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WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be

Bradstreet's reports that living is pheaper. Than what?

changed as often as requested.

St. Louis has just celebrated its 144th birthday. It doesn't look it.

A California farmer has developed an odorless onion. Now for the cab-

Owing to a lack of funds, the work of Japanning China has been again postponed.

"China saved its face by apologizing to Japan," says a New York paper. Also its head.

perore this year. sons still rule strong.

In the fight of "the field against "Taft," the field is looking more and more like a lightweight.

Each day strengthens the prospect that there will be no second ballot in

the Chicago convention. "Senator Jeff Davis' seat in the sen-

ate is still filled by an aching void," says the Washington Herald. Any body complaining?

That "plan to swing Iowa for Bryan" refers only to the delegation to Denver and not to Iowa's vote in among republicans seems to be against the electoral college.

Certain members of the Omaha Real Estate exchange are apparently imbued with the idea that they need distributed. water power to move their lots.

A Lincoln labor paper published by one of the salaried sub-editors of Mr. Bryan's Commoner is sure the labor wote is all against Taft. Naturally.

"Magdalena bay is said to have the world," says the Cleveland Leader. Loan, or just the harmless man-eating kindî

Nothing has so popularized the political career of former Governor Beckham of Kentucky as his announced determination to retire to for its shameless failure to check the

private life. Mr. Hearst says that Mr. Bryan has stolen most of the independence league thunder. Perhaps, but Mr. Bryan is still afraid of the indepen-

dence league lightning. The plan of the administration for bringing the fleet home through the Buez canal has been upset again. Edifor Hearst has issued an order for the

fleet to remain in the Pacific. 'A lot of automobiles are scorching over Omaha's atreets without carrying he said: any numbers indicating ownership or possession of the state license. Their owners should take this hint.

It is difficult to understand why Bwitzerland and Roumania have not forwarded invitations for a visit from the American battleships. They are peeded to make it unanimous.

South Omaha's municipal cam paign is particularly lacking in ginger so far. It may take the explosion of a few political bombs to make the voters there know that they have a gity election coming.

The new and warm note of friendliness in the expressions of oriental nations for the United States is coincident with the report on the excellence of the target practice of the American fleet in the Papific.

ALL THE LATEST NEWS.

of that eminently veracious Bryanite senate. organ the public may learn all the latest news about the editor of The Bee, including the following:

Victor Rosewater is possessed of the family ambition to wear the senatorial toga-but not yet.

Victor Rosewater framed up the deal in Senator Burkett a delegate to the republican national convention without a single vote from his home county.

Senator Burkett displayed strength enough to land himself on the national delegation despite the exposition of Rose Victor Rosewater wants to be United

States senator as the successor to Senator Burkett. Victor Rosewater is tied up with Gov-

ernor Sheldon to make the latter the successor to Senator Burkett. The support of Victor Rosewater is being

counted on by H. H. Baldrige to make him the successor of Senator Burkett. Victor Rosewater has entered into ombination with Senator Brown to do Senator Burkett politically.

Victor Rosewater will go after Mr. Brown's senatorial shoes himself. Victor Rosewater has the pins laid to be ome republican national committeeman. Victor Rosewater has it all arranged to

be appointed postmaster general in President Taft's cabinet. In the meantime Victor Rosewater

is attending strictly to his own busi-36,300 ness, keeping his hands in his own pockets, editing his own newspaper and exerting himself politically only to put the republican party in Nebraska in such good fighting trim that there will be no question as to its remaining in the republican column, even though the democrats head their 

NEW MEXICO'S DEMAND.

Notwithstanding the fact that the call gives each territory and insular possession only two delegates to the national convention, New Mexico has commissioned 'six delegates to represent it at Chicago. The application of New Mexico for six seats in the convention will raise the question anew of relative representation.

The last republican convention increased the apportionment of the territories from two to six, but the republican national committee in formulating the call at its December meeting put it back to two. The democratic national convention accords such of the territories and insular dependencies as are recognized at all six delegates each and New Mexico is evidently proceeding on the assumption that it will be able to prevail on the Chicago convention to recognize its claim to six votes.

