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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

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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.

When it comes to luck the Hon. P Crowe can claim to be strictly in it.

The county jail graft should turn over a new leaf without waiting for the New Year's bells.

of being able to see both sides of the immigration question.

There is no question, however, that Policeman Jackson was actually punctured by a bullet fired from some one's

or Burton of Kansas may not regret being stricken from senate committees so long as he is not stricken from the payroll

When the governors of Ak-Sar-Ben meet again they will have a right to repeat what the governor of North Carolina said to the governor of South Caro-

With Porto Rico asking for a duty on coffee and the Philippines asking for free trade in sugar the insulars will have to "get together" or let the white man's breakfast alone.

is no reason why there should be any let-up in Omeha's campaign of push, energy and enterprise.

of John Paul Jones Ambassador Porter republics are not ungrateful.

Missouri quality that has to be shown.

in Lincoln opposes an extra session of the legislature, no matter for what purpose, it is a safe wager that some corporate interest is behind the objection.

Russian revolutionists are said to be attacking the credit of the nation, but they can never be accused of doing their worst in this direction until they emulate Nebraska railroads and refuse to pay their taxes.

And now we are told that there is hardly an act of the last Nebraska legislature that will stand the test of the courts. Hardly as bad as that. The Dodge primary election law has run the gauntlet successfully.

Death sometimes travels too slowly. Had it arrived two years ago the transgressions of Senator Mitchell would have been buried and his name remembered with respect in the state which he helped to develop.

With Senator Millard at the head of disregard of the laws. the Panema canal committee and Gov ernor Charles E. Magoon as chief executive of Panama, there is fair prospect that Nebraska will secure its full quota the licensing of saloons in conjunction in the membership of Uncle Sam's isthmian canal brigade.

doubt in the minds of the jury that tried | all saloons dependent for their patronage Pat Crowe as to whether he fired the upon habitual outlaws. That duty he shot that wounded Officer Jackson, but cannot shick by expressing confidence there is no reasonable doubt about the in the integrity and judgment of his part he played in the Cudahy kidnaping commission. case. For all that, it will be very difficult to convince the next jury,

CLOSER TRADE CONNECTIONS.

Among the significant suggestions of the president's message is the following: "Having in view even larger considerations of policy than those of a purely economic nature, it would, in my judgment, be well to endeavor to bring about closer commercial connections with the other peoples of this continent." It is a not unreasonable inference that in this Mr. Roosevelt had Canada particularly in mind, since the question of closer trade relations with that country has long been a matter of serious consideration, especially in New England and a part of the northwest, and cannot have failed to receive the attention of the president.

If this inference is correct, the conclusion must be that the president is favorable to steps being taken with a view to the negotiation of an agreement with the Dominion government for closer trade relations and is prepared to approve any action which congress might take in this direction. It is a position which certainly was not expected. the very general opinion being that the administration was not in sympathy with the reciprocity demand respecting Canada and would under no circumstances favor this government taking the initiative in behalf of reciprocity. Evidently very strong influences have been exerted with Mr. Roosevelt to in- abused that the advisability of abolishduce him to adopt this attitude, which is not in accord with the general repub-

lican sentiment. The "larger considerations of policy than those of a purely economic nature" obviously refer to the more friendly re lations reasonably expected to result from closer trade relations. There is no question, of course, as to the potency of commerce in promoting international amity, but nations, and especially this nation, cannot afford to make any great sacrifices in order to secure such friendship. So far as Canada is concerned she does not want a reciprocity arrangement with the United States except at a material sacrifice on the part of this country. A reciprocity treaty which would be acceptable to Canada would give her natural products free access to our mar-

kets, but would give no advantage to of a great deal of annoyance from pass avoided. Draughts cause more deaths than war, whiskey, foot ball, consumption and our manufactures in her markets. She seekers. That other roads will follow would continue to protect her own manufactures and to maintain the preferential tariff in favor of those of England. Thus American agricultural producers would be subjected to a more or less damaging Canadian competition, without any compensating benefit or advantage to American manufacturers.

