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where they are desperate.

Brooklyn is to have Sunday base ballprovided the gate receipts are large enough.

Since Princess Victoria of Wales has taken to riding astride, royalty may be said to have a firmer seat in England.

A bunch of local democrats announce that they are ready to work with Bryan. It's up to Bryan to say whether he will work with them.

A French sociologist has discovered that "American anarchists" are peaceable. He has evidently not studied the Colorado situation.

A little more amusement might be injected into the political situation now if Adlal Stevenson would only condescend to resurrect himself for a while.

for criticism.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITUARS. Representative Hemenway of Indiana, Parely accomplish lasting improvement chairman of the house committee on ap- in municipal government. As a matter propriations, in his statement regarding of fact, all the great and beneficent regovernment expenditures, conclusively forms that have been inaugurated in showed that the appropriations made by American municipal government within the first regular session of the Fifty- the past quarter of a century through eighth congress were not excessive and state and city legislation have been were fully justified by the requirements brought about by agitation and whole of the public service. He said that never some partisan respect for public opinion

had there been so little criticism in-THE MONEY SUPPLY. dulged in or so little ground afforded for A week ago it was stated that the astheir entirety or as to specific objects sociated banks of New York had de a verdict of "death from natural causes." criticism of appropriations, either in carried by any of the bills, as was the posits amounting, in round numbers, to case at that session, and he thought \$1,110,000,000, or almost double what the situation one upon which the mem. they were ten years ago. Several reasons were given for this plenitude of bership of both sides of the house was to be congratulated. "It signifies," said funds, the accumulation of which would upon first thought be regarded as inthe chairman of the appropriations comdicative of an extraordinary depression mittee, "that the session has been devoted to the purely business affairs of in business. Such a conclusion, howthe government and with a spirit of ever, is not altogether warranted by the endial co-operation on the part of the circumstances, although it is undoubtedly a fact that the demand for money whole membership of the house."

The aggregate of appropriations for is not so large at present as it was a the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, couple of years ago. This may be due amount to over \$781,000,000, yet there to a large extent to the elimination of the speculative demand, which for has been no extravagance in any direction and in fact the demands of the some time has been comparatively several departments of the government small.

The most common explanation of the were reduced wherever it was found practicable to do so without impairing accumulation of money at New York is the efficiency of the public service. No of course the return to that center of general river and harbor bill was passed, the funds sent out last fall to aid the cotton and wheat producers in getting though there was an emergency measure carrying only a moderate amount their crops to market. But that is not necessary for the maintenance of the the only explanation, although to this channels of existing works and limiting may be attributed perhaps at least half 29,820 the amount that may be expended to of the movement of cash to New York. not exceeding \$50,000 on any one project. Other and less visible causes have been There was no legislation authorizing in operation. One of these, it is pointed the construction of public buildings. The out, is undoubtedly the enormous accretion of gold gained in recent years, appropriations for miscellaneous purposes amount to only \$1,000,000, which almost all of which is in circulation, according to Mr. Hemenway is as small either directly or indirectly, representas any sum that has ever been appro- ing for the most part the output of the priated for such purposes at any session mines and to some extent importations of gold that have liquidated our interof congress during the past ten years. national trade balances. Another cause Large as are the espenditures of the for the plethora of money is ascribed to federal government, it is yet an interesting fact that in propertion to population the timidity of capital which inevitably follows a long season of liquidation, it is the most economically administered of any government in the civilized such as that of the past year. A conworld. This is shown in a statement siderable part of the bank deposits repprepared by the bureau of statistics of resents the surplus of small capitalists which would ordinarily be invested in the Department of Commerce and Labor,

securities of various kinds. Still angiving the population, revenues, expenother reason is found in a feeling of ditures and indebtedness of the prininsecurity on the part of great capital cipal countries of the world. Estimating the population of the United States at respecting the future relations of the a little more than 80.000,000, it is shown government to the corporations. Still that the per capita of expenditure for another influence, it is urged, is the dethe general government is only \$7.97 termination of men who have some per annum, which is below that of any pride in their name and some sense of harsh things of Senator Dietrich have re-

responsibility not to be associated at scinded their hasty opinions or acknowlother country. present with any new enterprises. These The party in power promised at the men are no longer willing, as was the opening of the Fifty-eighth congress that appropriations should be kept down case a few years ago, to lend their to the lowest point consistent with the names to almost any plausible proposiactual needs and the efficiency of the tion of a business character that was public service and fhis promise has been presented to them. The man with capital no longer yields a ready car to the faithfully kept. On this score, at least, the opposition can find no just ground promoter.

