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

When artists disagree, who shall

Mark it down that the German auto car reached Omaha on St. Patrick's

With sassafras bark piled up in the drug store windows, the approach of spring can not be long delayed.

The city council and the city ensidewalk with their differences.

not go as far in politics as in olden

vard. No objection to the choice will of ignorant people who believe they executive capacities, his more exbe offered by Harvard.

The special election to vote on the court house bond proposition is set for Tuesday, May 5. Put a cross on your calendar for that date.

Those city councilmen are an inquisitive lot. Most of the time, however, they are asking questions to which they already know the answers.

Judge Landis, who fined the Standard Oil company \$29,240,000, has also fined a man 1 cent without costs. The government has collected the cent.

The weather bureau at Washington promises great improvements in the service. It might direct its first efforts to the production of rainless hol-

Congressman John Daizell says the forts at reform to the vaudeville stage. tariff has saved the country. This seems like an attempt to rob J. Pierpont Morgan of credit recently given to him.

for the mistake.

Auditorium without necessitating the resort to another lettery.

followed by rain," says an official of lowed to revarn to congress—all bethe weather bureau. That won't go. A ring hung around the moon one several times since then.

According to decision of the Nebraska State Railway commission owners of stock in the telephone company must pay the same rentals and tolls for their telephone as other telephone users. What's the use of being a stockholder?

of cases for the United States supreme a beloved pal. Then Cockran intercourt of late. That only means that fered and succeeded in securing the Nebraska is doing its full share to- plum for his father-in-law. That was ward working out the big problems of constitutional law that are confront- path, but Cockran rubbed salt in the ing all the states in the union.

should get together and "beat the back of Tammany patience and Cockbloated bunch of bullion boodiers," ran was dethroned, just as Judge Thomas E. Barkworth of Michigan Daly was once removed from the bench has made a bid for the vice presidential nomination on the ticket with pointment desired by "Boss" Croker. be unable to understand why stocks Bryan. Bryan and Barkworth would Mr. Cockran may not be greatly de- advance and then fail to hold the be alliterative at legal.

AN OBJECT LESSON. Before we get away too far from

the recent republican state convention game. should be called to the object lesson form of bailot prescribed by the state whatever or whomsoever Tammany committee, the republicans of Hall own, adding the name of President the way he could slide backward pofurther incorporating the La Follette in all precincts but one, are as foilows:

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La Folletta	17	43	
Hughes		36	
Cannon	conver 4	8	
Fairbanks	3	22	
Knox	*******	6	
Foraker	*******	8	
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	435	328	
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A little analysis of this

closes several facts: First. More than one-fifth of the voters who expressed themselves on first choice refused to state a second choice.

Second. Of the 299 first choice Roosevelt votes Taft received 172 for second choice, being four times as many as the next highest and half gether.

Third. The total first and second choice votes for Taft are nearly twothirds of the total number of ballots, meaning that two-thirds of the repub-licans voting in the Hall county primary favor him as the successor to President Roosevelt.

Fourth. Notwithstanding the fact exploiting the claims of La Follette as against Taft, he was favored by only 55 voters altogether out of nearly 450

and only ran 10 ahead of Hughes. Finally, it is safe to say that on a similar test in any other county in the state the Taft strength would have shown up even better than this.

Mayor Fred Busse of Chicago, who has established something of a reputa- tion. Since that overture on the part tion for a happy disposition to laugh of Secretary Taft, acrimony between away all his own troubles and many him and Governor Hughes in the anteof those of his friends, has made the convention canvass has been made mistake of taking himself too seri- impossible. While their rivalry, parously. The excitement over the an- ticularly in the New England states, who buy in ton lots. archistic assault upon Chief of Police has been keen, it has been open, hongineer have now gotten out on the Shippy of Chicago has apparently gone est and good-natured, as it should to the mayor's head. In order to strike be. In fact, there is little room at what he considers the real root of for quarrel between the secretary and Mr. Wadd is a candidate for office the evil he has solemnly ordered that the governor because they are in in Massachusetts. Still, a Wadd does all jokes reflecting on John D. Rocke- practical accord on the great issues feller, E. H. Harriman, Andrew Car- confronting the country and their negie and other prominent men of policies are not dissimilar. In the great wealth be prohibited in the thea- contest for convention delegates, Billy Sunday says he would rather ters and vaudeville houses, "lest they Secretary Taft has the advantage by start a revival in hades than at Har- have a tendency to inflame the minds are getting the worst of everything." tended acquaintance and more fa-The police department has taken the miliar, personal knowledge of the mayor's order with enough seriousness to notify managers of the vaudeville vitalized into legislation by the next houses that it would be well to stop administration, the class of vaudeville acts which come under the mayor's ban.

