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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. It is better than a daily letter from home. Address will be changed as often as requested.

The Fifty-ninth congress will now make its bow to the public.

What more could be expected than Thanksgiving day?

The impression is becoming prevalent in some quarters that the "watch trust" should have closer watching.

When the wires from St. Petersburg cease to work it is an optimist indeed who feels that no news is good news.

That quiet election in Cuba is a demonstration of the effectiveness of the rural guards in the recent search for

While the republican press of Nebraska is practically unanimous in favor

gether in extra session, could not be in-

so seriously embarrassed state administrations and rendered a strict enforcecourse illiteracy is in general greater in ment of the constitution utterly hupos- the south than in the north and this is sible under existing conditions. likely to continue to be so for an indefi-

This apprehension is chiefly caused by nite time, though there should be a the failure of the legislature in its regusteady diminution in the relative perlar session to agree upon proposed centage. While the showing made by the census

amendments with one single exception, and the disappointment and the general bureau is not all that could be desired. distrust in its integrity of purpose and yet it is by no means such as to discourof action caused by the defeat of many age the friends of educational progress. meritorious measures, and its general As remarked in the bulletin, "there is disregard of public sentiment and even party pledges. Do figs grow on thistles? evidence that illiteracy is steadily being What can be expected from a legislature reduced." that was dominated completely by the

corporation lobby? These questions are naturally asked to create a doubt as to the wisdom of calling the legislature together this winter.

560 :001 002 1200 50 \$50 600 5260 its members, would like either to be re- indicated no preference for the head of cerned the teachers of state universities 180 elected or to climb higher. They aspire the state ticket. 0.72 to state offices, seats in congress or po-10.312

lar approval and all who are conscious polled by the four top candidates, leav- tions needs careful consideration." of having run counter to public sentiment will be only too glad of an oppor- preme judge. Computed by decimal pro- practicing an unwafranted discriminatunity to redeem themselves.

of members to reinstate themselves in county it is only 1.35. If Douglas county the public esteem, there will really be no temptation to go wrong. The only the percentage for Nebraska, outside of awkward position in which these state constitutional amendment that might Douglas county, would be 8.23, and this educational institutions have been have met with opposition from corpora- disproportion still greater. Reduced to placed. The main complication in the tions-the creation of a railroad commis- tabular form, this is the comparison: situation, as it presents itself now, is sion-was submitted at the regular ses-

sion. The other amendments will meet with no serious objection from any quarter. Their defeat at the last session was | Hastings, (fus.)..... 72,849 due chiefly to a combination of circumthat Turkey should show weakness after stances and a disposition to retaliate for the defeat of mutilations of bills in and

out of committee at the behest of various conflicting interests. All this will be out of the way in an extra session that will be confined strictly to legislation on topics embodied in the gov-

ernor's call. As a matter of fact, legislatures called in special session rarely, if ever, adjourn without carrying out the principal ob-

jects for which they were called together, even when that object is to enact many upon every voter who exer- Magnate Charles M. Schwab aspires to The problem of American life, after the

each of these special sessions the cor-

porations made desperate efforts to frus-

trate the reforms recommended by the

respective governors, and in each in-

stance they failed because the lawmak-

ers were not bold enough to defy public

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS.

sentiment.

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THE LEGISLATURE WILL DO ITS DUTF. becomes more and more pronounced no means unlikely that Turkey will per- authentic accounts of affairs at the Rus-

from year to year. Among the noteworthy facts in the mand for international control of the ferences between the czar and his cabof constitutional revision, apprehension census bureau bulletin is the statement Macedonian finances and take chances inet, will be transmitted by wireless is expressed in some quarters that the that the female sex is more illiterate in a war for the maintenance of her grapevine to all parts of the United legislature if reconvened could not be than the male, but the former has been present authority in Macedonia. To re- States by exclusive correspondence. convinced that an emergency exists for gaining and may be expected to catch linquish this would not only be to give the revision of the constitution-in other up with the males in the not remote fu- up an important source of revenue, but words, that the legislature, if called to- ture. Another and by no means surpris- to lose prestige which she naturally reing fact is that illiteracy among children gards as of great value. A determinaduced to submit a series of amendments is much greater in the country than in tion of the issue cannot be long deferred to the constitution that would cure the the cities, but a change in this respect and the outcome is awaited with univerdefects in the organic law, which have will come with increased educational fa- sal interest. cilities in the rural communities. Of

AS TO THE CARNEGIE DONATION. At the organization meeting of the

is to be used to establish retirement pensions for superannuated college professors, it developed that the question of admitting state universities to share

in the benefits is yet to be determined by the trustees of the foundation.

