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Lincoln always did play in great luck with the weather man during state fair week.

It is not in the least surprising that the school attendance this year will exceed that of last year. Omaha is a growing part of the powers. city.

Emperor William while participating in the army maneuvers has been provided with quarters in an asbestos tent. HIMA STUA.

THE TUREISE PROBLEM. cert of European powers by conditions regard to it the situation is certain to the administration will not negotiate

pected to look after these though the

consequence should be the extermina-

tion of the Christians in the Balkans.

There is more or less jealousy between

them in respect to Turkey, which leads

them to regard one another with suspi-

cion, each fearing that some advantage

may be gained by the other. Great

Britain seems to be especially appre-

hensive and cautious and is manifest-

ing a disposition in this very grave

matter that was hardly to have been

expected. She is quite as much con-

cerned in a solution of the Turkish

problem as any other power and ought

merely raising obstructive objections to

voice of that nation should be heard

become more difficult. While the for- another treaty with Colombia on any eign offices of the powers are discuss- such terms as that country is reported people, including women and children,

A CANDID ADMISSION. are being massacred, barbarities almost The direct taxation upon the steam railbeyond bellef, according to the reports, roads of the United States is not less than being practiced by the Turks upon de-5 per centum of their gross earnings, and fenseless inhabitants of Macedonia and well toward 20 per centum of their net Bulgaria. The latest advices say that sarnings, while the indirect taxation levied and republican land sharks with demoupon those roads is about three times that 15,000 women, children and old men amount. The public should know that are hiding in the mountains and forests whenever a dollar is paid to a steam rallof Macedonia, that the Turks are burnroad for transportation of passengers or for ing the forests and killing all who atfreightage, not less than 25 cents of that dollar is, not the cost of the service for tempt to escape and that it is believed that dollar, but for extortionate taxation. between 30,000 and 50,000 Bulgarians Many persons who are prone to criticise have been massacred. railroads for what they consider high pas-

Yet the powers are unable to agree as senger and freight rates do not know that, besides the tremendous burdens of taxation to what should be done to put a stop to levied by lawmakers upon railroads, there these terrible conditions. Russia and is the very large expense of carrying with-Austria have proposed a line of action, out cost, for politicians, hundreds of pasbut it is not altogether acceptable to sengers and many tons of freight .-- The Syrer Great Britain and the consent of France is said to be doubtful. Concert of ac-

This is a frank admission by the recognized organ of the American Steamship trust that a very large portion of the operating expenses of a railroad is due to the imposition voluntarily borne by the railroads of free transportation for politicians and political emissaries, and the hauling of litical service instead of current money. Candor should have compelled the steamship organ to admit also that the earnings of railroads have been curtailed materially by secret rebates to shippers who enjoy concessions that enable them to undersell their competitors and enrich themselves at the expense of the Roosevelt approved in his Labor day railroads directly and at the expense of speech. The country will be safe as long

their patrons indirectly. to take a definite attitude, instead of what is proposed by other powers. The

with no uncertain sound, whereas it is marked by timidity and vacillation. that: While there is nothing to be said in justification or extenuation of Turkish policy regarding the Balkans, which is the assessment of railroads this year, havof the most oppressive character, it is ing increased the total assessment of rallyet true that barbarity is not confined to the Turks, but has been committed also by Macedonians and Bulgarians. miles of railroad in the year 1902. That they have had great provocation must be admitted, still their course at made by Premier Balfour in the House

of Commons, to the effect that the Macedonian insurgents and their Bulgarian allies were little if any better than the Turks. At all events the conditions in the Balkans are deplorable and call for immediate action on the a year from other railroads as rental for

