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Notary Public. PARTIES LEAVING FOR SUMMER,

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Parties leaving the city for the summer may have The Bee

sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Business office, in person or by mail. The address will be changed

as often as desired.

St. Louis has overtaken Chicago as a windy city.

In the meanwhile, the fire laddles are their work.

Omaha will have added very materially to its fire-fighting equipment before the end of the year, but no signs as yet of any impending reduction in fire insurance rates.

If Chief of Police Donahue and his detective force will put in all their spare time to confiscating hip pocket shooting irons they will render the community on invaluable service

contract for erecting the government but undoubtedly the Dominion governsanitarium at the South Dakota Hot Springs. Omaha is not knowingly passing up any good things.

Pope Pius X starts out well in his expressions of friendship for the American of the Vatican.

ancient games inherited from the Garmoney are too soon parted.

The threatened reduction of passen- Judge Lochren that the Securities comger rates on all the railroad lines east pany had done no act and made no conof the Missouri river from 3 to 2 cents tract in restraint of trade or commerce, per mile is a menace to ticket scalpers. and could not properly be regarded as but the general traveling public will intending to so offend against the law, is not feel distressed if the 2-cent per mile absolutely opposed to the position of the rate should materialize.

that it has remaining of its special rural motive for competition between two delivery appropriation enough money to roads engaged in interstate traffic, establish 4,000 more free delivery routes which were natural competitors for during the year. This announcement in business, by pooling the earnings of the liself is sufficient guaranty that there two roads for the common benefit of will be more than enough applications the stockholders of both companies and, to take up all of the additional routes.

Plans are said to be under way for a great endurance test of racing automo- when done wilfully and deliberately, biles to be pulled off between New York | we must conclude that those who conand Pittsburg some time during October ceived and executed the plan aforesaid next. This doubtless accounts for the intended, among other things, to acefforts that are making to reorganize the complish those objects." It is further Red Cross society in time to take up the pointed out that the Lochren decision is employed at from \$40 to \$50 per Li's opinions prove nothing more than a membership and prestige of the organizafield work and provide for the dead and is opposed to that of the supreme court wounded.

discernment in appointing by virtue of Sherman act, or of proved intent to the powers vested in him as governor violate it, the court of last resort said: Farmer William J. Bryan as one of the "The suit of the government can be And there are several other singular delegates from Nebraska to the Farm- maintained without proof of the alleers' national congress. With his barns gation that the agreement was entered school management that might require well stocked and his bins full, Farmer into for the purpose of restraining trade explaining-Bryan should feel able to leave the and commerce, or for maintaining rates work in the fields for a little while and above what was reasonable. The necesgive the other farmers the benefit of sary effect of the agreement is to rehis practical experience.

It turns out that the late King Alex- those who signed it." ander of Servia at the time of his death managed to borrow only \$80,000.

WALL STREET CONDITIONS.

proved tendency. There was a better while some stocks suffered a further accounted for by fear of further failures, for no one can feel very confident under existing circumstances even as to the financial concerns that have been regarded as the strongest and safest. understand how difficult it is to reof slow growth.

An improvement of conditions in Wall welcomed. It is not desirable that the public prints, the protests are showthere shall be a revival of speculation ering fast, a pertinent and pointed samleading to an inflation of stock values, but a settling down to a sound and one of the managers of the principal resubstantial basis which would remove tail establishment at the capital: all apprehension of panic. While as yet the general business of the country has not been seriously affected by events in Wall street, or more properly on the Stock exchange, there is some fear that if existing conditions there that already there is repression of new enterprises and that this must necessarily become more marked if there ation, with the possibility of established 30,170 enterprises being unfavorably affected. Any tendency toward improvement in the stock market, therefore, is a source .30,010 of encouragement to all interests.

