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

It's fine for the crops, so don't grumble,

The ice man and the ice cream man can not agree on the outlook.

Mr. Groundhog has only two weeks more for undisturbed slumber.

Iowa has had three governors in two months. That's going some.

It is quite evident that the wool market at Omaha is cutting some ice.

There is always a protest every time congress or a legislature revokes a license to grab.

J. Worth Kern appears to have been a bigger man at Denver than at home in Indianapolis

Senator Tillman went to considerof the secret service men.

they were a few weeks ago.

Let us hope there will be no pension list for the injured in the war between the White House and the capitol.

Congressman Tawney says the government has over 3,000 spies at work. The fact must be disconcerting to erooks.

When Mr. Taft departs, Augusta, Ga., will disappear from the newspaper date lines as completely as has Oyster Bay.

England is about to abolish the office of censor of plays. The English sense of humor is showing symptoms of being alive.

statement of the law and the facts" United States and other powers, should be accompanied with a chart and a compass.

free gilver is still a throbbing, living fluence in Japan for many years. issue ought to induce "Coin" Harvey to come out of hiding.

Congress will certainly be peeved at the weather bureau if the weather at Washington does not clear up immediately after noon on March 4.

The Standard Oil company protests that it is being misrepresented in the ten years. public prints. In other words it has become the Slandered Oil company.

The temperance wave has hit the City of Mexico, where an ordinance has been passed fixing 600 feet as the minimum distance between saloons.

A St. Louis woman is seeking a divorce because her husband "makes a good, friendly manner and see how near never created even a ripple in the noise like a sawmill" when he is eating. Another breakfast food tragedy?

"No one with brains will kiss because of microbes," says a Chicago physician. No, the kissing is not done because of microbes but Terty" as of

Omaha has heroes to its police department and in its fire department- start their rounds next spring or there in fact, whenever a hero is needed Omaha has just the right man on the of Omaha to extend its municipal

Municipal home rule will have to be stretched to include the South Omaha

DIPLOMACY AND DOUBLE-DEALING. There is wrath in the imperial stantinople over the recent annexation the community, would be worth a cushioned seat. of the Turkish provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina to Austria, but it to Omaha, in the way of attracting happens that neither Russia nor capital and population and holding our or protest of the transaction. This is further enabling legislation is needed due to a little exposition of diplomatic it will have to come from the present on the dignity of congress. whipsawing, which is entertainingly in- legislature. teresting even to those who do not

of the powers in the troubled Balkans. The mixup dates back to the Berlin congress in 1878. After that treaty, Russia and Austria-Hungary entered into some secret agreement about the conduct of the two powers in Turkey. It has but recently developed that Russia agreed to enter no protest against Austria's annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in return for which concession Austria agreed to keep hands off in the row then on between Russia and Turkey. The two nations and other powers interested have been going along for thirty years with the impression that the integrity of the Turkish empire was guaranteed, by the terms of the Berlin agreement, and it has just been discovered that Russia and Austria have been engaged would do credit to a short-card expert

in a crooked gambling den. It now develops that on the same Austria also made a secret agreement with Turkey that its occupancy of Bosnia and Herzegovina would be only temporary and that Austria would aid Turkey, in an emergency, in preventing Russia from acquiring Turkish territory sufficient to furnish the czar's people an outlet through the Persian gulf to the Indian ocean. The present foreign minister of

Austria-Hungary justifies this duplicity by the statement that it was Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 51st day of December, 1908. ROBERT HUNTER, Notay Public. necessary to pacify the Turkish potentates and allow Austria to occupy Bosnia and Herzegovina until it could perfect its plans for the permanent taking over of those provinces and making them an integral part of the Austrian empire. Add to this honeycomb of secret diplomatic agreements the charge that Great Britain was a party to it by entering into a secret agreement with Turkey to resist Russian aggression and even the layman can appreciate the difficulties of the proposed convention to reaffirm the Berlin agreement. That treaty was violated both in spirit and letter from the day it was signed and there is no or reaffirmation of it would not share the same fate.

