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

The railway block system is not effective in the hands of blockhead operators.

Up to date the earthquake has not been assigned as a cause of the car shortage.

The ground hog is clearly open to contempt of court proceedings as an ally of the Coal trust.

"Salome" and Senator Tillman's as offensive to the public taste.

in real grain, instead of options.

Water wagon drivers in Chicago higher postage rates on second-class

PASSING OF THE INDIAN AS A WARD, of this money in a bank would be the more into disrepute with the people were still wearing blankets and living embearing the interest income.

in wigwams, the authorities at Wash-When Treasurer Mortensen openly ington have gone on year after year announced the deposit of the school spending money belonging to the Indian for experiments with theoretical ideas of bringing the red man to an after a visit to Oklahoma and the Indian Territory, has secured an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill conforming to the real status of the personal profit. Indian of today. The Indians there Without anticipating the policy of are to be given their lands in allotthe new treasurer, it is none the less

ments and allowed to dispose of them satisfactory to note that his first as they please, with the exception of a forty-sore homestead, which cannot be

allenated for twenty-five years. -The necessity of such an amend-

ment is shown by the peculiar conditions existing in the Indian Territory. 1905 reached the stupendous sum of With an area about equal to that of Indiana and a population approximating 500,000, the Indian population of the territory is less than \$0,000, of which less than 3,000 are what is known as "blanket Indians." Yet 400,000 white people are to be found located in the territory, without the privilege of buying or owning lands, without schools, without roads, without asylums or any of the necessities of civilization except such as they have been able to secure through the sufferance of the Indians. Those familiar with the situation have marveled for years that the Indian Territory, by

reason of the opportunity for conflict. has not been one rule of riot. Nearly all the Indians of the territory are educated as well as the average resident of the frontier districts. They dress well, conduct business enterprises successfully and hold their own with the white men in every respect. They have long felt their qualifications for caring for their own fortunes, a responsibility the government now promises to place upon them. The new law will remove restrictions that

have long served to hamper the development of one of the most promising their several capacities. sections of the southwest. If the Ing dian of Indian Territory has the right stuff in him he will prosper along with

the white man-if not, he will scon be crowded out altogether. REDUCED MAIL CARRYING ALLOWANCE

The estimated reduction of \$12,000,-000 in the compensation to railroads. for carrying the mails in the postal

appropriation as it will be introduced in the house is a long-delayed step in the right direction, and has a very impostage rates. It has long been known load. Within the few years during that the excessive allowances to the which the average train load has risen Chicago is making as much fuss carrier companies more than acfrom less than 200 tons to over 400 over the grain rate as though it dealt counted for the large annual deficits of tons the steamship load has far more the departments. These deficits have than doubled, and astonishing further

been the basis of efforts to impose jucreases are now being made.

Congress has practically decided to same as admitting its emberslement than anything else they do. Mr. Lane With a mistaken impression that the ing the money in banks or loaning it rairoad managers and lobbyists whose Tork, the "Easy Boss" of other days, is may find something worth while. Possibly treat the Indian no longer as a ward. and inviting criminal prosecution, and should come to Nebraska and repeat and some of the northwestern states out without public record and secretly names can be easily secured for the invitation list.

him.

monthly statement figures out right.

THE STREL COMBINE'S EARNINGS.

States Steel corporation for the year

\$156,619,111-almost as much as the

total net cash in the United States

treasury, less reserve fund, the first

of the year; nearly \$20,000,000 more

than the total pensions of the United

States in 1906; nearly as much as the

almost exactly equivalent to the total

value of iron and steel exported from

the United States last year. And after

setting aside immense sums for main-

tenance and enlargement of plant,

sinking fund, etc., the giant combine

actually paid a remunerative average

return on its billion and a half capital-

ization, fully half of which is believed

Nor does the annual report given

to have been water at the time of or-

out at the directors' meeting Wednes-

day indicate any less extraordinary re-

gaged for the first three quarters. The

accepted as one of the most accurate

outlook must be taken as a reflex of

TRAIN LOAD AND SHIP LOAD.

