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

The San Francisco relief fund is still open. If you have not yet contributed you still have the opportunity.

Our advice to the master painters and the brush-wielding painters: Get together. There is plenty of work to do.

Hereafter General Funston's fame will rest on something more than capturing

The result of the first opening of the not be seen.

strikes next week it would seem that the Gallic "Queen of the May" were a turbulent personage.

It is improbable that the damage to the San Francisco fortifications will invite attack until there is more to be destroyed behind them

President Roosevelt's remarks at the burial of John Paul Jones indicates that at least one man in American history proved strenuous enough for him.

Perhaps that bomb was placed on the window of former President Loubet's house simply to show nihilistic appreciation of the Franco-Russian alliance.

The speed with which it passed special

depths of despair until he has been compared with someone with less renown.

The escape of political prisoners from Warsaw prison may be an indication that the government would prefer to have them get away than to have the publicity of trials.

Wait till the magazine writers start the most fastidious.

Wyoming railroad which is having too such championship, and is worthy of many accidents employes would do a mention only to impress upon the public school will be inaugurated under his better part to both themselves and the mind the extreme of felly to which it personal supervision to teach the young public by being more careful.

building material for use in San Fran- minded people have always known, becisco it would seem that at least one tween an act of evil design and effect eigner does not always pay the tax.

Governor Mickey duly celebrated Arbor day by planting a tree in the lawn of the executive mansion. The governor can relieve an anxious public by telling whether or not it is a plum tree.

Fortunately the commencement days ere not far away and America will then learn not only what caused the Califernia earthquake but also how the Panama canul can be built with the least trouble.

of loss through the San Francisco fire of such funds in a great crisis comshould not overlook the fees of the spe. pelling universal effort to relieve discial adjusters who may be called upon fress. to determine whether the earthquake or The transportation of hundreds of the fire first reached the ruins.

tion should hold its meeting at San praise, but if it were done in the ordi- able to vote at the city election next which are almost unbelievable. Francisco as scheduled the members cer- nary course of business, merely to favor week. tainly would have an opportunity to one shipper against another, as a form study the effects of earthquakes such of rebate, it would, of course, be a vioas no geography text book will ever give lation of law and public policy.

SUSTAINED RELIEF IMPERATIVE. papers full of reports of railroad trains ture assumption that the need of relief this. has been substantially met and of relaxation in the work. The testimony of competent and trustworthy men on the ground is that relief work will have to

be kept up for several weeks. Few have any adequate conception of what is required to subsist such a multiplaced and a large, although a steadily governments, with time for preparation, oil investigation. have oftener broken down than suc- In both investigations the commis-

select and condensed form of food than publicly available, the statement is is available in this emergency, weighs made on high authority that the basis over a pound. At the very least twenty of a case of amazing commercial wrong the swollen millionaire are handy to have cars of food alone from the outside are and wholesale violation of law has been around. required now each day, and ten cars a made out against the greatest trust octoday will be required for a long time. If pus of the age. and expense must be.

variety of medicines and medical sup- Standard Oil offenders. plies will be imperatively needed. In large part all stores of this character, the same as of ordinary subsistence on stroyed. Even when public order is restored and business operations begin the office of president of the United Aguinaldo and slieged swimming of the fairly to be resumed it will not be in the States on March 4 last year was a deleburdened as they are, out of their own South Dakota, ably supported by city. There are no offers of aid from over stated: vaults in San Francisco shows that a resources to care for the immense num- Colonel "Jim" Dahlman of Nebraska. fire is not always out when flames can- ber of dependents who at best will long As described in the press dispatches strength and abundance, says thank you, regulate his private life as to bring no With the recurrent reports of French left to them.

burden which it imposes.

