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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.

Motto for the crook: A parole is as good as a pardon.

Secretary Shaw seems to think the pending law will make currency ductile rather than elastic.

From the number of cases in the federal courts, 1907 may be expected to right many of the wrongs of 1906.

The greatest trouble in the solution of the San Francisco school question seems to be for the government to get into court with its right foot first.

While real business refuses to be curbed by speculation-made atringency the general public will not be alarmed over the financial situation.

John D. Rockefeller's gift of \$3,000, shows that he doesn't expect to need all of his surplus to pay fines this year,

Conductors may be excused if they fail to collect all tickets for a few days, since they have had a "nodding acfor many years.

That Japanese anarchist who is threatened with deportation may become an international incident if the mikado objects to having the men he can spare returned to him.

The struggle between Mr. Harriman and the Colorado river still leaves unsettled the question of supremacy between the wizard of the rail and the forces of nature.

Now that the doors of the White House have been thrown open for the annual public reception the people can be assured that the arm which swings circulation in the United States, exclu- questioning by Governor Mickey. The the big stick had all the work it could sive of the amount in the treasury parole business, on the other hand, has dispose of in one day.

In deciding that Indiana have a right to make homestead entry on pub- our present system. For this is not an lic lands, the Interior department may inflation of paper issues, \$145,000,000 find it necessary to waive that provision which prohibits entry to white men holding land of certain dimensions.

sures the people that he will be gov- a vast additional credit. erned by the constitution in the performance of duty-but he will probably ask permission to construe it to celerated by the facilitating operations suit his own ideas until the supreme of the treasury, which in substance court speaks.

Arkansas citizens who gave a farewell reception to a state senator sentenced to prison for bribery will have no one to blame but themselves if their children fail to learn that the way of the transgressor is hard before they get on the road.

Simon Guggenheim, republican caucus nominee for senator from Colorado, declares that he has accomplished his desire to be independent; but he will probably find that "independence" has more than one meaning in American politics.

In the threatened demolition of "ring rule" the people should be care- \$3,000,000 per month, while there is ful not to pass from the hands of a no means of facilitating international "ring" borne by sufferance to one fustened upon them through forms of law. Even "reform" legislation can be dangerous in some hands.

city authorities should be to see that will be needed, and probably more. It Twenty-fourth street as a cross-town these places are made safe.

deep water, whether ocean, lake, river exchange. or canal, as a regulator of transportation charges which could be resorted to when all else failed. It comes as a shock, therefore, to be advised through a careful investigation that this safe-

menaced. roads have neutralized water competition. It is well known that the decadence of commerce on the Mississippi and its main tributaries has not been altogether due to the superior railroad facilities or rates, but very largely by manipulations and discriminations, whereby the public has been arbitrarily deprived of natural advantages. The commissioner's report reveals an elaborate system by which similar results have been brought about to some extent in lake and even in salt water competition, in part by terminal management and in part by outright ownership of water freight agencies. One of the most serious features is

opportunity for far-reaching discrimination developed by the roads under the excuse of water competition, for at the same time that they were stealthily neutralizing it they have exaggerated its effect as a cover for abuses that have long been expressly made criminal by law. The original interstate commerce act in 1887 thus made provision whereby the long and short haul clause could be annulled to meet water competition, and in this and many roads have steadily extended the field of discrimination, until today the practice raises one of the most intricate and difficult problems under the policy of government control.

The tremendous expansion of industry and its centralized control under existing capitalistic methods have materially changed the conditions in which water transportation was indeed the efficient freight regulator. The question of its restoration and safeguard, however, is pre-eminently one for national control, which has already gone to the length of providing for exclusion of railroads from other fields of enterprise. It is certain that they cannot be permitted at once to destroy water competition and to use its pretended effect to maintain elaborate discrimination abuses.

