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WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

Omaha is on the up-grade, but it would go up faster if it had fewer deadweights hitched on.

Having gotten into the courts, there is no telling now when the printers' strike in Omaha will end.

The Tonopah gold mines must have "arrived" since the first fight between union and nonunion miners resulted fatally.

The county jail feeding graft may not be the only graft around the court house, but it has been the biggest graft and must be stopped first.

Subserviency to the railroads will not be the qualification demanded by Nebraska republicans of their candidates on the state ticket this year.

Since Lincoln has decided that state officials must pay tuition for their children in public schools Hastings may get into the capital fight "for fair."

The American young man has another not have to court his sweetheart in the limelight as King Alfonso is doing.

Chinese army maneuvers are said to have surprised foreign visitors who saw them; but perhaps it didn't surprise the

Denver is about to open its live stock show under most favorable auspices. That reminds us, What has become of the movement to inaugurate a live stock show for Omaha next year?

The "infant industry" of burglary has received a hard jolt in Nebruska. With two infants sentenced at Blair and three to stand trial for murder at Omaha parental law seems to need reinforce-

Poles who have returned home from America looking for a fight may find it: but it is more probable that the United States will have the greater trouble bringing back some of its naturalized citizens from Siberia.

The real menace to the street railway from overcrowded cars during rush hours is not so much the loss of 2 cents on the fares of those unable to get seats as the loss of the whole nickel of those who are compelled to walk.

Of course, the lawyer who subsidized the Chicago newspaper reporter with a Christmas present of \$100 was acting solely on his own account without reference to the interests of his clients. That is always the case after the lawyer is to the center. The real estate situation

Edgar Howard declares that the democratic state committee is planning 'a love feast" for Nebraska democrats Of course a second table will be provided for the populists who used to perform in the small ring of the fusion tent show.

That scientist who announced that in telligent life may exist without air on Mars has only advanced the outposts of pseudo scientific speculations in a new such movements to create a sensation by its novelty.

Attorney General Hadley of Missouri offers as his cure for trust evils a rec ommendation that all lawyers refuse to hire out to belp corporations violate or evade the laws. That might be a fairly effective remedy, but it has about as much chance of being adopted as a suggestion that the corporation managers obey the laws strictly without the aid or consent of venal lawyers.

LOCK CANAL PROBABLE.

It may be regarded as practically settled that the isthmian canal will not be constructed at sea level, as recommended by a majority of the consulting board of engineers. Chief Engineer Stevens, who was before the senate committee on interoceanic canals a few days ago, favored a lock canal, which he said could be constructed in not more than eight years at a cost of \$147,000,-000, whereas a sea level waterway would cost about \$250,000,000 and take from twelve to fifteen years to build. This view is concurred in by the canal commission and also by a minority of the consulting engineers.

The chief engineer also expressed the

opinion that a lock canal would supply all the needs of commerce and that practically the only argument that could be made in favor of the sea level type is the time that would be saved in conveying ships from ocean to ocean. He suggested that there might be problems in the construction of a canal on the sea level of a more serious character than could be foreseen. Mr. Stevens estimated that the canal could be built in seven years and made the positive assertion, on his reputation as an engineer, that the construction would not take more than eight years at the outside. There is no doubt that a lock canal would supply all the needs of commerce for an indefinite period and if ever the time should come when it did not it would doubtless be possible to change to sea level. The determination of this matter and all other questions connected with canal construction ought to be reached with the least possible delay. The country is getting impatient at the rather slow progress that is being made with the great enterprise and would heartily welcome a decision of the questions that are retarding the practical work of canal construction.

THE BRITISH LABOR PARTY.

