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Write it 1908.

lot of people sick.

Here's that it proves a prosperous regained and the country is headed for sary to counteract the evil effects of and happy New Year to every reader a more healthy basis. of The Bee.

water wagon. There will be plenty of and prosperous one. room after a few days.

Still, a surgeon in command of a tattleship would naturally want to perform an operation on the enemy.

"There is plenty of fight left in the democratic party," says Colonel Wat- agreed upon the early adoption of one of individuals." He again declares terson. So De Armond and Williams simple proposition which promises to himself squarely against government

THE OLD AND THE NEW. The dying year has whispered its of leaving inquiries into railroad record of achievements and disasters, wrecks with the findings of the cor-

VICTOR ROSEWATER, EDITOR.
Its triumphs and its disappointments, its successes and failures into the ear class matter.
oner's jury and the damage suits brought by persons injured or by the triangle of the bit with many more
the Old Year.
Full knee-deep lies the winter snow. And the winter snow. And the winter winds are wearily sighter the bit with the bit with many more

Defended at Omaha Postoffice as second class matter.
Its triumphs and its disappointments, its successor, 1908, born today; and class matter.
oner's jury and the damage suits brought by persons injured or by the triangle of the bar. The year 1907 closes with some things of its successor, 1908, born today; and accompanied the story of the past with to ever mode to be the total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever mode to be total of the past with to ever total of the past of the past with to ever total of the past of t accompanied the story of the past with is ever made to locate and punish those

the expression of a message of hope responsible for the accidents. for the future. The career of the dead year has are already using every reasonable year's work.

been checkered and interesting. The precaution, both human and mechaniair, at the time of its birth, was super- cal, to prevent wrecks, but the fact charged with fear and doubt. Finan- remains that the number of accidents cial savants and economic experts re- increases and the resultant death list traveling the pace that kills and that trainmen, imperfect rolling stock, misyoung 1907 would have to bear the placed switches and all the old fasins of its parents. Some of the pre- miliar causes of wrecks and collisions disastrous storms which left much the blame and punishment upon inwreckage on the financial shores and dividuals. In some countries, notably tion, died just as it realized that the worst in Canada, the authorities make vigor-

was over and that there was plain sail- ous prosecution of engineers and other trainmen through whose carelessness ing ahead. The new year dawns under a senti- wrecks are caused, and, in case of imment and conviction that the worst is perfect equipment, fine railroad comover and that the future is freighted panies heavily and frequently punish with promise of improvement. The the officials in authority. dead yean left the country with all the essentials needed for recovery of prosperity. It bequeathed a crop of the greatest value in the nation's history. upon the political situation, the ad-It had already entered upon its books dress delivered by Secretary Taft becontracts with foreign countries that fore the Boston Merchants and Manuassure a profitable trade for the new facturers' association must strike year in farm and factory products and every one who reads it as a remark-

made certain a continued inflow of ably clear and cogent review of the gold as needed. It has left evidence successive steps that led to the recent restore the country to normal condiseveral years. Perhaps the most encouraging tions.

feature of the outlook for 1908 is the The charm of Mr. Tail's speech is may have any interest, direct or indirect, general feeling that there is nothing not in its oratorical flourishes or except such articles or commodities as may wrong with the country and that the rounded periods, but in its perfectly so-called "panic," which will place frank and plain spoken enumeration 1907 in the class with 1873 and 1893, of the various causes contributing to problems in the segregation of corporate has wrought all the devastation possi- the industrial breakdown, as he sees properties. The problem is rendered all the them, and the open confession ble under existing conditions.

The country knows the extent of the that he has no single cure-all to prepanic and that its causes are no longer scribe to guarantee immediate and certain coal roads of the cast. Any plan of operating. Some of the big industrial complete convalescence. concerns in the east are already an-Mr. Taft naturally resents the imnouncing a resumption of work in the putation that the panic was brought mills and factories. Factories which about by the attitude of President reduced their forces and curtailed Roosevelt toward ill-gotten wealth and requires their output during the "panic" are law-defying corporations. He denies preparing to renew work. Scared that a reversal of the policy of the ad-Those navy doctors are making a money is again coming from its hiding ministration in the prosecution of and seeking employment in trade and trusts and renewed submission to dis- undertaken, especially in industrial lines. Kins industry. Confidence is being rapidly honest business practices are neces-

the panic. No use in fighting for a seat on the wish that the new year may be a happy that the conservation of the rights of

MR. TAFT'S GREAT SPEECH.

