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The weather man might have done better for Ak-Sar-Ben-and then again he might have done worse.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to sefore me this 30th day of September, 1994.

(Seal)

M. B. HUNGATE,

Notary Public.

28,871

Republican county primaries are now on. The polls remain open until 7 p. m. do so.

The peace congress is to meet next year in Switzerland, showing that the members have a friendly feeling for republies.

After ten years of beneficent reign Ak-Sar-Ben's popularity seems to be growing instead of waning. Long live the king!

Massachusetts democrats evidently believe in selecting a well advertised candidate, even one which pays for his as a body for the promotion of peace, own publicity.

Since Spain has signed an arbitration fighting on Sunday the progress it is making is more manifes

The Mormons have established a mission in Turkey. Here at least is one place where they will not have to defend their doctrines of polygamy.

With a remembrance of 1861 to 1865 no one will be surprised to hear that the first vessel caught loaded with supplies for Port Arthur flew the British flag.

In the number of keys demanded by his royal highness one would imagine that he had Russianized and was to be addressed hereafter as Ak-Sar-Benski,

If that battleship launched at Seattle triumph. doesn't prove to be one of the best ships in the navy the Nebraska delegation in

changed.

army to do but go after him.

probable uprising in China, but as long peals for mediation will go unheeded. as the contending armies occupy Manchuria the eyes of the world refuse to turn southward.

Senator Tillman is billed to speak in packing houses have evidently reached development. It has enormous rea point where they would like to rid themselves of the negro strike breakers century our population has grown from in and lie dormant till the roses bloom they imported from the south.

Nebraska's delegation to the Republican National league convention failed to land in the band wagon, but still it managed to attract sufficient attention to get into public print, which is something accomplished at any rate.

The first fruit of the agitation for popular prices at the Auditorium is already in sight in the announcement of an entertainment there to which admission will be had for 25 cents. If the new Auditorium is to be made a financial success it will have to give low price as well as high price affairs.

The World-Herald started out bravely to keep out of the republican primaries, but it could not resist the temptation to dip in at the last minute, as is its usual practice, in the hope of promoting the nomination of "lame ducks" on the republican ticket, whom it might the more easily knock out at the election.

so loudly about the responsibility of the republicans for the revenue law are very preme court joined in upholding the law and declaring that the equitable distribution of tax burdens under it depends THE FIRST VOTERS.

tion to confer with the republican naers of the country.

the last presidential election. On which edly it will be, overwhelmingly. side will this great army of first voters array themselves in the present contest? Will most of them be found with the party of national progress, of great of Omaha were elected last year they They have grown to manhood while the nicipal lighting. In order to redeem that body to the senate in 1873. principles and policies for which the pledge an ordinance has been introduced republican party stands have been in by Councilman Zimman in concurrence operation. They have seen with just with Mayor Moores, submitting to the the world. With this before them, with \$500,000 of bonds and the expenditure of the overwhelming evidence of the beneficent results of republican policy, can be needed for the establishment of a these young men doubt for an instant municipal electric lighting plant. where duty calls them?

In his address on the fiftieth anniversire to do right. They are as patriotic the extension. as were the men who went to the deing presidential election align themselves with the republican party, thus beginning their association with national politics as patriotic men should begin, by supporting that cause which means the maintenance of national honor and credit, industrial and commercial advancement and the attain-Don't fail to vote if you are entitled to ment of a still higher position among the nations of the earth.