PARTISANSHIFAND NUNICIPAL REFORM country are concerned, is that there is stumbled into public notice and will be registered the trade-mark in Tokio. A few According to Charles J. Bonaparte, an abundant supply of money for all tumbled out without ceremony, but to do days later papers were served upon the

spasmodic reform movements which and easy retirement from public life by way

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Hig Returns for the Money.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The per capita of government expenditures in the United States, which is \$7.97, is the lowest in the world. And Uncle Sam gives the biggest equivalent for the money.

The Fatal "Practical Joke."

Chicago Post. Out in Iowa a sang of rowdies pretended they were going to lynch an aged negrojust for a joke-and the old man died during the sport. A coroner's jury returned Such a verdict clearly calls for a searching inquiry.

Is This a Land of the Free? Minneapolis Times.

unreasonable grand jury down Pennsylvania has indicted the directors of a savings bank because they insisted upon carrying the deposits around in their pockets instead of renting a banking office and buying a safe. Yet they call this the land of the free as well as the home of the brave!

Cutting Out the Frills.

Springfield Republican. It is due Secretary Taft to spread the fact that he refuses to have any more cavalry escorts. The proposal that a troop of United States cavalry be ordered out as his personal bodyguard at St. Louis next Saturday was promptly and flatly vetoed by the secretary. One cavalry escort was enough. There will not be another.

STATE PRESS COMMENT.

Stanton Picket: Congressman Kinkald's section homestead bill in the arid western portion of this state and in Colorado is a big thing, but it is no bigger than Conggressman Kinkaid.

Bayard Transcript: The Big Sixth has a real representation in congress. Judge Kinkaid can wear his sombrero with a white feather. His 640-acre homestead bill has passed the house and will doubtless become a law. For the sandhill country this grant is all right.

Norfolk News: Charles H. Dietrich is credited with having rushed through the senate the Kinkaid bill increasing homesteads in western Nebraska to 640 acres under certain conditions. If Mr. Dietrich had enough popular measures to rush against him resulting from his recent in- then there is all the more reason to obdictment. Benkleman News: With western Ne-

brasks offering 540-acre homesteads this and the government offering summer homesteads at minimum prices in southern South Dakota there is every reason to believe that there will be an immigration land Oregonian. "All Oriental peoples who into that section of the country that cannot but prove to advantage to the state and the people slready here. It is a very flattering prospect that congress has been preparing for Nebraska and South Dakota. Wayne Republican: We do not hear that any of the papers of the state that said lish detachment had fought until the last edged regret for their harsh words since the senate has completely exonerated him of every charge. We do not think Dietrich has been a success as a senator else he would not have become the target of such near Coblentz, on the Rhine." vituperation as characterized the enemies and their methods against him. We have

men in plenty who are such that no political shyster would dare attempt their overthrow. But Dietrich was wronged if not The real point of interest, so far as a brilliant representative of our state, and the legitimate business interests of the it would be only fair to him to acknowlpresident of the National Municipal such interests and consequently there the man the justice that the unpartisan American in a suit for damages for in-The Russians and Japs will have to league, the immediate divorce of national is no good reason why any legitimate senate committee, unanimously agreed his fringement upon a trad

Republican was never severe in its treat-

ment of him and so has little to retract:

PERSONAL NOTES.

A Buffalo man has aptly described

proportionately expensive.

wrong.

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GOSSIP ABOUT THE WAR.

People and Pinces Focusing the Attention of the World.