The question of representation in Bermuda lilies will be cheaper than the convention of the territories, the District of Columbia and the insular possessions whose inhabitants have no vote nor voice in the presidential election has always precipitated contention. Representation was accorded

> the territories originally on the theory that they were states in embryo, whose electoral votes would be desired as soon as they should be admitted to the union. This argument, however, could not be put up for the District of Columbia or for the dependencies. It is possible a distinction might be drawn between organized territories and other subdivisions, based on a certain measure of equity of prospective statehood, but the general disposition over-weighted delegations and toward an apportionment conforming more to the actual than to the nominal strength of the party as geographically

DEFENDING THE NIGHT RIDERS. Astonishment at the fallure of the authorities of Kentucky to take vigorous action in suppressing the "Night Riders," who have been murdering citizens, burning warehouses and demore sharks than any other place in stroying the crops of the tobacco planters, disappears in view of the amazing apology offered in the United States senate by Senators Paynter and Mc-Creary for the depredations of these lawless bands.

> In the course of a debate, Senator Depew arraigned Kentucky severely outrages of the "Night Riders." Senators Paynter and McCreary promptly took up the defense of their constituents. Of course, neither senator defended the action of the barn burners, but both offered pleas in mitigation. Senator Paynter declared that the work of the raiders "involved no more turpitude than is involved in the organization of a trust to take from our people one-half the price for our product." Senator McCreary was equally emphatic in criticising Senator Depew. In the course of his apology,

Distance may lend enchantment to the view of the senator from New York, but if he had confined himself to the stock gambling and the burdens of trusts and way of stopping waste, if they want to. lawiessness in the state of New York, it | Waste helps no one. would have been more appropriate that wandering so far away from his subject as to criticise Kentucky.

Reliable reports from Kentucky show that the work of the "Night Riders," which originated in a protest against the exactions, real or fancied, of the Tobacco trust, has degenerated into a general reign of terror in the tobacco growing sections of the state. The worst element of the state has joined the raiders and their depredations are now committed for the apparent love of arson, loot and murder. State authorities are apparently powerless, or unwilling, to cope with the

.aituation. Editor Henry Watterson of the

greatest solicitude on the part of our in the union. His charge is strength- consent of the police. amiable democratic contemporary, the ened by the speeches of Kentucky's World-Herald. From a single issue representatives in the United States

GIFTS FOR BATTLESHIPS.

Nebraskans, who are about to present a silver service to the battleship named for the state, will be interested in the recommendation to congress by the First congressonal district that made | Secretary, of the Navy Metcalf that some legislation be enacted by which the title to such gifts may be vested in the federal government, to insure their safety and protection. Under the existing law-or lack of laws, on the subject-there is no one in whom vests the title to various silver servives or other gifts to warships, and Secretary Metcalf explains that it is a serious question whether any person could be punished for stealing or injuring the articles included in these gifts it. from the people of the different states.

This peculiar situation is somewhat surprising in view of the fact that there are now sixty-eight vessels in the American navy that have been named for states or cities, each of which has received a silver service or other gifts donated by citizens. The battleship Pennsylvania has a silver service valued at \$27,000 and the value of the gifts range from that amount down to \$200, in the library presented to the Chattanooga. It is estimated that the total value of these gifts amounts to more than \$250,000, while their sentimental value is beyond price.

The custom has been to make the presents to the ships and they have remained on board, without reference to changes in the personnel of the officers or the crew. They belong to no one, although it has clearly been the main the property of the government and be retained on the warships to which they were given. This has been the invariable rule observed by the navy officials, but there is nothing in the law requiring it. The matter is too important to the states and the cities making the gifts for congress longer to neglect the desired legisla-

