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It is now up to the base ball man and the weather man to get together and trot in double harness.

Admiral Rojestvensky has left Kamranh bay. Davy Jones will take notice in time to enlarge his locker.

while American officers were at a dance. dance later with nothing for a platform.

French statesmen say the salling of Rojestvensky from French waters re- in the orient against such a competitor lieves the situation, but the admirals of the opposing fleets may be of another

this rate there may be some hope for the "solid south."

If the czar doesn't act quickly the Ameer of Afganistan will beat him in and it will make the road from England to certain ports of India much shorter.

It now transpires that King Edward went on his cruise to the Mediterranean to "break in" a new set of teeth without being watched by his personal friends. Many other men have felt the same desire.

New York building trades unions and employers have arbitrated differences without a strike. This is a kind of arbitration worthy the name. The arbitration which follows a strike is but enforced compromise at best,

Australia is adopting the "reservation" system for the natives just as the United States is abandoning that plan for the by the United States consul general at Indians. It remains to be seen if Aus- Berlin, when the German tariff was untralia can develop as many reservation scandals in the next century as America did in the last.

The assurance that the big National Lead trust has not yet swallowed the Carter White Lead works will be gratifying to the patrons of that concern as well as to our citizens generally. But how long the establishment can hold out against its rival is problematic.

Some of the ratiroad presidents profess to believe the powers of the Interstate Commerce commission adequate for the purpose intended by congress. Even if the people were willing to admit this, the majority evidently do not concur in the congressional purpose.

What the governor of North Criplina said to the governor of South Carolina was not to be considered with what the governor of Arkansas said to the governor of Nebraska; but it must be remembered that the governor of the he has much trouble to live up to.

A member of the grievance committee on parks complains that a man cannot through Jefferson square without two nations. taking his hat off or having it pulled off by the low limbs of the trees. This is a grievance as is a grievance, especially for a baid-headed man. A called session of the park board is now in or-

The mere fact that the blennial elections law passed without the emergency clause and, therefore, will not go into effect until July 1, will not necessarily prevent a test of its constitutionality before the supreme court in sufficient time to permit the people to vote for regents of the university and county eandidates in November in case the law is pronounced unconstitutional. A petition can readily be filed with the sec- ally unfavorable we think will be adretary of state for the nomination of a mitted. candidate for regent or supreme judge, and the refusal of the secretary of state to receive such a petition would afford time for a decision.

AMERICAN OPPORTUNITY.

war to develop the immense opportuni- first instance. ties for trade in Manchuria and China proper, but that the Japanese have great advantages with the Chinese because of should be fostered with the utmost tact distinct homes as there is this year. in our oriental dealings. The other is that America's opportunity in the east adoption of American principles, conspicuously the open door for trade.

ican commercial opportunities in the far 1904 our oriental trade amounted to over dustrial and educational center. \$60,000,000. It will be considerably in now seems to be almost assured. Every There is an impression here among some. a few of them in public station, that a so. Under Japanese auspices there can owners. be no commanding influence over the commerce of the far east except that which is derived from superior commercial or industrial capacity. No intel-Moros attacked the walled city of Jolo ligent American will be disposed to admit that in either respect we have any-The leaders of the insurrectionists may thing to fear from the competition of a nation that is but just entering upon its industrial and commercial career. If we

we do not deserve to retain them. The simple fact is that Japan cannot close the door to the commerce of the world in China if she would and there For the first time in history a negro is no reason to believe that she will have charged with assault upon a white any disposition to do so. Her policy, it countries, understanding that thereby to the United States.

WANTS RECIPROCITY.

It is stated that the German government is desirous of negotiating a recithat President Roosevelt has signified his willingness to take up the subject in earnest in the autumn. There is reason for giving credence to the report in the fact that the German government has in the past signified a desire to enter into an agreement for closer commercial relations with this country and if we are not mistaken negotiations were actually begun under the McKinley administration. At all events the matter has been more or less talked of for several years and we recall a strong argument made der discussion, in favor of reciprocity as a means of averting discriminations in that tariff against American products.