A letter written by Iwajiro Uyeno, an officer of the Japanese cruiser Tokiwa, is published in the Tokio newspapers. He was one of the "seventy-seven dashing party" that sunk the stone-laden ships in the Port Arthur harbor entrance. He writes before going on the adventure: "Fortunately I was selected as one of the party ordered to undertake a certain desperate work and have to leave this ship this evening and embark on a steamer I have, therefore, little hope of returning alive; indeed, I ought not to expect it, for it is just the occasion when I should offer up my life for the sake of the emperor. This is an honor which I hardly deserve. As I will go on duty with this resolution I am prepared to die at my post. So be prepared to hear the worst any time about me from my friend Muratake. My life is not mine, for it has been offered to the emperor, and new to be distinguished with the honor of being picked out for this special work, this is indeed a glory to me, as it will also serve as an occasion of increasing the honor of the family. You must not be grieved, therefore, even when the report of my death reaches you; rather you ought to celebrate the event for the sake of your country,'

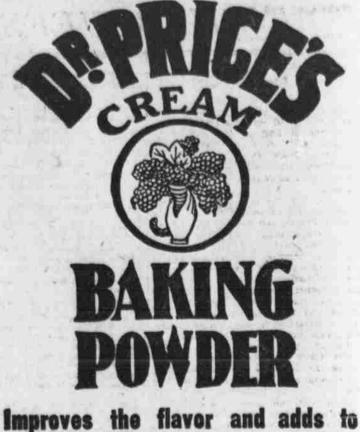
Lieut, Masaki of a Japanese warship writes to his wife: "After all there is plenty of luck in battle and a fellow of good luck cannot die even if he wish to. For instance, a shot or ball cannot hit a lucky dog like me. On the occasion of the fight of February 9 the only things I had in my bosom were the charm you sent me and a photograph of Iko (the lieutenant's eldest son). During the fight I took my post on a barbette and directed the fire of the broadsides; but when the range had increased I ordered to cease firing. Then I took out Iko's photograph and turned it face toward the scene of the battle, addressing it as ff it were Iko in person. 'If as a result of this war, I said to it, 'the situation of the Far East is. firmly fixed and no war should occur dur-

ing your lifetime, then you might think yourself born in vain as an officer's son. Therefore you should carefully observe this scene even from your photograph, so that the sight may inspire in you the the American minister, who took it up proud warrior spirit worthy of a man. through the upper branch of congress he If, however, fortune favors you with a might overcome, in part, the prejudice chance of being under fire, as I am now, serve the scene carefully for your future benefit.' '

> "There is nothing incredible in the report that the Japanese paid henor to the memory of Admiral Makaroff." says the Portare fighters do this. Sir Francis Hastings Doyle, who once held the chair of poetry at Oxford, was the author of a fine poen celebrating the honors paid by an Afghan the naval battles already fought, for it warrior chief to the dead of an English detachment he had slain in battle. The Engman was slain, and the Afghan werrior, in his admiration for their valor, had tied about the wrist of each man of the enemy's dead the Afghan insignia of supreme valor in battle. The Austrians in the same spirit than gun cotton or dynamite. Whereas, honored the memory of the heroic French a shell with a bursting charge of the com General Marceau, who fell at Altenkirchem,

"An American dealer, who was in ad he handled, succeeded in building up s trade in Japan," relates the Booklovers' Magazine. "After he had advertised his commodity extensively, a citizen of Japan

Fifty Years the Standard



the healthfulness of the food.

PRICE BAKING FOWDER CO., CHICAGO.

way across the waters, arriving about two mistake." But when you attempt to anmonths after it was posted.

Miss Straeffer writes that for several months just before the war between Russia and Japan broke out she did not receive any letters, even from her relatives at home. She then made complaint to with the representatives of the Japanese road system because the books are not of letters was brought to her. All of them | tem is readily estimated and then the dis had been read by the censor.

