The railroads insist on playing the tax eva-

a thing as overdoing it. So Thinks the Dealer. Indianapolis Journal.

Two trays of diamonds were stolen from one place in Omaha yesterday. Something wrong with that deck.

Eminently Fitting.

Chicago Post, It is not a good omen that the movement to induce Grover Cleveland to become once more the democratic standard bearer began in Pottsville. The name is so strongly suggestive of soup.

Business Methods Score Springfield Republican.

It used to cost the government of the United States over 5 per cent of all collections to collect the internal revenue taxes; now the expense has fallen to 1.6 per cent. The cost of collecting customs esting chapter to the history of state legisrevenue is much higher, and has remained without material change in over thirty years-being 3.18 per cent in 1871, and 3.13 per cent last year.

Cut Rates for Soldiers. San Francisco Chronicle.

By the terms of a contract recently made by the Southern Pacific and Union

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Henry Watterson's admiration for Cleveland is equalled by Dave Hill's warm affection for Bryan.

Secretary Root will be the principal peaker at the dinner of the Home market lub in Boston, April 2. This has been a profitable session for New

York legislators. One of them dropped \$20,000 in games of chance recently and didn't murmur a little bit.

Congressman De Armond of Missouri thinks the democrats could be harmonized if they had the offices. In other words, a full stomach induces contentment.

A suggestion that the next republican na tional convention be held in San Francisco has been received rapturously by the republicans, the business men, and especially the hotel men, of that city.

Heavy registration in Chicago indicates that much interest is being taken in the municiphl election to be held April 7. Both parties claim an advantage in the increased

number of voters qualifying. The Washington correspondent of the At lanta Constitution asserts in a dispatch to

committee in the next presidential campaign. The esteemed mayor of Indianapolis,

Charley Bookwalter, is having a warm time to secure renomination from the republic ans. Some of the party kickers want to beat John C. New, But "Bookle, old boy," is "smooth people" in political games and is keenly that the gains of half a decade hardiot the kind that takes fright at prely offset the havor of six months. liminary hot air.

District of Columbia assessors threatened paratively well watered province of Victoria averaged about a bushel and a guarter to assess the personal property of congressfor every acre sown to that grain. The men and senators in accordance with the

baryest did not return the seed used, in law passed at the last session. Distant great areas in various parts of Australia, rumblings of an approaching roar were and meanwhile the livestock of the country heard, causing assessors to pause and think line or two. 'Tis well. Congress holds was perishing by millions. In immense regions the ruin wrought was nearly total. which would disturb congressional good agricultural can stand such disasters, rewill might close the purse indefinitely.

Hence the hesitation. The people of Wisconsin are to vote at their judicial election in April upon a prosion game to the limit, but there is such posed constitutional amendment increasing the number of supreme court justices of neither the present condition of their counthe state from five to seven. Should they try nor its prospects can be called satisratify the amendment one of the additional factory, even to moderate expectations. justices will be elected in April, 1904, to take his seat the first Monday of the fol-A few years before the czar's recent lowing January, and the second will be

chosen in April, 1906, to take his seat in January, 1907. The bill provides that the term of the justices shall be ten years, and that not more than one shall be elected during any one year.

MISSOURI AND THE BEEF TRUST.

Supreme Court Condemns and Penal izes Firms in the Combine.

Chicago Record-Herald.

The decision of the supreme court of Missouri declaring five beef packing companles guilty of combining to fix and control prices of meats, in violation of the anti-trust law of that state, adds an intergovernment had tried their best to sup press it, had exiled and imprisoned by the lation and litigation against combines or thousand men from all classes of society. but their efforts had been in vain, the agi "agreements" of this character. It is at tation was spreading throughout the length least significant of a determination on the part of Missouri to vigorously enforce its and breadth of the country, and he was statute against the formation of pools or convinced that the time was not far distant when great and sweeping reforms

combinations to fix prices of commodities. The proceeding against the packers was instituted last May by an order of the court commanding the packers to show cause why they should not be cited to ap-

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

Germany is said to be ready to make 'generous" offer to France to the effect that France annex Belgium while Germany takes Holland. The threatened railroad strike in the Netherlands is said to be the ground of this action. But there is probably no truth in the story, though it-is well known that Germany is anxious to

absorb Holland, and probably will in time find the way to do it. France might be pacified by obtaining Belgium, but neither that country nor Holland would be benefited by such changes. If Germany and France once agreed on the scheme it is doubtful if other powers would intervene. . Russia might absorb Constantinople. Austria a part of the sultan's European territory and Italy might also get a slice. England could then regard hercelf as the owner of Egypt and appoint her own governor. Spain might get something in Africa so as to make it an even grab. Portugal and Switzerland would then have to be prepared for absorption. The trust idea is not confined to indus-

trial enterprises. Russia has been for a long time proceeding on trust lines in enlarging her empire and she has not yet got through with that business. There is not a large power in Europe that is not looking for more land, ready to grab whenever opportunity offers.

