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

Farewell to the Rough Riders; hail to the sons of Eli.

On their way down the eggs met the price of flour going up.

member of the Ananias club

The ship subsidy bill will now returned to the pigeonhole again.

Oyster Bay will make the most of its opportunities for a couple of weeks.

Mr. Taft has returned the compliment to Mr. Roosevelt, and honors are even.

The hogfish is announced as a sign of spring. The fish hog is another

from the ring with a shade the best of free trader will find fault with Presiit in the Brownsville bout.

After all, the inaugural parade at Washington is a tame show compared

with the Ak-Sar-Ben displays. Mr. Taft will begin discovering today that the office-seekers are not de-

nying themselves during Lent. Among the other signs of spring. the municipal candidates are budding

on the sunny side of the streets. Mr. Bryan denies the report that he is going on the stage. He knows an-

other way of getting a long run.

it is just as well to take chances. "How to Find Your Affinity" is the

lose your affinity is more to the point. The Chicago Board of Trade members seem to have an idea that the

President Taft is a charter member of the Optimists' club. He is over the weight limit allowed for the pessimist class.

The testimony offered at Nashville appears to offer rather conclusive evidence that former Senator Carmack is dead.

The May wheat that is selling for \$1.26 a bushel is not the kind you eat, but the kind you sell when you haven't

The first fish story of the season is to the effect that a copy of Izaak Walton's "Complext Angler" has sold for \$4,000.

The ninety-nine-inch bed-sheet almost a fact accomplished in Nebrasks, which shows that the legislature did not meet in valu.

There need be no worry over Mr Roosevelt's future. When he returns from Africa he will find a very encouraging Outlook awaiting him.

Spring does not begin with March, but, according to calendar schedule, will arrive just before daylight on March 21. Room for winter to do considerable lingering before that date.

Governor Shallenberger ought not to have any trouble in balancing be- in some deal in the matter of the crea- tion. tween the "Jacks" and the "Jims." His double-ended stunt during the transfer of the French Panama Canal campaign should fit him for any sort of side-stepping-

### President Taft's Message.

Direct and frank in perfect keep ing with the character of the man, President Taft takes advantage of his first official opportunity to notify the American people that the "Roosevelt policies" are to be observed and pushed to their logical conclusion by the new administration. The opening paragraph of his inaugural address, after the mere preliminary verbiage, contains the declaration:

I have had the honor to be one of the advisers of my distinguished predecessor and as such, to hold up his hands in the reforms he has initiated. I should be untrue to myself, to my promises and to the declarations of the party platform upon which I was elected to office if I did not make the maintenance and enforcement of those reforms a most important feature of my administration. They were directed to the suppression of the lawlessness and abuses of power of the great combinations of capital invested in railroads and in industrial enterprises carrying on interstate

Had President Taft concluded his inaugural address with that statement the country would have been content to leave the rest in his hands. The nation demanded the reforms urged by Mr. Roosevelt. Many of them havebeen accomplished or put in the way of accomplishment, and President Taft's assurance that there shall be no turning back from the program serves as full and significant notice to the opponents of the Roosevelt reforms and comes as a welcome assurance to their supporters and champions. President Taft goes further and pledges himself and his adminis-39,320 tration to further legislation designed 39,310 to make the reforms inaugurated by his predecessor even more effective and lasting. To this end he promises recommendations to the congress in regular session in December looking to the amendment of the anti-trust law, the enlargement of the scope of the Interstate Commerce commission- and Subscribed in my presence and sworn to other changes looking to co-operation of the various government agencies for the purpose of securing a more rapid enforcement of the laws relating to trusts and to enterprises connected with interstate commerce.

