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ROBERT HUNTER.

Notary Public. WHEN OUT OF TOWN. subscribers leaving the city tem-

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porarily should have The Ben mailed to them. Address will be changed so often as requested. A cold April makes base ball fans

April always was an uncertain

month in this latitude. Pin your faith to Greater Omaha

and help make it great. Nebraska is enjoying its first exper

ence with a bachelor governor. And it is leap year, too.

long time to live -in Chicago.

divulged where Russia got the price. | campaign material this year and are | verdicts against employes when the

ordinance fixing a minimum age limit tion. The cost of the cruise will powers of endurance and, in each of for automobile drivers might help doubtless be the subject of grossly ex- these cases, action was commenced

sample justice. In other words, he is asking for more severe punishment than a mere spanking.

Charago's policemen have been ordered to wear white gloves. The average policeman is accustomed to handling things without gloves.

vanced nearly 100 per cent. At that from port to port. They must be fed rate it will soon be too valuable to and provisioned in times of peace as for h the bulk of powdered sugar.

populist arguments and preachings.

Delaware democrats will insist unon convention. He needs only 662 more votes to make his nomination certain.

Colonel Bryan admits that while the brules of political defeat have smarted some at times, from the financial standpoint it has not been a bad

The Omaha Commercial club is evidently coming to the conclusion that the asset of good fellowship is worth cultivating even as a cold business

and book publishers of the country have been based upon a misunderinsist that they know more about wood standing of the terms of that docupulp and print paper than does "Uncle ment. The claim that it indicates an

Governor Johnson's presidential boom was backed "by the wrong people." Colonel Watterson was the "original" Johnson man.

started a press boom for his nomination as vice president at Denver. He abould be satisfied to let his money do

his talking for him. The Pennsylvanta railroad's issue of \$40,000,000 in long time bonds was oversubscribed ten times. Money is apparently plentiful for anything but

apeculative purposes.

country is sufficiently large to demonstrate that the fans are not seriously from the field of arbitration by a simsuffering from financial stringency.

The advice to fight the water works us with any more bunco game talk.

CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE. Who discovered Tafa? Young Mr. Victor newater, who youches for Taft because te is "personally acquainted with him," is claiming the henor and is much chagrined

that anyone should contest his claim.

Alneworth Star-Journal. Where anyone ever got the idea that the editor of The Ree was claiming to youd us. Never having set up any such claim, the precedence is cheerfully yielded to the Ainsworth Star-Journal, which has made out a very good prima facie case, in which in turn it modestly admits its inspiration to tled by arbitration. have come from none other than Governor Magoon of Cuba. Quoting from

the Star-Journal: hardly any question. On April 12, 1907, the Star-Journal put Taft's name at the head of its columns as our candidate for the republican nomination for president. However, our action in this matter was not a much on "personal acquaintance" as fron a suggestion from Governor Charles E. Magoon of Cubs. In a personal letter from Governor Magoon dated October 5, 1906 occurs the following paragraph:

occurs the following paragraph:

There is one thing I wish you would take my word for, and that is that Secretary Taft is one of the biggest, brainlest and best men that this country has produced in a generation. He is a national man, and would make a president that would rank with the greatest. The better you know him, the nearer you come to him, the more exalted your opinion of him is. I think I am a good judge of men, and in my judgment he is "the best, ever." Turn in and do what you can for him and you will never have cause to regret it.

Knowing Charley Magnon as well as the

Knowing Charley Magoon as well as the writer did, this suggestion took root, and upon it the Star-Journal made the first public mention of Taft as a presidential eriously matter who made the first men tion. Taft discovered himself and the pao ple were witnesses and were pleased with the discovery.

All of which, we submit, is decidof a political historian. But while judicial tribunal of the province. answering one question it raises two

discovered Governor Magoon?

former law partner?

THE CRUISE AND ITS COST.