Canada is not seeking reciprocity with Andrew Carnegie has the advantage Ontario are in favor of it and their influence is not very great. The far more influential manufacturérs do not want reciprocity, but are seeking a larger measure of protection. It is not likely that the president's suggestion in regard to this matter will receive serious consideration in congress.

BOARD. Omsha already knows that 1905 will the city council from saloon politics and safe to say she will demand for those of be slated as its record-breaker, but that place the responsibility for the surveil- her people who are not laborers equality that supervises the police.

In refusing to receive from the United ally becomes responsible for the conduct States the cost of discovering the body of his appointees and the discharge of their official functions and the policy again makes it impossible to prove that they pursue as an excise board, fust as he is held responsible for the management of state institutions. The gov-It is possible that people paying high ernor, for example, appoints the warden really paid in only \$70 instead of \$100 prices for call money think the business and deputy wardens of the peniten- on the \$200 which was apportioned as keynote to Mr. Noyes' book is found in interests of the country are suffering. tiaries and the superintendents of state but Secretary Shaw has developed the reformatories for incorrigible boys and date on the ticket last year. The thing girls. He is justly held responsible by for Mr. McBrien to do is to pay up his the people for the good or bad conduct own obligations before assuming to re-When any daily newspaper published of his appointees and the treatment of lieve his appointees of theirs. convicts or refractory minors in those

Governor Mickey's attitude in connection with the Omaha police commission, namely, that any policy it may see fit

of good government. lusion that his relation to the police com- plus?" mission differs in no respect with his relation to the sheriff of Douglas county and the mayor of Omaha who are charged with the maintenance of law ity of the sultan" in the modification and order under the statutes and city charter. Both of these officers are an obstacle when the representative of a elected by the people and their removal Turkey holds the balance of power becan be only by impeachment or indict- tween the conflicting interests of the ment. The governor cannot even suspend them for misdemeanors or failure to perform their official duties, whereas the police commission are his creatures. subject to his direction and removable

It is the plain duty of the governor to instruct the police commission as to the policy they are to pursue with regard to laws were made to be enforced. with or in proximity to disorderly resorts. It is his duty to instruct the police board to divorce the liquor traffic There was a manifest reasonable from indecency by refusing licenses to

The position taken by the majority of

by footpads, toughs and degraded women must be maintained in order to satisfy the wants of the people who frequent the proscribed district is an insult to common intelligence. The assertion of the commission that saloons patronized by the vilest and most vicious class of men and women of all colors must be maintained in the proscribed district for the benefit of the colored people of Omaha is an indictment of the better element of that race.

The law-abiding people of Omaha want the liquor traffic divorced from criminal vice. In other words, they draw the line between orderly and decent sa loons and resorts that live entirely upon the patronage of the outlaw classes. The policy of the police commission has been to license promiscuously tough joints and criminal resorts that have figured in the police court year in and year out. It remains for Governor Mickey to order a reversal of this policy.

A GOOD EXAMPLE.

The management of the Pennsylvania railroad has decided to issue no more passes after the first of next year. The whole system is to be abolished and the general wipe-out is to include every one except employes of the road. An official of the road is quoted as saving that the issuing of passes has been so much ing the whole business has been under consideration for several years and be expressed the opinion that the position taken by the company will have its effect on other railroads and that it will not be long until others take the same action. He stated that political and social considerations are not to count, the tional parcels post in spite of his opposidecision applying to all legislative, congressional and judicial passes-in fact. every sort of free transportation, no matter for what purpose, and no matter who is involved. The action is final and all-embracing and there will be no ex-

It is a good example and it is not to be doubted that the Pennsylvania company will faithfully adhere to its action. Unquestionably it will find it can be safely assumed.

FOR JAPANESE EXCLUSION. The California senators and repre sentatives have agreed on a bill providing for the exclusion of Japanese and Coreans from the United States. It is proposed by the measure to extend to those people all of the laws now in force the United States. Only the farmers of in the United States and its territories ment is made that there are 60,000 Japy anese in California and nearly 100,000 in the entire country. Also that during the last year more than 8,000 Japanese came here from the Hawaiian Islands.

