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As the month of showers April is right up to the scratch in delivering the goods.

May 31 next. Mark it down

Nebraska still has 8,000,000 acres of grazing lands to offer to the pastoral homeseeker.

All roads will lead to St. Louis for six months, beginning with the formal opening of the Louisiana Purchase exposition next Saturday.

What a pity those census bureau mathematicians did not discover that colossal discrepancy in the Omaha census of 1890 fourteen years ago.

Admiral Skrydloff has expressed an intention of going to Vladivostok rather than to Port Arthur. He evidently wants to command ships that can sail.

A New York correspondent says Judge Parker is a great harmonizer. He is certainly in a position now to demonstrate his harmonizing qualities.

Colonel Joe Parker, the head of the populist national organization, is out for Hearst. But will the Nebraska populist contingent follow the bell-wether?

Heber Grant must be a candidate for a Carnegie hero benefit. He insists that will not humiliate herself by accepting. he has two wives and is sorry the law or evenly seriously considering, any prowill not permit him to have more.

In refusing to accept the resignation of Admiral Alexieff the czar may have taken a suggestion from the mikado and is making the punishment fit the crime.

"The world do move," but not quickly enough to prevent the arrest of base ball players for plying their vocation on Sunday in Brooklyn, the City of Churches.

The boll weevil is said to have already made its appearance in Texas. It will have to secure a new partner this season, as Sully has not recovered from the last engagement.

The statement that the majority of southern delegates will follow the lead of New York in the national convention will have to be verified before the Bry. platforms in favor of giving to the peoanites will believe it.

schools are exceptionally good, but they seem to be the source of education to which a great number of people in this country are objecting.

The Vladivostok squadron has successfully departed from that port and sunk a Japanese merchant vessel at Gensan. which is evidence conclusive of the fact that Russia set no mines at Vladivostok.

It is to be noted that Washington county republicans in their convention proceeded to select delegates to the congressional convention without first sending a conference committee to wait upon Tom Blackburn.

Hearst had captured 200 of 373 delegates to the Iowa democratic state convention, but as Iowa democrats will have little to say as to the election, they further declared that our authority could ruler of a Catholic country. From recan afford to be foolish.

It is given out that at the recent meeting of the congressional committee for government to maintain its authority, the Second Nebraska district nearly all the members were present, but it is not confer the blessings of liberty and civilistated how many times the chairman zation upon all the rescued peoples. voted himself on paper proxies in his The largest measure of self-government inside pocket.

St. Petersburg has no knowledge of the fight on the Yalu, which, according to correspondents, cost the Japanese there can be no doubt, by the coming many men. Perhaps the Russian bureau national convention of the party. of information at the front could not find the code words to tell of victory aster were being oferworked.

THE REAVEN-ORDAINED BATIO. ciation of the platform of the New York

currency. ury as collateral security for the re- capacity for governing themselves. demption of silver certificates which circulate in their place.

Inasmuch as it costs 2 cents to coin a was a waste of \$10,000,000, and for all practical uses they might just as well should have done long ago is to have recoined all the dishonest aliver coin at a terest in their welfare. ratio that would come nearer to making a dollar worth 100 cents. The coinage of 45 and 50-cent dollars offers a big 10.323 after it is assaved.

> chain run on the treasury in case of an many years more. lent metal value.

There is nothing surprising in the report from St. Petersburg that the czar or intervention said to have been preat-least until it becomes an undoubted fact that she cannot win against Japan.

In that event there is no doubt that Russia would be very willing to accept the mediation of Great Britain and the other powers, but at present, notwithstanding the disasters she has suffered in a naval way in the far east, Russia posals for a settlement of the conflict with Japan. There must be battles, and great battles, before either of the comgestion of intervention, and at this time Russia would suffer a complete loss of power, if she did so. There is an imperative demand upon her to continue and county funds. the contest, not less than there is upon Japan, and all talk of mediation or intervention is wholly idle.