The Chicago mayor does not go far slap-stick artists who intersperse their knock-about acrobatics with those venerable chestnuts about "Why does a hen cross the road?" and "What is the minds of theater patrons to "believe thing"-and are not often mistaken. If the jokes of the people are to be censored, it is a mistake to limit ef-

BOURKE COCKRAN AND TAMMANY. Tammany has not changed much

since Boss" Croker's time, according to the reports of the recent row A Washington druggist has pleaded between the Tammany organization guilty to labeling a headache remedy and William Bourke Cockran. In improperly. He is not up to date or the old days Croker ruled the demohe would have blamed the proofreader ocratic politics of New York City with an iron hand and those who would not agree to his terms paid the pen-A few more wrestling bouts ought alty by being consigned to political to put the permanent roof on the oblivion. The Croker precedent is still being followed and Bourke Cocksale of second mortgage bonds or the ran, the most versatile orator and spellbinder of the organization, has been deprived of his Tammany orders "The ring around the moon is not and notified that he will not be alcause he has balked the Tammany boss in the matter of the appointment day last summer and it has rained of a receiver for the Knickerbocker

Trust company. When the trust company closed its doors last October, it held \$72,000,-000 in deposits, for which a receiver was necessary. The records in New York City show that a receivership has come to be looked upon as fat picking for political favorites and Boss Murphy of Tammany Hall Nebrasks has been furnishing a lot eagerly demanded the perquisite for enough to drive Murphy to the warsore by having his own law firm ap- 000, the largest on record. The senate pointed counsel to the receivers. That always aids a few millions for good Demanding that the democrats was the final straw that broke the because he refused to make an ap-

course. However, he will be missed rates. furnished by one county, showing how from Tammany Hall. He was utility a first and second choice primary orator of the organization, ready with Disregarding the plan and a speech either upholding or opposing was favoring or fighting. He has county improvised a ballot of their been for Bryan and against him and Roosevelt to the list of candidates, and litically when Tammany wanted him to always won the admiration of both plan for an expression of first and friends and enemies. In congress he second choice. The official returns of has driven the democrats to frenzies this primary, so far as available, cov- of enthusiasm by his support of Bryering a little less than 450 votes cast anism and has forced the republicans to their feet with cheers as he lauded President Roosevelt and his policies. He has been perhaps the most typical representative in national politics of 280 the real spirit of the Tammany school.

TAFT AND HUGHES. A striking tribute to the personals ity and character of two men, rival aspirants for the presidential nomination, both keenly alive to the issues before the people, and both typifying highest standards of citizenship and official integrity, was paid to William Howard Taft and Charles Evans Hughes when they met as honor guests at the annual dinner of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in New York City. Governor Hughes, havhis honor, arrived at the dinner a litcheers of the assemblage, neared his seat at the left of the toastmaster, Secretary Taft, seated at the toastmaster's right, arose and the secretary and the governor clasped hands. They stood so for a moment and then both laugh of fr'snu. In a moment the banquet had was in an uproar with of it. that two or three newspapers had been laughter and mingied cheers for Taft and Hughes.

