The unexpected does not often happen

Douglas county affairs subject to the

of all parties bear this in mind.

practise is not apparent.

light bonds will be construed as a vote

in favor of extending the electric light-

Poor, but Honest.

Boston Transcript.

The fact that ex-Governor Pattison o

Needless Cruelties of War.

One of the inevitable horrors of that

eastern war is that Alfred Austin has

A Pertinent Inquiry.

Kansas City Star.

By the way, which one of the thirty

seven corporations in which Mr. Belmont

is a stockholder does Judge Parker propose

Another Reorganization

Philadelphia Press.

Bryan says that he does not think that

there will be much need of reorganizing

the democratic party after election. That

is true enough. It is still a Bryan party.

Co. will again sink into party obscurity.

Counting the Cost.

Chicago Chronicle.

The returns are not yet all in, but dis

that it cannot be announced that all of

Optimism Precedes the Jolt.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican (ind.)

landslide on the strength of the undoubted

movement toward Parker in New York

worse fooled than the optimistic Mr. Bryan

\$30,000 for Nebraska,

Chicago Inter Ocean.

It is said that in consideration of his

services in Indiana. Chairman Tusgart has

ontributed \$50,000 of the democratic na-

onal campaign fund to William Jennings

used to be?

Are they or are they not to be

Pittsburg Dispatch

lighting monopoly.

another poem over it.

to smash first?

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efore me this 3ist day of October, 1904.
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M. B. HUNGATE,
Notary Public.

Be careful in marking your ballot to-

Mr. Metcock is getting madder still. That's very evident.

Colonel Bryan's optimism always did get away with his sound judgment.

Now for a full vote, if only to hold Omaha up in comparison with other cities of its rank.

Another political campaign has closed In San Domingo, the insurgent leaders having surrendered.

Straws point the way the wind blows. Five thousand more republicans than all others registered in Omaha.

People have been known to listen to Bryan before and even to applaud him and then to vote for the other fellow.

If you didn't register you can't vote. And there seems to be at least 2,000 self-Omaha

If Ton Watson should receive anything like as many votes in Nebraska as Parker, Bryan stock will fall several notches on Wall street.

Judge Parker says he would rather be defeated than fettered. The voters will probably see that any schackles which may bind him are broken Tues.

the average American looks with envy

When Germany and the United States have ratified the arbitration treaty mitted to move in Berlin households Tuesday. under its own name.

The republican legislative ticket is in every respect superior to that nominated by the fusionists and should by all means be elected, Colonel Bryan's advice to the contrary notwithstanding.

Judge Parker says no campaign committee can accept funds without an impiled promise, which may be an indirec: way of telling J. J. Hill to rest easy if the democratic ticket should by mishap be elected.

Admiral Togo has broken into the reports again, dispatches saying he is still throwing shells into Port Arthur. If he has been at that ever since the last report scrap iron must be at a discount in the Russian stronghold.

Isn't all this fulsome laudation of the present democratic county attorney as the "best ever" just a little reflection on some of his eminent predecessors in office of the same faith? Or is it with the democratic hot-air artists that "out of sight" is "out of mind?"

The republican legislative and county tickets in Douglas county this year are well above the average. Republicans will make no mistake in voting for every republican candidate on them. Every one of them secured his nomination by reason of receiving a higher vote of preference in a direct primary and is thereby entitled to the support of every one who calls himself a republican.

Do the citizens of Omaha want the re years more? A vote against the light corporation as a vote against muthat will put off municipal ownership were pointed out to him, by a conclusive that party except where the voter indiwall lives on the later of

DO NOT BE DECEIVED.

of the electric lighting monopoly, that representations. there is a scheme on foot to delay inis a most stupid and baseless canard.

sition of the water works is in compli- their answer will be. ance with the conditions imposed by the contract made in 1881 between the city and the water works company. No legislature has the right to repeal, or modify, a contract. Even the courts have no authority to abrogate a contract.

