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Notary Public.

The month of March, this year, has none the better of the month of April.

Having finished blasting ice at Niagara, it will be the turn of the ice man next.

Western league season has opened and it didn't wait until the next day to snow.

There may be some satisfaction in the fact the weather man is not handing us the worst he has in stock.

Judging from the statements of the Omaha banks, there is no need of the services of a financial doctor here.

When the news from Constantinonie reaches Abdul Hamid he may readily understand how lucky he has been.

compelled to set aside a day to work.

Two San Francisco club men have been called upon to explain the disappearance of \$70,000. Wonder if the kitty got it.

Because the Wisconsin legislature refused to grant any dam franchises is no proof that there was no swearing in the corporation camp.

Governor Shallenberger is said to have played Hamlet once upon a time. He has played something else since being elected governor.

When an incoming ship at New police, presumably it was a "fly cop" who was detailed to answer.

state whether the fall woke him up.

A Camden girl has been fined for hugging and kissing a lawyer. That grouch when he filed the complaint.

Casual reading of our amiable democratic contemporary will convince anyone that the editor of The Bee is again running for every office on the

has evolved a plant which will produce both alcohol and sugar, what a bonanza his discovery will prove in

dry towns.

Thanks to the late democratic legislature, the Home for the Friendless must live up to its name, since no money was provided for its maintenance.

An orator from South Omaha is vociferating reasons why Mayor "Jim" and his democratic associates in the Omaha city hall should be re-elected. More home rule.

The local democratic organ and the three democratic scuators from Dougplatform promises.

Jimocrats would have to revise their pleasing to them. campaign methods.

in washing to support him

Omaha a Money Center.

An analysis of the latest tional bank statements cannot but be gratifying to those concerned in the growth and progress of The call of the comptroller was totally unexpected at this time and the showing, therefore, is that of an assuredly normal condition, for the banks had no time to put their posed. It was only a few years ago that Omaha was pluming itself that one of its banks showed deposits exceeding the ten million mark, but three of them have now passed that figure by a most substantial margin and the total deposits of the national banks are in excess of \$54,000.000. with an increase of \$4,790,000 since the February statement and \$6,424,-000 over one year ago.

weekly clearing house reports, the bank statements are a most reliable man to run for office. index of the business conditions of the business passes through the local banks. Measured by either or both standards the comparison will stand against any other section of the country of equal population. The soundness of the agricultural and industrial pursuits of the west as wealth producers.

Prosperity Straws.

The steel trust and all the large in-

dependent producers, who together hold the key to the steel market, have announced an advance in price. A short time ago these same manufacturers reduced the price and on almost every hand it was predicted that further concessions were bound to come before the trade could resume its wonted activity. The reduction, however, brought out such large orders as Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 1st day of April, 1909.

M. P. WALLEER. to demonstrate that consumers had only been waiting for such an opportunity to resume construction. These orders have furnished a basis for the steel mills to work steadily for some time to come and the warning of the present advance, it is confidently expected, will uncover still more orders held in aboyance for more favorable

> Another most encouraging feature is the amount and character of the to be entirely competent to fill the imports for the month of March. The place. He has served in a subordinate total shows an increase of \$53,000,000 | capacity in the city clerk's office and as compared with last year, and a cor- has learned the routine of the work respondingly large amount over the performed there. He is active and month of February. The character of alert and when elected may be dethese imports is even more encourag- pended on to attend strictly to busiing than the volume. The increase is ness. Mr. Greenleaf showed his popupractically all represented by raw or larity by winning out in the republicanpartially manufactured materials for primary against two of the strongest use in the industries, the amount of candidates who ever went to the front manufactured goods being practically in competition for that office and the the same as during the previous same vote-getting ability then dismonth. Nothing but a revival of in- played ought to make him a sure windustry and an increase in purchasing ner at the coming election when he and consuming capacity could pro- goes up against the present democratic duce such a result.

Where America Leads.

