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It's a poor politician in the First Nebraska district who can't spring a boom on himself as a candidate for that congressional vacancy.

That New York burglar who confesses that he steals for the fun of it will probably have a paroxysm of delight when he enters the doors of Sing Sing.

Now that Lincoln is having its charorder for anyone down there to cast

The primary bill got into the legisla-Roll No. 7, but it seems to have no adis yet to be introduced.

With both sides taking time to fortify positions on the Shakhe river, there is every reason to believe that Oyama and Kouropatkin each realizes that they are facing no mean enemy.

The suspension of oyster dredging and open-sea fishing on account of the cold weather off the Atlantic coast gives reason to rejoice that Lent comes later this year than usual.

There should be some developments interesting to railroad men when Governor Cummins and former Governors Van Sant and Larrabee hold their scheduled meeting at Des Moines

When reading of the effect of the storm in the south the average Nebraskan feels some satisfaction in living in a country where the water freezes in the clouds before it starts to fall.

The alleged ill-feeling between Great Britain and Germany may result in trouble, but from this distance it looks like an effort of the party powers to frame up for the coming general elections.

Judging by the number of claims filed against the estate of Mrs. Chadwick, there are either a number of "good losers" among her victims or the reports of her operations were largely overdrawn.

The latest Servian cabinet to resign did so because of court intrigues against the premier. As long as the premier is alarmed the king may be safe, and it is a wise king who can direct the course of a court intrigue.

From the explanation made by City it into law. Attorney Wright of the condition of the suit brought by the railroads to prevent the city from collecting municipal taxes on the assessment made in 1992, the lawyers for the city are hedging for defeat.

Why should Omaha taxpayers be compelled to pay \$10,000 a year for salaries made by Great Britain and Germany to and expenses of a water board before the city acquires a water works plant Japan. This proves to have been infor the board to manage? That is the question champions of the Howell buil prefer to Dodge.

The General Paper company has filed answer to the suit brought by the United States under the anti-trust laws As this answer was not filed until after the decision of the Beef trust case it is safe to assume that mistaxes made by the packers' lawyers have been avoided.

The Nebraska commission to the St. Louis fair is to be congratulated on having managed to secure "luncheons" for Nebraska day guests at a trifle over position restaurants. But we are disposed to wonder what the bill would have been had it been decided to give a no government will propose interven- rate down is to center all the taxing tence against him of twenty years' ban-"dinner" instead of a "luncheon."

THE RAILROAD INFLUENCE.

That the influence of the railroads is being stren lously exerted to prevent take the initiative. but no one of them, so far as we know, istration seeks to accomplish, so that it imminent and the result of it may have can fairly be said that practically all a more or less decided influence upon of them are opposed to President Roose- the question of peace. It would seem endorsed by congress.

their efforts will fail. The result of the ternal difficulties. The outlook for Rus-Friday seems to warrant this conclu- present bright and the government of the supreme court that express comsion. The action of the conference was | would be wise to accept intervention and one of instruction to the house com- make an honorable peace, which would mittee on rules to make provision for go far to allay the revolutionary spirit the consideration of a rate bill beginning among its people, but the military eletoday and continuing until the after- ment is too strong to permit of this. noon of Thursday when a vote shall be Meanwhile the gravity of the situation drawing it that he has scarcely any time to taken. There was some opposition to in Russia continues, with some indicathis, particularly on the part of the tions that it will become more serious. Pennsylvania representatives, but the vote in the conference was overwhelmingly in favor of early action, Speaker Cannon especially urging this. It is a Douglas delegation in the legislature reasonable inference from this that have agreed with practical unanimity when the bill is voted on in the house upon certain radical changes in the it will be passed almost unanimously. charter on the line of retrenchment by It is the understanding that no amend- a merger of city and county offices. ments will be allowed to the measure. Among the proposed changes is the though the first vote will be taken on abolition of the offices of city tax comwhat is known as the Davey bill, the missioner and of city treasurer, whose democratic substitute for the bill agreed | functions are to be performed, after the on by the majority party.