What has been accomplished by the British labor party in the elections is an interesting feature of the political situation. That party will have a representation in the new Parliament of only fifty votes, but the fact that it has attained this strength appears to be regarded as very significant. A London dispatch says that the labor party's development in national politics marks a surprising change in sentiment in the country and the prediction is made in some quarters that it will become the great democratic party of England. "The fact that labor felt its strength in this election is bound to give impetus to the movement in the future." Its effect can hardly fail to be to unite more firmly for political purposes the labor organizations, and also increase their membership and intensify

A prominent leader of the British struggle for supremacy between the disinherited toiling millions and their lords and masters was bound to come, and it which the labor party performs its work | but of joint responsibility. political conditions of the moment are favorable to the advancement of this stenggle seems evident. If the laborites in the new Parliament are judicious, if their demands are just and reasonable, it is not to be doubted that the party cause for self-congratulation. He does will grow, so that by another general election it way be able to at least double its present representation. It has one of its abjest and most influential leaders in the cabinet and this recognition gives assurance that the liberal party will give heed to what the party of labor may foreigners as much as it did the Chinese, ask. The showing made by the British labor party certainly seems to warrant the view expressed by some that it is the beginning of a revolution which will remodel political parties and disturb the foundations of political faiths. At this time British labor has substantial reasons to complain of conditions, when a million and a half of people are unemployed and many of them destitute, with no prospect of early improvement in this unfortunate situation. The labor party in the United Kingdom has given evi-

> REAL ESTATE OUTLOOK IN OMAHA. All competent authorities agree that stagnation is fully passed and real estate holdings have again become con- sentatives. vertible assets. It is an established truism that real estate values are among the first to go down in periods of depression and among the last to go up in

dence that it is not a mere faction, but a

growing political power which must

hereafter be reckoned with.

periods of revival. swell of real estate values in any grow- the sick man recovered he voted for coning city must proceed from the business | viction. center outward rather than from the suburban districts on the circumference in Omaha is illustrating both of these principles. Our real estate activity has come immediately upon the heels of the enlargement of commercial and industrial interests, and the upward trend is

most noticeable in the business center. Another point which emphasizes the peculiarly healthy condition of real estate in Omaha is that it is almost entirely free from the speculative factor. All the big transfers of property of the last year or two have been to pur chasers acquiring vacant tracts for purposes of improvement rather than to direction. It is too late in the history of hold simply for a rise with the idea of

selling soon again for a margin of profit The assurance of further business expansion supporting a demand for enlarged warehouse and store room facilities makes certain the continuance of which beats upon a throne King Alfonso is the building operations and every new building tends to enhance the value of limelight just now than Representative adjacent real estate.

Real estate dealers report more in quiries for property this winter than in any previous year at the same season, and also that prospective purchasers are

which has attained. Under such circumstances the real estate situation cannot fail to afford gratification to all people interested in Omaha's growth, and particularly to those who are more intimately concerned in the promotion of real estate transactions.

THE PHILIPPINE QUESTION. According to reports from Washington a concerted effort of a very powerful kind is being made to prevent the Philippine tariff bill from being reported to the senate, or if reported from being passed. The statement is made that the general question of our relation to the Philippines is playing a much larger part in the tariff controversy than had been expected. It is said that dislike of the Philippine policy is really growing in strength and that the ground for opposition to the tariff bill is that closer tariff relations would make it harder to bring about any change in the political status of the islands. It is believed this view may be found to be entertained by

enough senators to defeat the bill. It was expected that the Philippine tariff measure would encounter strong opposition in the senate and it is at least possible that this opposition will be able to defeat the bill. What is rather to be looked for, however, is an amendment of the measure that passed the house making it less favorable to Philippine products imported into the United States. It may be true, as stated, that the question of our relation to the islands is playing a part in the controversy, but it is not probable that it is exerting very much influence. It is safe to say that few republican senators seriously contemplate any change in the political status of the islands or particularly dislike the Philippine policy. The probability is that a bill will pass the senate reducing tariff rates in Philippine products, but not to the extent the house measure does.

The nonpartisan water board has suddenly become busy with the dissemination of statistics, designed expressly to create political capital for the Bensonian candidate, just as the police commission has recently made itself busy in boosting its preferred candidate for mayor. Both of these nonpartisan bodies hold their meetings in star chamber. The water board wants to enlighten the people about the great service it has rendered in creating an interminable muddle, and the police board wants to illuminate darkest Omaha with midway, midday lanterns. Ordinary people are, however, at a loss to understand why these beneficent nonpartisan bodies conduct their business behind

There is no question but what the charter imposes upon the mayor the duty to enforce the laws and ordinances labor party recently declared that "the within the territorial jurisdiction of the city. But the statutes also impose upon the governor the duty to see to the enforcement of the laws throughout the is here and its rate of progress will de- jurisdictional territory of the state. It send to a large extent on the spirit in is a case not of exclusive responsibility,

Nebraska should ponder well before committing itself to the plan for dividing the state into two federal districts. Among other things it will mean that more fedeval officers will have to keep out of the way of the executive axe .- Sloux City Journal.