AN INOPPORTUNB MOVEMENT. Petitions are in circulation, which have received the signatures of a considerable number of more or less prominent men, that will be presented to the national conventions of the two political parties asking them to declare in their ple of the Philippines independence upon Judge Powers declares that the Utah Cuban independence was established. It to this petition, expecting to thereby catch the so-called anti-imperialistic vote, but it is not likely that the republican convention will go on record in favor of what these petitioners suggest, for the reason that their recommends. tion is both impracticable and dangerous.

The republican national convention of 1900 clearly stated the position of the irrepressible growth of Omaha. The party in regard to the Philippines. It popular demand for the most efficient declared that the course taken respecting the islands "created our responsibility before the world and with the unorganized population whom our intervention had freed from Spain to pro-With the conventions of last week vide for the maintenance of law and order, and for the establishment of good President Loubet of France to Rome on international obligations." It was visit paid to the king of Italy by the not be less than our responsibility "and cent events in France it is difficult to wherever sovereign rights were ex- see how France can be considered a tended it became the high duty of the Catholic country. to put down armed insurrection and to consistent with their welfare and our This is the position of the republican bration creditable as well as memorable, party today and it will be so declared.

The highest authority in regard to the Filipinos is unquestionably Secretary by The Bee two years ago in support mislaid while the signals telling of dis- Taft and no one is more deeply inter- of the demand for an increase in the

an address a short time ago he said it of the deceptive so-called distribution of William Jennings Bryan still clings would be a mistake to put in the plat- the terminal values to the counties along with builded tenacity to the "heaven- form of any political party a declaration the whole line of each railroad. The ordained ratio." In his scathing denun- in regard to the Philippines which goes Bee is pleased to have made some confurther than to declare that it is the verts among the old railroad organs and new Summers as a result of the Dietrich state democracy he lays great stress nation's duty to do everything which it is to be hoped they will not backslide investigation. The Mirror might profit by upon the fact that no reference is made can possibly be done to increase the on themselves before the state board of in it to the measure now before congress prosperity and happiness of the islands. assessment adjourns. to melt up nearly \$600,000,000 of legal He declared that "we owe some suptender silver dollars into subsidiary coin port and encouragement to the conthat is only a limited legal tender. Bryan servative element on which a conservaseems to regard this proposition as an- tive government will be based when it other crime of '73, when in fact it is a comes." In an address a few days ago measure designed to do away with a before the New York Chamber of Comserious menace to the maintenance of a merce Secretary Taft went fully into a parity of paper, silver and gold coin and have already come from American rule in the islands and repeating his previous An honest dollar is a dollar that will warning as to the danger involved in come out of the melting pot worth as acceding to the anti-imperialist demand much as when it went into the melting that we should promise independence to pot and the 600,000,000 silver dollars the Filipinos. He urged that it would emitted by the national treasury are not be at least a generation and very likely honest dollars when measured by that a much longer period before those people standard. To make them honest dollars are fitted for self-government and that they should be worth 100 cents in metal, the inevitable effect of now holding out while, in fact, they are only salable at to them the promise of independence from 45 to 50 cents in the metal market. | would be to bring about renewed trouble More than 500,000,000 of these dollars and necessarily retard the progress of are now on deposit in the national treas- the Filipinos toward the attainment of

We think that the great majority of the American people will be disposed terruptions. to accept the opinion of the man who silver dollar, the coinage of these dollars has had opportunity to carefully study conditions in the Philippines, who is very thoroughly acquainted with the have never been coined. What congress character of the natives of the islands and who has shown the most earnest in-

MAKE WAY FOR GREATER OMAHA. It was eminently proper for South premium to counterfeiting, and it is an Omaha to erect a substantial and comopen secret that millions upon millions modious High school building, not only of counterfeit silver coin is in circulation | because the demand for such a structure and cannot be detected by the bankers was imperative, but because it would or even by the mint officers excepting continue to serve the purpose for which protects us in our dreams. it was designed when South Omaha The recoinage of the silver dollars becomes an integral part of Greater lying dead in the treasury into half dol- Omaha. It is altogether different with lars, quarters and dimes of less intrinsic the proposed erection of a city hall value would not, of course, remove the building for South Omaha, because the incentive to counterfeiting, but it will annexation of South Omaha to Omaha go far toward preventing an endless is foreordained and cannot be deferred