Of course the attitude of the Senate toward the reciprocity treatles that had been negotiated with France and other countries discouraged efforts in behalf of an arrangement with Germany and if Mr. Roosevelt has, as reported, signified a willingness to enter into negotiations with Germany it is to be presumed that he expects from the senate hereafter less unfriendly treatment of this class of conventions. It is not apparent, however, that there is any substantial ground for such confidence. The senate as now constituted seems to be unalterably opposed to the principle of reciprocity in trade. President McKinley, who became an earnest advocate of that principle, exerted his influence to have the treaties framed under his adminis tration ratified. His successor advocated their ratification. In view of the unavailing efforts it appears highly im- a

commercial point of view and as an additional bond of friendship between the

McKinley at Buffalo on this subject has tion of the interurban trolley lines. had little effect. Without venturing to forecast the future, the obvious fact at present is that the sentiment of the country is not very strongly in favor of the reciprocity policy. There is a good deal of it in New England and in a portion of the northwest, having reference chiefly or wholly to Canada, but in the country at large the principle has no great support, certainly not a majority of the people. That the explanation of this is to be found in the fact that the transom. reciprocity treaties we have had did not prove of any substantial benefit to this country and in some cases were actu-

The weakest spot in the system of nominations by direct vote at a primary the opportunity for testing the ques- election is the nomination of candidates tion before the supreme court in ample by plurality instead of majority. This feature the republican city committee of triotism rather than partisanship, must not agement.

Referring to a remark of one of Jap- ing a second primary election for the an's leading statesmen, that his coun-nomination of all candidates who do not try will be too much exhausted by the poll a majority of the votes cast in the

OMAHA-A CITY OF HOME OWNERS. The building of public works, good racial ties, similarity of language, tradi- pavements, good sewers and the erection tion and history, a western contempo- of business blocks, grain elevators, warerary remarks that in co-operation with houses, factories and school buildings Japan lies our oriental opportunity. It are gratifying proofs of the commercial

points out that the situation has two and industrial growth of Omaha, but noteworthy features. One is that the by far the most gratifying evidence of that the general's creditors are under the willing receptivity by the Japanese of Omaha's growth is to be found in home much of what is best and most progres. building. There never has been such to an uncomfortable extent for him. sive in Anglo-Saxon idea and methods pronounced enthusiasm for separate and

While Omaha, in common with all American cities, has within the past few has been largely increased by the tri- years witnessed the erection of teneumph of Japanese arms and by Japan's ment blocks and apartment houses, for all Indian land owners to become landthere is a manifest-partiality for separate homes, and a preference for the There can be no doubt as to the sound- light, freedom and comforts of yard area ness of this view. It is not new, Amer. over darkness and congestion. The eagerness displayed this year for home east have been very freely discussed for building affords substantial proof that some years and there is substantial ba- Greater Omaha is destined to be a city sis for the talk. In the fiscal year of of homes, as well as a commercial, in-

Omaha wage workers, merchants, proexcess of that for the current fiscal year, fessional men and capitalists are all It should grow steadily after the war vieing with each other in the acquisition and undoubtedly will do so if we main of homes and nearly all the plans for tain the existing friendly relations with construction include arrangements for the power that will exert the greatest embellishment and for area. As the new influence in that quarter of the world in residence districts are being established it held forth in unquestioned supremacy. the event of its final triumph, which on attractive suburban ground, the home building marks a new advance in doconsideration of commercial self-interest | mestic | ideals. | Everywhere | there | are dictates that this country shall continue unmistakable signs of a due appreciaon good ferms with the island empire, tion of the surroundings as a practical benefit.

As a city of inviting homes, Omaha victorious Japan will mean a policy in- is already making a decidedly favorable imical to the western nations, so far as impression in the number and quality trade in the far east is concerned. There of its homes and in the extensiveness is nothing to warrant this view. Japan of home surroundings. The desire for general counsel of the Atchison system has stood steadfastly for the principles beautiful homes and for more of the and a recognized authority on railroad and the policy which the United States home comforts that can only be had in get together and discuss rates, that such government deliberately adopted and ad- separate dwellings is growing keener "getting together" might be called a "comheres to in its efforts to promote Amer- from year to year. Without disparaging bination," and that such combination vioican commercial interests in eastern other cities and without indulging in Asia. Japan does not desire to make an extravagant expectations, there is every enemy of any country, least of all the prospect that at no distant day Omaha United States. She cannot afford to do will occupy front rank as a city of home