It is the understanding that the gov-GOVERNOR MICKEY AND THE POLICE nese laborers from this country, but it can be confidently predicted that it The only excuse for clothing the gov- would not tamely submit to having the ernor with the power to appoint boards merchants, travelers and students of of fire and police commissioners for Japan subjected to such treatment as the serious attention of congress. They cities of the metropolitan class was to those classes from China have had to exercise the police powers of the state submit to up to the time that President more efficiently for the enforcement of Roosevelt directed the immigration aulaw and order than would be possible thorities to modify their methods in rewhere the police force is subject to local gard to Chinese coming to the United political influence in the discharge of its States. Japan will have use for all her duties. The object of the law that con- working people and undoubtedly will fers upon the governor-appointed police earnestly endeavor to keep them at commission the powers to license, super- home, so that perhaps she will not obvise and control the liquor traffic within | ject to any legislation by this country the city was chiefly designed to divorce that will aid her in doing this. But it is lance of saloons with the same authority of treatment with like classes from other countries. And this demand will In exercising the power of appointing not be disregarded, for we cannot well police commissions the governor natur- afford to make an issue over this matter gaged in the railroad business have come with Japan at the risk of impairing the friendly relations with that nation.

It turns out that Superintendent Me-Brien, who is making such a fuss about his share when he himself was a candi-

Andrew Carnegie's head is level on the immigration problem when he declares from immigrants is, "Has a man the to pursue in the supervision of the liquor | ambition to enjoy the rights of American traffic has his approval, is contrary to citizenship? Has he the habits of sothe intent of the law and in subversion | briety and frugality to save the sum necessary for him to reach this port and Governor Mickey labors under the de- is he skillful enough to earn that sur-

> surprised if the "sop thrown to the vanother nations in the board of control.

Now that the government is endeavoring to arrange the grazing on forest reserves to the satisfaction of stockmen by him for neglect of duty or willful there may be hope for a satisfactory so lution of the problem of grazing on the prairies, but probably not until interested parties understand that existing

Necessary Precaution.

Kansas City Journal. Admiral Togo is going to bring his flee and make the United States a social visit. But it is understood that whatever dental work he may need will be attended to in Japan before starting.

Changing Innuguration Date. Boston Transcript:

The national committee on the proposed decided on the last Thursday in April as the commission that resorts patronized preferable to the present date. The change laws.

seems to be inevitable, and, as somebody's term must be lengthened that much to effect it, why shouldn't it be made during the present administration when everybody is so well satisfied with the chief executive?

Secking a Milder Climate.

Indianapolis News. That report that the caar contemplates everything is taken into consideration, seem unreasonable. Looks as if it were going to be a very disagreeable winter in Rus-

Heeding the Voice of the People.

New York Tribune. Speaker Cannon's reference, in his speech ccepting the speakership, to the house as "the only place where the voice of the people, without intervening machinery, may express itself." was a hit at bossism, or rather at the shade of bossism. But at present the people are expressing their opinions everywhere on all subjects without regard to "Intervening machinery."

Brilliant Hopes Shadowed.

Baltimore American The report of the expected flight of the ctar's family from Russia lays sad emphasis on the ending of the brilliant hopes for the ardently desired and long-prayedfor baby heir to the throne. Instead of being born to one of the most powerful and richest crowns of Europe, he seems now destined in the first few months of his life to begin a career of exile and disappointment. Indeed, the most pathetic figure in Russia today is this tiny victim of the frony of fate.

"What a Fall, My Countrymen." Philadelphia Record.

It was hardly necessary for Senator Platt and Depew to deny that they have any intention of resigning their seats in congress. But with what a diminution of political power and prestige do the two senators of the Empire state enter upon the present session! Platt's loss of influence is such that it might be quite possible to establish a national as well as internation as head of an express company. The experiment is at least worth an effort.