The incident illustrates the lofty character of the two men and the spirit of fair play which has marked their rivalry in the present contest. This was first shown by Mr. Taft's refusal to enter into a fight for delegates from New York, or from any favorite son state, as soon as it was ascertained that Mr. Hughes would seek the presidential nominareason of his larger experience in issues and problems that are to be

The meeting of the two candidates at the New York dinner will serve to strengthen the growing sentiment of zies, we may reasonably hope that the enough. He should broaden his order the country that Taft and Hughes learned Dr. Chin Tao Chen will discover to include prohibition of the stage would make an ideal ticket to lead the Irishman with pink whiskers and the republican party to victory in Novem-

WHY NOTE

Representation by City Treasurer difference between Buffalo Bill and Furay to the Board of Education that Bill Bryan?" and others of that type a number of teachers on the public which are calculated to inflame the school payroll are on the personal tax enough to be at large? delinquent list, has brought forth they are getting the worst of every- from the board's attorney an elaborate opinion to the effect that the board can legally exercise no compulsion upon its employes to make them pay their taxes. This may be the law, but it does not alter the case.

If there is any good reason why anyone drawing money out of the public treasury, whether as school teacher or in some other capacity, should not pay up on his or her share of taxes for the support of state and local government, we would like to hear it. Of all of the public officers and employes, it seems to us, that the school teacher would have a special incentive to give an object lesson of especially inasmuch as in no case can

the taxes be very great or burdensome. Members of the police department and of the fire department and of several other departments of the city government must abide by rules requiring them to pay their honest debts and any chronic deadbeat takes a chance of separation from the payroll. The school board can no more afford to encourage nonpayment of legitimate debts by its employes than can the police board, and delinquent personal taxes surely come within the classification of legitimate debts. If there are any teachers living off the school fund able to pay their taxes. but refusing to do so, their names should be reported to the board and put on record. Why not?

The house at Washington has passed a pension appropriation bili with the amount fixed at \$151,000,measure. Congress is determined to refute the old adage about republics being ungrateful.

Some Wall street experts profess to pressed by his removal from a seat gain. The answer is found in many

in the Tammany councils. He has illustrations such as appeared last played many parts in the political week. Railroad stocks advanced sev-He has supported republi- eral dollars a share on a fake report cans, democrats, independence leag- that the president was going to favor primaries which led up to it, attention uers, though at different times, of an advance of 10 per cent in freight

> Rear Admiral Thomas, who is to succeed Fighting "Bob" Evans in command of the fleet now in the Pacific, is recommended as a most comin seamanship. It only remains to be determined how his vocabulary compares with that of the present commander.

Europe wants the United States to an increase of about 12 per cent. return that \$100,000,000 in gold which was sent to this country last is that the balance of trade is in fur favor and that Europe will have to sell us more than we sell abroad to get the yellow tide turned the other

Former Governor Vardaman of Misalssippi takes his editorial pen in hand to describe Colonel Bryan as "the suning above the foothills of humanity." The governor must have made his

Moines are said to have brought out ing previously attended a reception in able exhibit for a primary, but shows saved. what can be done when the people again more than all the rest put to- the late. As the governor, amid the are really worked up to a sense of personal interest in their government.

> It is announced that the city of the doors of the city hall swing outward. We were under the impression District hospital. laughed, the wholesome, good-natured that the scramble was always to get

> > "Governor Johnson's candidacy is not hopeless to intelligent democrats," hysterical. says the New York World. That is just another way of saying that intelligent democrats are in the minor-

Pickbockets are more active in New York than they have been before in years. That is an encouraging sign of returning prosperity. Pickpockets work when other people have money.

Owing to improved mining machinery, the cost of producing gold has been reduced to \$666,666 a ton. That price, of course, goes to only those

entitled to the democratic nomination. Padding the "Big Stick."

New York World. Representatives of railway labor unions are about to beg Mr. Roosevelt not to ircludes the double rows of colonnades, lican majorities at national elections and stick. Herein the administration perceives the base of the structure, will be built at Taft will be nominated. its thankless task to be like that of the present. fellow who interferes in a fair fight between husband and wife.