A GREAT RAILWAY PROJECT. The proposed construction of the new prehensive project, providing not only first-class steamships on both the Atlantic and Pacific. As contemplated the government is to be the backer of the presenting the project to Parliament Premier Laurier pointed out that such a transcontinental line would render Canada independent of the bonding privilege, the withdrawal of which the United States had, he said, held suspended over the head of Canada. Every foot of the new line would be every business man in this city. not letting the lack of new engine in Canadian territory and the premier houses interfere with the efficiency of drew a bright picture of the part it would play in enabling the Dominion to successfully compete for the trade ness by 10 per cent. of the Orient. He urged that the resources of the country through which the road would pass are such as to justify its construction.

The sentiment in Canada favorable reent of the country is strong and undoubtedly growing and it is not improbable that Sir Wilfred Laurier will be able to carry through this rallway project, though there is much opposition An Omaha builder gets the \$336,000 to it. It would be a great enterprise, ment would have little difficulty in obtaining the money necessary to construct the line

THE LOCHREN DECISION. Comment upon the decision of Judge people. If he will live up to these pro- Lochren in the case of Minnesota fessions Americans will have none but against the Northern Securities Company friendly feelings for the new occupant is almost without exception adverse. The consensus of opinion is that the position taken by Judge Lochren is not It looks as if a school might be made only contrary to that of the judges of profitable in Omaha for the instruction the circuit court in the federal case of visitors from the country in all those against the Securities company, but finds no warrant in the decisions of the den of Eden by which a fool and his supreme court of the United States applicable to the case.

It is pointed out that the view of

circuit court in the federal case. In that decision it was held that the North-The Postoffice department announces ern Securities scheme "destroyed every according to the familiar rule that every one is presumed to intend what is the itself, in the case of the Transmissouri Freight association. As to the plea that

was in debt only to the extent of some ern Securities case is perfectly obvious these days of quick communication. \$80,000. If it is a disgrace, as Andrew and would seem to make certain the The old days when the escaped convict Carnegie declares, for a man to die rich, overturning of the Lochren decision by could keep ahead of the news, or find and a razor will not shave every day for-It is certainly a disgrace for a royal the higher courts. Referring to the con- a retreat not reached by information of personage like the Servian king to die tention that there is no difference in law his exploits, are gone forever. with such a bagatelle of debts, and more between the rights and obligations of a than that, with an estate large enough "person" and a corporation as a shareto pay them off and leave a surplus. holder, or in their relation to combina-Nothing proves so conclusively that tions in restraint of trade, one commen-King Alexander was cut off without tator says that the fallacy of this posi- ances, the limit under the law making preparation as the fact that he had tion was exposed in the decision of the the penalties run from September 1 un-

cision has practically no support.

THE TRADING STAMP BUNCO GAME. The recent decision of the Nebraska courts that the trading stamp scheme is the wide-awake merchants of that thriving city evince a decided disinclination ple being found in the following from

came involved in a premium ticket fight, whereby almost every store in that city is jurious to general business. It is said increase of sales or profit to any establishment. It is costing the merchants of that city, at the least, 614 per cent of their sales is not a change in the Wall street situ- merchants are now trying to devise some plan whereby they can dispense with the whole trading stamp outfits. They are thoroughly disgusted and which would inevitably follow in the same of this city crease their patronage and sales without them. Did but one store in a line of business control a premium offer it would be of particular worth to that store, but with one premium company started in a city you will dent because his supply of high sound-Grand Trunk Pacific railway, terms for find that city flooded with every trading ing honors is practically unlimited and which have just been submitted to the stamp concern now doing business, with the Dominion Parliament, is a most com- result that every merchant in town must give stamps. The only outcome can be a direct increase of from 5 to 10 per cent in for a railroad which shall extend from the cost of doing business and if any merocean to ocean, but also for fleets of chant can think for a moment that he can increase his sales and profits to overcome this increase, with every like concern giving a premium of some kind, he must be surely very shortsighted. We have tried it enterprise and the road would be prac- and we know whereof we speak. Mr. Fitz tically under government control. In Gerald was offered recently by a large tradgive away with purchases, absolutely free; was offered control of the premium store and many other unheard-of concessions, if he would only give his name to start the ball rolling. He absolutely refused to have anything to do with it, knowing the disastrous results Peorla has experienced, and the same condition should be followed by