The farmer in America has been notoriously behind the farmer in Europe The latest is "Raisin Day." If this in making the most of his opportunithing keeps up people will soon be ties. With a virgin soil he has drawn against the future until the yields have commenced to decrease, while the farmer of Europe has raised more per acre on naturally poorer land which has been farmed for centuries. The thoughtful and farseeing in America have taken note of the inevitable result and with characteristic energy have set to work to solve the problems of the future, science being far in advance of its practical adoption.

So great have been the achievements of our scientific agriculturists and plant breeders that they have attracted the attention of foreign governments, which are continually sending their experts over here to observe York used the wireless to summon the and study the work. Germany is particularly active in this direction, every year detailing men of the highest attainments to visit the United States. A Texas man fell three stories while there now being a party of this kind asleep, but for some unaccountable starting in with the eastern agriculreason the telegraphic dispatch fails to tural schools and intending to work

their way west. The American farmer has been partially aroused, but if he does not keep moving the European will take advan- bean from which a liquor is made as soon as he does.

Where the Money Goes.

OMAHA, April 19, 1909.-To the Editor of The Bee: It is being talked around Labor Temple that if we vote the water bonds and pay over \$6,250,000 for water works would put money in circulation here? A WORKINGMAN.

Whatever purchase price is paid for the water works will go to its owners, and if we pay over the \$6,263,295.49 it will practically all of it go to eastern investors, as very few of the securities are held here. It is hardly likely that the owners of the water works, if they receive their money, will send it back to Omaha for reinvestment. While some of them doubtiess do business in Wall street, to call all "Wall street speculators" is scarcely fair, ex- ment to change that we can think of cept that they are naturally looking for the most profitable returns on their investment and regard a sale of their property at the appraised valuation as They are in court now trying to force completion of the sale, and, as we have If the city election were next full already said, if voting the bonds brings instead of this spring and after the them nearer to their money nothing lid-closing law went into effect, the could be done that would be more

As to extensions, the present proposed issue of \$6,500,000 in bonds is and its people by travel west and south. law relief which has prevailed in the king-A Milwaukee lecturer declares that to be but the starting point. More A number of presidents since the close of dom for sixty years. One of the recom- people are eating wheat bread in place of any man who works hard is a fool bonds will have to be voted to pay for the war have done it. The phrase 'swing- mendations is abolition of the work house, eve. barley and special some reare age The Milwaukee man may be right, but the extensions and other necessary imit isn't every man's wife who will take provements. How much will depend

plated. It has been estimated, for example, that to build a filtering plant alone would take from \$800,000 to \$1,000,000. Neither does the present issue of water bonds contemplate providing money to pay off accrued hydrant rental, which already amounts to \$500,000. Another issue of bonds distinctly setting forth this purpose will have to be voted, so the statement a correct that practically none of the money going in payment for the water works under the appraisement of \$6,263,295.49 is to stay in Omaha.

Colorado's Election Experiment.

The legislature of Colorado, which recently adjourned, embarked in a new field in dealing with elections, by enacting a law under whose terms the state is to pay the campaign expenses of all parties, in the expectation that Taken in connection with the this will put a stop to corrupt elections and make it possible for a poor

Its sponsors admit the law is an experiment which was passed in an effort to do away with an intolerable condition in that state. So far as its pura campaign, it should aid in a material degree, though it will never solve the ness of the banks reflects the sound- difficulty entirely. The state pays only for the operation of the legitimate party machinery, the printing of tickets, hall rent and other necessary campaign expenses. The personal expenses of the candidate, such as traveling, board and loss of employment, which are as inseparable from a campaign as the others, must still be borne by the man who seeks office.

The central idea of the Colorado law is to purify elections, yet it would how it will accomplish this. The field is still open to the corruptionist and the money which is expended for such statements of the candidates. same old opportunities and the same incentive for corrupt use of money remain. The slow development of a purified public sentiment and an incorruptible electorate are the only sure preventives of the evils decried.