Leap When the Alarm Starts.

Chicago Chronicle, The alarm signal of a draught is neeze, which is a spasmodic effort of nature to start up the circulation and relieve the congestion. A person may be far gone toward contracting a cold before he sneezes, but the moment he gets this warning he should change his position, look around for the draught and move out of I or protect himself against it. A draught profitable to do so, besides being relieved is something to be sneezed at-and to be yellow fever put together.

THE GOVERNMENT IN ACTION.

Minneapolia Journal: Any one may write a message, but the president gets his

Chicago News: Uncle Yim Hill has only to read that part of the message dealing with raffroads to feel surer than ever that the nation is going to the bowwows.

Chicago Tribune: President Roosevelt thinks a few doses of "minimum," taken excluding Chinese laborers. The state- as "maximum," will cure the rate discrimination evil. It looks like a good prescrip-

Springfield Republican: The most becoming feature of the opening of congress was that there were no flowers. Congress and his relatives are going to have a nice has its weaknesses and limitations, but it is not a funeral.

ernment of Japan is not averse to an bills were introduced in congress on the about the motives which induced this arrangement for the exclusion of Japa- first day of the session, and it is probable change of program. It was allowed to last day of the session.

Chicago Chroniele: The recommendations of the president's commission with respect to our naturalization laws are deserving of seem well calculated to secure a proper discrimination in the making of citizens by adoption and to prevent the operation of naturalization mills in our large eitles just before the occurrence of important elec-

PROFITS AND THE SQUARE DEAL.

Why Railroad Managers Should Support Rate Regulation.

Kansas City Star. Railroad men are not essentially different from other classes of business men At least, most of them would prefer to conduct their affairs honestly and above board if that policy were as profitable, or believed to be as profitable, as evading the law in order to "get business." Yet it is surprising how few of the men enout openly in favor of such laws as would enforce fair play among transportation companies and between these corporations and all the shippers. It is particularly gratifying, therefore, to note the position Mr. Walter Chadwick Noyes, president contributing to party campaign funds, of the New London Northern Railroad company, in his book issued under the title of "American Railroad Rates." The

"The obligation of the railroads under existing conditions to unite in the move ment for conservative legislation is as clear as the necessity for such legislation. The railroads should perceive that they are not merely private corporations-that their interests are bound up with those of the public. Instead of assailing all propositions of rate regulation, they should join in an that the prime test that we should exact effort to ascertain that which is most judicious. That railroad official serves the interests of his stockholders best in the long run who never fails to appreciate the rights of the people. A contented public along its lines is the best asset of a railroad company.

The real secret of railway discrimination is the distrust that railroad men have for one another. In only one instance has there been a public showing of the cost to the The powers of Effrope need not be raliroads in the rebating system. Wisconsin, in the course of a general tax investi gation, found that the railroads, in that state alone, and in a period of a little more of the Macedonian demands returns as than five years, paid to favored simppers naggregate of \$7,000,000 in concessions If the average per state was \$1,000,000 per year, that would be a total of \$45,000,000 per year, paid to big shippers alone, and the probabilities are that the total is considerably in excess of this amount, and this is only a part of the losses through discrimination. Railroads favor the bigger shipping centers, just as they do the big

shippers. Now all of these concessions are either a cessive charges to small shippers and small communities. It either case the callroads permit themselves to be instruments of evil when, if they conducted their business on their own interest and those of the public at large. Why should the men engaged selves the chief reliance of insatiate money flends like Rockefeller, Carnegie and Ar- | tainers. mour in their amassment of excessive fortunes and their dangerous concentration

