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ment league.

friends from enemies bid fair to rival Port Arthur mines in their destruction of Muscovite life.

If these accidents maintain their present frequency Pennsylvania should pass a law requiring each mine to be equipped with a fire escape.

When Japan shall have floated its proposed loan in the United States it may be easier to distinguish the trend of sympathy in this country.

Connecticut seems to have the true brand of "fighting democracy." Two fist fights in one convention is rather It should not be forgotten that the last be no conflict over credentials presented exceptional even in the wild west,

Sympathy is due Emperor William of Germany. He must have a hard time keeping up his warlike spirit on potations of orange juice and mineral water.

The question of paving repairs is the same question as that of rehabilitating a dress. It is only a matter of time when the decision must be made between more patching and an entirely new garment.

at Port Arthur has been given imperative orders by his superiors not to leave the harbor, which demonstrates how, in spite of war, the desires of Alexieff and Togo barmonize.

An object lesson in street cleaning is now in order. To make Omaha beautiful and attractive we must not only have beautiful lawns and clean streets. passable for man and beast,

projected by "Our Dave" across the Missouri from South Omahn to Lake so does the electric road from Stony City to Omaha by way of the Indian reservation.

settled. The settlement will not be com- way, there is value in publicity and we tion to nominate delegates to the naplete, however, until Omaha has think this is getting to be quite gener- tional convention in reasonable time to achieved a place on the map as a grain ally recognized by such corporations. It enable the republicans of the three counmarket commensurate with the import- is a new policy and it was not to be ties in the district to call primaries for ance of the grain belt for which it is expected that it would be adopted at the selection of delegates to the conventhe natural outlet.

Debs may now prepare for the "sec- be generally accepted when the manage- licans of Sarpy county elected delegates ond battle," and he may conclude with ment of corporations realize, as they nearly four weeks ago and the repuba famous Nebraskan that his second must do in time, that refusal to comply licuns of Washington county elected delnomination is made because it is gener- with the policy will arouse suspicion as egates to the congressional convention ally known that the party will not suc- to the soundness of a corporation and two weeks ago. Under the law it takes ceed. The role of martyr is only secon- thus work to its injury. A beginning twenty days' notice before a primary dary to that of hero.

Senator Tom Platt declares the vice when it will be as common among the have delayed its call more than three presidency is all fixed for the Chicago great corporations as it now is with the days without leaving the county unrepreconvention except securing the assent of the man who is to be nominated. No such difficulty would be encountered if the convention should show a disposition to take the Nebraska candidate.

the portraits of "prominent women" to be a foregone conclusion that Port mittee was perfectly legitimate and in one, says current dispatches, which, however, immediately render the state- very decided advantage, since the Rusto be composed exclusively of women.

but the Omaha Real Estate Exchange, which made such a valiant fight for the enemy out of it?

upon carrying several states in which unions and the evident purpose is to appeal to organized labor to resent this.

different states eight-hour laws, facboards and labor bureaus-were put markable ability. of legislation are to be found at the orable to further Japanese successes. south, all of them overwhelmingly democratic. In those states organized labor receives little recognition and no encouragement. Those democratic states have shown scarcely any interest in the cause of trades-unionism and some of them

cratic congress enact legislation in the

for the elevation and the improvement of the condition of labor has been the work of the republican party. Organized labor has had no more earnest friend than Theodore Roosevelt, as his record most amply and conclusively a speech in the house of representatives setting forth what Mr. Roosevelt had Russian soldiers who cannot tell state of New York up to the present time. The principles of justice that governed his course in advocating the enactment of labor and reform legisla- of Omaha politics .- Lincoln Journal. tion when he took part in the legislative proceedings at Albany in 1882, 1883 and

States." not reasonably hope to get from con-tinuance in the office of Mr. Roosevelt? congressional convention and there will democratic president not only did noth. ing for laber, but in consequence of his it will remember the obligation this year 18 to choose two delegates and two al-The Russian commander of the fleet as it did in the last two national elec- ternates to the republican national con-

