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

The Aldrich currency bill has been denatured.

The west has a warmer welcome for the home seeker than for the office seeker.

"Just for that," said Winter to the early-plucked Panama hat, "I will stay a little longer."

A 3-cent piece and a brickbat are all that is necessary for a street car ride in Cleveland.

These million-dollar rains would be worth even more if they were only Square garden speech was not his first present year's returns is the shifting pread out a little more evenly.

the Chicago convention-to Taft.

The motto has been restored to the coins, but no report has been made of anyone refusing either brand. Governor Johnson runs well by

spurts, but has failed to show the persistent speed that wins long races.

A congressional commission is going to inquire how boys may be kept on the farm. They'll stay if the girls will.

Many congressmen are anxious to get away from Washington, but more back.

Congress will have to adjourn be- out his aid or consent. fore another week to let its members keep their engagements for Memorial day addresses.

A witness at the coroner's jury at LaPorte testified that Mrs. Gunness was lively and vivacious. A regular village cut up, as it were.

"No woman under 35 years of age should wear a merry widow hat," says a leading New York milliner. Guess that will send the m. w. h. to the attic.

"The Japanese have not been war talk." says the Tokio Gazette. They must know him over there, too.

"Fiddlin' Bob" Taylor of Tennessee has made his maiden speech in the light and to dissipate some of the old begrudge it to the good doctor. senate. He naturally attacked the opinions and impressions. president's "big stick" policy with a slump in New York statements were fiddlestick.

Denver is arranging a provisional vidual share holders in the great corhospital for the democratic national porations had largely increased and Omaha during the last few years and convention. Denver knows what to that the American investors of moderexpect when a democratic crowd gets ate means were securing stock in estabmixed up.

Senator Platt has decided that he will not attend the Chicago convention. The senator has accumulated enough trouble by traveling without are now going to 59,415 separate share a chaperone.

Colonel George Harvey of Harner's Weekly has returned from Europe to find that his Woodrow Wilson presidential boom is justs as strong as it was when he went away.

The name of Streeth does not appear in the new city directory, but maybe Mr. Pollard's pessimistic correspondent was busy securing material to austain his preposterous assertions when the directory man was around.

vention, what state he halls from the record shows that more Americans davit of intentions. reply will be, "from Ohio, Manila, than ever are making permanent in-Guam, Porto Rico, Cuba, Panama, Hanationeded his services."

THE GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OHOST. their interests and prevent future at Schenectady are working overtime Unsympathetic newspaper reporters manipulation for the personal benefit on a rush order for 135 new engines throughout the country, particularly in of frenzied financiers. the east, have acquired the disagree-

able habit of asking Colonel Bryan,

in recent interviews, if he has changed

his lecture before the general confer-

"This is not a pressing issue, and I do

not intend that it shall be a leading issue,

Mr. Bryan with emphasis and determina-

This answer comes far from clearing

that all attempts at government regu-

course, the regulation of railroad

rates, which he now declares to be

the Madison Square garden speech Mr.

I have reached the conclusion that there

will be no permanent relief on the railroad

viduals and between places and from ex-

tortionate rates until the railroads are the

ernment ownership can be undertaken on

the plan indicated with less danger to the

country than is involved in private owner-

ship as we have had it or as we are likely

WHO OWNS THE RAILROADS!

Soon after the recent financial

lished industrial enterprises. The ex-

tent to which this change has been

made is shown by a report just pub-

lished by the officials of the Pennsyl-

vania railroad, whose dividend checks

holders, an increase of more than

5,000 over last year. Twenty years

ago the entire stock of the Pennsyl-

vania was owned by fewer than 10,000

persons. At that time two-thirds of

the stock was owned abroad. Today

less than one-eighth of the stock is

owned by foreigners. Where 65 cents

of every \$1 in profit was formerly

cents is so paid.

sent to foreign holders today only 13

The situation is the most effective

vestments in railroad securities, evi-

Interview continues:

in the campaign?"

Bryan said:

people.

tion and declared:

to have it.

borders.