Greenleaf for City Clerk.

The republican nominee for city clerk, Sam K. Greenleaf, is conceded city clerk.

No one need worry about the prorunning for city engineer on the regineers, whose doors open only to men in high standing in their profession. Mr. Craig's memberahip rests on his experience and ability in designing and constructing municipal public works. His democratic opponent is a member of the same society, but his membership rests on his experience as a bridge

An English newspaper bewails the fact that there are no great poets, either in that country or in America. Just wait until our spring crop has been fully harvested. The season is a little backward, but the budding poetical genius has suffered no serious damage as yet.

And now we are assured that Mayor Jim" did a lot of hard pioneer work on the frontier. No question about it. He doubtless put in long midnight perspiring labor breaking the faro bank between roundups.

Texas has forbidden the traffic in a lawyer must have had a terrible tage of American scientific research which acts like a mixture of whisky and cocaine. The average Texan is bad enough when impregnated with straight whisky and the combination is too strong.

> with the battleship fleet and found the so, how are we going to build the exten- and filned in Boston for walking on the sions we have been waiting for and which grass. Boston is getting fussy in its old age

> > Shining Unnamed.

Take due notice that among the speil sinders of the United States senate a new star has arisen from the west

Persetual Motion. Even if we should change our canal lans and make it a sca-level affair, i rilla's mouth. And that blessed consum-

Downfall of a Standpatter. Chicago Record-Herald.

question of Mayor "Jim's" fidelity to a most desirable price to dispose of it. always winners. Other gentlemen who make billiles of the state servant, protecting was larger it. inder such paintul conditions

President Taft is within good precedent labor by men eminent in several callings. Andy Johnson's journeylug, with its dis- place of it the commission arges special the increase in consumption amounted creditable episodes, should gain a new alg. institutions for the alck, the aged, the isomore bushels annually. In ten years on what improvements are contem- nificance in these trips.

In Other Lands Side Lights on What is Frans. piring Among the Mear and Far Mations of the Earth.

The swift change of rulers and scenes in Turkey during the last ten days opens up rich vein of diplomatic speculation. From Hamid II to Mehmed V in a giant stride for constitutional government in Turkey and the east. The walled prisoner at Saloniki represents the doom of autocracy His successor overflows with the spirit of the Young Turks, who now control the destines of the empire. Time alone will measure the fruits of the victory. What is of pressing diplomatic interests is the bear ing of the change of Turkish rulers on the balance power of Europe. Will it occasion a few more discords in the concert of the powers? What division of the powers will have a controlling pull with Sultar Mehmed? A sutisfactory answer would command prize money at any of the chancellories. When the Young Turks seized the reins of power last July the belief was widely expressed that Great Britain and its allies were in close touch with the reformers. Subsequent events failed to con firm the belief. On the contrary events ended to confirm a distinct leaning toward he allied powers of Germany and Austria. The refusal of Turkey to become a party to a demonstration against the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria substantially aided in the consummation of the extension of Teutonic power into the heart of the Balkans. If this abstention is not a clear indication of intent, the conceded dominance of German power in Central Europe can hardly fail to impress i self on the new occupant of the Yildiz Austria is pushing a railroad to Saloniki and the sea, an enterprise that makes increased trade relations. Germany s financing a railroad through Asiatic Furkey with protected tempinials on the Perusian gulf. The future influence of these enterprises and the close trade relations they will foster, foreshadow the dominating influence of the Dreibund in the looked-for uplift of the Ottoman empire. best efforts of humane people.