SENSATIONALIZING NEGRO OFFENSES. daily exploiting mere disorderly miliwhatever to believe that there is more 000 to the University of Chicago naturally created by such systematic as grievously unjust to negroes in the no formality at all to secure a parole. military service as it is inconsistent with the good record which in general

they have made. Among white and black soldiers quaintance" with so many passengers alike petty offenses, brawls and disor- tice by publication, so as to prevent excuse for sensationalism if they were tion was never intended to be a subsuddenly to cease. There may be ex- stitute for the pardoning power, but traordinary violations of military dis- simply to enable the governor to give cipline occasionally among either the convicts the benefit of good behavior fact is no palliation for the outrageous of their sentences by the prescribed are now being made the victims, and nitely fixed by law. which calls for prompt return to "the square deal."

OUR INCREASED MONEY STUCKS. The statement of the secretary of the treasury that the money in actual considerable currency expansion under being gold and \$60,000,000 national bank notes secured on government bonds, good for gold. The gold increment, being for the most part availa-Governor Hughes of New York as- ble for bank reserves, is thus basis for again have a weak or corrupt man in

> Fully two-thirds of the gold increase was secured through importation, acmade the gold instantly available here upon engagement abroad, virtually saving interest in transit, while the government lost not a penny, which it would have had if the facilitating operations had not been made. In short, assuming a sufficient treasury surplus and a higher demand here than abroad, our currency expansion mainly depends upon attracting gold from the hoards in the chief foreign centers or new gold as it comes from the world's mines

Obviously the currency expansion is not countervalled by equal facilities for contraction with shrink of demand. The maximum retirement of national bank notes under the law is only withdrawal of gold like those which Mr. Nelson only a few years ago was a were employed by the government last messenger boy in the service of the

year to bring it in. The defect of our monetary arrangenents, however, in this respect is not any pull. The terrible wreck near Washing- likely to be felt the coming year, alton reminds us that there are still a though no legislative alteration is number of grade crossings in Omaha made, because so vast are the business university firmly denies the imputation that are absolutely unprotected. The and industrial movements to be that the institution of which he is the first business of the new year for the financed that all the cash resources head would oppose the opening of

While the public accepts the sincerity of Secretary Taft's formal statement that he is not a seeker for presiguard has been impaired, or at least dential nomination, that he does not expect to be the republican candidate It is shown conclusively that in and that he anticipates multiplication some important directions the rail- of objections to his availability as a result of his continued discharge of official duties, it by no means follows that he is debarred from public consideration because he has no organized political machine behind him in Ohio or elsewhere or because he is not an adept in political manipulations or even because they are distasteful to

TAFT AND THE PRESIDENCY.

him. These points are being much insisted upon in some quarters as conclusive against the chances of the secretary of war, but such a view either must proceed from hostile interest or ignores a change that has profoundly affected the public attitude toward party expediencies.

There has as yet been no definite resolution of republican judgment regarding the head of the ticket in 1908, but it should be clear that the candimanipulations and combinations that have been too common in all parties. Indeed, it can be now foreseen that conspicuous employment of such methods in behalf of any aspirant may be his first words will be in the nature of a injurious and even fatal to his chances.

The fact remains that Secretary Taft is one, and by no means the least, in other ways on the same excuse the the number of public men whose personalities, abilities and records are such as to cause them extensively to be considered for party leadership in opinion is still in a formative state, the statesman, be he Secretary Taft or some other, who shall be evolved in deliberate and untrammelled popular estimation as fittest to take the succession to Theodore Roosevelt will be the machinations of all the bosses in combination.

THE PARDONING POWER-

The searchlight of publicity on the extraordinary list of pardons, commutations and paroles chargeable to Governor Mickey raises several points regarding the pardoning power, which seems to have been so shamefully Negroes have a right to complain of abused. Although the intention of our the sensationalism which is almost constitution framers and of our lawmakers was to distinguish sharply betary incidents in which negro soldiers tween pardens, commutations and paare concerned. There is no reason roles and to limit the exercise of the disorder among them lately than there tions imposed by law, it has come about was previously, when no special pub- that practically no difference exists belicity or exaggeration was caused by tween these various ways of exercising such circumstances. The impression executive elemency, except that it requires less formality to grant a comand persistent sensationalism is thus mutation than to grant a gardon and