The report that an effort will be made to have the Howell-Gilbert law repealed by the coming legislature in order to block the purchase of the water works is equally false and groundless. The repeal of the Howell-Gilbert law would have no more effect upon the purchase of the water works than the "pope's bull against the comet." No reputable lawyer will contend for a moment that the enactment of any law, or the repeal of chase of the water works. The action of the mayor and council is irrevocable and blading upon the city, unless fraud company in the conduct of the appraisement now pending.

In order to set these ridiculous roor-Bee pledges himself to oppose any attempt to delay completion of the negoticity council, by the legislature, or by ing for free silver? the water board. He favors municipal the lighting monopoly.

THE END OF THE CAMPAIGN. two great political parties of the counto sell more goods. try. Incidentally there has been a good deal of strife and controversy, but in the main the parties have been very well organized and brought together so that now on the eve of the election it can be said confidently that the two great fighting forces in our political great battle that is to be fought tomorrow at the ballot box.

As to who will be the winner in this a difference of opinion, based upon such John L. Kennedy is in every respect distranchised voters in Omaha and South facts as seem to us to be absolutely convincing, is that Roosevelt and Fair banks will be overwhelmingly elected. We are unable to see any other outcome of the election. As the situation looks to us we can see nothing but the assurance of republican success, yet we are not unprepared for a different possibility, however improbable this may

The quiet character of the campaign is by no means an evidence that the people are not taking an active interest in the political contest. On the con-Sunday was election day in Italy-and trary, there is every reason to believe that the people generally are very fully upon the people of that country who are alive to the demands of the situation already realizing on their campaign and will show themselves to be so on election day. We have had some very good evidence of this in the vote of the September states and there is no reason to believe that this will be less conclumaybe the American hog will be per- sive in the states that will vote on next

> At any rate republicans everywhere are expected to do their duty to their party and their country in tomorrow's election. In order to do this they will vote the straight republican ticket, omitting not a single name that is on the ticket. A republican who ignores or scratches a name which is on the regular party ticket is unfaithful to his party and is unworthy of future recognition as a republican. The demand of the hour is that every republican shall be on watch and do his duty manfully and faithfully. If all respond to this demand there can be no doubt as to the

THE PASSING OF PARKER.

There is no question that Judge Parker has been steadily falling away in popular regard ever since his nomination His message to the St. Louis convention gave him a momentary prestige, warranting the claim of his supporters that he was a man of more than ordinary character and determination, but nothing that has since been done by the democratic candidate justifies that opinion of him.

As a matter of fact, Judge Parker has contributed nothing to his party except a personality that embodied the compromises necessary to an even temporary democratic reconcentration. He has ceased to be a party force and he is absolutely without potency as a leader. He has shown in every one of his public addresses that he is not familiar with the affairs of the government and that he relies for his information upon men who are conspicuously known as the unsectric lighting contract extended for qualified opponents of the administration, regardless of whether it is right or bend proposition will be construed by wrong. Instead of making investigathe strenuous president of the electric tions for himself, the unquestionable fact is, in the authority of Judge Parker law requires in marking official ballots nicipal ownership of electric lights and himself, that he has accepted the state at the election. To vote a straight ticket for the extension of his contract, and we ments of other parties, naturally inter- the voter has only to place a cross in violate no confidence in predicting that ested in misleading him, and used it to the circle at the top of the ballot ophe will have no trouble in persuading mislend the public. He has done this posite his party designation. This cross five councilmen to vote him an extension in several cases and when his errors votes for all candidates nominated by

ently ignored these corrections and re- cross opposite the name of some par-The report circulated by the emissaries fused to admit his mistakes and mis- ticular candidate of another party. The

Is a man of this character a proper fore, even where they want to scratch the coming legislature that will author- dent of the United States? Is a man office on the ballot escapes them. Extra The action of the mayor and council are questions that appeal to the Ameri- a scratched ticket requires a cross after

WHY ARE THE BANKERS FOR HITCH-

COCKI Henry W. Yates, president of the Nebraska National bank, makes a fervent Douglas county for the re-election of take no chances on spoiled ballots, G. M. Hitchcock, and other bankers would doubtless do likewise if they were ardent desire for the retention of Mr. Hitchcock in congress.