VALUE OF PUBLICITY

Discussing the policy of publicity for corporations an eastern financial paper more to gain than to lose by a reason- once for candidates for congress so that able regard for publicity. Oftentimes, it observes, were the public to put credit las county in the convention that nomiin official denials, the effect of an issue nates a congressman will unite in supbut streets and boulevards that are of bonds or stock might prove disastrous porting the candidate who receives the to a successful flotation. It is pointed highest number of votes, the Douglas out, by way of illustration, that had the county committee has violated no prin-The magnificent suspension bridge Pennsylvania Railroad company broken cipie and laid no foundation for a doubleshareholders gently, instead of denying controversy over the expression of pref-

There is no doubt that for sound cor- mittee. grain rate war is said to be affairs in an honest and straightforward committee to Issue its call for a conven- acter. It makes such a difference, undoubtedly growing in favor and will fused to do so. As a result the repubhas been made in the application of pub-

> national banks. THE JAPANEES ADVANCE.

It appears from the latest reports that for the congressional convention immethe Japanese have secured a strong foot- diately after the county committee had hold in Manchuria and having done so adjourned affords abundant proof that The committee which is to pass upon they are likely to maintain it. It seems the action of the Douglas county combefore they may hang in the Woman's Arthur will not be in Russian hands building at St. Louis is to be a secret much longer and with this position oc- other counties in the district for want of cupied by the Japanese they will have a ment questionable by saying that it is sians have no naval force with which to attack it. Is it the plan of the Japanese to push on in Manchuria, or will The State Board of Railroad Assess they be satisfied with holding that por remain disfranchised? It is equally abment has been in session since Monday, tion of the territory in which they are surd to presume that the congressional now op ting, if successful in driving

chised corporations has as yet shown no ain said a few days ago that Japan's from the respective counties and bearing disposition to take issue with the rall- present offensive campaign in Man- the seci of legitimacy from the officers persuade the state board that the rail- toward the eventual repulsion of an in- if anyone should attempt to get up a of state, county and municipal taxes. | the Japanese purpose to go farther north to assume that the delegates from Sarpy | church music, the singing of women

REPUBLICAS PARTY AND MABOR. | than Harbin, perhaps only as far as and Washington countles, who were It is said that some of the demogratic Mukden, and that, having secured a de- elected prior to the issue of the call of leaders are counting upon organized fensible line, and Port Arthur and the the congressional committee would have labor being largely against the repub- Manchurian seaconst being in Japanese lican party this year and are figuring possession, Japan will resist from behind intrenchments and defensive works the labor unions are especially strong Russian efforts to dislodge. If this is provisions would be denied seats. Their confidence is based, it appears, the plan there is a great disappointment on the fact that congress failed to pass in store for the Russians, who, it is unmeasures which were urged by the derstood are hoping to draw the Japanese into the interior and lead them into a trap where they will be overwhelmed It is highly probable that the demo- by the forces under Kouropatkin. One crats will find any efforts they may thing has thus far been pretty conclusmake in this direction of little effect. Ively demonstrated, and this is that in The intelligent men in the ranks of or- the matter of laying traps the Japanese ganized labor know that it owes nothing are far more skillful than their enemy. to the democratic party, while about all The operations of the mikado's com- but why the board should select an exthat has been done in its interest and manders, both on sea and land, have pert professional corporation lobbyist for its welfare, in the way of legislation, shown very much more strategic ability for work of this character when the has been done by the republican party. than has been manifested by the Rus- eyes of the whole state are riveted upon for anyone thoroughly acquainted with the Most of the laws relating to labor that sinn commanders. Indeed the latter its actions is another thing that passes are now on the statute books of the have done nothing to justify the fame as i comprehension. soldiers which they enjoy at home and tory laws, anti-sweatshop laws, employ- while it is possible that Kouropatkin ers' liability laws, anti-child-labor laws has some great plan yet to be developed. and laws establishing state arbitration as yet he certainly has shown no re-

there by the remubican party. The Events are likely to now move rapidly states that are most behind in this sort in Manchuria, with the indications fav-