The intent of the law, by any reasonable interpretation, is that the governor may issue pardons upon application and public hearing after due noders are to be expected if there is to snap judgment and dark chamber be an army, and there would be some liberations. The power of commutablack or the white soldiers, but this in a reward consisting of a curtailment discrimination of which the negroes number of months in each year defi-

The most flagrant abuse of the commutation power was, of course, that which freed Bartley, the great embezzler, without so much as notice of intention, and this vicious precedent seems to have been followed without vaults, has increased \$205,000,000 degenerated into a species of peonage within a year shows the possibility of and forced labor on one side and a conditional pardon without any effort to enforce the conditions on the other. This bad mess calls for legislative attention and a revision of the laws governing pardons, commutations and paroles in Nebraska that will prevent its repetition should we unfortunately the executive chair.

The revival by the democratic city council of the proposition to construct the municipal lighting plant may be in good faith, but the democrats had an opportunity to assist in just such a move two years ago when the proposition was defeated by an overwhelming majority. The streets of Omaha are so excessively belligerent. no better lighted now than they were then and the appropriation for lights is annually exhausted. Conditions have long indicated the necessity for a municipal lighting plant in Omaha, and it is to be hoped that the proposition by Mr. Brucker, if seriously made, will receive more consideration at the hands of the voters than was accorded that made by Mr. Zimman.

The appointment of John C. Nelson to be division superintendent at Omaha for the Western Union Telegraph company is another answer to the allegation that the young man has no chance. Western Union company and his rise has been due to his merit and not to

President Dowling of the Creighton may well be, too, from a conservative line. It hardly needed this assurance It is a commendable business proposition. on railroads began in 1899.

RAILBOADS AND WATER COMPETITION. | point of view, that the restriction of from Mr. Dowling to convince Omaha The result of Commissioner Gar- currency expansion practically to the people that the university was not in field's investigation into the effect of limit of permissible drafts upon the opposition to any step for the advancewater transportation on railroad rates | world's surplus gold is at the present | ment or improvement of Omaha. Lowill challenge public attention to a juncture a salutary safeguard against cally the name of Creighton has been point which has heretofore been re- overstrained credit and speculative ex- synonymous with progress for so many garded as guite secure. It has been a cess, although it may to some extent years that Omaha citizens cannot concomfortable popular habit to look to retard the processes of industry and ceive of its being connected with obstruction in any way.

The Winnebago Indian who refused to work for the man to whom he had been paroled from the penitentiary exhibited a very primitive notion of justice. How could he expect to work out his reformation if he refused to take advantage of the opportunity for toilown was going to waste?

In refusing to grant a change of venue for Mayor Schmitz a San Francisco judge has no doubt given work to the supreme court, while he has for a time created sympathy for the acsever relations with his former lieu-

Back Number Profession. Cincinnati Commercial Tribune. Statistics show that the burglarizing pro-1906. They ought to quit being burglars and try the other racket.

Outelassed. Chicago Record-Herald. Admiral Togo is thinking of coming to America. He has waited too long. People are too busy admiring Miner Hicks to pay date will not be selected by machine any attention to such a man as Togo now. Plea for a Pass.

> Chicago Inter Ocean. When the average rallway man is ques tioned as to his general record on the day of judgment, it goes without saying that complaint about the shortage of cars.

> > Making It Unanimous. Philadelphia Press.

Bryan is willing to run for president once again. Running three times is different from having three terms, so there ought to be no objection. If the democrats are willing the republicans will make the next national contest. While party the nomination unanimous, but the election will be different.

> First Gun for Taft. Cleaveland Leader.

The Leader believes that William H. Taft is the most available Ohioan. He is the man most likely to win the nomination against formidable opposition by the made the candidate, though he may be friends of rival candidates of other states. backed by no elaborate machine and He could not fail to make a splendid run even though he may be opposed by at the polls. He would certainly fill the highest of all offices to the satisfaction and credit of his party, his state and his country.