Some of the opponents of President an effort in congress to create the im- accidents on American railways may fleet to San Francisco and its probable ployes. The list of causes includes to create such havoc with the national lation of the "go-slow" orders in yards prepare to go into bankruptcy. A carry out telegraph instructions, violahouse calling upon the Navy depart- time between trains or sections of one the expenses of the cruise to date, with cludes that one of the most serious The Chicago Journal has celebrated an estimate of the total expenditure conditions this country is today facing the its sixty-fourth birthday. That's a that will be necessary before the trip is the disregard of the railway em-

ships of the largest type. It is not as the democrats are hard-pressed for fused, in several instances, to return conditions reversed. disposed accordingly to magnify any- evidence showed that they had been on An amendment to the automobile thing that promises to attract attenduty for periods which overtaxed their aggerated stories. As a matter of against the railway companies. fact, the expense of the trip will be much less above the normal expense times of peace, are not placed in warehouses or dismantled. They are kept in the most perfect condition possible the corporations against the careless dream. and almost continually on the move. Their officers and men are on duty and draw their pay, whether engaged The price of chalk has been ad- in a war or making peaceful journeys fixed charges do not vary much from Perhaps Mr. Bryan's idea of a bi- year to year. The toll to be paid for partisan editorial page is one that the privilege of pasting through the gives equal space to democratic and Suez canal will be an added expense, but it will not be large enough to may cost a few thousand dollars, but be a record-breaker of deliberate falsevoting for Judge Gray at the Denver the other expenses would be required hood and misrepresentation. if the fleet were cruising in Atlantic

more than Its cost.

THE ARBITRATION TREATIES. The protest of the Ancient Order of sanitation and modes of living. Hibernians against the ratification of the arbitration treaty between the With rare temerity the newspaper United States and Great Britain must alliance between this country and Great Britain, or that it contains any-Colonel Watterson declares that thing which could in any manner be of the people by the same captains of used to affect Ireland's interests. would seem to be without warrant. The treaty, like those recently made between this country and Sweden and Norway, is innocent and modest, al-

most to a mollycoddle degree. Under these treaties the powers agree to submit to arbitration at The Hague only those legal differences which it has not been possible to settle by ordinary methods of diplomacy and such, moreover, as "do not affect the vital interests, honor or independence of the parties concerned or the interests of any third power." In other words, the powers agree to arbi-Even the cold weather attendance trate only such questions as they are ut the base ball games throughout the willing to submit to arbitration. Any question in dispute may be removed ple declaration of either of the govern-

Under the operation of such a treaty appraisament case "to a finish" is good it would be impossible for the New advice, but it should be coupled with Foundlands Caheries case, for examthe further admonition not to allow ple, to be settled by arbitration, as it just remind him that the same thing the same old false prophets to deceive is a special interest, exempt by the was said at the inception of the live provisions of the treaty, and also by a stock market for Omaha and of the hands down

any "special agreement affecting a tions today. self-governing dominion without securing a concurrence of the government treaty valueless in its relations to any United States and Canada or any other wedge that may ultimately result in the negotiation of international agreements looking to the marked enlargement of the number of issues to be set-

In their present form these treaties contain nothing to cause alarm among Hibernians or any other class. They are so far restricted in their scope and restrained by conditions that they are only a little better than nothing for the advancement of the general cause of international arbitration.

DISCOURAGE CRIMINAL CARELESSNESS which lives were lost. The four men candidate, were convicted as responsible for different wrecks and the courts of the careless railway managements and em- tected. ployes. In several cases judgments way companies for large sums for personal damages and property losses and in each case the findings of the lower courts have been upheld by the On- to readers of the Commoner. edly interesting from the standpoint tarlo high court of justice, the supreme

The first retort to be made by railway trainmen naturally will be that First, Who will lay claim to having these prosecutions have been directed at individuals and that the corpora- Builders' union Second, Why was the fight against tions have escaped their share of the Taft in Nebraska led by Magoon's punishment. J. O. Fagan, an old-time railway man, has been writing a series of articles in the Atlantic Monthly, in which he proves from statistics compiled by the Interstate Commerce com-Roosevelt's naval policy are making mission that fully 70 per cent of the pression that the cruise of the Atlantic be traced directly to the fault of emrecklessness, disregard of signals, viorevenues that the country may as well and over bridges, failure properly to resolution has been offered in the tion of the rules requiring a specified ment to furnish an itemized account of train and plain carelessness. He conploye for the passengers, the property Much of this brand of talk may be of the company and his own safety. In

The Canadian campaign in this direction furnishes an example of the ness of employes.