Since the war between Russia and Japan began a good deal has been heard of the Shimose powder, which, in the opinion of military experts, gives Japan a great advantage both on sea and land. The experts have been reasoning from what was known of the destructive effect of the powder in was not until a few days ago that a detailed

description of what the explosive can acomplish reached London. The description shows the powder to be even more powerful than was supposed. The compound, which was invented by Prof. Shimose, is of much greater explosive force

pounds ordinarily used in Europe is broken into a comparatively small number of frag ments, the majority of which are scattered through a very limited arc, the Shimon dition the actual inventor of the article explosive shatters the projectile into from 2,000 to 3,000 pieces, which are driven in every direction with equal force, so that

nothing can live in the vicinity. It is claimed that, in suite of its tre mendous power, the powder can be handled with perfect safety. It also has the advantage of cheapness, its cost being about half that of gun cotton.

seas each part of the horse by itself, you are open to grave errors of judgment There is too much leeway for a gument and imagination in that mode of ascertain ing the value of an animal. There is positively no way of arriving at a true valu ation of each piece of a dismembered rail government, and in a few days a boat kept in a way to give any light on the landed at her, station and a large bundle subject. But the value of the entire systribution of the aggregate valuation along the line at so much per mile is not at all difficult or mysterious. But unless the entire value of a system is first arrived at. the attempt to assess it by piecemeal is to work in the dark.

Please Go Away. Philadelphia Record (dem.).

To no man in America does a neglected duty call louder than to Mr. Bryan. That he may again lure the democratic party into the path of inevitable defeat is impossible. In his pesistent publicity he effects nothing but to make harder for his party the task that it must accomplish. He is most carnestly and respectfully recommended to turn his attention to the needs of his farm in Nebraska.

LIGHT AND LIVELY.

Caller-Well, the nerve of that! Merchant-What? Caller-Didn't you hear that snip of a boy referring to you as "Bill"? Merchant-Sh! That's our effice boy. So long as I can pretend I didn't hear him it's ail right.-Philadeiphia Ledger.

They are again looking for the longest word in the English language. What is the matter with caoutchouc? Eh! It len't the longest? Why not? Desn't it stretch from "C" to "c"?-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"I saw a ghost once," spoke up the pas-senger with the skull cap: "a real ghost." "Huh!" said the passenger with the fashy watch charm. "I've seen two real shosts." Then you have a shade the better of me," rejoined the Chicago Tribune. Mr. Strange-Your father is in politics, isn't he, son? Tommy Lushman-Yes, but mom thinks he's gittin' cured of it. ne strange-Indeed? Tommy Lushman-Yeh, his stomach's gone back on him an' he can't drink like he useter.-Philadelphia Press.

of the vice presidency.

a cyclorama at the St. Louis fair.

Uncle Joe Cannan hasn't had so much fun in all his life as he got out of his perch on the speaker's chair during the tremely useful and meritorious class, but late session of the Fifty-eighth congress.

People owning radium should be economical as the atom is due to disappear in a little more than 1,000 years, another proof of the adage that riches have wings.

Russian denial of a reverse on the usual in such cases, as Russia has never failed to make known its losses ahead of Japanese reports.

The pope has turned for protection of his missionaries from "Catholic" France to "Protestant" Germany, which really ful agencies of municipal government, means that Germany's colonial policy will be the stronger.

Don Carlos has protested against the removal of religious emblems from French courts. With the swing of the pendulum his protest may have more weight than at present.

The new secretary of the Commercial club declaros that he realizes the importance and the difficulties of the problems that are before him. This is the first step toward solution.

electors shall have attained their long If the Hungarian invention which puts people to sleep on the explosion of and sad experience and standard of ena shell is adopted by the armies of the lightenment enabling them to elect a world, "soldiering" will have assumed mayor or an alderman for some other much of the meaning now given it in reason than his nomination as a demolabor circles.

There is no question that good schools make a prosperous community attractive to newcomers, but neither is there any doubt that it requires that a community be first prosperous before it can support tions that confront us rather than with costly schools.

The Wyoming flockmasters who sell their wool on the sheep's back have taken a step to make themselves secure from loss in a range war, but the eastern buyer may be given an expensive lesson in western ways by shearing highest bidder. In the opinion of Mr.