The danger to the proposed legislathe railroads exert their greatest influ- ally the abolition of the comptroller's rates. It is already given out that the er's office are to be performed by the occupy so much of the time of the sen- the abolition of the office of city tax ate that no consideration can be given commissioner and city treasurer of in the remaining period of the session Omaha will also carry with them the "Eggs have tion bills. In any event the "railroad Omaha, both as measures of retrenchreached the high point." Look out for senators" would have no difficulty in ment and for facilitating the public carrying discussion of a bill for regu- business. lating railway rates up to the time of

dent call an extra session of the Fifty- government, and especially to the treasninth congress? This is at present un- urer and county assessor, must necescertain, Mr. Roosevelt having given no sarily go hand in hand with the reviindication of what his intention is in this sion of the charter. It is also conceded very properly not committed himself, come an imperative necessity. With ter troubles, too, it will hardly be in since to have done so would be regarded these contemplated changes in county as an attempt to force congressional government, a county board of chariimputations upon Omaha's many char- action. It is quite generally believed, ties will become not only desirable, but however, that failure to pass at this ses- essential for the economic distribution rates will result in the calling of an the county hospital and county reformature early enough to be known as House extraordinary session of the next contories. gress, perhaps in the spring. The presivantage over House Roll No. 407, which dent regards this matter of rate regula- it seems to us that propose tion as of the highest importance and therefore is not likely to allow it to re- tion to stop leaks and provide safemain in abeyance for another year or possibly for a longer period.

RESTRAINT OF IMMIGRATION.

Representative Adams of Pennsylvania has introduced a bill which provides that not more than 80,000 immigrants from one country shall be permitted to land in the United States within one year and the measure has been reported favorably to the house. This novel proposition for the restriction of immigration is obviously intended to apply to Italy, Russia and Austria-Hungary, from which countries the larger number of immigrants have come during the last few years. How legislation of this kind would be regarded by those countries it is difficult to say.

In referring to the measure the Philadelphia Record remarks that long experience has shown that the tide of migration depends on economic considerations, except in such cases as the escape of Russians and Poles from oppression and military conscription. "Immigration rises and falls with the demand for labor in this country and with the bread supplies of Europe. Yet it is proposed that when the arrivals from certain lands reach a limit of 80,000 persons, no more shall be permitted to land within the year. Those who are thus excluded may constitute the very element that is most needed for performing such labor as native Americans and other immigrants cannot be induced to touch except under the most dire necessity." Very likely

this extraordinary bill will have the support of the anti-immigration league and those in sympathy with it, but it is hardly possible that congress will enact

NO MOVEMENT FOR PEACE. stated that on the initiative of the German government an interview had taken place between the German chancellor and the British ambassador at Berlin, at which it was proposed that efforts be correct, the German embassy at Washas an exchange of ideas between the Berlin and London governments regarding the ending of the war in the far east.

It is altogether probable that both Emperor William and King Edward would be very giad to do something to terminate the war between Russia and cause so few schools exist in that ter-Japan, but neither can take any step in view of the declaration by the Russian government, made some time ago, that a scene for the expenditure of governit would regard as an unfriendly act a ment money for education. tenuer of good offices on the part of any \$2 a plate, taking into consideration the of the powers with a view to ending the general scale of prices enforced by ex. War. Russia appears to be as firm in is the result of divided authority and rethis position now as when it was an sponsibility in the makeup of the levy. nounced and so long as she holds to it. The only way to get the municipal tax

were willing to accept it, but will not

cur in part with proposed legislation. fought, if even then. The indications tions. are that a general engagement between is in full accord with what the admin- the armies of Kouropatkin and Oyama is is in their power to prevent its being feat she would be inclined to consider So far as the house of representatives war, since defeat in Manchuria would is concerned. It appears probable that doubtless intensify the government's inconference of the house republicans last sia in the far east is certainly not at

HALF-BAKED LEGISLATION.

The charter committees and the expiration of the terms of the present incumbents, by the county assessor and tion is in the senate. It is there that county treasurer, respectively. Eventuence and the senators who are in sym- office is contemplated, as a natural sepathy with the corporations can easily quence of the abolition of the treasurblock action at this session upon any er's office, and such functions as do not measure for the regulation of railway directly connect with the city treasur-Swayne impeachment case is likely to city clerk. It goes without saying that to anything else except the appropriatabolition of the same offices in South

Manifestiy, these proposed changes in-It is thus apparent that there is no to the county officers upon whom addiprobability of rallway rate legislation tional responsibilities will be imposed. by the present congress. Will the presi- A revision of the laws relating to county regard should the legislation he desires on all hands that an elective county not be passed at this session. He has auditor, a long felt want, will now besion a bill for the regulation of railway of relief and efficient government of

> amendments that do not include legislaguards in county government would be a very short-sighted policy.

