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

Conviction of members of the "Tobacco trust" means that the public will be made to smoke up to reimburse them for their fines.

Colorado's governor insisted on beonly thought of that.

ing income and inheritance taxes as their own sources of revenue.

There is room for suspicion that the weather man has gone into partnership with the ice combine for a diversion of next summer's profits.

That Kentucky judge who appealed for soldiers to protect him will hardly be popular in a state where men are expected to protect themselves.

The czar's attempt to banish sinecures from the Russian service is altogether too likely to increase bomb throwers in the ranks of the reaction-

Since Goldfield miners have decided to return to work rather than repeat the Colorado mistake, Nevada has still a vestige of reputation of which it may

In view of the difficulty of securing an official definition of whisky, the poor Indian is to be excused for mistaking the traders' compound for the real article.

of the inmates should be promoted to the state penitentiary, which seems to have plenty of room.

In his flight to Europe before his associates were ready to start, James strain upon the forgetting powers of those who remain behind.

A squad of mounted patrolmen might be a desirable addition to the Omaha police force, but the answer will the money come from?"

The new senator from Michigan is to be Mr. Smith and the new senator from Nebraska will go on the roll call as Mr. Brown. It is time for Arkansas to chip in by resurrecting Mr. Jones.

it has been discovered that Oklahoma has no law to punish attempts to murder. No Oklahoma citizen ever had any license to miss his mark when he decided shooting to be necessary.

Senstors who talked against the Lafollette bill and then voted for it evidently decided it better to have a clear record on roll call than to have their votes consistent with their remarks.

Industrially, commercially, socially and geograpically South Omaha and Omaha constitute one community. They are separate only politically because they maintain dual city governments to do the work which one could perform better and more economically.

The democratic members of the legislature will soon have to decide whether they will stand up for the people on the terminal taxation proposition or whether they will obey orders of Chairman Allen of the demothe tax-shirking rallroads.

JOINT COMMITTEE BILLS.

issues of the last campaign turned. previously exposed. Every member of the republican majority was elected on distinct pledges to secure the enactment of certain specific reform legislation promised in the republican state platform, and every member of the minority was elected on similar platform pladges which, if anything, went further than those of their opponents. The people expect these promises to be scrupulously redeemed and the record of the legislature will be judged largely by its performances along these lines.

The great difficulty to be overcome of differences of opinion as to scope and detail of the reform measures. The introduction of a multiplicity of bills tempting opportunity to those who want no legislation at all to play the one against the other for the purpose of killing them all off. This has been the regular practice of the lobby in previous sessions and will surely be tried again if any opening for repetition is presented. On the other hand, if the joint committees of the two houses can be united on the outlines of the proposed legislation, the bills reported as a result of their conferences will start out with special prestige and it ought to be possible to secure substantial unanimity for their support.

Even with joint action in framing the measures the pitfalls and other dangers to be met must not be overlooked or belittled. The powerful corporate interests which have successfully blocked these reforms in the past are not going to stand aside now and let them go through unopposed. It behooves all the members of the legislature who are earnestly enlisted in the movement to be constantly on the lookout and to omit no necessary precaution at any stage of the proceedings.

BRYAN ON STATES RIGHTS.

In the issue of Mr. Bryan's Commoner for the current week are two editorial articles, one elaborately arguing for the "Jeffersonian" doctrine of states rights in general and the other as elaborately arguing its subversion through applications of centralized power, particularly as proposed in the Beverldge child labor measure, which Mr. Bryan had previously publicly ening inducted into office in a church not been misconceived by Jefferson accused are necessarily subject to con-If Nebraska's latest ex-governor had himself, and by everyone else up to viction. date, it is the diametric reverse of the constitutional interpretation on which If Uncle Sam isn't in a hurry the alone all such employments of nastates will beat him to it by pre-empt- tional power as the Beveridge bill are based, and if that interpretation be accepted there practically can be no limit on the side of state sovereignty to the extension of national jurisdiction.

> of interstate scope is perfectly clear. They have a practical in contradiction to a doctrinaire interest at stake, and are unembarrassed by considerations of political consistency. They at least recognize in the old "Jeffersonian" states rights doctrine the most available shield, under existing conditions, against interference with their abuses and restraints of trade, by the power of the national government, which is now becoming so serious and effective. And any exaltation of the famous "Jeffersonian" dogma, even for the purposes of sentimental or partisan appeal, necessarily plays into their hand.