It is greatly to be feared the Nebraska delegation at Washington, when its members agreed to a second district. had not thought of that.

The Bee and its editor have gone into the courts at various times on behalf of the taxpayers and stand ready to do so again whenever occasion requires, but nobody ever heard of the editor of the World-Herald going into court to stop railroad tax-shirking, put an end to graft or lop off sinecure tax-eaters at any stage of the game.

The appointment of one of the leading foot ball experts of the country to the position of professor of mathematics at the Annapolis Navat academy is quite timely. By strict application of mathematical rules he may be able to divert the surplus energy expended on hazing to practice on the gridiron.

"Consideration" from the standpoint of the house of representatives can be understood from the fact that after five the outlook for real estate in Omaha was days' talk not a word was changed in never better. The era of real estate the terms of the urgent deficiency bill, despite the showing of western repre-

Messrs. Greene and Gaynor should not take too much hope from the fact that one of the jurors became ill during the trial, as that was one of the features It is also a lesson of experience that the of the Ware case at Omaha, and after

Out for the Stuff

Philadelphia Record. Shrewd contractors have no notion of competing against each other for such a government job as the construction of railroads in the Philippine Islands.

Flattened Out. Chicago News. Secretary Taft has managed to spare

about a minute of his valuable time to sit

down on the critics who said that his friends were interested in Philippine real estate deals. Portland Oregonian

hazing process, the modern fighting man in either arm of the service stands a reasonably good chance of dying from old age.

Summing up the press dispatches, we

night say that if he is not killed in the

Turn Down the Light. Baltimore American. All the world loves a lover, but even with he advantage of the flerce white light not getting a bit more of the romantic

> An Impressive Sequel. Boston Transcript.

A tabulated list of "The Small Beginnings of Rich Americans" is being copied around his victim to wriggie away. the country. Recent occurrences in the reconciled to the new level of prices financial world would give material for an Island was properly "placed."

'The Small Endings of Some Rich Americans.

almost equally impressive compilation on

Talking for Effect.

Philadelphia Record. There is unquestionably a great deal jingolsm in both England and Germany, but not quite enough to cause these great nations to rush into a war for no better reaon than mutual jealousy and dislike.

What a Difference.

Wall Street Journal The house of representatives expressed its delight by prolonged applause when J. Adam Bede of Minnesota said: "Mr. Payne speaks of the senators from New York. Most people are trying to for-

Yet when the two senators from New York took their seats the other day the welcome they received from their colleagues

amounted almost to an ovation. There is a big difference between the two ends of the capitol. The one is quickly re-

Real Value of Railroads.

represents, what?

sponsive to public sentiment. The other

A federal court judge in Nebraska has decided that the best way to decide how actual cost of laying its tracks and building its stations, he infers, no longer represents of real value of a property. Nor is it a true measure of the company's earning capacity. For tax gathering purposes this western jurist concludes the company should be willing to abide by the value set upon it by those who actually own it. These are the persons who have the stock and bonds. What a rattling of dry bones there would be if the big eastern railroads should be taxed according to the stock market estimate put upon them! And what a snug increase there would be in the revenue received by the commonwealth in Pennsylvania if such a rule should be applied!

TALKING ABOUT A BILLION.

Various Answers to a Question Public Importance. Cosmopolitan Magazine Does the possession of a billion of dollars

in the hands of an individual constitute a menace to the republic? John Wanamaker: "Not when the law becomes a terror to evil doers by prompt and vigorous administration."

Edward Atkinson: "No." E. Benjamin Andrews: "Not neces-

Ernest Crosby: "Most decidedly." Henry Clews: "I do not believe it would. The time always produces a man fit to cope with the situation, and wisdom more than keeps pace with wealth."