Omaha's junior yellow is opposed on principle to the multiplicity of boards that afford places for do-nothing plebiters on the municipal pay roll, but from principle also it favors the provisions of the water bill that would keep on the pay roll six salarled members of a water board that has no water works to manage, and which, moreover, authorizes the creation of various high salaried soft jobs. This consistent inconsistency, however, is in perfect accord with the course of the junior yellow, and, for that matter, also the senior yellow, on the question of municipal ownership. Between elections these organs have been shouting for municipal ownership of public utilities, but when the proposition to establish a municipal electric lighting plant was before the people they were persuaded by liberal contributions from the electric lighting monopoly to oppose municipal ownership, on the plea that it was not

After indulging in all sorts of ridicule of the Omaha Grain exchange at the time it was inaugurated, our friends down at Lincoln have come to the conclusion, after viewing its success, that it is a good thing and worthy of imitation. As a result, a movement has been started at the capital city to organize the grain interests there and to secure the construction of elevators and storage houses to accommodate a grain traffic This is a laudable ambition, in which Omaha wishes Lincoln well. Omaha has no patent on the grain market idea, although it enjoys natural advantages that will enable it to maintain a position of superiority over other points in A report from London a few days ago this territory. But anything that will build up a home market will also strengthen Omaha as a grain center.

Railroad legislation has the right-ofway in the lower house of congress this week, but that right-of-way does not bring about peace between Russia and extend beyond the capitol rotunds. The right-of-way of railroad regulation through the senate chamber will have to ington having been officially informed be acquired by eminent domain prothat there had not been even so much ceedings, and that means indefinite post penement way beyond the life of the present congress.

> Senator Long says that 60,000 white children residing in the Indian Territory are unable to attend school beritory, and still educators are sent to the Philippines and Porto Rico to find

An 11.5-mill tax rate for city purposes tion. It is the understanding that Japan authority in the mayor and council and

would not object to mediation if Russia hold them accountable. Yet we have efforts under way at this very moment to have the legislature give independent legislation at the present session of con- There is consequently no movement taxing powers to still more boards, but gress for the regulation of rates is well at present looking to peace in the far the property owners who always protest understood. It is true that there are a east and there is not likely to be any loudly against increased taxes will wait few prominent railway officials who con- at least before a decisive battle is till they are hurt before entering objec-

Reports from the range country are to the effect that cattle are suffering from snow and cold. It is not important whether these reports are exaggerated velt's position and intend to do all that should Russia suffer a decisive de or not, except so far as they foreshadow the next excuse that will be offered for a proposition of intervention to end the keeping the prices of meats at topnotch.

Another Knock at Privilege.

Indianapolis News. Decidedly that is a righteous decision panies must deliver packages at the home of the consignee.

Not that Kind of Draftsman. Chicago Tribune. The czar's salary is in the neighborhood

Time to Forget It. Chicago Record-Herald. General Miles fortunately has documents o prove that he was not wantonly cruel to Jeff Davis. Let us hope, therefore, that

peace between the north and south may

The president declares that the divorce

problem is more important than any

political question. There are indications

that the president is expecting to com-

spare for drawing up a constitution.

A Celebrated Case, Washington Post

continue.

mence divorce proceedings against the senate, naming the railroads as corespondents. Missouri Annexed Again. New York Tribune. President Roosevelt has carried Missouri again. The democratic senate of that state has just passed unanimously the republican

lower house's resolution requesting the Mis-

souri delegation in congress to support the

president's railway rate regulation pro-

Ripe for Action.

Philadelphia Press. The "flagrant, wilful and continuous violations" of the law charged against the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad company by the Interstate Commerce commission do not appear in any way excusable. A clear case of defying the law is charged by the commission and the attorney general will probably take action. adjournment, less than four weeks off. volve also a revision of the laws relating If the law is to be observed the roads that violate it must be held to account. Fortunately such charges as the Interstate Commerce commission make in this case are rare.