PIETE AND THE TORCH. Numerous American travelers have panion pieces. his attitude on the question of gov- furnished delightful entertainment by ernment ownership of railways, so pen or lecture on the peculiar and he has allowed his answers to conflict the queer folks that people Kentucky. is made. with his recorded position on the sub- We know the Kentucky as the home ject. The latest illustration is fur- of fine horses, beautiful women, the willingness to be a candidate for the tobacco barns of their neighbors. We holdups in the two cities. presidential nomination at Denver the seem to have wholly missed the instruction that would enable us to "Will your advocacy of government and understand a people who can use the pany is permitted to lower its rates the rifle, with equal dexterity and em- scribers will pay six months in ad- that he will address himself to the highest because the people who will press it are and murder. Yet here is a dispatch ways.

trying to sidetrack the real issue, which from Lacenter, Ky .: s the regulation of railroad rates," said Kneeling on the ground in the moonlight, offered prayer, a band of "night riders" last night destroyed the big tobacco barn the situation, because Mr. Bryan is on record as expressing the conviction lation of railroads, including, of and were kept prisoners until the devotional "the real issue," cannot succeed. In they left they heard the strains of "Nearer, muscle is growing as well as mind. My God, to Thee," floating through the air to the accompaniment of crackling timbers and the roar of the flames.

The first impulse would be to brand able liar, but the details of the affair property of the government and operated have been fully verified by later reby the government in the interest of the ports. The "night riders" have on long. several occasions flogged farmers who In fairness to Colonel Bryan it must persisted in planting tobacco in debe stated that he has since modified fiance of the order of the clique that south, by declaring in a speech in maining his stock, to repent and see Connecticut a few days later that his the error of his ways. It is a strange pronouncement was a personal opinion combination of alleged piety and adand not designed to be made a party mitted criminality. The psalm singing tenet until the country had been edu-"night riders," while conducting their cated on the subject. However, in a revivals, continue to wear masks, evispeech at Louisville a few weeks later dently thinking to deceive the recordhe drifted back to the original proposi- ing angel as well as the state constabulary. Such a situation is without Observation has convinced me that gov- a parallel in American history.

SHIFTING VALUES. Whether the county assessors have adopted the correct basis for arriving of grass in the fence corners of the high-It must be remembered, too, in this at the value of property for taxation ways. connection, that Mr. Bryan's Madison purposes, the notable feature of the essay of the kind. In July, 1904, he in values. In Douglas county the ascalled on the democrats of the country, sessor has adopted the plan of valuing Indications are more promising than through the Commoner, to "consider the real estate and improvements sepand operation of railroads." In an ad-moving the highest-priced lot two near finding it again, even if he does not Nebraska. dress before the Iroquois club in Chi- blocks further along on Sixteenth cago on Jefferson day, 1905, he elabor- street. Another significant fact is ated his plan and proposed that the that it is an adaptation of the single government should own the trunk tax theory and is expected to result, if lines, while the states should own and sustained, in the improvement of some operate the railroads within their properties that have been allowed to go practically idle because the owners

While admitting that the "real iscould afford to let them lie unused. sue is the regulation of railroad This shifting of values has more rates," Mr. Bryan believes that this than a sentimental basis, but its sigcannot be accomplished by congres- nificance is in a large measure disonly by government ownership. Both town values are based almost excluin and out of the democratic party sively on earning capacity and earning of them are worried about getting Mr. Bryan has made this an issue, capacity depends entirely on business greatest travel. The application of Discussion has been renewed re- most valuable lot. If the program of cently over the question of real owner- the assessor in taxing lots and imship of the railroads and other big provements separately will result in corporations of the country. It is a better buildings the effect will be for common belief that Mr. Harriman, the general good.

Mr. Morgan and a half dozen other captains of industry practically own its companion that the majority of Whether the doctor was actually in-Recent publications, particularly of pleasure in seeing the fulfillment of

The dedication of the new Temple Israel again calls attention to the prospublished that the number of indi- perity that has been shared in by all religious denominations alike in emphasizes the strength and growth of the spiritual life of the community. These splendid edifices dedicated to religious worship are the best possible answer to the allegation so frequently heard that Omaha is the "wickedest city in the world."