A FUTILE APPEATA

The international peace congress has by resolution called upon Russia and Japan to end the war and upon the signatory powers of The Hague convention to press upon the governments of the belligerents the importance of terminating the strife. A peace congress that failed to make an appeal of this kind would be almost culpably derelict and could hardly expect to be taken seriously but it must be presumed that the members of the congress felt that the resolution would be utterly futile.

are not at this time in any mood to listen to peace proposals. Their thoughts and their plans have reference entirely to the continuance of the war and to carrying it on with increasing vigor. Russia is actively preparing to heavily reinforce her armies in Manchuria and Japan is sending new troops there as rapidly as possible. The advices that come from St. Petersburg reflecting official sentiment indicate a firm determination to go on with hostilities while a single resource for the purpose remains. No word has come from Tokio intimating any dispos!tion on the part of the government to end the sanguinary struggle. The Japanese seem confident that they will finally

As to the powers, it does not appear that any one of them is favorable to congress should see that its name is mediation at this time. England is the ally of Japan and France is the ally of Russia. The attitude of either England The mad mullah has broken out again or France toward mediation is, and will in Somaliland. This fellow is making a be, affected by the preferences of Japan good record in timing his outbreaks so and Russia, respectively. So long as that Great Britain has nothing for its the belligerents do not want mediation their allies will see that it is not forced upon them. Therefore peace resolutions Shanghai correspondents are making are utterly useless at this time, whatgreat efforts to interest the world in a ever may be their effect later on, and ap-

THE PRIMARY CONCERN.

The first concern of every American citizen should be for the interests and the welfare of his own country. This the stock yards district of Chicago. The nation has not yet reached the limit of sources still to be drawn upon. In a 4,000,000 to twenty times that number. again. It is possible that by the close of the twentieth century the inhabitants of the United States will number 250,000,000. Our industrial and commercial progress has been more rapid during the last fifty years than the increase in population. The history of no other country affords a parallel to the advance this nation has made since 1870 and the existing conditions promise a continuance of this progress.

It has been the policy of the republican party, from the day of its organization, to promote and safeguard American interests. This is still republican policy. It is antagonized now as from the beginning by the democratic party. That party demands that the pillars upon which rest the temple of prosperity shall be pulled down. It assails as robbery the principle under which our vast industries have been built up and a great home market created for the products of agriculture, The purpose of the republican party is to preserve this market, as far as prac-The fusion candidates who are talking ticable, for American producers. It is many times more valuable to our farmers than all other markets combined. mum on the two supreme court decisions It is vastly more important to our manin which both fusion judges of the su- ufacturers than all other markets. Its protection is essential to the welfare of

> American labor. The fostering and promotion of home

National Republican league is that should especially commend itself adopted a resolution authorizing and to the thoughful consideration of the directing the president of the organiza- wage earners of the United States. We want no policy that will subject any tional chairman with the view of in- portion of this element of our people to augurating immediately, on co-operative the competition of cheaper labor and lines, a campaign amongst the first vot- thereby lower the standard of living. The policy advocated by the democratic Between one and two million young party would have this result and theremen have reached the voting age since fore it must be repudiated, as undoubt-

LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE. When the present mayor and council achievement, or will they unite with were publicly pledged in favor of a muthe party of obstruction and reaction? nicipal ownership and especially for mupride the progress of their country in voters of Omaha on the 8th of November wealth and power and in the respect of a proposition authorizing the issue of

The manager of the electric lighting plant proposes to head off municipal sary of the birth of the republican lighting by a counter proposition for an party, Secretary Hay said: "What extension of the contract for electric young man would not rather belong to lighting, which does not expire until Janthe party that does things, instead of uary 1, 1906, for a term of five years. one that opposes them; to the party To make the proposal attractive a mathat looks up, rather than down; to the terial reduction in the price of electric party of the dawn, rather than of the street lamps will be offered and pressure sunset?" The intelligent young men of will be brought to bear upon the council today have high aspirations. They de- to vote down the ordinance and vote up

We doubt very much, however, fense of the union and they are as whether the citizens of Omaha will re jealous of the honor and integrity of gard an extension of the contract as a the country. They are in favor of national discharge of the obligation assumed by progress, of policies that will make the mayor and council when they promus as a people greater and stronger, ised municipal ownership. On the con-Proud of being Americans, they want trary, we feel sure that the people of light of the disaster to the steamboat Gentheir country to maintain its command. Omaha will want an opportunity to de- eral Slocum human life appears to be reing position among the powers of the cide for themselves whether they want world and take no backward step. We public lighting done by a private corconfidently believe that a very large ma- poration or whether they want to do fority of the first voters will at the com- their own public lighting, as many other the Camden establishment is charged with cities are doing.