The street railway system of St. Louis, which was consolidated seven years ago, now operates 344 miles of track and is capitalized for \$95,000,000, of which \$52,000,000 represents bonds and \$43,-000,000 stocks. This capitalization is equal to \$276,162 a mile, when it can be readily duplicated for \$50,000 a mile, including power houses, machinery, cars cannot take care of our trade interests and all equipments. The difference between the value of its tangible property and the capitalization, on which the St. Louis street railway system is paying interest and dividends, represents the value of the franchise, which is more than four times as large as the woman was acquitted in Mississippi. At is safe to assume, will be to cultivate value of its tangible property. Comthe friendship of all the commercial puting the net income of the system on the basis of its franchise value, equal she will render her position more secure.

And undoubtedly she will show no coun
to \$77.800,000, at only 4 per cent, the in gardening may in due time be repeated in finance, and that human ingenuity. try greater favor than will be extended numl revenue of \$3,112,000, which in six stirred to put forth its skill, will presently years would pay for a duplication of the system with all its machinery, equipment and real estate. But inasmuch as railway system extends until 1948, St. procity treaty with the United States and | Louis will have to wait forty-three years before it can acquire its own street railway lines, unless it is willing to pay for the value of the franchise for the un-

> Omaha grain dealers who profess to believe that the extension of the Great Northern to Ashland will benefit this city remind us of the man who was whistling while walking through the woods. It does not stand to reason that the Great Northern will haul grain or cattle to the Omaha market by way of Ashland, unless the grain commands a higher price in the Omaha grain market than it does at Minneapolis. Railroad traffic managers always want the long haul, if they can get it. But since Omaha is not a factor in the financing or construction of the Great Northern extension, it will have to be content with what it can get out of it. What cannot

be cured, must be endured. Coming events cast their shadows before. Two marked improvements are promised in the near future for Omaha. The electric lighting company, under the inspiration of the city electrician, proposes to plant handsome curved iron poles on the street corners of the business district, and a commission of the Postoffice department has decided to paint all the United States mail boxes bright green to replace the aluminum paint which has been used for several

The Chicago & Alton, which has during the past year successfully operated steam interurban service out of Swamp Angel state has a name which probable that the senate would ratify Bloomington, Ill., has decided to extend reciprocity treaty with Germany, its operations between Girard and Carhowever desirable it might be from a linville. Ill. While this may not seriously interfere with the interurban electric lines, it affords an index to the policy American steam railroads will The memorable counsel of William pursue hereafter in meeting the competi-

> The best proof that we have nov reached the era of "Peace on earth and good will to men" is found in the fact that the attorney of the Omaha Business Men's association is billed to address the Central Labor union on the open Tive shop. If anybody, inside or outside of the Central Labor union, had proposed such a thing a year ago he would have been unceremoniously thrown over the

> > With slight Variations.

Chicago News. Weather reports from different sections of the country show that we are having an extraordinary spring. However, if you will look back you will recall the fact that that is the kind of spring we always

Frequent Comrades. Washington Star. President Roosevelt, in advocating pa-

Lincoln has decided to obviate by order. overlook the fact that the most radical partisan feels that his point of view is the only one compatible with patriotism.

> Needless Call for Help. Chicago Record-Herald.

the one which needed help. Overworking Opportunity.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Gereral Coxey's failure for \$135,000 shows impression that the occasion was improved

> Spells Their Doom. San Francisco Chronicle.

As the United States supreme court has may buy whisky, and that it is not a crime reached by an order from the president pledge themselves to accept no passes or to sell it to him, there is a good chance suspending the rules. ess in time. Deferring a Crisis.

Washington Post.

There is talk now that the administraion wants work rushed on the Panama canal on account of possible foreign complications in the Philippines. Captain Hull f Iowa may rest easier if he is noured that the Philippine crisis will be delayed until the canal is completed.

Philadelphia Record. Philadelphia lays claim to the body of For all time Philadelphia must remain the port whence he sailed, and to the keeping of the city and the state that sent him forth as the knight errant of the new republic.

Deliberafely Violate the Law. Cleveland Leader.

on interstate commerce Victor Morawetz, lated the law. Mr. Morawetz insists that chaos would ensue if the present law were not violated. As a lawyer he would not urge continuance of a system that made illegal things necessary. He should favor, therefore, some law by which carbiased and competent board. The fear of the railway lawyer that such a board would constitute beaureaucracy is natural, perhaps, on his part, but would not a legal beaureauracy be better than the illegal one, of the existence of which he calmy testifies?