CORPORATION GIFTS.

of view, to raise at this time the ques- make things lively. Just to show what tion of legality of corporation gifts, like they could do they now and then roped corporation-only \$40,000 as against a appropriation for San Francisco shows lief. It is not a practical question nor is horses danced to and fro across the that the senate can do things in a hurry the public, profoundly moved with sym. avenue, while their riders whooped and the first convictions and punishments obif the proper pressure is brought to bear. pathy for human suffering and absorbed yelled and saluted the pretty girls at tained by the federal government since it in the work of alleviating it, in a frame every window." Voliva likens Dowie to King Solomon, of mind even to listen patiently to theobut the prophet will never know the retical disquisition on that subject or Omaha an idea of what they may exto tolerate anyone disposed to perpetrate | pect if they elect Dahlman mayor.

in on the San Francisco earthquake dis- somebody, be trying five or ten years pended the trophies of the hunt. aster. They will give explanations hence to put these steel company officers enough as to how it happened to suit and directors in the penitentiary for giv- beautiful seal of the city emblazoned in of its stockholders?" The employment of be dug up and a new one portraying the In place of refusing to work for that such tactics is the fit accompaniment of branding of the calves put in its place.

is capable of resorting. Technically legal or not, there is all public good. Secretary Taft, in deliberately ordering on behalf of the San Francisco sufferers the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of public funds without authority of law, committed an act which, if its purpose had been wrongful, and the emergency not obvious, would subject him to deserved impeachment. It is preposterous and foolhardy to insult the common sense of the country by attempting to draw a parallel between corporation funds diverted from legitimate use for the purpose of corrupting government and subverting Insurance companies making estimates public rights and the reasonable gift

trainloads of food and other supplies day by having yourself registered or If the National Educational associa- railroad companies is worthy of all

San Francisco there is danger of prema- give fresh offense at such a time as a heavy discount.

GARFIELD'S OIL REPORT.

general oil industry as affected by it, upon the investigation of which the bureau of corporations has been industude under the circumstances in which triously engaged for over a year, is now the people of San Francisco have been in the hands of the president, and when diminishing part of them must remain believed, cause a sensation for which indefinitely. For days at least 200,000 even prevailing impressions of the highpeople must be fed wholly from outside handed doings of that great monopoly sources, and the period during which an have not prepared the public mind. average of 100,000 must be thus main. Since the inquiry into the Beef trust the tained is to be reckoned by weeks, while full energies of the bureau have been, ever, they will vote the tax bureaucrats change in the existing practice be made; that for an average of from 25,000 to devoted to the more extensive and diffi- an extra appropriation for being so skill- that the penche be furnished at cost, but 50,000 will, of course, be longer. When cuit investigation of the Oil trust. The we remember the immense difficulty al- published report on the meat combine ways experienced in subsisting a com- was a distinct disappointment to the paratively small army at a considerable general public, but it is reliably affirmed distance from its base, a difficulty under that no such result will follow the pubwhich the facilities of the most powerful lication of the facts developed in the

ceeded, we may be prepared for a truer sloner acted under imperative mandate notion of the enormous magnitude of the of a joint resolution of congress, but in task before the American people. The the beef case the bureau was under the failure of our government under favora- disadvantage of being in the first stage ble circumstances, with all its organiza- of its own installation and organization tion and ample notice, to transport and as a department of the public service. distribute in time supplies for the little | Many of the errors and failures inevitarmy of only 20,000 men at Santiago is able under the circumstances have been corrected in the oil inquiry, and though no time to get out an injunction. An army ration, which is a far more the details of its success are not yet

this were all it can be seen how heavy It is known that in the investigation and continuous the strain of the work of the Oil, as of the Beef trust, informa- the government, abandoned their pal to But tens of thousands have absolutely and agents of the various corporations, lost everything, roof and even clothes, as the joint resolution and the law con- found guilty. With their marvelous facility as well as the means of getting food. templated. *Accordingly, it would seem for postponement they ought to have a job Tents, bedding, clothing and many other that the Humphrey decision of "blanket in the senate. articles which are costly and difficult immunity" in the beef case, if it shall to collect, transport and distribute are stand as a precedent, may be a bar to essential. Thousands were hurt and successful prosecution and punishment other thousands will be sick, and a great of at least many of the most guilty