Are not the Bryanite organs going loads of coin distributed by airship express making direct trips from Wall States can enter upon the regulation cause any worry. The extra coal used campaign in Nebraska this year is to

aspects of the cruise, the effect on sand among the Americans, 16.35 among the Spanish and 48.91 among pline and training of the officers and the Filipinos for the last quarter of men, the benefits of the trip will be 1807. While the rate is alarmingly generally regarded as worth much large, owing to the prevalence of cholera, it shows that it may be reduced rapidly when the Spaniards and the natives adopt American methods of

While Nebraska has won some of everyone agrees that its interests have attorney general and his assistants. law there need be no fear that every advantage will be taken for the state at every possible strategic point.

The democratic World-Herald endorses what The Bee says as to the republican victories in Nebraska being due in large part to superior republican organization. That should admonish the republicans to see to it that their organisation is maintained superior to the democratic organization no matter what the latter may do.

barding the New York World with grows larger every succeeding issue. These growing questions used to grow transplanted along with the transfusion of editorial talent.

When anyone says the proposed wool market for Omaha is not feasible,

further clause by which Great Britain grain market for Omaha-two of our specifically engages not to conclude most important commercial institu-

> Having successfully emerged from the effects of the earthquake of two years ago, San Francisco should be able to withstand the double shock of the arrival of the fleet and the advent of Governor Sheldon's uniformed military staff at the same time.

> The protest against the British-American arbitration treaty pending in congress is wasted effort. The treaty is harmless, as it provides for arbitration only when the parties to the controversy do not care to fight.

High school students in a Kentucky town have gone on a strike because they do not like their new teacher. The night-riding spirit in Kentucky is not confined to the men who destroy tobacco crops.

brakeman have been given prison sen- office in Louisians were successful at by some other question. tences at Toronto for from nine the election held last week. Indicamonths to two years for carelessness tions are Louisiana will again give which resulted in railway wrecks in its electoral vote to the democratic

A man who announced that he was province appear to have adopted a uni- the boss of the senate has been arform policy of using the means pro- rested at Washington and charged vided by law for securing to the trav- with being insane. Senator Aldrich's oling public better protection from copyright must be respected and pro-

> "Of Such If the Kingdom." New York Sun.

If Colonel Bryan would talk less about what a good newspaper should be and begin to get one out it would be a great relief

> Their Busy Day. Indianapolis News.

No further criticism of the house for over 1,000 pension bills. Most of these were and gymnasium. introduced by the Congressional Fence

No Advance Agents. Chicago Inter Ocean.

It would seem that we have not as ye made sufficient advancement in science to be able to predict anything about the coming cyclones until after they have ar-

Inspiration for National Crusade. St. Louis Republic.

safety valve for righteous indigna tion the Merry Widow hat offers a timely opportunity for a national crusade. No one who feels his conscience superheating be cause of this new enormity need stop to the specialists who make up the lists of political undesirables in a campaign year.

Two Wrongs Make No Right.

Philadelphia Ledger. Arbitrary as the rules of the house are many particulars, and far removed as dings of the house may be from the right ideal of a deliberate body, ob struction as such is no improvement. The emocrats cannot justly find fault with the present majority for doing that which Russia has ordered five new battle- expected during the next few months, the Canadian courts the juries have re-

A Pleasant Dream.

Answering a question asked after his speech at Cooper union last night, Mr. Bryan said: I believe it to be the duty of the

This does not say what was meant, but it is clearer than mud. Mr. Bryan may of the Navy department than is gen- ability of ordinary courts to deal with be the head of the government next year. erally supposed. Battleships, in this all important problem, both for And he may then make an effort to provide that where there has been no fault there the corporations and the protection of stitutional amendment. It is a pleasant

Water Rights in Rivers.