of wealth? Every railway official who is honest, or who would rather be honest than dishonest, ought to welcome the enactment of just change of date of inauguration day has rate laws and the imposition of the severest possible penalties for the violation of those OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The Slavic population of Russia is divided into three branches, the great Russian, the little Russian and the white Russian. Of these the great Russian is by far predominant, numbering more than 40,000,000 and occupying the whole valley of the Volga, a large part of the basin of the leaving home for a spell does not, when Don and extending westward to the Dnieper and Dvina rivers. Toistol, with whose picture in peasant costume every one is familiar, is both physically and temperamentally the typical great Russian. With his stalwart frame, his light brown hair and beard, his mild blue or gray eye. broad face and gentle expression and his belted blouse overhanging his trousers, the great Russian meets you everywhere in the kingdom. Not only in his original home but in Vladivostok, throughout Siberia and central Asia, on the shores of the Black sea and of the Sea of Azov, he is sure to greet you with the offer of broad shoulders or of his swift droshky for the transportation of your luggage and your person. The little Russian, next in importance of the Slavic population, often has dark hair and dark eyes, supposed by some to have come through a slight intermixture of Tartas blood, but in general his characteristics are similar to those of his brothers in great Russia. He is, however, cleaner in appearance and mainer of living and his villages show signs of greater prosperity. The Cossacks of the Don and the Ural are simply the frontiersmen of Russia, with such modifications as border life produces in all classes of people

One aspect of the present widespread agitation of the meat question in Germany deserves more than passing notice. It is the extent to which Germany in recent years has, in spite of its somewhat limited area and a naturally poor soil, been able to supply its large population with meat. While it is certainly true that the supply has been insufficient and has given rise to an unmistakable demand for a more liberal policy in the admission of foreign meats, practically all the cattle and hogs used for meats in Germany are raised within the empire. While England, with a meat consumption reckoned at 112 pounds per capita annually, as against ninety-two pounds per capita in Germany, imports about 60 per cent of its meat supply. Germany's importations in recent years have been comparatively insignificant. Thus, with a population of perhaps quite 60,000,000 people, the importation of live stock for months of the current year included 177,494 divided as to numbers. cattle, 35,755 hogs and 694 sheep. To the traveler passing through Germany, who on pasture, it would seem incredible that sheep are produced.

The kaiser expects to celebrate his silver wedding on January 27 next and it had been the intention to make the occasion one of great splendor and festivity. All the sovereigns of Europe were to be in vited to be present at the rejoicings and no effort was to be spared to render the anniversary notable. Suddenly the program has been changed. Intimations have been communicated to the different governments of the kaiser's preference for quiet and unostentatious commemoration of the day. They have been told that it is to be an exclusively private and family affair, and therefore that no invitations will be sent to foreign officials or even to the members of reigning families. The kaise little domestic gathering all by themselves, and what happens at the assemblage will Philadelphia Record: Not less than 500 be nobody's business. There is no secret become known several days ago that neither any idea of attending the silver wedding of and it was pretty clearly understood that they would not be so much as represented. All the members of the British royal family were to have some reason for being far as Great Britain was concerned the silver wedding was to be left severely alone. It was because this abstention would have marred the harmony of the rejoicings and increased a friction between the two countries which is already a cause of disquieting apprehensions that the kaiser has made the published variation in the program and that he showed his good sense in doing so is undeniable.

Nothing can be more erroneous, says : Sevastopol correspondent, than the impression which is conveyed by picturing the Russian as a "bear," for really, he is a gentle creature, overflowing with sympathy, and this is the basis of his most characteristic faults. Beggars are everywhere toler ated. They line the approaches to every church and stretch out their appealing hands from every dorner. Nor are they rudely thrust aside by any. Their very numbers indicate the consideration with which they are treated. The exile, as he starts for Siberia, is universally looked upon as more unfortunate than criminal and is the recipient of many parting gifts. In Siberia itself the free settler ever leaves some bread and water outside his door that the fugitive from justice may find refreshment in his lonely night marches It was in obedience to this sentimentality of the people at large that capital punish ment was abolished in Russia 250 years ago Since that time even the most hardened murderers have never been sentenced to more than twenty years in prison. The few executions which take place in Russia. are under the extreme enforcement of

