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General Manager Subscribed in my presence and sworr to before 1907. (Seal) ROBERT HUNTER .. Notary Public

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

Senator Smoot's opponents will be not yet at an end. slow to forgive him for having only one wife.

The sale of mileage books at higher rates is likely to go slow until the 2-cent rate law becomes a certainty.

It is to be noted that the trainman who is killed is usually shouldered with the responsibility for the wreck.

Only 1,362 new novels were published last year. Cyrus Townsend vice, has caused a continual and persistent demand for greater compensa-Brady must have been indisposed part tion for employes charged with the of the time.

duty of delivering the mails by rall-Senator Bailey says he advised the ways and on suburban routes. Con-Standard Oil company to keep out of gress has yielded to pressure for more Texas. Doubtless he wishes they had pay for the railway mail clerks and nature of the oath. Mr. Smoot de- by personal inspection whether a di-

ON A NEW TACK. has cost the taxpayers in the past. It legislative matters are not large. The The paid lobbyists and hired tax would destroy the sheriff's monopoly body has been dissolved four times by agents of the Nebraska railroads, who of the jall kitchen and require him, if the present emperor for failure to supare opposing terminal taxation for the he is to continue as caterer, to do it port his policies, and in each of the purpose of enabling the roads to con- on the score of being the lowest bid- three cases previous to the recent tinue to shirk their city taxes, have der.

taken a new tack. They started out The bill, however, will have the the emperor's bidding. With each by declaring that terminal taxation strenuous opposition of the present election, however, the Reichstag has years ago, Few addresses of like charac- is the oid lesson, older than history, old freight rates on the basis of the actual would merely divert to the cities taxes sheriff, who will be loath to let go of improved its standing as a parlia- ter approaches it in lofty patriotic senti- as creation. That is that justice, veracity, value of the capital, and not on the now paid throughout the state, but this most lucrative perquisite of his mentary body of power and has be- ment, beauty of diction and analyzis of unselfishness, character, lie at the foun- watered stock of a carrying company. His when cornered were compelled to ad- office. His main contention will be come more fairly representative of the mit that no county, school district, that, being elected as a republican, by people. The kalser evidently appretownship or road district would lose should not be deprived by a repub- clates this growth and recognizes that celebrate." It follows, in part: 1 cent of refiroad taxes now enjoyed. lican legislature of such a good thing in order for him to push on in the but that, on the contrary, the railroads as is afforded by the jail feeding busi- path he has marked out he must comwould be compelled to pay city taxes ness. This is the same argument that mand the support of the Reichstag for is, that it seems to be cotemporaneous with on their terminal property over and was urged when the bill was up to his policies and purposes.

above what they are now paying on stop the fee graft of the clerk of the

district court. There is no assurance, however, that the office of sheriff in the sheriff should be held to definite

legislature can defend and champion resides. The present practice is for this graft, unless there were some- express companies to deliver packages tarch there would be no sense that he was sheriff.

SMOOT HOLDS HIS SEAT-

contract.

The senate of the United States in exercising its right to pass upon the qualifications of its membership has decided that Senator Reed Smoot of Utah shall not be deprived of his seat simply because he is a member of the ruling body of the Mormon church. The vote for his expulsion fell far short of the two-thirds necessary for that con-

ers, nearly 1.000.000 in number, who billty could they control a majority have waged a most persistent camfor any proposition not absolutely fair paign against him since his selection by the Utah logislature in 1903. The fact is, the railroad hirelings Much misinformation has been are becoming desperate through exprinted throughout the country in connection with the Smoot case. The Their opposition to terminal taxation general impression has been given out

is grounded solely on a desire to save that Smoot himself has been guilty of their corporate masters from paying plural marriage when, as a matter of city taxes justly due from them and to fact, his most bitter opponents have make a showing that will convince not made that charge against him and their employers that they are still the committee of the senate which adent at legislative smooth work, and reported in favor of his expulsion that their usefulness as lobbyists is

stated specifically that no such charge had been made and that "the senator character and bearing above criticism The postoffice appropriation bill and beyond reproach."