Backnumber Warships. Minneapolis Times. The rapid deterioration of vessels of the navy is shown by the fact that the Massachusetts, Indiana, New York and Oregon, the mainstay of the fighting force in 1898, have to undergo a thorough remodeling in the matter of boilers and guns. One of the leading officials of the Brooklyn navy a military court to try a soldier on charges yard is quoted as saying that "the Oregon growing out of the same incident as that is now a back number and will go out of made the basis of charges of which he the officer may be right, it is safe to prom- decided by Judge Hanford sitting in the the good old Oregon would yet be able to 'stand off the whole fleet."

Boston Points the Way. Chicago Chronicle.

egislature which provides a penalty of suant to the fifty-ninth articles of war who "beats, bruises, or mutilates his wife or any other female unless by accident or in self-defense." Boston is culture, whether it is or not, and the bare into military custody and was arraigned act that the whipping post is seriously thought of there should encourage the Illinois legislature to give us a similar law. dice of good order and military discipline, Many crimes against women and every form of bestlality should be punished by lashes on the bare back.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Two weeks of experimenting with 3-cen fares seems to have convinced Cleveland people that they want no change.

The equestrian statue of General George B. McClellan at Washington will stand in are two: First, that by surrendering the Connecticut avenue, in front of the British embassy.

The former home of the late Thomas Hendricks, once vice president, in Indianapolis, is being torn down to make way or a modern building.

Miss Helen Gould offers a generous reward to every man who stays in the navy five years without being tattooed. Where will the next generation find its ideal manof-warsman?

People who are throwing rocks in the firection of Salt Lake should pause a minute or two and consider the case of Johann Hoch of Chicago and his record again upon a criminal charge based upor of twenty-nine wives. Isn't Johann a the same facts; and, second, that the fright'

A Russian sailor on the New Jersey naval reserve training ship started in to paint Hoboken red a couple of days since and matters would have gone hard with him had not the Jap cook of the vessel bailed him out. It is evident from the decision in Beef trust case that the grave and rev

tribe. Listen: "We must steer between hese opposite difficulties as best we can. The court steered. Captain W. H. Thrift of Dubuque, ently appointed adjutant general of Iowa by Governor Cummins, is the oldest living white person who was born in Polk county

erned justice caught onto the lingo of the

His late sister was the first-born white child in Des Moines. Now and then a lawyer gets exceedingly poisterous and hasty, and knocks the inanimate goddess. One of the profession in New York roars because justice coddled case of his for twenty-one years. Some

people are mighty hard to please. Two pilgrims from the southland who had arranged to exchange real money for New Jersey gold bricks were cruelly disappointed. Pity prompted the brickmakers to keep the fresh ones out of the bliszard belt by picking their pockets on the way. The English syndicate which proposes to extract gold from sea water is following an American example. A party by the name of Jurnegan did a handsome job in that line in Maine two years ago. That is, he "did" the fellows who played his

The sale of the Waggaman art collect tion was concluded in New York City last Friday and realized \$341,588. At the time of the Waggaman failure in Washington last summer the collection was valued for asset purposes at from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 the latter figure being Mr. Waggaman's estimate.

O'Donovan Rossa, the Irish patriot, ir considering whether to leave this country and spend the rest of his days in Ireland. Edmund O'Neill, a wealthy resident of Kinsale, has offered to give him outright house, where he and his wife can live their remaining days. He can return to the British Islands in safety now, the sentshment having expired last year.

ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON.

Matters of Interest Gleaned from the Army and Navy Register.

During the month of December 4,554 enlistments were made for the army, 1.379 of which were made in cities and 2,575 at military posts and in the field. The enwere 1.993; coast artillery, 470; engineer battalions, 33; cavalry, (white), 600; field artillery, 146; United States Military academy detachments, II; infantry (colored) 37; cavalry, (colored), 77; Porto Rico regiment of infantry, 7: Philippine scouts,

The question recently came up in the general staff of the army as to the Issue of cotton khakl uniform to the organized milith. It has been decided that the militia receive the cotton khaki clothing as long as the regular army is supplied with it under the provisions of general order 122, War department, 1904. It has also been decided that the issue price of cotton khaki in the United States be the same as in the Philippines.

