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WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have the Bee mailed in their absence.

Democratic sympathy for Senator Foraker will soon reach a fever heat.

The congressional investigation is showing pretty clearly that Public Printer Stillings is a wrong font.

New York and Chicago balloon clubs have a row on. Those towns are always up in the air over something.

Senator Foraker discovers that when he thought he was running for the presidency he was merely marking time.

It is said that C. W. Morse never allows financial matters to worry him. Certainly not. His creditors are doing the worrying.

Senator Knox is going to take his presidential boom into Michigan this week. He will not have to pay for any excess baggage.

That vaccination order may be harmless for the children, but it seems to carry with it serious complications for some of the parents.

Senator Foraker now claims that he was defeated by political sharp practice. Even in defeat the senator retains his sense of humor.

"Japanese Diet increases the taxes," says a Tokio cable. The Japanese ought to eat more modestly until they recover from the effects of the war.

Those Pennsylvania contractors who paid such fancy prices for furnishings for the state capitol are now ready to pay fancy prices for a little whitewash.

Speaker Cannon says that he never swore in his life and he is probably ready to declare that any man who says he has is a blankety blanked liar.

The Pullman company proposes to give its porters a tip once every year. The traveling public, in the meantime, will be expected to tip them every day.

Omaha is after conventions for next year. Omaha has all the facilities for taking care of big conventions and it can get them if it will only go after them right.

Tremendous protest is made because the president appoints political friends to office. Would he be expected to keep federal places for his political enemies?

A man in a Michigan prison is said to have eaten three electric light bulbs in an effort to commit suicide. Shows the folly of trying to kill yourself by a light meal.

Mr. Bryan has already put on steam enough to deliver seven speeches in one day. At this rate he will have to be in continuous eruption as soon as he is nominated at Denver.

Lealie M. Shaw is said to have made \$111,000 in his one year in Wall street. It is not surprising that he made it, but there will be wonder that Wall street allowed him to get away with it.

The temporary truce declared between the Dahmites and the Jacksonians makes our only democratic congressman breathe easier at this welcome relief from imminent danger of being caught between the two firing lines.

DEMOCRATS ALL AT SEA.

If the democrats succeed in their convention at Denver and through the campaign platforms and textbooks in framing a declaration of principles that may be offered to the voters of the nation, with room for dispute between them and the "Roosevelt policies," the credit will have to go to John Sharp Williams, minority leader in the house.

Mr. Bryan and other eminent democrats have been so busy approving Mr. Roosevelt's acts and recommendations that there was a growing danger that the convention at Denver would have to endorse practically a republican platform, modeled after lines indicated by the president.

The president has sent to congress certain principles for which the democrats have always contended and still contend. I believe the democrats should get together and indorse those recommendations by caucus action and then tender them to the republicans.

Mr. Henry's suggestion was met with applause among the democrats, but John Sharp Williams, realizing the political danger to his party, rushed to the rescue and protested against the acceptance of Theodore Roosevelt's latest message as a democratic document.

Perhaps the most significant feature of the incident is the fact that the democrats who had applauded Congressman Henry's suggestion that the party in congress should meet in caucus and indorse the president's message were loudest and most emphatic in their huzzahs when Mr. Williams pointed out to them why it would be impossible for the democrats to take Mr. Roosevelt into their fold.

SAFETY OF PETTY GRAFT. The decision of the secretaries to members of congress to form an organization for the purpose of protecting themselves from their employers calls attention to a system of petty grafting in effect in Washington for years.

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN FIRES. The fire losses in the United States for January of the present year amounted to \$3,000,000, or nearly as much as the loss by fire in the entire United Kingdom for the year 1907.

ure of Americans to employ improved methods of fireproof construction. On this point Collier's says: Americans boast that their fire departments are the finest in the world, but there is less to boast of in the fact that such fine departments are needed, and that with all their skill and all their perfection of appliances (not meaning New York's rotten hose), they are unable to prevent losses in single catastrophes that balance the entire destruction in a great foreign country in a year.

The president of the American Reciprocal Tariff league says that the first effect of reciprocity treaties with France and Germany would be to put \$75,000,000 in gold into the middle west for farm products. The western farmer already is able to sell all he can raise, but will undertake to supply a few new customers if they have the price.