Out of the vast volume of discussion exercise of the right of property that relative to currency reform plans are indispensable to prevent the absocomes_the comforting assurance that lute control of the whole financial systhe leaders in congress have about tem of the country by a small oligarchy

THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1908 practice is too common in this country UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Some Knotty Problems Passed Up by

finished business. Among these are a number of left-over problems, some of which Railroad managers insist that they must comprise part of the burden of next

Among the most pressing of these is the bank and currency problem or group of problems. It is not to be expected that there will be any such radical reform as that of the establishment of a central bank. membered that its ancestors had been continues to grow. Carelessness of That sentiment in favor of the central bank is growing is unquestionable, but It will take continued agitation to bring the country to, or rather back to that ideal. which was shattered in Jackson's adminisdictions were realized and, after an ex- still figure in such accidents, and it is tration. The most that can be account citing youth, the old year encountered rarely that any effort is made to fix plished at the present session of congress is to impart a certain degree of additional elasticity to the present bank note circula-

> Another left-over problem is included it the numerous contests between the tallroads and state authorities, involving the question whether minimum railway rates as prescribed by act of legislature are, or are not, confiscatory. In several southern states the issue is on the point of being ompromised, but in others, both east and west, the question is submitted to the supreme court, where the final decision is

awaited by the financial world. Some of Excluding altogether its bearings these decisions will undoubtedly appear some time during 1908, and whichever way they go their significance will be fundamental for the future of investment.

A third left-over problem is the segregaion of coal properties from the management and control of railroads. Under the Hepburn act, amending the interstate commerce act of 1887. It is required that from and after May 1, 1908, it shall be unlawful 37,099 that supply and demand were more panic coupled with a brief outline of for any railroad to transport from any nearly on an equal footing than for the course that must be pursued to state to any other state any article or commodity other than timber or the manufacfured products thereof, manufactured,

mined or produced by it or in which it be necessary for use in the conduct of its business as a common carrier.

This presents one of the most difficult more difficult in some of the coal companles, because of the liens which bondholders have on the mining properties controlled by separation which might prejudice the equity of security holders involved would be sub- He ject to no little litigation before it could be put into practical effect. Yet there are but four months to accomplish what the law

Another class of unfinished problems arises out of the financial changes which have come about as a result of the panic. Numerous reorganizations will have to be Some of the short-term note issues will during the coming year require financing. There will still remain the unsatisfied de

mand of railroads for capital to increase The principal strength of Mr. Taft's their equipment, their facilities and their took and conditions justify the hopeful speech is his reiteration of his belief general capacity to handle the growing volume of freight which they have helped to develop along their routes. Evidently, private property and corporate enter- there is going to be little time to eat the prise require "limitations upon the bread of idleness, if these questions are to methods in the use of capital and the be brought to substantially permanent solutions.

"SWEARING OFF" SEASON.

Few Seasonable Suggestions and Several "Don'ts." Cleveland Plain Dealer. to be supposed that any adult at

POEMS OF THE DAY.

Death of the Old Year. Migelsing; Old year, you must not dis You came to us so readily You lived with us so sten Old year, you shall not die

He lieth still; he doth not move; He will not see the dawn of day. He hath no other life above. He gave me a friend, and a true, true-love. And the New Year will take 'em away. In the New Year will take em away. Old year, you must not go: So long as you have been with us. Such joy as you have seen with us, Old year, you shall not go.

He froth'd his bumpers to the brim: A jollier year we shall not see. But the' his eyes are waxing dim. And the' his fees speak ill of him. He was a friend to me. Old year, you shall not die: We did so laugh and cry with yo I've half a mind to die with you. Old year, if you must die.