OPENING FOR HUMAN SKILLS

The Production of a Life Insurance Company Without a Surnlus.

Harper's Weekly. An illustrious observer of nature and uman life has pointed out that there are tongues in treez, books in the running brooks, sermons in stones and good in everything. The tongue in the seedless apple tree speaks counsel that is especially timely. Surely contemplation of this pomological marvel, compassed by persevering human wit, may reasonably warrant the expectation that an exploit accomplished a surplus. The analogy between our common apple tree and our common life insurance company seems curiously exact. the franchise of the St. Louis street Both have their lovely blossoms, subject loss to beauty, but the gain in riddance of fruit and large surpluses in insurance companies' vaults have both been considered necessary incidents to healthy, reproductive life. But if apples can get along without seeds or fragrant blooms and be all the better worth the buyer's money, who can be sure that the insurance companies, taught to live and thrive without their surpluses, may not, at some loss of alluring charm, contrive such economies in the matter of odor and display, as shall not only make them safer against mischance, but shall enable them to yield to their policyholders considerably more of the "usable fleshy pericarp" which is the one thing that policyholders want,

GIVE THE BURGLAR A CHANCE. plift of the Profession Signalized in Soulful Song.

Chicago Inter Ocean. At a time when the more delicate forms of literary composition are being affected among people of practically all stations and burgiar should render himself conspicuous by refraining from striking the lyre. Therefore, we are not surprised to find that the burglar who entered a north side saloon left the following verse on the har, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith, before he departed with the fruits of his visit:

Four beer and cigars are fine, I have enjoyed myself with delight, And I must confess your wines are divine, For I've had the time of my life. Evidently, this is the work of a beginner. When we consider how recently the burglar, whether seasonable or unseasonable, has risen above the plane of ordinary prose, we will be less inclined to criticise the measure and rhythm of the testimonial to this stock of liquors and cigars. It seems but yesterday that the burglar was content with saying in a case of this kind: say but yer beer an torches is grate i'll come arround agin when I hav time yours

faithful Bill Let the impartial reader compare this with the quatrain submitted by the latterday burglar and he will be compelled to admit that the educational uplift is spurring the humblest of us on to higher and

Fair lady, I have all your rings, Your watch, your pins and other things, And now I'm going to spread my wings. fonight, sweet dreamer, as you slept, Through yonder casement in I crept, I found your pearls upon the chair. "They're snide," I said and left them there.

Or this: I've burgled the mansion from cellar to And I'd like to inform you that 've got more for my work in an hour and a half

When I burgled a third story flat. Or this: Dear madam, When I call again I hope you will not give me pain. You know I have no time to waste On helrlooms that are only paste.

Or this: I saw the moonbeams fondly chase A smile athwart your lovely face, How sweet, I thought, to have you near, And then I searched your chiffonier. Or this:

Oh, ere we part, let me implore
That when you awaken, angel fair,
You'll not compiain if on the floor
You find things scattered here and there.
My time is short, I must take flight,
Then blame me not—Good night, good Give the burglar a chance. All he needs is a little more practice and some encour

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched on the Spot.

S. F. Scott, a suspended registry clerk The Japanese papers are beginning to in the postoffice at Kansas City, who for The Japanese papers are beginning to years suffered for the crime of another, owned and run the railroads, the passhelp. It has been the general understand- has been vindicated and restored to his ing up to this time that the other side was position by an executive order. A registered package containing \$8,000 was stolen some years ago and Scott, who was in the registry division, was dismissed from the not always use the best of judgment, and service on December 9, 1901. Scott's father, may at times act indiscreetly, but there is who was the Kansas City postmaster, died no excuse for the brutal heating inflicted that opportunity knocked at his door and without ever knowing that his son's innocence had been established. A postoffice thug and saloon keeper. Even Father inspector recently reported that John A. Fagg, another of the registry clerks in is given the full limit of the law, and driven the office, had been convicted of stealing out of the community. the money. It was he who had contrived If the people are convinced that the to lay suspicion at the door of Scott.