Judge Edgar Howard takes vigorous exception to The Bee's pointing out how difficult it would be for Mr. Bryan to entertain the editors of leading democratic dailies in the nation on the same plan that he proposes to entertain the editors of democratic weeklies in Nebraska. He even accuses us of trying to solicit invitations to Mr. Bryan's banquet for some of the distinguished democratic editors whose presence would make it uncomfortable for both host and guest. Far be it law, they must treat all shippers alike. from us having any idea or desire to make up Mr. Bryan's invitation list or to intrude unwelcome advice. Mr. Bryan, however, is constantly emthe democratic press energetically behind the ticket this year and we have no doubt that if giving their editors a banquet would line up the democratic dailies behind him there would be no hesitation in bidding them to Fairview nor much drawing of lines

We might just as well prepare for another war. A Mexican editor has it figured out that the United States will try to buy the state of Lower California from Mexico, in order to secure control of Magdadena bay. Mexico will refuse to sell and the United States will declare war. Japan will at once seize the Philippines and Panama. The only astonishing feature of the situation is how that editor happens to be hidden in Mexico instead of being employed on the New

against those who have opposed him

Walter Wellman wires from Washington to the Chicago Record-Herald that Mr. Taft will step aside for President Roosevelt at the Chicago convention. Not to be outdone, Sumner Curtis, another Washington correspondent of the same paper, reports that Mr. Bryan is to step aside at Denver and permit the nomination of Governor Johnson. Mr. Wellman and Mr. Curtis may now step aside,

Our amiable Bryanite contemporary has suddenly discovered that New York democrats never instruct their national convention delegates and, therefore, the declaration of the New York democratic state committee against instructions is of no importance. Why, then, did it make such a hullabaloo over that declaration?

The assertion that one railroad centering in Omaha has effected economy in the use of fuel to the extent of \$38,000 in a single month suggests that other institutions and ordinary households can do something in the

"A wave of reform is sweeping heathen lands," says a Cincinnati paper. The wave has not yet reached the heathen lands across the river from Cincinnati, where the night riders are burning tobacco warehouses.

Senator La Follette says the big life insurance companies had much to do with causing the recent panic. Every policy holder knows, once or twice a year, how much of a financial panic is caused by life insurance.

The demand of the street commissioner that the police put a stop to the practice of sweeping dirt accumula-Louisville Courier-Journal has de- tions of stores and sidewalks into the

clared in public addresses and through streets proves to have been a triffe It seems that the editor of The Bee the columns of his newspaper that premature. Those March winds are has suddenly become an object of the Kentucky is the worst-governed state doing the business without the aid or

Kentucky's Frond Eminence,

Louisville Courier-Journal. Disturbances may result in Kentucky osing her once proud position as a producer of tobacco, but she will still be famous for having the largest law breaking industry in the United States.

Great Thing When Properly Backed. Philadelphia Ledger. China has apologized to Japan for having interfered with the Japanese scheme of smuggling arms into Chinese territory,

whereas China was exactly right at every point in contention. Diplomacy, properly backed, is a great thing.

Branding Campaign Material. Baltimore American.

It is very saddening to notice the dreadfully poor quality of the campaign material being manufactured in both houses of congress. The only satisfaction is that, although it may be franked to you in every mail, there is no compulsion to read

> In Line for a Throne. Baltimore News.

When Miss Eikins gets married she can turn up her pretty nose at all of her countrywomen who have married titles. Her husband-to-be, the duke of the Abrussi, is a limb of royalty, being a cousin to the king of Italy, and is in line of succession to the throne.

The British Limit.

Baltimore American. Americans have been accused of dearly oving a lord, but those patriotic citizens who have blushed for this repreach will probably feel better at Dr. Aked's remark that "we in England would give ten years of our lives to be kicked by a prince." Even the snobbish class here would kick at that.

Quite Comfortable, Thank You.

Philadelphia Record. some comfort to know that no verybody is seriously suffering from the pinch of business depression. The Steel trust is comfortable, thank you. Its net intent of the donors to have them re- earnings last year were \$100,964,673, an increase of over \$4,000,000 over the preceding year. It has on hand a surplus of \$122,-545,243. It is holding up prices and cutting down production and conserving all its en ergies for more assured plundering later on.

Must Treat All Shippers Altke.