(By inference Mr. Clews seems to indicate that the billionaire would constitute a menace which would be met and over-David Starr Jordan: "In Irresponsible

hands any large accumulation, whether of individual, corporate or governmental ownership, may be a menace. A surplus is always a danger. The fewer the persons concerned the greater the risk of a majority going bad." Washington Gladden: "It does; a very serious menace. Such power as this gives

over the resources of life and the means of subsistence of the entire community is not possessed by any sovereign on the earth today. It may have belonged to the egar, but it has fallen out of his hands. No free people ought to tolerate the exercise of such irresponsible power over their industries." Charles W. Eliot: "No."

Jack London: "Yes; a menace as colossal as the sum of dollars.

SPOILING RAILROAD HARMONY. President Stickney's Offensive Activity Against Rebutes

Kansas City Star. Now why should President Stickney the Chicago Great Western railroad al-

ways be kicking the table over? Take his latest exploit, for instance, the traffic managers of western lines in conference in Chicago, who asked whether he proposed to reduce rates on dry goods. he replied that he was considering a proposition to make openly the same rates that had been made secretly by the Bur-

lington for some years. A few year ago, it will be recalled, Mr. Stickney caused a great flurry by getting a contract for a share of the packers' business and then publishing the rate as an open schedule. That was properly considered rank treason by the other railroads which had no intention of giving the snap away to the general public. They understood that the lay mind would fail to comprehend the principles on which the discrimination was based and that trouble would follow.

Yet Mr. Stickney has never seemed able to grasp the essential unwisdom of treating all shippers alike. If at times he has been apparently reasonable in such matters nobody has been able to tell at what moment he might come out with an open rate offering the same advantages to the little fellow that by right belong only to the big shippers. Somehow he doesn't comprehend the fact that the large dealer is entitled to all sorts of special privilege and that the whole business scheme would be upset if they were open to the small merchant. Mr. Stickney's conduct is deplorable. The other traffic officials only pray that some day he may see the

SPOT LIGHT ON ALDRICH.

Rhode Island's Senator Caught His Gunrd. Kansas City Star

Senator Bailey of Texas turned a "spot light" on Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island | tions to satisfy. yesterday. There are moments in the development of every drama when even the hero and the heroine must yield the center of the stage to the "heavy," and uncomfortable moments he finds them. With the spot light turned full upon him he is seen at his worst, just as the hero or heroine, the power of the president when the popunder similar circumstances, is seen at his or her best.

Mr. Aldrich has never liked the limelight He has been in the senate what Mr. Rockestealthy man. He has sought the background rather than the foreground. has a preference for privacy rather than With fine sarcasm Mr. Bailey described him as extremely "conservative." But even a man in the background or underground can be suddenly, if unwillingly, brought into the glare of exposure by an

unexpected shifting of the scenes. Aldirch, who has been regarded as a man day. The matter of rate legislation was before the senate, brought there by a democrat. Aldrich was off guard. The usually to democratic rate regulators. Then the man from the biggest state in the union reached out for the man from the smallest state and dragged him before the senate and before the country. He turned the 'spot light" on him, showing him up in his true colors. He toyed with him as a cat plays with a mouse. He tortured him with sarcastic compliments. It was a sad ordeal for the close family connection of Rockefeller, the first reliance of the railroads and the trusts in the senate. And when the smiling Bailey was through with his interesting exhibition, he mercifully permitted

But for once Senator Aldrich of

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched on the Spot.

People of the Tillman type snorted critically and sobbed a few sobs of tearless grief when, a few weeks ago, a woman was removed from the White House for creating a disturbance. The affair was magnified to the limit by those predisposed to criticism, yet very few of the critics possess intelligent comprehension of the strain put upon the patience and good nature of White House employes by cranks and people with axes to grind. A great many people harbor the notion that the chief duty of the rest of mankind is to wait on them, and countless numbers of this class drift to the White House and think they own it. The average crank is easily disposed of, as he generally betrays himself to a policeman. Not so with the man or woman who deliberately plans to obtain admission to the president's office by a trick. An observant correspondent of the New York Tribune tells how these schemers scheme.