WHEN "JIM" IS IN THE SADDLE. The most picturesque feature of the hand when the disaster came, were de- inaugural procession accompanying the sent to jail. luduction of Theodore Roosevelt into

remain. This will not be expected of of the day, "the cowboys were a them and should not by inadvertence be sight to see, for while they all wore a before. wild western rig, no two of them were The paramount necessity has been clad precisely alike. Some wore blue promptitude of relief, for such a mass shirts, some spotted red, some wore It is sarcastically reported that there vate life or not, are entirely lawful. Where of suddenly destitute people could not huge sheepskin shoes, while others had is an inside tip from the White House an officer involves himself in debt to a dewait many hours for food and help. That leather breeches, and still others wore to the effect that Judge Humphrey is not gree which leads the clamors of his crednecessity has been met. But the vital leggings. Lassoes hung on the pommels considered for any of the impending vapoint now is that the country shall ap- of their saddles and the pearl and ebony not; but that may suit the popular taste through him the good name of the service. preciate the need for sustained relief. handles of six-shooters stuck out ag- as well as the older conditions, which, It is well established that such a condition The nation has responded nobly to the gressively from their holsters sus- when a judge on the circuit or district of affairs threatens a scandal, and it befirst call. It has only to realize the pended from their belts. It was magnitude and true character of the against the order of the parade for any for his promotion at the next opportunity, call upon the officer for information. Unemergency to bear to the end the heavy organization to change formation in the slightest degree, but no human law ever restrained a genuine cowboy, and It is not worth while, from any point they could, they could not help but that of \$100,000 by the United States a small terrified African in the encir- wealthy concern like the Burlington con Steel corporation, for San Francisco re- cling folds of their lariat and their pany; but the two officials may feel the

This should give the good people of been violating the law all along. When "Jim" is in the saddle there will But it is positively disgusting when a be an hourly roundup at the city hall newspaper which has made itself notori. and a free exhibition of broncho busting ous as a champion of corporation abuse every Saturday afternoon. The walls noble impulse in the face of overpower. sombreros and spurred riding boots, ing disaster, and in the course of an and from the flag pole extending out

When "Jim" is in the saddle, the ing away the money of the company or the tiling of the city hall corridor will

When "Jim" is in the saddle, a riding idea how to shoot with real shooting irons and applications for places on the In proposing to take the tariff from the difference in the world, as all right. police force, will have to be accompanied with certificates of ability to pick up handkerchiefs from the ground congressman is convinced that the for- and an act of necessity-for obvious at full speed without reining in on the

When "Jim" is in the saddle everything about the city hall will go with a whoop and a yell and no stranger coming within our gates will think of passing on without stopping over to see the

of Decoration day are already making their preliminary arrangements. The the deeds of fallen soldiers appeals to North Carolina and Tennessee. one and all, and these committees should have the co-operation of our citizens in every way possible.

place where you now reside? If not, make a note to attend to it next Satur-

sponting municipal ownership, but when tion be made. Apparently it will be neces-. It is well to remember that back of the proposition was submitted a year sary to use the muck rake.

all, and over all, is the great court of ago to vote bonds for a municipal light-With every neighborhood between the enlightened public opinion, never so ing plant it took the other end. Muoceans contributing funds and the news- great as now. Those who are wincing nicipal ownership talk by those who under its decrees against corporation oppose municipal ownership whienever laden with relief supplies speeding to wrongs and abuses will be wise not to it assumes tangible form is subject to

> Pity the poor Burlington rallroad. In this land of milk and honey, with pros-The report of Commissioner Garfield perity overflowing and every other rail. the present article. This combination on the Standard Oil company and the road in the country proudly exhibiting the fruits of increased business, the add to its strength, in which quality it that the case might be reopened at any Burlington alone reports officially to the is inferior to the present field wire. The State Board of Assessment that its net new sample is considered suitable for uso earnings in Nebraska are less than they of field artillery and may be adopted uiti- time had arrived. were a year ago. If this exhibit were placed before congress by him will, it is made for every state which the road traverses the directors, doubtless, would accounts for other states and heaping proval of the chief of staff. the expenses onto the Nebraska division.

This thing of platform-stealing should be sifted right down to the bottom. We The judge's platform cornered the marhim to get material to build with.