URGES DEPARTMENT OF MINING. Richards of the American Mining con- Pacific road as their chief user. . gress made a good argument in favor | Would it be equitable and just to dump

ment is not looking for any such re- stimulated by the contest. There seems The problem presented to the con- sult. If the treaty is not ratified by to be no disposition among the places Some Policy Points of Interest to Colombia before September 22 it is that lost out to ery over spilled milk. in the Balkans is a most serious and probable that negotiations will be opened but on the contrary they all seem nerved perplexing one, and unless they take im- with Nicaragua and Costa Rica, as re- up to do something for themselves on mediate action of a decisive nature in quired by the Spooner act. Certainly their own account. That is the spirit of policy of fire insurance is an agreement to taxing railway properties is in progres enterprise that tells for success. pay a stipulated amount in the way of re- the different states on a great variet;

mbursement for damages sustained in case plans. Roads running through sev The Indian scandals in Oklahoma have the object covered is burned, irrespective of states may be taxed by as many diffe aroused the pent up indignation of the the firs damage. This is very far from the methods of valuation and theories of t real facts in the case, for the reason that a tion, and there seems to be little prog World-Herald, but the Indian scandals fire insurance policy is, after all, simply an toward uniformity throughout the cou in Nebraska have been discreetly ignored. undertaking on the part of the insuring in this respect. The Nebraska Indian land grabbers' company to indemnify the owner of the de- In Georgia there is a direct conflict syndicate is composed largely of demostroyed or damaged goods to the extent of tween the state authorities and the his actual loss arising from or in conse- ways over the taxation of franchi cratic patriots with a republican pull quence of the fire. The amount of insurance written in the policy and paid for at sessing franchises in addition to the ta cratic affiliations the stipulated rate of premium is the limit ble properties and there is a wide d

Forecasts that Never Fail. Chicago Tribuna.

Scientific Search for Cein.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

The view that the anthracite coal corpora-

tions are squeezing the people may be er-

preliminary scientific test as to whether the

people have any money that was overleoked

Hats Off, Gentlemen.

Chicago News.

Mrs. Russell Sage deprecates the custom

of marrying for a title and says American

Possibly the process is only a

lute confidence.

oneous.

last winter.

In three weeks there will be another in crease of 10 cents in the price of coal. Other

to turn over what survives a fire in the seased valuation by the state officers: way of salvage to the company, and to forecasts may fail, but here is one upon make a sustainable demand for a full pay- Southern rallway. which the public mind may rest with abso-

ment of the building policy unless by con-sent of the company. The owner under a fire policy is obliged to take care of all dam-aged property, preserve it from further in-jury and to accept a canceling recompense that is in proportion to the loss sustained by him. The term computance is far from being ment of the building policy unless by con-

Fire insurance thus differs materially

Alabama Great Southern... Savannah Electric Co.... G & A. Terminal Co.... Savannah Station Co..... The term coinsurance is far from being entirely clear to everyone, even when a policy is accepted which bears the so-called coinsurance clause. The theory of coinsurance is based on the merchant's being fully on tangible property, which is not decreased insured or nearly so. If he is not, then by the state authorities, but on the other when coinsurance applies, in case of a total hand is larger than before, the total tazaloss, he is, of course, a coinsurer to the extion proposed is very greatly increased. tent of the under-insurance. If a merchant For example, on the Central railroad the having a stock of \$75,000, for example, insures it for \$50,000 with a 50 per cent cointhe amount returned by the company, and surance clause, in case of a partial loss of \$10,000 he would receive \$5,000 from the com- the franchise at \$5,500,000, which is about pany instead of the full loss, he himself be- \$5,000,000 more than the company's return. ing a coinsurer. This principle is a little The Southern railroad is assessed for tanconfusing to the layman, but is well under-\$6,588,153, the comptroller increasing the tanstood by insurance men. The modern tendancy has been to carry too little, rather sible property \$590,000 and the franchise than too much insurance. In both the in- \$5,075,000 above the return made by the comsurance and coinsurance fields the careful- pany. Similar additions are made in the

ness and intelligence of both agents and inspectors must be very largely relied upon to counteract the carelessness and possible the steam and electric railways will result dishonesty of the assured himself. Both in- if the new method is sustained by the courts. surance and coinsurance are desirable, and particularly so when they go hand in hand.

GROWTH OF GERMANY.