THERE WILL BE NO DOUBLE-BEADER The republican congressional convention of the Second district promises to be wild and tumultuous. The chairman of the disvention early enough to suit the machine have discouraged it. When did a demothat has control of the Douglas county committee and the county committee interest of organized labor? If ever one the selection of delegates to the repub- primary election fights. did so we are not aware of the fact. lican state convention on May 15, a primary Nearly everything that has been done election of a candidate for congress shall be held, the highest man on the list to take the delegation which it is proposed to elect tion of a candidate for congressman, but also the nomination of delegates to the nashows. He believes in it and has district. The Douglas county committee of noses is had. done much to promote its welfare. In bases this action on that of the county conventions of the other counties in the district which have already elected delegates to the congressional convention without done in behalf of labor, Representative waiting for a call of such convention. So Grosvenor of Ohio said: "Theodore when the congressional convention meets who declare they did not know which The weather man has evidently taken an official whose interest in the weal of las county, probably, one set elected under the call of the congressional committee and out a membership in the Civic Improve- the plain people never diminished from the other by the county convention held to have no trouble in observing the disthe day that he commenced his public previous to the call. The congressional tinction. career as member of the assembly of the committee will doubtless give credentials to the delegates elected under its call and then the county machine delegates will clamor to butt in. The situation illustrates the exigencies of Douglas county or rather

Within the memory of man our Lincoln contemporary has never yet been 1884 were unswervingly maintained known to get the straight of any powhile he was governor of New York in litical event that transpires in Omaha or 1809 and 1900, and have been conscien- Douglas county. Whether out of pure tiously adhered to during his incum- cussedness or mental incapacity to get bency as president of the United at the truth the Journal always manages faint petroleuse odor, he may succeed in to distort or bemuddle every controversy winning one of Andrew Carnegie's hero What possible benefit could organized that springs up in Omaha and Douglas prizes. labor derive from the election of a dem- county. There is absolutely no ground ocrat to the presidency that it might or prospect for a double-header from at that convention from Douglas county experiences in our history and the cause state and congressional conventions unof unionism received a setback that was der the direct primary system in conalmost disastrous to it. Is there a sin- formity with resolutions adopted by the gie plausible reason for believing that county convention held in October, 1903. this experience would not be repeated It is true also that this call was issued under another democratic administra- about three hours before the congrestion? Organized labor owes much to the sional committee had issued its call for republican party and almost nothing to the congressional convention that will the democratic party. It is safe to say meet at Lincoln in the forenoon of May vention, but no nomination for congress by that convention is threatened because the congressional committee barred such that they are not surprised over the re-

action in its call. · In requesting republican electors at remarks that a management has far the coming primary to express a preferthe delegation that will represent Dongthe news of its last stock issue to its header. If any blame attaches to the assistance of an underwriting syndicate. and not with the Douglas county com-

once and by all corporations, but it is tion, but the committee obstinately re election can be held, and at the utmost licity and it is only a question of time the Douglas county committee could not sented in the state and congressional conventions. The fact that the congressional district committee issued its call conformity with the action taken by

Suppose the congressional committee had seen fit to refuse to issue a call, would any rational person contend that the Second congressional district must committee will arrogate to itself the

a right to seats while those elected in Douglas county after the call had been issued and in full conformity with its

According to the Lincoln Journal selection of Charles M. Rigg as assistant secretary of the State Board of Railroad Assessment was approved because Mr. Rigg has done considerable work for corporations during sessions of the legislature and is thoroughly qualified for the new position. There is no doubt that Charley Rigg is eminently qualified,

Nebraska democrats who are pleased ever the words of Bourke Cockran in his the sting in his alleged epigram in which he refers to the democratic idea of bringing prosperity through labor rather than their arguments in favor of free silver?