Southern democrats are said to be deticket to be nominated at St. Louis, No. unruly scramble, however, is as yet visible among southern statesmen to acquire the honor by either force or per- danger that it be well filled. sunsion.

It goes without saying that a rallformer publicly affirms that corruption, some oats. road system is worth more as a whole extravagance and wastefulness in muthan it was in its component parts be- nicipal government can be most effecfore they were combined-otherwise tively eradicated through the machinery there would not have been anything of existing political parties and the acganied by buying them up and uniting tive participation in party nominations them into a single great road. And by the better element of citizenship, he in the language of the supreme court, will doubtless shock the sensibilities of what a railroad is worth for purchase the amateurs and visionaries who seek and -is it is worth also for taxation. to accomplish these objects through He is not yet ready to enter

aurry up with their spectacular features from municipal politics would be inad- and sound enterprise should suffer for if they hope to get their war drama on visable and possibly disastrous. In sup- want of financial support. The moneport of this rather unlooked-for declara- tary situation also suggests that a larger

tion on the part of that eminent mumeasure of industrial and commercial nicipal reformer he is quoted as saying activity is probable in the near future, that "amateurs in politics are an ex- since it is hardly possible that the accumulation of cash capital throughout of all politicians they most need strict the country will be allowed to long rediscipline and especially the discipline of main idle and unproductive.

adversity. Professional politicians are "Stop convention trading by giving the indispensable to any popular government. We are peculiar only in having voters a chance to express their choice more of them and those of lower type of candidates directly at the primaries" than other free nations." has been the cry of the "outs" for lo

From the standpoint of practical pollthese many months. Now, however, that Yalu is entitled to more credit than is tics Mr. Bonaparte suggests that the they are invited to put the names of all admits of no doubt. Senator Dietrich best present course for civic reformers the candidates on the ticket and let the high man take the prize, they don't want is to make use of the regular party associations instead of vainly crying out to play. In a word, the "outs" want diagainst them. The existing local organ. rect primary nominations only so long izations of the two national parties may as they can't have them.

in Mr. Bonaparte's opinion, the imme-

diate end of municipal reformers in

"While we may reasonably look for-

ward," declares Mr. Bonaparte, "to a

America today.

be employed for certain purposes as use-Mr. Harriman has made his visit of inspection of Union Pacific properties in and even if it were possible to do sway Omaha, but he has failed as yet to tell portant subject is before the public with them altogether the results of so whether we may expect a new headdoing might be disappointing and in certain cases disastrous. Organizations quarters building in the near future or the employes and records of that great formed of such politicians for such purrailroad will continue to be housed in a poses can be agencies of good city govbuilding known to be unsafe and posi- as to his readers and to himself. But it ernment only against their will and to tively dangerous. compel them to become such agencies is,

The exhibit of one of our local banks devoted almost exclusively to savings deposits shows that it has more than doubled its holdings within the past grace to any man to persist in being year. Savings deposits do not increase time when the masses of municipal

at this rate unless the great body of workingmen and women are steadily employed at remunerative wages.

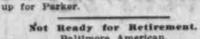
The official organ of the populists in this state declares that there is no crat or a republican, and we may also onger any democratic party, but simply hope that the serpent of spoils will have two distinct polifical parties, each claimbeen not only scotched skin deep, as at ing the old name. The question is, Will present, but killed and kept dead long the Bryan democrats prefer to fuse with enough to leave no fear of revival at the Cleveland democrats or with their sundown, we must grapple with condiold populist allies?

theories." Under existing conditions The owner of Joslyn castle has ansensible friends will pursue a sensible ounced his intention to dismantle that course in their efforts to promote good imposing edifice and have it transported government and invite bids from both to Saratoga on car wheels. We appreparties for their support, bids in the hend, however, that the dislocation will nomination of good men and the support not be quite as easy as checking and of good measures and to close with the landing his saratoga trunk in Saratoga. Bonaparte, a self-governed community