Population Increasing at the Rate of Fifteen Per Cent a Decade.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Enumerations of population are made often in William II's country, and each cided to tax the franchises under which Central station and give himself up. Pat shows a good-sized gain over its predecessors. The count which was made on lines, both broad and narrow gauge, are the Chicago police. July 1, 1966, put the aggregate inhabitants run. Each county assessed these properties of the German empire at 58,549,000, which at \$1,050,000, or a total of \$2,100,000. The is an increase of 2,232,000 over two years company claims that there are no ferry and a half ago. Germany's population is boat franchises, as the boats are operated growing at about the rate of 15 per cent under the franchises of the railway comin a decade, which is the largest expansion pany which are already assessed by the made by any big nation in the world ex-State Board of Equalization. The assesscept the United States. The growth of the ors justify their action under the follow-United States in inhabitants was 20.7 per ing extract from the state revenue laws: cent in the decade ending with 1900. This, "Where ferries connect more than one however, was the smallest increase ever county, the wharves, storehouses and all made here in a ten-year period. The stationary property belonging to or conchances are that the 22 or possibly 25 per nected with such ferries must be assessed. cent mark will be reached in the decade and the taxes paid in the county where lo closing with 1910. cated. The value of the franchise and

This large growth in the population of Germany is something on which that country can be congratulated. It is practically all due to the natural increase in its own population, or the excess of births over deaths. Immigration figures with far less prominence fh the expansion of inhabitants in the German empire than it does with us. To that extent, therefore, Germany's population is more homogeneous than ours. Of course, the forces which amalgamate

INSURANCE AND COINSURANCE.	BAILWAY TAXATION PROBLEM.	
the Layman. New York Independent. Many people have an impression that a policy of fire insurance is an agreement to pay a stipulated amount in the way of re- imbursement for damages sustained in case the object covered is burned, irrespective of the fire damage. This is very far from the	states may be taxed by as many different methods of valuation and theories of taxa- tion, and there seems to be little progress toward uniformity throughout the country	We make less profit on the Yusea Wels- bach mantle than on the others - but we make more customers. All Dealers,

3 = (from marine insurance, in that there can be the valuation of franchise as made by the no "abandonment," or right of an insurer principal raliway companies and the as-

testing the principle of these assessments in the courts.

PAT CROWE IS WANTED.

Useful Individual Needed to Shoulder a Mysterious Crime.

Chicago Inter Ocean.

99,000 1,256,470 15,200 114,825 100 17,500 1,000 704,858 100 44,188 1,000 2,200,000 41,250 50,000 11,160 288,000 90,000 1,030,000 100 155,955 1,000 110,009 The police think they have solved the car-barn murder mystery. That is, they think they have just the same as discovered As the franchise tax is added to the tax who the murderer is.

It required more than a week of unremitting effort on the part of plain-clothes men and the men in uniform, the chief, the inspectors, the captains, the lieutenants and the sergeants to obtain the desired clew. tangible property is assessed at \$12,653.746, but, having once got on the scent of it, the rest is easy.

Pat Crowe is the guilty man. He did it The strongest proof of this lies in the fact that they have found nobody eise who did gible property \$10,338,241, for franchises it. In other words, if Pat Crowe is not the man, then who is? Everybody will admit that Pat Crowe might have done it. The importance of this general admission cancase of all the principal railroads, so that picion points to one man as the perpenot be overestimated. When popular susan enormous increase in the taxation of trator of a crime it would be folly for the police to ignore the ciew.

Bo that while some fine detective work yet remains to be accomplished, one of the most In California the general valuation of railroad property shows only a slight increase, of the car-barn mystery has been removed the total assessment as fixed by the State Now that the police are certain that it was Board of Equalization being \$64,680,058. Pat Crowe who committed the crime, all compared with \$64,515,863 in 1902. But a they have to do is to catch him. And they new device for increasing taxation has are proceeding in the right way, in allowbeen discovered by the assessors of San ing it to be known that he is wanted Francisco county and of Alameda county The moment that Pat Crowe learns that he across the bay, both bodies having de- is wanted he will, no doubt, walk into the the ferry boats of the Southern Pacific Crowe is not the man to hide himself frem

LAUGHING GAS.

Wiggles-What would you do if you had 50,000,0007 Waggles-Build an asylum to shut up he people who ask fool questions.-Somerthe p

ville Journal.

"It's a lucky thing for us there was no automobile in the Garden of Eden." "I don't quite see it." "Why, if Cain had got hold of one he'd have wiped out the whole family."-Chi-cago Post.