Persia, is making good the reputation which preceded his coming, that he would all passes and privileges, newspaper, legisbe one of the stars in the social world of lative, official, clerical-all the so-called Washington as a lavish entertainer. The "courtesies"-shoud be abolished, and all new minister during the last week has should pay equally for what they receive. given one or two entertainments that Then the passenger fares could be reduced caused the greatest pleasure and delight to 2 cents a mile or less. Now half the among his guests. His house is a show people who travel pay for the transportaplace, the decorations and ornaments tion of the other half. dinary and entirely new to Washington. bursted O'Neill bank have brought suft His hospitality did not lack novelty against the state bank examiner to reeither, and Washington society is gossip- cover their losses. Shortly before the fail-John Paul Jones because it was the seat of the revolutionary governmen. Here the naval here came for his commission. Hence he sailed to defy the British power where does not prohibit other liquids being in- him, and continued to make deposits. Then dulged in. There were some wonderful con- came the failure, and now the evidence the noses of the occupants. fections served with the tea and coffee, the shows that the bank was a dead one at shrine of liberty on this continent. Let latter being especially delicious. The sweets the time of the examination. The Telethe cakes were dainty little mixtures of that the examiner cannot be held for the sugar and good tasting liquor.

site to the northeast, to be used by the their confidence in the state examiners. senators. They are to cost several million dollars each. The one for the house has been the great aim of Speaker Cannon, even before his elevation to that of- July immediately after the biennial elecfice, illustrating anew that 'the watch- tion law becomes effective, to give an ophave them fixed by some nonpartisan, unbark at his own friends. If these build- Of course not. With three supreme court ings prove anything else than an outra- justices and six assistants and a small geous waste of public money, they will army of stenographers, it ought to be poslooked at the subject calmly. The place Scribner News: Although democratic for an office is as near the legislative Missouri shared with republican Nebraska chamber as possible. Rooms ten feet in the great Roosevelt landslide, there is a square, within 100 feet of one's desk on the marked contrast in the use made of the floor, would be much more convenient than power entrusted to the two state governand members like to be within reach of the democratic presidential candidate on the session, when not actually participating account of his alleged subserviency to coroffices in these new buildings will not rate bill in face of the fact that the re-

watchmen to employ. Considering that the publican majority. day can be divided into three watches. there will probably be thirty-six places on braska is powerless in the state legislathe pay roll of each of these new office The charbuildings, for watchmen alone. women, who are so overpaid by the government that these places are sought almost to frosts. To suppress them would be a as eagerly as those in the consular service, will have an 'inning' with these new buildmoths and destructive boring grubs would ings. The clerks of congressmen who write amply offset that. Seeds in the apple tree's addresses on packages of seeds will find these offices handy. That the congressmen themselves, in either house, will to any large extent use these rooms seems un-

Some time ago, after the United States acquired the Island of Guam, two teachers, a man and a woman, were sent to the distant island to teach school. As might be expected, they fell in love and are about to be married. With the instincts of every bride-to-be, the young lady desired to have a wedding gown for she desired to have some of her friends occupations, it would be strange if the appealed to Secretary Taft, asking if the give up a part of their representation. way to Manila. The matter came before lation to each representative is dress has been sent to the Pacific coast in America are wondering whether she will wait for the dress or whether she will be married before it arrives.

A story started in Washington and cirulating around the country induces much rude scoffing at the national civil service rules and examinations. In substance the story is that Secretary Shaw of the Treasury department applied to the Civil Service commission for a coachman. An examination of the available material for coachmen was had, resulting in the assignment of a former grave digger to the norable secretary. A correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch says the man was asked to answer a set of printed questions. The first was: "Describe the French colonial policy in Madagascar." Had the candidate been familiar with recent literature, especially a popular novel depicting the intrigues among the officers' families on that island, he would have been able to put up a very good bluff in his part of his examination. If his correspondence with Admiral Rojestvensky, who has been spending three months in one of the ports of the island, had been extensive the applicant for the post of coachman to the secretary of the treasury probably would have satisfied the civil service examiners by his answers. The second requirement was that he

should "extract the square root of 97,864,-318." This was worse than offering a bucking broncho to the horseman. He knew how to cure a case of "interfering," could check pneumonia and had all the quick remedies for injured quadrupeds. 'rule of the road" was more familiar to him than the rule of three; but he couldn't "do the sum" and therefore lost his job One thing that the civil service inquisitors failed to elicit was that the applicant had been a sexton's apprentice, could drive a dead-wagon from the morgue to the cemetery and had considerable experience as a digger of graves.