proclamation there was a remarkable din-

ner in St. Petersburg to celebrate the forty

second anniversary of the emancipation of

the serfs. Many literary men, journalists

would have to be granted. M. Hessen,

lecturer at the St. Petersburg university

and editor of a legal journal, described the surprise of an enthusiast of the early six-

ties suddenly transported into the Russia

of today. He would find the country s'il

demanding what it demanded in his day

is that all the officers of the bank are Germans, and it was thought that if the bank could be broken the disaster would react

buildogs? Willle-He said he had a strange attrac-tion for them, an' they took such a hold on 'im.-Detroit Free Press,

look my age? Captain Candor-I den't know what your

No country which is mainly pastoral and

peated, on a greater or less scale, every few years, without losing too much ground to keep a good place in the progress of the world. That is why, notwithstanding all

and teachers were present, together with a few soldiers. One of the chief speakers was Prof. Semevsky, who was deprived of

his professorship a dozen years ago on acaccount of the abortive constitution drawn it!"

up by Loris Melikoff, and spoke of the causes which had prevented its adoption. He passed briefly over the thirty years of

The physicians were holding a consulta-tion beside the cot of the man supposed to have appendicitis concealed about his perreaction which had followed, and concluded by saying that the agitation had broken

"I believe," said one of the surgeons, "I believe," said one of the surgeons, "that we should wait and let him get ttronger before cutting into him." "Before the other prospective operators could reply, the patient turned his head and remarked feebly: "What do you take me for-a cheese?"-

THE MAN AT THE HELM.

There's a hand at the helm that's strong and stendy, While the ship of state meets threatening heart true and brave and a will There

that's ready, And harmless we ride where the storm-demon raves.

child, I fearless beholds the waters high-

A strong man of good sense, who knows

Not after he dies, but while he lives, His praise rings clearest throughout the land,

The praise that a great, free nation gives, To uphold and strengthen heart and hand.

where. mountains invite you, the plains love

woods delight to safeguard your

APA.

your tread; And when in the pathless forest you fare

how to serve, Such to the highest office we raise

the liberation of the peasantry-liberation E'en though the night be starless and wild, not from the serf owner, but from the arbipost. In his God he trusts with the faith of a

And

Awarded **Highest Honors World's Fair Highest tests U.S. Gov't Chemists** PRICE RAKING POWDER CO. The fatal obstacle to Australian progress is lack of water. In years of drouth the harvests fail so miserably and the sheep and cattle perish in such vast numbers on the German party. that the effects are felt for a long time, so FLASHES OF PUN. latest wheat crop in the fertile and com-

alarmed. The only reason for this move

Fif y Years the Standard

REAN

Weary-What wuz Raggles sayin' about

Miss Passe (coy)-Now, do you think I

age is. Miss Passe (cover)-Twenty-seven. Captain Candor-No-you certainly don't look it.-Boston Globe.

Hassit-It's strange you're so hard up, old man. I thought you owned half of Swamphurst and had lots to sell? Haddit-I have; but what I want is lots to eat.-Town and Country. that the Australians have accomplished,

"Beg pardon, madam," said the clerk, "but what did you say your name was?" "I didn't say," snapped the Chicago woman, who had just completed her sev-enth matrimonial wenture, "all you need to knew is what my name is."--Philadel-phia Press.

"Why do you call that railway you have been selling stock for, the Meridian road?" "Because," answered the elusive financier, "It is an imaginary inc."-Washington Star,

"My dear!" said a trightened husband in the middle of the night shaking his wife, "where did you put that bottle of strych-mine".

ne?" "On the shelf, next to the peppermint." "Oh, Lord!" he groaned, "I've swallowed

"Well, for goodness sake." whispered his wife, "keep quiet or you'll wake the baby." --Philadelphia Ledger.

out afresh and with renewed force. The

nated posters by John N. Baldwin's stalking horse who is going to run for mayor just to get even.

The Mississippi is still rising. People did not appreciate before how much moisture had been gathered in during the winter by the great basin drained by the father of rivers.