Philadelphia Record. Ratiroad companies and big shippers who have been in the habit of extorting special rates from the carriers might as well give up the fight. They must desist from discriminations for the future, and they have got to pay roundly for their violations of law in the past. These discriminations have been unlawful for twenty-one years. From time to time since the original interstate commerce law was passed congress has added enactments designed to make the law more effective, for the carriers and the shippers found it easy to evade or to violate the earlier statute, and now there is enough law, enough energy on the part of the government, and unquestionably enough public sentiment, to ascertain the facts and punish the offenders. The railroads are common carriers, and as such both under the common and the statute

NEBRASKA FOR TAFT.

Expression of the Thoroughgoing Sentiment of the State. Milwaukee Sentinel (rep.).

With businesslike precision and unexpected unanimity of sentiment Nebraska's indersement of William H. Taft for president was put through the republican state convention last Thursday.

Mr. Taft is supported in Mr. Bryan's state as "the candidate who best meets caught fire last week. It was an ivy covthe demands of the hour," practically the contention of the Taft organizations in our own state. The Nebraska convention emphasized that quality in the secretary's lively hustling on our part to keep the makeup, temperamental and acquired, generally referred to as "judicial," and we trust this recommendation will not be cavilled at as reflecting on Mr. Roosevelt, and implying a "reactionary" assumption that Mr. Taft, if elected, would use Taft methods in carrying forward the policies

of the Roosevelt administration. The country knows pretty well what the breadth and sobriety, forcefulness without violence, great results with little noise and do those things sometimes, you know-but the Colombians will swarm and regain disturbance. They are exemplified perfectly in Governor Taft's splendid administration of the Philippines. There may be little if any difference of opinion between Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Taft as to the things, that ought to be done; but there is a con siderable difference between their respective ways of doing things. The Nebrasks platform implies a consciousness of that when it applies the stock term "judicial" to Mr. Taft. Even flattery has not gone so far as to call Mr. Roosevelt "judicial." The thoroughgoing Taft sentiment of its platform echoes of the pronouncements of the Ohio convention. The Ohio tariff plank was adopted verbatim. Divisions that were anticipated, owing to a nonsensical movement in some counties to get an expression of sentiment for that chimera. a Roosevelt third term, falled to materialize. The delegates were practical enough tered by dissipation. to express a preference that would really count; to indorse a real, live candidacy. Careful scrutiny of the proceedings falls to reveal any outward and visible sign of the strenuous work said to have been done in the state in behalf of the spectra candidacy of Mr. La Follette. Mr. Tart is forging ahead early in the race, and if the friends of that excellent man but tardy and indifferent campaigner. Governor Hughes expect to push the portly, but spry Ohio entry in the convention finish they will have to wake up.

**Your Hot Pipes** 

WHEN the heater man put hot pipes through the house in place of stoves he thought it was something new. But nature put hot pipes all through our bodies to keep us warm long, long ago.

sends heat and rich nourishment through the blood all over the body. It does its work through the blood. It gives vigor to the tissues and is a powerful flesh-producer.

All Druggists; 50c, and \$1.00,

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in the

Metropolis.

With the joining at midstream of the two sections of the Blackwell's island bridge, last week, the longest canti-lever structure in this country was completed informally. The entire length of the bridge from the point of entrance in Fifty-ninth street to the other end of Long Island city is 8,230 feet. The steel highway is 3,734% feet between the anchor pier in Manhattan and he anchor pier on the shore of Queensborough. The total length of the span from tower to tower over the west channel is 1,182 feet and the total length of the east span is 984 feet. The bridge will have two decks. On the first story will be placed four trolley tracks and two roadways; on the second story two railroad tracks and a foot path. The six tracks across the bridge are estimated to have a capacity of 150,000,000 passengers a year under ordinary conditions of traffic. The bridge is supported by mammoth stone piers. Two pairs of these rest on Blackwell's Island and will contain elevators. When the plans were drawn in 1901 it was estimated that the bridge could be built for \$12,000,000. But almost at the start the items carefully calculated by the engineers segan to increase in actual money value. Land for the approaches, for instance which they had estimated could be secured for \$3,000,000, cost the city twice that min Now, it is said, the total cost of the structure may amount to \$22,000,000. More conservative estimates run from \$16,000,000 to \$20,000,000,