How does it come that Mr. Yates and ship of electric light. The last time the bankers of Omaha are so anxious Dunn appeared on the stage as the cham-Hitchcock Introduce a postal savings before the police board against the Issu- stituted. bank bill in congress which is so odious ance of liquor licenses to 194 saloon to them? Can it be possible the kid keepers whom he charged with having ing to catch the votes of people who year. This grandstand play was fol. at Chicago. In favor postal savings banks?

What do the wage workers of Omaha, has returned to its idols? Does it not is a strange coincidence also that Walter snare? Does it not show that he was turf, Colonel Moise is hollering his head ations for the purchase of the water always a gold democrat at heart while off against municipal ownership of elecworks at the earliest moment by the he was shouting for Bryan and clamor- tric lights.

Why are the bankers for Hitchcock? ownership of the water works just as Because Hitchcock is for the bankers, earnestly as he does municipal public just as he is for Howell, the humbug, lighting, and brands all reports to the and for every other charlatan that imcontrary as pure fabrications gotten up poses upon our people-just as he is and set affort by the enemies of munici- now with Baldwin and the Union Pacific pal ownership and the beneficiaries of for George W. Berge. Hitchcock has played the working men of Omaha and South Omaha for fools. He introduced his postal savings bill the very last day Today ends the presidential campaign of the session, when he knew it could and it has been one of the most remark. not possibly pass. He has palmed himable in some respects in the history of self off as the champion of municipal national contests in this country. It ownership, but goes back on municipal has been a comparatively unenthusiastic ownership and joins the electric light and notably quiet canvass. On no hand monopoly in its desperate effort to beat has there been exhibited any of the working men out of an opportunity to enthusiasm and excitement that have secure more employment at better wages usually marked the contest between the and merchants out of the opportunity

Republicans of the Second Nebraska district have in their nominee an opporrepresentative in the next congress a young man of sterling character, fine arena are virtually consolidated for the ability and tried integrity, a lawyer who ranks among the leaders at the bar, an 7.822, the totals being 121,835 for Mcuncompromising republican thoroughly at one with the principles of the party great popular contest there is necessarily and the policies of the administration. worthy of the honor to which he aspires. He won his nomination by a signal victory at a direct primary election in which \$100 retainer paid him on account by he had to overcome the odds that placed Fred Nash for the influence of his public that he was clearly the choice of the evidently thinks he can make the presimajority of the active members of the party and since he received his commisenergetic, honorable and winning fight for election. Not a single argument has times taken in. been advanced in detraction of Mr. Kennedy as a man, but his democratic opponent is piteously beseeching republicans to vote against him simply because they may not like someone else. The republicans of this district are too intelligent to be misled by such sophistry and will give their answer at the polis.

WHERE DO THEY STAND NOW! The platform on which the support of the citizens of Omaha was invoked for the candidates on the democratic city ticket in May, 1903, contains the follow-

ing declaration: We favor the municipal ownership of all public utilities at the earliest practical oportunity, and we favor the submission of the question to a vote of the people through the initiative and referendum at any time

the people desire. We arraign the republican city administration for having violated the charter provisions by granting to the electric light empany the privilege of putting down conduits and extending the franchise of that company without having submitted the same to the vote of the people, and we promise that our candidates for mayor and city council will, if elected, cause to be submitted to the people a proposition providing for the municipal ownership of the electric light plant.

Where do the democrats of Omaha stand now on this issue? Have they repudiated their own declaration and mortgaged themselves body and soul to the electric lighting monopoly? And where does that spurious champion of municipal ownership, G. M. Hitchcock, stand on the momentous issue which concerns wage workers of Omaha more than any other proposition presented to the voters

n many years? What induced Hitchcock to repudiate the platform pledges on which the democratic candidates stood for election eighteen months ago? What has happened within the last eighteen mouths to jusify the complete somersault of the

World-Herald? Is it not palpable that the democratic leaders who denounced the republican administration for extending the electric light contract and now oppose electric light bonds have sold out to the electric light monopoly?