When this gift was originally an- swells, cackle and conspicuity. nounced with conditions that seemed to ground for satisfaction in the statistical exclude state universities from participation, The Bee entered remonstrance in the name of these institutions and

The merit of the remonstrance against

ELIMINATING BLANK BALLOTS

The official canvass of the Nebraska privately endowed colleges and universielection returns discloses one feature of ties, while discrimination against them the voting by machine in Douglas would be a positive injury in making it

Upon second sober thought we feel county, as compared with the voting by almost impossible for them to hold de- transfer of E. Benjamin Andrews to Chisure those who entertain such apprehen- ballot in the remainder of the state, that sirable members of their faculties, un- cago university would in any appreciable sion will change their views. The last has not attracted public attention. The less they could establish for themselves tation that its industrious professors have legislature was a great disappointment total vote polled throughout Nebraska a pension fund to match Mr. Carnegie's. given it. to many people, as other legislatures at the recent election is given at 192,152. It is gratifying to note, therefore, an have been before it, and will be here- but the total vote recorded for all the intelligent comment upon the problem after, but legislatures are made up different candidates for supreme judge in "The Outlook," declaring" that "there 1990 largely, if not wholly, of men with politi- foots up only 177,541, leaving nearly is not the slightest question that so far cal ambitions. Many, if not a majority of 15,000 blank ballots cast by voters who as claims for consideration are con-

In Douglas county, on the other hand, teachers in other institutions, but the general opinion seems to be that they are sitions on the district bench. Few of the figures in the total vote column are question whether any cheer agency shall them are recklessly indifferent to popu- 17,593, as compared with 17,356 votes step in between the state and its institu-

85,961

5,103

160,185

ing only 237 voters unrecorded for suportion, the percentage of blank ballots tion upon the state universities must son and the trustees of the Carnegie were deducted from the state returns, foundation cannot fail to realize the

Candidates. braska, county, Douglas. Letton, (rep.)..... . 96,167 10.2066.421 Condit, (soc.)..... 3,241 648 Beall, (pro)...... 5,184 81 Total for judge. 177.541 17.356 Total vote cast 192,152 17,593

227 14,374 Shortage ... 14,611 Per cent of total. 7.60 1.35 If this is a fair criterion it is plain that the introduction of voting machines throughout the state would practically eliminate the shortage between the total

tion in this country as a whole. vote and the aggregate vote cast for candidates for any particular office-in a

The state of Nevada has been a rotten word, the voting machine appears to borough for many years and the an- that have as well as those that want is gether, even when that object is to enact make voting for every office to be filled nouncement that former Steel Trust the passion to secure the opposite of what

sist in the refusal to accede to the de- sian capital, including star chamber con-Little kindnesses come back to us full grown. happiness. Count your mercies and you discoun

your missries

his eyes.

public.

appetite of an ostrich.

day school picnic. '

view of the present.

seen in our liberality.

ome at its first coming.

thinks he is sawing wood.

The review of the past often gives a now

The best appreciation of God's bounty is

Our best welfare has seldom been wel-

Many a man who is only see-sawing

The poorest kind of sermon is the one

The man whose voice drowns the choir

filled with fear of the rich hearer.

who will worry least about his heart.

n church sings small on the street.

hig a fool he can he without trying

are making others feel the other way.

If he tries to answer back .- St. Louis Re-

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

abundant subject matter for discussion.

There will be at least two vacant seats. in the United States senate during the

session about to open. One of these was occupied by Senator Hipple-Mitchell of Oregon and the other by Senator Burton

of Kansas. Russia's Revolutionary Spirit.

Philadelphia Ledger. Americans in Russia can hardly expect trustees for the Carnegie donation which the peasant on a vodka rampage to be nicely discriminating.

Operatic Realism. Brooklyn Eagle.

This proposition to pipe opera into your house for 50 cents does not seem to be accepted with enthusiasm. Opera in New York is not music; it is clothes, diamonds,

> A Fight to a Finish. Philadelphia Record.

