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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.

Japan will please notice that congress has ordered the repairing of the

Mars is said to be trying to signal us again. Probably wants to know the latest about the Thaw trial.

They are still arguing over the proper pronunciation of "Salome." New York pronounced it indecent.

It may be a part of the plan to keep Japan joilled into a good humor until the Panama canal is finished and then invite her to do her worst.

Mr. Rockefeller says he believes in a personal devil. Pressed for details, he would probably describe a deputy sheriff carrying a subpoens

Mae McKenzie can never be a chorus millions of acres are exposed in the girl again, if this advertising she has present loose state of the land laws. received in the Thaw trial is any good at all for starring purposes.

solve the railroad problem is to build more railroads. Still, more snow plows would help some on Mr. Hill's roads.

It may not be an evidence of increasing prosperity, but the collections from the police court for January were greater than for January of

Another Omaha real estate man has Omaha needs a first-class hotel, but he geles to find this out.

smart to improve the opportunity.

If the blind dams and the wing

The Columbia river salmon output is very short this year and the dealers are worried because the pure food law will prevent the substitution of Mississippi catfish without a change of label

Julian Hawthorne declares that "President Roosevelt uses execrable English." Hawthorne has probably been reading some of the utterances by the president when he had his Irish up.

Senator Foraker says he will welcome the appointment of a negro as collector of the port at Cincinnati. It is a chearful sign when Senator Foraker takes his medicine without grumbling.

St. Genevieve county, Missouri, boasts that none of its citizens has been sent to the penitentiary for forty years. There are counties in Missouri where officials are very lax in the performance of their duties.

highly entertained in both Lincoln

WINTER STORM LOSSES.

Winter conditions in an extensive re tude of specific cases have alreads been reported. Six weeks of deep snow and almost continuous extreme that will not respond to such reasons. low temperature from the Canadian boundary down to about the line of the Missouri river has covered forage pendages of the customs service. like on the Dakota and Montana ranges the financial feature of the pension to the great injury of cattle and sheep. agency waste, is not large, as govern-The proportion of exposed live stock is not so large as formerly, because of cheering sign that congress is becomthe breaking up of range into farms ing aroused to the existence of wasteand small ranches, but tens of thou- fulness in the government service and sands of head are still at the mercy is showing a disposition to put a stop of blizzards and deep-lying snow. On to it. the other hand, the heavy snow blanket is regarded as favorable to the winter wheat crop throughout the same tract.

have not till lately seriously invaded to inspect a gambling den at close the range country of northern and northwestern Nebraska. There is apprehension in the grain trade of damage to winter wheat in the southwestern section, including the major part the lid is not on tight. The romanof Nebraska, because the heavy freezing weather came on before the soil had any snow covering. The extent of such damage to sown grain is, of course, not yet known, but fear of it has been sufficient to prove already a distinct factor in the grain markets.

TO PROTECT MINERAL LANDS.

drawing from sale all public lands veloping them by a system of leases under stringent safeguards against monopoly or other prejudice to public raising license is concerned. interest. Nor is it improbable that what the senators say is true, especially as some of the members of the committee itself are understood to be Public sentiment nevertheless is unqualifiedly with the president in favor of conserving the fuel stores still under national title against spoliation by corporation conspiracy. The revement of Commerce have thrown into to Lincoln to impress upon t' bold relief the necessity for prompt makers their views of the doub

In any event the administration is that shares in the burden of municipal clear of responsibility for continuance government, is thoroughly at unisonof the situation if congress refuses to Automobile shows are all the rage mend it, as it is practically sure now in eastern cities. The humble pedes- to do. In the conference that has just trian has a notion that the automo- been held the president, according to bile has too much of a show all the all accounts, explicitly disclaimed any desire to interfere in the detailed provisions of the measure if only it ac-James J. Hill says the only way to complished the paramount purpose, namely, protection of the public interest and rights in the public fuel possessions. No one has proposed any other method for doing this except by preserving the public title to these lands which have been so rapidly and grossly dissipated by frauds and abuses under existing laws.

of it has gone beyond recall, and

WASTE IN THE CUSTOMS RESUICE.