extraordinary demand for the export of The trend of municipal expansion is gold. But Mr. Bryan will continue to toward consolidation. Greater New York insist upon maintaining the "heaven- has annexed Brooklyn, with more than ordained ratio," although it is at vari- 800,000 population, and the city buildance with the original principle of bi- ings of Brooklyn have been vacated as metalism that contemplated the colnage no longer of any use for city offices. of gold and silver into coins of equiva- Chicago has annexed fifteen or twenty suburban towns and villages which now enjoy all the advantages of a great municipal central government. The same is true of St. Louis, Cleveland, San Francisco, and, for that matter, has refused the proposals of mediation every city with more than 100,000 population. The process of concentration has sented to him from the rulers of Great not stopped with the annexation of small Britain and Denmark. The kings of towns to large ones, but has extended those countries are very closely allied to the consolidation of county and muto Nicholas II by family ties. None of nicipal governments. Thus the city and the royal peoples of Europe are more county of St. Louis have become one intimately associated. We have already government and so has the city and noted how close this association is. But county of San Francisco. And more recently the city of Denver has followed with the determined purpose of Russia the example of San Francisco and St. to carry out her policy in the far east. Louis by consolidating its city and

county governments. These consolidations not only lessen expenses of local government and conse quently reduce the burden of the taxpayer, but they are beneficial to the general public by centralizing responsibility and reducing friction between contending political agents, besides simplifying the system of accounting and facilitating intercourse between the is no more reason why one tax commisbatants will seriously consider any sug- the assessment of property in Omaha, there is excuse for maintaining three prestige most dangerous to her domestic separate treasurers to collect the city

There is no good reason why Omaha and South Omaha, which to all intents and purposes are one city, supplied with water from the same water works, enjoying street railway service, telephone and public lighting from the same cor porations, should maintain two separate mayors, two city clerks, two sets of fire and police commissioners, two sets of city councils and separate street cleandepartments. The time is not distant terms similar to those under which towns will join hands for the consolidation of the government of the two cities is altogther probable that the demo- and finally for the organization of the cratic national convention will give heed county and city of Omaha under one govmiles from the court house, leaving the lish a new county seat and maintain a Douglas county can be consolidated with Sarpy county, with Papillion as the county seat of both.

This is the inevitable sequence of the and most economic government will assert itself and it will be pure folly to seek to stem the tide

It is said unofficially that Pope Pius purposes protesting against the visit of the ground that it would be the first

Now that Governor Mickey has issued his proclamation for the appropriate obbrasks it devolves upon the metropolis and patriotism so as to make the celenot only to itself, but to the state.

The Lincoln Journal and its evening tender are revamping the points raised ested in the welfare of those people. In assessment of railroads and its exposure

It was hoped that Omaha might get through the building season this year the employers and their workmen. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the contracting painters and their employes will for re-election. The fight against Dietrich uniform honest money standard that discussion of conditions in the Philip. be able to get together quickly before enables the government to maintain the pines, pointing out the benefits which any bad blood is engendered to spread through the whole body of organized lentlessly for the purpose of getting him

> Utah should understand that Colorado withstanding the senator's exonerationhas all rights reserved on sensational mining strike troubles. Utah is attracting enough attention at Washington and under separate canvasses at the same

Senator Cullom has served notice on the senate that he will deliver an address on the foreign relations of the

Work Aplenty at Home.

Philadelphia Record. Colonel Bryan is going to do what he advices from the west indicate that he will have all he can do to save Nebraska.

One Inalienable Right Left.

Chicago Post. Notwithstanding the frightful feminine vorce. Thus a kindly and beneficial law

America for Americans.

Chicago Tribune. The hold of Europe on this hemisphere relaxes slowly, but it relaxes. Six years ago Spain, which once held most of it, lost which it appeared once the Frenchmen in that great work, which will be exclusively American, though it will be open to the commerce of the world

War and Civilisation.

