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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.

Only one more week for Christmas shopping. Don't wait till the last day,

When Missouri attempts to confiscate the property of the "Oil trust," the real test of states' rights will occur.

Lant lan ar be responsible for frau6, butest culpability must attach to the man after something for nothing.

Give the departed revivalists one big credit mark. They did not this tim, placard Omaha as the wickedest city in the world

Old residents of North Dakota may be compelled to teach the younger generation how hay bu ners saved the day before coal stoves were possible.

accomplished if American naval of tinctly explained, when it was issued. ficers are to show that admirals can that his executive order was merely fight more effectively than commodores.

upon to determine judicially the dif- chooses, in his own private and ofference between political reprisals and ficial correspondence and in communiordinary lawlessness in Poland, lex cations addressed to the various detaionis may receive recognition in partments, which are not intended for

be prolonged in the senate in order to printed, the printing office would, of delay legislation may be good news to course, follow the legal style. the senator from Utah, but several plain at the proper time.

lish quarantine lines within states, state officials will have reason to watch live stock shipments closer.

democratic presidential nominee.

that the number of local democrats are disposed to locate the trouble in hungry for official honors without terminal facilities. compensation is much smaller than the | Since conclusive evidence is produced number hungry for official compensa- of the insufficiency of the railroad mation without hopor.

resorter, may regret the "good stories" emergency. If it were mere temporary he wasted on predecessors while strug- local embarrassment, which is not ungling for a reputation, but as he has usual during the season of crop movesucceeded in having himself arrested ment, the matter would not be vitally he must have held his faculty for get- important. But the indisputable facts ting free advertising.

an official press agent marks the pass- trial expansion during recent years." ing of the special correspondent, whose Notwithstanding the extensive prep- ment of the law requiring the use of state famous; but will the official terments which the roads are making writer receive as generous treatment and even though the increase of when he has shorn the "color" from freight and travel should not continue much perturbation of mind by conthe facts?

sage, summing up the situation of the mands of business. The supply of la-Panama canal in the light of his per- bor and materials alone limits extensonal investigation on the isthmus, sion of transportation facilities and will greatly strengthen public con- would barely suffice for new demands, many ways aid and stimulate the up with the development of the counprogress of the work. It is replete try. with additional evidence, if any were needed, of the president's intense interest in the undertaking and of his

determination to exhaust every energy effect that the tangle which had been in carrying it forward. The message places in clearer light ownership of the street railway lines confess it. than has heretofore been available the there-a tangle which long appeared magnitude of the results achieved to be as complicated and as interminasince the government took over the ble as that in which Omaha is incanal from the French company. The volved over the acquisition of its preparations in sanitation, in local ad- water works-has been settled by ministration, in securing laborers and compromise. After being in and out yet been known, however, to lose anything feeding, housing and caring for them, of the courts with varying degrees of where he couldn't find it when wanted. medically and otherwise, in assembling success for both sides the question of machinery and materials, etc .- a task purchase or readjustment with the of vast scope and difficulty and requir- Chicago street railways was finally ing time-were as vital as actual ex- sent to a conference of representatives cavation and construction of dams and of the city and of the companies, locks, and the latter could be prose- which just came to agreement last sistently held theory that there were no cuted effectually only after the former Saturday. problems had been disposed of. But the preparatory work, although absolutely indispensable, would not ord!stantially these: narily be popularly appreciated and

will be generally accepted as a conclusive answer to malicious detractors and obstructive pessimists. Not less gratifying and, to many, surprising is that part of the president's exposition which deals with actual exof positive construction, showing verily Less unsold copies 9,878 that "the dirt is flying." The work

scale that is highly encouraging.

cavation and similar striking features the city is to have 55 per cent of the As a matter of fact, the world at large inhas already, for months, passed into a stage of realization upon the preliminary labor and expenditure, and is going forward on a rapidly-enlarging