The ratio of divorces to marriages in without definitely organized parties Douglas county during the recent court bating whether they should not take to much resembles a public meeting at term is reported as 1 to 2. The divorce themselves the second place on the which no one is prepared to offer a mo- reform movement may be described as tion. Nature abhors a vacuum and if an effort to restore the heaven-ordained the place of leader in such a meeting re- ratio of 1 to 16. mains too long empty there is grave

For a commonwealth just about to When a man of Mr. Bonaparte's high celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its standing as a practical municipal re- birth as a territory Nebraska is feeling

> Who's Doing the Talking! Indianapolis Journal. The latest political news indicates the all the deaf mutes in the country are lining



Baltimore American. Speaker Cannon is angry at his bo

public career has been one he may not by a Japanese. feel ashamed of nor his party in this state " "There is some mistake,' said the Amer-

need apologize for. ican. 'I have infringed no man's right. York Times: Senator Dietrich was fully These are my goods. I invented the article, and completely yindicated of all charges and I designed the trade-mark myself, and against him by the senate committee apcoined the name.'

pointed to investigate his conduct in con-"He was finally made to understand that nection with the appointment of Postmas. invention of the article, creation of the ter Fisher of Hastings and the renting of trade-mark and ownership of the good his building to the government for postwere minor details. The Japanese office purposes. The Republican stated plainant who owned no goods, who had in some time ago that it would accept as vented nothing, and had designed no trade final and conclusive the verdict of the comname or mark, had been sufficiently alert can be pretty accurately determined from mittee. The committee was composed of to register the trade-mark, and was theremen of high character and wide experifore entitled to the business. There was ence; the investigation was thorough and nothing for the inventor to do but to re the conduct of the same impartial and tire from the field, which he promptly did, open, and the exoneration is complete and leaving his invention and the field his advertising and enterprise had opened to the stands before the people of Nebraska commercial brigand who had a working road is another way of getting at the value, cleared of all charges against him. The knowledge of Asiatic law."

I've opened this little atelier." said

but whatever has been said through these pretty Japanese student quoted by the New columna unfavorable to and in condemna-Fork Times, "just to sell Japanese diction. tion of Senator Dietrich for his action at aries and teach the language." Hastings is hereby gracefully and fully "But do you find people enough to bu taken back .-- Aurora Republican. That's

dictionaries?" was asked. the voice of a man. When an im-"Do 1?" She shrugged her narrow shoul 811 lers. "The only trouble is I haven't enough

editor is supposed to say something, and ooks. he may happen to get on the wrong side. "Are these pupils young or old, men

If he does it is is manly and fair for him women?" to own it frankly and make reparation. "All kinds. Some are learning Japanes He owes it to the party injured as well for business purposes and others for culture. The war has aroused great interest takes a man to do it. Lots of second and in my country. Of course, all those who third sizes will still continue to slander I have some ome are not in earnest. Senator Dietrich, after they know he is pretty girls who want just a few phrases guiltless, and many others will withhold at their tongue's end, like; Give my regards the apology that is due. It is no great disto them all, mina san ni yoroshiku; good grace to be wrong, but it is a lasting dismorning, obayo; good-bye, sayonara; are they all well at home? ouchie de wa mina san gokigen yo gozarimas ka? And how to

ount ten: One, hitotsu; two, futatsu; three, mitau; four, yottau; five, itsutsu; six mutau; seven, nanatsu; eight, yattsu; nine bonanza as a hole in the ground owned by kokonotsu; ten, to.

"One very funny but dainty little lady At Rhodesia, South Africa, & drink alled to see me. She lives nearby, at the whisky costs 50 cents, a haircut 75 cents Waldorf-Astoria. and all the other necessities of life are

"T'll give you \$10,' said she, if you'll teach me how to call a Russian I know an Richard H. Pierce has been elected chief old farmer. "At first I didn't guite understand, then

engineer to take complete charge of the plant of the World's fair. He is said: "Why, of course, just say: Ano one of the most successful and best known hito-wa hyakusho-de gozarimas." engineeers of the country.

President Roosevelt has done pretty well Inclosed in a peculiar double envelope, by his war governors. Judge Taft went from the Philippines to the cabinet, Dr. Wood stepped into a major general's job when he quit governing Cuba, and Hunt leaves the governorship of Porto Rico for a place on the federal bench.