pervading industrial conditions.

ganization.

total gold in the Bank of England, and

The net earnings of the United

Governor Sheldon has at last discovfunds and began crediting back the in- ered the charges against the members terest, as every strictly honest man of the Omaha Board of Fire and Powould do, the talk about prosecuting lice Commissioners among the accounow would be scouted as part of a It is not near enough the end of Govdeep laid plot to resurrect the dis- ernor Sheldon's term, however, for on to some one who is to come after episode is supposed to have caused the

> That carryall driver who upset a state institutions should be hauled unceremoniously before the bar of the house on a charge of contempt. The its monopoly of bumping people.

ing wolf scalps into dollar bills by can remember." he remarked to a Washpresentation to the state treasury isnot dissimilar to the coining of 50 cents' worth of bullion into a silver tions, and they have ever been faithful dollar by presentation at the government mint.

For some unaccountable reason the legislature has knocked out a bill proclaims due the well digger. This into dig up the well and take it with ate seemed spellbound. him.

rially increase the output, and this for not cause much inconvenience while the most part has already been enthe thermometer is below zero.

operations of the United States company, too, have been duplicated by the independent companies, some of which the state capitol. The farmers must courtesy. I recollect a part of his peroraare immense concerns, according to be becoming reconciled to the whiz tion-the ending of it, on that day. 'You,' havoc with the chickens. The steel and iron trade is justly

Carrie Nation says she cannot unexponents of universal business, rising and falling with its fluctuations. derstand why she was denied admis-The scope of the United States com- sion to the White House. Possibly bine is so comprehensive that its expe- the president feels he can do his own in the gallery clapped his hands together. rience during the year and its present | smashing when occasion demands.

> Good Thing-Push it Along. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It is stated that an Illinois medicine con pany has been forced into bankruptcy with The same principle that has caused 180,000 liabilities by the enforcement of the the increase of the train load has also pure food law. At the same time that will

### **Coal Roads in Court** Philadelphia Record.

The whole story of the relations between pendent anthracite producers, which the Interstate Commerce commission has only rtially explored, may be brought out in

## BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched

moving into the deep shadows of oblivion a good argument could be found for estabpractically deserted by his former follow- lishing a state printing office. ers. His famous ple counter, usually well Plattsmouth Journal: During the season,

volceless as a tomb, and the equally Nebraska legislature, (if it has not adfamous express office, 29 Broadway, has new tenants. On top of these wrecked tuting suits against Washington papers for sentatives right now. \$300,000 damages for publishing the story of last summer's tour in which Coachman is a rotten farce. It will not fulfill a sin-

last fall. To stir up the mess in the courts ate is the cruelest cut of all and lends a carload of distinguished law-makers touch of pathos to the figure of the bowed on a tour of inspection of Nebraska senator participating in the opening pray- invalid to the people's interest. ers of the senate.

Indulging in reminiscences of times that are past the old inhabitant said to a party dicted last fall. But like all good things legislature must maintain unimpaired of friends that the coming of a member of the Hebrew race to congress from the

Colorado, would be somewhat of an in- that if the county should go wet it will lay The wolf scalp bounty must be a novation. "There have been Jews in both down the bars at all places and practically remnant of the flat money craze. Cash- houses of congress, but as far back as I kill local option. It is a hard matter to make a square plug fit into a round hole. ington Post interviewer, "there have been none of the tribe of Israel from the far Aurora Sun: The republicans in the legis lature are now claiming as a defense that west. There have been from other sec. their platform did not provide for a 2-cent passenger rate. That is true. But it is also true that the republican candidates

for the legislature, in order to save their hides, made such a promise in order to man of all Judea's clans to the United

genator.