STATE PRESS COMMENT.

Geneva Gazette: Every influential polltician puts a stamp on a letter which he mails just as does the humblest citizen. Why? Because the government runs the postoffice department. If the governmen grabbing legislator would pay his fare,

too, just like the humblest citizen. Lyons Sun: Father Joseph Schell may upon him by Logan Lambert, a Homer Schell's enemies should see that Lambert

pass is a "retainer" for the railroads, let The civil service rules did not permit them nominate in county and senatorial just decided that a land-owning Indian Scott's reinstatement, but the result was conventions only those men who will special favors from any railroad, corporation or individual whatsoever. The Morteza Kahn, the new minister from places to bring this matter to a head and caucus and convention are the proper squeeze out the pus. As a matter of fact

being something entirely out of the or- Columbus Telegram: Depositors in the scribed it, "left behind the most delicious depositors will be pressed to the limit. We feeling of lassitude and indifference to hope the careless bank examiner will be things past and future." Among the nov- compelled to make good. The state pays elties were dates stuffed with queer nuts the examiner in order that the public may that came from the Vale of Cashmere, and have protection. If the courts shall hold loss sustained by depositors who had confidence in his official statement that the "Two stupendous, buildings are now in bank was sound, then it will be time to ourse of erection near the capitol," says discharge all the examiners. If their exthe correspondent of the New York Post, aminations do not provide a safeguard to "one covering the square to the southeast, depositors, then of what benefit are they? to be used as an office building for the The O'Neill case will be watched with inmembers of the house of representatives, terest by hundreds of Nebraskans who and the other occupying a corresponding have lost money in banks by reason of

Kearney Hub: The Bee remarks that "there is nothing to prevent the supreme court from holding a special session in surprise nearly every one who has ever sible to get a little extra stunt like that. palatial suite a block away. Senators ments as a result of the revolt against in it. The system of bells keeps them in- porate influence. In Missouri last week formed of improtant crises inside. But Governor Folk signed a maximum freight answer that purpose. No one can run back and forth much more easily than from his own residence.

"The offices, it should be remembered."

"The offices, it shou "The offices, it should be remembered, In the Nebraska legislature every imporwill serve certain very distinct uses. They tant bill for the regulation of freight rates will provide for an army of employes, to was smothered in the committees, and it be assigned, doubtless, on the quota sys- was even refused to grant the little crumb tem. There should really be a man at each of comfort contained in the commodity door. There will be elevators to run, and rate bill, which was slaughtered by the re-

ture. They are obliged to take just what the eastern and southern part of the state chooses to give them and that is not much. This is so because about twenty years ago the legislative districts of the state were apportioned and the southern state were apportioned and the southern and eastern part of the state being the most densely populated got the bulk of the first girl you ever proposed to?

Tenresentatives and from that time to the He—Goodness, no! I suppose I've asked present it has been utterly impossible to get a reapportionment, although the constitution expressly says: "The legislature shall provide by law for an enumeration of the inhabitants of the state in the year 1883 and every ten years thereafter; and at its first regular session after each enumeration made by the authority of the United States, but at no other time, the legislature shall apportion the senators and representatives according to the number of inhabitants excluding Indians not the ceremony. She wrote to her friends in taxed, and soldiers of the United States America of her coming wedding, and that army and navy." During several of the recent sessions of the legislature bills send her a wedding dress. Her friends have been introduced to carry out this found it easy enough to secure the gown, provision of the constitution, but each but the question came up how to get it time have been unceremoniously turned there. They appealed to the Navy de- down and as a result the northern and partment, asking if the gown could be western part of the state has not nearly sent by one of the naval vessels going to the representation it is entitled to and Guam, but the department replied that it stands but small chance of getting its was against the rules for naval vessels just proportion because the other parts to carry merchandise. The friends then of the state are unwilling to be just and precious parcel coul not go on one of the In many of the districts in the northern army transports touching at Guam on the and western parts of the state the poputhe secretary, and, although there is a and in some cases, three times as great strict rule that prevents the carrying of as in districts in the southern and eastmerchandise on transports not intended for ern part of the state. We can never official use, the appeal touched a sym- have the power and influence in the halls pathetic chord in his heart, and he decided of legislation that we should have, while to make an exception in this case. The this condition of affairs exists, and it behooves us to put on our fighting clothes to be shipped on the first transport after and keep them on until we are put on its arrival there, and the bride's friends an equitable footing with the rest of the state.