Kansas City Journal. A few months ago there was some ques tion as to whether Japan had a standing among the more enlightened nations of the But now there are only a very few who do not accord to the little brown men a high position in the civilized world. This change of opinion has been brought about on account of the terrible destruction which Japan has wrought upon Russia's navv. Europeans and Americans cannot see how any but highly civilized beings could sink six vessels and wreck and cripple eleven others in seven quick attacks. A proved capacity to kill and destroy has made the Jap a brother and an equal.

Landscape Advertising

Atlantic Monthly. The associated billposters of the United States and Canada now officially condemn the practice of printing signs upon rocks and other natural objects in picturesque landscapes, although they seem to offer no objection to putting a boarding for posters and paintings in front of the natural ob-The dictinction is a fine one, but it prohibited the erection of billboards on heir property, and although this scarcely the advertiser, who can still use the private property on either side of the right-of-way, it shuts out one possible extension of the abuse that has tremendous possibilities. In at least one case, also, a great railroad company has taken to planting quickly growing trees at such places hide the boardings erected on adjacent land. The Boston & Albany road has gained a like end in the suburbs of Boston by planting screens of shrubs or a hedge unusual thing for a railroad company, conscious of the popular feeling, to exert its influence, as far as it can, upon the adjacent property owners to induce them to public opinion that very unanimously considers the extension of hosnitality to advertisements by a barn or other outbuilding, or even by a field, as a badge of the farmer's poverty, is perhaps doing more than is anything else to remedy this

PERSONAL NOTES.

F. D. Coburn, chief of live stock for the St. Louis World's fair, has resigned and will go south for his health.

Alexel Maximovitch Pleshov is an errand boy and later was a ship's cook. On St. Petersburg authority it is said second. From here that seems to be pretty stiff price to pay for a licking. There is a bill before congress for the appointment of dental surgeons for the

dentists with the strongest pull will doubtless get the jobs. Major George W. Evans, disbursing of ficer and chief of the division of finance government for itself unless that part of in the Interior department, has just reached the fortieth year of his service in the department, during which time he has

handled more than \$1,000,000,000 without an Six members of the Missouri house of representatives and one state senator have applied for positions as bookmakers' clerks at the St. Louis fair grounds. The pickings in the legislature must have taken a sudden slump since Joe Folk has got after

Chin Yung Yen has won a fellowship in Columbia, the first ever conferred by that the award over a number of competitors showing exceptional brilliancy in the school perial Tien-Tsin university before his enrollment in Columbia.

5 each. He soon found that this was not enough and has gradually raised his figure to \$35. The other day he sharply in the way on hearing the toot-toot.

The death of Verestchagin, the Russian painter, at Port Arthur, recalls the story told of the late Count von Moltke, who was so struck with the force of the presentation of the unattractive side of war by Verestchagin that he forbade the men in his command visiting the artist's exhibition. The kaiser, who, with the empress, inspected the exhibition, said: "The painters of pictures like these are our bes guaranty against wer."

SENATOR DIETRICH.

Pender Republic: The Lyons Mirror is still frothing at the mouth because President Roosevelt discharged District Attorreflecting that the senatorial committee which conducted the investigation was composed of three republicans and two democrats, and that the report was unanimous that Dietrich had done no wrong.

Kearney Hub: It is to be presumed that a number of anxious souls in Nebraska will now possess themselves in peace since Senator Dietrich has made a public statement declaring that he is not a candidate which ended in his complete exoneration by a committee of distinguished members of the senate, was begun and waged reout of the way as a possible candidate, and that purpose having succeeded-notit is supposed that everything will be lovely from this time henceforth.

Hastings Tribune: We do not believe should not try to bring off two shows braskans who are willing to charge the there are any considerable number of Ne-United States senate with incompetency or a desire to shut its eyes to crime, least of all to bring such charges against the committee which performed the labor of investigating the Dietrich affair. Can any one imagine Senator Hoar, whose hair has United States today with the evident grown gray in the honored council of his intention of giving the democratic mem- country, a candidate not for ephemeral bers a chance to prepare impromptu in- homage, but for lasting fame in his country's history, stooping to the miserable game of "whitewashing?" Scarcely.