The state supreme court has very wisely declined to act as a committee on credentials for contending political trict committee has refused to call a confactions and its decision will doubtless be followed by the lower courts here after when appeals are made for reas ordered that at the primaries for straining orders and mandamuses in

The only inference to be drawn from the advertisement of severa! speeches perity is almost universal; and under the to the congressional convention, though a to be delivered in this city shortly by congressional convention has not yet been Colonel Bryan is that the loyal democalled. This involves not only the nomina- crats hereabouts are very seriously during a century, in a way which has alarmed lest they be outnumbered by tional convention from the congressional the disloyal democrats when the count

> The only result of the enactment of has been the arrest of three white men. negroes. Negroes who do not walk seem

Silence that Befits the Dead. Chicago Post.

The Hearst resolutions in Iowa say: "Ir

living exponent of true democratic printo all others as "dead ones?" The Elements of a Hero. St. Louis Republic. If young Hearst can stay on the track

after his tires are flattened and there is nothing left of his motive power but a

> Chicks of Revolution. Chicago Chronicle,

The sort of intelligence that blindly fol lows the leadership of the Bryans, Tom Johnsons and other Mother Carey chicks of revolution is illustrated in the person of a Johnsontta who True, the county committee issued a wheelbarrow from Cleveland to San Franpolicies labor had one of the hardest call for the election of delegates to the cisco because his idol failed of election as governor of Ohio last fall.

> Brewers as "Angels. New York Tribune.

A decision of the supreme court of Ne braska is to the effect that breweries must not be allowed to take out barroom license except in their own names. But what is there to prevent the brewers from acting as "angels"-to use a theatrical term-and furnishing capital to applicants for licenses while they protect their investments by mortgages on the property?

Loud Uniforms as a Target. Philadelphia Press.

The army officers in Washington say ports of a serious loss of officers by the Russians in the fighting with the Japanese. The Russian officers wear very conspicuous uniforms and thus become a prey to Japanese sharpshooters. The white leggings worn by the Japanese will serve the same purpose for the Russians. White will probably be abandoned in time for uniform purposes on the field of battle.

Action More Effective Than Words. Portland Oregonian. Russia's fulmination against wireless telegraphy, which went no farther than

words, was denounced by the pro-Japanese press as a most savage and cruel per-Manawa still remains in suspension, and everything up to the last moment, it erence for congressional candidates, it formance. Japan says nothing, but when would probably not have required the lies with the congressional committee Mr. Wireless Steamer puts into Nagasaki for supplies the Japs nail him up to the dock and forbid him to operate. Which, it may be supposed, is a touching instance porations, that intend to manage their It was the duty of the congressional of Japan's enlightened and Christian char-

CHURCH MUSIC.

Obstacle Encountered in the Revival of Gregorian Chants. New York Times

prelates of the Roman church in this country either deny that they have advised the pope that the carrying out of his recommendations with regard to church music is impracticable in this country, or else they decline to discuss the subject. It is pretty evident, however, that in many, if not most, cases it is impracticable. A peremptory order to confine the singing in Roman Catholic churches this country to male voices and to the Gregorian chants would be apt to result in at least a temporary cessation of church music altogether.

One does not need to be an expert in celesiastical music to see the desirableeas of the change which the pope is trying to bring about. In spite of Wesley's objection to letting the devil have all the good tunes, it seems proper that there should be a distinction between sacred and secular music. It is not a matter of simplicity as against elaboration, for the "plain song" of the church may be and has been developed to the highest pitch which it aroused. The Abyssinians have of elaboration without ceasing to be scclesiastical. What the pope has in mind in this respect is no doubt to avoid the Italian version, the only one which has been brought to his own ear, of the vulgarisation of church music done in every country according to its own fashion.