States senate. I allude to Senator Benjamin of Louisiana, named after the ancient viding for a lien on wells for unpaid and honored patriotic Judah, the progenitor of a noble race. Judah P. Benjamin was an orator among orstors, and I have justice ought to have a remedy even heard his silver tongue in debate for the If the well digger has to be authorized demands of the south when the whole sen-

in barges instead of ice boats, the de- senate from all parts of the country on drugs named, as now practiced in this state, does infinitely more harm than the sults during the present year. Plant ad- lay in organizing the Omaha and Mis- that day, and they were all in their seats so-called patent preparations. ditions during the last year will mate- souri River Navigation company will on the occasion. The galleries were crowded, as they always were at that perture lays down upon the republican plat-

form and refuses to enact any of the legmin was a short, chunky man, somewhat islation therein specified, such as they of the build of Stephen A. Douglas. He want to do with the direct primary law, what's the use of a man standing up for his party hereafter? The people of Nehe was the personification of dignity and braska are entitled to at least one session. of the legislature wherein laws are made for their benefit, and if this session does senate, of whom William H. Seward was probably the most conspicuous, 'you may

humiliate us, but you can never, never subjugate us! Never! Never! Never! He sat down, and there was for a moment a profound silence. After a few seconds a man It was the signal for a volcanic explosion the people. If they failed to do so have of applause such as I never heard before them arrested for conspiracy against the or since, and I have seen the galleries in both houses of congress stirred beyond out the state militia to see that the good out the state militia constraint on. Wouldn't

It is a queer idea James Wilson has, in

the members of the legislature without holds that whatever the man invents should much assistance from the railroads. The be patented for the benefit of the whole members elected their officers and appeople and be given to them for their use pointed their several committees without without price.

sanely and surely along the lines laid down in the republican platform. They have

## TIPS ON THE LEGISLATURE.

Kearney Hub: The legislature has been

POLITICAL FREE SEEDS.

Repetition of the Farce Decreed by Congressmen. New York Tribune.

The house committee on agriculture has been defeated again in a praiseworthy effort to ring down the curtain on the farce

of free seed distribution. The absurdity stocked, has not enough on it now to when the bottom has dropped out of the of the present practice of buying common tempt the prorest hobo of the Empire roads and the whole country is a veritable garden seeds from dealers and then disstate. The famous "Amen corner" is as sea of mud, a prayer will go up to the patching them broadcast on the requisition of congressmen seeking not so much to journed before that time) to sidetrack all stimulate horticulture as to cultivate polegislation and give us a more practical litical popularity has long been recognized appreciation of the white man's meth- him for technical embezalement died trements of the executive office be- temples of former greatness rises Mrs. road law. Those who want better roads by the Department of Agriculture. Secreods. A subcommittee of the senate, out at once, and the very suggestion queathed to him by his predecessor. Platt, defying the aged senator by insti- should get in their work with their repre- tary J. Sterling Morton once tried to abolish the gift seed package outright, but con-

Lyons Mirror: The Nebraska legislature gress overruled him and made him go on mailing souvenirs and samples to gladden carded custom of treasury farming for him to count on handing the package Hedges figured as valet and guest. This gie pledge made during campaign. It will rural gardens and the denizens of rural not pass any anti-pass, lower freight and poultry yards. Secretary Wilson has tried separation of the Platts, widely reported passenger rates or any other laws for to cure the abuses of the present system the relief of the people without having by restoring the original intent of the free of Washington within earshot of the sen- tacked on to the bottom of each one the seed law, which merely directed the de words, "unless," "except," "perhaps" and partment to secure new varieties of seeds and plants for distribution to persons many similar words which makes a law willing to experiment with them. This is

a perfectly legitimate governmental func-Beatrice Sun: The county option 'bill is tion, since it seeks only to broaden knowlgoing to be one of the disturbing elements edge and diversify, horticulture. But no in the legislature this winter, as was presuch purpose is served, or can be served, by the government's purchasing seeds which it has been overworked and the really good every seed dealer has for sale, and then people who thought to regulate the cities franking them gratis to persons who in by the help of the country vote now find most cases have not asked for them and have no public or scientific and in view in experimenting with them. \* \*