After its St. Patrick's day effusion, the state senate ought not to be bashful about communicating its idea of the Irish land bill to King Edward over the official seal signatures of its officers.

The new Chinese minister has arrived in this country carrying with him the miral Walker has been offered a large name Chen Tung Liang Cheng. He will number of negroes for work, on the have to cut that short if he wants to get into the same class with his predecessor, Minister Wu.

If you have not already taken the solemn oath to keep its workings and who has given most careful and thoridentity a profound secret and pledged ough attention to the matter, that nineyourself to be governed by the actions of the executive committee of the Pa- have to be imported. He thinks that triotic Order of Gophers, you have not the most of it will come from China, a minute to lose.

It is intimated that telephone rates suited for labor along the canal route turn back to its patrons.

The Irish land bill is held to be a step not work contentedly at any place unin advance by the leaders of the Irish | less accompanied by their wives and nationalist party, but they refuse to children. It is also the opinion of Adaccept it as complete satisfaction of miral Walker that some of the negroes cessions that would leave the leaders whether they could be induced to go nothing still to fight for.

There is serious slarm in the inner recesses of the Gopher Klap that the bill for the destruction of prairie dog prairie dogs, which has passed both that may be needed in the construction houses of the legislature, may be misconstrued to also apply to political that they would be found much more prairie dogs otherwise known as Gophers.

Bishop Spalding is so enthusiastic over the results of his work on the recent eqal strike commission that he declares the day of strikes is past. We fear the bishop is a trifle too optimistic. He should wait at least until the 1st of May, when the strike orders are usually given.

The trustees of the Iowa State Agricultural college are having difficulty in sion respecting them. It is not to be could demonstrate better the progress tions in recent years than the readiness themselves with them.

law is to place all shippers on an equal-Surely there are some Wonder if Omaha is to be treated to ity and there seems to be very good vicious people in every community. Acanother series of cartoons and illumi- promise that it will accomplish this.

LABOR UN THE CANAL.

One of the problems to be considered down is to deprive the communities in in connection with the construction of which they live of the right of selfthe Panama canal is that of labor. At government. This is an entirely new the present time the French company is doctrine and one that will bear fruit in stated to have about 1,000 or 1,500 men the no distant future. employed, but that number will be but

a corporal's guard in comparison with the laborers that will be put to work when the United States takes charge of

the enterprise. Where the army of workmen is to come from is the question. It is said that already men in the West Indies are figuring on furnishing laborers at so much per head and Adcanal whenever this government gets ready to relieve the Frenchmen now a Panama. These blacks would come

from Jamaica and neighboring islands. It is the opinion of Admiral Walker, tenths of the labor for the canal will Japan and the West Indies. The negroes of the West Indies are probably better

may soon be lowered in Omaha by vol- than any other people, as they are thoruntary action of the telephone com- oughly acclimated and accustomed to pany. Not till the legislature is ad- hard work of this sort. If 20,000 of journed will the company know how them were to be engaged, it would mean in its place. much of its slush fund it can safely that the colony would amount to something like 40,000, for the West Indian

The death of William Edwards Annin blacks, being great family men, will takes away a man whose brilliant work on The Bee as associate editor is well remembered by its older readers. Mr. Annin possessed journalistic abilities of a high degree which were brought to Ireland's demands. It would hardly do in our southern states could be utilized their full mensurement by his service for the British government to make con- in work on the canal, though he doubts on this paper. He had the faculty of making firm friends of those with to Panama in large numbers. There is

whom he came in contact both here in a general indisposition among the col- Omaha and later in the broader Washored people of the south to leave their ington field, in which he quickly took homes, but it would seem that there rank with the noted correspondents of should not be any great difficulty in the foremost papers. His physical invillages and the extermination of our government securing all of them firmities cut short at its height a career full of promise and his last years of the canal, and it is not to be doubted were spent warding off the ravages of disease whose fatal result he knew efficient laborers than the negroes of the could only be postponed. His host of West Indies. As to importing labor friends and admirers in Omaha, which from China and Japan, there would be he always regarded as his home, will pretty strong opposition to doing this. pay silent tribute to his memory.

largely for the reason that there would Although the Missouri legislature adbe danger of some of these people finding their way into this country after the journed last Saturday, several members enterprise had been completed. Besides of that body have been politely sumit will be felt that our government canmoned to return to Jefferson City to not consistently employ these people, appear before the grand jury to tell particularly the Chinese, on a national what they know about the promiscuous distribution of boodle by the corporawork, in view of our policy of exclution lobby. The range of the investigaselecting a new president, but the diffi- apprehended, however, that the labor tion includes offenses by persons in culty arises from choosing between a question in connection with the canal public office affecting public trust and surfeit of eligible candidates. Nothing will be found a very difficult one. If public rights, the offering or accepting sufficient cannot be secured from the of bribes, the illegal use of money in made by western educational institu- abundant supply of negro labor in the procuring legislation or influencing pubsouth, with such inducements as our lic officers for or against a measure, or of educators of high rank to identify government will offer, there is no doubt the giving and taking of rolleand that enough can be drawn from the passes during the recent session. If clans and "grafters."

lawless and ernment was required to pay last year.