Seeking Light in Right Place. New York Tribune. The Chinese government is sending its

financial experts to the United States for the purpose of studying our currency system. Considering the fame of Chinese pus

What's the Usef Washington Post,

Everybody knows that as the head of the democratic ticket Governor Johnson can get every vote in the electoral college Mr. Bryan can get. Everybody knows that he can get votes in that college Mr. Bryan cannot get. Then the question obtrudesis the democratic party mentally responsible

The Denver convention will tell.

Contempt of Court. Judge Day's court in Omaha ruled that Ernest Rumery was dead and ordered his life insurance paid to his widow. Rumery showed considerable contempt of court by appearing in the chamber of justice and denying that what the court said was true. willing to admit, and when the court rules that a man is dead, it is perhaps better to let it go at that and try to live it down.

While the Muzzle Was Off. Boston Transcript.

Congressman Dalzell of Pennsylvania has earned to his sorrow the danger of saying polite things at a banquet. At a recent Yale alumni gathering he paid a compliment to his fellow alumnus. Secretary Taft, but prompt and cheerful payment of taxes, as a renegade from the Knox cause. Daizell even if other persons in the same room promptly corrects the error. He is strong feel nothing of it whatever." for Knox, against all comers. Mr. Mann of Illinois, in the House of Representatives speaker, made a similar blunder when he told a democratic antagonist that in twelve months they would all be referring to Mr. Taft as the president of the United States. Politicians of favorite son states should be more discreet in concealing their real views!

> Weak Little Boys may become fine strong men.

Some of the strong men of today were sickly boys years ago. Many of them received

at their mother's knee. This had a power in it that changed them from weak, delicate

boys into strong, robust boys. It has the same power to-day. Boys and girls who are pale and weak get food and energy out of SCOTT'S EMULSION.

It makes children grow. 1 1 5 All Druggists; 50c. and \$1.00. ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in the

Metropolis. One baby was born every three and a half minutes in New York City during the year 190s, and deaths occurred at the rate of one in every five and one-third minutes. Statistics for the year show 130,723 births against 79,206 deaths, a favorable excess of 41,517. Accidents resulted in 3,919 deaths;

third minutes. The largest single cause of death was consumption, which had 8,999 victims. Organic heart diseases caused 7,237 deaths, If this ratio of births over deaths should be maintained for ten years, New York would have by natural increase, exclusive of immigration, a population of 4,944,068,

there were 254 murders and VII sujcides.

There was a marriage every eight and one-

Engine 141 was on its way to a New York fire last Priday when the driver, Patrick fall. The difficulty in the transaction Mullin, vas suddenly confronted with a frightful dilemma. With tense muscles and alert eye the strong armed fireman was guiding the galloping team down the thoroughfare when directly ahead of him he saw a crowd of children rush into the highway. It was the closing time at one of the big public schools and the pupils most of them of tender age, swarmed across the sidewalk and into the street. In a flash the driver realized that he could not continue his course without killing and kissed, heaven-piercing mountain ris- maiming many of the little ones. There was but one alternative and he tok it. With a mighty pull he turned the obedient team across the curb and over the sidewalk observations from a specially favored and against an iron fence. The horses went down in a sprawling heap and the driver was flung on the stone flagging and The municipal primaries at Des knocked unconscious. Both horses were killed, but the plucky driver was finally revived and sent to his home. It was a over 13,000 votes. That is a remark- frighful price to pay, but the children were

When the annual roll of fire heroes is made out and the medals are handed round, the name of Patrick Mullin should stand

Omaha is to take the lead in making lyzed from excessive dancing. Miss Mary Osler, 26 years old, of 1027 Bushwick avenue, Williamsburg, is a patient in the Eastern

On Saturday night, March 7, she attended into the city hall and never to get out an entertainment, followed by a dance, and solid for the home candidate-the favorite for three hours she whirled around the floor. When the band struck up another waltz Miss Osler tried to rise from her seat. She was unable to move and become

A call for an ambulance was sent to the republican majorities in presidential elec-Eastern District hospital, and when Dr. Oginz, the surgeon, examined the young woman he found her legs were paralyzed. Her condition caused a lot of excitement break may come before the result of the in the hall. Several girls fainted and were first ballot is announced-there will be a treated by the ambulance surgeon.