The only question before the senate a member of the governing body of the overworked and underpaid clerks in the postoffices of the country. The the last decade, particularly in the ex-

years, in which every effort was made

patible with his oath as a United

The eloquent and scholarly "grand old

election the new Reichstag has done George Frisble Hoar, delivered an address

The introduction of a bill into the Shakespeare. Homer and Virgil and Dante, Nebraska legislature for a maximum Having failed to hold their ground Douglas county will be filled perpetu- rate on express company charges sug- Ciesto, and the Declaration of Independon this point, the railroad spokesmen ally by a republican, but whether gests another abuse that should be ence, speak to us today, freshly, and withfilled by a republican or a democrat, remedied by law. Express companies out loss of effect by reason of remoteness should be required, when they accept of time. They would have made a like imcompensation and the jall feeding prepaid packages, to deliver the same Greek, or the Roman commonwealth. They handled on a business basis under without extra charge to the place of will speak with like effect hereafter in all address anywhere within the limits coming time to any generation that hath

We cannot see how any one in the of the municipality in which the party ears to hear.

pany to deliver. In other words, the express companies should be prohibthe same service.

Members of the legislature should keep the appropriations within the been bestowed by God upon man. lines of the most economical adminis-

"endowment house" oath was incom- of being pried loose from the payroll. undervalue the navy of the Revolution, prostration and of the silver campaign.

States senator. This charge was not strongly substantiated as there was but little testimony offered as to the but little testimony offered as to the but new for liberty could have been brought but little testimony offered as to the but little testimony offered as to the but new for liberty could have been brought the community, trying to determine but new for liberty could have been brought to a successful close. But its chief service was in the destroying of English com-splite the plea that he was drunk at the splite the plea that the splite the plea that the s

ing, in a balance as infallible as the golden LESSONS OF WASHINGTON'S LIFE. scales which the starnal hung forth to Sublime Character of America's heaven. National Hero.

Betwixt Astrea and the Scorpion sign in which, according to Milton, the archman" of Massachusetts, the late Senator rebel read and knew his fate.

RAILROAD PROSPERITY.

Tremendons Increase.

New York Financial Chronicle.

The year 1906 adds another to the long

series of years recording large and con-

tinuous gains in railroad earnings. And,

the most important single agency.

But after all, Washington has but one Union lengue club of Chicago some ten one lasson for each of his countrymen.

"There is one unerring test of true greatness, whether in literature, or in science, or thought, or action, or character. That the same, whatever the daily event may all the generations. The Hebrew Scriptures, the essays of Bacon, the plays of

countrymen. It will be their fault if they the character and glory of Alfred and Lindo not make their country its perpetual coin and Franklin, Plato and Socrates and witness to mankind. Gross Earnings for Last Year Show a pression in the time of the Hebrew or the

"That is conspicuously true of Washington. If you were to read of him in Plu-

system of assessment no deviation thing in it for him as well as for the only within a narrowly circumscribed out of place. He would still be the most area and to notify people outside of perfect of Plutarch's men. If you were to read of him in the page that tells the that district by telephone or postal story of Alfred or the Bruce, of St. Louis card to call and get the package of France, or the greatest and best of the which the sender had paid the com- men of the Hebrew commonwealth, there would be no feeling that he did not belong to his age, but only that there was a better and purer Alfred or Bruce or St. ited from collecting at both ends for Louis or Hebrew monarch. So I believe there never will be a period in all coming time when a character like that of Wash-

increase for the twelve months of \$224,ington will excite a sense of incongruity or 062,452. The totals are of huge proportions, of antiquity, but only the natural feeling the aggregate for 1906 being \$2.131,306,589 remember that they are all pledged to that a character of supreme excellence has and for 1905 \$1,907.244.247. And yet this