An official announcement from the French minister of justice shows that the iquidation of church property in France. taken over under the law of separation of church and state, has resulted in a lump sum of nearly \$100,000,000. Considerable of the total has been absorbed by the lawyers time. and courts. The balance will be handed over to the communes, to be funder for poor relief. Bishop's palaces will be turned nto high schools for boys and girls, technical schools and museums. Communes are to dispose of the manses as they thing fit, The artistic properties are to remain in the possession of the church, but under the safekeeping of the civil authority. All the churches are dally open as beretofore for belfries as of old.

lowest figure in thirty years, the total beyears, and notes with evident satisfaction greased. that the exhausting streams of former years have been reduced to a ripple. The ilgh tide was reached in 1881 when 20,000 persons left the Patherland. Since then the number steadily decreased, until the low point of 1908. The report does not bear out the claim of German emigration to South America in sufficient numbers to have any particular effect on the native population. Out of last year's total only 1.900 went to other countries other than North America. The natural increase of the population of Germany last year was fessional abilities of George W. Craig. 500,000 mouls. consequently Germany lost by emigration about 2 per cent of its increase of population. The uplift of the publican ticket. He is a member of nation in all lines of activity in the last the American Society of Civil En- twenty years have made opportunities in the Fatherland as attractive to the in dustrious and ambitious as any land undethe sun.

Sydney Brooks, London correspondent of American papers, has taken to task a number of editors from New York to San Francisco, who are prone to scoff at the "blessings of English rule in India." Mr. Brooks insists that the blessings are all wool and a yard wide, and only the obtuse and ungrateful native Indians refuse to accept them at par value. An illustration of some of the "blessings" conferred on the natives is given by Charles Cawley of Bombay, in an interview in the Baltimore American. "When I first went to the orient," he says, "the women of the upper class commonly owned and wore thick chains and bracelets of the finest gold and of exquisite workmanship. In these times of pinching poverty they are too reduced financially to possess any expensive ornaments, and instead of the gold trinkets of their affluent days they now wear cheap plated or imitation stuff they would formerly have despised. It is pitiable to witness, as I have, the decline in the fortunes hours with his old friend Maybray at of the people. Abject poverty everywhere, and the gaunt spectre of starvation is ever at the side of millions of human beings in that ill-fated land.

An admirable representative of "a proud and fearless race" is E. T. Bethel, pugnacious British editor whose pen Jabs so irritated the Japanese overlords at Seoul, Korea, that they succeeded through a on the charge of sedition and sending him to jail at Shanghai for six months. While in jail a Shanghai paper published some A sailor who went around the world libelous matter about him. Upon his re-If it be true that Luther Burbank go to Wall street speculators. If that is door open everywhere, was arrested prove the charges in court and was obliged much greater than he could have earned with his paper in the same time. With this bunch of Shanghal money in his pocket and his pen overflowing with wrath. Bethel is back in Seoul, pumping hot stuff inauspicious hours of the early morn thinkinto the Japa. Nothing short of a knife ing about them thrust in some vital part will shut off the hot air compressor with which Bethel is working overtime.

A recent manifesto issued by the United Association of French Civil Servants detalls the principal grievances which provoked the strike of last March, and are as probably would not stop M. Bunau-Va- yet unsettled Briefly stated, the griev ances relate to the system of favoritism mation would be the only possible induce- and nepotism woven into the public service by French politicians, whereby merit is at a discount and political activity a prize winner. It is the spoils system in an ag-Abdul Hamid has found out that the that what the association desires is a law standput and let-us-alone policies are not clearly defining the rights and responsi- the same as that of the year before and een supporters of those policies are pretty him against intelerable abuses of power sure presently to make discoveries similar by ministers and members of Parliament. to that which the suitan has just made. The association represents 100.000 employes the figures to suggest a severe scarcity of the state.

The report of the British Royal commis-

The grape illustration is to remind the

reader of the fact that this healthful

fruit gives to Royal its active and

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Norman Mack's democratic magazine is o be decorated with a portrait of Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson is charged with being a democrat, but he has been dead a long

Some Texans are wondering what they will be no occasion for perplexity,

no heed to the suggestion that he is ripe | before a new harvest will begin. enough to adorn private life. If the sugservices. The bells toll and chime in the gestion was conveyed to him by a bunch of lively Young Turks, perhaps-but what the use? New York is not Saloniki.