He was full of joke and jest. e was full of joke and jest, at all his merry quips are o'er. o see him die, across the waste is son and heir doth ride post-haste, at he'll be dead before. Every one for his own. The night is starty and cold, my friend. And the New Year blithe and bold, my friend. friend. Comes up to take his own.

low hard he breathes! over the snow How hard he breathes! over the snow heard just now the crowing cock. The shadows flicker to and fro; The cricket chirps: the light burns low; Tis nearly 12 o'clock. Shake hands before you die, Old year, we'll dearly rue for you; What is it we can do for you? Speak out before you die.

His face is growing sharp and thin. Alack! our filend is gone. Close up his eyes: the up his chin: Step from the corpse, and let him in That standeth there alone. And waiteth at the door. There's a new foot on the floor, my friend. And a new face at the door, my friend. A new face at the door. — Tennyson.

-Tennyson.

The Bachelor's New Year Revery. "Sweetheart, I never knew I loved you so," The lover said, and bent to watch the

grace Of love's exquisiteness and light and glow Bloom there again upon the maiden face. The treasury of years gives back to him The jewels and the goms of love's requite; And through the misty tears that com

His eyes he looks upon the old delight.

And there beneath the jasmine and the rose Entwined upon the trellis and the vine. They plight the troth no ending ever

knows; Sighed he: "Sweetheart, forever, ever Forever and forever, and for syst" Resed her lips, and passed the treasure

Along the glimmer of the leafy way.

The cuckoo murmurs from the copplee dark. The leaves fall cluttering upon the walk; The leaves fall cluttering upon the walk; The lover bends his ear, alas! to hark— But silence, only silence comes to mock. No low, sweet accents greet him—he's alone! Then the old lover, wrinkled, bent and

gray. Inses the face as chill as chillest stone, And puts the old daguerreotype away. —Horace Seymour Keller.

A Little Song of the Dawn Black was the road I came over; My lashes with tears still are wet

he shades at my elbow still laugh stumble: am weary and heartsick, and yet

am fixing my eyes on the East and the dawning Where my hope and the morning are met, -Curtis Wager Smith.

The Old-The New.

On light-spent, bleak and barren ways, The hoar year's frosts do fall. Reluctant march the banished days-Time's shepherd folding all.

The olden days! once golden days! Sad stars that homeward turn! But o'er far hills soft rose-light thrills. Of dawns that mornward burn.

-Marshall Pancoast.

-Margaret D. Gardiner.

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Room for Individual Improvement in Every Direction. Lippincott's Magazine

There is no more pathetic case of selfconviction than the annual summing up of the poor red man. memory before the tribunal of hope at the close of the year.

Taking an honest inventory of stock and sales, what one of us is not desperately In debt, wickedly reckless and extravagant of other's confidence and trust, worthy of banishment from deluded society. quite misplaced and falsely estimated? There are novelists who would fain be

painters, actors who yearn for the author's name, soldiers who know that they should have studied medicine; nay, there are even lawyers of brilliant reputation who would gladly exchange lots with the starved Jackson, Miss., to speak at its Abraha

obscure poet. Out of the very depths of our restlessness and discontent comes nature's fairest vision, standpoint of the foremost thinkers of

the unuttered and unutterable word of our south. secret powers. Every vivid, sensate thing Elias Burwell of Bristol, Conn., claims in creation is conscious of possible, unex- be the only one now living of the 1.770 si pressed power; this consciousness it is ers of the abolition paper which called which gives zest to life. And one of the a meeting of anti-slavery men in Hartfo conditions of effective existence is the sim- Conn., on February 28, 1808. The docum ultaneous desire to recognize our powers. is owned by Edward Everett Newell, of We need no prophet to make us sure that same city, a cousin of the late Sena just the "bundle of relations" which pro- Joseph R. Hawley,

duced this particular entity have never On Wednesday, last, Dr. William Sta been co-ordinated for another, and will of Washington celebrated his 100th Chris never again be repeated by infinitely ex- mas. He is the oldest inhabitant of perimenting nature. We are rightly indig- District of Columbia, and was one of nant, then, with the poor return we are forty-niners who went to California making upon its investment.