> Logan creek is to be surveyed. This may or may not be a triumph for the period. Inland Water commission, but Congressman Boyd knows what he is about. Now, if Congressman Kinkaid will only get the Dismal and the Middle Loup properly charted and Congressman Norris give Crooked creek needed attention, the Ship of State may feel safe when it enters Nebraska

The duke of the Abruzzi will send answer to the charge of railroad politi- his brother over to present his plea to cal managers that the legislation by Miss Elkins. It would be cheaper for the federal government and by the the duke to have the young woman go When they ask, in the Chicago con- states is frightening investors. The before a notary and make her affi-

The New York Central has photo- draw the line against 1 cent on each pasgil, the District of Columbia, and dently encouraged in so doing by the graphed 125 idle engines and proposes of ry other section of the country that assurance that the nation and the to use the picture as an argument for

for the New York Central, in anticipation of summer and fall traffic. The photographs should be printed as com-

earnestly advocated by him in his unusual habits and characters of Omaha as a result of a holdup was the head of the War department is not speech at Madison Square garden on strange people in India, Afghanistan. perpetrated by men who had been in but it has been otherwise with Tart, who these reasons he was sent as a delegate tact with the general public in a business August 30, 1906, just after his return Darkest Africa and other out-of-the- the city barely twenty-four hours, acfrom a tour of the world. These inter- way corners of the globe, while appar- cording to their own confession. This pines on his hands. They have kept him His past naval record, wholly free from most of the rancor and discord of the from a tour of the world. These inter-views are causing Colonel Bryan more ently overlooking a most fertile field fact should be remembered when the of patience, firmness and judgment. Either or less embarrassment, particularly as for their work in acquainting us with inevitable assault on the police force of them would have ben sufficient to strain

While the grand jury is in session nished by an interview with Mr. Bryan alluring julep and gallant champions it might pass a resolution commendwith the consciousness that it has made mistake for cynicism, and a sharp disin Baltimore last week, just prior to and preservers of personal "honor," ing the police of Omaha and of South the best of the republican situation. It will ciplinarian. He is exactly the tonic which but we seem to know but little of the Omaha for the good and efficient work have the consolation of knowing that the ence of the Methodist church. After real spirit of a people who can hold done in prompt apprehension of the admitting that he had announced his prayer meetings while they burn the perpetrators of recent murderous presented with great ability. Nor is any-

> The Douglas County Telephone comploy them simultaneously in arson vance. This is a rule that cuts both

> "Senator Robert Love Taylor's with their heads bowed, while their leader, speeches are always worth the price his masked face turned toward heaven, of admission," says the Washington

How to Live Long. New York Mail.

One way to live long is to purchase an question from discrimination between indi- this as the output of an unconscion- annuity. One of the factors in longevity is the will to live. An annuity gives a that book he most hotly denounced; and venerable citizen an object in life. Threatened men, pensioners, and annuitants live

Value of Experience.

Kansas City Times. Secretary Cortelyou is said to be "not his expressed views on railroad regu- is seeking to reduce production in averse" to being a candidate for vice presilation before the storm of indignant order to get even with the Tobacco dent, "though he is in no sense an active protest from democrats throughout trust, and have prayed with a farmer, didn't run the last republican campaign candidate for the place." Mr. Cortelyou the country, particularly from the after burning his warehouse and without learning the political vernacular.

Neglected to Whisper It. Indianapolis News.

Any accusations by one member of congress that another member has introduced a pension bill "for buncombe and political purposes," is not only discour- weakened into the party hack. The patri- lets and granges. very much like giving the snap away.

In the Short Grass. Cincinnati Enquirer. The democrats and republicans both have a few presidential candidates who were cavorting and diverting in the rich pasture lots a few months ago, but now they are

Pole-Fishing for Coin.

nibbling with ground teeth at little tufts

Chicago Inter Ocean. trip. He has come so near finding its sevdo any better.