Boston Transcript. The president's veto of the bill to extend opening the fictitious republican barrel across Rainy river may raise the whole der contract. a little prematurely? If the figure is question of what right, if any, the United States has in the matter other than to put at \$150,000 now, their clastic im- guard the navigability of waterways. No aginations will have to be stretched to dam can be built across a navigable river. the limit later to fake up the cart- without the consent of congress. That is street to the Nebraska prairies. Judg- the price of electric power generated is ing from the prelude, the Bryanite altogether another question concerning which there is certainly room for negative tion it is worth noting that Mr. Williams the democratic floor leader, is in sympathy with the president, and in that extent dis Official health reports show that the regards the state's rights doctrine that the death rate in Manila is 6.81 per thou- disposition of the waters of the river, once the freedom of navigation is assured, is a

STATUARY IN OMAMA.

Some Observations by a Artist.

Chicago Evening Post. We are grieved to learn through the co umns of The Omaka Bee that a perfect sarmony falled to light upon the recent city by the high school children.

What was bitingly referred to by The the rate regulation suits and lost some, Bee as "professional artists" seem to have caused the trouble. These undesirable citisens pettiably declare that "the statute's tions for the presidency on the principle a caricature, the chin is smooth shaven, that it ought to be practicable to select a While this litigation battle is only be- the hand looks as if it were made of wood, gun, so long as it is waged on behalf the figure seems to be falling over backwards, the clothes are not of the period. the trousers should be creased, the statue not erected on the best site, and the of an enterprising art dealer, who copyrighted the picture from which it was

> Omaha waves off nine-tenths of this sourilous attack, but takes deeply to heart the was only settled at the dedicatory exercise when one "hitherto affent veteran of the civil war" convincingly deposed that the last time he saw Lincoln the great president's trousers were uncreased.

Furthermore, as The Bee's expert sym elist points out, the children see in their statue "the rall-splitter who stepped into the breach when the ship of state was pounding to pieces on the shoals of sesoion, and they revere the man Lin-"the growing question," whose type coin despite the pointing of the finger of scorn by people who have made a study

this way only in the local democratic tells us that before the high school pustate of Nebraska boasted only J. Sterling Morton and Johann Christoph | the same calmness of spirit in which, after Friedrich von Schiller. In addition the growing whiskers as the ugliest man in fillbusts, one has-relief, friese and seventy pictures by masters." No "professional artist" can hope to

ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON. Current Events Gleaned from the

Army and Navy Register. There appears to be some doubt in certain quarters concerning the previsions of the pay clause in the army appropriation act in its application to members of the apprehension on this score. The comptrolle has decided (October 27, 1900), that retired grades, and it has been held that the law of 1885, providing for retired enlisted mer 75 per cent of the pay "of the grade at date of rotirement." has no restrictive of fect. The comptroller's decision on the law of March 2, 1907, is confirmatory of the the benefit of any increase contemplated in the senate pay clause, which eliminated the house provision that the pay of the retired enlisted men should not be in creased. Of course, it is possible that the courts would reverse this decision of the omptroller, but the question is not likely to come up voluntarily at the instance of and retired enlisted man unless he is beni on cutting down his own pay. It might however, come up in some other connection All the democratic candidates for through a decision which is precipitated

The quartermaster general of the arms has authorized a large number of projects during the last week providing for work at army posts. It is dealred that contracts be made as soon as possible in order to make use of the unexpended balance for army construction. Among the work au thorized are the following projects: Fort Des Moines, Ia., constructing wagon shed Fort Douglas, Utah, constructing plumbing heating and wiring bakery; Fort Jay, N Y., addition to building No. 12, including electric lighting equipment; Fort Leavenworth, Kan., constructing field officers quarters and captains' quarters, including plumbing, heating and wiring; Fort Meade S. D., constructing commissioned officers quarters, lieutenants' quarters and field officers' quarters, including necessary plumbing, heating and wiring; Fort Missoula, Mont., constructing roof house; Fort Omaha, Neb., constructing bakery, including plumbing, heating, wiring and fixtures; Fort Riley, Kan., removing roof and subidleness is possible. Yesterday it passed stitute tile or slate roof on post exchange