It is the other of the pope's prohibitions which is likely to give most trouble to American priests. That women should keep silence in the churches is a precept old as St. Paul. But it has been long and so extensively dishonored in the organ right to pass upon the credentials c. del- lofts that to banish from them the sex equitable municipal taxation of, fran- The Japanese minister to Great Brit- egates to the convention, duly elected which is at once the more musical and the more devout would be to reduce many of those eyries to the condition of "bary The conclusion which most road tax agents, who are sudeavoring to churia is merely preliminary, a means of the regular county organizations, even Catholic pasters have probably reached for themselves, and which they would roads have been paying their full share vading army. He stated that it is not double-header. And it is preposterous pleased to have sanctioned from the Vatican, is that, in the actual condition of

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

In the light of recent dispatches from the

far east it is rather interesting to read the views of such professed military experts as the Austrian and German military attaches as expressed at the Russian headquarters about six weeks ago. Captain Count Szeptycki, of the Austro-Hungarian army, observed that, while it was difficult to form a positive opinion as to the duration of the war, he believed that the milltary attaches would get home by the new year. Probably no great battles would take place before the month of August. In his opinion, there could be no doubt as to the sue of the war, Russia being certain of victory. The Japanese army could not be compared with that of Russia, and the landing of Japanese troops was up to the present of very elight importance. Captain von Stotten, the German military attache, expressed similar views. The value of the Japanese army had, he said, been greatly exaggerated. two forces to doubt the superiority of the Russians. The mobilization and transport of the Russian troops had been very striking: Captain von Stotten also believed that there would be no battle of any importance before August, and closed with debate with Dalzell have failed to feel the remark: "The Russian victories will certainly cool the ardor of the Japanese and bring the war to a speedy close."

In 1899 the czar of all the Russias, urged through laws. Have they forgotten and finally forced by the reactionary influences surrounding him, was guilty of a great act of perfidy. He took away from the Finnish people, by imperial decree, the measure of self-government which had been guaranteed to them by solemn treaty when they recognized the sugerainty of Russia. and then began a tragedy which involved in rule a happy and prosperous people. The Finns are noted among all the peoples of the earth for their virtues. They are peace able to an extreme, suggesting the Society of Friends; they have the virtues of thrift industry, love of home and country; they are blessed with rare intelligence and en ergy; illiteracy is almost unknown; pros enign influence of a large measure of self-government they had worked out their own salvation as a state and as a people, elicited universal admiration for their po litical capacity. Though they numbered in 1898 but 2,000,000 souls, they had become a factor in the world's commerce, main tained an admirable school system, sup ported universities and had created in a the "Jim crow" car law in Maryland bleak and inhospitable region one of the speechless. sunny spots of the earth.

A resolution is pending in the House of Roosevelt ever will be remembered as there will be a "double-header" from Doug- part of the car was set apart for Commons authorizing the educational authorities to furnish food for indigent children attending the primary schools. It is objected that the great obstacle stands in the way of the adeption of the resolution is the fear of lessening parental responsibility. The system is liable to abuse, but the friends of the measure say that it is nothing less than cruelty to try William Randolph Hearst we recognize a to teach children who are in a halfstarved condition, and that it is necessary ciples." Is this a delicate way of referring for the state to intervene. The system has been developed in Paris to a greater extent than elsewhere. In that city every group of schools has a dining room, where a good dinner is served every day to all pupils. Books of coupons are issued by the city. Parents who can pay for them are expected to do so, but no one excepthe authority in charge of the matter is permitted to know who has paid and who has received the coupons gratuitously. The cost of the food was \$35,000 last year About \$50,000 was provided by the sale of coupons, \$70,000 by voluntary subscriptions and \$200,000 came out of the school rates At French weddings a collection is usually taken for the school children's dinner fund. A member of the British Parliament, interviewed by the London Express, said that the yearly cost of furnishing a daily dinner to every child attending elementary schools in London would be about \$1,050,-000, three times greater than the Paris figures. It was explained that while London has only twice the population of Paris it has three times as many children.