Maud-You won't think so much of Jack, perhaps, when I tell you that I horrowed his knife the other day to sharpen a lead pencil with, and found he had been using it to cut plug tobacco. Irene-Well, that shows he doesn't bite the stuff off with his teeth, you spiteful thing.-Philadelphia Press.

"Of course," said Mrs. Extrygood, "you are fond of bright, precoclous bables?" "Oh, yes, certainly," replied Old Batch, "but I draw the line on the supposed smart sayings made up by the parents and loaded off on the poor infants."-Baltimore Amer-tean.

for a peaceful and happy old age and for becoming octogenarians and nonagenarians. insurance policies.

by the Railway Age for attempting to poses and the alleged extravagant increase of assessment upon the Union Pacific terminals for local purposes. Evidently the Railway Age is not aware of the fact that the Union Pacific rail-

road receives an income of over \$250,000

at 5 per cent, would represent a value of \$5,000,000, without computing the

It is unquestionable that President value of these terminals to the Union

leading champion of rallway interests and even going beyond the century mark, is in America, is forced to acknowledge the taking out of a plentiful supply of life

The Nebraska state authorities have shown no disposition to be unreasonable in

way properties by only \$485,840 over last

year, of which increase \$258,000 is accounted for by the construction of seventy-three

times gave warrant for the remark assess railroad tracks for municipal pur-

its terminal facilities, which, capitalized

girls should marry American men. Three cheers for Mrs. Sage! The American mar freights for shippers who pay in po- has his good qualities, after all, and it is inexpressibly gratifying to have them recognized. Safe Doctrine to Fellew. St. Louis Globe-Democrat,

An orderly liberty under the equal domination of the law, administered in such a way as to teach that "no man is above it and no man below it," is what President

The railroads operating in Nebraska are, however, not in position to justify

the heavy freight rates on the ground of excessive taxation. As a matter of fact, the boot is on the other leg. Even generally agree that the surest guarantee the Railway Age, recognized as the

> Money to Move the Crops. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Secretary Shaw, it is said, has a plan to

relieve the money market in case a stringency develops during the crop-moving sea son. As the circulation is much larger than over before, in proportion to population, The city of Omaha is, however, scored there is no good season to suppose that the secretary will have to put this plan in operation. Mr. Shaw has \$40,000,000 which he

can use for the relief of the market in case it is needed. The chief western centers being already well provided with cash, there is a chance that the treasury's fund will not have to be drawn on.

Unmussled Demagogues Abroad. Philadelphia Record.

Major Vardaman, whom the voters of Mississippi have already practically chosen for their next governor, is a foul-mouthed man of the type of Senator Tillman of South Carolina. The Macon (Ga.) Telegraph, commenting upon some of Vardaman's grosser stump speech utterances, says that "unless he has been outrageously

lied about he is a disgrace to his state and the different races into a composite which violent and vociferous demagogues of the Vardaman type to the top of affairs. Hav ing turned them loose the only safety is in eration or two. muzzling them so that they cannot bite as well as bark.

as it sticks to that doctrine. Working Their Own Horn. New York Tribune. Insurance experts are discussing statistics

as to the increase of the longevity, and they

Sixteen hundred and then a few ballots bench sets a new long distance record for Nebraska political freaks.

The college graduate must have got all he wanted tackling the wheat harvest. We hear nothing of his preparations to wrestle with the corn crop.

The World-Herald wants it distinctly understood that when it promised to wage a clean campaign against Judge Barnes it reserved the right to change its mind.

Municipal repairs by day labor will and is steadily increasing. If it can doubtless cost more than the contractors be shown that the industry can be betwould charge, but would give better results in quality of material and permanency of the work.

also subscribe to nonpartisanship on the ganized it is not probable that congress bench-provided it carries at least one will be disposed to immediately create populist within reach of the judicial another one. Perhaps the best that the title and the salary attached.

An Iowa man has been selected to mining in the Department of Commerce of the national treasury in aid of the Shaw. St. Louis exposition. No declination this time of such an opportunity to get next to the coin.

If Colombia is really sorry for having rejected the canal treaty, it can easily prove the sincerity of its regrets. All that is necessary is to reconsider the adverse action it has taken and vote a ratification of the document.