In short, as the president marshals the facts, seen with his own eyes, many of the great problems which had to be solved, and under which the the dark for a settlement of the diffi-French effort broke down, have now culties and embarrassments brought fore preaching against swollen fortunes been conclusively disposed of and immense progress made towards the goal. Other problems undeniably remain and tion. Omaha is fast outgrowing the the president does not underestimate capacity of the present water works to nor conceal the prodigious task to be performed. But he makes a showing extensions and betterments, which that warrants his spirit of optimism and his profound conviction that this chase scheme is tied up in the courts. national undertaking can and will be It is becoming more and more imperacompleted with the same success with which it has been so far carried on. Such assurance, aside from the beneficial effect it should have upon congress and all departments of the government, is especially opportune now, ing hard to smuggle articles into the when the importance of the speedlest country weeklies designed to bolster

"REFORM SPELLING" INCIDENT Unnecessary mystery is being made

the standard dictionaries, and the pres- will be likely to bite on the balt. ident himself has been prompt to sig-Some surprising feats will have to be nify his acquiescence. Indeed, he distentative.

On the other hand, the president's right is also indisputable to employ If the United States is to be called the so-called simplified spelling, if he printing under the laws of congress. If any contingency should happen re-The report that the Smoot case will quiring such communications to be

It may be that a hostile spirit inside other statesmen will be called on to ex- and outside of congress towards the president has found expression in exaggerating the "reformed spelling" in-Now that the United States supreme cident, but in point of fact the whole court has decided that the secretary matter is of trivial import and has of agriculture has no right to estab- been put by all parties concerned into definite and satisfactory state.

A TRANSPORTATION EMERGENCY.

The explanations of the insufficiency Members of all political parties re- of our transportation system vary gardless of previous affiliations are greatly in detail, but agree on the main invited to join Mike Harrington's new point. The general impression natur-Public Ownership league and get in ally is that of shortage of cars, and line to support Colonel Bryan as the at many points actual shortage is specifically proved. But at other places, including important centers, it is Army officers who complain so loudly shown that great numbers of cars are of deficiency in the personnel of the unavailable for lack of motive power. artillery may be depended upon to Some of the foremost transportation make a good showing should occasion authorities like J. J. Hill have exrequire the use of the guns. Com- pressed the deliberate opinion that plaints of this kind usually cease when | motive power and cars cannot be used to best advantage because of track shortage, going so far as to hold that The prospect of a vacancy in the mileage should be doubled to meet Omaha Park board discloses the fact present requirements, while still others

chine in each of these vitni parts, the cumulative effect is to bring out into to make the figures in our official "Bat" Masterson, as a newspaper clear light a serious transportation finance reports pinin, or at least The auggestion that Kansas employ to keep pace with our enormous indusweird tales have made the Jayhawkers prations for new construction and bet- safety devices.

President Roosevelt's special mes- one of extreme strain to meet the de- prevent the collection of honest debts.

AN EXAMPLE FROM CHICAGO: Reports from Chicago are to the

The terms of the Chicago compromise boiled down in a nutshell are sub-

An extension of the franchises for gave opportunity for the misrepresen- twenty years, reserving an option to tation and carping criticism which it the city to purchase at any time.

420 is the fate of all great enterprises to Acceptance of an appraisement of 779 encounter. The president's detailed \$50,000,000 as the present value of account of the visible results, however, the properties, which amount the city, three-em dash. whenever it undertakes municipal ownership, must pay in addition to any sums invested from now on in the betterment of the roads.

A partnership arrangement between cent, with free access to and control of ger of such matters at first hand, accounts for the city.

Assurances on the part of the companies of immediate rehabilitation of the system and improved service all along the line.

give at least a ray of hope to the long suffering people of Omaha groping in on by the bungling job of water works and their owners? purchase under "compulsory" legislasupply its needs and must soon have seem impossible so long as the purtive to find a way out without sacrificjeopardy of dangerous delay.

The railroad tax-bureaucrats are trypossible opening of "the Strait of Pan-them up for a continuance of immunity from paying city taxes on their ter- dren and of his work as a poet. ama" is becoming every day more apminal properties. In this way they are attempting to follow up the play they made during the late cam algn. hrough Chairman Allen of the democongress as to spelling in printed pub- democratic state papers on the railroad

> state campaign fund, and for that matter to the reports of the contributions has just been re-nominated for suring for nearly four years. Perhaps he will do better next time.

Congressman Kinkaid in a letter to one of his constituents expresses himself confident that the judicial division bill will be passed before congress adjourns. With two probable results of the present session of sets of judicial officers in Nebraska they can easily arrange time between them so that one or the other can be perity The statement is a little startling on hunting trips continuously.