Secretary Hitchcock evidently contemplates a long life as head of the Department for a day the whole world would be so A miniature rebellion among school girls of the Interior, since he is resolved never happy it would seem that heaven had urged strongly that they had the same to gult it until the last land pirate of the claims to equal treatment with the west is put under lock and key.

> Midway Culture Safe. Indianapolis News.

It is not thought, however, that the measure lessen the somewhat bizarre repu-

Mistaken Opinions. New York Tribune.

President Ripley of the Santa Fe railroad thinks President Roosevelt is sincere n regard to rate legislation, but mistaken. It is unfortunate, but the same compliment cannot be paid to all the railroad presistand on precisely the same basis as dents who oppose the plan, though the mistaken.

Bigness Has Its Weakness. Wall Street Journal.

beginning to perceive that exaggerated em. be convinced. phasis has been put upon the value of mere Quite apart from the individual desire in the state is 7.60, while in Douglas strike home with every fair-minded per- growth in size. There is a point evidently of a minister for not believing that Moses at which a company becomes too big to literally wrote down the record of his control, to manage and to resist successfully new competition. More bigness is no

certain proof of strength.

Social Petty Larceny. Pittsburg Dispatch.

A remark made by one of the officers Neb. ex- that of the twenty-five trustees twentyof the British flagship as the squadron Ne- Douglas cluding three are presidents of privately enwas about to leave New York calls attention to a relaxation of public morals that dowed universities and colleges, which cannot be considered with satisfaction. 66.528 must suffer proportionate diminution of The declaration of the officer was: "We 2.593 their shares of the pension fund, if they have saved our guns." The meaning of that remarkable claim on the results of take in the state universities, and it dea visit of friendship was that during the volves upon these trustees to decide days when the flagship was hospitably 174,559 whether the state universities shall or open to public visits the social custom of shall not be taken in. It is certainly petty larceny for obtaining souvenirs had 8.23 to be hoped they will consider the mat- so stripped the ship of portable articles that the officers considered it a matter of ter without bias and reach a conclusion congratulation that they were able to get solely upon broad grounds of largest away with their heavy artillery still unbenefits to the cause of higher educastolen.

> The Square Deal. New York Mail. The evil of American life among those

maranatha

SERMONS BOILED DOWN. PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The goosebone prophecy of a mild winter is hurrying southward to retrieve its repu-The healthy heart can always find some tation.

> A Chicago judge performed the marriage ceremony in nine seconds, beating the diforce record by forty-nine seconds.

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Hetty Green declares her money lan't 'tight." That is, she doesn't burn any of it without a liberal fire insurance policy. Edwin Markham cheerily sings "Thou art the wind and I the lyre." Probably Edwin butted into a bunch of defeated candidates.

Three heirs to the fortunes of California 'ders have been killed in automobile acci-It is the man who fears to soil his hands | dents. Californians strike a warm pace when they cross the Sierras.

It won't be difficult for the doctors to onvince "Judge" Hamilton that the eli-The wisest man is he who knows how mate of New York would be fatst to a delicate constitution at this season.

Some people never feel good unless they A wagonload of coin rumbling merrily over the pavement stopped a run on a A man does not get to be one of the Keekuk bank. The sight of money is as good sheep by letting the wool fall over good as the feel to a scared depositor.

After ten weeks' work a Chicago court Some think they are entitled to the discovered eleven men who acknowledged wings of an angel because they have the sufficient ignorance to fit them for jury service. Incidentally, all of them need the If the trouble loan office would be closed money.

at Richmond, Ind., has been squelched. The girls insisted on wearing tiny bells It doesn't take much courage to lash on their garters. The schoolmaster said the devil from the pulpit when you know nay, nay, and mamma's slipper did the the ushers are handy to throw him out rest.

An official in the Seattle assay office with more sand than sense exchanged a bucketful of the former for \$35,000 worth of golddust. But he didn't fool Uncle Sam and the sand change artist has ample time Chicago Record-Heraldi: A Cleveland in jall to think about it. preacher says pie is worse than beer as

a destroyer of morality. Perhaps he means The food commissioner of Pennsylvania says every old thing in the shape of drink the custard pie that one sits on at a Sunin that state is adulterated. Even brands of "Pennsylvania pure rye" are nothing Minneapolis Journal: The Episcopal bishop of New York has started a federa- more than a mixture of raw alcohol, caration of church clubs to take in all Prot- mel and prune juice. No wonder things estants, Roman Catholics and Hebrews. happen in Pennsylvania.