PERSONAL NOTES. These are the times when the little grippe germs will catch you if you don't look out.

A Denver girl has become the wife of an Indian. Mean to take such advantage of An unlettered citizen of lowa cashed a

marriage license under the impression that it was a \$5 clearing house certificate. And he couldn't even use the license.

Eleanore Duse has bought the celebrated Capponi palace near Florence, Italy, for 600,000 francs. In the monumental pile, onca the abode of one of the proudest of the noble families of Italy, she intends "to spend the evening of her life."

The Union League club of Brooklyn has * invited Bishop Charles G. Galloway teacher, the discouraged clergyman, the Lincoln birthday celebration on Febru 12 next. The bishop is a great admirer Lincoln and will treat his subject from

search of gold. Dr. Starr has a sister livit in Michig who is 96 years old, an

A NEW YEAR'S THOUGHT.

have demonstrated.

is being manufactured in the east ment of the pure food law.

"Joe always liked fairy stories," saya Governor Folk's mother. "Joe" is now listening to fairy tales in connection with a senatorial boom.

"Pittsburg," according to the Dispatch, "is the best advertised city in ment of public dues, the deposit of the same the country." "Worst advertised" might come nearer to the truth.

At any rate, Hobson's prediction of a naval war has been fulfilled, even if tion of recognized business methods by it did occur in the bureaus at Washington instead of on the high seas.

Congressman Hobson says there is room for vast improvement in the line of distinguished precedents," some-Congressional Record. Recent events show that the Record needs a sporting editor

It will hardly be necessary for 'Fighting Bob" to return to Washington with the fleet to put down that mutiny in the Navy department bureaus

killed many ducks on his hunting trip resolution would relieve the govern-Cleveland, democratic harmony is out of the question.

some of them and use the others to against his bank account. store their surplus money in.

Mrs. Eddie Foy says she will be pleased to have her husband play Ham-Eddle go on playing the races.

Mr. Bryan does not wax enthusiastic over the promise of a snowstorm in Denver during the convention. He is accustomed to getting his frosts at election and not at conventions.

Senator Davis of Arkansas declares he will never eat out of the hands of the trust. He will not need to do so so long as he and two of his daughters are cating at the nublic ble counter.

Scientists assert that the man who will drink a gallon of buttermilk a day and cease worrying will find his life mon error of proposing additional legprolonged. Still, it is something of a task to drink a gallon of buttermilk the existing law it is the duty of the without worrying.

be the next president of the United quarterly reports of such investiga-States," says the Fort Worth Record. tions, in great detail, and nothing re-When spoken rapidly to the steaogra- mains to accomplish the result desired pher, "like to be" sounds very much by Mr. Douglas except the necessary The "Hikely be," but there is a differ- activity on the part of existing law ofence

annoying and apparently senseless ob-Some of the political medicine that stacles in the way of smoother relations between the business world and should be suppressed by the enforce- the federal treasury. The proposition is embodied in a concurrent resolution

do much toward removing one of the

All conditions considered, the out-

USE OF PUBLIC DEFOSITS.

which declares as follows: Resolved. By the house of representative of the United States, the senate concurring that it is the sense of the congress that the secretary of the treasury should, and capital is not to be insured by in his discretion and under such regulations as he may prescribe, permit the recelpt of certified checks of banks in payin depository banks, and the drawing of anew upon more solid foundations. checks against such depository accounts Mr. Taft classes himself as a conservaby the disbursing officer in subtreasury tive, and his speech shows what he ities as well as elsewhore.

The plan calls simply for the adopthe Treasury department. No law exists against the use of checks by the Treasury department, in the transaction of business, but one of those "long times more potent than law, has kept secretaries of the treasury demanding

that payments to the government be entirely in cash. The plan originated in the days when it was necessary for the government to guard its gold supply, and ever since then it has been the custom for the government to demand to keep each good resolve. the payment of customs duties in ac-Colonel Bryan is reported to have tual gold coin. The adoption of the

in Texas. If that does not soften Mr. ment of much red tape now needed to comply with an unnecessary and obsolete custom. The secretary of the given a seat. treasury would, at his discretion, de-"What do the western farmers want posit the government receipts in nawith so many cars?" asks a petulant tional depositories and check against eastern paper. They load grain in them, just as the business man checks

TO MINIMIZE WRECKS.