Too Quick for Injunctions Kansas City Journal. The great trouble in dealing with earthquakes is their unexpectedness. There is

Chicago Chronich When it comes to raising a relief fund the octopus, the trust, the monopoly and

End of Their Rope.

Brooklyn Eagle Greene and Gaynor, who stole \$675,000 from tion was secured direct from the officials imprisonment, jumped \$40,000 bail, successfully fought the United States for years and are all-around financiers, have been

Able to Care for Our Own.

Springfield Republican The point that touches American pride the sea. And, America, proud of her just the same. There never was a compliment from abroad quite like this one

A Change for the Better,

Pittsburg Dispatch.

A Fact Worth Noting. Springfield Republican. It seems to be really a fact that a railofficials have been convicted of rebating of the officer disobeying such an order. and have been fined. The punishment will not amount to much in the case of the fine of \$10,000 each imposed on them. With possibly one or two exceptions, these are made relating unlawful over eighteen years And the railroads have admittedly ago.

LAWLESS COAL ROADS.

Interstate Commerce Probe Reveals Astonishing Conditions. Cleveland Leader.

It is possible that the report of the Interand violation of law seeks to prevent of the mayor's office will be hung with state Commerce commission on the coal railroads of Pennsylvania will be a startling one. According to a coal and freight expert who has been in close touch with elaborate editorial article asks: "Will of the window will be constantly sus- the commission, revelations of the most astonishing kind have been made already and the inquiry probably will continue for six months longer. Here is a statement prepared by this authority which appeared in the Philadelphia Press:

The control of the entire bituminous roal supply of the thirteen original states Pennsylvania railroad.

The bituminous coal-carrying railroads these states are admittedly a trustthe Pennsylvania, New York Central, Chesapeake & Ohio. Baltimore & Ohio and the number, even approximately, without ex-Philadelphia & Reading.

Sherman anti-trust act, the interstate comdouble-crossing their own stockholders. made to act there will be fines and im- proximately correct statement of the numthe railroad world."

York Central railroads own a controlling a statement or estimate of the number of Local committees for the observance more & Ohio. Norfolk & Western and the war, it will be seen that published These roads carry all the bituminous coal credence whatever." beautiful practice, of commemorating that is sold east of Pittsburg and north of

> For ten years these rallroads have maintained four "bureaus of statistics," which fine combination, truly!

> that railroad manipulation much out of

ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON. Current Events Gleaned from the

Army and Navy Register. The army signal officers have decided to plete experiments. The new wire is com- speak. posed of ten steel wires instead of nineteen and has a larger copper wire than state is reporting largely increased net gives it a superiority as a conductor for telephonic purposes, although it does not mately for that purpose.

General orders of the War department prescribe the poncho as a part of the a wise change, as they have been so large lose no time in getting a new set of field kit of the soldier, and the quesmanagers who could operate the road tion arose this week as to whether it is with a profit at least equal to that of to be used as a part of the equipment competitors. In all probability, howance. This recommendation has the aparmy elimination bill which is now under

consideration by the senate military committee. The proposition is recommended believe Judge Cooley could make out a to favorable congressional action, as the good case of stolen platform against all most effective means of preventing stagthe other aspirants for the mayoralty nation in the commissioned personnel. It is quite evident that something must be done to protect the army from the stopket and all the others had to come to page of promotion, a calamity which confronts the service and from which there is no escape short of some radical measure of relief such as that embodied in the so-called Crozier bill. It does not appear that the objections, which were promptly and emphatically raised against promotion by selection, will be expressed those who are to go out. The project, of course, makes no change in relative position aside from those eliminated and does have never been shown up before. not offer violence to the integrity of sentority, accomplished by promotion by selection. Elimination gains its advocates and supporters by the prospect of the protection it offers against stagnation, and it is on this ground, largely, that it may obtain legislative enactment.