The hospital physicians were puzzled over to Taft. It is even now a pretty safe the young woman's condition. An exami- prophecy that there will be a strenuous nation convinced them that it was brought race on the part of delegations from the on through an injury to her spine, due to favorite son states to get into the Taft excessive dancing. She is in such a ner- columns as early and as gracefully as the yous state the doctors fear she may not decencies of the situation will permit.

To build the most imposing bank struc- every one of the opposition. And the tabture in the world on the site of the old custom house is the ambition of the National City bank's president, James Stillinan. He has completed all plans, and This is, of course, too liberal by half. There

one above the other, and which is to form by the combined vote of these states Mr This base will contain eight stories.

The effect, while preserving the old custom house style, will suggest the Bank of England, and it will impress the Wall street throngs with the fact that the National City bank's home is far more magnificent, elaborate and complete than either of those old structures. The new building will cost more than

\$2,500,000. The land is worth \$7,500,000. The bank paid for it to Uncle Sam a little over \$3,500,000, but got more than that back in rent and interest. The site covers the entire block bounded by Exchange place, Wall, William and Hanover streets.

"Some men are quite martyrs to office lrowsiness," said a physician quoted by the Tribune. "Any monotonous sound near them, the hum of traffic outside, or even the scratching of a clerk's pen is sufficient to induce a feeling of sleepiness which it is almost impossible to resist. The worst of it is that this symptom seldom is regarded as anything serious, though I have known it to be the beginning of critical mental trouble. Far more often, however, it is merely the effect of constitutional eccentricity, though in either case a few simple remedies might be tried with ad- Mr. Ridgely will retire to accept a place vantage.

"For example, I always advise the old ray is a close personal friend of Secretary indigestion cure-a glass of hot water- of the Treasury Cortelyou, as well as Pres-People are often much deader than they are when the feeling comes on. To keep the ident Roosevelt. eyes tightly closed for two or three minutes and then bathe them in very warm water often gives relief at once. And an- terest of better government in that country, other good idea is to lower the head for a is 67 years old. He retired from active few seconds to the level of the knees. work last May. His name is Evelyn Bar Above all, one should never give in to the ing and he began life as an ordnance offifeeling of drowsiness by taking a short cer, but was made commissioner of the nap in the hope of waking up brighter Egyptian public debt in 1877 and in 1882 he after it. At the same time the condition of became the virtual ruler of Egypt under the office might be looked to. The slightest the title of British agent. defect in ventilation will often cause one now finds the politicians denouncing him man to be affected by office drowstness.

It is estimated that the public playthe other day, under the shadow of the grounds, the open places that are not only in bodies of many acres, but in small plots of green that are lungs for the great congested districts of the metropolis, are worth as vacant real estate \$1,200,000,000. This enormous amount in value is tied up in and for the health and pleasure of more than 4,000,000 of inhabitants of the five boroughs and friends who may visit them and strangers who come within the city's horders. It is shown that the original cost of these parks, which number 113, was about 565,656,660, and they are worth now nearly twenty times as much as at the dates of their purchase.

THE TAFT BANDWAGON.

Growing Tendencies of Delegates to Jump Aboard. Baltimore American (rep.).

In the progressive contest for delegates o the republican national convention the combined opposition to Secretary Taft has demonstrated thus far a strength that falls far short of being impressive. Barring the fact that four states that will each cast a large vote in the selection of the presidential candidate are either actually or concededly committed to the support of a "favorite son," the entire opposition vote to the Ohio candidate is not only scattering, but of insignificant volume. And the zigns of the weakness and insincerity of the favorite son program are constantly multiplying and magnifying. For instance, Illinois is concededly for Speaker Cannon and will send a delegation for Cannon to the convention. But it will be secondarily. as to three-fourths of its voting strength, There is never a question as to the absolute purity and healthfulness of food raised with

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at least, a Taft delegation. The Peorla

windup is emphatically a Taft resolution.

states that are depended upon to supply

embarrassed by any "favorite son" candi-

rush from the Empire State representation

The Taft column at the end of last week

still maintained the ratio of two votes to

PERSONAL NOTES.