RUNNING OFF THE WITNESSES. A sinister significance cannot fall to attach to the fact that the representatives of the government feel impelled at this stage of the Interstate Commerce commission's investigation to Both the city jail and county jail in take steps for the forcible detention of Omaha are badly overcrowded. Some E. H. Harriman, Henry C. Frick and H. H. Rogers within its jurisdiction. Yet the propriety of this action can hardly be questioned in view of the sudden and unheralded departure for Europe of James Stillman, their assoclate, presumably holding the key that Stillman may have placed an unusual would unlock the door to the full information on important matters partially exposed in the course of the in-

James Stillman is president of the National City bank of New York, the souri declares his relations with Senagreatest bank in the United States, tor Balley to have been of a business must first be had to the query, "Where | which, through a subordinate confederacy of powerful banking and trust sourian belongs to a generation of policompany institutions, is reputed to be ticians who considered "business" an the fiscal agency of the Standard Oil dynasty, just as Mr. Harriman is credited with being its executive agency on the side of transportation manipulations. In the extraordinary dealings nental roads in the hands of that dynasty, those figures stand out conspicuously in suspicious association in such way that Stillman, the agent in control of all the financial machinery, must all the hidden knowledge back of the brief but suggestive memoranda of implicated boards of directors and the minimized admissions of evasive witnesses. When at the critical moment Mr. Stillman suddenly takes himself hit would be to hold up the nomination of out of the country and out of reach of the investigators the natural thing to do is to make sure of his associates. although they may be able to avoid in part, at least, making the disclosures which the fugitive would have to make if the commission could get hold of

But the evidence already adduced efficient hair restorer. clearly shows most anxious efforts in the corporation manipulations affecting profoundly the industry of half a continent to avoid publicity as regards not cratic state committee to line up with only the general public, but also the

Both houses of the Nebraska legisla- The absconding of a most important portation corporations, which shows very ture have agreed to authorize joint witness, as well as a chief actor in this committees to prepare bills covering gigantic conspiracy for secrecy, is only the principal subjects on which the in strict keeping with all the facts

> DIRECT PRIMARY PROGRESS-Every message delivered by nearly a score of governors to convening legislatures seriously discusses reform in the method of salecting candidates crushed past resurrection. for public office, and the unanimous trend of the recommendations is towards the direct primary system of dication of public sentiment that not

n carrying out this program arises out | legal regulation has been tried exor proposes a return to the systemized with crop failures abroad. barter and sale of votes inseparable on the same subject would open up a from the old caucus and convention method.

In states like Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota where the legalized primary nominations have been in force there is, indeed, suggestion of changes, but embodiment of the principle in law. Naturally many of the original primental and imperfect, because of the money to use. nature of the subject, if not because of the machinations of an opposition emanating largely from corporations and political machines, but even under such circumstances the efficacy of popular control of nominations, as well as of elections, has been vindicated whereever tested beyond expectations, winning the assent even of many who had been indifferent or positively opposed.

In states like Nebraska, where a pledge to enact a law providing for nomination by direct primary and where the abuses under the old convention system are notorious, the results of experience thus officially certified should be especially impressive and reinforce the determination to satisfy public demand for such a law.

The acquittal of one set of defendprosecutors, but it does not affect the gree of guilt among those who have fresh from the soil. had the benefit of illegal possession of dorsed. If "Jeffersonian" doctrine has the public domain and not all of those

The protestations of the heads of the railroad law departments that there are no lobbyists at Lincoln would be really humorous if calculated to fool show in the way of achievement, but But if Mr. Bryan's vision be clouded it is not because they have not been bition is not political, he says what might on this fundamental point, that of the trying. The only way to keep the rail- be scoffed at, coming from another man, great trust and corporation combines road lobby harmless is to keep it fenced but not from him, because it only put into

to relieve the pressure of the office seekers upon Mr. Burkett.

seismographic apparatus at Washington. Washington must be immune while congress is in session from all

government is plainly figuring to keep all that it has gained as a "world power," but the expenditure is too small if it has any design on American holdings in the orient.

Those eastern Cherokees apparently took the "psychological moment" to complain about Secretary Hitchcock to the senate, as that body is still suffering from offended dignity in the forest reserve matter-but Indians are natural politicians.

Former Governor Francis of Misnature only, but the distinguished Miselastic term.

