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WHEN OUT OF TOWN.

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James Hazen Hyde cables from United States. Thanks.

good resolutions for the New Year.

grateful.

Michigan democrats are said to be divided over the support of Bryan. When did another democrat locate in Michigan?

Political tailors are busy taking measurements for "favorite son" suits, which promise to be popular for spring wear in 1908.

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which were to be used for "literary, any longer to have this magnificent NEXT YEAR'S BATTLEGROUND. Chairman Thomas Taggart of the artistic and educational advancement property operated as a speculative maemocratic national committee has de- of the Belgian people." The record is chine." The patrons of the road and clared in favor of conducting next sufficiently plain on Leopold's desire the public generally may also want to eighteenth century methods to destroy the year's campaign of his party from Chi- to promote the welfare of the Belgian have something to say on this proposicago. He regards Mr. Bryan's nomi- people. Money that should have been tion.

nation as assured and thinks the bat- used in the past for such purposes has tle will be fought in the middle west been squandered in royal dissipations and northweat, with the solid south that have made Europe gasp at their liam J. Bryan who has been appointed avowedly for Bryan and the east hope- extent and audacity. In company with senator from Florida has a chance to certain syndicates, he has been revel-It is evident that Chairman Taggart ing in the proceeds of extortion from Bryans. He also has a chance to

DELAVENED BY CARTANAN saily Bee (including Sunday), per week.16c weining Bee (without Sunday), per week.16c has not forgotten the experience of the rubber regions and squandering has not forgotten the experience of the rubber regions and squandering revenues that should have been de-his party, he found himself tied, voted to the welfare of his none too has not forgotten the experience of the rubber regions and squandering show the difference. gagged and helpless in the committee prosperous subjects. While the Belheadquarters in New York, while the gian Parliament has been a free acting immediate advisers of Judge Parker body, it has, up to date, been unable to led the party to the most disastrous loosen the royal hold on this rich loot. Washington-725 Fourteenth Street N. W. defeat in its history. Clearly he has If the rejection of the proposed treaty no desire for a repetition of such an means a step toward real reform in the experience, no matter what his rela- Congo, it will prove a consummation tion to the campaign management in devoutly to be wished by all lovers of next year's fight may be, but he is just civilization, liberty and progress.

> tion when he predicts democratic gains THE FREE SEED FARCE. in the west and northwest. In the face of the warning of Chair-The suggestion that Chicago be man Tawney of the house committee

made the campaign headquarters is, on appropriations that national exhowever, timely, as the battleground penditures are likely to exceed nawill be in the west and in the south, tional revenues for the next fiscal year, where the contest will be to prevent the one bill recommended by a com-37,550 16...... 37,430 further defections from the democratic mittee for favorable action by concolumn. Kentucky will be a contested gress, before adjournment for the holistate, with the chances favoring the day recess, provides for an appropriarepublicans, and Missouri is possibly tion of \$50,000 for the free distribudebatable ground. Oklahoma, with tion of seeds. On the subject of this its sixteen electoral votes, will proba- seed distribution the secretary of agribly he found in the democratic column, culture, in his annual report, says: but in no part of the middle west or The work of securing, packeting, assemnorthwest can the democrats ground bling and mailing the seed for congres-15,540 any present hope of regaining the sional purposes was carried on the same as in past years. This work is now so ground lost by them since 1896. It systematized that it goes along smoothly, admits that he has been stealing from is hardly probable that Chairman Tag- despite the large quantities of seed that the company for eighteen years. What gart is banking upon a change of senti- must be secured and sent out. The total makes American grafters look down on 10,100 ment that would shunt into the Bryan tributed has remained the same for the \$180,000 in that time. column next year the states that gave last six years. In the annual distributhese pluralities to President Roose- tion 6,400,000 packages of miscellaneous

vegetable seed are put up and sent out, each package containing five packets, and up and distributed in the same way, each Practically every farmers' organiza-