refused to furnish a list of his creditors to obey the order to furnish such informaings. The case has an importance as in- the right place; all honor to them! volving the right of the military authorities to inquire into the personal affairs of The milis of God and the United States army officers. It is held in the War deourts grind slowly, but occasionally they partment that while an officer's military turn out a grist of new food that the superiors have generally no concern with nation seizes with rejoicing. In Chicago such matters, this can be true only so long great railroad and its principal officers as the private life of the soldier remains have been heavily fined for giving secret such as to cast no shadow on the good rebates. Let us take renewed hope; name of the service. It is held that when maybe the next time some one will be a man accepts a commission in the millitary service he surrenders certain of his personal rights as a citizen and accepts a standard of conduct for himself which is recognized by statute and determined by the use and customs of the service. In the power of San Francisco people, finan- gation of the "cowboys of the west," rather happily is the universal feeling in opinion on this question rendered by the cially crippled and otherwise grievously headed by Captain Seth Bullock of foreign countries that we need no help in judge advocate general of the army and taking care of the wrecked and fire-swept approved by the War department it is

"Under this standard a man must so reproach or scandal on his profession. If cancies on the supreme bench. Possibly good name of the officer is imperiled and bench made rulings that the corporations comes the duty of the superiors of the wanted, set the wires in active operation debtor to investigate the complaints and der these conditions, an order requiring an officer to submit to superior authorities a schedule of his indebtedness would be an entirely proper one." Refusal to furnish while this particular crowd did the best road corporation and even two railroad information called for will be at the peril

Every now and then the newspapers contain interesting statistics which would be valuable if true. They are usually based on the assumption that the number of desertions from the army during the war of portions and that "about 71 per cent of the deserters were Irish Catholics," who went over to the southern army, or at least left the armies of the north when the pope was said to have "recognized" the southern confederacy. These assertions and the nunerous inquiries which they have prompted led to the preparation of an official statement in the military secretary's office. The statement, which is worth preserving, is as

follows: "The actual number of desertions from the United States army during the late civil war is unknown, but it has been estimated by this office, from the best data obtainable, that the number of actual deseriers at large at the close of the war (making due allowance for those incorrectly reported as deserters) was 117,247. Many charges of desertion have been removed by the War department on the ground of manifest error in the record and under the acts of July 5, 1884, and March 2, 1889, and is in the hands of a single corporation, the the acts amendatory thereof. No record has been kept showing the number of cases in which the charge of desertion has been removed by the War department, and it would be impossible to determine that amining the records of the department for They have for years been violating the the war period to the present time, and this, of course, is impracticable with the merce law, the Elkins act and the laws of limited force available. The whole number ommon honesty. Some of their officers, of soldiers of any given nativity in the besides defrauding the public, have been service during the war of the rebellion is not known, and it is impossible from any "If the department of justice can be data yet prepared to make even an apprisonments in store for conspicuous figures | her or percentage of deserters of any given nativity. When it is understood that the According to the same authority the ad- War department is the sole custodian of nission has been made before the com- the records of the armies in service during nission that the Pennsylvania and the New | the late war, and that it has never made nterest in the Chesapeake & Ohio. Balti- deserters of any particular nativity during Philadelphia & Reading lines, with one statements showing the number or per cent man in reality as the active head of all of deserters by nativity are entitled to no

> Blessing of the Helping liand. Boston Transcript.

It is a pure and undisguised blessing apportion the quantity of coal that each that it is in the power of everyone who shall carry. The bureaus are governed by sorrows over San Francisco's calamity to a committee of the traffic managers of the do something to help a stricken people Are you properly registered from the roads, who fix the freight rates. Such is It is the one ray amid all the gloom and declared to be the basis on which the Penn- for it we may all well be thankful. The sylvania coal rallroads are operated. A keenest edge is put on those afflictions that no human power can relieve. And In addition to this the expert in his re- while thousands of such ills will be free of charge to San Francisco by the taking out the necessary transfer pa. port to the Philadelphia Press, tella stories brought to light with every day that pers. Unless registered you will not be of petty graft and treachery to the stock- passes over the city there is laid upon it holders on the part of high railroad officials a heavy burden that willing human hands and kind human hearts the country over The president must have had an inkling may help it to carry. Eagerly is such help being offered and everyone The local popocratic organ is again the common was being practiced here when gives, whether little or much, is doing something to lighten the heavy lot of which is soldom seen.