Those who have sailed the unsalted seas They are all brothers, but there will be in the good old summer time and enjoyed Chicago Tribune: An Indiana preacher the felicity of waveless waters will readily understand the trouble these ponds possess offers \$12,000 to any other preacher who by reading accounts of Wednesday's storm. can convince him that baptism by sprink-A score of ships and nearly as many lives ling has Scriptural authority. We will give anybody \$12,000,000 who can convince were sent to destruction by a sixty-mile industrial combinations. At last people are us of anything of which we don't want to gale which kicked up waves so high that

Winter winds are terrors on these waters. Summer breezes make them a joyous memory.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

"I'm disgusted with all this advice to women to begin their Christmas shopping

Lord Jesus Christ." But some of them Dealer. stuck to it that he was a heretic, all the

"So she sued him for \$10,000 for stealing kiss. Did she get the money?" "No, he offered to give back the kiss!"same, and declared him to be anathema Kansas City Journal: A preacher at the Detroit Free Press.

conclusion of one of his sermons said: "Let

The wife-What luck? The husband (wearily)-None whatever. The wife-Were there no servants in the intelligence office? The husband (sadly)-Lots of them, but all in the house who are paying their debts stand up." Instantly every man, woman

and child, with one exception, rose to their feet. The preacher seated them all and they had all worked for Woman's Home Companion. us before.said: "Now every man not paying his debta

stand up." The exceptions noted, a care-Mrs. Nocoyne-Jack, we'll have to get a worn, hungry-looking individual, clothed in a last year's summer suit, slowly assumed

divorce. Mr. Nocoyne-What de you mean? Mrs. Nocoyne-It's either divorce or ruin. Eighteen of the people who gave us wed-ding presents are going to be married next month. Shall I apply, or will you?-Cleveland Leader.

"Gracious, dear," said the Chicago bridegroom, "you were awfully nervous during the ceremony." "I know," replied the bride, "it's just my

temperament and nothing will ever change it. I'm sure I'll be just as nervous the next time."-Philadelphia Press.

CHURCH, STATE AND MARRIAGE.

a perpendicular position. "How is it, my

friend," asked the minister, "that you are

the only man not to meet his obligations?"

"I run a newspaper," he meekly answered,

In other words, the clergy should be re-

lieved of the function of performing mar-

canons of their church, however those

Bishop Doane would "rid the church of all

responsibility" in the matter of divorce

and throw the whole burden on the state.

of good morals that they should thus be

debarred from it; but the church also has

the right to refuse its sanction to a mar-

ringe forbidden by its own law and its own

That is, the legal contract of marriage

and the solemnization of matrimony as a

purely religious service ought to be kept

onscience.

wholly distinct.

night conflict with the civil law.

and the brethren who stood up are my subscribers, and-" "Let us pray," exclaimed the preacher.

New York Tribune: The condemnation own death suggests memories of that classic heresy case in which a minister was accused of not believing in the devil. He pleaded guilty of such a lack of belief.

early." "Why?" "Then what do you believe in?" was de-

"Because the earlier my wife begins the longer she keeps at it."-Cleveland Plain manded. "I believe," he replied, "in the

"insurrectos.

Russian revolutionists have a long and painful route before them if they must first educate the Cossacks before they can carry their point.

This year's Christmas trade opens with a volume that promises to eclipse , Ill earlier records. Pity poor Santa Claus and the letter carrier.

Having produced a message of more than 25,000 words, the president need tra session by Governor Folk in Miscall on no experts to testify that he is souri, Governor LaFollette in Wisconsin enjoying his usual good health.

It is very singular that the railroad attorneys have not discovered until now that the railway commission of Kansas is an unconstitutional body.

The Kansas and Oklahoma brick trust has just been organized with a capital of \$5,000,000, and the distribution of trust stock gold bricks will be made at once. distant of the local distant o

According to Bradstreet's, last week's cold wave has proved a stimulus to trade, which only confirms the old adage that it is an ill wind that blows nobody good.

In discharging Andrew Fields New York insurance companies must have decided that purchasable legislators no longer come under the head of "supplies."