Congressman Douglas of Ohio has offered a bill in congress providing for let if he will quit playing the races. a law to minimize the danger of rail-The theater public would prefer that road wrecks. His measure provides that the federal government, through a board of "accident commissioners," shall conduct a searching inquiry into the case of every railroad wreck of consequence and to report upon how the accident might have been averted. as well as to who was at fault. Upon the facts presented by this commission it shall be the duty of the federal authorities in the district in which the

accident occurred to institute prosecution against the person or persons to blame,

The Ohio congressman, while his aim is laudable, makes the too comislation where it is not needed. Under Interstate Commerce commission to collect and report all such data as "W. J. Bryan of Nebraska will likely that called for. The commission makes

ownership of railroads, but equally convinced of the necessity of government control of these railroads to prevent abuses and discriminations.

The arguments presented ought to convince even those who have opposed what are known as Roosevelt reforms. but who are open-minded enough to be his instinct. If he knows that anything is persuaded, that the safety of property undoing what has been done toward curbing excesses, but in holding the in- he is going to be during 1908, will, without dustrial situation level and building

means by conservatism-conservatism that makes justice paramount.

Mr. Bryan of Nebraska probably has no objection to being represented in the senate by a namesake, but when it comes to the White House he wants to be represented in person. For that job he has no understudy and no proxy.

Good Resolves. St. Nicholas Magazine. The time of good resolves is here. What

new ones can our minds evolve? Suppose. good friends, that we this year resolve to

Standing Room Only. Cleveland Plain Dealer. It is stated that in an Omaha theater half moked cigars can be checked at the door. But it may be seriously doubted if the man

who carries one of these checks should be An Early Start.

Philadelphia Press. The Fairbanks delegates in Indiana_are a be elected the first week in February. This is rather early, but the distance some presidential booms will have to travel makes a prompt start desirable.

In Line with Business Methods. New York Tribune.

There seems to be sound sense behind the suggestion that congress authorize the rep-\$*0.0.T esentatives of the treasury to receive certified checks in payment of dues instead of insisting on cash payments. The government would be only accommodating itself thereby to current and modern methods of business.

Pillar of the High Court Brooklyn Eagle. If anyone thinks that John M. Harlan 1996. Whether men have been more should retire from the supreme court of closely watched or have found it easier to the United States, such an one should learn resist temptation, the fact remains that what Judge Harian's views upon that subthe embezzlements, forgeries, bank wreck ject are. If his life is spared, he will re- ings. etc., for this year approximate \$11, main upon the bench until that court shall 000,000, while last year they footed up \$14. adopt his views on colonial law. The court 739,000, the largest total since 1894, when differs from him now only by a majority of they aggregated \$25.234.000. The country has grown enormously in wealth during the last thirteen years. There are more banks and

Command of Hospital Ships. Philadelphia Record.

One element of the controversy over the a panic is likely to expose whatever em appointment of a surgeon to the command beggiers or bank wreckers there may be, a naval hospital ship should not be Perhaps the wonder is that only \$11,000,000 overlooked. It is provided in the Geneva has gone astray. onvention that hospital ships in order to reserve their neutral character should ave a noncombatant officer in command. honest officials or employes. Public offi-This is a requirement which a naval officer clais handling city, county, state, or na of the line could not fulfill in time of war. tional funds have been more successful The rule established for army relief ships in keeping their hands from picking and that they should be under command of a stealing this year than they were last medical staff officer aided by a competent Their peculations aggregated only \$778. sivilian master mariner answers the re-000, while last year they amounted to about quirements. Admiral Brownson's rule that \$1,709.000. More money was handled and only line officers he put in command would less was stolen. There has been gratify ficers to bring the prosecutions. The not be in compliance with them at all

the age of discretion has enough stamina and will power to refrain from any habit A matin song the wise winds sing, Prophetic winds, though hold. Up heart of hope! e'er beckoning New marvels dim the old. or practice that is detrimental to himself or to others. If he is not gifted with this moral force no amount of "swearing off" Omaha. will be of any avail. A "swear off" is not made to be kept. A man with good com-