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The announcement that Omaha's democratic hub will stand by the democratic platform and that democratic wheel horses will pull the machine candidates up the hill is not very startling. The unexpected does not often happen.

Church Howe has been promoted from the position of consul at Sheffield to that of consul general at Antwerp, which only goes to show that, given a fair chance, a Nebraska statesman will forge to the front on either side of the great pond.

Colonel Bryan is predicting the elec. 000 to be paid the company for its of traffic conditions to the east. By tion of Tom Johnson as governor of properties be handed over to Colombia showing that we appreciate the advent Ohie. It will be remembered that was rejected. A Washington dispatch of the Chicago Great Western some gregate amount, including penalties, of Colonel Bryan has been decidedly free says it is contended by those who are other roads may be induced eventually \$423,382.90, etc., etc. with his predictions in the past, but for thoroughly familiar with what has been to head this way. good and sufficient reasons has never going on at Bogota that the treaty achieved much of a reputation as a could have been ratified if there had prophet.

A South Omaha councilman is fathering an ordinance to compèl the complete stopping of street cars whenever the construction do the terms of the treaty the presumption of innocence. motorman leaves his post to collect fares of the passengers. Would not the true involve any surrender of territory. But twelve days remain of the life of solution be an ordinance compelling the the treaty, and while there is yet time Nebraska towns competing for the norcompany to provide conductors to collect

the fares and to keep the motorman where he belongs

of the creation by congress of a de- the Union Pacific terminals into the partment of mining, on an equal foot- pool with the main tracks and rolling hatreds in the south has served to bring ing with the existing executive departstock without exacting from the comto settle a nomination for the district ments. While the mining interest is pany its share of the benefits enjoyed not so great and important as the ag- by all other classes of property in the ricultural interest, it was none the less city of Omaha from municipal governa reasonable contention that the mining ment and at the same time omit from prospector "has just as good a right to the city assessment roll the railroads scientific information from the govern- that pay rental for Union Pacific terment concerning mineral formations, minals which make no returns of their

the character of various ores and their mileage to the State Board of Assessproper treatment," as the farmer has, ment independent of the Union Pacific? He thought that the logic of events The bar association of this county conmust ultimately compel the proper recognition of the mining industry at the

hands of the government, as one of the necessities of governmental laws. The mining industry is of great value dates for the district bench and secured

ter promoted by the creation of a department at Washington there would doubtless be no great opposition to such is a known politician, propose to control a department. However, as a new exthe administration of justice in this The populists of this judicial district ecutive department has just been ordistrict while masquerading as non-

partisans. It is amusing in this connecmining interest can expect in the near future is the creation of a bureau of

handle the \$5,000,000 appropriated out and Labor, as suggested by Secretary

COLOMBIA WANTS MORE MOREY. The Colombian congress is consider ing a bill giving authority to the presideut to negotiate a new Panama canal treaty and its chief feature is a demand for more money. It names as the price of the concession double the amount which the United States proposed to pay in the treaty that was rejected, or \$20,000,000, and also wants \$10,000,000

mongrel ticket commend themselves so from the French canal company in conhighly to democratic support, while their sideration of Colombia's approval of the transfer of shares. Furthermore it is four colleagues on the republican ticket who were not endorsed by the coterie of required that at the end of the 100-year lease the United States shall for relawyers are branded as bad medicine that a conscientious democrat cannot newal of the lease pay 25 per cent more swallow premium and rental.

This makes it perfectly plain that the Omaha business men are finally beginrejection of the canal treaty was a matning to wake up to what the entrance ter of dollars and not of patriotism. It of the Chicago Great Western to this appears that Colombia has been trying city means. The Bee has for months to get money out of the canal company, been pointing out the importance of our government having been notified of maintaining an open door to this new this and that the proposal of the Colom- road because of the influence it is bound

To prove his innocence, one of the been more money in it. There can be fugitive postoffice contractors indicted

no doubt of this in the light of later de for complicity in postal frauds declares velopments. The talk about a surrender he will not return to undergo trial unless of Colombian sovereignty was a mere brought back by extradition process. subterfuge, since by no fair and rational The man who has to be extradited repels

It is gratifying to see that the different for the Colombian congress to recon- mai school location are in a fair way

sider its rejection, it is said this govern- to get speedily over the intense rivalry forgetting it.