tration of the state government and that this pledge of economy extends in spirit, if not in letter, to the whole-sale raising of salaries of public offi-cers—state, county and municipal. "It is the great good fortune of the peo- represented, embracing all the roads in If the state were out of debt and had cannot think of any question of morality, miles unrepresented in our tables. The of courtesy, of noble and elevated b-havior, earnings for much of this mileage it will a good surplus in the treasury, a sal-ary boost all around might be excusa-ble, but under the circumstances, with a special levy needed to make good the a special levy needed to make good the asking himself and telling himself what We should judge that if we could get re-George Washington would have done in a suits to cover the whole railroad system deficit caused by successive overlaps, like case. I do not know of any other nait should require mighty good reasons tion on earth that possesses such a model. "Think how poor were Washington's resources. During a large part of the time

the last six months. when he was besieging the British army in Let the reader ponder well what such

stands before the senate in personal ture in behalf of consolidation must Ticonderoga. He had no money to pay his for the full mileage at \$180,000,000 and that soldiers; no drill officers to teach his raw in the same way we estimated the increase recruits military discipline; no military text for 1904 at \$10,000,000. Furthermore, that was whether Smoot, as an apostle and ment in South Omaha among those strifes which existed in that day in quite at \$155,000,000, for 1900 at \$120,000,000, for 1900 who have the substantial interests of as large degree as now, among his gen- at \$140,000,000 for 1888 at \$50,000,000 and for Mormon church, had given ald and the city at heart and at the same time erals and officers, and (what has happily 1997 at \$75,000,000. It will be seen that we passed by now) among the troops of the have here an agregate improvement for the support to that hierarchy in its defi- tend to confirm the statement that the different colonies. The inexhaustible pe- ten years from 1836 to 1906 in the prodigicus ance of the laws of his own state great majority of the "antis" rep- cuniary resources of England promised an sum of \$1,325.000,000. In other words, aggretension of the rural free delivery ser- and of the government. It was resent the influence of the office hold- inexhaustible supply of troops, native or gate gross earnings of United States railmercenary. His great antagonists had the roads for 1906 were \$1,325,000 larger than support of a powerful navy. I would not they had been in 1896, the year of trade

"So, in the time of framing the constitu-

tion and in administering the government

be broken out by himself and his great

ruin and shame-he never made a mistake

and never gave unwise counsel to his coun-

tating self-sacrifice, purity not only unsul-

tation to evil never seems to have beset

that lofty nature, nor besieged that im-

pregnable fortress. The devil is an ass.

his time tempting George Washington,

But he never was such an ass as to waste

Washington's virtues were the cornerstone

virtues. They were the virtues which lie

as of acble individual character. The vir-

tues of Washington are the virtues which

Think of his absolute veracity! He con-

pose, still unpublished Hut there is not a

could not act a lie, could not think a lie;

BLOCKED FOR A TIME.

Bill Cutting Out Watered Stock as a Rate Making Asset. Philadelphia Record

As is well known, a darling project of Senator LaFoliette, is so to amend the on the virtues of Washington before the lesson for us, one lesson for the country, railroad bill as to empower the Interstate Commerce commission to fix "reasonable the virtues which ennobled the life of dation of all national and all indivdual bill for this purpose has been alumbering America's national hero. It is inspiring greatness. Justice and freedom are the in the interstate commerce committee of and appropriate reading for the "day we parents of fate. To the larger and surer the senate since last session. At length vision there is no such thing as fortune. the bill was called up in committee last Where these are we have no need to con- Friday, when nine senators were present, cern ourselves with what the day may five of whom voted for reporting it favorabring forth. The product of the eternities biy. But when two senators, Messrs, Tillwill be secure. The commit remuits will be man and Clapp, left the committee room the vote was reconsidered, and the bill is be. It is to this that the story of George where it was before. It makes no differ-Washington is a perpetual witness to his ence, however, whether it had been favorably reported or not, as there was no prospect of its passage in the brief remnant of the present congress against a powerful opposition. In the next congress this measure of so much importance to most of the railroad corporations will be brough up with the strong approval of President

Roosevelt and his Interstate Commerce commission.

SMILING LINES.