> FANNING JAPANESE PREJUDICE. The anti-Japanese sentiment in Cali-

fornia is causing a lot of trouble that threatens to nullify to a large degree the efforts of both American and Japanese statesmen to establish and cultivate friendly relations. Bills have been introduced in the California legislature forbidding the ownership of land and the attendance at public schools by Japanese in California and while the measures have not been able length to corroborate the report enacted into laws and probably will not be, the mere fact of their introduction has been accepted in Japan as an The Tennessee Night Riders are not evidence of unfriendliness on the part suffering as much from insomnia as of the United States to the Japanese and to Japan.

The annoying feature is the apparent inability of the Japanese to understand that such state action does not voice the sentiment of the United States government. The Japanese, accustomed to having all their laws and decrees coming direct from one central authority, refuse, or at least fail, to recognize the difference between state and federal legislation in this country. Tokio advices show that the opposition papers are denouncing the government of Japan for "falling into arms of a nation which at first opportunity not only shows its unfriendly spirit, but hungry Nebraska democrats to let

Japanese." The incident serves to direct attention again to the need of a way to desperate effort to assimilate them. The next "plain and untechnical make national treaties between the supreme within the several states. Refusal of our state authorities to live up to treaty obligations threatens Colonel Bryan's declaration that to hamper the exercise of American in-

> A CHANCE TO MAKE A GREAT CITY. OMAHA, Jan. 14 .- To the Editor of Th a chance to make a great city in Nebraska. next ten years. If South Omaha will not come in this year before the national census is taken Omaha will not want it with its heavy load of indebtedness for the next

All that is needed at the present time is to get the right parties together and an agreement can be arrived at in short order and the conditions put in a bill and passed unanimously. Two-thirds of the leading other session, men of South Omaha, who were opposed to consolidation four years ago, and two years

ago, are now in favor of it. Let the mayor and council of Omaha invite the mayor and council of South Omaha to come and talk the matter over in a they can come to an agreement.

MICHAEL LEE. In this letter former Representative Lee, who was an active promoter of the merger law passed by the last legislature, makes a suggestion that is at least worth considering. If Omaha and South Omaha are soon to become one great city the consolidation must be completed before the census takers will be no special incentive on the part from the hog. He might be a little boundaries for another five or ten

Whatever advantage Omaha would derive from consolidation would come could not have pulled down better park commissioners, who are still ap- from the rank and rating secured committee assignments if the board pointed by six nonresident district through the census figures, which fix had been made up entirely of demo-Omaha's relative position as compared crats instead of a majority of them | deed.

great deal to South Omaha, as well as

APPROVING PANAMA PLANS. Five members of congress just returned from a trip of inspection of the Panama canal have gone on record as being perfectly satisfied that the government is pursuing the proper policy in sticking to the lock canal pattern and that there is no reason for a change of plans or for complaint about the progress of the work.

This report is not conclusive, by any means, as the congressmen are not engineers and not posted on details of such enterprises, but it is significant because four of the party, prior to the visit, were advocating the sea-level plan. Having had the details of the government's plans fully explained to them by Colonel Goethals, in charge of the work, they return converted. Mr. Taft is going to Panama soon with a in some secret diplomatic stunts that body of expert engineers, whose report will determine whether any change is the meantime it is encouraging to questionable? day that this agreement was signed, learn that congressmen who were disposed to find fault with the conditions on the isthmus have become convinced, after personal investigation and inspection, that the government is going ahead along the right lines.

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT!

1. Up to January 1, this year, the Water board, with its auxiliaries and subordinates, had cost the taxpayers of Omaha \$97,638 in actual money drawn out of the city treasury.

Of this the salaries of the Water board members and employes aggregate \$21,945, the lawyers had drawn \$53,895.51, engineers and experts had taken \$12,919.86, court costs, including stenographers printing briefs, witness fees, etc., added at least \$6,000. The whole \$97,638 has been spent in five years and the \$53,895.51 absorbed by the lawyers is simply part payment for legal services for which the full bill is yet to be rendered.

It would take a searching expedition to find out what substantial or lasting benefit the taxpayers of Omaha have gotten for their \$97,638. The immereason to believe that any amendment diate and compulsory purchase of the water works seems to be as far off as at the start, but we have accumulated a multitudinous bunch of expensive law suits that are making the lawyers on both sides rich.

If it has cost us \$97,638 up to January 1, 1909, to get as far as we have got, how much will it cost to get pos-

session of the water works! What are we going to do about it?

Mr. Bryan's campaign literature on deposit guaranty will now have to be the farmer to come in and get his money, the bank receiver will have to tell the insistent farmer to come back some time next month.