On the subject of tariff revision, to be made the special order of business for the extra session to be convened on March 15, the president is specific and direct in his urgent recommendation that the Dingley schedules should be radically overhauled to meet the changed business and industrial conditions. He declares in favor of a maximum and minimum tariff which shall The groundhog is the one surviving adjust the duties in such manner "as to afford to labor and to all industries in this country, whether of the farm, be mine or factory, protection by tariff equal to the cost of production abroad and the cost of protection here." This, in essence, will give the American manufacturer and producer the protection needed against foreign competime, making foreign competition pos sible when combinations or trusts attempt to control the output in any line for the purpose of advancing prices to their own enrichment and the hurt Anyway, Senator Foraker retires of the consumer. None but a factious dent Taft's recommendations on the tariff.

Extended reference to President Taft's position on other matters before congress and the people is unnecessary. He favors a strong, compact and effective standing army nucleus, a navy commensurate with the nation's needs and position in the by them being such as to attract busiworld's affairs, an intelligent policy of ness most readily. conservation of forests and natural resources, a foreign policy favoring uni-A physician says that blowing the adoption of a postal savings system, be achieved is yet to be decided, but nose is apt to cause deafness. Still, the prosecution of work on the Panimprovement of the conditions of the portance. title of a magazine article. How to whole people.

President Taft takes occasion to say education and natural development sprung at their expense. and not by law-defying methods. .

On the labor question President Taft reiterates his position taken as a candidate and emphasizes the neces- posits.-Bryan's Commoner, sity of upholding the existing laws and rights, without creating a privileged

Altogether the message is one of comforting reassurance to the American people, a promise that the reform work so well begun under Theodore Roosevelt shall reach its perfect conlasting beneficial results under the ud- just commenced. ministration of President Taft.

# A New Ananias Club.

President Obaldia of Panama has shown the stuff that is in him. He is clearly a fighter and a plain talker. Some speeches were made in congress recently in which the president of the republic of Panama was charged, by clined appointment as assistant secreinference at least, with having been tary of state preferring to remain in mixed up with William Nelson Crom- the newspaper business. The real well and other distinguished citizens newspaper man does not court demotion of the Panama republic and the company to the United States. A re- is as potent in Washington as it was

reached Panama and was conveyed to not hesitate at all. It was too late to respond in person to answer the charge and the mails could not be trusted to get his reply in Washington before the death of congress on March . So President Obaldia hastened to

the cable office and rushed this cable gram to a citizen of Washington: I have reformed my belief regarding the espectability of members of the American ongress. Among them are llars-indecent

and ignorant in a superlative degree. Any congressman who feels lone some over the breaking up of Washington chapter No. 1 of the Ananias club may get a demerit card and be transferred to the Panama branch by making his wishes known to President Obaldia.

### The Brownsville Incident.

Senator Foraker goes out of public life with the credit of having finally secured the enactment of a law by which the members of the Twentyfifth infantry, who were discharged by President Roosevelt for alleged complicity in the shooting-up of Brownsville several years ago, may secure their vindication and reinstatement. The bill passed by congress provides that members of the discharged bat talion may apply individually to board, to be appointed by President Taft. The board shall be composed of army officers and their report may exonerate the ex-soldier of the charge of being implicated in the shooting. If this is done and the soldier is allowed to re-enlist, he will be entitled to his back pay.

If Senator Foreger was induced to make his fight for the negro soldiers in order to embarrass Mr. Taft who was then secretary of war and a candidate for the republican presidential nomination, his calculations woefully ture's task of choosing a successor to Sen miscarried. The republicans of the ator Depew at about that time country sized the Brownsville incident up as a local issue and not a national affair, and Senator Foraker fell by the wayside in the political fight. If he took up the fight, in which he made many bitter enemies, from a belief that a wrong had been committed, he will find much consolation in his final victory, for his is the credit for the enactment of the new law. If any injustice has been done the negro members of the regiment stationed at Brownsville at the time of the shooting, the ways are now open to have such injustice corrected.

### Interurban Railways.

The incorporation of another interurban line thate promises to make Omaha one of its terminal points brings again to attention the fact that Omaha has lagged far behind in this phase of urban development. The lines that have been projected from time to time during the last decade or longer have never gotten far be- disposal \$55,000 a year, additional to his sixty-four more largery convictions than provides for practically immediate paytition, maintaining the high standard youd the promissory point. One was salary of \$50,000, for use in part or whole, the year before. Secretary Koenig blames, ment of the depositors of the failed bank. of American wages and, at the same developed to the point of securing according to his discretion, for traveling it on the hard times. Of the total number The measure is admitted privately by right of way and doing a large amount of grading, but for years nothing has been done on it.