HOW TO MARK YOUR BALLOT. As usual, the customary amount of misconception prevails as to what the statement of the facts, he has persist cates differently by placing a separate not worth to cents.

ON POLITICAL FIRING LINES. Features of the Campaign as it Apsafe thing for republicans to do thereproaches the Finish.

Bundles of betting money are visible in definitely the purchase of the water man to be entrusted with the great the ticket in part, is first to put a cross Wall street seeking opportunities for "a works plant by the passage of a bill in duties that belong to the office of presi- in their party circle to make sure no killing." The greater part of it is repubfive to one in favor of Roosevelt, but ize the mayor and council to repeal the who indulges in gross misrepresenta- caution is needed against scratching the range closed up slightly the following ordinance under which the appraisement tions regarding the affairs of the gov- ballots for those offices for which a days and is now about four to one. One of the water works is now progressing, ernment a fit person to be given the group of candidates are running-the prominent stock exchange house offered control of great national interests? These legislature for example. Here to vote but takers are scarce. One large bet recorded was \$12,000 on Roosevelt to \$2,500 on behalf of the city towards the acqui- can people and we cannot doubt what each chosen name, otherwise the vote on Parker. On the New York governorindicated by the cross in the party circle ship odds of ten to eight and ten to seven are freely offered on the election of Heris negatived by a cross opposite a single rick. name of different party designation and the choice for the remaining state sena-

The New York correspondent of the tors or representatives is thereby lost. Pittsburg Dispatch reports "extraordinary Be safe-vote a straight republican stories affoat around the national headquarappeal to the citizens of Omaha and ticket by a cross in the top circle and ters of both parties. Eleventh-hour bombshells are in preparation and the discharge of one is bound to be followed by the hurling of another. The most portentous of these contains a direct charge of a milonly courageous enough to disclose their That fact is again strikingly illustrated lion-dollar theft against one of the camweek recrimination has been passing hot Dunn as an opponent of municipal ownerand fast with reference to campaign funds. On the stump generalizations have been made which might make awkward condifor Hitchcock's re-election? Did not pion of civic purification with a protest tions if a cold court of inquiry were inbeen abundantly supplied with money does not admit of dispute. The republican headquarters has a payroll twice as large as any law, can change or impede the pur- gloved candidate was only masquerad- violated the law during the preceding Senator Hanna supported four years ago across from the Waldorf, the democratic lowed by a withdrawal of that solemn organization has ten times more men emremonstrance as soon as the board had ployed than Senator Jones found it possible can be proved on the part of the water whom Mr. Hitchcock is importuning for overridden the protests filed against the to pay when he was chairman during the votes, say to this? Is it not as plain issuance of licenses to Walter Moise and last Bryan campaign. Even with all his as the nose on a man's face that Israel his various and variegated resorts. It lavish display the question has been asked; men representing the republican organizabacks put in circulation by the electric show that Mr. Hitchcock's grandstand Moise and his Willow Springs brewery tion persist in accusing Parker of secret light monopoly at rest the editor of The play for free silver and for postal say- hands are on the petition of Howell, the dealings with the trusts a blunt end may ings banks has been a delusion and a Humbug, and in the language of the be attached to the inquiry. August Belmont knows who is putting up the money both ways. It may be a remote thing to envelop both party organizations is not impossible."

In no quarter of Greater New York is control of the county board have for years been the worst mismanaged part red fire burned than in the conglomerate of our public business. There is admiteast side. A correspondent of the Philatedly more room for improvement in the delphia Ledger, who followed the band court house and county institutions than wagon in that section, says nearly every known language is spoken there, a large anywhere else and the need of improveproportion of the population is of foreign extraction, supposed to be little in sym-That the improvement and retrenchpathy with American Institutions and inment can be most speedily and effectdifferent toward the effort to institute new ively brought about by the election of policies in the conduct of the national government. Yet in no strictly American comthe two republican nominees for county munity is such interest being shown in commissioners and the transfer of power the presidential campaign as on the east from the democratic majority which is side. On every hand each night the streets responsible for present conditions goes are ablaze with political fire. To steer a without saying. Let taxpaying citizens car through the crowds seemed, as one approached, to be an impossibility.