"New designs on gold coins, ch?" sniffed Smythe, laying down his paper. "Well, I don't care. A fellow with some of the old designs got mine."-Philadelphia Ledger. as it happens, the latest year in the magnitude of its further increase surpasses all its predecessors, furnishing a fitting climax to the series. The amount of the improve-

"I wonder they don't elect humorists ment in gross revenues would itself be sure

to attract attention, but, added to the note-worthy gains of previous years, it fur-nishes further testimony to the marvelous jokers in the bills."-Baltimore American.

industrial expansion experienced in this "He's perfectly wild over his new auto." country during the last decade, to which "Huh! You should see him under Milwaukee Sentinel. the railroads themselves have so largely contributed and in which they have been

"Did that speech of yours convince any-Our tables, just as they stand, show an

body ?" "Certainly," answered Senator Sorghum: "It convinced my friends out home that I am still an able orator,"-Washington Star.

"Now that you are married, my son,

listen to me." "What is it, dad?" "Try to be a husband, not an ex-bach-elor."-Washington Heraid. does not cover absolutely the whole railroad system of the country. The mileage

"Look here!" demanded the drummer who

### WASHINGTON.

From "Under the Eim Tree." by James Russell Lowell

Aussent Lowen, Soldier and statesman, rarest unison; High poised example of great duties done Simply as breathing, a world's honors worn As life's indifferent gifts to all men born; Dumb for himself, unless it were to God, But for his barefoot soldiers eloquent, Tramping the snow of coral where they trod.

Held by his awe in hollow-eyed content; Modest, yet blamed firm as nature's self; un-

by the men his nobler temper Save shamed Not honored then or now because he

The popular voice, but that he still with-Broad-minded, high-souled, there is but

Who was all this, and ours, and all men's Washington

Minds strong by fits, irregularly great, That flash and darken like revolving lights, Catch more the vulgar eye unschooled to

On the le long curve of patient days and nights,

Rounding a whole life to the circle fair Of orbed completeness; and this bananced

grows Still as we look, and by experience learn How grand this quiet is, how nobly stern The discipline that wrought life-long throes This energetic passion of repose. A nature too decorous and seve

to justify salary raises at the hands of our law-makers.

summation of the wishes of petition-

The appearance of a delegation fre a salute. His few cannon had been from South Omaha before the legislahave opened the eyes of some of the

urged by Smoot's opponents that his ers, present and prospective, fearful

outside statesmen to the fact that books for his engineers. His life was al-there is a healthy annexation senti-most a solitude amid the jealousies and at \$210,000,000, for 1902 at \$105,000,000, for 1903

operations.

whose great service to the cause of in-

months would be in the neighborhood of \$240,000,000, of which \$125,000,000 was made in the first six months and \$105,000,000. in

followed his advice

In the language of Mayor "Jim." Lieutenant Governor Hopewell ought to stand ace high with the woman's suffrage brigade from now on.

The designs on gold coins are to be changed by order of the president. No order from Washington can change the designs we all have on gold coins.

President Roosevelt /informs Massachusetts revisionists, in effect, that the tariff pitcher is to be carried to the well again in the campaign next year.

Champ Clark of Missouri says the democrats are beginning to sit up and take notice. Heretofore they have been satised to sit up and take their medicine.

Congress has authorized two battle- campaign of publicity in behalf of a ships of the Dreadnaught type, so it merited claim. will be difficult to convince shipbuilders that the Japanese war talk did not serve a purpose.

"A wife must train her husband and keep him trained, just as one trains a young mule," says Mrs Carrie Chap man Catt. We take it for granted that of promotion is so restricted that but Mr. Catt was properly trained.

A St. Louis judge says the law has nothing to say about how or when a woman shall spend her husband's money. Even judges occasionally realize the impotency of the law.

It is asserted that the investigation of Senator Bailey's record will cost the state of Texas \$50,000, but the senator should not be blamed. He did everything possible to prevent it.

The Nebraska editors cut the name of Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden out of their resolutions, but he will have no difficulty in identifying bimself as the man referred to.