Ashland Gazette: Of course there will b much babble about "whitewash," etc. It will not be accepted as final by many can to save the country; but the latest people. There is reason for this. The man who reaches a position of eminence in an arena of contest in which there are necessarily animosities engendered needs only to be accused of wrongdoing to have the mere accusation accepted by his enemies with as much celerity as would be the most onslaught on the privileges of man, one positive proof of guilt. But it would have inalienable right is left to us. We may made no difference if the same conclusion snore within the bounds of decorum at had been reached through an investigation night. An Omaha court has decreed that in the courts. They would have condemned snoring is not sufficient ground for di- judge and jury just as vociferously as they now condemn the republican and democratic members of the senate who conducted the investigation.

Weeping Water Herald: The committee to investigate the charges made against United States Senator Dietrich, consisting of Senators Hoar, Platt, Spooner, Cockrell and Pettus-three republicans and two the last remnant of territory. The grip democrats-finds that Senator Dietrich is not guilty of any corrupt or unworthy conwould have on the Panama canal has been duct relating either to the appointment of unloosed. Europe will have no lot or share Jacob Fisher as postmaster at Hastings or the leasing of the building in that city to the United States for a postoffice. The report is unanimous and they admit of hearing much evidence of hearsay in order to arrive at the facts. This vindication should set the senator right before the people and place the stamp of disapproval on such methods as have been practiced by Summers.

Osceola Record: The Record repeats now what it has said all the time, that it is better to wait until your fellowman is act ually convicted of wrongdoing before you ump out and lend your assistance to crush him into the ground. The Dietrich case has terminated exactly as we thought it would, and while we are not particularly Dietrich admirer we are glad that we nsisted for that fair play in the matter which all honest men irrespective of party admire. Will those newspapers that ma ligned Dietrich now have the common honesty to set themselves right and vindicate the state, or will they join hands with a few renegades and cowards and assert that such sterling senators as Cockrell of Missouri, Pettus of Alabama, Hoar of Massachusetts and Spooner of Wisconsin "whitewashed" the Nebraska senator?

Wait and see. Gothenburg Independent: The committee means some gain. Several railroads have appointed by the senate to investigate Senator Dietrich's charges consisted of publicans, and Cockrell of Missouri and Pettus of Alabama, democrats, made a thorough investigation of all charges filed against Senator Dietrich, and, being emi nent attorneys and well versed in technical law, they unanimously exonerated the senator from being guilty of any violation of the law or of accepting any bribes, either in making the appointment of the Hastings at the top of a cut; and it has become no postmaster or any other government official appointments. The committee on in vestigation learned just what the best peo ple of Hastings say at the home of the senator, that it was an uncalled for proto lease advertising rights. But a secution to tarnish the record and good tee in their report only substantiate what have weighed the evidence and the source from which it came.

Pawnee Republican: The full text of the United States senate that investigated the charges against Senator Dietrich has been made public and the senator absolutely cleared of any suspicion of wrongdoing. The committee examined all the witnesse Attorney Summers, and by request of Sensame of Maxim Gorki. He began life as ator Dietrich admitted a great deal of hearsay testimony in order that no possible facbearing on the charges might be overlooked. that the war is costing Russia about 19 a The committee conclude that upon a full consideration of all the evidence Senator Dietrich has not been guilty of any violation of the statutes of the United States, or of any corrupt or unworthy conduct relating either to the appointment of a postnavy with the rank of assistant surgeons. master at Hastings, or the leasing of a building to the United States for postoffice purposes. The dastardly attempt, thereto disgrace Senator Dietrich because he dared to stand up and say that he'd be damned if he'd pardon Joe Bartley, the notorious Nebraska thief, has recoiled on the heads of his infamous traducers.