Chancellor Andrews' reply to the directed or wasted, but neither is there made happier.

The real test of success, however, will come later when the pastors of local churches try to figure out among American people today. whether the attendance on their Sunday services has been increased.

The cry, 'Down with the Vatican,' thousands of tourists and millions of abode he might take up.

The appeal of a local contemporary plainer, can be readily answered. But then some people will have to go to school again and learn arithmetic.

shortage of cars would indicate that the trouble is not due to the enforce-

Judge Brewer might save himself

THE PRESIDENT'S PANAMA MESSAGE. prospect for the immediate future is "more technicalities" would no longer

The Road to Popularity.

Baltimore American. The statesman who will successfully adrocate a movement for the simplification fidence in the outcome and should in even if the roads had to this time kept of government reports will be one of the most popular men in the country.

Seeing Things. Pittsburg Dispatch. Honolulu is seeing things again.

ime it is two regiments of Japanese, completely officered, disguised as inborers. If Honolulu can be scared by two regiments precipitated by the proposed municipal of Japanese it ought to be ashamed to Shirting the Weight. Washington Herald.

> of money out of one packet and puts it in another, the report goes out that he has lost a few millions or so. He has never

A Christmas "Box." Indianapolis News. And now the Sugar trust and the Brooklyn Cooperage company have pleaded guilty and have been fined \$150,000 for accepting rebates. The previous, and, for a time, insuch things as rebates seems to be almost

Oklahoma's Perplexity.

shattered.

Chleago Chre Oklahoma's constitutional convention is engaged in animated debate respecting the designation that should be applied to the Delty. This will occasion some surprise in the effete east, where it is generally believed that the Oklahoma designation of omnipotence is usually indicated by a

Lamentations of Millionaires.

Baltimore American. The gloomy tendency of millionaires to ook on money as a curse must be intensified by the jeering refusal of the public to the companies and the city by which of getting in love with its accumulation. accept their earnest warnings to beware net earnings and the companies 45 per sists on getting its experience of the dan-

Protests Too Much.

Chicago Chronicle. Sometimes it really appears as if Mr. Carnegie doth protest too much in the matter of reprehending great riches. He has given much money to quasi-philan-This example from Chicago should thropic causes, but he is still one of the richest men in the country or in the world. Might it not be advisable for Mr. Carnegle to reduce himself to that state of poverty which he deems so honorable be-

> Centennary of Poet Longfellow. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The plan of the school authorities to proide for a celebration of the 100th birthday of Henry W. Longfellow is something a bit out of the ordinary, but none the dess praiseworthy. The school children have been taught repeatedly of the lives and greatness of public men and patriots. There is no reason why an equally instructive and gressman," replied Underwood. beneficial lesson could not be taught from ing the city's interests and without the the life of Longfellow, the eminent American man of letters, a good and true gentleman whose memory will always be revered. To awaken in a child's mind an interest in Longfellow is to open the door to a knowledge of good literature in later years. In no way can this be done better than by observing the poet's birthday with stories of his exemplary life, of his love for chil-

Anomalies of Prosperity.

Chicago Chronicle. of the effect of the joint resolution of cratic state committee, to enlist the pleasures. The very force of the swelling are suffering shall I accept an increase in able methods of doing business whether by tide tends to react upon itself. Thus business activity is so great that morey com-"Tobacco trust" cases are set for lic documents. No question whatever side under pretense of making it a mands high prices. It is not only the stock this week. For the general public the exists of the right of congress to adopt political issue. The editors of Ne- gamblers who suffer. Legitimate entersmoke from the chimney is more press- a rule requiring the government print- braska country papers know a thing or prises are halted by the difficulty of finansmoke from the chimney is more pressing office to conform to the usage of two themselves and not many of them lished rates for money do not by any means cing them. It is well known that the pubtell the story. Money, like any other commodity, is worth what it will bring, and Careful scrutiny of the report of the neither lender nor borrower is likely to contributions to the last republican take the public into confidence respecting transactions far above the nominal rates, The scarcity of money is one disagreeable phase of prosperity; the scarcity of labor to previous campaign funds, fails to is another. Here, toc. great enterprises disclose the name of the patriot who are hampered and delayed by the circumstance that men are not to be had to do the manual labor. They cannot be secure veyor of customs at the Port of Omaha, even by offering extravagantly high wages. which lucrative job he has been hold- There are simply not enough men in the country to do the work of the country. The tide reacts upon itself again-

LIMIT OF SAFE PROSPERITY.