Bands and drum corps wander up and down the avenues, gathering in the sup-One of the candidates on the demoporters of the particular candidates who cratic ticket is circulating a card of the hire them. Banners of every sort and shape red link variety, replete with fictitions wave from tenement windows and hong and misleading election statistics. It across the streets. Windows of homes and of watered stock, inflated capital and purports to give the vote of Nebraska stores are plastered with portraits of the in presidential elections, stating that in friends." Boys form parades of their 1900 McKinley received 113,879 and own and drown the hired music with their Bryan 113,018, making McKinley's plu- improvised drums of cans and boxes. rality in Nebraska only 861. Every one Mothers, with babies in their arms and familiar with the results knows that others hanging to their skirts, mingle in the crush and din. All are on the constant McKinley carried Nebraska in 1900 by

It is a good speaker who can hold the Kinley as against 114.013 for Bryan, people at the end of a truck for five min-What object there can be behind such utes. A passing parade or another truck deception except the mere democratic stopping near by carries them back and forth as waves carry patches of driftwood. Apparently novelty is what they wish, and the violent speakers are the ones that get

William W. Timmonds, for thirty-five their management in the hands of his opinion molder against the electric light years publisher of the Portland Advertiser, chief opponent. The returns showed plant bonds was not a donation. He the democratic organ of Jay county, Indiana, deserted the ranks of the democracy dent of the electric lighting monopoly paper to a sharp arraignment of Tom Tagbelieve he is getting value received. Mr. gart and the national democratic ticket sion as their candidate he has waged an Nash admits he is no philanthropist, but Editor Timmonds gives as his reason, "Bethe shrewdest business men are some- cause Tom Taggart sold the democrats of Indiana into the hands of the agents of Wall street." Every vote cast against the electric

OPINION OF STATE PRESS.

Pender Republic: If the fusionists think ing franchise for five more years and the custom of giving passes to state officials is such a damnable affair, why did sanctioning the scandalous manipulation they not pass a law against it when they of city officials, city employes and city were in control of the state? Instead of councilmen by the cappers of the electric doing that, they took all the passes they could get and now they are howling at the republicans for doing the same thing. Columbus Journal: Mr. Folk of Missouri merely stepped into Nebraska to prove that his state, one of the few in the Pennsylvania died poor is confirmatory eviunion which has an anti-pass law, has more boodlers to the square mile than any dence, if any were needed, that he died twenty states in America. This only adds strength to an already strong suspicion that no law on earth can make a dishonest man honest.

York Times: Will Governor Mickey be abmerged in the torrent of slander and turned on the machine and ground out falsehood that has been hurled against him? It rests with the intelligent and fairminded voters of the state. There is absolutely nothing against him that should affect in the least any voter. Some politicians have been offended and some aspirants for appointments have been disappointed, but Nebraska never had a governor against whose administration so little could benefit by a change." be truthfully said. It is safe to say all the accusations brought against him are gross misrepresentations, perversion of facts or willful falsehoods and ought rather to influence men in his favor than against him. It remains to be seen how effective such a campaign can be made in Nebraska.