The Old Year's Legacy. non sense and a modicum of intellect does The hells were ringing out the hour At nidnight on New Year's eve. Above the cradle of the New The Old Year hovered, taking leave. not require this fictitious re-enforcement of not good for him he will eliminate it, and

will do it without the brass and cymbals "What shall I leave thee when I go?" of a vaunted "turning over a new leaf." He said. "Pure babe, sent forth to meet The solling, grinding, weary world What shalf I lay here at thy feet? The man who tells his associates how good

"I will not leave my mantle gray; Thou hast a new robe, fair and bright; I will not leave the griefs and cares That turned my hair to silver white. much doubt, fall ingloriously by the way side before the first month of the new year has run its course. For the man who 'swears off'' admits by the mere act of "I will not leave the yows unkept,

swearing off that he is pitiably weak. If iv bought. The blasted hopes, the useless My wisdom all too dearly bounds for the second s he requires this artificial stimulus to inspire him to decency and common sense it is reasonably certain that he is too pliable

"But, blotting out the background dark, The long, sad days of this, my span, I'll leave thee all its joys to fill With mem'ries sweet the heart of man. and too lacking in self-reliance to trust his own motives; wholly devoid of that stamina by which a "swear off" can be made effective.

"Thine be the happiness that's past! Thine be the gladness, not the care! Earth shall forget my griefs, whose sum With future joys shall not compare. The best policy is not to make a show of virtue, but to consider carefully the results of 1907, and to think which of these might have been bettered by individual ef-For now I give men double weight

Of glad and happy thoughts, throug My sombre form fades fast away; My brightest smiles alone they see." fort. Then make the 1905 resolutions, for good resolutions are always commendable. whether at New Year's or at any other So spoke the Old Year, and the New Flung across the winter dawn time. And, having made the resolutions,

forget to mention them to one and sun-Dear memories of yesterday, The joys filled full, the sorrows gone dry, forget to put on a pharisaical physiognomy of conscious righteousness, forget that it is necessary to publish one's worth

esty in America.

Chicago Tribune.

more people handling trust funds. There

was a financial panic this year, and such

Of that sum the banks and trust com

ing progress in one particular at least.

panies lost \$5,990,000, mostly through dis-

The Old and the New. to the world in order to prove it. If one is partaking too freely of the inchristing The King is dead! Long live the King! Toll, passing bells! Ye joybells ring! bowl, if one is too negligent of his serious A year has left our sum of life; A year is added to the strife. work, if one finds his work is too much

his all in all, if one feels that he has not been sufficiently considerate of his fellow The chances of the old are gone; The new, its luck has just begun beings, whether in the family circle or elsewhere, it is well to acknowledge pri-

The passing year has tombed its dead; But hidden graves wait on ahead. vately these shortcomings, and to endeavor, selfishly, perhaps, to eradicate the error and to start on a new tack.

The past had joys as well as pains; Which holds the future-loss or gains! But don't "swear off." Don't assume the "unco guid" air. Don't become a hore The dying year was friend or foe, The newborn's face what man doth know and a pest. The marking of the new year

is purely arbitrary, and has nothing logi-What matters hates and love expired? cally to do with the assumption of good-Now is the time by hearts deness. The Fourth of July or All Fools'

Our feet upon a threshold stand, One closing door, one wide to hand. day is quite as appropriate a time for ceasing to make a fool of one's self as is the traditionally honored initial day of the That closing door will ope' no more; The open one leads on to more.

And, if we fear its unknown track, Into the past there's no step back. THE YEAR'S EMBEZZLEMENTS.

Speed we or weep the closing year, We curse nor hall the new one near. Better Showing for General Hon-

Yet, mark! the last has slipped our grasp; The new is ours, 'tis in our grasp There has been less dishonesty in the inited States in 1907 than there was in

The old has passed beyond our will. The new's to mould for good or till.