It is not easy to understand what construction of electric lines radiating from Omaha and connecting the nearby towns. Such lines have been built elsewhere in the country in communities much smaller and of considerably less importance than Omaha. having attached the surrounding territory by a network of electric lines. These have almost uniformly been found profitable, the service afforded

All who have studied the problem deeply have agreed that Omaha would versal peace, but demanding individual be greatly benefited by such a system. respect, the enlargement of the fed- and the general impression is that its with steam in them around him. It is a eral jurisdiction to the enforcement of operation could be made profitable. It treaty obligations within the states, a only remains to secure capital and reform of the monetary system, the build the lines. Whether this will ever ama canal and the advancement of all the region immediately surrounding enterprises designed for the ultimate the city increases in wealth and im-

The do-nothing Water board is deto the south, in his inaugural message, nied the consolation of an endorsewhat he has said in numerous ad- ment from the Real Estate exchange. dresses since his election last Novem- It may some day become apparent to farmers are all busy husking corn in ber. He offers every encouragement the water-logged statesman, who is York. to the southern people to begin voting responsible for the existence of that and thinking independently, losing moribund body that his mistake was sectional and race prejudice and tak- made at the beginning and has been ing an active and potential part in na- growing larger ever since. The peotional affairs. He warns them at the ple who have paid the bills, and are same time that the fifteenth amend- still paying enormous sums for the ment never will be repealed and that sport of the Water board, fall to see the negro question must be solved by the humor in the numerous jokes

The failing of a few more dishenest bankers might have a tendency to lessen the demand, and the need, for guaranty of de

In other words, the enforcement of passing any new ones that may be the existing laws would remove the needed to protect laborers in their need of another law that does not promise to furnish the relief that is needed.

The unreliability of the Washington climate may be responsible for postponing some of the spectacular features of the inauguration, but it cansummation in actual achievement and not seriously affect the administration

With all its imperfections the dem-

law. Those who voted for it say they

do not know if it will work, but it

looks like something and they let it go at that. John Callan O'Laughlin has de-

If "Banker Jim" Latta's checkbook

he makes as a new member will not the president of the republic. He did long be held against him in congressional circles. "Banker Jim" may not know all the rules of the game, but he knows when to loosen up.

> Congress refused to enable the country to forget the Maine. It would be fine if some concern would steal the hulk some dark night and get away with it.

The United States paid \$1,125 an acre for its possession in the Panama canal zone: Land is worth almost as much down there as it is in the Nebraska corn belt.

The Square Mealers have elected The Square Meal club knows how to raise the price.

The Steel trust is not anxious to book orders at the present prices. The trust probably feels that the less it sells just now the more it won't lose.

Official statement from Washington is that while Miss Ethel Roosevelt may be an engaging young woman, she is not an engaged young woman. The home rulers down at Lincoln

achieved in the bank guaranty law. Dr. Wiley is still protesting against the use benzoate of soda in food. Dr. Wiley has a peculiar notion that pure

food should be pure.

### Dreary Outlok for Bosses.

Boston Transcript. New York politicians are nutting together the president's announcement that he will be back in about sighteen months to take an active part in politics, with the legisla-

### Corn Fattens the Farmers.

St. Louis Republic. Something like an economic revolution is threatened when our great corn crop, now hogs that sell at \$6 the hundred pounds. It looks as if the American farmer was reaching out to become the plutocrat of the world.

### Jamming In the Moral Sense.

Baltimore American Now the supreme court of the United States has denied a rehearing to a western railroad sentenced to pay a heavy rebate fine. To make rebates very expensive, and keep them so, is about the best way of making them unpopular. In time, a big, round fine is much more expeditious.