What it needs to make it harmonlous is a change of leaders, and that will happen Kearney Hub: Editor Rosewater has after Tuesday next, when Hill, Belmont & asked Mr. Berge some pretty plain questions. Will he answer them? Will he explain to the voters of their state why it is that the political managers of the railroads, and the tax departments are, on the quiet, sceking to defeat Governor Mickey? patches received so far from various points Will be tell us plainly why it is that the of the country inform us that the Halditor of the World-Herald is this year lowe'en outrages resulted in the death of the bosom friend of John N. Baldwin, three persons, severe injuries to nine and whom it last year cartooned as the disinsanity to one. It is a matter of regret coverer of the fact that "we've all agreed on Mickey as our man," and why the these sufferers were the guilty parties to famous cartoon has been relegated to the the various brutal jokes which resulted so rear? If it is very difficult, the Grand Bashahr, who assured him that "the songs Island Democrat, which declared before the of your excellency's stainless glory, of the state board fixed the railroud assessment that if Governor Mickey voted to do the the late Transvaal war (which are the rea right thing and place the assessments as There is now no doubt at all that the high as \$45,000,000 he would have the rail- excellency's position) are cheerfully sung mocratic managers sincerely feel the roads to fight and if not he would have to optimism which they exhibit. They can answer to the people. Governor Mickey hardly believe their senses, yet they are insisted on \$46,000,000 and over actually chirking up expectations of a

The Hot Home Run.

Indianapolis News.

The whiriwind close of the campaign eems to be whirling all right. Special trains are skurrying across the country, leaving a trail of eloquence behind, and every city and town is vocal with the oratory of the speibinders.

> oil on Troubled Waters. Chicago Inter Ocean.

The Standard Oil company has again re plied to the strictures of Mr. Lawson by Bryan's senatorial boom in Nebraska. If this be true, the wonder is how Chairman marking down the price of "headlight refined" & cent on the gallon. Mr. Lawson Taggart was able to estimate the value of Mr. Bryan's services before the votes were will now have a harder time than ever in counted. It may turn out that they were proving that the Standard Oil company has PRICES MUST COME DOWN.

Readjustment Needed to Stimulate Consumptive Demand.

New York Journal of Commerce (ind. rep.) In the situation as it exists today, largely produced by exceptional influences in the Hean money. On Monday betting opened extravagant period since the revival of 1897, there are certain factors that forbid our taking too sanguine a view of the prospect of another period of vigorous advance right away. While this situation is one of slackened activity and diminished profits, it is not one of lowered prices. With few exceptions prices have been kept abnormally high, and the cost of industrial production has been pushed upward and held there, mainly by combinations of capital and-of labor. At a time when active demand more than kept pace with the means of supplying it, prices went up and large profits incited to feverish efforts to increase production. Heavy outlays were made in all directions, requiring large capital issues, wages were increased, the cost of materials and supplies advanced, and everything was lifted to an unusual plane of prices and of actual cost; and, withal, there was a great inflation of capitalization to absorb present and prospective profits. The consolidations and combinations, the trusts and labor unions, which worked together to produce this unhealthy result, have been striving to maintain it, and everything that enters into the cost of production is still at an abnormal altitude. Can we expect a renewal of productive activity that shall endure and create a sound and lasting prosperity while this condition continues? The desire to consume and the ability to secure the means of gratifying that desire are at the bottom of all production and the manifold activities that it involves. The adjustment must be such as to encourage and facilitate consumption and the easy exchange of commodities, or it will be useless to attempt to put the spur to productive agencies. The cost of production in proportion to volume must be reduced as much as possible, and this means a lowering of prices and of wages, which by no means signifies a diminished reward for labor, speculate upon, but a scandal which will for that reward comes in the means of living. To reduce the cost of living is equivalent to raising the rate of wages, and in the division and distribution of the fruits of production it is large volume and not campaigning taken more seriously or more high prices that must be sought. It is doubtful if there can be a renewed activity that will last before the present range of prices is lowered and the cost of production adjusted to stimulate a larger demand for consumption. In addition to their effect in pushing up and holding up prices, which has made the advance of wages delusive, the "trusts" have introduced a vitiating factor that militates against renewed prosperity. The inflation of their capital produces an element of weakness in the whole industrial structure. It compels them to try to keep prices up when that will restrict production and not contribute to profit, and makes them vulnerable to the attacks of an increasing competition from capital that is not watered. In this there is a peril that did not exist-prior to the era which marks the extraordinary advance of which Mr. Vanderlip makes so much. It vitiates our industrial system and it will not be safe until this disease

PERSONAL NOTES.

swollen prices has been eliminated.