> The Rainbow of Hope. Kansas City Star.

A Baltimore woman had a Christmes tree for dogs. Money was lavished in the decorations and the phibles that were provided as presents. A greyhound, a pug and a fox terrier are said to have greatly enjoyed the affair." This shows how the spirit of kindliness the expanding in the world. Society is becoming so considerate of dogs as to justify the hope that by and by friendless children may also become objects of merciful regard.

Pension System on Railroads

avoid losing his standing. The system from the weather. renders a working force homogeneous and efficient. The inauguration of the system by the Atchison, Topeka and Sante Fe

Education in the Philippines.

We are doing something in an educational teachers and 6,324 Filipino teachers are employed. There are 2,464 primary school buildngs in the islands owned by the municipalities. On the theory that as the natives ecome educated they will more readily enter into our scheme of benevolent assimilation the money expended for education is they shall become fit to govern themselves they may more strenuously insist upon having the opportunity, or, if that be denied them under the flag, seek for it outside of as part of their personal equipment. the American jurisdiction. "A little learning is a dangerous thing."

Traits of the Japanese.

The Bookman. The Japanese are very clever, but their deverness, naturally, enough, is devoted to their own peculiar interests. They are not altruistic in the slightest degree. They velcome foreigners for precisely such a length of time, as suits their interest. After that, they will cast foreigners aside like squeezed oranges, and under their superficial politeness will be as hard and as selfish as any race that the world has wer seen. They are, in fact, an intensely egotistic people, vain to the last degree, and, since their victory over Russia, they are entirely convinced that they can bully and, if necessary, conquer any other people upon earth. Some day they will run up against a white nation that is not honeycombed with disconfent, whose fleets and armies are in superb condition, and whose finances are not like those of Russia, crippled and hampered by eighty years of extravagance and burdensome taxation. Then the Japanese bubble will be pricked and the subjects of the mikado will not be

NO WORK, NO PAY

Business Proposition Worth Trying on Congressmen. Chicago Chronicle. Some sneering and surcastic persons may

disposed to say that the average conmight better be paid than "docked" for absenting himself from his place in the house. That is a matter of opinion respecting which there will be dif-But as a matter of ordinary business it

really seems that the legislator who gives no attention to his duties ought not to draw pay. Representative John Wesley Gaines thinks so and, what is more to the purpose, he has hunted up an old statute orcement of the old one will meet the Members of congress are not to be treated

sound of the whistle and "docked" for any made manager of all the railroads contine that they are idle. It is equally clear trolled by the Mexican government. He time that they are idle. It is equally clear that a congressional outles which he flagrantly neglects. The man who cannot give Mexican Central. Mr. Robinson was raised his time and attention to his legislative on a farm and from childhood until he functions ought to resign his seat, There is nothing funny about Mr. Gaines' farm labor, except for one year, when he proposition to enforce the statute of 1856. was clerk in a general store. His work

ARRY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON.

Current Events Glenned from the

Army and Navy Register. The vacancy in the brigadier generalship which will occur on January 2 by the appointment of Brigadler General J. F. Bell to a major generalcy will probably be filled by the appointment of one of the senior colonels of the line; at least, there are indications of this very gratifying state of affairs. It will, of course, be something of a shock to the army, which ought to be by this time pretty well accustomed to the violence of selection and the demoralizing effect of devastating overslaugh The list of candidates is a long one and includes captains of the line and many staff officers. No one knows, of course, what Mr. Roosevelt will do at the last moment, but it is hoped that the present ing on another man's farm while his indication in favor of a senior colonel of infantry, cavalry or artillery is not a false

A question recently arose in the War department as to the meaning of the expression "term of enlistment" in the official orders defining the conditions of awarding service and service-in-war chevrons. It has been decided that for service chevrons cused official, who is not permitted to the period of service must have been a full three years or five years enlistment and for one service-in-war chevron the enlistment may have been honorably terminated before the expiration of the term, but to be entitled to wear more than one such chevron for the same war or campaign the first enlistment must have been fession got only \$4.127 out of banks during terminated by expiration of the term of service.