One of the great apartment hotels in New York was opened with much enthusiasm some twenty years ago, every room being taken for a year or term of years, relates the New York Press. After a little while every room was vacated owing to the un canny noises that pervaded the entire building night and day. Investigation revealed nothing. Pretty soon the janitor and his family began to talk of "hants" and "ghosties." The tenants took up the yarns, embellished them, spread them abroad, and the fate of that house was settled. Hents dropped amazingly. Flats worth \$100 a month were offered at \$45. Everybody moved out and the house (the best at that time in the city) was put on the market by its disgusted proprietor. No body cared to live with ghosts. One day a man who made a hobby of circulation (he was a son of a son of one of the mar shals of France under Napoleon) said to the owner: "Give me half and I will fill your house with refined tenants in less than five months."

A contract was drawn up. Monsieur Creque, for that was his name, found that an error had been made in the "return" system of the heating plant, which caused surging and cracking in the pipes and a violent water-hammer in the radiators. This was remedled in a week,

The neighbors were called in; the story was passed from one to another, and as visions of "hants" disappeared and rents were very moderate, the house was quickly filled. Thus, by a little knowledge, a great

loss was turned into a big profit. Board of Tax Commissioners in a communlcation from Granville Dalley, hat merchant, that his personal tax assessment should be \$50,000 rather than the \$15,000 imin personal safety, and I thought I should no reference to Mr. Taft. That was merely pay adequately for it." He deserves a mon- an interesting coincidence.' example of clear recognition of the citizen's obligations to his government would be rare for any community.

"Talk about ingratitude," said a fireman quoted by the Sun, "It would be impossible to sharpen any tooth belonging to a serpent or anything else so it could bite like the ingratitude of a woman whose house

ered house and very pretty. "The fire had got a fine start before the alarm was sent in, and it took some pretty whole place from going up in smoke. However, we managed to save the house, the people living there and most of the furniture, not to mention a few pet dogs and a canary, so we flattered ourselves that we had done about all that could be expected

under the circumstances. "But we found that we were milstaken. The day after the fire the woman who Taft methods, are: firmness tempered by owned the house gave us a call. We supposed she had come to thank us-people she hadn't: if you will believe me, she had come to lambast us for tearing loose all those ropes of ivy that it had taken her so many years to train over the walls of

the house. Oliver Wendell Barnes, the grandson o the man who built the horseshoe curve on the Pennsylvania railroad, and who blazed the gilded trail for a brief few months has landed in a mad house. Last spring when Barnes attained his majority his grandparent handed him \$100,000, and he burned the route getting to Broadway. In his effort to spend the \$100,000 in a year the 22-year-old spendthrift bought a hotel. chartered a steam yacht, kidnaped a chorus girl on it, married an actress and ineffectually tried to deplete the Broadway wine supply. Today Barnes is said to be a maniac, his mind completely shat-

When the Hoosac tunnel was cut through the solid rock of Hoesac mountain, Massachusetts, a heading being worked each way from the east and from the west, the tunnel being four and s half miles in length, so scourate were the computations of the engineers that when the final rock partition was knocked out it was found that there had been variations of less than an inch. So, too. a week or two ago, the engineers who are constructing the very difficult work for the Pennsylvania railroad under the East river brought the two sections of the secand tunnel together beneath the river with ruch accuracy of measurement that it would have required a delicate apparatus to show any variation.

By the first of April all four of these East river tubes will have been completed, and there will then remain only the very difficult tunnel work between Fifth and Sixth avenues, where quicksand prevails. In the annual report made to the stockholders of the Pennsylvania railroad by President McCrea it is said that the entire system will in all probability be in full operation not later than two years Kennebec Journal, and has been governor

Commission for Currency Reform. New York Tribune.

It is reported from Washington that the vision for banknote issues based on bonds, last three months.