STATE PRESS COMMENT.

Beatrice Sun: The question of nominating a democratic candidate for the senate is agitating the minds of the party leaders. make a practical test of some twenty- The nomination of a candidate, with not five miles of new field wire, resembling enough members of the legislature to hold that adopted for the service after com- a caucus, will not cut much ice, so to

Nortolk Press: Every railroad in the earnings, even on their watered stock. When the Nebruska maximum rate case was decided it was expressly stipulated time, when by reason of increased rates established the law would prove remunerative. It certainly looks as though that

Albion News: The next republican state onvention will be smaller by about onethird than those of recent years. This is as to be unwieldy and at times unman ageable. The large conventions merely afford opportunity for the railroads to increase the obligation of the people to them no by supplying a larger number of free tickets. Five hundred delegates will repre sent the people just as well as a thousand. By the adoption of a direct primary system there will be a still greater economy as well as a better reflection of public sentiment. The convention plan is a "machine" system in which the average voter cuts mighty little figure.

Bancroft Blade: The politicians of Omaha cannot decide whether they want to name the next governor or United States senator. They might be satisfied with neither. Friend Telegraph: The State Board of Assessment will meet in Lincoln on May I for the purpose of assessing the different the roads doing business in this state show greatly increased earnings is evidence that valuations ought to go still higher in making the assessments. The position of Governor Mickey on this question is greatly to be commended. The people are beginagainst elimination or the selection of ning to learn how to get at the valuation of the railroads of this state. The Mich- and explosions in their ears, and clouds igan decision has shown up things as they

TROOPS FOUGHT NOBLY.

Funsion must be saluted as a victor in a ing walls for the dead and wounded. It stupendous crisis.

the United States troops at San Francisco able to respond, almost in the twinkling Philadelphia Record: From all accounts garding his personal indebtedness and who have rendered the country a greater service in the earthquake emergency than if and the amount involved will be required they had won a battle against an invading enemy. They were there on the spot; they tion or be subject to court-martial proceed- have proved themselves the right men in

the sharp cutting of red tape and the prac- | means of communication at the risk of tical immediate way of dealing with ob- their own lives. No more valuable serstructionists, makes one regret that other vice than this could have been performed matters now occupying the attention of by one human being for another. the public cannot be dealt with on the lines of military control.

New York Tribune: Without the army and naval forces San Francisco would have been helpless in the double grip of earthquake and fire. Even the timid antiimperialist who cannot sleep through fear naval and military force within call of the big cities of the country in great emergencies or catastrophes is convenient.

Portland Oregonian: San Francisco's disaster presents a most interesting object he departs from this standard it becomes lesson in American discipline. For more the duty of his military superiors to make than a century this nation has fortered a the necessary investigation, and orders in spirit of individuality. We have fought pursuance thereof, whether affecting pri- paternalism in government. Above all else have combated militarism except in war. In all the walks of life we resent interference by the man with the bayonet, but when a great emergency arises, like the San Francisco fire, we recognize instantly the need of a power able to enforce its orders with hot lead or cold steel. In such crises peace and order are possible only through the fawful killing of men who in ordinary times would scarcely be deemed guilty of felony. Note with what implicit confidence the officers and citizens of San Francisco set aside the civil law and turned the Mice power over to the United States army. For the general good every man surrendered a part of his indiidual liberty and became the ally of the nation's armed force.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Charles W. Morse, the ice king, has de cided to erect a \$3,000,000 palace in Fifth New York. With the land and furnishings the total cost of this home will be about \$5,000,000.

Prof, Quintano of New York has composed a new national hymn, written and adapted to the words of "My Country 'Tis of Thee," which will be sung on May 3 at the Waldorf-Astoria. It is said to be a worthy setting for the stirring words of the national anthem.

Immediate municipal ownership does not worry Chicago half as much as the fear that the elegant whiskers of Colonel J. Ham Lewis will be confined in a comme jail. Chicago has a large stock of patience but the disappearance of the colonel's whiskers, even temporarily, would stretch it to the breaking point.