Keep the trading stamps out of Lincoln if you would have peace and harmony among the merchants and if you wouldn't wish to increase your cost of doing busi-GEORGE J. BROWN,

It is certainly remarkable that an attempt should be made to revive the trading stamp game in Nebraska, which outranks all the other states in popular intelligence, after it has been played out everywhere else

Advertising Manager, Fitz Gerald Dry

Looking through the big end of a ong distance telescope, John N. Baldwin has discovered that the Union Pacific bridge was chartered in 1862 exclusively to connect the Union Pacific off than he was when the Beef trust was with the lows railroads at Council Bluffs and not to connect the Iowa railroads with the Union Pacific and other railroads that converge at Omaha. Mr. Baldwin has also discovered that the re-organized Union Pacific Railway company acquired the bridge by purchase and not by foreclosure and, there fore, is under no legal obligation to afford to any particular railroad, and especially the Chicago Grent Western, access over the bridge to its Omaha terminals on any conditions. Most people who have lived in these parts have labored under the delusion that the Union Pacific bridge was given a special charter with the privilege to exact passenger and freight tolls, independent of the Union Pacific main line, in order that it might serve as a link between the lines terminating in Iowa and those terminating in Nebraska. There has also been a prevailing impression, dating back more than a quarter of a century, that a change of ownership in the bridge would not in any way change the obligations imposed upon the Union Pacific to give access to all railroads to its terminals on equal

and reasonable terms. In explanation and justification of the creation of the new position of supervisor of the public schools, we are told necessary consequence of his own acts, that so many inexperienced Omaha ployed as teachers that it now requires a specialist in supervision to guide, oversee and train them. Why a graduate of the Omaha public schools, who month should require special guidance, while a school teacher who worked in Kansas City for \$45 a month can be supervision has not been explained. gins at the waist line. This is a very in things in connection with the public

One by one the escaped convicts from the California state prison are being strain trade or commerce, no matter picked up and re-incarcerated. The what the intent was on the part of fugitive from justice, who has incurred the penalties of outlawry has a hard The application of this to the North- time to avoid the officers of the law in

The ratiroads have asked for an extension of time for the equipment of their rolling stock with safety applicircuit court of appeals and adds: "No less modified by the Interstate Coun-

'person' in the ordinary sense of the merce commission. The operation of An uneasy feeling is reported to still term is created for the mere purpose of this law has been repeatedly postponed prevail in Wall street, but conditions representing a number of other persons for the last four or five years at the resterday indicated a somewhat im as a holder of their stock in several solicitation of the railroads until they corporations. No person can be a com- seem to think they can ignore it altodisposition to buy, though this was by bination in the sense that a corporation gether. Instead of putting safety apno means strongly manifested, and may be, and there is a distinction here pliances upon their old cars and locomoso broad that one would suppose that lives they have been simply installing decline, yet on the whole there was a any court would have to recognize it." them upon new orders with the idea that steadier situation than for some time. So far as public opinion is concerned, as they can wait, so far as the rolling stock The uneasiness noted is readily to be reflected in the press, the Lochren de is concerned, until it is worn out and discarded. If the law is to accomplish any good it will have to be enforced.