Prepare for the renewal of the battle royal between the regulars who cure with pills and the irregulars who cure now under investigation looking to- by faith as soon as the different mediwards monopolization of transconti- cal and Christian Science bills come up for action before the legislature.

The statement that "Harriman lines" are sacrificing revenue to get coal to Kansas and Nebraska indicates necessarily be the link connecting with that public sentiment is not always defied by railway magnates—especially when legislatures are in session.

> Delivers the Goods. Chicago News. One way for the senate not to make their business.

Reciprocal Treatment. Washington Post. The Chicago university is said to have received from Mr. Rockefeller, in round

What an Unjust Instauation. Springfield Republican.

election last fall on the anti-relirond issue, representatives at the state house that is and now the roads have cut off free passes observed by corporations in the choosing to members of the legislature. This is of their agents and the matter quietly and actual stockholding owners of the proving mightly stimulative of the pro- satisfactorily adjusts its if.

great railroad properties themselves, duction of bills for "curbing" the transclearly that the free pass had operated as a bribe, which it is and nothing else.

Baltimore American. Justice in this country is disposed to be throwing and incendiary speeches, relying of Swat annexed angelic wings. Blograph on this mildness, it is time for the blind ers of royalty deal gently with the career

Visible Stock of Wheat.

Springfield Republican. The world's visible stocks of wheat at nominations. It is noteworthy as an in- the beginning of the new year aggregate 220,457,000 bushels, which is the largest amount in sight for the season in ten a single incoming or outgoing governor, years. These stocks are uncommonly well no matter of what political party, of a distributed, the American share being little state in which the direct primary under more than half the total, or 132,000,000 bushels. This explains the low prices and dull export trade. Our own great harvest presses dissatisfaction with the result failed this time to fall into conjunction

Rockefeller's Rake-Off

Pittsburg Dispatch. The disclosure in the Harriman investigation that one William Rockefeller got \$187,-500 for holding 300,000 shares of Southern Pacific common six months indicates a system of charges akin to that assigned to the experts. The latter are said to render bills invariably toward a more complete of \$25 for doing a thing and \$500 for knowing how. Mr. Rockefeller was a little more moderate, as he only charged at the mary laws had to be tentative, experi- money and the balance for having the

The Sum of Small Things.

Boston Transcript. An army or navy which is a unit in its belief that it has nothing to learn and has reached a condition that is perfection is apt to be more dangerous to itself than to the public enemy. It is marching toward its Waterloo. It should, therefore, be noted with satisfaction that a disposition is manifest on the part of many officers of our army to ask if all is well with the service and to point out things that might be better done. Efficiency in an army is legislative majority is under explicit the sum of small things, of the conscientious performance of duties not very far removed from what the impatient denominate drudgery.

Wetmore Reports Progress.

New York Sun. Colonel Moses Cincinnatus Wetmore, the rabbit and trust hunter, has inspected Colonel Bryan's farm and reports progress. Colonel Mose is sure that his idol is one of the best and greatest farmers that ever sped a speech. To be sure, alfalfa is to Colonel Bryan's other crops as sixteen ants in the land fraud cases is of to one, and the envious pretend that alfalfa course a set-back for the government is a sort of self-grower and able to take care of itself. Even if this be true, the Lincoln swain's skill is not diminished. previous convictions nor assure dis- While he is away lecturing the alfalfa continuance of further trials. There keeps growing; and his friends believe that has doubtless been a difference of de- he is growing, too. His next boom will be

TAFT AND THE PRESIDENCY.

His State of Mind as Reflected in Recent Letter. Harper's Weekly.

Secretary Taft's declaration of his attitude towards the republican nomination for the presidency is just such a disclosure of might naturally make, but as few men ever have made in relation to the presidency. anyone. The railroad lobbyists at Lin- Every word of it obviously came from the coln, to be sure, have not yet much to big secretary's inner consciousness and has on it the marks of a veracious and confiding candor. When he says that his amwords what has long understood When he says he is not seeking the presthe is invited-which will not happen, he ious about the passage of his judicial thinks, "if for no other reason, because of division bill to create a whole retinue what seems to me to be objections to my of officers to be filled by his political availability, which do not appear to lesson ization of national defense. It is noteproteges. The people of Nebraska, duties," One can see the judge smile as however, are not especially distressed he wrote this sentence-the smite of a candidate indifferent enough to the outcome to be able to enjoy the humor of a situation that seems unfavorable to his chances. But is it unfavorable? Are Taft The earthquake shocks reported at the man and Taft the cabinet officer so Baltimore made no impression on the inextricably mixed up that there is no separating them? In the public mind possibly they may be, but in individual minds it is so easy to distinguish between the two that it is hard to believe that they shocks, except those emanating from are incurably confused. Even in a bad one or the other end of the capitol light the judge looms up much too substantial to be mistaken for anybody's shadow. After all, what is most rignificant In proposing to expend \$95,000,000 that he will not retire to the bench until on its army and navy the Japanese after the next republican presidential candidate is nominated.