A republican senator or representative, or obliging bureau chief, says the correspondent, is made the convenient vehicle much a railroad is worth is to count up for carrying the designing person into the the value of its stocks and bonds. The president's office. Almost any statesman or officeholder of the higher grade in good standing with the administration will do for the purpose, and, no matter what obligations of honor or friendship would seem to prohibit the subterfuge, the "end justifies the means" in the schemer's eyes, and the crime is planned and executed in cold blood.

"Now, senator, if you'll only take me up to the president's office so that I can shake his hand. I'll be under a thousand obligations," is the most common method of at tack. "Oh, dear, no; I don't want to take up a moment of his time; just a little visit of respect, you know." and the good natured senator falls into the trap.

As soon as the words of introduction are spoken in the president's office the visitor's time is at hand, and, instead of passing out gracefully, as the senator expects and the president probably hopes will be the program, the caller exclaims: "Oh, Mr. President, while I am here I'd just like to call your attention to the fact that I have a second cousin by marriage who is a great admirer of yours. He fought in the Spanish war-that is, he got as far as Washington from his home up in Minnesota-but, as I can show you, he has a fine military record in the militla, and even when a boy was a great admirer of yours. Why, when he was in the high school he composed a poem called 'Our Teddy' which was set to music and played with great success by the village band at three con-

"Now, isn't that just splendid!" exclaims the president, smiling genially and dropping the visitor's hand. "I am so glad that you called and when you visit Washington again I hope that you will come and see me. Give my best regards your cousin and tell him that I will be pleased to see him, too. Now, senator-" and the president turns to the senator who has convoyed the visitor to his office in a vain hope that the cousin by marriage of the young military hero will take the hint. Take it? Well, hardly.

"Oh, I wanted to tell you," continues the somewhat removed relative, "that I have some papers here which I brought county voters who are backing my cousin for the position of internal revenue collector to succeed Coloni So-and-So, whose you know, is afflicted with asthma, and, date. Now, my cousin knows all about suffer the same as any other violator. the duties of the office, for he was urer of his church society for five years and did all the collecting, and learned the inside of the internal revenue business while in his father's cigar store. His father manufactured the popular brand of cigars known as "Teddy's Tobies'-named in your honor, sir-and had to buy a great many revenue stamps every year. While buying the stamps he got very well acquainted with the inside workings of the department, so his friends believe it will be an ideal appointment for you to make, Mr. Presi-

While this has been going on the president has been growing more and more nervous, and, at its conclusion, grabs the three thousand petition from the visitor's hand with a desperate clutch. "Yes, yes, I'll look into the matter," he exclaims; "I'll read every one of the 3,000 signatures, perhaps, and if the senator here will add his endorsement your cousin may get the appointment."

The last portion of the president's remarks smacks a little of revenge. The president remembers that the wily senator has already committed himself to some one else for that job. The senator grinds his teeth in despair over the "break" he has committed by fetching the importunate visitor to the White House, and hustles the "cousin of" out of the executive presence

Then there are the multifarious "friends of the persident," people who knew him when he was a little shaver down on Long Island, asquaintances of his people in New York City and men from the west who know some one who knew the president when he was ranching it on the Little Missouri in the 80's. They all, singly, in pairs or in crowds, reach the White House or Sagamore hill-when the president is at home there on vacation-and all of them have their grievances to air or their ambi-

It is, of course, impossible for the president to see every person who would like to visit him and consume his time. Even have been out of the question, and if that is so, how much further is it now from ulation and the facilities for their reaching the national capital have grown a thousandfold? Neither the president's powers of endurance nor the length of the days feller has been in business a comparatively has kept pace with the nation's growth. though many of the president's friends are Bessemer steel and whipcord to go through what he does and survive. One who stands at the door of the office

for half a day is amazed at the number of visitors who pass in, fulfill their missions and go away happy. Certainly many them do not see the president at all would be physically impossible for him of caution and cunning, made a slip yester- even to bow to all who come. Therefore the wits of Secretary Loeb and his subordinates are kept continually sharpened and their ingenuity tested to the utmost to in silent man made a disparaging reference vent schemes to lighten his burdens. Considering the immense volume of work that is transacted in that unpretentious office, it is little wonder that now and then ar incident occurs which is not on the card and has its unpleasant features. But rare indeed, are the "untoward happenings" at the White House.