The advocates of the free seed humbug probably do not take their own arguments very seriously. The trouble is that they consider the prize package a valuable political asset. This belief is an inheritance from the period when a congressman's chief functions were supposed to be those of a place hunter, office broker and patronage solicitor for his constituents. The secure sufficient votes for their election. spoils system is practically dead, and legis-Such was the case in Hamilton county lators have been released in large measure with both our representatives and state from its orippling and hateful responsi-

bilities. But this change has been forced Grand Island Independent; The No. upon them no more or less against their braska legislature, should not forget a will, and there are many who still feel more stringent law governing the sale of that more political credit is to be gained morphine, opium, cocaine and other dopes. by petty services like the dispatch of a While it might be well to enact a law prize seed package than by industrious regulating the sale of proprietary medicines, patterned closely after the sational devotion to purely legislative duties. It is this false conception which explains the measure, the indiscriminate sale of the unreadiness of the average congressman to surrender what he regards as a political perquisite and his anxiety to maintain a bounty system in seeds for which there is Wood River Sunbeam: If the legisla-

no rational justification.

PERSONAL NOTES.

The wife of Wu Ting-Fang, former minister from China to the United States, has just paid the cost of building a large and fine hospital in Hong Kong.

The story goes in New York that the opposition of the opera house directors to a continuance of "Salome" was due to the influence of one of J. P. Morgan's daughters.

The' talkst soldier in the world is said to be "Long Ivan," a member of the First regiment of guards in the Russian army. Ivan lacks only half an inch of being eight feet in height. He is 21 years old and finely

Students and admirers of George Meredith will be pleased to learn that, although the author is a very old man, he has good health and his heart is as young and his interest in life as keen as ever. Mr. Meredith was born in 1828 and he began pub-

lishing with a book of poems in 1851. Missouri and Kansas investigators, having pulled the scales from the eyes of the feed weighers in the Kansas City stock yards; the management proposes to put scales on the wagons and give buyers a square deal. When the legislative stick collides with the tions. They seem to be moving slowly but Knuckles of Graft results follow the squeat. Ludwig Fulda, one of the greatest Geroan dramatists, who visited America some

college mate, commissioned as a sta-

reach than Roosevelt when both put on

the gloves in Harvard's gymnasium.

Henry Squires, who has just died in

Burlington, Ia., was at one time recog-

nized as the greatest tenor singer in Amer-

ica. He began his musical career in Bur-

lington, Vt., in 1825, and sang in numerous

grand opera troupes and traveled all over

the world. He sang in concert with Jenny

Lind and in opera with Carlotta Patti, a

minstrels have both been withdrawn portant bearing on the question of been revolutionizing the steamship not arouse any general demand to have materials has toward that government time and the law repealed.

the anthracite railroads and the inde- Two of the scientists under Wilson, rethe aid, consent or approval of the corporafected a mechanical apparatus to be used

on it.

"To my dying day," he assured his listeners, "I will remember his valedictory when his state, Louisiana, secended from Inasmuch as the intention is to put the union. There were great men in the

flous period in the nation's history. Benja

The automobilists seem to be singu- had very black hatr, an olive complexion, larly neglected in the bill hopper at and bright, plercing dark eyes. With all

wagons scaring the colts and playing he said, addressing the republicans of the

not do something pretty soon, the members should have no claims in the ranks of the

conquer us, you may defeat us, you may party. Lyons Mirror: We would like to see the time when a governor is elected who

this day of graft, with respect to the duty their real place-behind prison bars! Crete Vidette-Herald: The people elected

in ascertaining the amount of moisture in

west in the person of Mr. Guggenheim of and industrious men.

"To the south alone," he continued, "be longs the pairs of having sent the greatest

left to make it pay.

New York is to increase its police force from 8,000 to 10,000 men. Looks like a confession that Dr. Parkhurst's reform efforts have been futile.