# Salary Uplift Checked.

Springfield Republican. Even though the sundry civil appropriation bill carries a presidential salary item of \$75,000, Mr. Taft will be little or no better provided for in this respect than Mr. Roosevelt has been for a year or two. In this time the president has had at his expenses. Now the \$25,000 travel fund is of burglaries 715 were reported from New influence has operated to prevent the clais, which had gained such promising headway earlier in the session. It is just as well, considering the low state of the public treasury and the hard times among taxpayers.

# ROOSEVELT YOUNG AT 50.

Retains the Energy and Enthusiasm

of Youth. The Interpreter in American Magazine Roosevelt is the youngest man of 50 have ever seen. The half century hasn't bowed him down since I first saw him twenty-eight years ago, in the national convention with his "fighting face" turned suddenly toward a delegate from the District of Columbia who had had the temerity to dispute him. He is young himself and safe bet that he had rather spend an evening with a lot of boys in an athletic club discussing the relative merits of the straight left and right swing than chatting with somebody from the Smithsonian institution on the paleontological evidences of evolution. And, funny thing about it, he

does both. I think he goes out of office with mixed feelings. It is not all regret nor all elation. But it is largely regret. In his own phrase, he has had a good time in the White House. But it hasn't all been pleasant. It hasn't been easy to attack in messages and sae in the courts men with whom he had been brought up as a boy in New

But on the whole he has had fun, and certainly he has made fun for most of us and a whole lot of nervous excitement for the rest. I don't want to Jakeriis him, but feel that he will be missed, and I am quite sure that when he takes his gun in his hand and dives into the forest there will be an almost universal shout of: "Goodbye, Teddy, take keer of yourself."

# WHEAT GROWERS' TRUST.

The trust-busters must get to work in

Nebraska Story Provokes an Editorial Leslie's Weekley

Nebraska. A recent dispatch from Hastings announces that the wheat growers of Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma, in which section one-third of the winter wheat crop of the country is produced, have formed an association to advance and maintain the price of winter wheat. All the members signed a pledge not to sell their next year's crop except at prices to be fixed by the association. Two thousand wheat growers have joined in a pledge to put up the price of wheat, and we presume that every one these members feels that he is justified in getting as good a price for his crops as he possibly can. But what would be said if wheat was produced by a corporation and the fatter combined its interests in ocrats have passed the bank guaranty three different states, controlling one-third of the output to put up prices and maintain them at high prices? How long before the attorney general of the United States, with the Big Stick behind him. would be raising a rumpus over this paipable violation of the Sherman anti-trust law? What delight a judge of Landis stripe would take in imposing a fine of \$29,000,000 on the offenders! How many of the farmers in the new prospective association just organised in Nebraska have joined in the outery against the railways and the corporations which have been accused of violating the anti-trust-law? After a perport of the speeches in congress in the Third Nebraska, the mistakes change their minds regarding it.

# Around New York

Ripples on the Current of Life as Seen in the Great American Metropolis from Day to Day.

A mock duel with pistols and wax bullets was the unique stunt pulled off in the presence of a large crowd in the New York Athletic club a few nights ago. The shoot ing irons and the bullets were brough from Paris by James Murray, an American fencing master, who was one of the prin ipals in the exhibition. Each of the prin cipuls donned a black robe and adjusted a wire head mask, fitted with an oblong piece of thick plate glass, to protect the eyes, nose and mouth. All the conditions of a genuine duel were in evidence, and the scene was strikingly realistic. At a signal officers and appointed committees, the two men, back to back, stepped out and refuse to endorse any candidates. ten paces, and then, facing about, took deliberate aim at each other and fired One bullet struck the left side of the member's headplece, and the other hit Murray over the small ribs on the right side, causing him to flinch ever so little at the mo ment of the impact. Several of the members then tried their skill with the pistols, which have a light steel shield inclosing the hand and trigger guard, to protect the hand from a shot coming toward the shooter. It is the intention to introduce pool matches with dueling platols loaded with these wax bullets.