In a spirit of retaliation, some of put himself on record to the effect that the members of congress in whose districts were located pension agencies need not have gone as far as Los An- recently ordered abolished by an act of congress, are now making war on what they term the extravagance of Hobson says the Japanese can take the government in maintaining custhe Philippines at any time. The rest toms houses at different places in the of the country feels the same way country where the expenses exceed the about it, but fears the Japs are too receipts. As a result of this demand, an investigation has been made and data furnished by the Treasury department showing that there are fifty dams could be supplemented by the of these ports of entry in the country pilots' dams there, would be no quest that are not self-sustaining. The tion but the unruly current of the data shows that at each of the followwestern rivers would be under con- ing ports, the receipts for the last fiscal year were less than \$100:

1	Contectin			
		Expenses.	De	
ı	Albemarie, N. C \$10.00	\$2,466		\$ 24
1	Annapolis, Md 4.50	917		204
	Burlington, N. J 13.59	280		37
ġ	Cairo, 111 58.60	408	4	100
	Chattanongu, Tenn. 34.88	564		21
1	Eastern, Md 66,30	2,792		45
	Georgetown, S. C., 25.79	643		21
	Little Egg Harbor.	1000		- 15
	N. J	506	A)	1,36
	Paducah, Ky 1.70	473		27
	Rock Island, 111 25.50	665		- 2
	St. Mary's, Ga 20,10	610		
	Coos Bay, Ore 41.54	1,365	9	3/
	Vicksburg, Miss 7.06	500		21
	Wheeling, W. Va 85.69	712		3

The Treasury department's report shows also that there are thirty-five other ports at which the receipts exceed \$100 per annum, but are still much less than the expenses. For all these places, the revenues for the last year aggregated \$48,347 and the their happy homes for the purpose of expenses \$144,131. Congressmen who have had their friends named as collectors at these points are finding it ex- how to do things. ceedingly difficult to offer any argument for continuing these expense producing officials in office. The con- for many years no steamboat has tention that the customs house is a passed up and down the Missouri Legislative committees are being warning to smugglers will have little north of Kansas City. If Uncle Pete weight when made to continue the would spend one of his summer vacaand Austin. The passage of the lic, port at Little Egg Harbor, N. J., for tions in his district he might occahowever, is not fraught with nearly instance, where the receipts last year sionally hear the low, sweet toot of so much danger in either Texas or Ne- were 40 cents, collected at an expense the steamboat whistle as it breasts the

almost as absurd. There are fifty reasons for maintaining these fifty unglos of the northwest make severe live necessary customs ports and each rea- the same token, they are not as scarce stock losses inevitable, and a multi- son bears a federal appointment for as hen's teeth, or as Mr. Hepburn some favored politician, but congress would have congress believe. shows symptoms of being in a mood The amount of money involved in the maintenance of these useless ap-

ment appropriations go, but it is a kinds from its banquet.

CAUGHT IN A MORAL WAVE. Eastern opinion of the wild and woolly west must be revised. When These extreme winter conditions David Belasco or the Frohmans want will be necessary to hunt up one of magazines for depicting life on the frontier, in which the gambler shares honors with the cowboy, will have to consult the files or draw on their imaginations.

Arizona, about the last of the west-President Roosevelt's strong effort to passed a law providing that after secure legislation at this session for April 1, 1907, the tiger shall go into the preservation of the remaining mourning and the roulette wheels and coal, petroleum and gas resources of faro layouts shall be decorated with .31,620 the public domain has instantly en- crape. By official decree, there will countered opposition in both senate and be recognition of night in Tucson. house. No secret is made that at a Tombstone and Phoenix as a time for protracted conference with the leading sleep and natural rest. The cowboy members of the senate committee on and the prospector who have spent public lands the president was flatly months on the range or the mountains informed that it was hopeless to at- will no longer be able to dissipate tempt to pass the LaFollette or the their savings in one glad round of Nelson bill which provides for with- dissipation in a battle with the goddess of chance on the green table. All containing those minerals and for de- that is past. Gambling is doomed, at least so far as state recognition of the business as a subject for revenue

The Arizona gambler has no more standing now than a road agent. Nothing is left for him but to hike for New York, where the game still flourhostile to the administration on gen- ishes, between elections, or swallow eral principles and particularly to its his pride and turn his attention to scrupulous care for the public lands. selling fake mining stock to wayfaring tenderfeet

CENTER THE FIRE. tate exchange and the various imcriminal prosecutions and the more a hand in legislation more particu- gain. recent investigations by the Interstate larly affecting their own varied inter-Commerce commission and the Depart- ests. They are sending delegations and throughgoing remedy. While the fire department, the increase or city and throughgoing remedy. While the fire department, the increase of city matter of race problems. A convention is title to some mineral land of which fund limits and the rearrangement of to be held by Texas negroes to protest the government has been fraudulently charter offices, all subjects on which against Japanese imiligration.

ivested may be recovered, the bulk there is more or less disagreement. On the one subject, however, in which Omaha is most vitally interested and on which every conceivable interest namely, terminal taxation-no concerted action has yet been taken.