Danger of Increasing the Pressure Considered. New York Sun Replying to a question regarding the

congress a distinguished senator said that he hoped that nothing would be done which would tend to increase our national prosuntil it is carefully digested. It is a question whether this country is

not today very much like a youngster who has eaten more jam than is at all good for Salvation Army solicitors threatens to him and yet is hungry for more. Nothing stir up a hornet's nest. There is no is of real value unless it can be properly question that a great deal of our utilized and controlled. The United States public and private charity is mis- may be said to be crippled by its present prosperity. We have not laborers enough to do the work; we have not cars enough uents can see how he voted, the majority the principle of publicity they can then deany question that on the whole much to move our crops and our merchand se. distress is relieved and many sad hearts and there is even a shortage of money 10; the proper conduct of busienss. It is true that there are many, who have less than on the ground that \$5,000 was enough for they want and some who have less than any man, went out and bought himself a Every one connected with the they need That is inevitable under any safety razor and a box of shoe blacking Omaha revival meetings expresses him- circumstances. But never before in the and bade farewell to his barber and his self as highly satisfied with their suc- history of this country, and perhaps any bootblack. other country, have the comforts, the conveniences and even the luxuries of life he said, "and the barbers have raised the been so widely distributed as they are price of shaves to 25 cents. 'Twill be a In 1870, a single generation ago, the total wealth of the United States, as represented

by the aggregate value of all real and personal property, was officially reported as \$30,068,518,000. The total of the present year raised over in Italy, will be tempered is officially estimated as a little exceeding by recollection that the Vatican brings 4100,000,000. The population of the coun try in 1370 was 38,558,311. It is now approximately 85,000,000. Within that generation dollars to Rome each year, which wealth has traveled at a much swifter pace would follow the pope to any new than has population. Within six years the value of our agricultural products has increased from \$3,764,177,706 to very nearly \$5.800,000,600, according to the figures of Sec. retary Wilson. Within five years the value f our manufactured products, according to figures given by the census bureau, has risen from about \$13,000,000,000 for the year 1890 to nearly \$17,000,000,000 for the year 1905. The condition of the country is amazing. Our 20,000,009,000 people actually engaged in The important-if-true discovery that the work there is to be done. We need seem to demonstrate that the trans- the real cause of traffic congestion is a both skilled and unskilled workmen. Our portation system has generally failed dearth of locomotives and not a present supply of more than 2,00,000 freight cars is inadequate for the transportation of our merchandise. Nearly \$3,000,000,000 of money in actual circulation is insufficient for our business needs.

As a nation we are gorged with properity, and it may be that we are near t the danger line, if not actually upon i Windom may lie in effort to hold what we have rather than in efforts to obtain immeat the present extraordinary rate, the verting four of his associates, and there a greater abundance.

PATRIOTIC SELF-SACRIFICE

Why Congressmen Turned Down the Salary Raise.

That eminent vehicle of the melody of statesmen, the Congressional Record, with admirable modesty, refrains from editorial comment on the moving spectacle of congressmen rejecting an advance in salary. The words of each commentator are printed with the usual precision, a record of unblemished patriotism to edify future critics of salary grabs. The atmosphere which gives a fitting background to the picture and the tone which lent charm to the uttered words are omitted. These features officially overlooked are supplied by some Washington correspondents who witmaned the awful struggle between fear and desire in the house of representatives on Friday, December 14, 1906. A few paragraphs will brighten the picture. Every time Mr. Rockefeller takes a bunch

> "It is impossible to maintain an average family in Washington, with all expenses considered, on \$5,000 a year," said Representative Clark of Florida, and every man who heard him agreed with him.

The ghost of the salary grab of 1872-3 stalked ominously through the hall, and scared the hungry Bolons stiff. They had before them the picture of the political cemetery that they was built after that bill passed, and while they looked longingly on the Littauer resolution they voted it down. One after another got up with watering mouth and despairing voice and announced that he was irrevocably against any such iniquitous proposition, and that \$5,000 was enough for him.