The American Federation of Catholic Societies has gone on record unreserv-With stocks tumbling and credits cur- not in conflict with any law on our edly against fends, riots and mob law, tailed and a general feeling of doubt statute books has acted as a signal for with particular emphasis in its condemand distrust prevailing, it is easy to the trading stamp promoters to renew nation of lynching and burning at the their invasion. Just now the main point stake. The influence of these Catholic establish confidence, which is a plant of strack seems to be at Lincoln, but societies ought to be potent on the great body of the people and the example in 1897 only seven surrendered their comstreet would undoubtedly be generally to bite at the balted book. In letters in cieties and religious organizations, which drawals numbered fourteen. lay stress upon morality and law observance. The suppression of lawlessness and mob violence must come through the spread of intelligence and moral training, and in this the various are of inferior Dumfries sandstone and the church organizations can accomplish To the Editor of the Star: The city of Peoria, Ill., where the Fitz Gerald Dry more than any other agency. Goods company used to own a large branch,

but which the firm has recently sold, be-Mr. Bryan now declares that the democrats in 1892 played a confidence compelled to give premium stamps. The re- game on the people and put a bunco sult is a demoralizing effect upon the busi- steerer at the head of the party. Mr. continue they will produce effects in- ness of the town, while it does not add any Bryan was one of the democrats who helped confidence the people in 1892, but he is apparently ready to admit that he and which money is simply going to enrich was himself confidenced as well. Is it weather. the trading stamp syndicate. These same any wonder the people object to being confidenced again?

In recognition of the attentions paid him during his tour of Ireland, King should the merchants think they can't in- Edward has made the usual distribution in ten or fifteen years. Paraffin wax, of honorary commissions and titles, which has already been used on some of This is where the British king has de- the public buildings here for a similar purcidedly the better of an American presithe lavish largess involves no expense.

> A Seasonable Tip. Chicago Tribune.

Don't buy stocks until you think they have struck bottom. And then don't buy.

Some Prophecies Shattered.

Chicago Record-Herald. election of Cardinal Barto as pope seems to be contrary to all the ancient ing stamp syndicate all the stamps he could prophecies and present superstitions. It is part of the terror's name. evident that the cardinals did their own voting as well as their own thinking.

Changing Silver Into Gold.

New York Tribune. Why should that western alchemist who says he has solved the secret of changing silver into gold reveal to any one the processes of his marvelous discovery? Billions upon billions of riches must inevitably fall to his lot while he transmutes Colonel Bryan's favorite metal into the golden wealth for which the populists always feel so flery a contempt, while they never fail to pocket it. Can't we find somewhere an eastern alchemist who will make over cobblestones into diamonds?

Holding Up the Market.

Detroit Free Press. price of beef has decreased more than \$3 a hundred since the trust was accused of with it. holding up the market, but there has been no corresponding decrease in the retail the retail butchers manage to keep up prices, and the consumer is little better supposed to hold both the retailer and the consumer in its slimy tentacles.

Thurston and His Vocabulary,

Hartford Times. Hon. John M. Thurston, an orator of vast ing power, sometimes spoken of as the Nebraska foghorn, has recently made a Alger's town, and how carefully he chose his words the following passage from his remarks will show:

Blind as bats in the serene sunshine of Blind as bats in the sorene sunshine of his success, they have swarmed in the darkness and flung their puny ink-blots at the shining splender of his stainless shield. But the country knows and the world knows, and impartial history will declare, that the war administration of Russell A. Alger stands first in all the annals of re-corded time. corded time.

Et tu, Gorman? Philadelphia Record (dem.). been thinking of himself as a candidate for and has a long train. president. He says that tariff revision will be a prominent issue next year. His record as a tariff reviser does not commend him 105th anniversary of its organization and Justice Strong having been the last surto favorable consideration. No man had drank to the memory of President Adams, vivor. more to do than he with the shipwreck of who approved the original act "providing tariff reform measures to which the dem- for a drum corps for the marines." The ocratic party stood pledged during the years of the Cleveland administration, Mr. Gorman is an adrôit politician and a dex- of the Marine corps in Washington. It has trous straddler, but that is not the manner taken no part in the wars of this country, of man who should lead the democracy in and, indeed, has never left the capital ex-1904.