Prosperity and Bevenue. cording to the special representative of Indianapolis Journal. the street railway and gas companies,

When the war revenue taxes were rethe way to hold the outlaw classes pealed experts of the treasury and in congress estimated that it would reduce the annual revenues by at least \$75,000,000. Now, eight months after the repeal, it is found the revenues have not fallen off \$28,000,000 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. General prosperity has disappointed the predictions of reduced revenue. Up in Michigan the railroads propose

Cuffing a Democratic Patriot.

on the ground of unconstitutionality be-Chicago Chronicle (rep). cause the assessment and tax levy is to That glorious old democratic wheelbe made by the state board instead horse, Henry M. Teller of Colorado, who of by the local authorities. To prepare never supported a straight-out democrat in his life, says there is no use of talking the way they have paid in under proabout nominating anybody for president test the amount of taxes that would who did not support the populistic plathave been due under the old gross earnforms of 1896 and 1900. Mr. Teller named the so-called democratic candidates in the ings law, refusing to pay the excess years mentioned and perhaps he expects called for under the new law. In Neto do the same thing in 1904. braska the railroads are satisfied with

Strange Southern Incident New York Evening Post.

it assessed by a state board, which in Charleston dispatches report that 100 Michigan they say is unconstitutional. white men have applied for appointment Could anything be plainer than that the under the new negro collector, Dr. Crum. railroads are not objecting so much to office is the great leveler, after all. It the manner in which their taxes are bids fair to break down even race prejudice -that is, prejudice against the race that fixed as they are to the amount of taxes has clerkships to bestow. Senator Money imposed? If the ad valorem system in informed the senate that the south has a Michigan reduced the railroad taxes violent and invincible dislike to "sharing there would be no attempt on their part the responsibilities of government with an republican party would make no mistake inferior race." That, however, was before to overturn the law, and if the ad one of the inferior race had appointments valorem system in Nebraska made them to dispense. As soon as he had them, white In some important respects Governor Cumput up more than they were willing men came forward a hundred strong perthey would be demanding its repeal and feetly willing to share the responsibilities Iowa executive will not tolerate a gag or the substitution of a gross earnings tax of government with him.

A Dangerous Precedent. St. Paul Globe.

Let there be assembled at once a grand mass meeting of the United and Tenacious Society of Holders of Snaps. There is treason in the ranks. The principal of an schedules. The governor is a strong man lows school has resigned, giving as a reason that he has not the audacity to accept \$70 a month for teaching nine pupils in the high school. He is satisfied with the position, the pupils and patrons are satisfied, but he hasn't the conscience 'o draw the money and not return a guid pro quo. Now, wouldn't that scandalize the great body of snap holders in the land? What are public jobs for if not to provide snaps? And if once the microbe of conscience gets to work among the thousands holding snaps who can tell the outcome?

Are Legislatures Deteriorating. Kansas City Journal.

The decline of the legislature has been one of the most pronounced features of American public life ever since the foundation of the national government. Many of were quite respectable bodies and con

tained much of the best talent of the coun-It has been thought by some reformtry. vated to the standard of the old ones by raising the pay of their members, but the correctness of this view is very doubtful. Probably the principal cause of the degeneracy of legislatures is the lack of interest which the public generally takes in their proceedings. They have been overshadowed by congress, just as state issues

have been overshadowed by national issues. Since they do not receive much popular attention, it becomes constantly more difficult to get able men who are ambitious to ac quire a reputation and make a career in public life to accept election to them. In consequence their seats are commonly filled by men of limited ability and experience in public affairs and by goods-box politi-

had in St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph and Jefferson City. The evidence adduced was embodied in a report made by the commissioner last October, and upon this

evidence the court found the packing companies guilty of combining to fix prices and fined them \$5,000 each.