"Where are you going?" asked one congreesman who had voted for the resolution, as another who had voted against it "To get my shoes half soled and stand

off my landlady," responded the patriot in a hollow voice. "Most of the men who vote against this

resolution will do so hoping to God it will pass," said Clark in his speech and Germany the kaiser's chief chauffeur must George Washington and the cherry tree in- motor through life under the imposing cident was on a plane with Clark when he said that

John Wesley Gaines, who was courageous hough to raise his voice in favor of the ncrease, heeded not the low chanting by those scoffers who stood near him of this new version of an old refrain; John Wesley Gaines, John Wesley Gaines, Thou monumental pile of brains, Come in, John Wesley, for it rains, John Wesley Gaines, John Wesley Gaines.

The Tennessee congressman did not place ipon grounds of necessity and right and justice his insistence that his salary should be increased. He based his argument upon the self-effacing policy that as George Washington once put \$25,000 of government noney into his own pocket after saying he did not want it no humble man like John Wesley Gaines had the right to refuse an ncrease of salary and thus seem to place president.

"Am I better than the father of our country,"" cried Mr. Gaines, and not one of portrait represents the chief justice in a that listening throng dared to answer with sitting posture, somewhat as he appears the truth.

corridor.

It enough when it is taken away from Mondell of Wyoming Mr. Gaines gave his

you?" inquired Sheriey. anything like it been heard at the foot of preme court is wrong," retorted Mr. Gaines Pennsylvania avenue. Lamar of Florida airily. carried off the honors of the day.

"The people of my district," cried Lamar in thunder tones, planting one foot far before the other and advancing his chest Publicity Forcing Reform in Corporaa couple of inches, "are being robbed of National prosperity continues to show their earnings by the railroads and this that it entails certain penalties as well as | congress will not relieve them. While they |

"We haven't all of us married rich in an entire change in the attitude of the wives," said Sullivan of Massachusetts, public towards them. with a glance of painful severity that

Washington-the idle rich and the shifty woman only a few years ago. ward politician with no visible means of The year now closing will be remarkable selves behind their pocketbooks and the has kept its hands off the securities mar

and living will be cheap."

On the roll call, where a congressman has to go on record and his eagle-syed constitone of the most leather-lunged of the patriots who had voted against the resolution

"The landlord has just put my rent up." fearful winter."

THE LAST INDIAN WAR SCARE. Knock on the Sput for Western Correspondents. Leslie's Weekly.

Another "Indian war" has been peace

ably concluded. The "feroclous" Utes have submitted to the arguments of the soldlers sent to subdue them, and have given us the hunting trip on which they had started when the western correspondents selzed the opportunity to telegraph alarmist "space tories" to the effete and credulous eastern press. One of our own correspondents !!justrates the baselessness of the scare by this little story of a prominent ranch the house it can only be taken as repreowner in the territory "infested" by the senting popular opinions. While, as a next Utes. He had come into the nearest town, ter of fact, the action of the house will Sheridan. Wyo., forty miles from his have as little effect on spelling reform as had left his family at home, they asked advertisement he gave it, it may, neverif he was not afraid to do so, "Afraid?" he echoed. "The Utes are as praceable as relations with our transationtic friends. any of my neighbors. One of the squaws good deal has been heard of late in Enghelping my wife wash and another is land and in this country about an increaspitching hay on the ranch." The sansation ing coolness between the two nations. This congers among newspaper own and that has been ascribed to various causes-Von section of the western people in whose Sternberg's friendship with the president. dian" are responsible for these stories of the Anglo-Japanese treaty and other 'outbreaks," and sustern publishers should serious matters. As a matter of fact, this by this time have had experience enough coolness can be readily traced back to the refuse to be made the victims (with president's attempt to hobtail the sacred their readers) of such silly and mischievous English language. John Bull has never

While you would starve if obliged to live on white bread alone, life and health could be supported by

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if there was not another article of diet obtainable. Make a meal of this food, with cream and sugar, and you will find that you can go longer without the feelings of hunger than by any other article of diet known. Made under the supervision of a physician

and chemist whose name has been a household word for nearly half a century.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

Governor-elect James H. Higgins of Rhode Island announced his personal staff and all the members are, like himself, unmarried. Nearly half of the Indians of the United