Rob The Horse of His Corn The whole wheat is the most perfect food given to man. It has been his "staff of life" for 4,000 years. Human ingenuity can never make corn as digestible or as nutritious as Shredded Wheat -a food that contains all the tissue-building material in the whole wheat prepared in a digestible form. For breakfast heat the Biscuit in oven, pour milk over it (hot milk in winter) and a little cream. If you like the Biscuit for breakfast you will like toasted TRISCUIT (the Shredded Wheat wafer) for luncheon or any meal with butter, cheese or marmalade. At your grocers.

Don't

TAFT, BRYAN AND Y. M. C. A.

Several Mixed Statements Straightened Out and Laundered. Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

The Nebraska State Journal, published in Mr. Bryan's home town, has things delightfully mixed up in the following:

"Mr. Bryan's part in tonight's Young Men's Christian association banquet in Lincoin recalls the fact that Mr. Taft, the probable opponent of Mr. Bryan in the oming campaign, recently aroused considerable enthusiasm by a speech to the Young Men's Christian association at Boston. The fact was not overlooked by Boston commentators that Mr. Taft, as a mem-A remarkable specimen of the New York | per of the Unitarian church, is barred from citizen has been revealed by the city's holding a voting membership in the organigation he so pleased. At the late Young Men's Christian association convention in Washington, Mr. Bryan was named among those who helped defeat an amendment posed. Asked to give his reasons for so to the bylaws of the organization that extraordinary a step, Mr. Dailey simply would have made Mr. Taft eligible to full remarks that, "I get a great deal out of membership. Of course, the action taken, the city in police and fire protection and and particularly Mr. Bryan's position, had

> This evidently refers to Mr. Taft's speech in Springfield instead of Boston, and "Boston commentators" thereon no doubt mean Rev. Mr. Recoord of the Springfield church of the Unity, who called attention to the fact that many of those participating in the Taft reception here are without eligibility to the Young Men's Christian association as a corporate body because of their affiliation with the religious denomination referred to. Secretary Taft himself, however, was not and has not been so placed His religious denomination has not been made much of in the campaign so far, but o one before has thought of him as a Unitarian and no one is likely to again. But this placing of Taft denominationally seems to be about as close to the truth as the statement that Bryan is among those who would keep the Young Men's Christian association closed to all save the strictly orthodox Protestant religious

> > DREAMING PROPHETS.

Democracy as Pictured by Past and Present Leaders.

Baltimore American. the effulgent doctrine is dependent, says the sage of Princeton, upon a period of tranquility, rest from hysteria, peace from apprehension, conservatism instead of radicalism. Does Mr. Bryan fully apprehend that this program would mean his total obliteration? Does he read in it the terms of his death warrant? He doubtless does. and smiles at the issuance of this pronouncement against him and his kind with much the tolerance that the young listen to the plaints of their elders against the passing of the old order. Mr. Cleveland has the satisfaction of reflections upon the past, as Mr. Bryan has the satisfaction of contemplating the future. Both are dreamers-the one of a democracy gone forever, the other of a democracy that will never be dominant,

PERSONAL NOTES.

It seems that "Abe" Hummel was just trying to scare the country when he threat-Piscatorial note: The correct thing, when you've hooked a royal duke, is to play him

before landing him. King Alfonso's auto has come near killing him again. Walking would be safer for the young monarch, but it is slower. President Charles Eliot of Harvard university celebrated his 74th birthday Friday by taking a bicycle ride. In spite of his

age his health is remarkably good. Father Gregory Petroff, the noted Russian labor leader and constitutional democrat deputy, who recently has been applying himself to the study of the English language, announces that he will visit the United States, where he will give a num-

ber of lectures. Representative Burleigh of Maine is one of the few members of the house whose biography omits the familiar sentence: "Studied law at the -- university." He is a real newspaper man, the publisher of the and state treasurer of his state.