Reproof from the Heathen. Chicago Post.

sador, thinks that we are a great people. who enlisted in the band before the civil within certain restrictions. She has already war, that the concerts in the White House girls have during recent years been em- attended fashionable dinners enough to note were begun. At one of these concerts the that "in China we are more modest." though she is sufficiently diplomatic to had been arranged and dedicated by Scala make no ill-natured comments on the state in honor of Miss Harriet Lane, President of public opinion which justifies feminine Buchanan's niece. The popularity of this apparel on such occasions. After all Mme. tune prompted congress to increase the mere point of view, a question of custom. tion. Scala remained at the head of the We are sending missionaries to China to band throughout the civil war, and died bring the heathen to a realization of the Farmer John H. Mickey shows rare there was lack of proved violation of the jumped up into the high school at \$80 look pityingly at our bare arms and expurity of our civilization, and the heathen a month without special guidance or posed chests, and wonder why modesty be- leadership to head the organization which teresting world, made up of all kinds of missionaries.

> The Overworked Rich. New York World.

The discovery that fashlonable life at Newport is too exacting for matrons as well as for young girls can hardly be called startling. The surprising thing would be to find a physician who considered the atmosphere of the summer capital of the dollarocracy wholesome for anybody. When a race horse or a stock broker or a preacher has been under long-sustained high pressure he needs complete relaxation. Even a locomotive has to be laid off from time to time, ever. This is the philosophy of the summer vacation. But in fashionable "society" the ension never relaxes. The summer's outng at Newport is no outing at all. It is simply a move from one palace to another, with the same round of dress parade "functions" attended by the same people, with the same formality, the same merciless

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIPE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched | Huge Dimensions of the Caban Army on the Spot.

Several army officers, fresh from West

Point, are trying to quit the service, after being trained and educated for that puring on a better excuse than a desire to engage in other occupations. The secretary cause is shown for their discharge. During the last seven months twenty-nine officers have resigned from the army. Of this number but six were West Pointers. They ranged in rank from brigadier general to second lieutenant. Some resigned to look after business interests, but some not fitted for the service, and did not care himself. for the life. The resignations previous to the Spanish war were comparatively few. should be followed by other church so- missions, while in 1902 the voluntary with-

The treasury officials have regarded with anxiety for some time the disintegration of the great columns on the Fifteenth street front of the treasury. The columns weather is causing a rapid decay of the columns, especially at their base. Several schemes have been suggested for the preservation of what is considered the best specimen of Greek architecture in Washington, perhaps in the country, and the Nicolite company of Baltimore has obtained permission to try the effect of its preservative preparation on one of the columns,

This preparation consists of metals, silisandstone impervious to the action of the

No appropriation has yet been made by ongress for the preservation of the columns, so that it is impossible to award a contract for this work now. Experts say however, that at the present rate of disintegration the columns will be destroyed pose, has also been suggested as a preservative for the Treasury building.

Dr. L. O. Howard, the government's chief expert on the mosquito question, frankly admits that one variety of the Jersey and on the islands around the harspecies has been named and classified as the Aedes Smithil. A member of Dr. Howard's staff named Smith discovered

The Aedes Smithil is the smallest mosquito known, as well as the most ravenous which the young mosquitos are maturing. But not so the Aedes Smithil. This little vixen thrives and grows fat on kerosene. Dr. Howard's experts hint that they have found a poison that will kill Smith's terthey will make no public announcement.

Washington society looks forward eagerly to the advent of the "gentleman from Hawall," Prince Kalanianaole, and his dusky wife. The only drawback seems to be the We like to talk about the benefits of com- | name in addressing him or writing about petition, but competition is doing very little him, and the question has arisen whether, for the consumer of meats. The wholesale for social purposes, at all events, he may not be styled simply prince and have done

"Prince Cupid." the title given him by his English tutor, in recognition of a figure he price. While the live stock market is dull, cut when an infant, racing about the royal gardens of his ancestors in the scanty habiliments we associate with the god of love, will be the designation among society paragraphers, though, if they carry out the analogy, they must call the princess Psyche, who is lovely enough, 'tis said, 'to wear it.