It is Senator Aldrich of Nebraska, not Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, of their circulation upon the volume who is actively pressing legislation for the regulation of railway rates.

"How to Treat Senator Tillman" is the subject of an article in the New York World, which has evidently forgotten that the senator is a tectotaler.

Canadian lobster packers are fighting a bill requiring them to place dates on their packing. Yet the lobster and the date usually go together.

appear to be knocking his own business.

It might have been more satisfac-York.

gresamen retain their passes on the ground that they are railway em- it can become a law. ployes.

A few more grand jury investigations may convince United States senfrom privileged corporations.

Coffee exportations from Java have Most Americans have become so accusthey will hardly notice the difference.

Oklahoma proposes to select a state flower at her constitutional convention. The way Oklahoma's suggestions are being turned down at Washington suggests that the lemon would be an appropriate state flower.

their practice for a life term at hard sions of the depository law. service on the beach

county option bill practically the cessive state treasurers, republican and of frame buildings in business dissame as that pending before them has populist alike, split hairs on the scope tricts. met with an untimely death at the of the depository law in order to jushands of the South Dakota legislature. tify themselves in farming out the much favor in our neighboring state est sarned on them. The pretense declared that the practice of the railon the north

have gone on a strike. Chances are mail, on newspapers and periodicals, not compensatory for the service,

which is mainly transportation. Cogent proofs are abundant that the second-class rate is actually remunerative so far as legitimate newspapers are concerned, considered feats when a single liner now can purely as freight, and saying nothing of the enormously stimulating effect. at the highest postage rate. The indubitable fact is that the roads actually favor express companies far more than the government on matter simi-

lar to newspaper mail. The express companies carry a large amount of newspaper matter considerably below 1 cent a pound in competition with the postal department wherever it can be delivered in time. It is a further fact that not a little newspaper weight

is carried by railroads direct at a Looking at it in one way, "the quarter of a cent a pound. None of Omaha minister who preached a ser- this newspaper bulk handled by railmon against dealing in futures would roads and express companies without ever getting into the mails at all is carried at a loss. .

compensation in the committee's bill tory if the Thaw trial had been held is the most important reform step atduring Lent, in order not to interfere | tempted by congress in the postal field with other social functions in New in many a day, because the abuse which it attacks is parent to innumerable other abuses. It is, however, a

powerful influences against it before

FOLLOWING THE RIGHT PRECEDENT. The first monthly financial statement made by State Treasurer Brian ators that a certificate of election is shows that Nebraska's new treasurer not proper collateral to offer for loans is following the right precedent.

The exhibit gives the amount of money constituting the balance in each state fund at the beginning and likebeen stopped by the revolutionists. wise at the end of the month, including the various trust funds, such as tomed to drinking near-coffee that the permanent school fund and the permanent university fund, and also the place of deposit and amount of bank balances, which foot up to a

penny with the total money on hand. This means that Treasurer Brian, following the example of former Treasurer Mortensen, proposes to account

for the trust funds the same as for If we are to have a new federal the current funds and to turn into judge there is no good reason why he the tressury the interest earned on all should not come from Omaha. We are moneys in his custody, without again aure several capable lawyers at the raising the quibble about the trust local bar would be willing to exchange funds being exempt from the provi-

Looking back to, the time before

The new steamship Europa, for the Hamburg-American line, will be 720 they didn't have passengers enough on the ground that 1 cent a pound is feet long, 80 feet beam, 42,000 tons company which refuses to encute a transdisplacement and equipped to carry portation contract he had with an under-

ships as big as the Europa. Ocean independents out of business. transit is certainly matching railroad

carry in its cabins the equivalent of a half dozen great national conventions sized city, and in its hold several hun-

dred big train loads of freight. Yet these enormous enlargements of the loads of a train or a ship mate- to get a seat. The publicly owned and oprially reduce the actual cost of carrying a passenger or a ton of freight, a larger fare the private monopoly here and the present scale, incredible as it provides a ride without a seat. One gives would have seemed only a few years ample and comfortable transportation; the ago, is known to be still far below the possible maximum.