Montana 13,139 North Dakota., 33,323 tion in the nation has protested Oregon 42,934 South Dakota., 50,114 against this seed distribution. Origin-The republicans carried Missouri in ally the appropriation was made for

1904 by 25,137, while the democrats the distribution of "rare and valuable carried Kentucky by 11,813. Mr. seeds and plants" for experimental proposition that the national government is this year short by 398,000 france upon of the day after. Bryan received 20,000 less votes in purpose. Today it is used to dis- shall pension those who fought for the con- a necessary budget of 1,498,000 france. The six principal sources of revenue of Missouri in 1900 than he did in 1896. tribute over 7,000,000 packages of Faris that he will not return to the The state has since elected a demo- garden seeds, such as any farmer may cratic governor, but the fight was buy at a cross-roads store. The farmer

largely on state issues. Republicans does not plant them, as he selects Only a few days more to decide on are confident that the "Mysterious seeds for his crops with the greatest the republican candidate. Kentucky ages sent to him by the government. was carried by the republicans last The appropriation is simply a cam-Tom Lawson says he is not going to month by about 30,000, and even the paign contribution to make the con-

make any more effort to save the coun- democratic leaders in the state admit gressman solid with the wives and United States to worry? try. The country should be duly that the odds are against them for daughters of certain classes of their constituents who amuse themselves

next year. The battleground of 1908 will, as with posy gardens. Congress has the Chairman Taggart says, be in the west same warrant for furnishing farmers next year, but the outlook holds no free garden and flower seeds that it next year, but the outlook holds no free garden and flower seeds that it ceremonies. He has the crown already, the latter receiving fees rivalling the enough to have beer, and the people will new have more money atipands of bark receivers in New York. thread and shoe nails.

EVADING-THE CHARTER. An ordinance introduced into the city council by apparent agreement of a majority of the democratic councilwho was elected .- World-Herald. men seeks to evade one of the plain Mayor "Jim" confides to his closest provisions of the city charter intended nated on the republican ticket and to prevent just such treasury raids as Bryan lose out for the democratic this ordinance contemplates. It is proposed to set aside and apsupport La Follette? Or would it repropriate \$5,000 out of the unapporpeat its performance of four years ago, It should be noted that Mr. Cortel- tioned remainder of the general fund when it blindly embraced Alton B. you did not break his policy of silence for the purpose of grading five desiguntil Senator Platt had endorsed him nated streets and alleys. The real purpose is to hold \$5,000 at the disposal of the democratic administration ettes throughout Nebraska may be ex-A Philadelphia clergyman says that which should by express provision of pected to go the limit in offering aid Speaker Cannon should be removed. the charter be transferred at the exand comfort to republican dissension-

And now we are told that the Wilshow that there are two William J.

has not yet decided what course he will follow in the coming trial of novel experiment of trying him on the law and the evidence?

The Test of Brevity. Washington Herald. If the president becomes an editor when he retires, as has been suggested, he will learn to curtail and condense, after he has paid a few bills for white paper.

Go Where Scope Awaits Talent. Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Nebraska woman who killed her husband, was convicted, got a pardon and collected the insurance, should hasten to New York and become a traction magnate to strange race-they live in proud retreat in give her undeniably large talents suitable their mouldering old chateaux, speaking scope.

Colonel and Senator. Kansas-City Times.

W. J. Bryan may mean William Jen-William James Bryan. It is really due to Nebraska's favorite son to spell out in full the name of any Bryan with "W. J."

Scrimped His Opportunities. Minneapolis Journal.

The treasurer of a Canadian railroad number of packages put up and dis- this Canuck is that he got away with only

Mindful of Limitations. Pittsburg Despatch.

Perhaps the governor of Nevada might plead to the president that if enough of the population of the state to get up a

show great sense by opposing Hobson's federacy. Nothing of that kind could get through congress, anyway.

No Cause for Worry.