The Japanese are making provision against whatever possibilities of danger the coming years may bring by the adoption of a naval program which even a first class European power might hesitate to undertake. One of their most authoritative newspapers, the Jiji Shimpo, asserts that the Japanese navy of the future will consist of battleships displacing 22.000 tons, with a speed of twenty knots and an armament of fourteen twelve-inch guns, and of cruisers of 15,600 tons and a twenty-five-knot speed capacity, but this is an aspiration which there is no present thought of realixing. What the Admiralty has actually proposed and what the Diet is confidently expected to sanction is the building of two 15,000-ton battleships and of four 14,000-ton cruisers, all of which are to be laid down in Japanese yards. Two battleships having a displacement of 16,400 tons, the Kashima and Katori, were begun last year and are now nearing completion by a British firm, so that the Japanese are not likely soon to lose the position of a first-class naval power dead loss, or the losses are offset by ex- which they won during the late conflict.

Getting Wise. Pittsburg Dispatch.

Senator Elkips has discovered that the fair competitive lines, they would conserve president does not wish to vest in the Interstate Commerce commission the arbi trary and uncontrolled power to fix rates. in the transportation business make them- Everybody else discovered that a long time ago except the railroads and their re-

Greeks Bearing Gifts.

Kansas City Star. A word of caution in regard to th Greeks bearing gifts can certainly be ventured without implying the least doubt concerning the sincerity of the erstwhil gatiway senators who are lowering gonfalous to President Roosevelt.

When using baking powder it is always economy to buy the Royal. Royal makes the finest, most wholesome and delicious food.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

It cost the Philadelphia reform party \$125,000 to make that successful campaign. represents the biggest district in the big- Having boldly taken the lead, the Pennsylgest state as well as the largest family in | vania railroad officials, while they say no the world.

Congressman Burchfield of Pittsburg can be seen and heard at the same time. He has a reach of six feet five and a voice in proportion.

Owing to his advancing years and the duties of his position. Senator Depew is obliged to limit his after dinner speeches to his home. The aldermen of Indianapolis have

costed their salaries from \$150 to \$200 a. year. Some penurious people say the aldermen do not earn the money. The positive assertion that more money

was spent to elect Grover Cleveland in 1892 than any presidential candidate before or since justifies the suspicion that moneyed men are 'dead easy.' John W. Kern, a former democratic can-

didate for governor, is credited with the statement that in one Indiana county with 4,000 votes there are 3,000 purchasable demoslaughtering purposes during the first six crats and republicans, about equally Pennsylvania has a fiscal income of \$24.

000,000 and a cash surplus of \$10,000,000. The rarely sees swine at all and, except in rare lawmakers could not dispose of it satisfaccases, never sees live stock of any kind torily at the regular session and an extra session had to be called to relieve the state such large quantities of cattle, hogs and treasury. The prescription is warranted to reach the spot.

Philadelphia reformers are not satisfied with throwing the so-called gang out into a cold world. Indictments have been returned against five prominent ex-office holders and contractors which are designed to hold them for a while and take them in again.

Ex-Speaker Kiefer of Ohio, who reappears in congress after an absence of twenty-five years, finds no one on the democratic side of the house who was there when he presided over it. But on the republican side are five-Cannon and Hitt of Illinois, Hepburn of Iowa, and Ketcham and Wadsworth of New York.

ABOLITION OF FREE PASSES.

Pennsylvania Railrond Startles Host of Beneficiaries.

Philadelphia Record. Perhaps the most crushing blow admini stered in recent years to the Penrose Durham state machine-more disastro in fact, than the defeat of "Errand Boy" King Edward nor Queen Alexandra had Plummer in the state treasury fight, is oncealed in an order issued yesterday from their nephew in case they were invited, the main office of the Pennsylvania Raliroad company. This order cuts off all the free transportation that has been such an important factor in the work of the state and local political organizations and means unable to visit Berlin and Potsdam, and so that the bosses themselves, as well as their satellites, will in future pay their railroad fares or else refrain from travel. Following is the official and far-reaching order: In view of the general agitation on the subject of legislation on railroad rates and the abolition of all forms of rebates and concessions it has been decided by the management of the Pennsylvania railroad that all forms of free transportation will be discontinued after the end of the present