> The chief points of the latest French army reform bill-as outlined in a special report of M. Berteaux, head of a special legislative committee-are a two years' military service, without any sort or kind of exemption, and the utilization in times of peace of the men who are suffering from minor physical defects by their inclusion in the auxiliary services. As this service will require a slight increase in the number of non-commissioned officers re-enlisted, and of corporats and lance corporals, it is proposed to encourage enlistments by guaranteeing civil employment after the completion of a certain number of years' service. M. Berteaux says that in the event of the bill being adopted the reserves, which will be the main defence of the country, will be composed of homogeneous elements, which have received during the same period and manner the same training and military education. An important innovation in the new bill is that when the reserves are called out for their periods of training, the breadwinners of a family are to be allowed an indemnity of 1 franc per day, and 25 centimes for every child. With regard' to the extra financial burden which the law will impose upon the country, M. Berteaux estimates that during the first few years it will amount to between 13,-000,000 and 14,000,000 francs for the state, and about 4,000,000 france for the cora-

> Official figures recently published by the German statistical office, in reference to suicides in the German empire, are by no means of a satisfactory nature. They show a steady increase in the number of persons who have made away with themselves since 1900. A little more twenty persons in every 100,000 inhabitants killed themselves in that year. In 1901 the proportion rose to 20.8, and in 1902 to 21.4. The percentage of suicides was lower in agricultural than in industrial districts. Of every 100,000 persons in Berlin thirtyone committed suicide during 1902, is Saxony thirty-three, in Hamburg more than thirty-seven. Eighty per cent of the total number of suicides were men. A curious and unpleasant feature of the case is the number of young married couples who have destroyed themselves together, especially in Berlin.

The defeat of the Italians in their Abyssinian campaign some years ago was complete and tragical. It was not only a repulse, but a humiliation so great that ministries fell even from the memories naturally celebrated each year their prowess and success at the battle of Adowa but Emperor Menelik has now notified the Italian government that in future there will be no military celebration of the great victory; the day will be marked only by a solemn religious festival in honor of both the Abyssinians and the Italians who fell in battle. Menelik is a black barbarian who holds away over his savage hordes with an iron hand, but he is a gentleman, and he exhibits some of that far-seeing, deep statesmanship and humanity in a way which many socalled enlightened na-

Training on Right Lines. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

hopeful feature in the democratic party is that one wing voted the republican licket in 1896 and 1800 and the other wing is likely to follow the example in 1904

## Dr. PRICE'S

CREAM

## BAKING POWDER

helps housekeepers more than any other article in the household. Its use protects the health of the children.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

The "Sage of Esopus" isn't saying a word and not a crow is heard in Wolfert's roost.

The crow will come later. Some politicians are mighty hard The democrats, for instance. Although Judge Parker's hair is red, some of the torchbearers refuse to regard him as a warm proposition.

Henry Bartling, postmaster at Addison Du Page county, Illinois, has held the job for half a century. Mr. Bartling is 78 years of age and was appointed by President Franklin Pierce in 1854.

Chicago develops some remarkable political freaks. The latest is an officeholder who refused to accept his salary for the time he was absent from the city. Local museums are bidding for him.

Mayor Harrison of Chicago is not enthusiastic over Judge Parker's intimating that the right kind of presidential timber can be found in the west. The honorable mayor did not indicate his preference and the Chicago primaries rendered A hungry officeseeker who was defeated

for a judgeship in New York City last fall, succeeded in working through the municipal court districts next fall. zeal deserves reward, but the democratic mayor vetoed the measure,

Joe Folk, the boodle hunter of Missouri, does not propose to turn aside from the task in hand for a presidential nomination. He intends to run for governor this year and when he has scoured the Aegean stables at Jefferson City and increased the inmates in the penitentiary, propositions for work higher up may be entertained.

ROOSEVELT'S PRE-EMINENCE.

Invincible Qualities of Honesty, Fearlessness and Decision. Portland Oregonian.