The fact that the court unanimously concurred in the opinion written by Justice Marshall is significant of the convincing nature of the testimony, which, it appears was given by butchers, city meat inspectors and former managers of the packers coolers in four cities. The court holds that the evidence obtained at the hearings shows that there was a combination of the packers to maintain prices on beef in Missouri; that the representatives of the packers met on certain days to fix the prices for that week; that they circumvented the "agreement" by paying relates; that the same prices prevailed at all the coolers at the same time, and that no competitor could enter the field against the packers because the combine would undersell the newcomer forcing him out of business. If the United States supreme court should confirm the power of the state in the premises business enthusiasm for trust arrangements would probably diminish very perceptibly.

GOOD MEN AND GOOD POLITICS.

Governor Cummins as a Running Mat for Mr. Roosevelt.

Detroit Free Press (dem.) To the extent that reliable judgment can be formed from the present situation, the in selecting Governor Cummins of Iowa as President Roosevelt's running mate in 1904, been in charge of the criminal investigamins is very like President Roosevelt. The

permit his thinking to be done by political machinery. He is in touch with the people of the west, and has responded to their demand for a revision of the tariff, regardless of what may be wanted by those who find it a good investment to pay the bulk of the campaign expenses in protection as well as an able one, and he would add materially to the strength of the ticket in that part of the nation which will decide the next national conflict.

This old question of import duties is hound to be to the fore in the approaching campaign. The former financial issue is out of the discussion, because it was determined in 1896 and the verdict affirmed on by the Czech press, with the result that when a new trial was had in 1960. All serious questions growing immediately out of the Spanish war have been settled, or are so far along in the process of settlement as to be unavailable for campaign purposes to the minority, unless for such

purposes of adverse criticism as counts for little when the country must accept what has been done. Both parties will rend and tear the trusts

on the stump, the republicans having sufthe colonial and early state legislatures ficiently fortified themselves with the Elkins bill and the Nelson bill to refute the charge of fostering these combines, and to claim that they will tolerate none but the "good ers that modern jegislatures might be ele- trusta." The tariff issue will regain its old-time prominence, and the country seems ready for revision. Governor Cummins favors it, the president has convinced the people that what they want he wants. It would be excellent politics to have two such men at the head of the

ticket. COUGHS Bronchitie, Hourseness,

Sore Throat,

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the box.

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trary rule of the bureaucracy," from the crushing burden of taxation, and from the countless restrictions and injustices to which they were still subject. ...

London has a new commissioner of po lice; this important functionary being appointed by the king, upon the recommendation of the home secretary. It may be in-

No glittering crown, no weak, flabby nerve, No barbarous-pride of royal displays. The rich, red blood of an honest, man teresting to note the type of man selected. Of the best all climes commingled here, The highest composite of heart and brain "Tis such we honor and deem most dear. The retiring commissioner, Sir Edward Bradford, began life as a subaltern in the

Indian army, and saw much active service. in which he distinguished himself greatly, becoming a full colonel in 1883. He had much experience in the suppression both of thugs and Dacoits, and held a variety of his administrative positions. On his return to England he became secretary to the Political and Secret department of the India office. He was made chief of the Lon-

The line that began with Washington, Our country's father, great and wise. Shall not run low as the years roll on: His spirit aye looks through the school-boy's aves don police in 1890, and always handled the Welcome, warm welcome springs everyforce with great ability, as was proven sufficiently at the time of the late queen's The me

jubilee and King Edward's coronation, His successor is the former assistant commissioner, who, like Sir Edward Bradford, has had long training in India., He was originally a member of the Indian civil service, and was soon marked for promotion From 1891 to 1899 he was inspector-general of police in Bengal. In this office he displayed great ability, devising a system of

identification by finger prints which was tried with excellent results, not only in Bengal, but in other provinces. Later on, at the request of the colonial office, he went to South Africa to organize the police for Johannesburg and Pretoria, and then to prepare estimates for the police force of the Transvaal. Recently he has

tion department at Scotland yard. Something new has been discovered in the field of politics. It is an outcome o the bitterness which exists between th Czechs and Germans of Bohemia. The principal savings bank of Bohemia is the Bohemian Savings Bank of Prague, which despite its name is a German institution The Young Czech party, helped by their press, started a crusade against the bank with the result that a run was begun which in a few days took \$3,400,000 out o the bank. There has never been any ques tion of the bank's solidity, for it is not only a very wealthy institution, but has th backing of the greatest financial power of Germany and Austria. A careful

planned campaign of calumny was carried the peasant depositors became thoroughly



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boy's eyes.