Thanks to the personal instruction and are trying to get together now with about as much prospect as they East Thirty-first street. Mr. Fletcher is amendment as quickly as the election of a palace in Venice, the beautiful and bis- vote as possible toric Palazzo Saltante, and in New York the Waldorf had been his home until he moved lately to the Phipps tenement, a missionary to spread his gospel of masti- direct vote of the people. It is intended cation where it will do the most good. solely to help out democratic minorities in

> The man of millions-the strong man who has been spending his time in going to the mastication.

"There is no reason why two people cannot live, and live well, on \$6 a week," he tisen to between 2,500,000,000 and 3,000,000,000 says, "if they will learn how to get the sushels a year, is becoming too dear in most out of the food which such an inprice to be used profitably in fattening come will permit them to buy. Mastication means the difference between starvation and comfortable living for the great mass of the people. If I can reach the real tenement dwellers and show them how to live. I shall consider this the most useful winter of my life."

Criminal statistics, compiled by Secretary of State Koenig from the records of county clerks throughout New York state for submission to the legislature, show an increase during 1968 of 1,822 convictions for moral sense will govern the case; but a crimes over the figures for the preceding year. The number in 1908 was 7,354, as mittee has finally formulated a bill for against 5,529 in 1907. During the same the guarantee of bank deposits and introperiod there has been a noticeable falling duced it in the house on the day of Mr. off in arrests and convictions for intoxication. In 1907 18,475 persons were sent to many democrats assert that the bill is not prison for drunkenness. Last year 17,779

were imprisoned for that offense. There were 1.775 convictions for burglary a guarantee fund of 1 per cent of the gross and 1,439 for larceny in the entire state deposits of the banks, leaves the guarantee last year. This is 604 more burglaries and in the banks from which it is raised and merged into the salary from which the York, 274 from Brooklyn and 222 from Brie president must meet his transportation county. Erle county shows 1,138 women duced into the senate by Myers of Rock costs. So fails the whole movement for convicted of crime. New York comes next county, but bearing the democratic brand salary increases among high federal offi- with 580; Monroe reports 306, and Kings will no doubt take precedence over the county (Brooklyn) only 233.

Nearly all trades and professions, from will cost the banks of Pawnee county actor to wreatler, are represented in the in the neighborhood of \$12,000 the first convictions. The reports show that eleven year. actors and two actresses were convicted.

There was an odd scene in the aldermanic chamber at New Rochelle, which was used as a court room Thursday of last week. when the center of the room was transformed into a cockpit to show a jury how a main which was raided by the police was fought at a New Rochelle saloon. Paul K. Kohn of Mount Vernon, agent for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, was placed on trial on the and qualify in January, 1911. charge of being a spectator. The jury

brought in a verdict of guilty, and Kohn In order to demonstrate to the jurymen how the fight between the birds was carried on, the cockpit captured at the raid was set up in the middle of the court room. Among the exhibits were a number of spurs with which the fighters were loaded twenty-five dress suit cases, in which the birds were carried to New Rochelle to fight for the championships of Westchester county; a dead bird, which was found in the blood-smeared pit, and a one-eyed cock, the champion of Westchester county, were also brought into the court room, and it was the latter bird which killed the one that was found dead.

During the trial the bird crowed lustily and several times interrupted the proceed-

New York City is now conducting a ho tel, one of the largest in the world. It cost \$425,000 and accommodates 1,000 guests. It has two physicians, baths and the best of sanitary precautions; the health of its patrons is more carefully guarded than at the most costly private hotels. The building is fireproof. The menu is excellent. though limited. And everything is free.

To this size and degree of careful detail has grown the city lodging-house, which is itself an outgrowth of the unsanitary old police station lodgings. Yet it is for the noment pitifully inadequate. The city is confronted with a serious problem in the work and cannot find it. The fact that many of them have come from other places in the vain hope of finding employment makes little difference in the nature of the

An alert woman who enjoys a taxicab, but suspects the fare-indicator because of one or two disagreeable experiences, managed recently to get even with the machines for their exactions. She was on her way to a concert, and the falling rain had made the asphalt slippery, so when the driver attempted to round a corner the wheels skidded. Just what was the matter with the car it would be hard to say, but at any rate, its progress was arrested.