Mr. Bryan says there could be no panic if we had guaranty of bank de-He also said that there would be no panies if we had free silver. He is gradually edging up to the point of insisting that there will be no panics to intervene and would be reasonably enif we have no panics.

Governor Lilley of Connecticut refuses to resign his position as repreonly get himself elected senator and secure a place in the cabinet he could start an office trust on his own hook.

It is altogether too much to expect in the manger. even denies equal opportunity to the four fat jobs carrying the title of supreme judge and a salary of \$4,500 a year get past them without making a

> Summed up, Senator Tiliman's defense is that he committed no crime in trying to get some railroad lands from the government at bargain prices and that, if it was a crime Mr. Harriman is guilty of a greater one.

The "ethical marriage," in which the couple merely accept each other as Bee: This year the democratic party has husband and wife, is reported to be gaining in popularity in New York. It is the last chance there will be for the It will, of course, be followed by the ethical divorce.

Over 35,000 bills are pending in congress. The country will be glad to know that most of them, something in excess of 34,500, have no chance of being enacted into law at this or any

cials who lost their jobs by collision with the Nebraska land fencing cases White House. In his message to the Missouri legislature Governor Folk recommended the disfranchisement of voters who re-

themselves. An eminent Boston scientist is trying to prove that man has descended more complimentary by claiming that man has ascended from the hog.

The democrats on the county board

with other cities for the ensuing ten elected as republicans. No one has years. To go into the 1910 census discovered the democratic majority of household at St. Petersburg and burn- with a Greater Omaha, embracing all the city council stepping aside to let ing indignation in the palace at Con- the population that really makes up the republican minority occupy the

President Roosevelt has granted the battleships permission to race home Turkey can make any open complaint own against trade competition. If any from Europe. Some one is certain to a navy 10 per cent greater than the twodiscover in that order another attack power plan, involving an expenditure this

> The disinterested citizen who has mail sack has some trouble in getting excited over the row between the president and congress.

Every democratic member of Omaha's city council is laying wires for re-election. Such willingness for self-sacrifice is a virtue that should be its own reward.

The strangest part of all is that Mr. Bryan should have kept so studiously away from Indianapolis, where he might have lent a helping hand to poor Mr. Kern.

#### That's the Question.

St. Paul Pioneer Press. Congressmen think it is an awful thing to let secret service agents shadow a member of the legislative branch of the government, thus intimidating him and striking terror to his heart. How much terror New York Times draws a vivid picture of is it possible to strike to the heart of a to be made in the canal plans, but in congressman who has been doing nothing the shorn autocrat of the empire. Abdul's

Compressed Air Bouncer.

Philadelphia Record. A western inventor proposes a new application of the compressed air used on railway trains for setting the brakes and reducing the speed of movement. He would obstructive persons off the tracks. If trolley cars and automobiles were provided tolerable for pedestrians.

#### A Pickwickian Rebuke.

It will be impossible for this section of and power are fast dying. As a matter stow a timid slap upon the wrist of an extremely live person.

For the house "rebuke" is entirely Pickwicklan. The lower chamber may sternly knows that it actually has received the message and has talked of nothing else for

THE LATEST ON STATE'S RIGHTS Ohio's Governor Makes a Few Remarks on the Subject.

New York Tribune. Governor Harmon of Ohio in his inaugural address urged the maintenance of state rights and said that the chief reason of the states to exercise them and to do their full duty toward the changing conditions of affairs. We must, he said, make the state governments more broadly useful. and he added that hope of betterment revised. Instead of telephoning to sprang from the marked renewal of active

> It will be recalled that some time ago similar ideas were expressed by the president and by Secretary Root. The propositions were made that certain things were essential for the welfare of the people; that primarily they might pertain to the functions of the state governments, but that the state governments were neglecting or refusing to do them and that if the state governments continued to fall to do them the federal government would have

titled to take that courte. sentative in congress. If he could Mr. Harmon says about "the unsatisfac- as the head of the Mohammedan faith will tidiousness which is one of his dominating