Correspondence from Honolulu portray the prince as a strikingly handsome fellow. with ingratiating ways, rich and traveled. fond of society and anxious to represent speech in Detroit, He was in Russell A. Hawaii creditably. As the Hawaiian legislature has appropriated a snug sum for his diversions in official entertainments, his grave of the late Rear Admiral Sampson in residence should be a popular center during the National cemetery at Washington. the winter.

If the Hawalian press accounts may be relied on, the princess is a rare beauty-tall. forty-one sober men in Indian Territory languid, elegant, with golden-brown skin and hair of unusual luxuriance. Her gowns are a combination of Parisian and Hawailan designs, the most effective being "a black allk affair uniting the best points of the kimons, the Mother Hubbard and the mulberry tapa petticoat." One of these Senator Gorman, freshly landed from his "best points," the correspondent hastens to European trip, declares that he has not explain, is that the robe reaches to the feet

The Marine band recently celebrated the band is the oldest in the country, and has always been attached to the headquarters cept by official permission, its mission being to furnish music at all White House entertainments of importance and at like affairs of state. It was under the leadership of Mme. Id, the wife of the Chinese ambas- Francis Scala, one of the Italian musicians band played "The Mocking Bird," which only two months ago

Another well known leader of the band was John Philip Sousa, who resigned the is now traveling in Europe. The present leader, Lieutenant William E. Santelman, was appointed in 1898, and a year later President McKinley signed the act which gave the leader of the band the "rank and amoluments of an officer serving in the field," in further recognition of the excellence of the organization.

OMAHA.

Social atmosphere home-like and happy General and college preparatory course Exceptional advantages in music, art and literary interpretation. Prepares for any college open to women. Vassar, Wellesley, Mt. Holyoke, Western Reserve University, University of Nebraska and University of Chicago, admit pupils without examination on the certificates of the principal and Thoroughness insisted upon as essential to character building. Physical training under a professional directo rush. No wonder some of the leaders are talking of retiring to estates in the real country.

Well equipped gymnasium, ample provision for out door sports, including private sountry.

PATRIOTS FOR REVENUE ONLY.

as the Pension Appears. Chicago Inter Ocean.

When American troops went to Cuba to avenge Maine, careful search was made Hill felicitate himself upon the decision pose by the government. Secretary Root for the "Cuban army." There was found rendered at St. Paul Saturday by Judge has pigeon-holed the resignations, insist- a variegated assortment of "generals" and Lochren of the United States circuit court

a few hundred privates. holds that as the government footed the for battle, but most of them proved expert, ing to do with the acquisition of the Northbills for their education it is entitled to in the annexation of American persons their services, unless a good and sufficient property. As long as the war lasted that was practically all of the "Cuban army" that any responsible American could find. Yet Maximo Gomes now comes forward and affirms that there were 50,000 men in the Cuban army; that they served an average of two and one-half years, and are entitled to pay ranging from \$1 a day for withdrew because they found they were privates to a lump sum of \$20,000 for Gomes the returns. But when Judges Caldwell,

The rate of pay for privates in Cuba is thus figured to be just twice that received by the American soldiers who actually took Santiago. Cuban patrotism certainly came high. In fact, it apparently is to cost some

That claims so monstrous should be allowed, and Cuba burdened with an enormous debt, if it can get anybody to lend trade and in suppression of competition if it the money, and that public opinion in J. J. Hill, through the Great Northern, had Cuba should apparently accept the per- acquired the Northern Pacific, but that informance as a matter of course, sufficiently discloses the blunder of the United States in foregoing the just reward of our expenditure of blood and treasure in the war against Spain

The gift of liberty which we made to Cuba has been construed into a privilege to plunder its people.

That Cuba cannot endure the weight of so huge a mortgage, that sooner or later the United States will have to intervene cates and gum, and, it is said, will render and stand sponsor for the debt which Cuban "patriotism" is creating for personal profit. is perfectly clear.