States live in Oklahoma. The new state has 105,700 Indians as compared to 254,000 in the United States. Under the new automobile language in

title of "oberhofwagonfuehrer." John D. Rockefeller, jr., at the tenth anaual banquet of his Bible class on Wednesday, told the members that he never drank, and that his father and his

grandfather were both abstainers. George F. Pride, the last surviyor of General U. S. Grant's staff, has just died at Huntington, Ind. He was born in New York in 1838, and his father was a quant character told of in "The Last Days of the

Knickerbockers." Some Tenneasee statesmen show lively ap preciation of the proverb about the early worm. Governor Benton McMillin and Senator Carmack have announced themselves candidates for the seat of Senator Frazer though his term does not expire until 1914. Chief Justice Fuller is having his fortrait done in oil. The picture is under himself upon a higher plane than the first way at the Washington home of the chief justice, where sittings are given the artist

every morning for an hour or more. The

when presiding on the bench. John Wesley Gaines of Tennessee agrees "Why did you vote against this resolu-tion?" said Sheriey to Underwood in the message that the courts are not above criticism and does not hesitate to carry "Because \$5,000 is enough for any con- out his views. In the course of the debate in the house the legal status of a game "It would be if you kept it, but how is was in question and in a colloquy with Mr. opinion: "The only difficulty about that But it was a great debate. It restored proposition is that the gentleman and the the traditions of American oratory. Not supreme court do not agree," observed the since Daniel Webster spoke his piece about gentleman from Wyoming. "Oh, well, that liberty and union, one and inseparable, has is the case frequently, because the su-

DISTRUST OF THE PUBLIC.

tion Methods

Wall Street Journal. Persistent hammering away at criticis industrial corporations, transportation or insurance companies must ultimately result

Whatever the outcome may be in the paused at intervals in its sweep around the form of law, there can be no doubt that "Mediocrity," he continued, "is safe millions and millions of dollars have been while the salary remains at its present turned from investment in the classes of figure. If you raise it the cheap men are corporations now under fire, to other forms likely to be displaced by better ones, for it which have appealed to the public as givwill be then an object to them to come ing them a better chance than they may find in companies whose officers care little "There are some men in this house who, for what the investors as a class think judged by the value of their services, are of their administration. The investing worth not \$5,000, but \$25,000." Here there public may be wrong in changing its was wild cheering. "And there are others," course to real estate and mining stocks. he added, "who are not worth \$1,000." A Nevertheless money is going as never be deathly silence followed. "Either the sal- fore into these projects to the neglect of aries will be raised," continued Sullivan, the older forms of investment which apor else two classes of men will come to pealed strongly to the average man or

support. The idle rich will barricade them, for the persistency with which the public professional politician: live by their wits." ket. One cause of this estranging attitude is the obstinacy of some of the large com-Sims of Tennesses wanted to have the panies in refusing to deal fairly with the salaries raised at once, instead of having public in regard to their conditions and It put off to some future congress. "We methods. Investigations which are some know that prices are high in Washington times called "attacks" have borne enough now," said Sims. "but we don't know what fruit to enlist popular sentiment on the they will be then. By 1909 the democratic side of the investigating government party will have destroyed all the trusts rather than to develop any sympathy for the accused. The loss of favor which Com-The cost of living in Washington was the missioner Garfield notes in his annual reburning question with Sims. "I have a port, is a striking feature of the change letter here from Senator Tiliman." he which has come over the minds of millions cried, "in which he says he will starve to of people who believe with him that to redeath unless his salary is raised. Who move this distrust it is necessary to wants to see Senator Tiliman starve?" "restore individual responsibility and pre-Then the rising vote was taken and the proposition beaten by twenty-six majority. Ing place of the irresponsible, dishonest or the control of the con proposition beaten by twenty-six majority. Ing place of the irresponsible, dishonest of corrupt manager." When the corporation have adopted fairly and comprehensively rose to eighty-one. After it was all over pend absolutely upon the sympathetic support of the public in any socialistic attack upon corporate wealth.