"Young man," exclaimed the passenger turn down that flag. Turn down that flag. I say! Do you think I'm going to pay for all the miles you're going around this

And the chauffeur turned down the flag until, after stopping his engine, he had found the source of the trouble and started

#### Needless Worry. Washington Herald

Some people are worrying for fear M: ing sickness" in Africa. If they even sonal experience with that hasty and ill- catch him napping over there, they will untrived piece of legislation, they may do more than anybody has ever been able to do 'a this country.

# OREGON PLAN AND GUARANTY.

Tekamah Journal: The Nebraska legislature, from a democratic standpoint, is ready to wish Bryan and his bank guarentee plank were out of existence. There is many a democrat scratching his head and thinking just what it were best to do

in the matter/ Nebraska City Press: During the last campaign we were treated to long discourses telling how simple and easy it would be to guarantee the bank deposits and how quickly such a law would be enacted when he democratic legislature got into power. Patiently have we walted this long time and the members seem to have found out that simple and easy does not apply to this question at all. Great financial talkers seem to be small financial law-

Tecumseh Journal: Every democratio member of the legislature knows just what kind of guaranty law was promised in the last campaign. It is up to the lawmakers now to do that which was promised and stop higeling and haggling over the fringe, so to speak. This main thing is to make a limited annual assessment to create a fund to make good any losses by failed banks, is a simple business proposition. The fine work is by those who are, in fact, opposed to such a law.

Grand Island Independent: To oppose the Oregon plan of electing United States senators at this time in order to provide a better method by way of a constitutional amendment is, in our humble opinion, to oppose the direct election of United States senator entirely. If the argument is sinexample of Horace Fletcher, the world's cerely offered, the men making it are, we master masticator, the chew-chew game is confidently assert, making a mistake. Nothepidemic in the Phipps model tenement in ing will bring about a constitutional a millionaire several times over; he has United States senate as nearly by popular

Kearney Hub: A few republican newspa pers endorse the Oregon plan for the election of United States senators. Their apwhere he permits himself the extravagance proval is misplaced. It is not at all a fair of a five-room apartment. He is there as test of the proposition to elect senators by "What I want to reach is the children of republican states of the north. But how the poor," he says in an interview in the far does any advocate of the system think it will work-as it worked in Oregon-in most any one of the southern states? It at 58 surpassed the best efforts of Yale's is a democratic confidence game pure and athletes-who might be living in a palace, simple, just as the open primary for the nomination of partisan candidates is put real tenements and preaching his gospel of up purely to serve a democratic partisan purpose.

Beatrice Express: The Oregon plan of electing United States senators passed the senate yesterday on a strict party vote. Thus every democrat voted for it and every republican against it. If there were any possibility that the measure contained real merit and absolute fairness to all political parties it would look as though a few republicans would have voted for it. Truth is, it opens the way for defeating the choice of a party leader for United States senator, who represents the popular political belief of a state. It might not work, as it did in Oregon, but there would be a chance for it and that is evidently the in tention.

Pawnee Republican: After seven weeks of strenuous effort and the final employment of a \$300 lawyer, the banking comwhat they want they reluctantly admit that it is the best they can do. It collects Myers bill. If the bill becomes a law it

#### Some Losses and Gains. New York Tribune.

The democratic party in Oregon, while gaining a United States senator through the election of George E. Chamberlain, will lose a governor. Mr. Chamberlain's resignation of the governorship promotes to that office the secretary of state. Mr. Frank W. Benson, who is a republican. He will serve until a new governor shall be elected

# Health on the Battle Fleet.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. During the cruise around the world the nortality among the men, accidents included, was only a sixth of the average in cities. The figures show the care with which recruits are now selected.

### PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Charter members of the Ananias club may now enter Washington without being

tagged. Washington might profitably emulate Mahomet and move west where decent weather is a permanent institution.