The people of Omaha should wake up to the fact that while they are more or less interested in various measures before the legislature, terminal taxation overshadows them all in real importance. Omaha has been handicapped and embarrassed for years for the lack of municipal revenues ample enough to maintain a city government fully responding to its growing needs. It has been handiproperty taxable here for city purposes, has escaped municipal taxation altogether and the taxes which the property owners.

Terminal taxation on a basis of most conservative valuation would bring the city of Omaha approximately \$200,000 a year and would provide means to enlarge the fire department, improve the police service, extend the parks and boulevards, enlarge the area of street lighting, give us better street cleaning, keep our pavements in good repair and possibly reduce the outstanding debt, without increasing the present tax rate. It would do all this without taking away from any outside county or school district a cent of tax would be only imposing on the railroads taxes which they ought to pay and which they have long wrongfully

escaped. The conditions were never more promising for Omaha to secure redress of this crying evil of railroad tax shirking, from which it is suffering in common with other cities in Nebraska. What is needed, however, is for our people to reinforce and back up our to center the fire at the focal point.

If all the towns along the itinerary do as well as Spokane promises the prospective junket of the Omaha Commercial club boosters will offer about the finest program of entertainment that has yet been held forth as an inducement to the local jobbers to leave conquering additional territory. Spokane has a few boosters who know

"Uncle Pete" Hepburn declares that brasks now as it was a few years ago. of \$505. Other pages in the list are turgid water of the troublesome Mis-

200. Steamboats in these parts are not as thick as huckleberries, but, by

The hardware dealers are not only getting down to business, but are laying down some rigid rules for the conduct of that business. It is a noticeable feature and one that young men will do well to keep in mind, that the association has excluded liquors of all Nearly 10,000 acres are said to have been

As a matter of precaution, the housewife is advised to wash the milk bottle before returning it. She would be glad to do so if she had some guaranty that the next morning's supply would not be delivered in a bottle which some housewife has neglected to wash.

Despite its financial failure, the range to get local color for one of Martha Washington hotel in New York the dramas depicting western life, it is to be run "as a hotel exclusively for women, with no bar." It is not clear the New York joints some time when whether the exclusion of the men or the exclusion of the bar is responsible cers who draw monthly checks from for the financial failure of the ven-

The Omaha Gas company must have greater storage capacity in order to meet the growing demand of the city The sooner the councilmen recognize ern states to take legal cognizance this fact and deal with it in a spirit of of gambling as a profession, has fairness and justice the quicker we will reach the goal of dollar gas.

Two packing companies have withdrawn from Arkansas on account of the enforcement of the anti-trust laws. Arkansawyers will not suffer, however, so long as the razor-back, hog the state's woods and streams.

New York is organizing a company to insure bank deposits. Until Uncle Sam devises a scheme by which bank examiners find out things before the bank fails, the timid will continue to cigar box in the woodshed.

The Texas legislature has made it a misdemeanor for a man to drink whisky out of a bottle while riding on any railway train in that state. The traveler through Texas will have to carry a dipper as a part of his hand with his record. baggage.

The duchess of Marlborough has to give up only \$100,000 a year to keep from living with her husband, and The Commercial club and Real Es- there is still enough of the old Vanderbilt spirit in her to make her feel lations the last year in the course of provement clubs of Omaha are taking proud when she drives a good bar-

> An Unexpected Knock. Cleveland Leader. American supremacy will not take a back seat for the rest of the world even in the

that the Knocker Gets. Chicago Tribune. Any man who goes to the president with

an allegation against some particular branch of the government service has to make good or take the consequences, and the consequences are not at all pleasant

Advance Information. Portland Oregonian.

If the mikado will take the trouble to read the crimson newspapers of America he will learn that he is about to declare war on the United States. But probably their information is exclusive and not for consumption at Tokio.

Production of Beet Sugar. San Francisco Chronicle

The production of beet sugar in the United States is increasing slowly but Last year the output was 345,000 surely. tons of 2,240 pounds each, an increase of capped in this way because a large 22 per cent over that of the campaign of part of the property of the railroads, 1905-06. At present we are importing seven times as much sugar as the domestic production, but there is a reasonable certainty that in the not very remote future the home demand will be wholly supplied by railroads ought to pay have been un- the domestic producer. That has been the loaded upon the shoulders of other history of every effort made by the United States to meet the domestic requirements for articles which the country is capable of producing.