The War department will shortly award a contract for the initial installation of wireless telegraphy in the system of fire really accomplished anything, and they coast. The sets will be portable and will be used in communicating with the artillery craft in the harbors and off shore The first contract will be awarded with a view to the full and practical test of the instruments and the method and later there will be further orders placed for the use of the same system. Bids were received from the Marconi company, which offered to furnish fifteen sets, the number called for by the army signal office, for \$12,750, with a guaranty of communicating fifteen miles over water. The DeForest system was offered at the rate of \$1,800 per set, \$90 for the poles and \$135 for the hand push cart. A third bid was that of the company in charge of the Fesseden system. offering to furnish the apparatus for \$2,500 the Clark Electrical Engineering company men who control the great corporations by of Detroit, Mich., at the rate of \$800 for each set.

Boards of officers have been directed to stone, Wyo.; Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; Governors Island, N. Y.; Fort Mc-Pherson, Ga.; Fort Logan, Colo.; Fort Sam Vancouver Barracks, Wash., and Fort Reno, Okl., March 15, for the purpose of reasonable government regulation conducting the examination of such applicants for commissions in volunteer CONDITIONS forces as may be authorized to appear be fore them, under section 28 of the act of congress, approved January 21, 1908, in order to determine their qualifications for the command of troops or for the performance of staff duties with such volunteer forces. The law provides for the holding of these examinations for the purpose of securing lists of persons specially qualified to hold commissions in any volunteer force which may hereafter be, has been killed, and that the leaders of called for and organized under the authority of congress other than a force composed of organized militia. It has been decided not to give out the names of the candidates who are to appear before the

The case of Fredie R. Stubbs, whereh

was involved the question as to the right of

commission before another year." While was acquitted by a civil court, has been ise that with Captain Clark in command United States circuit court district of Washington, western division. While in came at American Lake last summer, at which several thousand soldiers of the regular and militia were as a soldier of the Nineteenth infantry, killed A bill is pending in the Massachusetts a fellow soldier of that regiment. Purto the civil authorities and he was prosecuted under the laws of the state of Washington for the crime of murder and was and tried before a general court martial in violation of the sixty-second articles of war," the aforementioned homicide being made the basis of the charge. He was found guilty as charged and sentenced t be dishonorably discharged, to forfeit all pay and allowances and to be imprisoned for a term of five years. The grounds upon which the petitioner, by writ of habeas corpus, has invoked the jurisdiction of the civil court to restore him to liberty prisoner to the civil authorities, pursuan to the fifty-ninth article of war, and the subsequent proceedings, complete and exclusive jurisdiction attached to the superfor court, to finally determine the question of guilt or innocence of the crime of mur der and of each lesser offense necessarily included within that charge as it was identified by the specifications of place and means of accomplishing the alleged murder, and his acquittal was a complete vindication, so that no other court or special tribunal can lawfully assume jurisdiction to try the petitioner charge and specification upon which the petitioner was arraigned before the court martial does not state facts constituting any offense, nor a violation of the sixtysecond article of war. In reviewing the grounds of the petition the court says that the record of the proceedings against the prisoner in the superior court is conclusive in his favor in so far as it shows an adjudication that he is not guilty of any crime of which he might have bee convicted under the information filed against him, but that is all. It does establish as a fact that he did not kill a man, nor that the homicide was not a con sequence of "conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in violation of the sixty-second article of war. Although the act described in the specifica tion of the charge upon which the netitioner was brought to trial before the court-martial is identical with the act alleged in the information for murder, the elements constituting the offense charged are radically different. In the opinion of the court the surrender of the petitioner to the civil authorities did not have the effect to absolve him from his obligations under the terms of his enlistment, nor to divest his superior military officers of their authority to proceed against him for the

> Wealth of Nebraska's Soil. American Investments.

military offense. It is also the opinion

of the court that the charge and specifica-

tion of that offense are not defective, and

that the court-martial did not exceed its

turisdiction by sentencing him to suffer

punishment by imprisonment for a tern

extending beyond the term of military

service for which he enlisted

Much is heard of the mineral production from the various states, but few know that Nebraska produces from the soil annually four times the wealth that is produced from the mines of any one state. In 1904 he

record is: Butter cars and poultry 15,400,00 24,700,00 20,400,00 barley and rye 14,750,000 18,925,000 9,250,000 Total

GREAT ISSUE OF OUR TIME.