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A Weeked Promoter. Charles W. Morse's attempt to create a steamship monopoly in the North Atlantic coastwise trade was only a little more of a failure than J. P. Morgan's transatlantic effort of the kind. Morse, however, plunged into his schemes at a certain house or office, and there you are shown what looks like the real article in fur coats or suits.

Reasons for the Former's Strength with the Masses. That Roosevelt is a consummate politician. That is one reason why his enemies hate him. Were he stupid they could outwit him. Were his ambitions alien to the popular will, they could ruin him by calumny.

Governor Sheldon has been duly launched into the arena as a candidate for vice president by the speech delivered at the Lincoln day banquet of the Marquette club at Chicago by State Superintendent McBrien. The governor, himself, has made no official announcement, but if the Chicago convention should find itself at a loss for vice presidential timber, Nebraska could easily supply the demand.

he was quoted as denouncing labor unions and declaring that the workmen must accept lower wages or starve. While the public does not particularly love Mr. Morgan, it will accept his denial. Mr. Morgan is a man of intelligence. The French editor has made him appear in the role of a fool.

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Passing the Loving Cup. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Instead of being a warlike demonstration the cruise of the big fleet has developed into a social function. Admiral Evans carries a loving cup in his arm rather than a chip on his shoulder.

Just Like Finding the Money. Washington Herald. Mr. Thomas W. Lawson says he is willing to bet \$1000 that Theodore Roosevelt is his own successor. In spite of his ministerial robes, we can't help thinking Chancellor Day wishes the president would take that bet himself.

Hungary for the Heresses. Baltimore American. With one Hungarian count marrying Miss Vanderbilt and her millions, another reported to be on the point of marrying her mother, and a third coming over to try his luck in catching an heiress, Hungary is setting a merry pace in the European seizure of good matrimonial business chances.

A Discouraged Leake. New York Tribune. One democratic member of congress has plucked up enough courage to say publicly that he does not indorse Mr. Bryan or his political methods. As the orator's name is Leake, this outward expression of dissent and disapproval may have been more or less accidental.

Working Overtime. Cincinnati Enquirer. William J. Bryan is reported to have been dormant for many hours lately. Mr. Bryan has so many things to watch these days that he has scarcely time to sleep. If Mr. Bryan keeps awake till the election he will be so fatigued that he will be unable to sleep again. He has been awake for about four years.

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ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in the Metropolis. An amazing amount of petty cheating among New York merchants is revealed by the report of the chief of the bureau of weights and measures. Out of 4,276 investigations made by the bureau, 2,242 cases, or over 50 per cent of the whole number, were found to be cheats by weights or measure.

A poorly dressed man past middle age, who had papers to prove that he was Count Eugene St. Clair, formerly of France, walked in the Bedford avenue police station, Williamsburg, last Saturday night and asked for a night's shelter. After questioning the man Lieutenant Lyons told the man that a night's rest would mean an arraignment in the morning for vagrancy, and that he was apparently a man of too much refinement and education to submit such a predicament.

An ambulance was sent for from the Williamsburg hospital and Dr. Dangier found the count was suffering from exposure and starvation. The count then confessed that he had not eaten anything for two days and that he had spent the days and nights in the open air.

Count St. Clair told a part of his story of misfortune and his papers impressed the police with the belief that he was telling the truth. He said that he was of a good French family and came to this country years ago. For more than thirty years he had been a teacher of languages here. He speaks twelve languages, he said.

If theaters, hotels and lobster palaces are the financial benefactors to property then property has returned to town. When the panic first hit the town these places were the first to feel its effects. Luxuries were cut off and restaurants where tables were impossible to obtain on any ordinary night were as desolate as a cathedral on a weekday day.

The Boyertown theater fire has drawn the attention of New York officials to the great multiplication of the moving picture shows, especially on the East side. There are 90 of these registered with the bureau of buildings, which comply with the regulations and have each two exits, but often one of these is merely called so, and as a matter of fact cannot be used unless a partition shall be torn down in case of an accident.