Kansas City Star. "Ton for ton and gun for gun, we have charge that American battleships are decharge that American battleships are de-fective in construction, and, after all, suc-beginning. A reputable correspondent of

Royal Bid for Popularity. Springfield Republican.

As a bidder for popularity, the new king of Sweden begins his reign with the master stroke of dispensing entirely with coronation in their pockets. Coronations are as costly The liquidation of the property of 115 as they are useless, and as useless as they congregations out of a total of 677 taken

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

remarkable spectacle of attempting by after serving twenty years two-thirds." racial identity of Pollah subjects in the light of twentieth century civilization. Since the foundation of the German empire by Frince Bismarck systematic efforts to Germanize Prussian Poland have been

resisted successfully. Owners of land would not sell to German immigrants, Germans settled there at the instigation of the government have either been absorbed by the Polanders or compelled to flock by themselves. Balked in its plan, Prince von

Bulow, minister president of Prussia, re-District Attorney Jerome says he cently presented to the Prussian Diet a fronts. measure expropriating the land of the na-

Harry Thaw. Why not make the not meet the approval of the Diet and have gold brick. been modified to the extent of vesting in priation to certain districts. The measure an appropriation bill. n its modified form has not yet become a law. It serves to show, however, the

desperate character of the scheme to strip the Poles of homes and lands and make them exiles from the land of their birth. "The Pollsh land owners are rich," relates a correspondent of the New York Evening Post. "They have sought to buy up every German estate in the market, so that as much land as possible may remain in their hands. These Polish aristocrats are a he would believe it. French among themselves and Polish with the hordes of servants who-a relic of on their lords' estates. The differences, national and religious, between the chilseems insuperable. Faults there are on both sides, but it is safe to predict that peace will never be restored until the government recognizes that a civilized, independ-

ent people cannot be ruled by police bureaucracy.

to a life pension of half the amount of his salary. After a service of six years The Prussian government presents the his pension is one-fourth of his salary, and Globe Trotter Asserts We Copy from

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Secretary Cortelyou says he is not a candidate, but does not intimate that he could not be permuaded.

Colonel Bryan's vocal epigrams on harof the republican governor of Kentucky the night rider districts experienced heavy

Vocal assurances are given by Denver lives and settling Germans thereon. The that the purse hung up for the democratic methods proposed by the government did national convention does not contain a

Oklahoma must have several experienced the Diet the right to say what land shall legislators. The first measure which went be taken by the state and limiting expro-through both houses with a whoop was

> The new mayor of Boston avows he "paid nothing, promised nothing" in conducting on which several cigars rested. We placed his successful campaign. To Boston an ours there also, and when we came away unhobbled mayor is a rare exhibit. from Washington on track 12, train 23. The man. In Omaha they are simply doing senator is not superstitious, either, but if what has been done in Europe for years.

he should dream that a large man recently returned from a long journey was destined to make trouble for him perhaps

Hon. Arnold C. Sheer has become an aggressive candidate for nomination next year as governor of West Virginia. He the old feudal system-live, marry and die is now serving his second term as state auditor and has made a favorable record. He has been a lifelong republican and nings Bryan or it may stand merely for dren of the soil and the Prussian invaders active in politics for the last ten years. Imbued with the notion that whiskers Dealer. will enjoy a political revival next year, J. Ham Lewis of Chicago is airing his pink chinkers and firting with the democratic nomination for governor of Illinois, J. methods, and that firm handed liberalism Ham parts his locks in the center and is a vastly superior weapon to blind can maintain perfect balance on any issue that may come up.

Governor Johnson of Minnesota was in-

Religious bodies of France which ap- troduced at the recent gridiron clubfest plauded the government for abolishing in Washington by a parody on the the concordat and taking over church melody, "John. Poor John." and as the property are taking stock of the results strains of the band died away Governor of one year's experience under the new Johnson got upon his feet with these dispensation. Results do not appear to words: "I don't think it will be 'John, delphia Press. justify the optimistic prediction of those Poor John,' but it may be 'Bill, Poor who believed a orushing blow dealt to Bill."