New England Talks of Making Show of One or Both. Boston Transcript. The New England Homestead has made

the tentative suggestion that a big corn exposition be held in New England some time next fall to show the farmers of this proposition encouraging responses have ome in from presidents of agricultural colleges, directors of experiment stations and prominent farmers. President Butterfield of the State college favors the idea, and asks why we cannot "combine the corn exposition and the apple show? Why divide energies?" Progident Hopson of the Connecticut Plant Breeders' association is enthusiastic for it and would ignore everything but corn. "Corn is king here," he says, "and I believe it is possible with its increased culture profitably to eliminate a large part of the \$11,000,000 we in Connecticut annually pay for western grain." Such an exposition would be interesting and perhaps stimulating. Much less corn is raised in New England than forty or fifty years ago. That is true of about every all but crushes industry and stagnates enother crop except hay. At the same time So far as can be learned the fulmiwhile corn is undoubtedly king, the country nations of the displaced federal offiover, this section is one of its weakest principalities. Its culture involves so much more hard work than in the western states that competition is not hopeful even with respect to a supply for home consumption, though at present prices there is more encouragement than usual to undertake its cultivation on a comparatively extended scale. The soil is fairly responsive under good tillage, but over most of the area the use of machinery in caring for the crop is fuse to vote. It would seem that votnot very feasible, and the difficulty in seers who refuse to vote disfranchise curing help aggravates the problem. Why not combine the corn exposition with the apple show, as President Butterfelld pro-With respect to hardly any other crop

is New England so favorably circumreturns with no labor at all except gathering the fruit. In spite of neglect they struggle to bless their owner. With decent treatment they would prove a blessing inOTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

Serious divisions in the British cabinet

are given currency by London correspondents. Some writers predict an early rupture and the retirement of Winston Spencer Churchill, president of the Board of Trade and David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer. Militarism is at the bottom o the dissension. Premier Asquith demands year of \$60,000,000 for six warships of the Dreadnaught type. Mr. Haldane, secretary of state for war, insists on a largely increased and more efficient army, on never stolen public land nor robbed a test will banish the fears of invasion aroused by Lord Roberts' speech. Churchill and Lloyd-George denounce the policy of their colleagues as militarism, entirely out of harmony with liberal principles. Other difficulties troop in the wake of the main one. The ministry faces a deficit of about \$100,000,000, and the problem of meeting that huge sum taxes the ingenuity of the chancellor of the exchequer without the addition of new burdens. "We are within measurable distance of a £209,000,000 budget," says the London Saturday Review Twenty years ago the national expenditure was £87,000,000." Increased expenses and increased taxation, the latter at least inevitable, coming on top of severe industrial and commercial presents a prospect which would prompt stronger and wiser ministry to Meanwhile, in expectation of a loan, British consols are selling around 84.

An American, who enjoyed the rare priv-

ilege of witnessing the historic scenes attending the opening of the new Turkish parliament December 17, in a letter to the hour had struck. July 24, 1908, when forced to sign the decree restering the constitution. The later spectacle merely empha sized his knell of doom. "The silence of death fell on the crowded room," says the correspondent, "when Abdul Hamid entered. With his best form, his booked nose, his ashy face, his faded overcont, and have a connection made with the air tanks his tottering steps, the old padishah rethat would enable the engineer to blow sembled a perfect Shylock on the stage. Despite his dyed beard, he looks his full 68 years, even in his carriage, but when with a compressed air retort capable by walking, or, rather, shuffling about, he proper discharge of clearing a way by this looks twenty years older. Among the offihurricane method it might make life more class where he was scated he exhibited the pathetic hesitancy of an old man whose hearing is not good and whose mental apparatus is rusty. It was a supreme his torical moment, but the chief actor cannot be said to have cut an imposing figure he United States to take the "rebuke" of He is imposing only by his crimes. This the president by the senate or the house cunning, narrow minded old man, who has with all the seriousness and excitement so much innocent blood upon his head, which seemed to attend it in the capital. | was now for the first time facing his mas-Washington has a pleasant way of losing ters. He seemed rather to be facing his sight of the true proportion of things judges. He looked like a prisoner on the whenever it does anything in which it is dock rather than a ruler blessing his peospecially interested. In this case it ap- ple. He seemed to fear corpses would rise pears to think that it has administered the up before his eyes and denounce him up de grace to a president whose term When the padishah turned his eyes in my direction, involuntarily I shuddered, for of fact it has done nothing more than be- these were the eyes that gloated over the severed and pickled head of Midhat Pasha, this was the man who had employed 50,000 up its September elections and fall into spies in Constantinople alone, who had refuse to receive the secret service message pearances among people who had come to first Tuesday after the first Monday in grueling fight over it.—Washington Herfloating in the Bosphorus."