ONE WAY TO DISPERSE A LOBBY.

Governor Cumins of Iows Has a Word to Say on the Subject. Chicago Tribune.

Regarding the evils of lobbying, which word to say. He does not underestimate And he takes the broad ground that "men have an undoubted right to appear before egislative committees to speak for themare interested, and this right cannot be

of government." The whole trouble, as Governor Cummins points out significantly, exists not in the proaches. The real cure lies in the elecion of men to office who will faithfully perform their duty regardless of the wishes of lobbyists. First elect an incorruptible legislature and the whole problem is solved. He who is upright needs no anti-lobby laws to defend him. Indeed, it is somewhat of a reflection to send a man to the legislature and then, as if he were an unthinking child or a hardened accoundred surround him with laws designed for the protection or for the circumvention of his In either case the public confesses that it has not done its duty in the beginning by the election of the proper

a legislator is corrupt no laws can be passed or plans devised to keep him from corruption. There is more than one way of reaching the ends of the lobbyist, and if it is in a man to accept a bribe or sell his influence or permit himself to be "convinced" a way of getting to him will country likes cabinet officers who know cuity. But there is also a way of keeping such a man out of a position where he will be of service to lobbyists and for schemes the root of the trouble that the people for

their own protection should strike. numbers, about \$19,000,000. The least it can the governor of Iowa offers to the people connection with other plans for the circumvention of the lobby. Give the lobby no material to work on and it will soon go out of business publicly and privately. republicans carried the Nebraska Exercise the same care in the selection of

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The old world did not pause long, nor did dynasties tremble perceptibly when Muzzfer-ed-Din, the shah of Persia, was gathered to his fathers a few days ago But Teherun weeps and throughout the Persian realm echo immentations the like mild and gentle in her operations, as befits of which has not been heard in the orient a perfect lady, but when it comes to bomb- since the immortal potentate the Ahkoond goddess to put down her leaden foot and of the lamented Musafer. He was a Turk to put it down hard, till anarchy is by descent, a ruler by assassination. His predecessor was violently taken off a little over ten years ago and Muzafer donned the golden fez of kingship on May day morning in 1896. No monarch or layman of his day became master of a vaster fortune than he. Varied sources of revenue he worked diligently and materially increased his pile. To suggest a reduction of taxes was treason, and those who attempted to shirk their share of public burdens usually dissappeared from sight and their property reverted to the king. These efficacious methods made tax dodging decidedly unpopular. Not once in Muzafer's beneficent reign did a corporation as much as hint at an injunction to stave off collection of taxes. No matter, therefore, that loyal Persians weep and refuse to be comforted. At home he was esteemed a statesman, an able financier. His fortune rivalled that of Rockefeller. A man of simple tastes he come with fatigue.

> adding millions to its revenue by confiscation of church property and church funds, new sources of taxation are necessary to meet the steadily increasing cost of the government. To protestants against new taxes M. Mougeot, reporter of the French budget, points out that his countrymen nay less taxes than either the Russians. Italians or Austro-Hungarians. The fortune of France, he says, is steadily in-This is proved, he argues, by the death duties. He calculates that during the last thirty-five years the average annual increase in these has been at the rate of two milliards (\$400,000,000). Likewise in the case of stocks and shares, the stamp duties on transfers show that between 1880 and 1904 there was an increase of two-fifths in the amount of capital of this description that was taxed. There was no corresponding decrease in the amount of bank deposits. Such deposits have, in fact, trebled since 0. Never, according to M Mougeot, has there been so much man of the republican state central commoney in the coffers of the Bank of France. Moreover, the number of persons who possess nothing is continually diminishing. More than half of the taxpayers possess today either a government Bond or a railway or Credit Foncier share. The number of depositors in the national savings bank has never been so great as at present, and to this proof of the increase of the national wealth should be added the fact of the steady growth of capital in the workingmen's aid societies.