> The East Catching On. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The senate has voted to allow \$5,000,000 for an Appalachian forest reserve and, if the house agree to it, the states east of the Mississippi will make a start in a field in which the transmississippi region is well advanced. Congratulations are due from the west with its fifty forest reserves.

Eastern Forest Reserves.

New York Tribune. It is encouraging to observe that the sional action, but can be brought about counted by the business men. Down- United States senate on Saturday passed without division a bill appropriating \$5,-000,000 for the acquisition of lands for the protection and regulation of navigable streams in New England and the southern which will be more or less prominent done. The advantage of a location is states. The measure is one which the presiin the coming campaign, with or with- its accessibility from the route of dent has urgently recommended, which the governments of the states interested these principles brings from time to strongly supports. It is hoped that the heartily approve and which public opinion time a change in the location of the house will quickly pass the bill and that it will become a law at this session of

Bank Receiver Achieves Fame.

Springfield Republican. There comes from western Kansas the remarkable story of a bank receivership which did not prove as bad or worse than Dr. Miller takes much pardonable a forced sale of the bankrupt assets on the great railway systems of the na- pride in the fulfillment of certain pre- the spot. The receiver in this case wound tion. This opinion is as general as dictions he made many years ago, up the receivership within three months. He returned to the depositors all their American bonds and railroad stocks spired by his faith in Omaha or was of their investment, and he put in a bill are held abroad and that a big share merely "flying his kite" matters not. for \$250, part of which was for expenses. slarmed by Congressman Hobson's of their earnings goes each year to He did prophesy much that has actu- The name of this receiver is not givenswell the coffers of foreign holders, ally taken place, and now finds his possibly to save him from violence at the hands of the receivership fraternity in the east, where the prevailing claims for the Steel trust and several of our big his visions. This is a satisfaction not wages are at the rate of \$100,000 a year, railroads, have served to throw a new given to many men, and no one will more or less, generally more, for terms of several years.

STREET RAILWAY DECISION.

Right of Munfcipalities to Exact s License Fee. Pittsburg Dispatch.

An important decision was rendered by the United States supreme court yesterday, opinion by Justice Day, affecting the right of cities to exact compensation from street railway companies. The case was one from St. Louis. The decision is not directly opposed to that of the Pennsylvania supreme court in the Pittsburg linear foot tax case, but has a bearing upon it. The supreme court sustains the St. Louis ordinance, which imposed upon the St. Louis Traction company a license of 1 mill upon each passenger carried during that The lower court held the ordinance to be

void. It argued that the power to take 1 mill from the companies, if granted, would imply the power to take more, and as Brooklyn Eagle (ind. dem.). serted "the contracts made when the char-The Eagle is not seeking to convey the ters were issued could not be altered by impression that there is much of a chance the city alone." Justice Day's opinion refor a democratic triumph this year, but verses this finding of the lower court. the Denver convention might as well ad-In effect, then, the decision of the sujourn without making a nomination as to preme court of the United States asserts place the Nebraskan in the field again the right and power of a municipality to Johnson might not be a winner, but Bryan exact a license fee, based upon the numis a sure loser. It is more than desirable ber of passengers carried, regardless of the that competition for the presidency should omission of such a provision from the be real, rather than nominal. One way to charter ordinance. It holds the city may insure a walkover is to nominate Bryan. impose this tax without the consent of the With Johnson, it will be at least a little street railway companies affected. It does different. not fix the limit of such an exaction, but it is pininly of the opinion that I mill for each passenger is not "confiscatory" in the

1912.

Baltimore American.

case of the St. Louis company. It might draw the line against 1 cent on each passing the passing contributions. Secretary late is in the passing contributions. Secretary late is in the passing contributions. The preme court rules on no matters that are not before it. It is probable, however, turned on in the beginning, there is small move which enabled the American governation of those in which the sength on one of those in which the onione is not one of those in which the onione in which the sength onione is not one of those in which the sength onione is not one of those in which the sength onione is not one of those in which the onione is not one of those in which the sength onione is not one of those in which the sength onione is not one of those in which the list wondering yet. Why the fates were so kind—that various councils will become active in danger of exposures coming to view later. case of the St. Louis company. It might states may be depended on to protect an increase of freight rates. The shops that various councils will become active in | danger of exposures coming to view later. | ment to call check.