Qualified for the Title. New York Sun.

Of the eminent qualification of Joseph Ralph Burton, who misrepresents Kansas on the payroll of the senate of the United States, for the title of Grafter there can be no question after his mileage performance in the chamber of that highly respectable

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POINTERS ON STATE POLITICS.

North Platte Tribune: The boost being given State Treasurer Mortensen for governor and Attorney General Brown for United States senator is so vigorous that it will require considerable effort to sidetrack them. But why attempt to obstruct their nomination? Can better men for the respective positions be secured.

Beatrice Sun: D. E. Thompson has been confirmed minister to Mexico. This is the place that Mr. Thompson has wanted. He has business interests in that country and it is also to his interest to develop the business relations between Mexico and the United States. The best thing in this is the man who tried to get Thompson's scalp got scalped himself.

Loup City Northwestern: Since Norris Brown won his decisive victory over the railroads in the tax case, a number of the state papers are falling over each other in trying to chase him into the United States senate. The state might do a blamed sight worse than to place Norris there, but when we have a good thing in the attorney general's office let's not take any risks. Oakland Independent: There is a spon

taneous call of the state press for Attorne General Brown as candidate for United States senator to succeed Millard. He seems to be the man of the hour on whom of gold, the framework of the finest ivery those opposed to Millard can unite and it would not be surprising if the state con- black velvet, and the whole inclosed in a vention voted to endorse him. He has shown that he is cast in the same mold as and key. It cost approximately \$8,000. Roosevelt and Burkett in the state's case in the railroad tax suit.

North Platte Tribune: Considerable opposition to Congressman Kinkaid has develdown to show you. They are the endorse- oped among the cattlemen in the northwest ments of 3,000 of our leading citizens and part of the state. They think he has not been active enough in his efforts to protect them from the prosecutions the government is bringing against those who illegally term expires next April. Colonel So-and-so, fenced land. But why should Congressman Kipkaid protect them? If the cattle his friends say, will not again be a candi- men have violated the law they should

Neligh Leader: Norris Brown, Nebraska's popular attorney general; is being quite generously mentioned as a candidate for United States senator. With due regard to his fitness, qualifications and popularity, the question of location should be considered, and it is the hope of the Leader that a candidate his equal in all respects may be found from this section of th state. It is not fair that both senators should be south of the center of the state. It is wrong in principle and vicious in prac-

Holbrook Observer: Every day we hear the leading people in this section of the country, irrespective of politics, say that they would like to have the chance to vote for C. M. Brown of Cambridge for Mr. Brown has been in the banking business in southwestern Nebraska for twenty years and is well known in financial and other ways throughout the state. He is a man of the world, with a liberal view of all situations, conservative in all things and with a mind and view

of hs own.

Friend Telegraph: Attorney General Norris Brown is being boomed for the coming United States sengtor from Nebrasku. The Statesman. United States senator from Nebraska. The successful termination of the railroad tax cases has placed Norris Brown at the head of men in Nebraska who are willing in this day and age of politics to do their whole duty. Mr. Brown has not only won these tax cases, but he has fixed once for all the fact that the rallroads of this state shall not be allowed to shirk their share of the burden of taxation. The people of this state have a right to honor such men as this to the highest office within their gift as a just reward for well doing in these cases

Silver Creek Sand: The people of the state of Nebraska have been looking for a Moses to lead them out of the bullrushes. This applies directly to the ques- You may talk of skyscrapers that tower, tion of the election of a United States senator from Nebraska. In the minds of the great majority of the people Peter Mortensen will be the next governor, and naturally they are seeking for a senator Washington's day such a thing would who will serve them as well. Sand has noted the accomplishments of Attorney General Brown with a great deal of satisfaction, and has for several years been very friendly to the attorney who has in many ways shown himself to be the first incumbent of the office who has in any way represented the interests of the people instead of the corporations. If Mr. Brown will make good in his handling of the ready to declare that he must be made of cases against the Grain trust and turn in and show why we pay a dollar more per ton for coal in Silver Creek than the peo- R ple in Omaha, after it has been hauled through Silver Creek to Omaha and back again, maybe we will support Norris Brown for sepator.