Catholicism would bring substantial ben- The advantage of Denver as a convention not be enough left on the other side to keep them in order. A Shade Too Fresh. Philadelphia Press. The confederate veterans of Alabama of Paris The Source of Paris The Source of Paris The Source of Paris The Source of Sourc of Paris reports that the superior council of the union of reformed churches acclimate the faithful to the chilling blasts

The deficit is likely to grow as the New York state are the tax on corporacharges increase through the cessation of tions, tax on organization of corporations, the cierical pensions, and already the lit- tax on transfer of decedents' estates, tax tle parishes, and churches are being on transfer of stock, liquor tax and mortmarked out for extinction and abandon- gage tax. For 1997 these yielded \$31,900,000. ment. So the gradual disappearance of The expenses of the state for the year the best warships in the world." is what Protestantism in France is likely to be were \$28,799,000. The state debt is \$17,290,000. the subjects to be included in those Stranger" will give its 1908 vote to care and takes no chances on the pack- Rear Admiral Melville says in reply to the one of the first results of the measures an increase of \$5,600,000 over the preceding

> cess in a naval battle depends on the man the New York Sun Bays though the Cath-behind the gun, so what's the use for the olic church has suffered tremendously in useful "The delegations to the national conven-tions have a rare way of indicating prosloss of property, reorganization is pro- perity," says the New York Sun. "For ceeding slowly, but surely. What the instance, when the republicans are in state has gained by confiscation of church power the trains to the national conven-

property is not apparent in treasury re- tions are loaded down with champagne, turns. The chief beneficiaries of con- whereas the democratic trains are glad to fiscation and sale have been the auc. have beer." Next year both the repubtioneers, trustees and lawyers, many of lican and democratic trains will be glad

Graft of the Sugar Trust. Philadelphia Record. over since 1901 has been or

IS OMAHA AN IMITATOR?

the Old World.

New York Tribune. Retrenchment was the subject of discus-

sion in a down town restaurant, and as a shining example of the signs of the times one of the debaters spoke of the "check your cigar" signs which had been placed in front of the controom of an Omalia theater. "We are growing poor," said the broker, mony might reach a sore spot if printed when men leave 'butts' to be checked and conspicuously in the Congressional Record. call for them between acts or after the Immediately following the inauguration show." "Not necessarily," said another, "Last summer I went to a bank at Frankfort-on-the-Main with an exgovernor of Indiana who wanted to make a draft on his letter of credit. We were both smoking fine 20-pfennig cigars of the Kaiser Wilhelm brand. In the vestibule a porter wearing more gold lage than one of our major generals, politely asked us to cease smoking in the building, and we were about to throw away the cigars when he restrained us with a gesture which showed his amagement at our extravagance and pointed to a highly polished metal rack and did not claim our property we probably Senator Foraker baiked at departing fell in the estimation of the thrifty Ger-

SUNNY GEMS.

"Do you think there are any great orators left"" "Yes," answered Senator Sorghum. "My

observation is that great orators are nearly always left."-Washington Star.

"That fellow Busby never seems to have

"That fellow Busby active tells me." "He's very busy now, he tells me." "Eh! What's he doing." "Getting his right-of-way for a wireless elephone company." - Cleveland Plain

Former Resident - How things have changed here in twenty years! I wouldn't know the town. What has become of Florgues, who used to shave notes and lend Proogus, who used to anave notes and tend money at 2 per cent a month? Hotel Clerk—He's gone to his reward. Former Resident—What! Is he dead? Hotel Clerk—Dead? Not on your life! He's president of a trust company in New York.—Chicago Tribune.

"Come, come!" exclaimed old Mr. Good-ley, "don't beat that dog! You should have more consideration for dumb brutes-" "Say." interrupted the angry man, "It you had to listen to this brute at night, as

"Has the young man any avancular relatives

"No sir; he's got only two undes and they're as sound as a dollar,"-Baltimore American.