An American commercial traveler on his first business trip to Europe writes to a Dalias. Two charters were submitted to the friend in New York about his experience of the road" in the old world. "I want to tell the boys who go on the road in our beloved country," he writes, "that theirs a city council. The result showed 1,381 for precedents.—Philadelphia Ledger. friend in New York about his experience is a life of unalloyed bilss, one continuous votes for the commission plan, and only round of pleasure, in comparison with that 784 votes for the council charter. of the drummers on this side of the big and get along with our own language. One would have to be a first-class linguist to do justice to one-tenth of that territory here. I met a drummer in Budapest who figure a mark at Z cents, that is not what by well-defined steps from premise to conone might call without fear of contradiction a 'princely stipend.'

speculation in the Berlin dispatch announcing an understanding between the pretation of law." British and Turkish governments for mutual protection. It is said the former will cribed to genius, is a certain peevishness Harmon's school of politics, who charged give active diplomatic support to the Turk- when he comes in contact with minds less the president with trying to override state ish government in its controversies with assured in their processes and less capable rights. They will do well to consider what European powers, and in return the sultan than his own. In the senate a certain fasand the "lack of timely attention" from which they have suffered. It is not to be presumed that rational men will insist upon making state rights the rights of the dog in the manger.

India to support British rule there. The agreement is characteristic. Long experiments are accordingly by the control of the manger.

India to support British rule there. The agreement is characteristic. Long experiments agreement is characteristic. Long experiments are unning cross-fire of argument. On the infrequent occasions of his speches they are carefully prepared in advance and read to the senate. Mr. Knox of the land war in Ireland a quarter of a always asks that he he not interpretate. tory character" of the state governments use his influence with the priesthood in traits has kept the prospective secretary century ago how British diplomacy ex- the course of his "remarks." erted through Rome influences that for a The personality of the secretary of state. Do each one you can, and your friends while antagonized the Land league and to-be is not known to any large number of seriously retarded its progress, and not un- public men in Washington. Mr. Knox til Irishmen retaliated by passing up the chooses his friends with the careful distil Irishmen retaliated by passing up the chooses his friends with the careful dispeter's pence collection was Rome induced to keep hands off. An understanding with case he is a rare teller of good stories and control of the course of the careful dispeters. If you know you will not be found out. Don't stop at a meanness that's hidden within. Great Britain in some form is of great delightfully companionable. In his daily importance to Turkey, strengthening the section what can still be done here in the hands of the new government and stiffencultivation of this native staple. To this ing the Ottoman backbone in the impending settlement of the Balkan dispute,

Japan is paying the price of being a world power. Prof. McClintock of the Uni versity of Chicago, who has been investigating conditions there, says the cost of living is very high, and the people are complaining of the huge war debt. "The government owns the railroads, telegraphs and telephone lines, and the business mer declare that the experiment has not been successful." The times are hard and suicides more common than ever before. Al though the government scaled its expenses and is economizing in every direction, the huge war debt and its high interest charge coupled with the burden assumed in taking over public utilities, make a load that terprise. The Gaelic league and the Sinn Fein

party in Ireland threaten to knock into amithereens the new Irish university project unless instruction in the Irish language is made compulsory at the start. The new chancellor, Archbishop Walsh, and the senate of the university are striving to convince the malcontents that insistence on knowledge of Gaelic as a requisite of admission would deprive the university of many promising students. For the present it is considered sufficient to make Gaelic on optional study.

Anticipating Better Times. Boston Herald.

Coincidently with the recommendation in favor of raising the salaries of the presistanced for competition with any other part dent, the vice-president and the speaker of the country as in apple raising. For the of the house comes the recommendation amount of labor involved no product of the of the senate judiciary committee in favor farm yields so profitable a return. For the of a fifty per cent increase of salaries for most part the apple orchards make their judges of the United States district courts and for an approximate increase for circuit judges and judges of the supreme court. Evidently congress is anticipating better times ahead when higher salaries can be easily afforded

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#### POLITICAL DRIFT.