> The official reporter of Bryan's campaign excursion has changed in name but not in substance. The new scribe seems to have as elastic an imagination and equally multiplex eyes as his predecessor. He can see thousands where others can only count hundreds and he can read the innermost thoughts of Bryan's auditors at long distance range. True he has not yet conjured up | slight break from the time of the civil war, the two little girls in blue who used to sing, "Bryan, Bryan, Echo His Name," nor the old man who used to travel sixty miles in a buckboard to say he had pressed the hand of Bryan before he dies, nor the mother holding up the new-born babe to receive a kiss that it would remember for all years to come, but he is nevertheless doing quite well.
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> He has discovered that the prairies are still after for Bryan and Bryanism, and merely a reproduction of the "fake" yarns and impossible trivialities with which a cerhe is unearthing more nameless and untain section of the American press delights For hundreds of years a story was current 10 to 3, in large blocks of \$1,000 to \$5,000, on namable republicans who are being to pad out its columns. Get hold of the that on the way down the river a hurriconverted than the official reporter of average Englishman and yea will find his cane arose, and that the people on board former years ever did. Under the circumstancess, therefore, the public has no right to find fault with the new Richmond in the field.

The electric lighting company, by its president, comes to the front with its customary bid for a renewal of its unexpired lighting contract at slightly renity for five years from the proposed municipal lighting plant. It will be remembered that this is the same game the lighting company played to head off the power canal proposition a couple of years ago. The privilege of exploiting the local field of commercial lighting and power at unrestricted rates is worth several concessions in the price of street

The annual statement of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad com- plea that should not be accepted, for in pany, with its net earnings, is a notable commentary upon the business conditions in the central west and should be especially encouraging to agricultural-Colorado mineral railroads.

A startling piece of news comes from Denver which will hardly be believed n Omaha. One of the newspapers alleges that the insurance companies are seriously considering the question of 1895 lowering insurance rates there, and that | 1896 without a strong appeal by the insured.

Must Hustle to Keep Warm.

Minneapolis Times. From what we read about the Japanese in the last few months we hardly believe they will take a vacation when winter sets

Long Felt Want Unfilled.

Colonel Wilkie of the secret service bueau has issued a learned treatise telling us how to detect counterfelt money. Our thanks to the colonel, but we would appreciate more keenly some instructions as to the best method of detecting and apprehending the genuine kind.

Bartholdi's Conspicuous Monument

Baltimore American. America, in whose honor he planted the gigantic statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World" in New York harbor, sorrows with France over the death of Frederic August Bartholdi, the Paris sculptor. But it may be said of him that few men of this generation ever built for themselves so conspicuous a statue.

Giving Parker the Marble Heart. Boston Transcript.

Mr. Bryan has begun a campaign in Ne braska which seems to be directed rather for his own advancement than the success of Parker, for he says he takes back noth ing of his old-time principles. He says frankly that he remains in the democratic party only because he believes he can best promote those principles by so doing Somehow harmony appears to be interrupted by the development of a large area of Bryanism in Nebraska.

Bank Notes Multiplying.

Springfield Republican. National bank note circulation continues to expand, no matter what the condition of the money market is. The increase for September, when money ruled a little higher, was about \$3,500,000, while the increase in August, when the market was only upon its reasonable enforcement. Interests and the protection of American as dead as could be, was nearly as great. this ruthless slaughter on the rail.

labor is the paramount duty. This it it is a purely arbitrary operation which this bank note system puts forth at all times. Total circulation under it now exceeds \$456,000,000, which is the highest figure ever reached. It has almost doubled within four years.

The Old and the New Senate.