Consider the Consumer. Indianapolis News.

If the coal miners and the operators can just keep in mind the fact that there is an immense number of the plain people who are keenly interested in the result of their deliberations it may help them somewha in arriving at an amicable conclusion

PERSONAL NOTES.

It is interesting to note that the name of Russell Sage does not appear in Colonel Mann's list of distinguished patrons, Some member of congress franked a

bookease, but later concluded, upon departmental suggestion, to pay postage, which amounted to \$72. Mr. Rockefeller has caused the setting aside of \$18,000, the income to be paid to the widow of the late President Harper. It is possible even for Mr. Rockefeller to do

some kind act at which nobody will gibe The average business man smiled in the same superior way at Prof. Bell's prediction that the telephone would become of as common daily use as he new ways the flying machine will be. Don't get

caught a second time declining Bell stock at \$4 a share. General J. F. Smith, who will become the new Philippine governor general, is little known in the east, but long ago achieved prominence in his native state. California. His present position was attained through his military career, beginning in the Spanish-American war, when

he saw service in the Philippines. The sultan of Turkey has a camera, made by an American firm, the like of which does not exist. The metal work is the bellows of morocco leather lined with case of white morocco with a gold lock

Major S. H. M. Byers of Des Moines, In., recently visited the old confederate prison at Columbia, S. C., where he was confined as a prisoner during the civil war. He escaped by sawing a hole through the building. While looking over the scene of his escape of forty years ago he discovered the very hole and had the surrounding boards cut out and the relic shipped to his home.

PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

"Kind words go a great way in this orld," said the gentle philosopher. orld." said the gentle philosopher.
"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "but ecople are getting wary. It isn't as easy trade kind words off for votes as it used be."—Washington Star.

"I suppose, daughter, you are keeping the diary I gave you New Year's?"
"Yes, indeed, papa. I'm keeping it wrapped in tissue paper. It's too pretty to write in."—Philadelphia Ledger. "Do you have any difficulty with your

"N-no: I don't suppose you could call it that. I swear at it fifty times a day, but it never swears back."—Chicago Tribune.

"Of course I cannot see my Finnish!" he answered, with characteristic Romanoff Mr. Guyer-Why don't you get married? You'll be an old maid pretty soon. Miss Terchance-if I were as easy to please as your wife was, I'd have been married years ago.—Cleveland Leader.

Bacon-Do you believe that heat as-

Miss Jellers-I wonder why Flossie young man wears that ridiculous little goatee on his chin.

Miss Tartun—The reason is, I believe, that there is no other place where he can wear it.—Chicago Tribune.

"Come now." said her father, after she ad kissed him effusively two or three imes, "what is it you want? Out with "I don't want anything," replied the

"Indeed! What is it?"
"A son-in-law. Jack asked me to speak
to you about it."—Philadelphia Press.

IN SUNNY OLD SPAIN.

Milwaukee Sentinel. rear their heads high to the sky; mansions may prate and stories re-Of their wonders that dazzle the eye: But there's something I sing of that's

grander.
Whose beauties are hard to explainIn a furaway land I have reared with a A castle in sunny old Spain. Your mansions may gleam with their splen-

But what are their splendors to me? Your columns of white may stand in their night

Attesting to man's witchery.

Your hails of pure marble may glisten,
And gems flash from over the main—
But there's naugh can compare with my
castel in air—
My castle in sunny old Spain. Rose covered, vine laden, it stands there,
With halls all a-glitter with gold—
There's a fountain of wine—a nectar divine.
That is sweeter than nectar of old.
You may hear, if you wish, tinkling music.
That is halm for each sorrow and pain—
There are voices that sing with a silvery
ring.

In my castle in sunny old Spain. Tis true that my castle is flimsy—And far, far away is the land:
"Tis true it may fade, as castles will fade
That are reared on the uncertain sand.
But when crumbled in dust are its pillars.
And all scattered, like wind-blown ruin.
I have only to dream, and lo! there will
gleam

gleam Another in sunny old Spain! Wood. Kindling. Coke.

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