An army officer now on duty in an eastern station and formerly on duty in Utah has asked the War department if he may have two horses transported from North Dakota to his present station at government expense. When he was on duty in the west he sold the animals he then owned, there being no place to keep them at the post where he was stationed, and he now desires to have two horses transported from a place of purchase which is considerably more distant from his present post than is the station of duty at which his last service was rendered. The application has been adversely acted upon by the quartermaster general of the army. whose views have been sustained by the War department.

It has not yet been decided when there will be another examination of candidates for appointment as dental surgeon in the army. There are no vacancies and none in prospect, but it is considered of advantage to obtain some qualified candidates for an eligible list. The recent examinations held at West Point and San Francisco do not appear to have resulted in getting the desired personnel, although the surgeon general's office has yet to hear from the board on the Pacific coast. In the next examination the physical examinations will take place at the military posts nearest the homes of the candidates, so that those who apply may be spared the expense of a trip to the place where the board meets for the professional examination. It so happened that several of the candidates who appeared before the recent board at West Point were dethey might have been spared the time and cost of the longer trip by a shorter one to the nearest post for an examination by a medical board.

A waterproof pack chest has been adopted for use of the signal corps of the feeders and auxiliaries to the steam roads army. The chest is 30x15 inches, outside is really less difficult as a problem than it measurement. It is made of leatheroid, would seem to many, and the solution of securely bound with fron and has a sub- many knotty transportation problems is stantial lock. It will be provided for issue likely to be found along this pathway. only to signal cosps companies, on field From now on the foresighted will keep service and is intended for the packing an eye on the understandings arrived at Several large corporations have inaugu- of telegraph, telephone and testing inrated the pensionesystem and have found struments, heliographs, field glasses and it satisfactory, both sentimentally and ma- telescopes, small tools, such as linemen's terially. A man whose pension is con- outfits and other small articles of value, tingent upon his loyalty and length of ser- which must be secured against loss and vice is likely to exercise great care to instruments which should be protected

A decision has been rendered by the assistant comptroller of the treasury to the railroad is not an innovation, but the adep- effect that an officer of militia who acted tion of an idea that has proved its value. as disbursing officer during an encampment is entitled to the pay of his grade during the encampment and for such period there after as was actually necessarily consumed by him in the payment of pay, subsistence way for the little brown brethren in the and transportation and travel allowances Philippines. There are 3,166 primary schools of the officers and men of the militia and in the Islands, with an average attendance in the preparation of accounts for transof 315,544 pupils. Seven hundred American mission to the proper administrative department of the government.

The signal corps of the army adopted for use of signal men a brush cutting knife. The blade is eighteen inches long and the knife weighs with the leather scabbard twenty-nine ounces. The knife well spent. But it is quite possible when will be issued as part of the equipment of companies on field services or departments constructing lines. They are not intended for issue to individual soldiers

PERSONAL NOTES.

Doubtless the Sage millions will be distributed after the probate court has passed upon the will of Mrs. Sage.

King Oscar of Sweden is one of the most remarkable of European monarchs. Be sides being a voluminous writer he is a will use foreigners and pay foreigners and first-rate musician, an expert linguist, a good speaker and an all-round sportsman. Although James Bryce, the new British imbassador to this country, is 63 years old he has not by any means exhausted his physical energies or his fondness for exercise in the open. His favorite recreation is mountain climbing and he is president of the English Alpine club. Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Johnston of Mil-

waukee have made a gift of \$100,000 for the onstruction and equipment of a new home for Marquette college, to be erected in their city. The trustees of the college offered to change its name to Johnston college, but the Johnstons prefer it should continue to bear the name of the famous missionary. Recent announcement in a press report to the effect that \$5,000 was paid for a copy of the early laws of Connecticut, known also as the "blue laws" of Connecticut, has brought to light the possible fact that the only other copy in existence in possession of Mrs. C. E. Laverty of Louisville, Ky. It has occupied a place in her library for fifty years.