Toll, passing bells! Ye joybells, ring! The King is dead! Long live the King! -Baltimore American

Dirge of the Year. Orphan Hours, the Year is dead, Come and sigh, come and weep: Merry Hours, smile instead, For the Year is but asleep: See, it smiles as it is sleeping, Mechine Commission of the second See, it smiles as it is sleeping. Mocking your untimely weeping

As an earthquake rocks a corse As an carinquake rocks a corse In its coffin in the clay, So white Winter that rough nurse Rocks the dead-cold Year today, Solemn Hours, wall aloud For your mother in her shroud.

As the wild air stirs and sways The tree swung cradle of a child. So the breath of these rude days Rocks the Year. Be caim and mild. Trembling Hours, she will arise With new love within her eyes.

January, gray is here. Like a section by her grave; February bears the bler; March with grief doth howl and rave. And April weeps-but O ye Hours! Follow with May's fairnet flowers. -Shelley.

Power and the unquenchable desire to express that power in distinct, original, ade-"baby brother." who lives in the same start quate terms, nature implanted at birth in is 85 years old. They can trace their aneach of us. cestry back to the Wesleys.

LABOR LEADERS ON DEFENSE

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 31 .- Charged with defying the United States government by their alleged violation of the injunction issued by Federal Judge Hunt, restraining all persons from interfering with the operations of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company in this state, four

several months.

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Time.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 .- The War department has been in correspondence by telegraph with General Funston in San Francisco relative to the disposition of the troops at Goldfield in conformity with the expressed intention of the president to maintain the force there pending the meeting of the legislature of Nevada. General Funston contemplated a reduction in the number of troops at the mining camp, but the War department has decided to retain there all the present force numbering 283 men. In the interest, however, of

a considerable number of officers who

were not needed it has instructed General

Funston to consolidate the nine companies

into two.

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Montana Men Accused of Violating Mrs. Keamey-Ye're lookin' very mourn-Federal Injunction Are on Trial.

labor leaders of Butte, Joseph Shannon, William Cutts, Richard Murray and Peter McDonald, will appear in the federal court today to answer the charge of contempt. Nearly fifty witnesses will be brought Louisville Courier-Journal. McDonald, will appear in the federal court

here to testify. The defendants, it is alleged, deported a number of men from Butte who were employed on the Bell company's new building in that city. The whole controversy grows out of the telephone girls' strike, which has been on for

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Department Will Retain All Troops at Goldfield for

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"Your father is in politics," said the stranger, "Is he not?" "Teh," replied the boy, "but mom thinks he's gittin' cured of it." "How do you mean?" "Why, his stummick has gone back on him an' he can't drink like he useter."---Catholic Standard and Times.

"These planos look too cheap," said the young woman with the picture hat, her brows contracting slightly. "Show me some of the best you've got." "Yes, ma'an." said the salesman. "May I ask how high you care to go?" "Me? O, I only go to G, but I want one with all the octaves, just the same."-Chicago Tribune.

ful these days, Mrs. Hannigan. Mrs. Hannigan—An' no wonder. Sure, there hasn't been a funeral in the parish to liven wan up fur over a month.—Phila-delphia Press. "The idea of nominating Snaggs for con-gress! Why, he couldn't carry his own

LAST VEAR'S SMILES.

grees: Why, he couldn't carry his own precinct." "That cuts no figure. We're going to nominate a man for president next year that can't carry his own city, county or state."-Chicago Tribune.

"It's enough to make a man turn an-

"I suppose you feel well repaid for the "I suppose you reel well repaid for the money you put into libraries." "Yes," amawered Mr. Dustin Stax, "It's kind of pleasant to vary the monotony of seeing your picture in the magazines by having your name mentioned on 's few buildings."-Washington Star.

'John, they don't ever sell dress goods in "John, they don't ever and thus a start Wall street, do they?" "Gracious, child, what put such an ab-surd idea in your head?" "Well, I'm sure I beard you the other day talking about wash sales."-Baltimore

American

"I tell you his days of usefulness are

"O, pshaw! What are you talking about? He can still be a bank director."-Detroit Free Press.