The third general election to the Austrabrought about no appreciable change in the strength of the various parties. There were chosen nineteen supporters of the against him. Voting begins on the 22d. Deakin ministry, fourteen anti-labor men, lency, he will be believed. But he will run if opposition. The result of the elections is States senatorship. taken by the English press to assure Promier Deakin a free hand in carrying out his program of protection and the organwith the continued discharge of my official worthy how political principles, under the special conditions prevailing in the new commonwealth, have taken on characteris tics we do not, as a rule, associate with the parties by which they are professed. Thus the Reid free trade liberals are pledged to the maintenance of the present tariff and the "white Australia" policy, while the socialistic labor party, strangely enough, favors not only protection, but the establishment of universal military sertary service, and the substitution of a local defense squadron for the present subsidy to the Imperial navy. Another measure that enjoys general support and seems assured of speedy realization, is the cession about his declaration is that it implies of the vast northern territory of South Australia to the federal government.

In the course of the recent sojourn of King George of Greece in Paris a long article was published in a newspaper of that city, dealing with the conditions in the island of Crete. The article bore the signature of one of the editors, but it has been learned since that the signature was fictitious and that its true author was the are receiving the attention of various ex-king. King George is not the first monecutives, Governor Cummins of Iowa has a arch to avail himself of an opportunity to publish his views on a pending question these evils or believe they should not of the day. Emperor William I of Gerbe remedied, but he does not subscribe to many, who as early as 1848 realized the the Missouri idea or the plan in Wisconsin ever growing importance of the press, pubrequiring the registration of lobbyists, lished in the Preussische Wehr Zeitung several articles on military topics. Napoleon III, whenever outvoted in his councll of ministers and compelled to consent selves or for corporations for which they to some measure he opposed, would go over to the opposition of his own government. taken away without danger to our system He supported in Brussels a newspaper, of which no notice would have been taken had it not been an open secret that it was fed from the Tulleries. After the publicalobby but in the men whom the lobby ap- tion of the emperor's decision this Brussels paper would print an editorial attacking it violently, and this editorial was written by the emperor himself. After Napoleon's fall there were found among his papers the outlines of a serial novel, to be pub lished in the newspapers of the provinces. that was to depict the rule of the Bonapartes in the most brilliant colors. King Oscar of Sweden has contributed many ar ticles to Swedish newspapers. The following is a sample passage of the

open letter which Henryk Sienkiewicz, the famous author, recently addressed to the German emperor in relation to the treatment of the Poles in the German provinces, and especially of the Polish children in the "This may it please your majesty, is a form of persecution, both of bodies and of souls, which fills the measure till it is overflowing. And what of that brutal and inhuman law that prohibits a Pole to build a roof over his head upon his own land? Even wild beasts need a den; Cortelyou. Strange as it may seem, the present itself without much delay or diffi- but the law cares nothing for that. And what of those pitiless measures, whose wickedness no possible reason of state can excuse, and which have brought tears to inimical to the public interest, and it is at the eyes of thousands of helpless children? Now, in Prussia, the teacher is no longer a guide who leads Polish children to God This is the excellent suggestion which and calightens their way thither. Rather, let us say, he is a churlish gardener, whose do to show its gratitude is to discover an at large as highly important to consider in official duty it is to fence the robust youth saplings that spring up on Pollsh soil into sickly and stunted German trees. And so, year by year, their martyrdom grows heavier, and the sound of blows and weeping is louder and more frequent in th schools. The measure is overflowing; and its overflow brings with it, besides God's wiath and the indignation of men, your own disgrace as well. The many wars waged

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POLITICAL DRIFT.

Ninety-four counties in Kentucky have oted out saloons. Evidently the famous blue grass dew has been blended to death. The mayors of New York and Boston, following the strenuous habit, worked off on their defenseless communities messages of Saharic length and dryness.

The governor, the speaker and the chief clerk of the house of representatives of Minnesota bear the name of Johnson. Too much? Not much. Just beginning.

Carter Harrison does not feel happy outride the mayor's office, and Chicago is not happy without Harrison. It looks as though the lovers would get together next spring.

Senator LaFollette turned the tables o his Wisconsin enemies last Monday, se curing the selection of his choice as chair-

Jostah Quincy, former mayor of Boston

and eminent as a spoilsman in Cleveland's time, is doing a turn in the bankruptcy court, having accumulated more liabilities Mr. Knott is railroad commissioner of Missouri and Mr. Nunn is chief inspector.