"De man dat keeps talkin' all de time," said Unele Eben, "is generally de kind of person dat ain got no reason to be afraid anybodys" gwineter steal his ideas."-Wash-

"I met my tailor out sleighing, and he looked sporty. I tell you, in his new sleigh." "Well, of all vehicles where could a tailor find a fitter one than a good cutter?"-Baltimore American.

Reporter-What shall I do with this arti-cle on "How a Husband Should Treat s Wife's Allowance?" Editor-Cut it down. Reporter-And how about this story on "How to Acquire a Good Figure?"

Editor-Pad It Reporter-What's to be done with this eport of "A Leaderless Party?" Editor-Put a head on it.-Baltimore American.

WHEN THE WISE MAN FELL.

Chicago Record-Herald. He never bucked the tiger and he never bet a cent That he could find the cup that held the

pea; He never at a circus tried to crawl beneath the tent, Nor tried to pet a fretful bumble bee.

He never bought a gold brick and he never rocked a boat. He never teased a buildog in his life; He never rushed in madly to lay hold upon

friends that he is still a candidate for governor. At any rate, he is more still than usual.

for the presidency.

Impossible, the constitution provides for a lower branch of congress.

Mr. Bryan says he cannot undertake to referee all the differences between leaders of his party. Mr. Bryan has to have a little time to lecture and to write.

Senator Bailey denies the report that he is going to resign. The senator seldom gets his name in the papars any more except when denying something

The lonesomest persons in the coun- people are entitled to equal considera- we feel sure it is merely a coincidence. try just now are the members of that tion. Wall street literary bureau that started in to prove that the Taft boom elegant, the members of the demo- the cost of the coal that will be conis "dying out."

Former Senator Blackburn says he sinking fund in defiance of the char- the fleet would have burned coal all did not see eight mosquitoes in the ter, to be spent on grading jobs of winter even if it had remained on the eight weeks he spent at Panama. We their own personal selection. While Atlantic. The battleship does not talization. do not expect to see any here for eight this is such a palpable evasion of the hibernate nor go into winter quarters. weeks, at least.

A Kansas banker has made a bid for a Carnegie hero medal. Though his bank hus suspended, he has refrained from declaring that the "depositors allowed to pass by the mayor. will not lose a dollar."

It is announced that a surplus of Christmas trees has been left on local dealers' hands. This must be a case either of overproduction or of underconsumption, and perhaps both.

The United States is already planning to make a diaplay at the Japan exposition in 1912. The plan is, of course, subject to veto by Richmond Pearson Hobson and the New York the protests of the civilized world over Sun.

Tom Johnson is going to deliver an main in Africa to Belgium and a address in New York and tell "Why treaty to that end was presented to Bryan Must be Nominated." Bryan Parliament. The document, on its must be nominated because he will not allow any other democrat to be nominated.

Competition for the presidency of ern the annexed territory ware to be does not necessarily survive the nomithe school board, which used to be appointed by the crown subject to the nating convention. brisk in former years, seems to have king's pleasure. This provision is fallen into almost innocuous desuctude. what led to the revolt in Parliament. the year.

piration of the year into the sinking jsts. That is the proper play for a fund and be devoted to the extinguishment of maturing municipal debt. To find a color of authority the councilmanic combine has had to gather up applications for grading work, the ex-

pense of which is borne half by the The simultaneous news that former city and half by the abutting property owners, that have been lying dormant. has accepted an invitation to speak at

some of them for years, giving prefer- the Bryan dinner at Lincoln next ence to these few designated streets month, and has also just emerged from Important Question Involved in a New and alleys to the exclusion of a great a street encounter in Denver, would many other sections of the city where ordinarily be accepted as the work of grading should be done and where the an advertising agent, but in this case

vision of the majority.

To use language expressive, if not Those who are complaining about cratic council behind this scheme are sumed by the fleet on its cruise to the arranging to steal \$5,000 from the Pacific seem to overlook the fact that

law that we do not believe it would

at home.