The surviving black body servant of Boss Tweed, shows due sense of fitness in applying to Richard Croker for assistance. Of the nine members of President Taft's cabinet only two allow the ramor full away. Six wear mustaches and the seventh sticks to the full beard of Adam.

The prize specimen of optimism now current is the conviction expressed by the Chinese regency that "ultimately Japan will give up its foothold in Corea."

Hugh Graham, publisher of the Montreal Star, is one of the leading citizens of Canada who were honored by their soy ereign during the past year with knight-

South Carolina saloons are to be tightly closed for two weeks preceding a liquor election. The liquor interests will thus have the benefit of an unprecedented thirst

Mrs. Catherine W. McCulloch of Evans ton. Ill., said to be the only woman justice of the peace in this country, astonished the Society of Anthropology at a recent meeting by denouncing Adam as a loafer. She declared that Eve was the mother of all the arts and sciences, and by data which carried her back to the paloeolithic age she sought to prove that woman was the originator of most of the good things in the world.

### PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

Reporter-How shall I handle this mad City Editor-Make It snappy.-Puck.

"He is a man of few mords."
"Yes, and they are; 'What is t
for me?" "Detroit Free Press.

"Do you know what I'd do it I were a white rhinoceros?" "No." I'd roll in the mud."-Cleveland Plain

"Uncle Bruno, why is it that your people increase so much faster than the white people do?"
"'Deed, I dunno, boss, onless it's 'cause dah's mo' of us bawn."—Chicago Tribune. Nell-I'm afraid Mr. Guszler had too much

Belle—What makes you think so Nell—When the charlotte russe was served he tried to blow the froth off—Phila-

Messenger Boy-Does yer boss object to yer putting yer feet on de desk and smok-Boy-Naw; he tells me to do it Messenger Boy—An' when is dat?
Office Boy—When his creditors are due.
He wants 'em to think he is out.—Chicago tometimes.

"Ah, madame," said the French maid, "lettle Fido weell not eat ze bonbons."
"That dear, intelligent, little doggie!" exclaimed Mrs. Smellmar. "There must be something wrong with those bonbons. Yvette. Give them to the children."—Catholic Standard and Times.

olic Standard and Times. "Did you ever know a fellow who was

"Yep."
"I's true. He was the living skeleton in a sideshow, and got \$150 a week for it."

Cleveland Leader. Two small boys had strayed in the mummy room of a certain museum. "Wot's these?" said one.
"Them's guys wot's bin dead a long time, answered the other.
"And wot's the letter, 'B. C. 14,' over the guy in the corner?" 'Guess that's the number of the automobile wot run over the poor Bohemian Magazine.

# THE CALL OF THE WEST.

Saturday Evening Post

lures, it draws, it beckons, with an through the stress and strain I hear it calling, calling, "Come back to your own again!"

The hasy blue of the mountains: the waft of the prairie scent,
The easy swing of the saddle, which lulls to a calm content.
The sky for a roof above you, the green The sky for a roof above you, the green for your tired eyes,
And the calling, calling backard to the life that satisfies.
With all of the earth's wild freedom, with all of the way to go,
With nothing to fret or harass, with room for friend and foe,
With a smile from the eyes that love you, a word for your ear alone,
And the voices calling, calling, "Come

a word for your ear alone, the voices calling, calling, "Come back, come back to your own!" And day by day as I listen I feel that my

And day by day as I hatel I lead will grows weak.

The tug at my heart-strings atrengthens and draws, till I fain would seek

Far, far in the hazy distance, fine path that I trod of yore.

Which leads to the voices calling. "Come back to your own once more!"



# A Clean Cut

To wind up the fall business and give the Spring business a start, we have taken all the broken lines of Cravenettes and lightweight Overcoats and have made a cut in price that is sure to close them out.

They are all our own make and formerly sold from \$18 to \$25. Friday and Saturday, your choice-

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There are 48 Cravenettes-84 Overcoats-50 Suits-Friday and



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