The only member of the senate older In service than Hoar, though three years younger in age, is Allison of Iowa, who took his seat in March, 1873. Thus it is that almost the last link between the present and that past of the national legislature which dealt with the greatest questions springing from the civil war is broken in the death of Senator Hoar, as he entered the house less than five years after the declaration of peace. Only Allison remains as the representative of those days in congress, he having taken his seat in the house in 1864, passing from that

Discarded Toy of Science.

New York Globe. A few years ago the scientific sensation was liquid sir, as recently it has been radium. Liquid air was to turn all our wheels, heat our houses in winter and cool them in summer-liquid air was to destroy so much of the proceeds thereof as may our garbage, anesthetize all our pain and usher in a new era. It was soberly argued by men who made claim to scientific knowledge that liquid air could be used to run compressors to make more liquid air, and thus, with a thimbleful at the start, a force could be created strong enough to pry the earth from its orbit. A sad commentary on these high hopes is an item to the effecthat judgment of \$573 against the company owning the patent has been returned unsatisfied. Liquid air is as wonderful as it ever was, but wonderfulness is not usefulness. Science also has its toys.

Depravity of Greed.

Philadelphia Press It seems almost incredible that any civilized person would put iron in cork life preservers to increase their weight and thus add to the profits of the manufacturing establishment. But officials of a Camden concern are under indictment for having done that very thing, and there is no question that they sold cork, containing fron, which was used for life preservers. In the garded by some persons as of no value when weighed in the balance with money. It was charged that the life preservers on that vessel were old and worthless. But making new ones fall below the government standard by secretly using iron in

WHERE IGNORANCE IS BLISS. The Average Englishman's Idea of

America. Sidney Brooks in Success. The average Englishman is not a great student of American affairs. He never learns anything of American history in school; he is not taught American geography; from the revolution onward, with a the history of the United States is a sealed workings of the American system of govin proportion to what he brings to it, and

ers, faith healers, Tammany bosses, presidents with revolvers in their hip pockets. chambermaids who refuse to make Booker T. Washington's bed, politicians "on the make," society women who entertain pet monkeys at luncheon, big railway smashes a tornado or two, half a dozen floods, strikes that read like civil war, Mr. Dooley, J. Pierpont Morgan, Andrew Carnegie and duced prices, in consideration of immu- a "yellow" press, but from such material as this it is difficult for him to picture America as it really is.

SLAUGHTER ON THE RAIL.

Alarming Succession of Disasters on American Railroads. New York Herald.

About seventy persons are dead and more than 100 are maimed or otherwise injured as a result of a head-on collision upon the Southern railway.

The increasing number of fatal accidents upon our railways calls for more than pass-"Nobody to blame" is a nearly all cases these catastrophes are preventable.

There were more than 86,000 casualties, including nearly 10,000 deaths, upon our lines in the latest fiscal year for which the comists in the face of the statements of pleted figures have been compiled by the authorities. In the latest corresponding whole of the United Kingdom by accidents to trains. The caualties to passengers, employes and all other persons on the ruilways of the United States in recent fiscal

44,620

50,320 53,339

With the growth in traffic and the increased income of the railways, the pleamade a generation ago of poverty on the part of the railway corporations and hasty construction "to open up the country" is obsolete. There is no excuse today for Improvised construction or flimsy rolling stock, and the public may well challenge the policy of distributing enormous sums in dividends while maintaining a single track line and running trains in opposite directions over the same rails.

The satirical suggestion that accidents might be prevented by making a director ride on every locomotive is not practicable, but it is practicable to institute more rigid investigations into the causes of these disasters and to inflict adequate punishment upon those responsible for them. England's comparative imunity is in large measure due to the fact that the Board of Trade will prosecute and secure the imprisonment of the guilty person, whether he be an engine driver or a director.