"Peg Leg Ann." who passed as a woman Mich., is dead, and it has been found that "she" was a man. Recently "Ann" had Russians. lived with a band of Pottawattamie In-

dians. He operated a sawmill and a blacksmith shop. was given a furlough for his heroic con-

duct at the time of the explosion, further proved that he is of the stuff of which perces are made by falling in love and getting married without delay.

"I could die waltging." sald Floyd Bennett. a 17-year-old boy, as he glided over the floor at a ball at Winnemucca, Nev Five minutes later he was lying dead in the arms of Miss Daisy Davis, his youthful sweetheart. She at first supposed he

had fainted. Prof. W. J. Kennedy, chief of the departnent of animal husbandry at the Iowa

State College of Agriculture, has just received one of the most important commissions ever granted by the United States tion that makes its live stock industry so officially passed by the censor. After this profitable

GETTING AT RAILROAD VALUES.

A Problem Readily Solved if a Solu tion is Honestly Sought.

Lincoln Journal. There doesn't seem to be any insurmount able difficulty in the way of arriving a a pretty correct estimate of the value of a railroad property in this state. The cost of replacing a line with its rolling glock and right-of-way is one test of value and

an investigation of market prices of rails. ties, locomotives and passenger and freight cars. Deduction for wear and tear and addition of value of franchise leaves the balance to be assessed, from that standpoint. The market price of stocks and bonds of a

which, of course, includes the value of the franchise. Another way not so reliable, is to capitalize a road at a fair estimate of gross profits, deducting a reasonable amount for running expenses. A combina tion of all three of these methods will fur nish data for figures that will be approximately correct and all values have to be approximated in making the assessment of any property not returned as cash, o

negotiable securities. If the roads comply with the law the Board of Equalization will have all the information necessary to assess that can not be gotten from the daily market reports. All that the owners of other tax able property in the state desire is a fair deal. They do not demand that any species of property be discriminated against. But as the assessors in municipalities and coun ties are not permitted by the new revenue law to hark back to the assessments of past years as a guide to their estimates this year, the Board of Equalization should also ignore past railroad valuations and begin, de novo, in investigating the present

value of the property that is under their original jurisdiction so far as putting a value upon the same is concerned But it will be pretty safe for the board to take each property as a whole and not cut it into little bits to asseas the pieces by themselves. As an Illinois judge remarked, in passing upon a similar question in that state, "If you have to assess horse you do not divide the animal into parts and assess his head, his neck, his body, his tall and each of his four legs separately, but you value the horse as a unit and in that way can make no great

"So I hear you've taken a farm fifteen miles from the city. When did you retire from business?" "Who said anything about retiring from husiness?"

"It stands to reason you can't farm and attend to business here at the same time." "Who's going to support the farm if I quit business?"-New York Press. usiness

De Catfish cry. En de Sturgeon say: "Yander is a fishin' man Comin' dis way:

"En he'll try fer ter git you On his line, En he'll tell de folks You wuz six foot nine!"

Len de Catfish say: "Le's swim up higher-We don't want ter 'sociate Wid no sich Jiar! Atlanta Constitution.

SONG OF SPRING.

Ethel M. Kelly in Leslie's Monthly. Spring! Spring! Ecstary's sting! in the wildwood, and birds on the

Living cries out to you, Fragrances shout to you, What is all doubt to you, --When it is spring?

Birds! Birds! Flocks of them-herds! can we welcome them merely with words?

Up from the sod to us, Daffodils hod to us, Messages of God to us Brought by the birds!

Love! Love! Cloudships above! are a-tremble with messages of One who will mate with us, Sharing our fate with us, Who will be great with us, Giving us love!

Spring! Spring! Wonderful thing! Waves on the shore of it clamber and cling-Blossoms aburst in it, Rapture is nursed in it, Earth is immersed in it, Exquisite spring.

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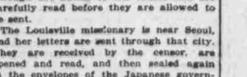
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through the hands of the consor and are carefully read before they are allowed to be sent.

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