COMMANDER OF THE PLEET.

ON PRESIDENTIAL FIRING LINE.

Candidates.

Taft as a Party Leader.

Brooklyn Eagle (ind. dem.),

rather than momentary impressions.

or done that was so extraordinary?

than transcripts from guide books.

study his book, "The First Battle."

credit given Watson.

motion.

In 1904 he did the very things which in

he utterly failed to follow the patriotic

course which he marked out for himself

A Big Man Needed.

Pittsburg Gazette (rep.).

It is no easy matter to convince the peo

Roosevelt on the ticket with Mckinley,

though he had asserted he wouldn't ac-

cept. And that precedent may dispose

candidates for the highest national honor,

all men of first rate ability, to look more

favorably on a nomination for second place

Bryanism in Pennsylvania.

Kansas City Star (ind.).

The loss of the Pennsylvania contest is

one of the hardest blows received by Mr.

Bryan in his present campaign. The im-

managers, for they made a most deter-

gation would probably be controlled in

favor of Judge Gray of Delaware, but cer-

agers because of the derision with which

they treated claims that the Pennsylvania

Impressions Will Keep.

Philadelphia Record (dem.).

It is gratifying to note that John A.

Johnson of Minnesota, made a strong im-

pression at the Washington conclave of

governors. He is a growing man-trusted

and esteemed by his own people, and be-

coming better known to other well-wishers

day by day. There is a great future for

the democratic party, and all democrats

should hall their Minnesota brother as a

dependable man who is ripe enough in

Mathematical Wonders.

New York Tribune (rep.).

Governor John A. Johnson has some won-

derful mathematicians on his staff of

boomers. Twenty-two delegates-those from

Minnesota-have been instructed for him.

1908, but who will be all the mellower

democrats would not instruct.

after the premier prize has been awarded.

Says Bryan Has Changed.

Tom Watson, in Jeffersonian Magazine.

the secretary.

Gossip and Comment on Prospective Admiral Sperry's Qualifications for an Important Task. Park Benjamin in New York Post.

By general consent, Admiral Sperry is the best naval tactician we have. He has instruction the Lackawanna railroad has William H. Taft is among the foremost filled the office of president of the War just published to its thousands of emmen of the day. Full use has ben made of college with notable ability, he is a thorployes a splendid sermon upon the value The latest fatal shooting in South his energy and capacity. In time of peace, ough student of the science of naval maneuvers, and a man of strong intellect, ex- a teration ought to be in the hands of supposed to be bereft of a moment to spare, cellent judgment and broad views. For every man and woman who comes in conanything akin to the spectacular, has been distinctly creditable. He has undertaken no work which has not been done well, and the resources of a mediocre man. Not quietly. He is a hater of display and newsall three combined have been too much for possessor of a mordant wit, which some So, the republican convention will adjourn the fleet needs after its recent debauch. But the task which he has undertaken is party has its best foot foremost. For nothing is surer than that its case will be far from an easy one. Unfortunately, he thing surer than that Taft, the candidate has less than two years of active service will make the best of all his opportunities. before him. Nor is his health especially He is the reverse of frothy. Resonant robust. No one knows better than he the platitudes are not included in his platform extreme importance of the practice of batstock in trade, but he is none the less an tle tactics-the mancuvering of squadron state ownership of railroads be prominent prayer and the torch, the Bible and in three rural communities, if the sub- effective pleader. And, just as it is certain against squadron, and how grossly it has been neglected. How he is to do anything intelligence rather than to the emotions, of the kind and at the same time meet so it is sure that he will create lasting the requirements of a junketing expedition is a problem for him full of trouble, and is a problem for him full of trouble, and one which most men, especially when forced for the first time at the close of a long and arduous career into a world-wide publicity, might well shrink from attempting it. It will be interesting to watch him tackie it—for tackie it he certainly will—and there will be results just in proportion to the extent that the Navy department.