Secretary Taft has announced that Briga dler General Charles B. Hall, in charge of the General Staff college at Leavenworth Kan., will be promoted to the grade of Aldrich bill will be amended so as to pro- major general on the 17th inst., on the revide for a currency commission. If this tirement of Major General A. W. Greely means striking out of the measure the pro- and that Colonel John B. Kerr, command ing the Twelfth cavalry at Fort Oglethorps. it will not be an unhappy result. A cur- Ga., will be appointed a brigadler general rency commission and a year more of cur- vice General Bavis, promoted. General Ball rency education would probably result in is from Maine and served as a licutenant wise legislation. Great progress towards in the Twenty-fifth and Thirtieth Maine insound judgment has been observable in the fantry regiments during the civil war. He will retire for age April 29 next

WHITTLED TO A POINT.

"Sir, I have come to ask for your daughter's hand."
"Take her, dear boy, As I have just failed, your proposition is a very handy one."—Baltimore American.

"Is it a good idea to make a speech whenever you get a chance?" said the young man who is learning the statesman-shits business.
"It depends," snewered Senator Sorgum, "on whether your speech is the kind that shows your constituents how much you do know or how much you don't."—Washington Star.

"Moss," said the beggar, "I'm here to give you a chance to become blessed." "What are you talking about?" asked the pedestrian.
"Why, de Bible says 'it's more blessed to give dan to receive," and here's yer chance."—Philadelphia Press,

"Uncle Hank, the rallways have got a new safety device that—"
"Don't care to hear anything about it.
Clarence. I've go a safety device of my
own that beats it all to thunder."
"What is it, uncle?"
"Never travelin' on 'em."—Houston Post.

The teacher in the Darktown school was

hearing the class in geography "What is known as the Great Divide?" she asked.
"Cuttin' a big watermilon!" answered
little 'Rastus with a grin that showed all
his ivories.—Chicago Tribune. Captain-If I see your face in my house

again I shall slap it. Noble Foreigner—Ah! but it ees a punish able offence. Captain-Of course it is. That is why I want to slap it-Judge.

"What are you doing here, my poor nan?" asked the sympathetic lady visitor to the prisoner.
"Doin' time, mum," answered the con-"But what are you doing time for?" phia Press.

"Do you think that our navy needs re-"Great Scott!" answered the magazine editor. "Did you ever hear of anything that doesn't?"—Washington Hearld.

HOOSIER SPRING POETRY.

James Whitcomb Riley in Home Magazine When ever'thing's a-goin' like she's got The maple sap a-drippin', and the buds on er' bough A-sorto' reachin' up'ards all a-trimblin', Mr. Cleveland is out with a formula for ever one, true democracy. The re-establishment of Like bout a million brownie fists a-shakin at the sun! want their shoes off 'fore The their breakfast, and the spring Is here so good-and-plenty that the old hen has to sing! When things is goin' this-a-way, w'y that's the sign, you know, That ever thin's a-goin' like we like to see

> Oh, ever'thing's a-goin' like we like to see her go!
> Old winter's up and dusted, with his dratted frost and snow—
> The ice is out of the crick ag'in, the freeze is out the ground. And you'll see faces thawin', too, ef you'll just look around!
>
> The blue birds landin' home ag'in, and glad to git the chance it the chance here's where he belongs at, that's 'Cause a settled circumstance!
> And him and mister robin how's a-chunin'
> fer the show.
> Oh, ever'thin's a-goin like we like to see

The sun ain't just p'tendin now! The ba'm is in the breeze—
The trees 'll soon be green as grass, and The trees 'll soon be green as grass, and grass as green as trees;
The buds is all jes' eechin', and the dogwood down the run
Is bound to bust out laughin' fore another week is done.
The bees is wakin', gapy-like, and fumblin' fer their buzs.
A-thinkin' ever-wakefuler, of other days that wuzwhen all the land was orchard blooms and clover, don't you know.
Oh, ever'thin's a-goin like we like to see her go!

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profitable, must be sound, capable levelopment, practical, directed by good men and managed with ability. An investment, that has all these advantages, and more, to recommend and guarantee it, is now open to persons who have small money to place where it will bring the greatest returns. Quick investigation is necessary if

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