-----The new federal judiciary bill pur-

ports to abandon the division of Nethe further requirement that all cases must be tried in the division in which

who are competent to speak that in the recent land fencing conspiracy. cases no indictment would ever have have been recorded had the court been compelled to select the juries The conductors' reports right after rocky road that this provision will have from the district in which the land planation may throw some light on the

new bill as well as on the old bill.

The attention of the Commercial club has been called by Postmaster Palmer to the desirability of a revision of the train schedule on the North-

western road, so as to be less discriminating against the business interests of Omaha. Omaha is more poorly accommodated by the train schedules of the railroads radiating from this point than any other city in its class. The railroads would not hurt themselves on them for their mails and recipro-

ate with their traffic.

Census statistics just published at Washington show that property valued in excess of \$500,000,000 was destroyed by fire in 1906, while the total expended in buildings for the year was a little less than \$605,000,000. The try, and should emphasize the necessity of more stringent building regula-

Interstate Commerce Commissioner

court. One of the independent producers has commenced suit against a railroad 4,700 passengers. There are already lying company, and there is involved in built or building a large number of the case the entire process by which the their free manufacture United States for coal roads have been gradually forcing the

#### Public and Private Ownership, · New York Press.

The publicly owned and operated street car lines of Scotland and England provide or the whole population of a good- ample cars for the public at all times, in rush hours and slack hours; the private monopolies of New York, in contrast, never

do. Every passenger in a Glasgow car has a seat; in New York one in three is lucky crated cars in Great Britain provide-and for a cheaper fare-a ride and a seat. Forother an experience of indecency, brutality and extortion.

#### Cocalne Drug Evil. Baltimore News.

The cocaine evil is more rampant ome southern cities than it is here and two inventions would have made the inbrasks into two districts, but nonethe- the need of measures of special severity to ventors millionaires, but Wilson compelled less provides certain divisions with repress it is fully recognized. The drug is so easy to conceal and carry about and its effect upon the nervous system so promptand potent that its use seems to have come free use of the people of this country. The material reduction in railroad they arise. It is asserted by those about as a handy substitute for alcohol, warranted to "make the drunk come" quicker than the strongest tanglefoot ing the bills. It is notable, however, bewhisky. At all events, it has taken hold cause of the different practice in the War in him. The republicans in state convenon an element of the population in various and Navy departments. been found and no conviction ever cities and as its use spreads it leaves a trall of insanity and death. The increase of insanity among the colored population is already very marked and this new vice.

will augment the influences that are al-March 4 will show how many con- to travel through congress amidst the frauds were committed. This ex- ready overcrowding the public asylums. HUMANITY.

# Corporations Without Souls,

### Managers Have Hearts. Brooklyn Eagle.

It has passed into a proverb that cor porations have no souls. Fortunately, the men who manage corporations often have hearts. The news item which tells how the St. Paul railroad ran a special train 100 miles to carry to a surgeon a brake man who had his foot cut off is at least suggestive. We do not imagine that the superintendent who ordered this action will be a candidate for a life-saver's medal, and we have no idea that the president of the road who will approve the course taken any by consulting the convenience of will expect a vote of thanks from the union the business houses here that depend to which the brakeman belonged. They will no more seek to star their generosity than do the mine-owning corporation man-

agers when scores of men are buried by a dispensation of Providence, and it takes thousands of dollars to dig the victims out