> Certain contract surgeons of the army are destined to hear from the War department concerning their activity manifested during during the present seasion of con gress in an effort to direct or influence legislation in their behalf. The senators and representatives who have to do with army legislation have been in receipt of appeals and other manifestations of a dewhich shall be of benefit to the contract surgeons of the army. Some of these communications have been so worded as to appear to their recipients at the capitol as not only advisory but remonstrant and imperative. This effort, while well meant, was so unwise as to place in jeopardly the legislation which has been enacted for the benefit of the army medical department. The senators and representatives who have been approached on the subject in this way have not concealed their irritation and, in deed, have reported the occasion of their displeasure to the secretary of war.

> The War department in a decision ren dered this week adheres to the previous rulings that military organizations are not obliged to enter the post exchange. Compulsory membership, it has been the policy of the department, is not justified. It is also held that the valuation of fixtures in a post exchange when an organization. amount to be held by the outgoing organization shall be based on the valuation made at the time of withdrawal.

corps are awaiting with interest the trials of the aeronautical machines which are under contract for the corps. If the terms of the contracts are complied with in each case two flying machines and one dirigible balloon will be ready for trials by the latter part of August or the first part of Septemchines are those of Herring and of Wright through their regular performance of the time for the construction of a dam Bros., and Baldwin dirigible is the one un-

ONE-SIDED PROSPERITY.

Lenn Vone for Toroh Resport Par Year for Leader. Baltimore Sun (dem.).

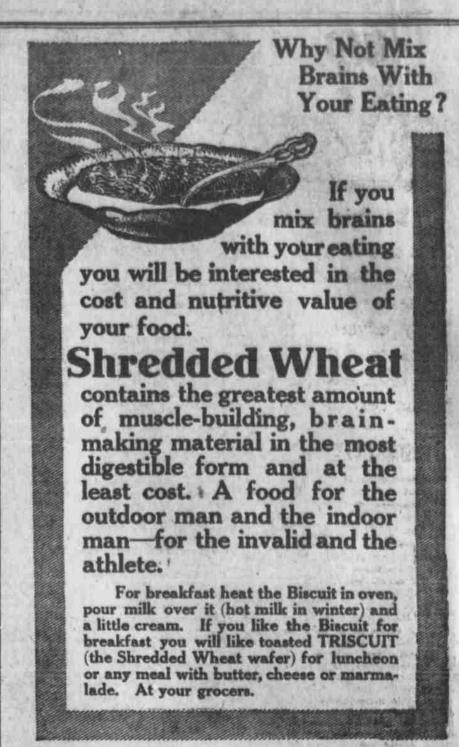
Mr. Bryan has derived substantial benfits from his prominence in the councils ity from his leadership of the democracy in 1896 and 1300, His fellow democrats congratulate him upon the success which he has achieved in accumulating a fortune They cannot escape a feeling of disappoint ment, however, that the democratic party's prosperity has not been in proportion to While the democratic nominee in 1896 and

1900 has prospered exceedingly ever since he became a potent influence in the demo cratic party, the national democracy has only an unbroken and disastrous series of defeats to its credit. While Mr. Bryan's fortunes have been steadily rising, the fortunes of his party has been steadily declining. Mr. Bryan's ascendancy in his party-and we say it with all respect for him-has been a good thing for him. Unfortunately there has been no reciprocal advantage to the democracy.

whether it is not time to make nomine of practical reciprocity. They are thinking results to the party for the honor which it bestows upon him. in the case of Mr. Bryan the alliance has been a purely one aided one so far as the benefits are con cerned.

A candidate who has brought only defeat to his party in the past may be able, eloally. But what is there in his record to establish a claim upon the confidence of his party? What does it profit his party if he has prospered greatly in his private affairs, when his party has during this period had an uninterrupted series of lean years? What would it profit his party if a third nomination, followed by defeat, would insure him continued prosperity in his professional pursuits? parties and their candidates. What has Mr. Bryan given the democratic party in return for the honors it has heaped upon

The Omaha controversy over the question of whether Lincoln wore a heard on or after becoming president is described as note history, he shaved them off to avoid the United States. The whiskerless status unveiled in Omaha would have met his this output. The children win views of the concessions Nebraska art



BACK TO THE BEE HIVE.