Having settled for the present the hold water one instant if brought to a test, it still ought to be throttled at question of habitation, the Commercial club ought to be free to bend its its inception before it goes through the council, and certainly should never be energies more systematically to the the fourteenth amendment does not ap-Omaha's prestige abroad and growth

KING LEOPOLD'S CUNNING. The action of the liberal party in the Belgium Parliament in refusing by

a unanimous vote to approve an innocent-looking treaty purporting to cede the Congo Free States to the Belgian government has served to uncover another example of shrewd cunning by

at the bottom. which King Leopold has achieved an unenviable distinction. Aroused by the atrocities in the Congo, Leopoid proposed a cession of his personal do-

face, was a simple compliance with the terms of the original agreement, but an appendix contained the provision that all the officials designated to gov-

The New York Evening Post winds thereby reduced. The school board, however, may be Under the provisions of the treaty up a critical review of the Union Paable to work up some excitement to Leopold was to retain practical, if not cific financial report by declaring that warrant its existence before the end of nominal, possession of the vast rubber "it is for the directors and share-

are foolish when the people feel the pinch If La Follette were nominated to run of poverty. against Bryan there would be no danger of progressive policies losing out, no matter

Long Reach of Sugar Trust. Philadelphia Record

The investigations made by federal of-Suppose La Follette should be nomificials in the underweighing of sugar cargoes in New York, from 1897 to 1907, lead 2,000,000,000 francs. to the belief that the aggregate of the nomination, would the World-Herald frauds may reach \$1,000,000. The Sugar trust is a monopoly built up by government favoritism. It is an astonishing revelation that petty theft should have been resorted to to swell the enormous profits de-Parker as against Theodore Roosevelt? | rived from legalized extortion. But the appetite of the trust seems to have been insatiable. The democratic organs and organ-

To the Highest Bidder. Indianapolis News.

The business of nominating a candidate for the presidency is about the most solemn one in which an American citizen can engage. And the great conventions mouthpiece of a minority party that which do that work ought to be conducted sees no possible chance of regaining from their very inception in the most political ascendancy except through didignified way. This cannot be if a committee is to say to a certain city: "We will nominate our candidate in your city if you will pay our party for doing so.'

Senator Tom Patterson of Colorado It ought never to be resorted to again. That is what the practice amounts to. IS A FRANCHISE PROPERTY?

> region in the world. According to the Zeltschrift of the Berlin Geographical soclety the Chinese may prove themselves York Decision.

New York World. true prophets. They are likely to build Judge Hough, yesterday, in the United the road to the great garden of inner States district court decided that the 80- China, and they estimate the cost at about cent gas law was unconstitutional. The \$45,000,000 from the lower Yangise river to broad ground for this decision is that the and across the red basin. It is said, how

reduction in price is "confiscatory" and ever, that the subscriptions to the capital in violation of the fourteenth amendment stock are not yet coming in as rapidly as of the constitution of the United States. was expected, and the native financiers According to the testimony of the offiare stimulating interest by figuring out cials and reports of the Consolidated Gas that the road will certainly be more profitcompany, the profit of 80 cents a thous- able than the Peking-Hankow line, which and feet would not be enough to pay in- is now paying dividends of 6 per cent. The crest and dividends on the company's capi- Chinese evince ambition at least to keep some of their most promising railroad pro-This involves most important questions jects in their ower hands.