"Every generalisation is false," said a witty Frenchman, adding, after a pause "even this one." Corporations have no souls. A manager of corporation property is a trustee who can only be generou with other people's money. Therefore, the inhumanity of corporations must exceed heavy loss from fire has never been that of Nero, who had moments of pity; equalled in the history of the coun- and of Caliguia, who sometimes relieved distress. Reason that way, as far as you like, and your generalization is false. Stockholders are men. Directors are men. least fairly well. Treasurer Mortensen infroduced this tions in all of the larger cities of the Managers and superintendents and foremen Nebraska lawmakers will note that rule, it is amazing to recall how suc- country. It should mark the doom are men. They have indignation to be stirred; scorn to be aroused, tears to be shed. And when the emergency comes, and

the lives of the humblest employes are in peril, the news files of American newspapers will show that corporations are very. The new prohibition is not finding schools funds and pocketing the inter- Lane in an address at San Francisco very rarely derelict in the matter of humane compassion, even when humane com-

It is to be used in the grading of corn, wheat and oats when the farmer brings them to market. Any intelligent layman will be able to use it. Secretary their free manufacture and use. The people of foreign countries have to pay royalties

With that apparatus the farmer will be able to tell the grade of the grain he takes to market and compel payment for that quality instead of being paid for No. 2 wheat and then finding that the elevator many years and ever since its organiza- Strange to say, the senate does not applaud where he sold it disposed of it as No. 1. tion one-half of its membership have been Hanks' talent. which has been the practice in the northwest to such an extent that congress took charge of the grading of grain and put the work into the hands of Secretary Wil- to create a vacancy. Matters in this di-

Wilson's scientists have patented a toxin that destroys the germs of hog cholera and a process for the propagation and distribution of nitrogen-gathering bacteria which enables farmers to fertilize fields that have been robbed of nitrogen without inoculating them with pieces of sod brought from lands known to have the little incounty to elect its members of the State

sects needed to restore the proper amount of nitrogen by taking it from the air. The the inventors, who were working on government time and using government labora. tories, to dedicate their discoveries to the That appears to be the quintessence of a square deal for the people who are pay-

In the army and navy when an officer who has been paid for his time and has used government materials and labora- a good working majority to the legislature. tories to perfect an invention it is the cus- If they had not wanted and expected these pledges to be carried out they would have elected the other fellow, and if they are government as an organisation desires to not carried out the other fellow will probuse his patent. If it does not-and they ably be elected next time. And he ought to be. The republicans of this state are ventor is held to be at liberty to sell his not going to stand for any monkey busi- to invention to a firm or corporation which ness on these questions. The thing for the will use it and compel the government to republican legislature to do is to fully redeem every party pledge, and then if the

to the smokeless powder used by the navy. The patent is owned by a naval officer. The Navy department has the right to use the patent, but it refuses to do so. So the officer has transferred the patent to the Powder trust, which exacts 70 cents a your promise by performance. pound for powder which reliable powder Nebraska City Tribune: The legislature, nakers will contract to furnish for not to in discussing the prospective needs and cost of maintaining state institutions, exceed 40 cents a pound, if permitted to

use the patent worked out on the time of the government and with the materials belonging to the government. Wilson holds that the law allowing free patents if the inventor will allow the gov-

ernment to use the invention should be construed to mean the people of the United standpoint. The "per capita" estimate is States instead merely of the organization called the government.

Five Spanish ministries have collapsed within the last eight months. Still, Spain so almighty steady in the United States, and we, too, are getting along-well, at

#### Is There a Workable Remedy? Philadelphia Record.

The statute of limitation seems to equally in favor of the Standard Oil trust whether it be applied to past crimes or to proposed means of punishment. The Interstate Commerce commission has convinced itself of the atrocious iniquity of the Standwas made that to record the deposit roads mixing in politics brings them dollars and cents.

fulfilled the pledge to the pe opla of electing time ago, has been sending advance copies a United States senator. The next move of his "Impressions" to friends in this will be for the direct primary, terminal country, and these impressions are said to taxation, the anti-pass law, and the law be written in a more laudatory vein probto give power to the railroad commissionably than any other foreigner who has ever ers. With these things done the members toured the new world. can come home, without fear or trembling, To show that he has no ill will against and look their constituents square in the the "only man who ever knocked me down," President Roosevelt has had C. S. Hanks,"

face. "Surely the world do move."