Judge Hamilton is willing to tell the most of them. According to the bulletin, of congress there is very good reason to investigating committee all, but he feels of our native white population only 46 sure he can tell it with much less em. out of every 1,000, or fewer than 1 in 20, barassment when the Atlantic ocean is between him and his inquisitors.

Superintendent Davidson is reported out of every 1,000 are illiterate. But would not be standing up for foot ball.

The "big nine" conference probably reflected the real student sentiment regarding brutality in foot ball games when it decided that the price of admission to games should not be more than 50 cents.

In raising the point of jurisdiction Commissioner Vandiver of Missouri may demonstrate that federal courts alrendy have the right to control insurance companies-but only at the suggestion of a company.

The move to bar floral offerings from the first day's session of the new congress is doubtless prompted by the fact that these flowers have altogether too often simply foreshadowed political ing their scope and usefulness. In many fail to have influence upon the sultan funerals

the attendance of children up to a cer-Besidents of Nebraska who secured tain age at the public schools and very ment of strength to the powers in for homesteads in South Dakota by raffle generally this is strictly enforced. In cing the sultan to yield is the chief ele will either have to squat or quit. It is every practicable way the youth of ment of weakness and emboldens the held to be a fundamental principle of America are being impreased with the sultan to resistance. The firm and un land grant physics that one body cannot necessity of obtaining at least a common compromising stand taken by the poweroccupy two spaces at the same time.

cises his electoral suffrage regular session. A few examples will suffice: 'Two different New York legisla-AGAINST NAVAL INCREASE. tures were reconvened in extra session

by Governors Roosevelt and Odell to compel public utility corporations to pay for franchises and to pay taxes on franchises. Both of these legislatures had voted down the hills having that object

sion which promises to make itself maniin view and yet revised their action when compelled to face the issue Hale, chairman of the senate naval comsquarely in an extra session. The same mittee, is quoted as saving that he is is true of legislatures reconvened in exwith the secretary of the navy on that question. The Maine senator remarked that aslde from the British navy we and Governor Davis in Arkansas. In

support the strongest navy in the world and he could see no pressing need for any great outlay in that direction. It is altogether probable that this view will be found to prevail largely with the Second district not already supplied

members of congress, especially since the question of economy in public expenditures is commanding unusual attention. To vote large appropriations That the United States is making for new ships of war when it is necessteady progress in popular education is sary to curtall expenses in order to

amply attested by statistics, yet it is a avoid additional taxation would cerfact, as shown by a late bulletin of the tainly meet with public disapproval. Ancensus bureau, that several European other point to be considered is that we countries have a better record in this re- have not a sufficient number of officers and seamen to properly man the shins spect than we have, which is explain-

able by the circumstance that of our we have. Senator Hale is not exactly negro population nearly one-half are il- correct in saying that we support the literate. So far as the white population strongest navy in the world except that is concerned, the educational conditions of Great Britain, but at least we rank here compare favorably with those of third and we need only to maintain that any foreign country and are superior to position. That this will be the judgment

believe. WILL THE SULTAN SURRENDER! are unable to write. While of the foreign-born whites the number is 128 out A crisis in the issue between Turkey

of every 1,000 and of the negroes 445 and the powers is imminent. If the sultan continues obdurate, as seems not as standing up for foot ball, but, if he these figures, when compared with those improbable from the advices at this writwould only plant himself at the bottom of the census of 1890, show a decided ing, the powers will carry out the proof the pile a few times, he probably progress in popular education which is gram of coercion which has been agreed reassuring for the future. They give upon and in that event a situation will

promise that within another decade the be created that may have very serious percentage of illiteracy will be greatly consequences. As pointed out in the disreduced, not only as concerns the white patches, Turkey has an army ready to population, but also the negroes. offer resistance to an aggressive movement on the part of the powers and it is This will necessarily come from the steadily increasing facilities for educa- possible she has prepared to use it. If tion, the enlarged opportunities afforded so, there will be war and a conflict of

by the public schools and state universi- no small proportions. ties and the incentives to education that It is said that what emboldens the sulare everywhere prevalent. At no previtan to hold out against the powers for ous time has there been so great an effort the proper administration of Macedonia for the promotion of education as there is not the strength of Turkey, but the is at present. The public school system weakness of Russia. Russia has been