Admiral Rojestvensky now declines to be His aversion to publicity comes a trifle late.

Dr. Mary Walker will make campaign speeches for Judge Parker at meetings to which women only will be invited.

Pierpontifex Maximus is the new title which Punch says has been conferred on the archibishop of Canterbury in this

Philadelphian, which shows that brotherly love is not yet extinct in the old city. It appears from the dispatches that John W. Gates cleared up \$4,000,000 the other day. If all the stories about Gates' winnings are correct he has about all the available currency afloat.

The action of the Chicago federal grand jury, which is investigating lotteries, will not interfere, it is thought, with the gam bling on the exchanges-they are sure things for the insiders.

Calvin M. Favorite, the oldest packer in the country and a member of the firm of Armour & Co., Chicago, retired from business the other day. He began with the firm when it had one small killing house. Olive Thorne Miller, the well known author, after a residence of twenty-five years in Brooklyn, has gone to live in southern California. She and Mrs. Sara Hubbard. one of her closest friends, have taken a bungalow.

Dr. E. S. Hanks, field director of the University of Chicago expedition in Babylonia, has reported the discovery of a statue he regards as the oldest in the world. It has been identified by an inscrip tion as that of King Daddu of Udnun. Charles Boese, who recently invented

new process of photosculpture, which, according to the scientific publications, is destined to revolutionize the photographic art, has just arrived in Rome, where he intends to start his first establishment.

John Cudahy, the Chicago packer and staunch democrat for many years, says, re garding the re-election of Roosevelt: believe in letting well enough alone. I am thoroughly convinced the business and other interests of this country would not

Just as a chimney was about to fall o the head of General F. C. Prescott as he walked along a street in San Bernardino, Cal., R. Kennedy, his rival in candidacy for the assembly, rushed up, dragged him away and saved his life. Prescott wanted to withdraw at once from the canvass in favor of Kennedy, but Kennedy would no have it so.

Forty-two years of service without ever naving been late to his work is the record of J. C. Lotz, the oldest employe of the internal revenue department at Washington. Although over 50 years of age, Mr Lotz is at his desk every morning promptly at 2 o'clock and the years he has spent ! the work make him one of the most valunble employes in the bureau.

On Lord Kitchener's recent tour in th interior of the Simia hills he received an address of welcome from the rajah of sincere, impartial and the honest acts of ornaments of the honorable officers of your by the heavenly nymphs in paradise.

This Ought to Settle It. Washington Post (ind.). Despite persistent professions of full,

firm, and abiding confidence on the part of

gentlemen more or less prominent in the management of the democratic campaign, it is impossible for an impartial observe to find a solid basis for predictions of a democratic victory. It seems to the Post that the most that the party can reasonably hope for, in view of existing conditions, illumined by the light of experience, is so much of progress on the "sane and safe" course as will render it a really formidable and useful opposition and thus strengthen its chances of future triumphs, culminating in its restoration to complete control of the government, a position it has held for but two of the last forty-six years.

LINES TO A LAUGH.

"Her mother and father had very dark hair. Wonder where she gets her blonde tresses?"
"Possibly at the hairstore."—Cleveland
Plain Dealer.

Campaign Manager-What did you beliew so loud for? Spelibinder—Well, you say we're sure of the silent vote, and I'm after the beisterous vote now.—Chicago Tribune.

"Funny thing about me." remarked the letter B.

"Yes," queried several other letters of
the alphabet.

"Yes, You see, since I lead in the making of boodle, there's no reason at all
why I should be in 'debt."—Philadelphia

"How did you get your father to let you take painting lessons?" asked the first Chicago girl. "I couldn't get mine interested at all."
"Neither could I when I talked of paints," replied the rich pork packer's daughter, "but when I called them pigments he cocked up his ears."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Do you think that football playing is

"In what way?"
"It teaches him how to butt in."—Cleve-land Plain Dealer.