which should be promptly carried to the supreme court of the United States and Charles Denby, the United States consul

learly settled there. general at Shanghal, furnishes a brief ag-Is a franchise property, or is it a license count of the initial trip over the newly or permit? If a franchise is not property railway. He says: "The road is 194 miles various problems of promoting ply. If it is like a liquor license or a pushin length, and the trip is made from cart license, or a sidewalk permit, then it Shanghai to Nanking in six hours instead is revocable or amendable. No theater or of twenty-four hours, as now by steamer,

intelligence office or saloon can invoke the fourteenth amendment to prevent its regu-

known for rice, slik and cotton produc If a franchise is property, what is the tion, and touches at several important alue an impairment of which is confiscatrade centers, such as Soochow, Wusieh tion? A franchise for \$1 gas would be less Changehow and Chinklang. It is expected valuable than a franchise for \$1.25 gas. If he road will render easier exit for native the value of a franchise is what it can be produce, and that railway communication with the interior of China will tend to price would be "confiscatory," unless it could be proved that there was more profit

at the lower price. usiness inland." If this should be the logical result

sation is sacred, more sacred in fact than the capitalization of tangible property; for of Commerce and Labor by Consul General Thackara, it must be a fine thing to be while gas tanks, retoris, pipes and mamayor of Berlin. Mr. Thackara says: "One of the principal requirements of a value, a franchise being intangible, cannot

deteriorate, and whatever its earning power, the capitalization based thereon cannot he for in the municipal administration of this country graft in any form would not be mpaired.

This view of the fourteenth amendement | tolerated: in fact, it is unknown. To benakes the railroad rate inw unconstitu- come the mayor of a city like Berlin the tional. The free sirect car transfer law applicant must have established his reputacould be set aside on the same ground. No tion for efficiency in governing other Ger franchise could be repealed, for that would man cities. His career is carefully scruti-"property." No franchise once capi- nized by the members of the town council talized could be amended if profits were who select him, for not only must he he

Whether New York City has 80-cent or duties of his high position, but still an so-cent or \$1 gas is of little consequence young as likely to remain competent for compared with the great question of many years, for a mayor in Prussia is whether a franchise is superior to legis- elected for a term of twelve years, and if regions of the Congo, the proceeds of holders to say whether they are willing lative restriction or regulation.

The government has undoubtedly struck the net returns to the state is \$\$\$,000. pay dirt in the exposure of the deliberately or \$320 on the property of each congregacontrived frauds in weighing sugar at the tion concerned. Should this ratio hold on the remaining properties the state will realize \$217,840 out of church property claimed by anti-clericals to be worth

Sechuen. They found no route that exactly

suited them, but the Chinese of Sechuen

told them it was all right. "Don't worry

about It," the natives said. "because you

will never get the concession to build the

road anyway. When a railroad is built

into Sechuen the Chinese will build it with

Chinese money and we will raise the funds

right here in Sechuen province." This was

interesting because Colonel Manifold and

other Englishmen ridiculed the idea that

the Chinese could finance the enterprise

or that they could build the road even if

they should raise the money at home; also

because the red basin is a wonderful region.

New York and supports about 50,000,000

people. In large areas covered by this

soft red soil the density of population is

greater than in any other agricultural

mpleted portion of the Shanghai-Nanking

The line was formally opened on October

15. It passes through several districts well

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It is nearly twice as large as the state o

port of New York. The underweighing appears to have been continuous for ten or twelve years past. There is also reason to believe that like frauds have been perpetrated in determining the saccharine quality

of imported sugars. The Sugar trust has About four years ago some British engineers were very busy looking for the never been in business merely for its health. The inquiry now going forward in the most feasible route for a railroad to tap courts cannot be too vigorously pushed. the commerce of the red basin of eastern

the throat Of a bully who was pummeling his wife He never pulled the trigger of an ancient, rusty gun. Just to see if it contained a load or not:

He never, when the gas leaked, started in upon the run With a lighted imp to find the leaky the gas leaked, started in spot.

He never signed a paper till he'd read it through and through. He never skated where the ice was thin; But they coaxed him into Wall street when the sky was soft and blue. And they casually striped him to the skin,



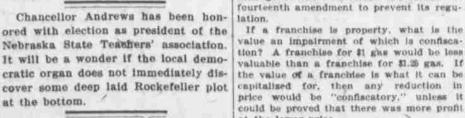


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