A new telephone directory is being distributed to patrons' of the Omaha pensation for the clerks on a more exchange, but the telephone by which Police Commissioner Broatch is creached at his home is still scheduled under the name "Moise."

dirt is being removed from the Panto complete the job.

Former State Treasurer Mortensen has some pretty sturdy ideas as to forth in the advertisement and let the His demand that the same safeguards | best bidder. surround all funds whether spent for

the city and rural delivery carriers but until now has failed to recognize the claims of the loyal workers in the cierical departments of the postal service

that property under pretense of dis-

have faced about. They are endeav-

oring to prejudice legislative members.

by asserting that the proposed termi-

nal taxation for city and village pur-

poses is only a step toward breaking

down the unit system of assessing

railroads for state and county pur-

poses, and that to protect the unit

must be allowed with reference to the

taxation of railroad property within

the corporate limits of cities and vil-

A moment's reflection by any intel-

ligent man will show how ridiculous

this contention is. Even if the cities

which might possibly gain by terminal

tuxation wanted to attack the "unit

system as applied to state and county

texation, they could not for the reason

that their representation in the legis-

lature is but a fraction of the mem-

bership of that body and by no possi-

posure of their frauds and deceptions.

MORE PAY FOR POSTAL CLERKS.

passed by the lower house of the con-

gress contains a provision which af-

fords deserved relief to about 25,000

development of the postal service in

to every part of the state.

trioution.

lagos.

Attention was called by The Bee more than a year ago to this unjust discrimination against the postoffice his order. clerks, with an urgent appeal for a recognition of their services in keeping with the treatment accorded emby the advocates of expulsion to make ployes in other branches of the postal system. By an order of the postoffice department, employes are prohibited

which to base his exclusion except the from working through any organizafact that he is a member of the Mortion for increased emolument and the mon church. The vote on the motion maintenance of a lobby at Washington is strictly prohibited. The movement the senate of the United States will started in Omaha for the relief of the not allow religion to be considered postoffice clerks attracted attention among a senator's qualifications for throughout the country and the inmembership. creased pay provided for them in the

pending bill is undoubtedly due to the POPULAR GOVERNMENT IN GERMANY.

new Reichstag is at once congratula-By the terms of the bill which has tory and conciliatory. The results of passed the house, clerks in postoffices the election assure him that his coof the first and second class are to be ionial policy will stand, as the issue divided into seven grades with salaries in the campaign hinged on that propranging from \$600 to \$1,200 per anosition, the former Reichstag having num. The present system of pay covbeen dissolved because it refused to ers about the same range, but the plan vote supplies for the army in Southwest Africa. The overwhelming dea very few clerks in the first class offices have any prospect of receiving more than about \$800 a year. The proposed law will permit the advancement in offices of the Omaha class, in the course of a few years, until the reports, he made no effort to urge the average pay of clerks will be about victory as a vindication of the auto-\$1,000 a year instead of \$800 as at cratic idea of government, going, present. Under conditions heretofore instead, an unusual step in the existing competent clerks, necessary to other direction by bespeaking and inthe proper conduct of the postal work. have been drawn from the service by better offers from private concerns or have remained in the service with a justifiable feeling of being underpaid. growing more and more restive under The postoffice clerks are to be congratulated and congress congratulated absolutism, coupled with miltarism

and paternalism, and the kaiser apthat a scale of salaries and a system parently has a keen appreciation of for their adjustment has been devised this feeling. In most diplomatic that will place the question of comterms, in his address to the new satisfactory basis.

END THE JAIL FREDING GRAFT. The bill introduced in the legisla-

ture by Representative Tucker to end government, represented by the Chief Engineer Stevens reports that the jail feeding graft in Douglas Reichstag. "Just as I am willing." county ought to be passed by the leg- said the emperor, "to observe con ama canal at the rate of 200,000 cubic islature without opposition. The bill scientiously all my constitutional yards a week. If the authorities provides simply that in counties hav- rights and privileges, so am I confident the new Reichstag, composed of wrangle over the contract a little ing more than 100,000 population the longer Mr. Stevens may have a chance board of county commissioners shall intelligent men, will acknowledge advertise for bids for supplying meals that its highest duty is to preserve delivery" are written on the envelope, is His intellect was like a pair of accurately to the prisoners in the county jail ac- and strengthen our position among cording to definite specifications set civilized natious."