> HEPBURN ON RIVER NAVIGATION Turns a Spot Light on the Sinuosities of the Subject.

Pittsburg Dispatch. The speech of the Hon. "Pete" Henburn of Iowa on the river and harbor appropriation bill contains a brace of propositions that lead to an unavoidable conclusion. The report of that lawmaker's remarks which we find in a Washington paper shows that he states first concerning river haprovements: "When you take out the sandbars and the sinuosities from a river you now received from the railroads and practically impossible of navigation." After which in the next paragraph he is quoted as saying "of the Missouri river that the made it absolutely impossible of naviga-

The difference between "practically possible" and "absolutely impossible" is not vital with regard to navigation, since either, if demonstrated, knocks out the navigation. Mr. Hepburn's logic, therefore sets forth somewhat dogmatically that tak ing out the sandbars and bends makes navigation impossible, and if they are left in it is impossible from the start. Wherefore representatives in the legislature and navigation is forced to take to the wood or otherwise use the overland route.

This would be convincing if there were not ground for the suspicion that Mr. Hepburn has adopted the Jedwood style in his logic. He condemns and executes navigation to begin with, and then turns out his evidence that navigation is necessarily and

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Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched

on the Spot. Officials of the Interior department are following a warm trail of western land crooks in New York City, New Jersey and Long Island. Several colonies of dummy entrymen have been located in that section, and the object of the chase is to secure evidence against certain railroad officials and others tending to show a conspiracy to defraud the United States of valuable tracts of coal land at the southern end of the Hig Horn basin in central Wyoming. entered with fraudulent intent. A prominent government official quoted in a Washngton dispatch, to the Chleago Tribune said that eighteen dummy entrymen, including bootblacks, cab drivers, barbers etc., in New York and Long Island have confessed that they agreed, for a price, to enter the lands and that after securing patents they had conveyed their interests to their employers.

The Northwestern Coal Mining company, a New Jersey corporation and the Owl Creek company, both doing business in Wyoming, have been made the subject of investigation. Behind these companies is said to stand a big railroad system that was desirous of acquiring the land alleged to have been entered, and subsequently patented, in violation of law

In this connection the Harriman and Gould roads are mentioned, as well as the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy. The latter is now building a branch from its main line to that part of the Big Horn basin where the lands alleged to have been obtained through fraud are situated. Inquiry develops that while the officials of the department of justice and the interior department have been making arrangements to prosecute in New

frauds against laws governing the disposal the public domain, interesting information having bearing on the case has been collected in other quarters. For example, it is known that of eighteen persons in New York City and Amityville who made confessions that they unwittingly violated the law, seven or more

have repudiated such confessions in affidavits. These affidivats aver that government inspectors in prosecution of their inquiry and the succulent catfish abound in sought to intimidate the persons alleged to be involved, and threatened that if papers submitted by the inspectors were not signed men and women so refusing "would be put in prison."

Colorado's senator-elect, the Hon. Simon Guggenheim, was escorted to the chamber of his future activities, and maybe glory by Senator Patterson, reports the Washinguse the trusted sock and the empty ton Herald. It so happened that the first conscript father to whom he was introduced was Mr. Money of Mississippi, who, in defiance of the original relationship between nomenclature and its bearer, recently embraced an opportunity in a senate debate to declare the belief that he is the poorest member of the body. Colorado's senatorelect smilingly informed Money that he had heard of him before, and was acquainted

The next senator to whom the senatorelect was presented was Mr. Tillman, who had "heard of him before." In his strel" speech Mr. Tillman spoke of "the swan song of Smiling Tom (Patterson), of Colorado, the state recently bought at auction by one Guggenheim."

Mr. Patterson, evidently realizing irony of the two encounters already experienced, hastened to convoy his successor over to the republican side of the chamber, "to show them what they had got," as he afterward remarked,

It was when Mr. Guggenheim of West Virginia and the ponderous Mr. Kittredge of South Dakota, that the diminuteness of his stature was emto be just about that of Mr. Allee of Delaware, of whom President Pro Tempore Frye once declared that when the Delaware statesman addressed the chair he couldn't tell whether he was standing up or sitting down.