Supreme Importance of Federal Control of Corporations.

Wall Street Journal. Whether there be a 10, a 20 or a 40 per cent reduction in the tariff or not, is a question which as concerns the well being of future generations is infinitely little, be Hatments made for the infantry (white) side this supreme issue of the control of the corporations. No other issue that has ever confronted the people of this country except that of civil war, was as momentous in its immediate effect and as farreaching in its ultimate results as that which has been accepted by President Roosevelt as the one by which the success r failure of his administration shall be judged. If he shall succeed in reaching a solution of the problem he will place his name in the history of the country beside that of Lincoln, the president whose portrait hangs on the wall of his office, as a constant reminder of the noblest ideals in American statecraft, and whose words be never wearies of quoting.

Things are shaping themselves in sculi a way that it would seem as if his success r failure would be an issue not long delayed. Much history has been made since, by the president's orders, the suit against the Northern Securities company was begun. Men talk about that suit not having control at the artillery stations along the point to the fact that the decision against the company has not changed existing conditions in the least. Not accomplished anything? Why, it has actually marked revolution. It is the expression, in a con crete form, of the purpose of the people to make the power of the corporations subject to the power of the government. The president and the courts are now on the side of the people. The president's recommendation that some such body as and 24.642 have been at some time on the the Interstate Commerce commission be given the power to regulate railroad rates, died is one of the most extraordinary facts Commissioner Garfield's proposition to in the history of military operations. license interstate companies, and the su preme court decision against the Beef trust. which defines a wide area for interstate commerce, are all steps toward an in evitable consummation. Unless all signs fail, the principle of government regulafor each set. The lowest bid was that of tion is to be effectively established. The intelligent co-operation have it in their power to make government control a con servative, a constructive force, one which will uphold and safeguard the rights of meet at Fort Sheridan, Ill.; Fort Yellow- property. By short-sighted antagonism they have it also in their power to create a condition in which the people, enraged beyond measure, will turn to the socialists Houston, Tex.; Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; and confiscation of property and government ownership will take the place of

IN ARGENTINA Leaders of Insurrection Desire Terms but President Demands an Un. conditional Surrender.

BUENOS AYRES, Feb. 6 .- Colonel Calaza as started for Cordoba with 500 govern ment troops. It is stated that Colone Delacruz, commanding the artillery there the insurrection at Cordoba have offered to submit on the condition that their lives be spared.

President Quintans has replied that their surrender must be unconditional and that the courts will decide the fate of the revolutionists.

The transport Santa Cruz has sailed for the outer harbor with political prisoners Complete calm has been restored at

It transpires that the troops in the province of Santa Fe were misley by officers. who informed them that they were marching against the rebels. When the troops realized the real facts they refused to go into action. The officers escaped.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6-Mr. Beaupre, the American minister at Buenos Ayres, in a ram received at the State departmen today, says that tranquillity has been restored there, that the government will be "lashes on the bare back" for any male the officers of his regiment delivered him ous military operations and that martial law has been proclaimed in the republic for thirty days. The minister adds that supposed to be the home of refinement and acquitted. Afterwards he was again taken revolutionary movement and that business is progressing everywhere in the city as

NO TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

Admiralty Denies Story of Journey by the Prince of Wales. LONDON, Feb. 6.-No British cruiser squadron is leaving England at the end of February on a cruise around the world under the command of the prince of Wales. The admiralty official, who gave this denial of the atory added that no preparations were making at present for any cruise by the prince of Wales.

As King Edward expects to go to the Mediterranean early in March and possibly extend his trip to Egypt it is not at all likely that the prince of Wales will take a long journey at the same time. cruisers squadron commanded Rear Admiral Prince Louis of Battenberg will be inspected by the king off Portsmouth at the end of the month and it will then start on a cruise of several months with the object of showing the British flag in distant waters. The squadron will visit American ports among others.

MINERS OF BELGIUM ARE OUT Twenty-One Mines Are Affected While

Twelve Are Operating. CHARLEROI, Belgiun. feb. result of the decision of the Miners' congress yesterday to declare a strike to begin today, work was completely suspended this morning at eight collieries and there was partial strike at thirteen others. Work is proceeding as usual at twelve collieries.