of the country was never before so so- the dominating power in Turkey since licitously cared for, the state universi- the Crimean war, when the English in ties never more liberally provided for, fluence declined. The defeat of Russia while millions are annually given to pri- by Japan, together with the dreadful vate institutions of learning for enlarg- misrule in the czar's domain, could not of the states there are laws compelling It is pointed out that Russia, under the circumstances, instead of being an ele

school education and the effect of this may have the desired effect, but it is by

represent Nevada in the United States present tasks of fumigation are complete, senate will not startle anybody. The

assurance that Mr. Schwab will be very The position taken by Secretary Bona- strong in 1908, when the legislature will parte adverse to any further large addi- be selected that will name Senator New- lie service corporation, the "syndicate partion to the navy at present, which it is lands' successor is no revelation. The presumed has the approval of President | total population of Nevada is less than Roosevelt, has already made an impres- 50,000 and Mr. Schwab will encounter no serious difficulty in convincing a mafest in the action of congress. Senator jority of its voters that an iron master is more generous than a bonanza king.

> "It is not known," says the Washington forecaster of the Omaha fakery, "whether Representative Kennedy will seek to erect a new public building in

the Second district during the coming year." Inasmuch as there is not a town of more than a thousand population in

with a postoffice building, it may be Kennedy will introduce no postoffice building bills during the coming session.

Members of the Nebraska delegation in congress who are banking on the passage of an omnibus building bill during the coming session are off their reckoning. Uncle Joe Cannon is not fond of omnibus bills in general and most emphatically opposed to omnibus building bills. He insists that every tub must stand on its own bottom, and every post- | Abbey in giving his ashes a place there office building bill pass or fall on its

The mayors of Ohlo cities are organizing for a co-operative campaign for

municipal home rule and immunity from Incidentally it has been made known by legislative interference in purely local affairs. If the new organization will make it its first duty to prosecute re- theology, whom the rector once invited to lentlessly the agents and lobbyists of go with him to see Irving, and persuaded public contractors and franchised corporations who make it a business to mutilate city charter legislation. it may land, even if it involved death and matryrdom. Whereas before the play he had possibly score a success.

It seems strange to find New York expressing apprehension that harbor improvements at Antwerp may put the American metropolis back in the rank it has long occupied as a shipping center. honor.

The Dutch laid the foundation for New York's greatness, but no one ever supposed that any Dutch city would ever again block the way of the new Amsterdam on this side of the water.

Having put his money into the Panama canal, the only way for Uncle Sam to get returns on it is to finish the job at the earliest possible day, and even then he will have to wait long anough to see the color of his coin.

The resigning habit has not yet besome epidemic with big life insurance officials, but the virus seems to have worked in several noteworthy cases and nay he expected also to take in several nore

The telegraphers' strike in Russia will timulate the butterine cable dispatch business in New York and full and she naw Irving play Becket.

will be to compel people to observe "the

rules of the game." From college foot ball up to the rebate quest of the large railroad shipper, the lobbying of the pub- at Albany, urged that that church should adopt and pursue invariably the principle ticipations" of the insurance "magnate" that no marriage shall be solemnized by and the grafting operations of public offithe church between persons either of whom has been divorced from one who is living cials, the whole evil begins and ends with the unwillingness to play fair. "The at the time. That is, he would make marsquare deal." really accomplished, would riage in the eyes of the church indissoluble smash some great trusts, decimate some except by death. This, as is well known, is the position colossal fortunes, reduce some foot ball

taken by the Roman Catholic church, and heads, but it would mightly purify Ameriunquestionably it is a position which a can life, redress its unequal balances, withchurch can rightfully take without offence draw "the spurns that patient merit of the to our civil laws of marriage and divorce unworthy takes." A corollary of that position, however, is

THE DRAMA AND THE CHURCH. the strict separation of the civil and the legal marriage of record from the marriage Effect of the Former in Shaping the olemnized by the church.

Character of Men. Boston Transcript.