It is significant that in Saturday's accident, as in so many others, the great loss of life was confined to the inmates of flimsy day coaches, which collapsed like eggshells, while the heavier sleeping or parlor cars withstood the shock and were not even derailed. Isn't it time to insist upon nore substantial cars for all passengers and to institute a rigid inspection which will eliminate those that have become old and rotten? One theory advanced to explain the failure of the westbound train to stop on Baturday at the proper point is that the engineer had died at his post. Whether this was the case or whether the engineer had a mental lapse, there is a fimely renewal of the suggestion that there should be two men within reach of the throttle and both acquainted with the run-

ning orders. The increasing number of fatal accidents has excited public feeling and certainly legislative measures will be taken to check

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The Russian correspondence of European ournals lays stress upon the great difficulty which the Russian authorities are experiencing in finding capable engineers of the higher ranks for their Baltic fleet and men-of-war approaching completion. Their best engineers, engine-room artificers, and trained boller-room staffs were drafted into the Pacific before the outbreak of the war, and many more have been sent out sinc then to fill new vacancies. Consequently, the Russian Admiralty has been forced in many cases to appoint to the engine-rooms of their newer vessels comparatively young men, with little practical experience of the engines and boilers of up-to-date craft. The difficulty is so pressing, it is said, that many engineers have been taken over by the Naval Department from private steam ship companies. Few of these men have ever been in charge of a marine engine worked by steam from a Belleville boiler. All the available engineers of the Russian volunteer fleet were transferred to warships long ago, but of these there were not many unemployed. As a last resource, it is said, engineer cadets are being hurried through their practical course affoat in the vicinity of Kronstadt and elsewhere to enable them to join the engine-room staffs of the ships now in course of construction. Their lack of experience is likely to have serious consequences.

The annual report of the English lunacy commissioners is a protentous document, filling 500 pages of a blue book recently issued. It makes rather laborious reading, but contains some interesting and disquieting facts. Among them are the following On January 1, 1904, there were 117,199 persons certified as insane in England and Wales, or 3,235 in excess of the number reported on January 1, 1903. In the ten years ending December 31, 1903, the average annual increase in the number of insane was 2,512, and the increase in 1903 exceeded that average by 821. On January 1, 1994 the total number of officially reported insane to the estimated population of Eng land and Wales was in the proportion of I to 288; or, in other words, the ratio of the insane per 10,600 of population was 34.71; while last year on the same day the ratio was 34.14. The commissioners point out that in dealing with the gross figures alone there has been a rise in the total numbers from 113,964 to 117,199, i. e., an increase of 2.8 per cent, but the increase of the one ratio over the other was 1.7 per cent, a rate which represents more accurately the actual growth of insanity, since it takes into account the growth in population. The total increase in this ratio for the past ten years was 13.1 per cent, whereas the increase in the numbers 27.3 per cent. In 1894 the proportion of insane to total population was as 1 to 327; in 1904 it is as 1 to 288, and while the

insane have increased from 92,000 to 117,-

000, the general population has grown from

about 30,000,000 to 33,750,000. Alcoholic in-

temperance figures prominently among the

physical causes of insanity.

The ancient cathedral at Canterbury shelters the remains of only one English king, book to nim, and of the general form and Henry IV. That this particular monarch should have been entombed there is the ernment he knows worse than nothing, more remarkable since he breathed his What a man gets out of a newspaper is last in the Jerusalem chamber of Westminster Abbey, and it might naturally the ordinary English reader, I fear, is have been supposed under the circumstances more dazed than helped by the cablegrams that he would have been laid to rest in the from New York that seek to unfold the Abbey, where so many other of England's mysteries of American politics. Apart kings sleep their last sleep. It seems, howand impossible trivialities with which a cer- of his uncle, Edward the Biack Prince. 8, in small lots, that Herrick will win, and knowledge of America to be in the main a the vessel, convinced that the storm was caused by the fact that a king's body was on board, cast the corpse into the water in the dead of night, and, filling the coffin with rubbish, brought it with all pomp and circumstance to the cathedral. Some years ago the dean and chapter resolved to get at the truth of the story. So they opened the royal tomb. First they came to the coffin of Joan, the king's wife, who lies beside in effigy on the tomb; then they saw the king's coffin. The lead box was opened and for one brief moment dean and chapter gazed upon the kingly lineaments of that monarch whom Shakespeare describes as "sky aspiring Boilingbrook." Only for a moment, however, as the body crumbled to dust almost at once. But Canterbury now knows beyond all doubt that an English king rests within its walls.