UNCLE SAM NO GENTLEMAN,

Cutting Rates in Panama Shocks the Tall Hat Crowd.

Minneapolls Journal. Government ownership of the Panama railroad has done something to develo the real sentiments of the transcontinental lines toward the canal. In the control of this strip of railroad the government holds the key to the transcontinental rates and there is where the raffrond presidents begin to take notice of the gov-

rnment as a competitor Secretary Taft, since the reorganization of the canal commission, has established a new policy for the road. It is no longer to take profits, but is to be confined to making its expenses and earning a moderate sinking fund. This policy will necessitute the reduction of freight rates about 50 per cent and it is expected it will divert a great amount of slow freight from the transcontinental lines to the Panama route.

From all of this it would appear that under the private ownership and also under the old commission the Panama line did not compete, but had a "gentleman's agreement" with the American railroads whereby, presumably, the through freight rate was based on the principle of "all the traffic will bear." Uncle Sam is no gentleman and he is going to compete with Hill, Morgan, Harriman and other transcontinental philanthropists.

PERSONAL NOTES.

The St. Paul Globe announces that it will suspend publication on the last day of this month. It is the only democratic paper in the Twin Cities.

The New York papers are making much of the feat performed by burglars in taking a 1,000-pound safe from a house under

The Italian ambassador to the United States, Baron Edwards Mayor Desplanches, has been visiting the large Italian colony across at Sunny Side, Ark. The ambassador was pleased with the condi-

tion of his countrymen. Edmond Real has been elected mayor of Alton, Mo., his plurality being 110 votes Mr. Beall owns what are known as the "Storknest" flats, which he prefers to rent to families with children. His ideas in regard to this matter won him many

votes, nearly all the married women in town having been workers in his behalf. An American, J. G. Jenkins, who is reinquishing the Premiership of South Australla, in order to become the agent gen eral for that state in London, will enjoy the distinction of being the first man born a citizen of the United States to represent a British colony in London. He

is a native of Susquehanna county, Penn

sylvania_ There were twenty-eight persons around President Lincoln's bedside when he died forty years ago, April 15, of which the following are still living: General Thomas T. Eckert of New Kork, General Thomas W. Vincent, Washington, who closed Mr. Lincoln's eyes, and Henry Ulke, a portrait painter, still living in Washington

SMILING REMARKS.

The Beauty-I've had lots of poems written to me, both serious and humorous, but I've kept only the serious ones. The Other Girl-They were better than others? The Beauty-Oh, no, but they were much

"No. All I want is for 'em to give him a good hazing, an' mebbe take some of the conceit out of him."—Washington Star. Mrs. Shrewsome-Is that the very best

of comfort contained in the commodity rate bill, which was slaughtered by the republican majority.

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dozen.
She-And they all refused you?
He-Of course. Every one of them knew
was head over heels in love with you.
She-You dear boy!-Boston Transcript.

"What," asked the youth, "was the hap-plest moment of your life;"
"The happiest moment of my life," an-swered the sage of Sageville, "is yet to

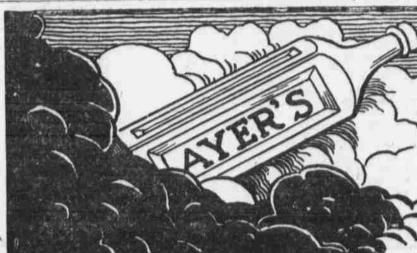
"When do you expect it?" queried the inquisitive youngster.
"When people cease to ask fool questions," replied the philosophy dispenser.Chicago News.

WARNING TO PREACHERS.

Chicago Chronicle (A minister at the Cumberland Presby-terian meeting in Pittsburg recently said that sissified asses were no longer to be tolerated in the ministry and asked that all preachers should be instructed not to part their hair in the middle).

Come, all ye men who want to teach, Who want to pray, who want to preach, And hearken to the latest cry: "No slasified asses need apply."

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