The Reichstag is about the only how public money should be handled. contract annually to the lowest and heritage the democratic government of 11848 left to Germany. It represents

The enactment of such a law would the voice of the people of the empire the State university or for the State enable this county to save from 30 to as expressed by secret ballot and man-Reform school is entitled to attention. 50 per cent of what the jail feeding hood suffrage, although its powers in for a reason to defeat it.

address before the senate that the "en- progress is a proper place of amusedowment house" oath does not bind ment for the populace. Mayor him to any obligation' incompatible "Jim's" verdict as handed down is as with his oath as a United States sen- follows: "On seeing the crowd which for the first eight years. Washington had ator, but that he could no more dis- is in here at present I have just about nowhere to look either for example or for of office Mr. Brooks, who recently celeclose the wording of the oath than changed my mind. It would take a instruction. All the paths he trod had to brated his seventy-sixth birthday, could a Mason divulge the secrets of pretty heavy joit to fease that bunch."

No danger, certainly, of any divorce After a hearing extending over two trial feasing our cowboy mayor.

The proposed law making members of the Omaha Police commission ina case against Smoot, the senate has decided that it has no ground upon eligible to run for other offices during their terms on the police commission. which seems to be on a fair way to the statute book, may relieve the to expel Smoot is simply a notice that pressure somewhat for future police commissioner appointments.

## Activity of Noise Makers. Chicago Record-Herald.

Three hundred thousand planos were made in this country last year, notwith- trymen. standing the fact that societies for the suppression of useless noises were organ-Emperor William's address to the ized in several places.

> Spot-Lighting the Truth St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

General Kouropatkin has told us what was George Washington as of any man or behind all of the Russian defeats in Mantious service, industry that sought no rechuria. As we recall those stirring events. pose while it remained to be done, unhesithe Japs were always behind, and very close behind, every one of them. lied but untempted, were all his. The temp-

## Lese Majeste.

Baltimore American. The Pennsylvania house of representatives actually made merry over the message sent it by Mr. Baer of "divine right" fame. This act of audacity is apt to give a sudden boom to the popularity of lese majaste throughout the country and vastly to stimulate its commission. at the foundation of all civil society as well

> The Usual Discovery. Chicago Record-Herald.

we ascribe in our humble, imperfect and A Connecticut bank failed a few days faraway conception to divinity, ago, and the bank examiner has just made the discovery that it did business in an ducted with his own hand a vast correrregular manner. Perhaps the examiner apondence, enough to tax to its uttermost fancies that his report will be comforting the strength of mind and brain and body to the people who would have taken their money out if they could have been ap- of an athlete even if he had had to bear no other burder, of public care. His pubprised of the bank's unsoundness before lished correspondence fills many large the collapse came. volumes, and there is a great deal, I sup-

#### State Gives Up Booze Business. New York Tribune.

race of duplicity, of concealment, of say-The South Carolina legislature has abol- ing one thing to one man and another to shed the state dispensary. Lack of confi- another, of assurances of respect or good will, that no doubt come from the heart, dence in the expert knowledge and busisuch as I am sorry to say, disfigure the ness capacity of the dispensary board was followed by lack of confidence in the tonic correspondence of some of his famous and quality of the fluids it dispensed to the honored contemporaries. The little fable public. Now every county is to have its invented by Weems, his enthusiastic blograown board if it wishes, and local ideas and pher, has become the standing jest of many prepossessions are to triumph against cen- a generation of irreverent boys. But nobody ever doubted or ever will doubt that tralized taste and management. George Washington could not tell a lie,

A Sensible Change.