Words are many things that you, with your trainant are many things that you. Now, as to Mr. Bryan-what has he said Herald, Just about. There is no charge The only thing that he ever said, in all tackle it-for tackle it he certainly willof H. G. Maddox. Flint Randall and for admission to the senate galleries, of his oceans of talk, that people remem- and there will be results just in proportion Maggie Tate, returning from a party in advertently intruded upon this assembly and were kept prisoners until the devotional exercises were concluded and the fire had been well started in the barn, when they were permitted to go on their way, and as of the selection of the selection of the selection of the extent that the Navy department to the extent that the Navy department that a kindly and gracious at the extent that the Navy department to the extent that the Navy department to the extent that the Navy department that a kindly and gracious at the extent that the Navy department to the extent t were permitted to go on their way, and as Omaha is lusty and lively, and that that will live? His "letters" from foreign tary of the navy can render of more value countries, syndicated by the newspapers, than minimizing the time to be wasted were in many instances not much more by the fleet in further "entertainments, preventing possibilities of interference by Let any man who would size up Mr. the bureaus, and simplifying the routine Bryan as a thinker, statesman, and leader relations of admiral and department.

> CONSUMPTION OF LUMBER. Duty on Common Lumber and Embargo on Home Building. Washington Post.

in the book. Between his present position Returns from 21,077 sawmills in the United and platform and that proclaimed in "The States show that for the year 1905 the out-First Battle" the difference is radical, irput of lumber, laths and shingles amounted to 37,940,987,000 feet board measure. How The Bryan of 1898 was a bold, brilliant, many mills made no return of their product enthusiastic tribune of the people-a Rienzi nobody knows. In addition, railroad stain eloquence, courage, and devotion to fistics compute that they laid the forest lofty ideal. In that year I could stifle my under contribution for 108,000,000 crossties. own feeling of humiliation, subordinating How much fuel the forest supplies the self-interest to patriotism, and stump Nehearthstone is a thing of impossible conbrasks for Bryan, successfully, adding to jecture. The effect of our prodigal conthe glory of Bryan, adding nothing to the sumption and vandal waste of timber is shown in a loss of \$100,000,000 in the Ohio But the Bryan of 1904, it was impossible valley alone in a single year, due to floods o defend, follow, or admire. The tribune that devastated cities, towns, villages, ham-

teous and unprofessional, but it sounds ofic reformer shrank into the calculating Canada has immense virgin forests, espolitician. "Party regularity" had to be timated as of eight times greater area than maintained, for Bryan's own future inter- ours; but the tariff on lumber tends to est. Popularity, eloquence, magnetic pres- shut that supply out of our markets. Only ence, personal influence, all had to be given a few days ago a single issue of a great to a cause which Bryan himself had said New York daily newspaper consumed mawas unworthy; and thus God-given talents terial that required the denuding of many and a glorious opportunity were misused in acres of forest before the paper was proorder that personal ambition should keep duced. We ought to get all our wood pulp its feet in the beaten road of political pro- from abroad, mostly from Canada, and the Chicago. Paper trust should be required to compete The time may come when some dauntless with all the world when given free raw and consecrated leader of the people will material.

have to wear a crown of thorns-but it will The wood schedule of the Dingley law Commander Robert Peary declares that not be W. J. Bryan. The time may come should be revised "up" and "down." Cabhe is sure to find the pole on his ninth when a heart-broken following may look inet woods-ebony, grandilla, lancewood, through the mist of weeping eyes and see mahogany, resewood and satinwood-now eral times that he ought to have the funds | their beloved champion nailed to the cross, on the free list, ought to be heavily taxed ever that there will be a stampede in a plan for the government ownership arately. This has had the result of which are necessary to help him to come but the victim will not be the orator of for the revenue they would yield. On the other hand, boards, planks, deals, laths, kind of a man Nicholson was. He said shingles, posts, railroad ties, pickets, palings, staves, barrels, boxes and other sin articles, now heavily taxed, should be admitted free, and in respect to them the alone." ple at large that as serious attention should tariff should be revised "down."