Bennet Burleigh, the English war correspondent, has about recovered from a long seige of pneumonia. Mr. Burleigh is oldest of war correspondents now on the active list, having first smelled gunpowder in the civil war over forty years ago. Since then he has served in half the countries of the world. The old Avondale house and estate in

County Wicklow, once the home and property of Charles Stewart Parnell, the Irish nationalist leader, has been purchased by the government, which will turn the place into a forestry school for Ireland. rooms formerly occupied by Mr. Parnell are to be kept as they were in his life**Baking Powder**

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KNIGHTS OF THE KEY.

Deserved Praise for Work of the Telegraph Operators.

Washington Post. In the recital of heroic deeds performed in the midst of earthquake and fire at San Francisco, it is to be hoped that the telegraph operators will receive their share of praise. The daring of the fire fighters and the fortitude of the soldiers were picturesque features of a wild and awful drama, vividly appealing to the popular imagination. The telegraphers, on the other hand, were unseen, rallroads in the state. The fact that all and their work went on without the inspiration of crowds. Yet they performed their task in imminent danger of death from falling walls, explosions, and ap-

proaching fires. In the surroundings, with rocking walls about them, with smoke and gasses stifling them, with the roar of flames of smoke filling the sky, these men stuck to their keys and flashed the news that made the world stand aghast. They were as truly soldiers to duty as the armed men about them, and faced the king of New York Sun: Peace hath her victories terrors with as knightly courage as the no less renown'd than war, and Frederick gallant souls who groped among totterwas due to the modest but heroic fidelity of the telegraphers that the country was of an eye, to the cry of distress from the shattered city. The relief that prevented famine and unspeakable hardships, thu joyful intelligence from those who escaped destruction, the comforting assurance of immediate help, were all made possible by the devotion of these unob-Baltimore American: The way in which trusive and faithful men. They removed the army work has been done in San Fran- an immense burden of anxiety from thoucisco, the prompt meeting of emergency, sands of hearts by keeping open the

LAUGHING LINES.

"Young man," said the friendly adviser, "whatever you do, avoid debt."
"I guess that's what I'll have to do,"
was the answer, "unless my credit gets
better."—Washington Star.

"Dey say a gallon er good licker will cure ony snake bite." "All right. Will you please show me whar de snakes is?"—Atlanta Constitution.

The man who is training his puppy to behave naturally has to neglect all his other business.—Somerville Journal. Marryat-Hello! old man, you're looking prosperous.

Munniman—So I am. I'm in the leather business now. I tell you, there's nothing like leather.— Think so? Say! come up and take dinner with us tonight. My wife's baked some pes for dessert.—Philadelphia Catholic Standard.

"He seems to be prosperous. It simply proves," said the man who was fond of proves," said the man who was fond of tuoting, "that money talks!"
"That's true." replied the shrewd merchant, "and it talks best when invested in a well written advertisement."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"That corporation threatens to defeat my candidacy," said the young statesman.
"By contributing to the opposing campaign fund?"
"No; by contributing to mine."—Washington Star.

"And you consider that a speaking like-ness of my wife?"

"It goes without saying."
"Then it isn't my wife."—Cleveland

"Lariat Lem has turned up his toes? How "Hariat Lein has turned up the did that happen?"

"He made the mistake of orderin' a feller to dance that wasn't exactly a tenderfoot, an' when Lem Begun shootin' holes through his cork feet the feller got busy with his own, gun about two yards higher up."—Chicago Tribune.

"The discipline in the navy is very strict, "So strict that they even dock a vessel that can't keep up with the rest."—Halti-more American.

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Gyer-When he is on the verge of celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the day he faced the parson.—Chicago News.

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Have scorched her tunic and have scarred her hands— And who should say, "My race is not

Bring bay and laurel! These are my de-mands." So speaks Our Lady of the Golden Gate; And we who hear the marvel of her

yet run; triumph comes when my new days

voice
Smile back and toss her laurel, ross and hay:
Because serene indifference to Fate
Breeds strength to conquer, power to gain a choice,
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