> END OF A BAD SPELL. Congressional Documents Relieved of

Bobtailed Orthography. Pittsburg Despatch. Copies of the presidential and depart-

mental documents in reformed spelling will soon become of value chiefly as curious mementoes of an amusing episode in American history. The house, by the overwholming vote of 142 to 25, voted a prorision into the legislative, executive and udicial appropriation bill that no money appropriated by that act shall be used in onnection with printing documents as thorized by law or ordered by congress or either branch thereof unless the same shall conform to the orthography recognixed and used by generally accepted dis tionaries of the English language,

Had this action been taken by the seyate it might have been attributed to senntorial reactionism or hostility to all reforms bearing the Roosevelt brand, but for When he told his friends that he the president's endorsement, outside of the theleas, have an important effect on ou The only good Indian is a dead in the personality of the British ambassador, felt the same toward us since.

LAUGHING GAS.

"Do you expect to make a hit in your new part?" asked the friend. "How shall I say?" answered Mr. Storm-ington Barnes. "Who shall venture to pre-dict whether the caroless public will duly appreciate what is placed before it?" Washngton Star.

The earl of Warwick heaved a deep sigh, The earl of Warwick heaved a deep sigh,
"They call me the king maker," he said.
"I'd rather be a peacomaker, but there's
no money in it."

For, as he reflected with bitterness of
zoul, the Nobel fund had not been established yet.—Chicago Tribune.

"Aw, really, y' know, you're the belle of the ball," chattered the ally quies who the ball, chattered the allly dudes who surrounded her; "aw, pawsitively chawm-ing, perfect—" "Nonsense!" protested the lovely girl, wearily; "there are some things about me that are utterly stupid."—Philadelphia Press.

"I wonder why typewriters seem to get positions easier than other girls?"
"Because, as a rule, they have their bus-iness at their fingers' ends."—Baltimore American.

Knicker-Why did you tie that string fround your finger? Bocker-To remind me to forget the

waiter.-New York Sun "This circular gives every fraction of the sum it quotes."
"Is there anything peculiar in that?"
"Perhaps not, but one would expect a circular to give statements in round numbers."—Baltimore American.

"Are you giulty?" the lawyer asked his

"Sure," replied the prisoner. "I cracked the crib all right, but I thought from the size of your fee you might dig up a little of this unwritten law for me."—Philadelphia Ledger.

have a tear left in my system."
"Weil! weil! does a trugedy usually make you cry?" "This one did. It was an amateur show and I laughed myself into hysterics."— Philadelphia Press. "Mr. Hybrow," asked the reporter, "didn't you once fill the chair of professor of an-cient languages and Biblical literature in

an eastern college?"
"No, my young friend," said the slender,
scholarly looking man. "I cannot say I
filled it, but I-I occupied it."—Chicago "I've been mailing you quite a lot of my writings from time to time," said the would-be author, "but it seems I never send you anything acceptable." "Oh, yes, you do," replied the editor; "the stamps are always acceptable."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Don't you get any Christmas present 'sposed to be good "but father an' mo' ng this time of ye —Washington Star.

Solomon gasped faintly. "Christmas is coming," he muttered; "just think of the number of neckties I'll get So does polygamy rebound with terrible effect.—New York Sun.

BEST SEASON OF ALL.

New York Times. Let others sing of summer with its airy, fairy maze And the blue waves idly lapping on the But give me old December with its bluff and hearty ways, When the winter comes to meet you with

when the winter comes to meet you with a roar.

When the turkey bird invites you and the wonderful mince pie

Your gastronomic gladsomeness divides
With the buckwheat cakes and butter that are piled before your eyes And the maple sirup running down the

There may be some fun in frying on a strip of sandy beach.
But give to me the blessings of the fall.
When the kinds of food I'm fond of are in season and in reach
And their odors come to meet me in the

There's the smell of turkey stuffing and the cabbage, strong and true, And I greet the good old steak and onlone But best of all the griddle cake with butter oozing through, And the mapie strup running down its

meal for me.

A solid, simple something that abides.

Like the good old-fashloned gridile cake with butter flowing free

And the maple sirup running down its sides.

Christmas Week



AT HAND THE HOPS ARE CROWDED. A MAN'S STORE FOR - MEN'S THINGS SIMPLIFIES THE PROBLEM OF

SHOPPING FOR MEN. THE WOMEN WILL PIND RERE JUST WHAT THE MEN WANT. A GLANCE THROUGH OUR SPLENDID DISPLAY OF FURNISH INGS WILL FURNISH PLENTY OF