be given to the selection of a candidate | Many a man who builds a cabin on the for the vice presidency as for the first prairie has little money with which to pay office in the gift of the nation. They are taxes. Every man who buys mahogany or usually willing to leave the second place rosewood furniture has money in both pock on the ticket to the delegates. The im- ets with which to pay taxes. portance of naming only a man of first | Congress can do more in two hours to

rate ability for the vice presidency has "conserve" our forests by the revision of been demonstrated on a number of occa- the lumber schedule as we have here sugsions in American history. The wisdom of gested than twenty convocations of all the doing so was proven in the nomination of governors at the summons of the president.

DIGNITARIES AND PUBLICITY.

Proposed Organization of Governors Not Taken Seriously. St. Louis Republic.

proposed organization of the gov ernors of states holding annual meetings and assuming to represent all the states is not likely to be taken seriously by the governors themselves. Probably the name of "The House of Governors," already given derisively to such an organization, comes from some one of them with a sense of portance of the Pennsylvania issue seems humor. to have been fully realized by the Bryan Of course they have the right to meet as

mined fight to secure the instructions. If often as they please and can afford it. the unit rule should be applied at the Den- They can attend conventions in any part ver convention, the big Pennsylvania dele- of the country or hold conventions of their own. They can organize and have their private benevolent organization recognized as publicly as that of other useful private organizations of a benevolent character.

Such organizations are not outlawed by the tenth section of article one of the Constitution of the United States of the Constitution of the United States of the Constitution as ever got on the inside, and he declares there is no suspicion of graft in his office.

Well, he's right. Nobody does suspect there is graft in his office. Everybody knows it,"—Baltimore American. tainly against Mr. Bryan. The result is as publicly as that of other useful private the more humiliating to the Bryan man- organizations of a benevolent character. stitution of the United States, which declares that no state shall without the consent of congress enter into any agreement or compact with another state. On the contrary, this does no apply at all to the reliable actions of article one of the Contrary, this does no apply at all to the selfish men do not want to keep to themprivate actions of anyone, not even to governors of states. It would apply only or compact. It would outlaw a house of Press. governors. As notables and dignitaries,

> vately in the interests of publicity without waiting for the consent of congress. DID FLEET HELP THE TREATY.

> Naval Influence in the Game of Diplomacy. Detroit Free Press.

"Ready for a feast, a frolic or a fight, Minnesota—have been instructed for him. But his pad-and-pencii experts figure out that he has 389 delegates in sight and a chance to get 152 more. This is equal to the best work of those historic forecasters—ex-chairman "Jim" Griggs and James K.

Said Admiral Evans of the battleship fleet when it left Hampton Roads. California has provided the feast in abundance for the officers and the frolic for Jack Tar.

Two-thirds of the Evans forecast has been verified.

St. Louis Times.

And quite soft were her eyes, Which it might be inferred. That the girl was likewise, But in fact at a show for spring She would never have taken a said Admiral Evans of the battleship fleet

What of the other third? Fortunately, the danger of hostilities is less than it was last winter. There were ugly rumors then of impending trouble At last got her off in a corner with Japan. Michigan audiences heard In exactly the way she had planned. with Japan. Michigan audiences heard from government officials in February how anxious the days had been at Washington during the voyage around South America. Possibly we were nearer a war then than many people believed. That peril is past.

She sighed as girls can. When conditions are fair. And thrilled the young man. Who coed unto her there—He had something he wanted to tell As the maiden, perhaps, was awars. many people believed. That peril is past. While California was greeting the first an In a casual way arbitration treaty was being signed in She exposed to his view Washington with the mikado's representatives, which seems to have put all such furnors at rest.

And threatened to break it in two. arbitration treaty was being signed in

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Perhaps Admiral Evans was not talking at random when he used that trinity of expressions on the Atlantic. The game of fiplomacy is not one of those in which the at random when he used that trinity of Secretary Taft is in favor of full pub- expressions on the Atlantic. The game of

COURTEOUS EMPLOYES.