Neligh Leader: Following almost im ediately the report of acquittal of the charge brought against him, Senator Dietrich in an open lettter announces that he will not be a candidate for re-election to United States senate. He also warns dangers of the proposed plan of nominating senators by the state convention, and pays graceful compliments to all the prominent aspirants for the position. It can university upon a Chinese student. He won safely be stated that in view of the developments of the past few weeks, Senator Dietrich stands higher in the estimation of of political science. Though now only 23 the republicans of Nebraska than at any years old, he was a graduate of the Im- previous time, and in the event of a continued contest over the election of senator he may be selected for the place regardless Justice Crane of New York city, when of his protest. Public sentiment is fickle automobilists were first brought before him and has done the senator an injustice. for violating speed ordinances, fined them which it may conclude should be righted Rushville Recorder: The senatorial in-

vestigation completely exonerates Senator Dietrich, even after admitting hearformed an offender that blowing a horn say evidence as put forth by the enemies does not give a chauffeur the right to run of the senator. While the senator is naturover a pedestrian who falls to jump out of ally gratified at the result, he is not a candidate for re-election. The Recorder congratulates Dietrich on his vindication, and only regrets that it could not have been brought out in the trial at Omaha.

Perish the Thought:

Chicago Inter Ocean. Suppose that, as a result of this unfortunate controversy, Mr. Hill and Mr. Harriman should both decide to abandon the northwest, the northwest would then have nobody to depend upon but itself.

THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR



IT IS A MATTER OF HEALTH

ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON.

Matters of Interest Gleaned from the

The only increase in the personnel of the army made by the army appropriation bill, which was approved by the president last week, was an addition of 400 enlisted men electrician of the artillery corps. About electricians will be appointed by selection lieutenant colonels. from among the first-class sergeants of the signal corps on the records of past service. and the remainder will be appointed after competitive examination of candidates from among first-class sergeants and sergeants of the signal corps.

The War department continues to re ceive urgent requests from commanding officers of the military departments for the detail to their headquarters of inspectors general. At present officers of that corps are not assigned to duty in the departments, one being assigned to each division headquarters. In the communication sent to the department it is pointed out that of the secretary, who has now decided inspectors general would be of great value in the work of investigation which is constantly presenting itself in the military department. It is represented that there should be as many inspectors general a division and department headquarters as there are adjutants general. This, of course, would require an increase in the inspector general's department and it would not be surprising if a recommenda tion to this effect is made to the next congress and possibly contained in the general service bill which will be formulated this summer and submitted for congressional consideration in December.

The judge advocate general of the army has rendered an opinion respecting the status of assistant surgeons of the army who have been suspended for failure to pass the examination preliminary to promotion from the grade of first lieutenant to that of captain. It is the opinion of General Davis that such officers retain their places as first lieutenant for a period of one year, regardless of the number of officers promoted over them in that time notwithstanding the fact that such promotions are not controlled by vacancies in the grade of captain, but are governed by the incident of five years' service in the case of a first lieutenant. It is held in other quarters that the number of files which the suspended medical officer should lose should be governed by the number of promotions from the grade of captain to that of major during the period of suspension. The question is before the secretary of war with the comment of the acting adjutant general.

It is interesting to know that several captains of the line of the army have sent in their applications to the War department for appointment as brigadier general on the occasion of the next vacancy in that grade by reason of the retirement on name of Senator Dietrich and the commit- May 10 of General Peter C. Hains on July Time was when application from such the majority of the people expected who junior officers for appointment would have been regarded as something of a sensation within the service. Were the military situation normal today the spectacle of an report of the special committee of the effort from such a quarter would excite comment. The incident only goes to show how far down the lineal list extends the ambition for special promotion. Of course, there is precedent to varrant the application of the captains and the department whose names were furnished by District is in no position to discourage appeals of

The bill relating to army chaplains passe

both houses of congress on one day under some unusual and unexpected circumstances. There were a few changes desired in the text of the bill and it was considered that they were of minor importance and any necessary amendment could be easily effected by legislation at another ression. One of the changes which will be made undoubtedly is in the clause of the approved measure which provides that all persons breafter appointed as chaplains shall have the grade, pay and allowances of first lieutenant mounted until they shall have completed seven years of service. Probably the general service bill which is to go to congress from the War department next December will restore to these new appointees the pay of captains. Of course, it is a matter of more or less conjecture who of the chaplains will be promoted to majorities by virtue of the There is an excellent new legislation. new legislation. There is an excellent chance, however, that the senior fourteen will be promoted. This would have the effect of advancing the following named chaplains: George Robinson, First infantry; Orville J. Nave, Third infantry; I wouldn't care to live at all if Dobassi had his way. the republicans of Nebraska against the chance, however, that the senior fourteen