A Rebuke to the Bar. Brooklyn Eagle.

The American Bar association might better do a little housekeeping on it own premises before it puts the nation in order. When we see-and we do see it every daythe wheels of justice blocked to the abuse

and annoyance of the honest and the prosists of more than 200 members. Out tection of the guilty, when we see trick and shift and delay substituted for clear, prompt States, as the immigration figures show, of that number just sixty-one-four- and decisive action, when we see judges fifths of whom were democrats-went granting stays to men thrice found guilty through the form of nominating candi- and defying the sentiment and conscience of the nation, when we see the increase of lynching that arises from growing mistrust their endorsement as nonpartisans by or contempt for courts, it seems as if a lit the democratic convention. In other the might be done by so influential a body words, one-third of the practicing law- as the Bar association toward the restorayers of this district, every one of whom tion of simpler and surer methods in court practice.

Interests of Old Soldiers. Philadelphia Press.

The interests of the old soldiers are

tion to read an effusion from a demoalways well cared for by congress, but cratic lawyer, who hails from Papillion, they are certain not to be neglected in the Fifty-eighth congress. Although the ing her cunning? doclaring that "as a general thing all civil war ended over thirty-eight years lawyers who expect to win their cases ago there will be seventy-seven men in upon their merits will be found supcongress who fought in it. Forty-seven fought on the union side and thirty porting the nonpartisan candidates, served in the confederate army. In the while those who hope to win by other senate there are thirteen union soldiers methods will support candidates with a and thirteen ex-confederates. But in the party label." This is a most scathing house, where the representation is more fairly apportioned, there are thirty-four indictment of at least 140 out of the 200 union veterans and seventeen ex-confed lawyers of the district, and, in fact, of erates. The Grand Army has declared in nearly all the lawyers who have a favor of a service pension for all union lucrative practice and do not depend veterans over & years old, and an effort will upon judicial favors for success. It is be made to pass such a bill. But as any passing strange also that the three can- veteran who needs help gets it now, regardless of age, there is a poor prospect of didates nominated by the republican the success of such a measure. convention and placed on the demo-

TOM JOHNSON'S INJUNCTION.

Privately Appeals to that Which We Denounces Publicly. New York Sun.

Certain malicious republican journals in Ohio deceive themselves into believing that

they will injure Hon. Tom Johnson, that relentless foe of "government by injunction," by printing this transcript of a certain court record:

"No. 5977-U. S. Circuit Court. "M. A. Lander, Treasurer of Cuyshogs county, be restrained and prohibited pending the final determination of this cause from collecting, or attempting to collect, or make collection by action, distraint, or bian authorities that part of the \$40,000,- to exert in our favor in the adjustment in any other manner, of the taxes and penalties which he is claiming against the complainant herein for the years 1894, 1896,

"Tom L. Johnson, complainant, against M. A. Lander, treasurer, etc. At term October 4, 1899."

Mr. Johnson got his injunction and kept his \$433,383.90. Why intrude into his private affairs? He is not the man to allow them to be regulated by his public principles. As a private citizen he is a monopolist. As a handsome testimonial, statesman he is an anti-monopolist. As a statesman he is opposed to government by injunction. As a man with no unmanly teal for paying taxes he uses an injunction

when it comes handy. This sharp distinction between Mr. John son's personal and political zones is per-

is typical of the country are immeasurably stronger here than they are in any other great nation. All racial divergencies are fused into a common type here in a gen-

In the past decade the emigration from follows: Kansas City Southern, raised from Germany was not so large as it was in \$1,537,000 to \$2,859,188; Choctaw, Oklahoma & some previous periods. The number of Germans coming to the United States in Iron Mountain & Southern, from \$11.368,854 1902 was very much smaller than it was a dozen years ago or earlier. But there is a tendency toward an increase. More Ger-\$3,710,497 to \$6,360,381. On various branch mans came to this country in 1902 than in roads and also on aleeping, telegraph and 1991, and the increase is kept up. Nobody express companies the assessment is raised looks for such a large German inflow into about 20 per cent over that of last year. The this country ever again as came in the 80s of the recent century. But the United tion against these assessments. continues to have a powerful attraction for nues from the railways if the action of the natives of the German empire, yet the pop-State Board of Valuation and Assessments ulation of that country keeps on growing at a rate unknown in any other large na tion except the United States. In population Germany is a long way ahead of every from the total capitalization of the com other country in Europe except Russia, pany the value of the tangible property, and the superior intelligence of its people makes them count far more in general effectiveness and influence than do the Rus-

PERSONAL NOTES.