Valuable Asset in Every Walk of

Life. Kansas City Journal, In the guise of an official circular of of courtesy. The same document without world would be eliminated and the dawn of the millennium would be hastened.

One of the first and most irritating problems confronting public service corpaper notoriety. He is keen, shrewd, the porations is that of securing courteous employes who will make friends and not enemies of those with whom business is done. The surly, boorish and hot-tempered employe is not only as a rule a poor employe, but he is a positive detriment to the company that hires him. On the other hand, a man or woman representing a company increases in value as he or she smoothes the rough places of business intercourse and leaves a pleasant impression instead of a client or customer inflamed with anger and resentment.

After pointing out that the golden rule is really the true rule of courtesy, the Lackawanna circular continues:

In a highly complex and technical busi-ness such as that of the railroad there are many things that you, with your train-

PERSONAL NOTES.

Thaw's belief that his chances for freedom are not good is about his first symptom of sound mind.

Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia, 67 years of age, speaks Spanish fluently and has more railroad stock than any other senator.

Miss Jean Reid's bridesmalds, on the occasion of her wedding with John Hubert Ward, brother of the earl of Dudley, on June 23, will include Miss Bessie Crocker and Miss Mills and Mr. Ward's niegest, Lady Gladys Honor and Lady Morvyth Lillian Ward, the daughter of Lord Dud-

Mrs. E. L. Teape and her daughter, Mrs. Vera McKelvie of Sand Point, Idaho, have begun what probably will be the most remarkable automobile run of the year in the United States. Their objective point is Portland, Ore., and with favorable weather conditions they expect to complete the trip in eight weeks.

Rev. William W. Wilson, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church, Chicago, and president of the Chicago chapter of the Actors' Church Alliance, between the acts at Tuesday night's performance of "The Man from Home," at the Chicago Opera house, stepped to the front of the stage and in a brief speech expressed his appreciation of the play as an example of the clean drama. The performance was the 300th consecutive one in

On one occasion when Timothy Nicholson, who has recently retired from charity work at the age of 80 years, was heading the prosecution of illegal liquor selling in Richmond, Ind., the defendant was put on the witness stand and was asked, among other questions, if he was acquainted with Mr. Nicholson. Answer ing in the affirmative, he was asked what he was "a pretty good man, taking him a:together, and he would be a first-class fellow if he would only leave liquor

SMILING LINES.

They had been married seventeen years.
"If there ever was an utterly worthless travesty of a man you're it," she told him.
Six months later she was suing the railway company whose train had run over this worthless husband for \$25,000.—Cleveland Pain Design. and Plain Dealer.

"Have you availed yourself of the privilege of leap year?"
"No." answered Miss Cayenne. "I don't care to have a man tell me he will be a brother to me."—Washington Star.

Man with the Buiging Brow-How do you get so much satisfaction from watching a base ball game? It's no fun to me. Man with the Bulbous Nose—It's be-cause I have a judicial temperament. I don't care a darn which side wins.—Chi-

"Queer, wasn't it that Samson's power should have been in his hair?" "Oh, I don't know! Just a case of mane strength."—Baltimore American.

"You can't buy happiness," exclaimed the sentimentalist.
"No." answered the man who is sternly practical. "You can't buy happiness. And practical. "You can't buy happiness. And at the same time that fact doesn't imply that your comfort is enhanced by being broke."—Washington Star,

"What do you think? Binks is as crooked

"O!" sobbed the young wife," "George governors of states. It would apply only to outlaw any action which governors or other state officials in league, conference or convention might attempt to give the appearance of being an official agreement or compact. It would outlaw a house of however, they could still go on acting pri-

"Your honor," said the burgiar as he faced the judge, "think of my family. I have a wife and two daughters."
"And were they in need?"
"Need? Why, your honor, not one in the bunch had a Merry Widow hat."
The prosecuting atterney perceived that there was nothing doing.—Philadelphia

Press. THE BOLD BOY AND THE GIRL

Which she played a small game, And the boy took a har He murmured her name Rather fearfully, and

blewed.