That is what we are getting for freeing Cuba in a sentimental style instead of acording to the dictates of common sense. The process is profitable for the Cubar "patriots," but will be rather expensive

PLAIN WORDS FROM THE BENCH.

New Jersey Court Condemns a Jersey Industry. Pittsburg Dispatch.

Speaking upon an application for the appointment of a receiver for one of the inpestiferous insect has turned up in New dustrial combinations Vice Chanceller Pitney of New Jersey said yesterday: "I want bor of New York with which he and all to express my judicial disgust for this sort the government forces cannot cope. This of thing. It is fraud on the people who put their money into schemes of this kind and thievery on the part of the people who do this kind of business." The business althis most tormenting species of the entire luded to was the promotion of consolidafamily, and that accounts for the latter | tions by the method of putting in constitu ent companies at excessive valuations as basis for a huge inflation of capital out of all proportion to the real value of the propand the hardest to kill. Every other erty. It can be readily understood that species of the tribe succumbs to kerosene people who are deluded into investing in oil when that fluid is poured on water in such overcapitalized corporations should consider themselves defrauded, and it is equally clear to persons of average honesty that the operation is undiluted thievery upon the part of the operators.

Many remedies have been suggested, in ror, as it is called among the scientists of numerable legislative panaceas have been the Agricultural department, but until presented, but the difficulty of delaying inpresented, but the difficulty of delaying indefinitely the parting of the fool and his
money seems to be as great as that of
former times in keeping the agricultural
population from buying gold bricks. If
anything should hasten the end of this condifferent times in keeping the agricultural
population from buying gold bricks. If
anything should hasten the end of this conwho had trunks."—Philadelphia Press. they satisfy themselves by further tests definitely the parting of the fool and his dition, predicted by the vice chancellor, it should be the recent experience on Wall difficulty of having to use this formidable street. Between the discovery of the procurities is overcrowded and the discovery by the investing public that it requires something more than a promoter's flat to sustain the market the lesgon should be deeply impressed all around. The shrinkage in the number of new incorporations in New Jersey noted recently is a hopeful sign that the era of wild-cat promoting is about ended.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Carrie Nation will smash no more sa cons. To that extent she has buried the hatchet

The authorities in the vicinity of Saga more Hill have posted a notice warning Mother Jones to keep off the grass. A firm in Northfield, Vt., has just completed a monument of light granite for the

The statistician who finds that during the last year thirty-eight drunken men killed knows how to preach a temperance sermon.

J. Hamilton Lewis, the former representative from the state of Washington, has sailed for Europe to promote the Transalaskan-Siberian railroad, which will be run under Bering strait and unite Paris and New York by rail.

Only three of the famous electoral commission of 1877 survive ex-Senator Ed munds, Senator Hoar and General Eppa Hunton of Virginia. Of the five suprem court justices on the board, all are dead,

Dr. John P. Frizell has arrived in Port land, Ore., from Chimak Island, one of the Aleutian chain, bringing with him fine samples of carbonate of iron, and says that there are thousands of tons in the Aleutian deposits. The only other deposits are in Bavaria, which supply all the carbonate now in use. Perhaps the good effect of not having

kissed the Blarney stone is to be seen in King Edward's farewell to his loyal Irish subjects. The monarch's words sound like a genuine, whole-souled way of saying, in kingly phrase, "I've had a perfectly delightful time, Mrs. McCarthy."

MILL DID, BUT HILL DIDN'T.