Pittsburg congratulates itself on the strength of its moral uplift, which has ing 18,900. The quarterly report of the secured the seventh conviction in the statistics of the empire, a reliable and municipal graft cases. The last victim is thority, traces the rise and fall of the em- H. M. Bolger, who solicited the money with pire's emigration tides for a number of which the wheels of legislation were

The recall mayor of Los Angeles is danger of getting his neck in the recall halter. According to reports from the capital of the ozone belt, the mayor found the city civil service commission an effective road roller, responsible only to the contractors' push button. As an exemplar of civic purity the mayor could not tolerate discrimination at the pie counter and sent the commission and the road roller to the political junk pile. The mayor proposes constructing a machine of his own design, whereat the bounced roar and threaten

UNCONGENIAL BEDFELLOWS.

Party Lines Somewhat Shaken by Tariff Revision. Washington Post.

In a democratic house of representatives largely democratic-in 1884, Samuel J. Randall, of imperious will and consum mate leadership, could muster but fortytwo of his party to vote to strike out the enacting clause of the Morrison bill of the Forty-eighth congress. The Randall forces were less than one-fourth his party.

How is it now in a republican congress in the consideration of the Payne bill no less than 162 democrats voted for protection, against sixty-eight who kent the fail -that is to say, the 102 were for protection for their districts and opposed to i in other districts. The late David Turple in debate with the late Senstor Mitchell of Oregon, hazarded the opinion: "You can't run a government on conundrums: but how are you going to run a party by extorting protection for what you have to sell and demanding free trade in that you have to buy? It is easier to make a government out of conundrums-if you had a Socrates to boss it.

How can a democrat from Florida, who demands protection for curus fruits, refuse protection when asked for by a re publican from Massachusetts for a kit o mackerel? How can a Texan, who vote for protection for wool, refuse the Yankee, who makes blankets, protection for his product? And so through the chapter. If it is sound doctrine to protect one thing, it is equally wise legislation to grant protection to everything. The late Tom Ewing of Ohio was a fine democrat, and for a British consular court in convicting him tariff for revenue mainly on everything but salt, and he made an Ingenious, it specious, argument to the effect that sait is a prime necessity of life, and if we allowed sait from Turks Island to come lease the Shanghai publisher failed to in free, it would dry up all our soit wells. and in time of war we would be at the mercy of the enemy with a navy strong enough to blockade our ports.

But, then the republicans have their insurgents, too, and the sentor senator from Rhode Island is walking the floor at

If all the sheep were separated from all the goats in both parties, there would be found a lot of strange and new bed fellows.

WHEAT STATISTIC.

Increased Production Exceeds Increase in Consumption.

Philadelphia Record. Beerboom's computation of the world's wheat crops shows that the crop of last year was only an infinitesimal amount below that of the year before. It was de ficient by a somewhat larger margin con gravated form. The manifesto declares pared with the crops of 1906, 1906 and 1906. but as the crop of last year was practically a the average of the past decade by 550 moves bushels, or more than 12 per cent, there is nothing on the face of and prices approaching the famine standard.

Of course, the consumption is increasing sion a document representing three-years. The world's population is growing, and while a great many people are assuring its in his desire to learn more of the country sounds the doom of the system of poor- that the poor are growing poorer the well established commercial fact is that more ing round the virile. which grew out of that diesded assium of the destitute In eminent wheat authorities computed that young and the mentally feeble, a national the increase, then, would be 188,000,980. To

chief ingredient. From the grape BAKING POWDER derives those prime qualities which make it unique as a raisingagent, a favorite with all who desire the finest, most healthful food. Royal is the only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar system of labor exchanges, with labor col- make a comparison over a ten years' in-POINTED PLEASANTRIES.