Friend Telegraph: Among the great trusts doing business in this state the tistical sleuth. Hanks had a much longer State Board of Agriculture seems to be about the clonest corporation known. For engaged in perpetuating the other half in office, that unless a member becomes obstreperous nothing but death is allowed

rection seem to be growing worse year by year, and the much-boasted Nebraska State fair is fast becoming a horse racing show, while the premiums in the other departments are being annually scored down and those raised in the speed de-

sister of the diva. He had been living in retirement for some years." partment. There is a crying need for a LINES TO A LAUGH. law that will allow the people of each

"No, Senator Bunksley is not a real Board of Agriculture, and not until this is accomplished will there be anything in mmon as between the people and the

"No. Seminan." "Why do you say that?" "Th his speech yesterday he referred to something he had 'read in the newspapers." "Real statesmen always speak of 'the public prints." - Chicago Record-Hersid. State Board of Agriculture of this state. Sterling Bun: The Nebraska legislator

who fails to vote to redeem the pledges made in the republican state platform must not complain if the republican newspapers and republicans generally condemn his ac-tion and refuse to place further confidence in him. The republicans in state conven-tion made certain pledges to the people and the people at the election last fail form

and the people at the election last fall fully endorsed their action by electing the whole republican ticket in the state and sending a good working majority to the legislature. "I always understood that Captain Shirk "So he has. He always fights flereely against any attempt to have him assigned to duty in the field "-Baltimore American.

The talesman plainly did not want to "What's your excuse?" sternly asked the

court. "I am reputed to be of at least average intelligence." replied the talesman, reach-tag for his hat, for, of course, they had to let him go.-Philadeiphia Record.

"Doctor, my wife says she is getting

deaf." "Tell her it's because she is setting old." "Do you believe she is deaf enough for that to be safe?"-Houston Post.

Foliette (recently married)—A man is called a "Benedict" when he is married. What is a girl called under the same cir-cumstances? Anna (also recently married)—Well, it depends altogether on what she marries.— Brooklyn Life.

Mosely Wraggs-Sposin' rou had all the money you wanted. Wot them? Wareham Long-I'd want more, o' course. -Chicago Tribune.

cost "per capita" of maintaining the Insti-tute for the Blind in this city. The only trouble with the legislature is that it ap-proaches the question from the wrong standpoint. The "per capita" estimate is misleading and tends to wrong conclusions. "The transformation of the transfor

A PLEA FOR MERE MAN.

doubled, and taking that view of the case the expression apparently emanating from the legislature is one of regret that there are not more blind children in the state

are not more blind children in the state to attend the school and thus reduce the per capita cost-a conclusion that the legislature in no wise intended. Further, Will no one pity take?

the per capita cost of recent years com-pares most favorably with that of years in the past and also with the results ob-tained in like institutions in other states

tamed in fike institution in on an aged. The fact is that a school for the blind is in a class by itself and that a per capita estimate or a south a class by itself and that a per capita estimate of the sector a south of the fevered and calm his troubled breast. brow mate, compared with other state institu-

tions, of a widely different character, is valueless for purposes of information and totally misleading. There let a tempting meal be served To turn dark thoughts from drink And save the W. B. M. From black destruction's brink.

The fixed charges-light, heat, water, etc. the management and teaching force, would Getting Along Fatriy Well. Cincinnati Enquirer. seems to be getting along better than for are not more blind children in the state many generations before. Ministers are not to attend the school and thus reduce the the per capita cost of recent years com-

seemed to evince some astonishment at the

pay royalties.

tom for the officer to give the free use of his invention to the government, if the usually see to it that it does not-the in-

That is the exact condition with respect

laws are found to be unsatisfactory they may be changed. It is not for the legislature to say that the people did not know what they wanted; they thought they did. and you promised to give it to them if elected. Republicans expect you to redeem