"Easy job you've got here," said the young man who is given to hanging around the city hall building. "Not much to do."
"Not a great deal," said the elevator man. "I work the same way your brain works; stop five minutes and go one."—Chicago Tribuna. works; stop five minutes and go one."-Chi-

Doctor-I guess I'll have to give Sloppy's wife—Why? Is he incurable?
Doctor—No; but he's broke.—Cleveland

"Don't you think it will look a little eare-"Don't you think it will look a fittle earlies if we put the price of coal any higher?" said one baron.
"What do you mean?" asked the other.
"It will make some of the members of the combine suspect that we haven't been realizing the top notch possibilities of profit realizing the top notch possibilities the possibilities of the possibili

Value of French Diplomacy, Washington Star.

France scores again in the diplomatio field. It is complimented both in London and St. Petersburg on the part it played in the negotiations for an examination into the attack on the British fishing fleet by the Russian Baltic sea war fleet. The situation was critical and called not only for prompt but delicate handling. France possessed the magic touch and war, largely as the result of its activity, was avoided. We ourselves have had occasion to know its skill. It was the French ambassador at this capital who served both Spain and the United States a friendly part six years ago. He had the confidence of both countries and he worked for peace to good ends. Mr. McKinley publicly acknowledged the great value of what he did and when he departed for his new post he left a fragrant memory behind.

Why the Campaign Lags, Chicago Record-Herald. Another wonderful thing about this campaign is that it has almost run its course without bringing Jerry Simpson to the front,

THE EVE OF ELECTION. John Greenleaf Whittier, From gold to gray
Our mild sweet day
Of Indian summer fades too soon;
But tenderly
Above the sea
Hangs, white and calm, the hunter's moon,

In its pale fire,
The vinage spire
Shows like the zodiac's spectral lance;
The painted walls
Whereon it fulls

Transfigured stand in marble trance. O'er fallen leaves
The west wind grieves,
Yet comes a seed-time round again;
And morn shall see
The state sown free
With baneful tares or healthful grain,

The first man to surrender his seat to a woman in the New York subway was a That shape the state,

Around I see
The powers that be
I stand by Empire's primal springs;
And princes meet,
In every street,
And hear the tread of uncrowned kings!

Hark! through the crowd The laugh runs loud,
Beneath the sad, rebuking moon,
God save the land
A careless hand
May shake or swerve ere morrow's noon.

No jest is this; One cast amiss blast the hope of Freedom's year, O take me where Are hearts of prayer, foreheads bowed in reverent fear!

Not lightly fall written scrolls a breath can float;

The crowning fact
The kingliest act
Of Freedom is the Freeman's vote! For pearls that gem The diver in the deep sea dies;
The regal right
We boast tonight
Is ours through costlier sacrifice.

The blood of Vane,
His prison pain
Who traced the path the Pilgrim tred,
And hers whose faith
Drew strength from death,
And prayed her Russell up to God!

Our hearts grow cold,
We lightly hold
right which brave men died to gain;
The stake, the cord,
The ax, the sword,
rim nurses at its birth of pain.

The shadow rend,
And o'er us bend,
O martyrs, with your crowns and palms—
Breathe through these throngs
Your battle songs,
Your scaffold prayers and dungeon psalms;

Look from the sky.
Like God's great eye.
Thou solemn moon, with searching beam,
Till in the sight,
Of thy pure light
Our mean self-seekings meaner seem.

Shame from our hearts
Unworthy arts,
The fraud designed, the purpose dark;
And smite away
The hands we lay
Profanely on the sacred ark.

To party claims
And private aims.
Reveal that august face of Truth,
Whereto are given
The age of heaven.
The beauty of immortal youth.

So shall our voice
Of soverign choice
Swell the deep bass of duty done,
And strike the key
Of time to be.
When God and man shall speak as ones

Did you get up this morning with a headache

Bad taste in your mouth? Not much appetite for breakfast? Tongue coated? Then you have too much bile in your system. Wake up your liver and get rid of some of this bile. Ayer's Pills! Ayer's Pills! Sold for over 60 years. Lowell, Man