Robert Marion LaFollette has been able dividual, either on the republican or democratic side, says the Pittsburg Dispatch correspondent. He got the senate to page they permitted it to be passed the senators had what they believed to be assurances that are worth something that it would house committee room to which it was

sent. But Robert Marion is a resourceful young man. Although the railroad brotherhoods appear now to be against him, the feeling is growing that a restriction of the hours a railroad man may work is more for the for the benefit of the railroad men themselves, because it has been shown that the Terra Cotta wreck on the Baltimore & Ohio was caused, in part, by the engineer of the "dead" train, who had been on duty about fifty-two hours in sixty.

LaFollette will find ways for bringing pressure on the house committee that has his bill pigeonholed. He always has found ways to get his legislation enacted, for he is a persistent little customer. He never had a friendly majority in any of the legislative assemblies that passed his legislation, but he got what he wanted anyhow being in that respect a good deal like

The punctilious standard of responsibility set up for himself by Senator Pettus of Alabama was illustrated a few days ago A dapper young man called upon him, the grandson of an old southern friend long dead. The caller talked Mr. Pettus out of increase its current enormously, making it \$50, promising to return it in a few days, but the senator learned that the young man had immediately deserted his wife and gone to parts unknown. The fine old gentle sandbars and the bends in that stream had man lost no time in hunting up the deserted wife, gave her enough money to meet her pressing necessities and also paid her way back to her girlhood home in Alabama. "If I hadn't loaned the young scamp money, said Senator Pettus, when asked about the incident, "he would not have been able to get out of Washington and desert his poor little wife. I therefore hold myself re sponsible for her unhappy plight and, of ourse, there was nothing for me to do but send her back home to her people." Young, popular, good looking and well

off, Senator Beveridge of Indiana is thought to be drifting into confirmed bachelorhood. Recently he was congratulating a handsome widow whose engagement had just been announced. "Well, why don't you do the same," she asked, "if you think I have done right?" "I ought to and if you will find me the right kind of a giri I will," replied the senator. "If you will find another like yourself-" But she stopped him. "Oh, you are perfectly safe in saying that now after the engagement is announced. You ouldn't have dared to say so before!" Champ Clark created indignation in the New England house delegation in general and that of Massachusetts in particular the other day by solemnly asseverating thus: "Enough mud is carried from their banks annually by the Missouri and Mississipp rivers to make a state of the union bigger than Massachusetts-and maybe a better

Come Out of It.

one too."

Senator Hale has undertaken the big job of convincing the senate that it is not in session for talking purposes exclusively.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

cure.

Alabama pronounces prize euchre a crime but the woman who didn't get the prize already felt this way about it. Sir Alfred Jones proclaims that Swettenham was the right man in the right place. This completes the evidence of the people

against Jones. A 'isitor at the home of Joaquin Miller expressed surprise at the absence of a library. "Books!" exclaimed the poet. "I do not read books; I write them.'

A man who has known E. H. Harriman for more than twenty years said a few days ago: "The one quality that Harriman possesses which more than all others is a constant source of wonder to me is his un-

merchant, declares the Osler theory erroneous in his "Autobiography of a Business Man." He says, "My experience has been that men of mature years are more attentive to their duties and abler than younger men, and I would rather hire a man past 45 who has had experience than hire a young man who does not appreciate his position.'

To prevent the log cabin in which General U. S. Grant and his family lived in St. Louis county from being taken to the Jamestown exposition, Judge Leo Rassieur has started a movement to purchase the historical structure by a popular subscription and to permanently locate it in Forest park, St. Louis. Judge Rassleur believes that if the cabin leaves St. Louis it will never return.

HOW LABOR SCARCITY ACTS.

Methods Employed to Equalize Demand and Supply. St. Louis Globe Democrat.

The labor shortage is causing trouble in unexpected ways. It is compelling some of the railroads to raise their limit of age tolerance among employes. The Pennsylvania road, which shut out everybody over 55 years of age from the rank and file of wedged in between the portly Mr. Elkins to 40 years. The Baltimore and Ohio and several other roads have had to make a similar move. They could not get enough workers under thirty-five-year restriction phasized. He then appeared to weigh In the present abounding prosperity the old, about a hundred pounds and to be proba- the middle-aged and the young are alike bly as tail as five feet. His height seems employed. And the prosperity is on the updownward.