How the Lochren Merger Decision Looks on the Pacific Const. Portland Oregonian

Under what color of right does Mr. J. J. If the court is to be believed, Mr. Hill and These patriots showed no great appetite his railroad, the Great Northern, had noth ern Pacific. The job was done, if we admit that it was done at all, by Northern Securities. Therefore, Mr. Hill had no part in it Therefore there is no acquisition of one road by its competitor. Therefore nothing has been done in restraint of trade. Ordinarily, when the court announces the

law, it is the province of all good citizens to acquiesce, without trying to go behind Sanborn, Thayer and Vandeventer, sitting in the United States court of appeals on April 9, say one thing, and Judge Loohren sitting in the United States circuit court on August 1, says an entirely opposite thing then reason declines to abdicate; then the question is pertinent, Which will stand We understand Judge Lochren to affirm

that it would have been in restraint of asmuch as Mr. Hill accomplished this end through the device of Northern Securities, the law is effectually evaded and the act is legal. This is a very fine point, obviously and while it may be law, it is most transparently not fact. The law of Minnesota forbids the consolidation of parallel or competing lines of railways. It is a rather far-fetched theory that this act is forbidden to the competing road, but not to a common ownership of both roads, and that what would be unlawful for President Hill of the Great Northern is lawful for President Hill of the Northern Securities.

This is the first occasion we can recall when a court of such standing has formulated an avowed defense and justification of sharp practice, confessedly aimed to vio late the spirit of the law by getting around for American taxpayers, who ultimately the letter. Judge Lochren's reasoning is precisely that advanced by Mr. Hill's lawyers at the time Northern Becurities was formed. Let us not say that Judge Lochren had part in the Hill councils. Let us simply say that Mr. Hill is a person of great in fluence in Minnesota, in the press and in the legal profession-of greater influence, perhaps, than he has in some other placesin the old senate chamber at Washington for example, where nine modest men, on a day of the October term, will impart to Mr. Hill some information that it is desirable for him to knew.

FLASHES OF FUN.

What's the use of buying a lawn mower when your next-door neighbor has one?when your next-door Somerville Journal.

She-What! American beauties, dear! Could you afford them? He (candidly)-No, I couldn't. She-How lovely of you!-Smart Set.

"When a man is just aching to do some-thing mighty mean, and is afraid to do it," said Uncle Allen Sparks, "he always says he'd 'do it for 2 cents." "Chicago Tribune. "How much longer is this play going to

"They're about half through. The cur-tain has just descended on the fourth frock and there are eight frocks and a nightgown altogether."—Brooklyn Life.

Bill-I see an American quick-lunch counter has just been opened in the Strand, counter has just been to London:
Jill—Yes; the blooming Englishmen have been accusing us of trying to gobble up been accusing we'll give them a chance everything: now we'll give to do a little gobbling on count.—Yonkers Statesman.

"You are lucky, Miss Bessle, in having nothing to worry about in this hot weather."
"Haven't I, though? You have no idea what a lot of trouble it is to keep looking cool and comfortable."—Denver Times.

"Well," she said, "the Browns have acspend a week with us."
"Hang it all, Maria," he complained, "you must have made that invitation too cordial."—Chicago Post.

"Yes, she fell out of the boat, and he sprang in and rescued her."
"How lovely! And of course he's going to marry her?"
"Marry her?" "Marry her! Gracious, no. Why, she's his maiden aunt!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer

CONCERNING CORRECT SPEECH. William J. Lampton in the Reader.

Oh why should the spirit of Grammar be proud With such a wide margin Of language allowed? Of course there's a limit—
"I knowed" and "I've saw,"
"I seen" and "I done it,"
Are rather too raw;

But then there are others No better than they One hears in the talking He hears every day. "Where at?" asks one person,

Quite thoughtless. And Asks another, "did Mary Give that bonnet to?" Hear a maid as she twitters: "Oh, yes, I went out With she and her fellow

In his runabout. And hear a man saying:
"Between you and I,
That block of Pacific
Would make a good buy."

And this from a mether, Too kind, to her boy: "I had rather you shouldn't Do things to annoy. And this from a student, Concerning a show, Who says to the malden: "Let's you and I go."

There's lots of good people. That's talking like that. Who should learn from we critics To know where they're at