The sleek ones are having something new for the coming season. It is a fake fur garment of the kind. A little "fad" appears in the papers reading something like this: "A widow, recently beaming, will sell her late lamented's handsome fur coat at a great sacrifice." If you want a good bargain you are requested to write her at a certain address.

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Whispering Customer (producing watch). I came here because my watch had been taken by an honest pawnbroker. "Anxious Patriarch (with a deprecating smile).—My friend, somebody has been trying to have fun with you.—Chicago Tribune.

Frederick Wheeler, a capitalist of Los Angeles, Cal., is being talked of for nomination for the presidency by the Prohibition National convention, at Columbus, O., next July. Gathering sponges on the west coast of Florida has progressed from the "bone fishermen" to an organized business employing experts. On the east coast sponging is away up in the realms of fine art.



These meals are always ready; and what do you know that's so good?

You will never bake beans at home again when you once learn the difference between yours and Van Camp's. Note how nutty our beans—how mealy. None are browned, none are broken; all are baked alike.

It isn't your fault, but you cannot begin to bake beans as we bake them

You lack the facilities. Beans must be baked in a very fierce heat, else they are not digestible. We bake ours 90 minutes at 245 degrees. Then we bake in live steam. That's why our beans don't brown, don't burst. That is why they are all baked alike, and baked well. That's why they are mealy, yet nutty.

Van Camp's pork and beans baked with tomato sauce

Then you can't get the beans that we get, for ours are selected by hand from the choicest beans grown. We pay for them seven times what some beans would cost.

Then our tomatoes are ripened on the vines—not in shipment. They are picked when the juice fairly sparkles. That gives to our sauce the zest which you don't get in other sauce.

The millions of people who know Van Camp's never want home-baked beans

We have spent 47 years in learning how to best prepare this dish. Is it any wonder we know? Don't judge Van Camp's by some other brands that are cheapened at every point. It pays to get the best in beans, because your people will eat them more frequently; eat them in place of meat. And beans are Nature's choicest food—84 per cent nutriment. 10, 15 and 20¢ per can. Van Camp Packing Company, Indianapolis, Ind.

SMOOTH AND ENTERTAINING.

Pointed Shafts Cleverly Edged by the President. Philadelphia Record (dem.). Mr. Roosevelt's letter to Mr. Foulke contains several clever things. As a writer of campaign documents and a maker of stump speeches he has few equals and no superiors. The selection of delegates by non-officers' conventions, he says, "means only, so far as it means anything, that they are held under the lead of persons who wish to be put in office, but whose character and capacity are such that they have not been regarded as fit to be appointed under this administration."

CHARGE OF THE SPELLING SQUAD. Detroit Free Press. Half a loaf, half a loaf. Half loaf, half loaf. Gallop the spelling board. With this three hundred. Knock out one "e" from eg. Lin is the word for leg. Posters that are blundered. Learn the three hundred. Forward the spelling board. Teach 'em to spell it word. Slashing words lim from lim. It is worked in the blunder. "Now," they are blundered. "We'll never yield the post. What the scuffers rust. Spore them from east to east. All the three hundred.

TART TRIFLES. "What kept you in town so late?" "Some very important business, n' dear." "Could you not have left part of it until tomorrow?" "None. It gets flat."—Houston Post. "How did you come out with your case in jail court?" "Fine."—Cleveland Plain Dealer. "You think he loves your daughter devotedly?" "Sure of it." "How can you be so sure?" "He had heard her sing before he asked me for her hand."—Houston Post. Whispering Customer (producing watch). I came here because my watch had been taken by an honest pawnbroker.

Do you are favored with a comic valentine. Don't follow the St. Louis method of shooting the sender. Laugh and the world laughs with you." Frederick Wheeler, a capitalist of Los Angeles, Cal., is being talked of for nomination for the presidency by the Prohibition National convention, at Columbus, O., next July.

Be Careful in Buying a Piano

Following every period of financial stress, fakers and unscrupulous merchants try the harder to reap their usual harvest. "Low prices" they cry, "lower than ever." "We need money and must sacrifice our stock." They attempt to play on your sympathy and touch your sense of economy; in a word they try to make you believe that they will give you something for nothing. Do not be deceived. Do not be lulled into the belief that these dealers are sacrificing profit—their substance is merely their usual means of obtaining greater gain.

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