The pre-eminence of Mr. Roosevelt in republican circles is not due to any political maneuvering on his part or to any sharp bargain he has driven with rival candidates, but is the logical result of his own qualities, those that made him the favorite for vice president at Philadelphia and have advanced him steadily these three years in the affections and confidence of the people. The only man who seriously challenged attention as a presidential possibility was Mr. Hanna, and he was no preferable to Mr. Roosevelt. Still less so is any other man that could be mentioned. The qualities that have elevated Mr Rocsevelt to the highest place in popular preference are few and distinct. He is not a great orator, or a great scholar, or a great diplomat; but a man may be all these and yet be inferior in presidential capacity. If he were as learned as Hoar, as eloquent as Cockran and as powerful in debate as Spooner, he might yet fail of presidential stature, if he wanted the qualities that stamp Theodore Rooseveit as the nation's choice. Those qualities are honesty, fearlessness and decision. No man questions his sincerity, no man questions his courage, no man can withhold admiration for the prompt and energetic manner in which he pushes to completion every task to which the sets his hand.

What the ration needs in the presidential capacity.

Be one's life however humdrum, and the "same old grind" each day.
Always in the "gentle springtime" we are prone to sound a lay;
Annual sort of epidemic, to account for which none can.
But the feeling always comes then to the woman or the man.
In whose soul breathes admiration for the beauty and sublime.

Wonders of transformation—winter to the glad springtime.

Great Director of the Seasons, now we look with love and pride.
On the verdure green and blossoms, and the blue sky wondrous wide:
Souls seemed filled with an elixir that no other season brings, and yet be inferior in presidential capacity.

What the nation needs in the presidential office today, with our \$0,000,000 of people and our volume of government business reaching nearly \$2,000,000,000 a year, is an administrator; and the necessities of such an administration are honesty, bravery and decision. He doesn't need to know everything—he can call in the wisest counsel in the land. He doesn't reed eloquence—

Souls seemed filled with an elixir that no other season brings, and the mind, intoxicated, with the beauty of all things. Seeks to find an outlet for this overflowing of the soul;
Thus poetic feeling drives us, and we grasp a fifting pole, or we write a little sonnet, on the beauty of the spring.
Though no fish come to our basket, though no poetry we sing.

Omaha. FRED T. RUDIGER. What the nation needs in the presiden-

for orators can be picked from every bush, But he must have a strong and determined nature, fit to form correct judgments, to stand fast by convictions once formed, and the motive power to push the great engine of our governmental machinery forward on its way without yielding to threats, or obstacles, or the unreasoning inertia of conservati-m.

It is the naked truth that there is no other man in either of the great parties or in any party, so splendidly endowed with these prime qualities of executive capacity as Theodore Roosevelt. The peopla want him in the job because he can do the work. They know that in his own party, with all its able men, they could go farther only to fare worse. They know that in the democratic party its possibilities are discredited in comparison with him. either by proved incapacity or else by absolute uncertainty The pre-eminence of Roosevelt among our public men is not the product of chance or machine politics, but the result of his unique fitness for the place he fills and is to fill for four years more-a fitness that consists chiefly of his fearless devotion to rightcousness and his tremendous driving power. Office never sought the man with a surer instinct.

POINTED REMARKS.

Howell—Do you think it pays to put much money into clothes? Powell—Not if you have a wife to go through them.—Town Topics.

"When I get it completed," said the inventor, "my flying machine will fly like a bird."
"What kind of a bird?" asked the incredulous friend. "An ostrich?"—Washington Star.

"You are in favor, are you not, of a same and sensible observance of the Fourth of July?" said the reporter. "The public, I am sure, would be glad to hear your views on."
Young man," interrupted the other, "do
you think that's a proper question to ask
a surgeon."—Chicago Tribune.

"He's still employed by that big whole-sale house, isn't he?" "No, I think he's in business for himself now. He used to take an hour for lunch, but now he only takes a bare five minutes."—Philadelphia Press.

First Monkey-Why is your brother put-ting on airs?
Second Monkey-He has joined a pa-triotic society-the Great Great Grand-fathers of the Revolution.—New York Sun.

We met beside the blue, blue sea, And when I tried to tell my tale I got the rtony stare.

We met again on the hotel steps,
Eut other maids were there;
While on the porch I got a seat,
She got the stony stair.
—Town Topics. THE SAFETY VALVE.



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-Beau Brummel to his Valet.

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