The Japanese government has sent its chief railway engineer from the island of Formosa to spend six months in the United States and six months in Europe studying the latest methods in railway construction. His name is H. Inagaki. He has just arrived in San Francisco, where he will remain a month. He is a young man in the early thirties. Dr. George F. Kuns, statistician on pre-

cious stones for the United States geological survey, has retired. Originally an annual review of the precious stone industry in the United States lished, but Dr. Kunz has extended this of which says so. There is, consequently, no lished, but Dr. Kunz has extended this of need for a new law on the subject. The late years to cover discoveries and developments in precious stones and ornamental stones in all parts of the world. A. A. Robinson, until recently president

like railroad laborers, going to work at the of the Mexican Central railroad, will be was very close to President Dias during reached his majority he was engaged in

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RAILROAD BETTERMENTS.

Are Planned for the Year. New York Commercial.

The authorization of large stock issues Northern not only indicate great exten- the aggregate amount which they received sions and important betterments in the in the latest year from which complete railroad properties in the territory cul- figures have been obtained is a little over tivated by these companies, but they sug- \$7,000,000. New York got \$3,300,000 from this gest a struggle for new business such as source, Pennsylvania, \$1,221,000; Illinois, Milwaukee system's hundred-million stock smaller amounts. The census authorities increase available for extensions to the believe, however, that the \$7,000,000 omactive in the development of new business they have compiled the figures will be \$16,in the remoter west." All these do not 000,000 or \$12,000,000 in 1908. necessarily mean anything beyond the takup and develop regions that will be per- item in the revenues. It is easy to see that the lines penetrating them. Still, there is \$3,300,000 a year to the federal government. business in the air.

Coincident with these far-western extensions and betterments there is going on in the eastern and central states a in any phase probably would like to hang development more gradual, less striking, onto it. This is a sentiment which will tell but none the less sure to modify and complicate the transportation problem. We refer to the strongly defined tendency to make the electric traction lines, such as which tax inheritances get, in the aggreare found so abundantly in states like gate, about \$12,000,000 from that source in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, auxiliary to the 1906, the addition of the other twenty states steam lines in handling freight and express to the roll of inheritance taxers would matter.

The present car shortage, the coal famine or \$15,000,000 in a year. But there is reason in the west, and the inability of steam to believe, from England's experience, that railway carbuilders to overtake their or- a United States inheritance tax would ders all emphasize the need of additional yield much more than this sum. As we are aids to the present transportation facilities clared disqualified on physical grounds and of the country. That the trunk lines of likely to amount to \$90,000,000 or more for railroad and the smaller steam lines al- the twelve months which end next June, ready see the vantage-point achieved by congress will not be in a hurry to enact connecting systems of tric roads is shown by the favor with : ch interchange puts the treasury surplus for the present of transportation is regarded.

To make these electric tractions lines botwoon the greater railway systems and the parallel and intersecting electric lines.

A BLUSHING "YES." The Peerless One Hesitates, Though

Willing to Consent. New York Sun. The Hon. William Jennings Bryan will not protect himself with a lightning rod. In words that reveal his hitherto unsuspected talent for diplomacy, the Wanderer

veils a blushing yes: "While I have not yet announced that would be a candidate, I have not stated that I would not be a candidate. Such a high honor as the presidential nomination is something that no American citizen

should decline. An honor not to be declined. Mr. Bryan doesn't say that it should not be sought. He amends the axiom of Mr. Lowndes of

South Carolina Mr. Bryan's bashful expectancy is no surprise. He will get the nomination, if he can, of course. But can he? In spite of his scheme of government trunk railroads, his plan for the election of federal judges horror of government by injunction, Mr. Bryan seems too slow-paced for there rapid times. Not that he has grown conservative, as some of his apologists would make the country believe; but others have

going if not better soldiers of socialism than he At any rate, if the lightning ever hits that fine head of political melodrama, there will be no thunder with the stroke. It has been all used up.

grown more radical and more flercely rad-

ical. There are more active and thorough-

Rust Wears More Than Work. Portland Oregonian.