A bey milliner took first prize at the Chicago Milliners convention. Is woman los-

slans.

Who will sing the praises of the boy of the state, is a Kentucky corporation and Mogadore, O., where five-sixths of the na- that it has not therefore paid the state any tion's clay pipes are made? He turns out тахен. 16,000 pipes a day and is the champion of the world.

Alexander Meffert, the athlete and champion amateur swimmer of New York city, fixed basis of valuation. The Louisville & has been engaged as superintendent of Nashville is assessed at an average of about the \$600,000 gymnasium of the Missouri Ath- \$30,000 per mile, while the Alabama assessletic club at St. Louis.

The sultan of Turkey employs fifteen mile. The Tennessee assessment is about secretaries, whose duty it is to translate 40 per cent greater than that of Alabama, foreign books for his delectation. If one of I per cent greater than Kentucky's and 20 them happens to err and translate a book per cent greater than Mississippi's. that is distasteful to his majesty he is simply pitched into the Bosporus.

By the recent death of Lieutenant Colonel Kerr General Edward S. Bragg, who commanded the iron brigade during the civil war, has become the sole surviving field officer of the Sixth Wisconsin regiment. General Bragg entered the service as colonel of the regiment.

The directors of the Frances E. Willard National Temperance association have decided to erect a \$75,000 hospital in Chicago. The building will be the culmination of nineteen years' work by the directors, all women, and will crown as successful efforts to treat diseases without the use of alcohol.

Milwaukoe & St. Paul, increase, \$1.300,000; Although the new motor act passed by Chicago & Northwestern, increase, \$1,100, the British Parliament limiting the speed 000; Burlington, increase, \$730,000; Rock Island, increase, \$600,000; Chicago Great Westof automobiles does not apply to the kingern, increase, \$400.000. Within two years the he is technically exempt from all restrictions of law-King Edward has given his assessment of railway property in Iowa has been raised from \$47,071,258 to \$56,537,297, an chauffeurs strict orders to obey its provistons to the letter, thus setting a good example to his subjects.

Hermann Zumpe, the musical conductor, who has just died at Munich, attained his chief fame as the conductor of the first Wagnerian festival at Baircuth in 1876. Wagner chose him from among all the musicians of Europe as the best qualified to crease of seventy-three miles of road during interpret his music correctly, and at the the year. The valuation per mile runs from close of the festival presented him with a 12,500 to \$19,500, the latter being the assess-

Only five survivors of the wreck of the city of Omaha, however, continues its atsteamer Lady Elgin that was lost in Lake tempt to assess railway track for local Michigan in 1861, were present at the re- purposes and its Board of Review has union held in Milwaukee on Saturday last. raised the valuation of the Chicago, St. Paul. Minneapolis & Omaha road in the city They were: John J. Crilley, William Dever, Charles Bevarling. Albert Doebert and from \$20,748 to \$2,500,000, and that of the Fre John H. Murray, Over 500 lives were lost in mont & Eikhorn line from \$12,924 to \$886,000. fectly familiar and there is no excuse for the disaster, nearly all of them residents with similarly extravagant increase upon the Union Pacific. The railways are conof Milwaukee.

the question has gone to the supreme court or settlement. The Arkansas State Board of Railroad

ompanies have obtained a federal injuno-

Kentucky will largely increase its reve

which the board assessed at \$23,059,535, leav-

ng the value of the intangible property or

franchise as stated. The assessment made

by the board last year is still in litigation

and that for the present year is likely to be

similarly contested. Kentucky has also

undertaken to collect from the Southern Pa

cific company over \$1,000,000 in back taxes

ment on the same road averages \$15,000

sentation to the Board of Equalization.