Joseph A. Potter, Seventh infantry: Allen Allensworth. Twenty-fourth infantry Henry Swift, Thirteenth Infantry; Charles C. Pierce, artillery corps; Edward J. Vattmann, Eleventh cavalry; Cephas C. Bateman, Twenty-eighth infantry; Walter Marvine, Twelfth infantry; T. G. Steward. Twenty-fifth infantry; Charles W. Freeland, Sixth cavalry; Patrick J. Hart, arto the signal corps. The new grade of tillery corps; James W. Hillman, Sixteenth master signal electrician was created, of infantry; Ruter W. Springer, artillery corps whom thirty-six were provided for, this Of these officers Chaplains Robinson, Nave grade to correspond to that of master and Potter have civil war service, and under the clause of the army appropriation one-fourth of these thirty-six master signal bill these officers on retirement will become

> The War department has decided not to insert in the new regulations anything which deprives the chaplains of the army of the duties which they now discharge n addition to those strictly clerical. A few weeks ago Secretary Taft signed an order which would have had the effect of limiting the work of the chaplains to purely religious duties and would have prevented the detail of those officers to certain board duties or as members of councils of administration, as post treasurers, etc. Lieutenant General Chaffee urged that no such order be issued and his view was sustained by other advisors not to have the order go out to the service.

POINTED PLEASANTRIES.

Upgardson—Did you ever itch at a cer-tain place in your back that you couldn't reach with either hand? Atom (squirming)—I never did till now, confound you.—Chicago Tribune.

"You may not remember me, Miss Summers," he said, "but I was engaged to you once. "Indeed?" she replied coldly, "you have quite a memory for faces."
"No," he replied, glancing at her fair hand, "but I have for the rings 1 buy."— Unicago Tribune.

Junior Partner-I suppose we had better experience.
Senior Partner—No; advertise for a man without experience; then we can teach him something.—Puck.

"She's a lovely girl and so simple in her income yet, but that I hoped I could pro-vide for her every want."
"And what did she say?"
"She said that would be all she could ask."—Creveland Plain Dealer.

"Ugh!" exclaimed the exchange ticket, withdrawing as far as possible into the corner of the pocket; "you're from a pawn shop."
"Suppose I am," retorted the pawn ticket; "I am the pawn shop's one redeeming feature."—Philadelphia Ledger.

He sailed around the room in a gale of "He has taken another tack," said his wife to herself.

For she knew how prone bare feet were to lift them during housecleaning time.—
Pittaburg Dispatch.

"I tell you what," remarked the plain citizen, "it's wonderful how wide-awake the Japanese have become in recent years." "Not so wonderful," replied the observant man, "when you consider that they have an earthquake every night or so in their country."—Philadelphia Press.

The maid was in the garden hanging out the clothes; along came a blackbird and pecked off her nose.

"Howiy murther!" she yelled to the royal family, "thot sittles it. Yes'll niver git any more cooks to live in the country at Herein we see the origin of one of our great social problems. New York Sun.

IF DOBSON HAD HIS WAY.

New York Bun. If Dobson only had his way I know what I should do-I wouldn't be a lyric out with lariat for you. I wouldn't even get a show to have a word If poor old Dobson only had a chance to have his way

Now, Dobson is a sour chap who loves to hold a keg
Down solid at The Corners where dear Perkins works a peg;
And also Dobson rules the roost—or would if he could play
High minkey monk above us all and have his bleesed way.

He says the way that women gad at present is a thing
He'd never stand—he hasn't one, and so we let him sing.
He says he'd never spare the rod and spoil the child—but say.
If Dobon only had my son, perhaps he'd have his way.

He says that Adam is a myth, the Scripte says that Adam is a myth, tures but a toy or undeveloped minds to grasp and otherwise employ.

Ie tears to tatters all our dreams with hadinage and gay wouldn't like to be the Lord if Dobson had his way.

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