Washington Herald: "We want eggs, and we want them bad," advertises a lokking little man standing near the door? Second Guest—I can't tell you who he is, but I know what he is. He is the hostess husband.—Chicago Tribune.

Baltimore News: "The Maryland legislature has adjourned without passing any laws worthy of notice, and the Maryland people do not know whether to be glad or sorry.—Omaha Bee." Oh, yes! the

a post exchange when an organisation is credited with having maintained 'a dis-leaves it shall stand as the proper valua-nified silence' about his Berlin appointtion in reckoning the amount to be paid by the departing organization. This is in response to a protest received by the War department resulting in the claim that the amount to be held by the outgoing organ
Washington Holdfast club. Washington Holdfast club.

Cincinnati Commercial Tribune: The Omaha Bee is cruel enough to remark that Bourke Cockran has left the demo cratic party and that former Senator But ton of Kansas has united his fortunes with it. But while Bourke didn't leave of the going and the coming preserve the Quick.

democratic unities, and what more could with his constituents.—Cleveland Plain

PERSONAL NOTES.

Bryan refused a cocktall as dangerous for the presidential candidates. Nobody thought to offer him buttermilk.

Mr. Hughes should not eye scornfully the chance to play second fiddle. A gentleman who once essayed to play that instrument was soon directing the orchestra, with

Loie Fuller, the dancer, has joined the ranks of writer folk. She has written an ecount of her experiences on the American and European stage, which is to be brought out simultaneously in America, in England, in Germany and in France. Edmund Robbins, a London newspaper

lee, having begun work on the Launceto Weekly News on April 4, 1888. He pre pared the first press telegram accepted by the postoffice when Great Britain com menced operating the telegraphs on February 5, 1870. Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister to

Ching, has been ordered home from Peking and will be sent to Rome. Baron Ijuin, now counsellor of the Japanese embassy is in Peking. Baron Chinda will go to Berlin and Baron Eshil will succeed him as vice minister of foreign affairs. Mrs. Annie McEiroy Brett, western

Texas woman promoter, is the telephone queen of the southwest. She is presiden of the Southern Independent Telephone and Telegraph company and president and general manager of the Brett Construction, Telephone and Telegraph company. These 000, were organized by her.

POLISHED PLEASANTRIES.

"So you think my Easter hat is a joke?" she said, reproachfully. "Why, it's a crea-

Mrs. Sharp—The wife of that million-aire from the wild west has such a washed-out look. Mrs. Gossip—You know, my dear, she was a laundress before he struck oil.—

Baltimore American. There is a candidate for a county office Pennsylvania whose name is Freeze

"Say, there's a mistake in this bill you "What's wrong with it? Is It too big?"

"No, but—"No, but—"No, but—"No, but—"Any mistake in the figures?"
"No; it's not that. It's—"Don't you think that the bill has been running long enough?"
"I reckon so, but—"Then what are you kicking about?"
"That's what I'm trying to tell you. There's a mistake in the name. You sent it to the wrong man, confound you." I don't owe you a cent and never did."
"Oh!"

APRIL.

Orchard blooms and apple leaves, Tender, freshly growing; Dandellons, like buttons strewn. Through the grass are showing.

While you watch the early sun Comes a cloud a-rising; Comes from out the primrose west. With a speed surprising.

On the April breeze it flies Bellowing its thunder, Mingles with the blosom's scent Rain's refreshing odor.

Hies away; and nine o'clock Sees the sun a glancing. Setting all the clinging drops in its light a dancing. Petals thick are on the grass, Rosy pink and pearly. While to deck anew the boughs Half blown buds show clearly.

Twelve o'clock and of a sudden, Comes a spitful dash; April rain drops polting fast On the window sash.

Through the clouds, with watery smile. Peeps the half-drowned sun; In this war of gleams and glooms, Not to be out cone. Omaha. ELIZABETH H. GENAU.