Written in the home-made copy books of haif a century and more ago was frequently found this statement: "Rust consumes faster than labor wears." The statistician who seeks to verify statements of extreme longevity finds proof of the truth of this assertion in the active out-door lives that very aged men and women have lived not infrequently to four-score years. It has further been shown by these researches into the causes that govern the time allotment of man that the full exercise of the various powers of the mind and body is conducive to great age. Hence anyone desiring abnormal length of years need not be afraid of wearing himself out by labor, since upon this high authority he is assured that his action is life-inaction decay.

Chouses the Lesser Evil. Washington Star. The apprehension occasioned by excessive prosperity is nothing compared to that caused by a touch of hard times. Even

the possimists must credit the country with

possing the less of two evils.

TAXES ON INHERITANCE.

Extensions and Improvements that Contributions to the Public Revenue in Twenty-Five States. St. Louis Globe Democrat.

The census bureau's inquiry shows that by the Northern Pacific and the Great twenty-live states tax inheritances, and marks an era of great national prosperity. \$503,000; Massachusetts, \$433,000; Connecticut, The Union Pacific's very prosperous out- \$334,000; California, \$290,000; Missouri, \$236,000, ook with its enormous resources and the and the other eighteen states received Pacific coast will make these lines very tained from this tax in the year from which

In some of the states, it will be noticed. ing advantage of prosperous times to open the inheritance tax is a rather important manently and bounteously tributary to New York would dislike to surrender this a suspicion of competing fight for new which it will have to do if the president's proposition for an inheritance tax should be adopted. Pennsylvania, Illinois, Missouri and the other states which have this tax against the proposition if it come up in congress in a practical way.

Assuming that the twenty-five states bring this form of revenue up to \$16,000,000 now running up a surplus which will be any new forms of taxation, Secretary Shaw fiscal year at \$58,000,000, but his estimates have usually been below the mark. The present indications are that the states will be allowed to retain their revenue from heritances.

FLASHES OF FUN.

Bacon-She can't get her husband to be-Egbert—Why, is he so skeptical?
"Oh, he used to be employed reather bureau."—Yonkers Statesmi

Old Hunks—When I was a young man 1 could strike a harder blow with a sledge-hammer than anybody in town.

Old Hewligus—Well, you still hold the record as a knocker.—Chicago Tribune.

"Every Miss, you know, has a mission in life," remarked Joakley.
"Think so?" remarked Miss Vera Bright.
"Yes; to a good man."
"Perhaps, provided the man has a man-sion."—Philadelphia Press.

She (sternly)--Why were you so late last night? He (apologetically)—I was held up on my

Towne-Some people say "lunch" and some say "luncheon," and yet, of course, both mean the same thing.

Browne-I don't think so. I rather believe "lunch" is masculine and "luncheon" feminine.—Indianapolis News.

Knicker-When is childhood over? Bocker-When after Christmas you ex-change your toys instead of breaking them. New York Sun.

The walter had just been knocked down by an trate patron.

"Can't you give a man a tip without completely everturning him?" he grumbled, as he arose. "I fear." he added, as he dusted his clothes, "that your sense of proportion is deficient."—Philadelphia Ledger.

DREAMS OF CHILDHOOD, Kansas City Journal. Pleasant recollections, happy memories, Songs of summer warbiers in the willow trees. Turning life's book over, page by golden the fireside dreaming a golden age!

Come, ye little figures; come, ye visions Faces tanned and freckled, brown and bare of feet; Turn the book of living, page by golden At the fireside dreaming Of a golden age!

Of an age respiendent with the hopes of Free and bright and careless of the human Down the rifted chimney winter winds may

Naught can mar the dreaming Of a golden age When the heart was wholesome with the of the wildwood rapture, freedom's recom-Turn the book of fortune, but the sweet-est page Tells in hours of dreaming Of the golden age!

Tells of childhood pleasures, tells the wonder, joy in the happy spirit of a happy boy. Winds around the chimney rage and and rage—
Making sweet the dreaming
Of a golden age!

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