Premier Giolitti of Italy is placed in a rather embarrassing position by the kindness of the Italian king, who conferred the order of the Annunciation on him at the birth of the prince of Piedmont. This was done as a matter of course, for the premier is always called on to act as crown notary at royal births and weddings, and for his services receives the highest honor in the gift of his sovereign. It so happens that the knights of the Annunciation must take an oath, on assuming the order, "to defend, maintain and restore the states and liberties of our holy mother, year only six passengers were killed in the the church"-which is a most delicate thing for the premier to do, considering the existing conditions between the Vatican and Quirinal. Premier Zanardelli was placed in a similar position, however, and though years (ending June 30) have been as follows: a great stickler for form and famous for keeping his word, found nothing in the oath to prevent his taking it. Giolitti will doubtless look at it as mere form also, and take it without further thought.

The official instructions issued by Dr. De Cuvelier, secretary of state for the Congo administration, to the Belgian commission of inquiry concerning the condition of affairs in the Congo state, is a fair enough document upon its face. It begins with the assertion that the government has no other object than the revelation of the whole truth, and will interfere in no way. Orders, it says, have been issued to officials and agents of all grades to give unreserved aid and co-operation. The commission is empowered to examine not only witnesses cited by itself, but also those who volunteer evidence of their own accord. On the other hand, it has power to compel defaulting witnesses to appear. The government places no limitation either as to the field of its operations or the term of its labors. It can carry on investigations when and where it chooses, and as long as it likes. But it is enjoined to make such personal investigation as shall enable it to arrive at a definite conviction. Nothing, apparently, could be more straightforword, but it should be remembered that the officials and agents who are commanded to aid the commission in discovering abuses are supposed to be the very men most interested in concealing them.

The largest wireless telegraph station in the world is now being installed at Pisa, Italy, and will be ready to transmit messages early next year. Marconi is planning to have the batteries strong enough to send messages to England, this country and to vessels on the Atlantic, Mediterranean, Pultic and Red seas. In addition to this activity in telegraphic communications in Italy. a group of Dutch capitalists have formed a company to operate a new catle line on the other side of the world. The cables of this new organization will connect the island of Celebes, in the Dutch East Indies, with the classically named Island of Yap, and from there the cables will go to Guam and Shanghai. The working capital of the new company is \$1,665,000, and the estimated cost of laying the cables is \$3,451,000.



POLITICAL DRIFT.

Moreover, Mr. Bryan is a pretty smooth Foxy Grandpa. Charley Towne's faithfulness to Tam-

many has been rewarded with a nomina-

tion for congress. Candidate Herrick of New York enjoys the unusual privilege of having a son stumping for him. Carl Schurz hands a defenseless public a

5,000-word letter of acceptance. The campaign is now on in earnest. Former Senator Peffer of Kansas has re turned to his old love-the republican party. There is ample room for more in the tent

and salvation is abundant. It is authoritatively announced that David B. Hill will not alter the habits of a lifetime on January 1, or thereabouts. Mr. Hill says he will play a lone hand to the

Senator Clark of Montana is said to have dazed the national committee by dumping a certified check for \$600,000 into the Parker treasury. It is believed this sum will insure a respectable funeral.

One branch of business utterly fails to respond to improved currents of trade. of the insane during the same period was Professional spellbinding is painfully backward and depressed. There isn't enough doing to straighten the folds of a buffalo

> The ancient saw, "There's honor among thieves," receives a bouquet from an unexpected quarter. Charles F. Kelly, first assistant chief of the St. Louis boodlers, declares that members of the gang did not cheat each other Rival parties in Indiana accuse each other

> of piling up large sums of money with which to lubricate the respective machines on election day. Hooslerdom has been a political battleground for so long that the natives cannot readily forego the pleasure of handling the money to see if It will stick.