that a lie could not live in his presence, The bill introduced by Representative or that all falsehood and dissimulation thamp Clark which provides that 10 cents' would slink abashed and confounded from worth of any kind of American stamps the game of those eyes and from that perplaced on a letter in addition to the 2 fect witness. cents postage will guarantee its delivery

by special messenger if the words "special He had a weighing and balancing mind. sensible one. There is no good reason adjusted scales. He did not often, espewhy a particular style of special delivery cially in civil affairs, originate the policies

stamp should be required any more than upon which he acted. But he listened carethere is reason why the government should fully and patiently to every counsel from insist that 19 cents postage should be evi- which he could get instruction, and then brought it in the end to the sure test of denced by & 19-cent postage stamp rather than five twos. The bill has passed the his own unerring judgment. He weighed house without objection and it is to be the advice of his great counsellors, the hoped that the senate will not hunt around claims of contending parties, and of Jefferson and Hamilton and Adams and Picker-

into the life of the copper.

Samuel Brooks of Annapolis, Md., recently concluded his fiftleth year of continuous service in the state house as messenger to the governor. During his term has served under sixteen governors.

companions and associates. We who find our path broken, macadamized, leveled, from Russia a dozen or more years ago blazed by the sure and safe precedents of 125 years can hardly understand the diffifrom Harvard and gained some literary culties which beset Washington. And yet, distinction, has not been much heard from in his whole life, from the time when, but of late. He is making addresses in noona youth of 24, he gave his wise but vain day prayer meetings in New York.

counsel to General Braddock, and brought Lester Leamon, a republican member of nome all the laurels of that most disasthe legislature from Jasper county, Illinois, trous expedition, to the time when, full of is rather proud of the fact that he is taller years and honors, he left to his countrythan Abraham Lincoln, for whom he enmen his farewell address-that almost intertains the most profound admiration. spired political bible, the adherence to According to the best authorities the marwhich ever has brought and ever will bring tyred president stood 6 feet 4 inches, but to us safety, prosperity and glory, the de-Mr. Leamon is 6 feet 7 inches in his stockparture from which is the path to danger,

ings. After March 4th there will be two graduates of West Point in the senate, Mr. Du-Pont of Delaware, and Mr. Briggs of New

"There are some characters, unhappily Jersey. Mr. DuPont was graduated at the few, of whom we never think as struggling head of his class in 1861 and saw considerwith or conquering temptation. Sin did not able service in the civil war. Mr. Briggs beset them. I suppose this was never yet who is thirteen years younger, did no literally and perfectly true of any man or graduate from the academy until 1872. He woman. Yet it was an nearly true of was attached to a cavalry regiment for several years. woman. Integrity, unselfish and unambi-

John Armstrong Chanler has conveyed deed to the University of Virginia for his Merrie Mills estate near Cobham, Va., containing 400 acres of land, residence, paintings, statuary, books, etc. The conveyance is subject to the right of Mr. Chanler to continue in possession during his lifetime. The purpose of the conveyance is to secure eventually a home for such retired professors of the university as the rector and visitors may designate.

Too self-respecting in its griefs and joys For ardent girls and boys, Who find no genius in a mind so clear

That its grave depths seem so obvious and near, Ivan Panin, who came to this country Not a soul great that made so little noise from Russia a dozen or more years ago They feel no force in that caim, cadenced

from Russia a dozen or more years ago phrase, with strong nihiliatic tendencies, graduated The habitual full-dress of his well-bred That seems to pace the minuet's courtly

And tell of ampler leisures, roomler length of days.

His broad built brain, to self so little kind That no tumultuary blood could blind. Formed to control men, not amaze. Looms not like those that borrow height of haze: It was a world of stattler movement then Than this we frat in he a desire

Than this we fret in, he a denizen Of that ideal Rome that made a man for men.

men. Placid completeness, life without a fall From faith or highest alms, truth's breach-less wall. Surely if any fame can bear the touch. His will say "Here!" at last trumpet's call. The unexpressive man whose life ex-pressed so much.





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feat of the socialists, who secured the

defeat of the army budget, was sufcient cause for the self-congratulatory note in the kaiser's speech from the throne, but, according to the cabled