Iowa has raised the railway assessment to

\$56,537,937, an increase compared with last

assessment of farm lands in this state was

ncreased \$2,024,703 above the figures re-

turned by the county auditors, making the

total farm land assessment \$1,457,548,730. The

assessment of the principal railway compa-

ales was increased as follows: Chicago.

increase being considerable.

watercraft, and all toll bridges connecting

more than one county, must be assessed in

equal proportions in the counties connected

Subsequently the Alameda county equaliz-

ers rescinded the assessment on the ferry

franchises, although increasing that on the

company's tangible property \$785,000 more

than last year. The San Francisco authori-

ties refused to reduce their assessment and

by such ferries or toll bridges."

tangible assets. The following table shows

Return of Assess

1,200,000 95,000 15,200 100 1,000 100

3 500.000 \$6,581,79

8,800,000 4,662,000 1,355,470

"Tried to skin me, that scribbler did." "What did he want?" "Wanted to get out a book jointly, he to write the book and I to write the adver-tisements. I turned him down. I wasn't going to do all the literary work."-Bal-timore News. assessors raised the assessment on railway properties from \$29,269,000 last year to about \$40,000,000 for 1903. Some of the old and new assessments of railroad companies are as

"Mrs. Nibbleton is a great temperance woman, isn't che?" "Yes. She hardly speaks to me since I gave her a recipe for cake in which one of the directions was to take a wineglassful of milk."-Record-Herald. Gulf, from \$2,289,470 to \$5,062,377; St. Louls,

o \$13,638,945; St. Louis & San Francisco. from \$3,256,879 to \$4,896,103; Cotton Belt, from "Well, the statements they make against you aren't true." said the politician's wife. "Why don't you deny them?" "I'm afraid it will incite them to dig up some other libelous statements that are some other libelous statem true."-Philadelphia Ledger.

THE OLD PROSPECTOR.

Alfred J. Waterhouse in New York Times. He went to the west when his life was

sustained. The assessment for franchise now he was old and wrinkled and tax on the Louisville & Nashville was fixed And at \$9,511,878. This was reached by taking

gray. Tet still he wandered the hills among, Prospecting for gold in the old, old way. "I hain't got money," to me he said. "But I allays can git a grub stake or so, An' I don't mind sayin', just on the dead. That the richest rock of it all I know: An' when I have sold that claim." said he, "Tou bet I'll be rich as the richest ba."

met him again in a later day-I have met of his kind a hundred or

A little more wrinkled, a little more gray, Yet seeking for gold in the gray rock's

"I know where it is," he shid to me; "The secret is mine, an' I guard it well. An' you safely can gamble, when me you and penalties, upon the discovery that the ompany, although it has no property in

You're viewin' a nabob, a positive swell, For I'll seil it soon'-how his eyes would For The Tennessee Railroad commission has "An' the world'll be pleasant for me an' completed its assessment, which is made

upon general principles and not upon any wandered that way in a later time.

But the old prospector was there no more, o cheerly chat on a mountain climb, Or bid me partake of his frugal store. He passed," they said, "at the break of

And his last words were: 'I will patient

For, though I am worn and battered and

gray. There are riches untold awaiting me." " And, knowing his kindness was ever the In Ohio numerous changes have been made in railway assessments, by the vari-I judge that Up There he has sold his ous county authorities, in some cases the

Montana increased the assessments on all The hills of the west are trodden by these the principal lines 10 per cent, but made a The ancient prospectors few reductions on small lines upon repre-

who are "staked for grub" ere their picks they selse. And toll and hope till they fade away And each of them knows where the hill year of \$5,229,346, or nearly 10 per cent. The

are lined And scamed and streaked by a wealth untold, And each is rich in his simple mind, As he dreams of the day when his claim shall be sold: And I have a notion these children of hope Are the richest of all on any slope.

Ask your doctor

this year, the total assessment of railway properties for 1903 being placed at \$27.072,333, if Ayer's Cherry

Pectoral cured his

hard cold. J.C. Ayar Co., Low-L. Mass.

ncrease or \$9,466,039. The Nebraska state authorities have shown no disposition to be unreasonable this year, the total assessment of railway an increase of \$488.740 over last year, of which \$258.000 is accounted for by an inment on 181 miles of the B. & M. road. The