onies for men without work, and detention terval as fair as possible we will average colonies for vagrants. By this system of three years at the beginning and end of segregation it will be possible to deal with the period. The average production, then, of a new auto? "Why he had each class of unfortunates effectively, and for the years 1886-7-8 was 2.545,000,000 bushdiminish the odium attached to the work- els. and for the years 1906-7-8 it was 2.254. house. Official statistics show that in 000,000. Here is an increase of 709,000,000 January last the number of paupers in bushels, so that even if the estimated in-England and Wales was \$50,000, the high-creased need of 16,000,000 bushels annually est since 1881. The successful solution of a is too low the increased production has problem of such magnitude challenges the been much in excess of any probable increase in consumption. The crop of 1907 was less than that of each of the two previous years; let us assume, therefore,

> that there was little or no wheat carried over to 1908; if we compare the single year 1908 with 1898 we find that the increased production is 232,000,000 bushels. Becebohm gives the world's visible supply of wheat April 1, 1909, at 5,000,000 bush-

all above the supply of a year ago and will do with all that oil money. By the 2,000,000 above the average at that date for time counsel for the plaintiff and the state ten years. Even supposing that the exceshouse crowd get through with it, there sive supplies of some previous years have been sonsumed in the last two, we fall to Senator Chauncey Depew, starting on see and statistical basis for great alarm the last quarter of his century run, gives over wheat on hand less than two months

THAT OLD RED BARN.

E. L. Sabin in Judge I've wandered to the homestead, Jim:
I've seen the old red barn,
Where you and I, in boyhood dim,
Once played with "Gee!" and "Darn!

The loft, them times, was sweet with hay sunbeamy slanted through And from their stalls the white and bay Would nicker, "How de do"."

There ain't no Prince nor Whitey, lad There sin't no bloomin' stalls: There sin't no harness, good and bad. A-hangin' on the walls.

There ain't no musty scent. They keep their gasoline there now-I'm sorry, Jim. I went. There sin't no place to romp and bide

There ain't no hay up in the mow

It ain't a barn no more, i's a ga-rage, all slicked inside. With reg'lar ce-ment floor!

Them cobwebs soft that used to swins.
Them specks that used to flot—
They're gone. There's not an old-time thing.
Not e'en a single oat! Where Jed, the hired man, clumped round

With fork or broom or comb Had made I isself to home He looked so strange, where Jed had been

A leather suit he wore, And carried off the blame machine A-layin' on that floor! It's changed, old pard. They've cleaned

Of cobwebs, hoss, and hay. It ain't a spot where boy nor pup Nor yet a mouse can play

wonder how those kids who live Where's such a bleak consarr Can get along; and what they'd give To have an old red barn.



"How did Binks celebrate his purchase he had a hig blowout. -Yale

"Do you think that doctor is giving your wealthy uncle the proper treatment."
"Yep, the old man's getting weaker at the time."—Houston Post.

"English is a funny language, after all. "Why so?"
"I heard a man, talking of a political candidate the other day, say, if he only takes this stand when he runs, he'll have a walk-over."—Baltimore American.

"Well," answered Senator Sorginin,
"they think they are, but most of them
are writing for disappointments."—Wasiington Star.

Mrs. Chugwater—Josian, this paper say: Colonel Fribbles is a "competent speaker." What does that mean? Mr. Chugwater—It means that by con-pels you to go to sleep, I've heard Fills-bles.—Chicago Tribune

"Do you think the treff sensuld be inised upward or downward."
"My friend, ausword Send. Single with a light of the properties with setting properties. The a side-stepper well units

"How did that recommate of versions age to raise the wind this time;"
"He sent to his father in his demail because for a draft. "Baltimore American

The tiery Young Turk was end a oring to arouse the stolid Mohammedans.

"The sultan tells us in poetlest terms, he shouted, "that he is our best and touest friend. He describes bituself as a fountain of faith and a river of charity. But tell you, my brothers, that while he take he a river of charity he's no Boss-for-us!

Whereupon, with a wild shriek of nories the results have a great trained toward the the rabble turned and rushed towar Yildiz palace.—Cleveland Plain Deal-

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