Mr. Hadley is the first republican governor Missouri has had since 1871. Senator Culberson of Texas is laboring nder the impression that the senate is the whole works,"

Zapala county tails the alphabetical roll of Texas counties, but it is the peach of The county just boasts of 429 fullfledged American citizens, every ne of whom voted for Taft.

John W. Kern of Indiana who lost out in the senatorial scramble is well seasoned to political defeats. His few winnings have been on the tips of Tom Taggart. When the active editors of the Commones the Outlook and La Follette's Weekly get their pens in action later in the year, public interest in the weekly press will lie away up in "G,"

The proposed increase in the salaries of Chicago councilman-from \$1,500 to \$2,500omes effective with the incoming spring ouncil. Members of the present council who anticipate re-election are already reconciled to the coming change. The street cleaning commissioner of New

York City says he doesn't need a special appropriation of \$130,000, and asks that the money be turned back into the treasury. The action of the commissioner dazes the big town and raises doubts as to the man's The governor of Maine, in his inaugural

address, recommends that the state give up its September elections and fall into that two of the nurses quarreled over the line with the rest of the country in choos-Austin, the capital city of Texas, is to join the commission-governed cities of that formed state, which include Galveston, Houston and

STUDY OF SENATOR KNOX.

Possess Two Attributes of

Gentus. New York Evening Post Mr. Knox has two attributes of genius. was selling for a German concern. Besides | He has to a marked degree the ability to German, he had to speak several of the get at the heart of a problem and to set Siavonic tongues, and when he made his forth simply, lucidly, clearly and in ortrips to Switzerland and Italy he had to derly array the essentials of an involved, speak Italian as well. Worst of all, after complicated, entangled and generally mudmany years of work, this man was making died up case or proposition. The proabout 3,000 marks a year, and, when you cesses of his mind are orderly and advance clusion. His intellectuals at work give out light without heat; a steady, clear, constant light marred by no sputterings or meteoric There is likely to be more truth than flashes. It has been described as a light "in which it is easy to read assured inter-

Mr. Knox's other attribute, usually as-

walk he is not austere, but no one saw another senator, or anybody else, clap ilm jovially on the back and hall him as 'Phil." Mr. Knox looks more like a French or Italian churchman, whose avocation was liplomacy and statecraft, than an American senator. There is shrewdness in the distinctive droop of his keen eyes. His face is an immobile mask which effectually conceals his thought.

#### A SMILE OR TWO.

"Everybody says confidence is restured," reflected Uncle Allen Sparks, "and I suppose it is, but I notice that the manufacture of cash registers still keeps a whole town busy."—Chicago Tribuna.

"What you farmers want is uplifting." said the statesman.
"That's right," answered Farmer Corn-tossel. "I've got a grand plane, steam heat and a private gas plant. All we want now is an elevator in the house."—Wash-insten Star ington Star.

Elderly Customer-Can you tell my for-Enterly Customer—Can you tell my for-tune, madam?"

Fortune Teller (looking at his hand)— Gracious heaven, ne! Nobody could do it. But it can tell your past, sir. You are an old time base ball catcher.—Chicago Tribune.

"The tenants in my flat have been com "What do they complain about? Her singing?"
"No; her late suppers."—Cleveland Plain

Standard Oil philanthropists had been in-'hat they need not pay a certain fine of \$29,000,000.
"But, your honor," said their lawyers, respectfully, "does your righteous decision

"Bo your daughter has broken off her engagement. I thought you and your wife were so pleased with the match—that he was such a fine young fellow."
"Bo he is, but there was nothing else to do. Our cook didn't like him."—Baltimore American.

"Yes, he has had quite a varied expe

ence. He began his artistic career by painting a sign for a livery stable."
"Indeed!"
"Then he climbed steadily. Have you seen his latest and best work?" What is it? "It's a calendar for a book beer brewer." -Cleveland Leader.

Baltimore American. Do what you like in this practical world,

LESSON OF THE TIME.

Provided you don't get found out; Let your edges of conscience get very much But be careful you don't get found out. Be sure you keep all your appearances right, However black inside, the outside is white, Make everything levely which shows in the light, Which is easy while you're not found

A name for strict honesty, rugged and straight, A name which nobody finds out,

with your foes, But don't let the former find out; And never mind fonor—go as the tide goes, The one crime, is getting found out.

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