Would Bar Obscene Pictures. PARIS, Feb. 6 .- Following the complaint of Anthony Comstock of New York, concerning demoralizing French pictures being received in America through the French mails, the State department at Washington is seeking co-operation of the French government to prevent the mailing of objectionable photographs or pictures.

A MATTER OF HEALTH **Absolutely Pure** HAS NO SUBSTITUTI

SOMETHING NEW IN WAR.

Tankees of the East Overturn Milltary Standards. St. Louis Globe-Democrat

official statement comes from the eadquarters of the Japanese General Oku that in his entire army, since May 4 last, only forty deaths have occurred from disease. During that time General Oku has been in command of more than 150,000 men. sick list. That only forty should have the same period General Oku has lost 5.127 men killed and 21,080 wounded, yet only forty succumbed to disease. During the civil war the union forces lost 67,058 killed in action, while 199,720 died of disease. Both American and European armies suffer heavier losses from disease than from

actual fighting. In the civil war 43.012 union soldiers died from wounds, and here again comparison with Japanese armies shows an immense margin in their favor. The Japanese surgeons perform few field operations, and after first aid to the wounded, send them to the rear, where the chief dependence is on the reparative forces of nature. Nu statement is given of how General Oku's medical officers treated the 24,642 sick Japanese, but the fact that the mortality was less than two per 1,000 will astonish the most elaborately organized army medical departments. Either the Japanese soldiers have marvelous constitutions, or their medical officers know some important things not yet mastered elsewhere. Are the Japa quietly and indirectly revising the world in general?

LAUGHING GAS.

"Yes," said the girl from Omaha. "we have very sudden changes out home. I've often seen the thermometer fall more than twenty degrees in an hour."

"But," replied the Boston spinster, "that is not remarkable. I once saw a thermometer fall thirty feet in less than three seconds."—Chicago Record-Herald.

The old man grumbled.
"I don't like to knock," he said.
what's a man to do when the door
won't ring?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer

"Do you favor the whipping post for "Goodness, gracious, no," answered the timid and unhappy woman. "My husband is cross enough now, without having anything more to irritate him."—Washington

"My hair is falling out."
"Not enough oil."
"G'wan! Look at John D. Rockefeller!"—
Cleveland Leader.

Physician-Your bronchitis threatens Physician—four bronchitis threatens to become tuberculosis. Have you any idea what brought on the original attack?
Patient—Yes, sir. Sitting in a strong draft near an open door.
Physician—As I suspected. I shall prescribe the open air cure. You must sleep on your roof.—Chicago Tribune.

"It's strange that a woman as stout as Mrs. Fledgby should have such a hot temper,"
"Perhaps that accounts for her stout-

"In what way?"
"Don't they claim that heat expands?"—
Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Irate Wife-That's the fifty-second false-bood you've told me this week."

Unabashed Husband-Well, now you can see what is meant by the expression "a pack of iles."—Pittsburg Post.

SAY SOMETHING GOOD.

Bultimore American Pick out the folks you like the least and watch em for a while;
They never waste a kindly word, they never waste a smile;
They criticise their fellow-men at every chance they get.
Thay never toun, a human just to suit their fancy yet.
From them I suggest you'd learn some things. their fancy yet.
From them I guess you'd learn some things,
if they were pointed out—
Some things what every one of us should
know a lot about.
When some one "knocks" a brother, pass
around the loving cup—
Say something good about him if you have
to make it up.

It's safe to say that every man God made holds trace of good.

That he would fain exhibit to his fellows if he could;
The kindly deeds in many a soul are hiber-nating there.

Awaiting the encouragement of other souls that dare.

To show the best that's in them; and a uni-versal move versal move
Would start the whole world running in a
hopeful, helyful groove.
Say something sweet to paralyse the
"knocker" on the spot—
Spoak kindly of his victim if you know the

The eyes that peck and peer to find the worst a brother holds.
The tongue that speaks in bitterness, that frets and fumes and scolds.
The hands that bruise the fallen, though their strength was made to raise.
The weaklings who have stumbled at the parting of the ways—
All these should be forgiven, for they "know not what they do."
Their hindrance makes a greater work for wiser ones like you.
So, when they scourge a wretched one who's drained sin's bitter cup.
Say something good about him if you have

Say something good about him if you have to make it up.

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