manifesting itself is in compelling state boards to go to Europe and get immigrants, and promise them employment when they get here. South Carolina invented this plan, and other states are adopting it. to accomplish more in the short time he Alabama, Virginia, Georgia, Mississippi and has been in the senate than any other in- Louisiana are moving in that directon now, and there is a proposition that Missouri take a similar step. Neither the west nor the south is getting enough immigrants to his sixteen-hour bill before he had been in meet the demand here for workers on the the senate a year. It is true that when farms and in the factories. Most of the present immigrants stay in the states east of the Alleghenies and north of the Potomac. The rest of the country needs more never be permitted to come out of the workers, and the South Carolina plan of going abroad to get them has attractions. A better distribution among the immigrants would be desirable. The local boards in the south and west which are ostensibly engaged in enticing settlers to their home states are evidently not busy at the big im migration ports. If they had agents at

interest of the traveling public than it is New York who knew their business they would probably be able to get a larger supply of workers for their than are coming in under the present conditions. The other plan-that of going to Europe for them-is still open, and it likely to be utilized in a large degree 1907. While republican prosperity holds out there will be no excuse for anybody in the United States to be idle who is physically or mentally able to work, and while republican sway continues there is an excellent chance that the good times stay with us, in some degree at least.

PLEASANTLY PUT.

"Old Fullerplunks, who died a menth or two ago, didn't leave you anything, hey? I thought he was a near relative of yours." Near? He was closer than the shrunken jacket on a sixteen-inch gun!"—Chicago Tribune.

"It costs more to live than it used to," remarked the economist.
"Yes," answered the energetic man, "but think of how much more business you can transact in a given time and the corresponding results you can get out of life."—Washington Star.

"Mulrooney, wud yez like a little drink?
"Thanke, Casey; I wud."
"So wud I."
Then the battle began.—Washington
Herald. the battle began.-Washington

constant source of wonder to me is his unremitting and, I may say, his furious energy."

"Maria, what's them osculation exercises the health board says ain't sanitary?"

"Osculation, ma, is what might be called one of the pressing matters of the times."

Baltimore American:

"There's too much deceitful talk in this world," said Mrs. Kandor. "I think if one man has anything to say about another he should confine himself to the truth."
"But," said Mr. Kandor, "suppose there are ladles present."—Philadelphia Press.

"I am gratified," remarked the attorney for the state, "to find one man willing to serve on the jury."
"I believe every citizen should do his duty," said the talesman, modestly. "Besides, the defendant once poisoned my dog. I owe the plaintiff money, and as I've just lost my job the fees will come in handy."—Washington Star.

"Never mind," said the surgeon. "You'll come through this all right. We'll have you on your feet again inside of six months."

After which they proceeded to amputate the sufferer's leg.—Washington Star, Employer-Procrastination is the thief of time. Clerk-Yes, sir; that's why I always watch the clock.-New York Sun.

Dismal Old Lady—I don't suppose I shall ever want another pair, Mr. Stibbins.
Oleaginous Elderly Shopman—I 'ope you'll wear out a lot more shoe leather yet, mum. Dismal Old Lady—Ah, but I've one foot in the grave aiready.
Oleaginous Elderly Shopman—Most 'appy to sell you a single boot, mum.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Attorney (for the defense)—Do you know mything about the merits of this case? Venireman—I should say not. It hasn't any merits.
Attorney-We'll take this man, your honor.-Chicago Tribune.

Ascum—Did Shea actually ask old Rox-ley for his daughter's hand? Wise-Yes, and he claims he compelled the old man to toe the mark. Wise-Yes, but Shea was the mark.-Catholic Standard and Times. Another way in which the prosperity is

"Little boy," said the good woman, "do you always tell the truth:
"No'm."
"Don't you know its very, very naughty
to He?"
"Yes'm."
"Yes'm."

"Yes'm."
"Then why do you do it?"
"I don't. Sometimes I'm too busy to alk."—Philadelphia Ledger. MEANING OF A SMILE.

S. E. Kiser in the Record-Herald. We speak in many tongues, we men
Who do the work that men must do
With sword and spade and plow and pen—
My language may be strange to you;
I may not know when you complain,
Nor comprehend if you revile;
Your preaching may be all in vain,
But we are brothers when we smile.

The Malay may not understand
When I explain to him my creed;
The Mongol, all unmoved and bland,
May think that I am mad, indeed;
To them the words I use may be
A jargon fashloned to begille;
But they extend their hands to me
And know my meaning when I sprile.

And if, perchance, some morning whe The first beam stanted from the sun A savage faced you where you woke Upon the farthest South Sea iale, He might not know what words you spok But he would understand your smile. The spoken word may not convey The alightest meaning to our minds, But from the coldest Lapland bay To where Magellan's channel winds.

From Ganges to the Amazon, From frozen Yukon to the Nile, And from La Plata to the Don, There is one meaning for a smile.

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