Officials of the railroad company declined to discuss the order, declaring that it explained itself, but admitted that its provisions would be strictly enforced and that it had particular reference to transportation courtesies that have heretofore been classed as "judicial," "legitimate" and "political." As the Penrose organization in the state and the Durham-McNichol gang in the city have both banked heavily on the support and co-operation of the Pennsylvania rail road, long a powerful factor in political affairs, no expert knowledge is required for a realization of the sweeping effect

of a curtailment of the long-enjoyed transportation graft.

For some time the pass evil has been under consideration by the trunk line offi-Congressman William R. Smith of Texas clals, and yesterday's order was the result. positive agreement has been reached, evidently expect that their action will be followed by the other companies operating within the state of Pennsylvania. The order is evidently intended to apply to senstors and representatives in congress as well as in the state legislature, and also to

judges and politicians of high and low de-

Convention gatherings will also be affected, as political clubs will not be so anxlous to turn out with full ranks if the railroads insist upon cash payments for the transportation furnished, and even the inauguration crowds at Washington and Harrisburg are likely to be materially reduced. No longer will ward bosses, councilmen and legislators have annual passes with which to oblige their constituents and help friendly traveling salesmen keep down their expense account.

SAID IN FUN.

Mrs. Ijams—How are you getting along with that new kitchen girl of yours?

Mrs. Upmore—Sh! She might hear you.
This is her afternoon in.—Philadelphia Record-Herald.

"Can I smoke here?" inquired the rude youth who was calling on the Boston girl.
"Sir." she replied coldly. "you can smoke here as you may smoke 'hereafter.' but you may not smoke here."—Philade phia Ledger.

"Yes, I saw the famous necklace of black "What did it look like?"
"Well, to my mind it resembled nothing so much as a string of shoe buttons."—
Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"I understand your life insurance com-pany regarded you as an exceptionally good "No," answered the displeased policy holder. "I wasn't any risk. I was a sure thing."-Washington Star.

Guest (at a house warming party)—
Thats Congressman Beegum, one of our shrewdest young politicians. You never catch that fellow off his base. He knows what the people think about public questions. He always has his ear to the ground. Stranger-His ear certainly looks like it .-

"Yes," said the political boss, "we'll have to give Crookley this nomination."
"But," protested the neophyte, "why not Goodley? He's better able to fill the office."
"Perhaps, but Crookley is better able to-

"Your appalling ignorance interests me. For the sake of the experience, I'd give 100 to be as big a fool as you are for five minutes."
"Yes, and the rest of your life you could boast of having had one lucid interval."—
Cleveland Leader.

THE GOSPEL OF LAUGHTER.

A. J. Waterhouse in Success. Gospel of laughter, he preached it to ms, Man who once troubled and wearied him self. self.

Keep the world smiling and glad, said he;
Mirth is a helpful, benevolent elf.

Ha, ha, ha! ha, ha! ho, ho, ho, ho!

Never keep worry and bother about;

Smile at your trouble, it's likely to go—
Laughter's spontaneous; tears are

Laughter's spontaneous; Gospel of laughter: World wants to laugh-So said my teacher, and he ought to So said my teacher, and he ought to know—
Rather o'erfed on adversity's chaff;
Wishes its risibles given a show.
Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ho, ho, ho, ho!
This is the creed that sets trouble to rout,
Makes us forget the cares that we know—
Touchter's spontaneous; tears are

Laughter's spontaneous; tears are squeezed out. Gospel of laughter: World has a song; Tune your soul to it, it's easy to catch. Better go cheery and smiling along; Dimples of laughter find thousands to

match.

Ha ha, ha! ha, ha ha! ho, ho, ho, ho!
Fling a deflance—ha, ha, ha!—to doubt;
Never give worry—ho, ho, ho!—a show—
Laughter's spontaneous; tears ar squeezed out.

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