A man in New Orleans bet \$37,500 on

esson, but the price was rather high.

'fake" wrestling match. He needed the

The rector who eloped from Hempstead

with a girl of his flock sends word that he

Brigadier General Royal Thaxter Frank,

U. S. A., retired, died at his home in

Washington Saturday in his 76th year. He

was graduated from the military academy

in the class of '58 and fought throughout

the civil war. General Frank was born in

The 218 surviving members of the Kaw

Indian tribe of Oklahoma want United

States Senator Curtis of Kansas to be their

chief to succeed Wa-Shun-Gah, who died

recently; but Mr. Curtis, who is an eighth-

sion that the job should go to one of the

Lawrence O. Murray of New York, as

sistant secretary of commerce and labor,

will probably succeed William B. Ridgely

of Illinois as comptroller of the currency.

in a large business institution. Mr. Mur-

Lord Cromer, whose book on "Modern

Egypt" rounds out his life work in the in-

blood Kaw, has notified the Indian commi-

twelve full-bloods of the tribe.

is an outcast, but this is hardly to be re

garded as news.

Gray, Me.

county convention, which met last week "What do you think of the proposition to passed a Cannon resolution, which in the As it is in Illinois, so it is in New York Pennsylvania and even Indiana. The del-The victim of ptomains poleoning, towing egation from each of those states will be son-as a courtesy. The logic of the existing situation is just as accurately gauged, however, in New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Illinois as it is in other

PASSING THE LEMON.

"What's the matter?" asked the Japa-nese diplomat. "I thought you were re-signed to the idea of the open door in the tions and which are not being at the outset "So we are," replied the Chinese states-man, "but we object to being used as the mat."—Philadelphia Press. date. When New York breaks-and the

"It ain' allus fair to blame a man dat done let an opportunity pass." said Uncle Eben. "Graspin' an opportunity is very often like pickin' de genuine metal out n a bunch o' gold bricks."—Washington Star. Absent-mindedly, the young woman

yawned. "Pardon me," she said. "I didn't mean to do that." "I see," responded Mr. Lingerlong, "Opened by mistake."—Chicago Tribune. Fellaire (formerly Rusty Rufus)-Well,

Maximum and Minimum.

Springfield Republican.

The judge who fined the Standard Oil company \$29,000,000 has just fined a day laborer 1 cent, and thus he becomes fairly laborer 1 cent, and thus he b

the Threadneedle street structure, and they mitted to the convention, which latter is not at all likely, the nominating result will not be controlled thereby. The republicant parently shining brightly.

Although the plans call for a twenty-five-story structure, only the lower part, that those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by those states which usually turn in republicant presidential candidate will be made by the state of the state o

Caller-I see you keep chickens. What breed do you consider the best?

Suburbanite-It's hard to tell, I notice, though, that more of my White Wyandottes are stolen than any other kind.—Chicago Tribune.

THE LAST LEAF.

Oliver Wendell Holmer. They say that in his prime Ere the pruning knife of time Cut him down. Not a better map was found by the color By the crier on his round Through the town,

But now he walks the streets. And he looks at all he meets Sad and wan, And he shakes his feeble head Till it seems as if he said, "They are gone!"

The mossy marbles rest On the lips that he has pressed In their bloom. In their bloom, And the names he loved to hear And the names he loved to near Have been carved for many a year My old grandmother has said, (Poor old lady, she is dead

Long ago)
That he had a Roman nose
And his cheek was lik a rose In the snow. But now ne's old and thin, And his nose hangs on his chin Like a staff.

And a crook is in his back And a melancholy crack In his laugh. I know it is a sin
For me to sit and grin
At him here,
But the old three-cornered hat
And the breeches and all that
Are so queer.

And if I should live to be
The last leaf on the tree
In the spring.
Let them laugh as I do now
At the old forsaken bough
Where I cling.

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