Betting on Wall street last Wednesday was 10 to 4 on Roosevelt. These offers were Herrick, were offered,

The democrats of El Paso county, Colorado, have nominated a picturesque charhave won him fame on two continents and who is known to every stockman of importance in the west. For fifteen years Adams rode the ranges of Texas and Colorado, and for ten years past he has been a resident

When the bloom was on the clover, and the blue was in the sky.

And my happy heart brimmed over—in the days gone by! of Colorado Springs and Cripple Creek When he first settled in Colorado he became interested in mining at Cripple Creek, and a few years ago was a prominent mining broker of Colorado Springs.

The voter who cannot find a presidential ticket to suit his taste this year is mighty hard to please. There are nine tickets in the field. Here they are:

Republican-Roosevelt and Fairbanks. Democratic-Parker and Davis. Populist-Watson and Tibbles. Prohibitionists-Swallow and Carroll. Socialist-Debs and Hanford. Socialist Labor-Corregan and Cox. Negro Liberty-Taylor and Payne. Lincoln-Penn and Jones. Continental-Holcomb and King.

TART TRIPLES.

"It's too bad the ruler of Russia isn't "You believe in republics, then?"
"Yes; but I wasn't thinking of that. I was just picturing how the Russian candidates would run."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"That man over there is a specialist in diseases of the eye. They say that he never sends a bill to his patients." "Works for the love of his profession, does he?" "Oh, dear no! You see, he makes every-body pay in advance."—Philadelphia Press.

Hicks-How do you happen to be going fishing on Friday? I thought you believed Friday was an unlucky day.

Wicks-Well, I always have. But it occurred to me this morning that perhaps it would be unlucky for the fish.—Somerville

"Do you think that a college course pre-pares a man for the battle of life?"
"I assuredly do." said the practical man.
"After a student has been hazed and has been through a few foot ball games he can hold his own in a crowd anywhere."— Washington Star.

Investment Broker-What you want, I presume, is something that pays large div-dends. Prospective Investor—No. I don't care about the size of the dividends, just so I get 'em often enough, I'm no hog.—Chi-

Ella-He comes of good family, doesn't Stella—Yes, he's the only thing I know against it.—Town Topics.

"Prosperity?" said Dr. Slighcem, the eminent surgeon. "There is altogether too much prosperity! It is killing business."
"In what way?" asked the other "Why, sir, almost anybody can afford to have appendicitis nowadays, and, in consequence, all of my best patients regard it as too common, and refuse to have it."—Chicago Tribune.

Foreman—I see tobaccer is going to be purty cheap this year.

Manager—Well, what of that?

Foreman—I was wondering if it wouldn't be a good idee to put a little in our cigars.

—Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Do you ride on free railroad passes?" shouted a man in the audience to the candidate making a speech.
"You bet I do. It's anything to beat the railroads with me."—Detroit Free Press.

THE DAYS GONE BY.

James Whitcomb Riley, by! O the days acter for sheriff. He is Andy Adams, the cowboy author, whose stories of the range The chirrup of the robin, and the whistle of the quali As he piped across the meadows sweet as nightingale;

In the days gone by, when my naked feet were tripped.

By the honeysuckle tangles where the water lilies dipped.

And the ripples of the river lipped the moss along the brink.

Where the placid-eyed and lazy-footed cattle came to drink.

And the tilting snipe stood fearless of the truant's wayward cry

And the splashing of the swimmer, in the days gone by.

O the days gone by! O the days gone by! The music of the laughing lip, the luster The music of the laughing lip, the luster of the eye;
The childish faith in fairles, and Aladdin's magic ring—
magic ring—
The simple, soul-reposing, glad belief in
everything.
For life was like a story, holding neither
sob nor sigh,
In the golden, olden glory of the days gone



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