Sir Henry Irving's death furnished an riages as civil magistrates and left free to opportunity to note just how confirmed or follow their religious conscience as respects altered the Christian church is in its attithe solemnization of matrimony under the safely predicted that Representative tude of hostility to the dramatic art when played by professionals and made a life calling, not a few churchmen and churches making a distinction between amateur and professional participation in plays on the stage, a distinction not always obvious to

That end would be secured if civil and the dispassionate critic. Comment on Sir legal marriage was made wholly distinct Henry's death so far as it has come from from the religious service. If under the pulpit or the ecclesiastical organs, in the civil law people are entitled to marriage. main has been appreciative of his attainthey have a right to have it performed by ments, of his character as a man, and purely civil magistrates; but if under the more tolerant than formerly in discussion church law the partles are not eligible to of the function which the drama plays in religious matrimony, the church should be society's educational and recreative life. free to refuse to recognize and solemnize The act of the authorities of Westminster the union. This would be a measure of relief for the clergy and it would be consistent with the

also has been approved. Here and there, however, the old note of hostility to the principle of the separation of state and theater as such has been struck; and in church in this republic. People eligible for nore journals there has been lack of hope marriage under the law of the state cannot

for the future of the stage even where rightfully be refused marriage by a magisthere has been approval of its aims. trate of the state, nor is it in the interest

an Episcopal rector how profoundly seeing Irving play Becket affected the life and career of a Japanese student of Christian to stay to the end. To the Japanese Becket's death, he said, was the solemn pledge and sign of his own consecration to his native

questioned whether if the hour of choice

between self and country should come he would be found faithful, after he had come under the spell of Tennyson's and Irving's combined art he no longer had any fear of which would be dominant, love of life or love of country, love of case or love of

It is such tales as these, by no means rare, but too often never recorded, of a sort that the dramatic gossip seldom hears, or if he hears, does not publish, which give pause to the moralist who sees no worth in the drama, and no honor due to the artist who produces ethical effects night after

night. Had the stage the mechanism for following up the good impressions it makes, resolves it incites, comparable to the machinery which the church has for registering the effect of the pulpit's eloquence. dramatic power and ethical impulse, would have a better repute. It has been content to let the curtain fall and rise

again, night after night, without following up its lessons taught; whereas the preacher or the teacher devises ways and means of testing the didactic power of the words which they let fall in sermon or in lecture If in the next considerable gathering of nen you are a member of, you have the chance to poll the group as to the effect upon them at crises in their lives of certain plays and actors they have seen, you might be surprised to find how many had a tale similar in tenor to that of the Japanese

ad Separation of the Civil and Religious Ceremonies. New York Sun.

"Mr. Gumboyle," said Johnny, who was entertaining the young man, "what do you do for a livin'? You're a potter, ain't you?" "What makes you think so, Johnny?" Bishop Doane, in his address to the diocesan convention of the Episcopal church

asked the young man. 'I heard paw askin' maw the other day why you was potterin' round here so why you was potterin' much."-Chicago Tribune.

"Gracious! What's the matter?" asked the Chicago bridegroom, finding his 'Oh!'' she sobbed, "I just tripped and fell

coming up the stars." "But you didn't hurt yourself, did you?" "Hurt myself? Don't you know that's a sign I won't get married this year."-Philalphia Ledger.

THE WORLD GROWS BETTER.

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Tell me not, in your doleful way, that the world grows ever worse;
That we cannot escape from the drear, old sway of the drear, old primal curse.
Tell me not that there is no hope except in the grace of God.
For, though it be true, He sets that grace in the veriest human clod.
The world is sweeter than e'er it was; I read not far or deep.
Till I know that out of the slough of sin the multitudes upward creep.
Our sight may be dim while we walk our time on this misty, earthly shore.
But we clearer see what the right must be than ever man saw before.

The world is better, aye, better far, than it was in the days of eld, When they might take who had the power

When they might take who had the power and they might keep who held; When the belted knights rode to and fro, their cruei will to do, And the king was lord of his subject's brawn, and e en of his spirit, too; When a woman's name was a thing to toast and her virtue a thing to own; When a serf and a bondsman bore the mark of the twrant upon the throne—

of the tyrant upon the throne-Ah, sigh if you will for "the good old days," the fabulous days of yore,

But we clearer see what the right must be than ever man saw before.

know that the problems that vex us now are sore to our errant view. But we've gained the sight, as we've gained the might, that our grandaires never

cnew: We have swung from the day when might was right to the day when Right reveals

veals Some part of her face, divinely fair, to the vertext clod who feels; Through the long, slow acons we've upward pressed, as ever our God hath willed, And here has the Right been crowned our king, or there has the Wrong been stilled. There is much to do, there is much to win

stilled. There is much to do, there is much to win, for the ages have taught their lore. But we clearer see what the right must be than ever man saw before.

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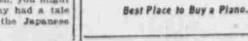
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