If Attorney General Hadley hadn't dropped

the "r" the combination would make Missouri invincible. Senator Dryden of New Jersey finds that his chances of re-election are not as solid lian House of Representatives last month as the rock of Gibraltar. The republican majority on joint ballot is only three, and four republicans at least are pledged

The Guggenheim family consists of six who act with the government on fiscal brothers, all millionaires-Isaac, Daniel, matters, twenty-six labor men, who consti- Murray, Simon, Benjamin and William. Totute a part of the government majority, gether they constitute the Smelter trust and sixteen free trade followers of ex-Premier Reid, who is official leader of the is the only one who invested in a United

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By drawing the "long" straw, Sheffield ingalls of Atchison, Kan., eldest son of the late Senator Ingalls, has gained a seat in the Kansas legislature. There was least in the Kansas legislature. There was the late Senator Ingalis, has gained a seat in the Kansus legislature. There was a tie vote in the election, and the contestants agreed to draw straws for the vice, and the substitution of a local mili- and is said to have some of his father's brilliancy. He is a republican.

LAUGHING GAS.

"So the prisoner skipped bail, did he?"
"He did more than that," responded the
western shoriff, grimly, he skipped rope
by a margin of about five minutes. He'd
stole a hose,"—Philadelphia Ledger.

The western legislator had fire in his eye.
"Mr. Chairman," he said, "my soul revolts against the oppression exercised by these alroads, My-"
"Sit down," said the presiding officer. Broads. My—
"Sit down," said the presiding officer;
hey called in my pass, too,"—Philadel-

The second day drew to its close with the twelfth juryman still unconvinced.
"Well, gentlemen," said the court officer, entering quietly, "shall I, as usual, order twelve dinners." entering quietly, "shall I, as used, twelve dinners".

"Make it," said the foreman, "eleven dinners and a bale of hay "-New York Press.

"Pa," said little Willie, "what is a 'thermometer,' anyway?"
"A thermometer," replied Willie's father, who was looking over his unpaid bills, "is an instrument that goes down when coal goes up, and vice versa."—Philadelphia Press.

"One cannot enjoy a quiet walk or drive on the road now that these millionaires in their autos do not fairly envelop one in clouds of dust on the way."

"But, you know, that is the object of a millionaire's life—to be out for the dust."—

"She handed him a lemon."
"What did he do?"
"Drank it. It was mixed with sugar and water."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"She seems like a very popular girl. Has a college education, too, hasn't she?" "Oh, yes. She took what is called the practical course."

"She skipped the classics for cookery."--

The villain in the play was perishing niserably and alone amid the painted scenery.
"Ye gods!" he gasped, "how can I die
with this awful secret on me soul!"
"Never mind that!" yelled an excited boy
in the gallery. "You go ahead and die!
I'll tell the other fellers all about it when
they come out again"—Chicago Tribune.

A NEW ACCOMPLISHMENT.

Houston Post.

Since our littlest wee baby has learned how to kiss good-by
There ain't no treasure anywhere's beneath th' archin' sky
Half so sweet as what the kisses are thet she holds up to me;
When I git my coat an' hat on she jest gurgles in her glee
Whilst I'm kissin' of her mother, an' her sister full o' fun
Come to git her share o' kisses arms outstretched an' on th' run.
Then she knows it's comin' her turn in her little oi' high cheer,
An' she holds her dimpled hands out an' her mouth up—she's a dear! Houston Post.

is the only one who invested in a United States senatorship.

Much interesting though cynical comment is made on the fact that Colorado's governor took the oath of office in a church. The fear is general that the "odors of sanctity" will look like the remains of a bargain rush when the spoilsmen get

An' that smack's a sort o' signal that each of us understands.

An' her mother laughs with happiness, an' office. Sheffield ingalis looks like his father and is said to have some of his father's hrilliancy. He is a republican.

Some Things in the Dark.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

The most remarkable feature of all these investigations of the railroads, however, continues to be the important things that the persons who ought to know don't.

An' her mother laughs with happiness, an' sistor claps her hands,
an' I grab her right up to me an' I chuckle way down low
In my throat, a-gurglin' chuckle that if no one didn't know
They would think I was a-chokin', an' that baby acts as proud
as a speaker when he's lissenin' to 'plaudits from th' crowd!

An' she grib her right up to me an' I chuckle way down low
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as a speaker when he's lissenin' to 'plaudits from th' crowd!

An' she grib her hands,
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