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Signs of vacant grubstakes multiply at Homestake.

To the Treasury department it is more apt to look like "Leaks to the Gulf."

Isn't it pretty near time to complete the Platte river power canal once morel

cheaper.

General Sickles once more proves his loyalty to the cause by reaping sheaves of fame for General Howard.

had the qualities of common clay.

lamented Citizen George Francis Train.

The latchstring to the supreme court is still out for Ig Dunn to take it back and apologize. It's only a question of

The conviction of Sheriff Garrison of

them.

Waterways improvement is not a local issue, but a case of "roll on, silver stream." The hood discovered on the head of

girl really intends to test our climate in midwinter. Development of the coreless apple is only what every boy expected who ever

quoted the familiar "There ain't goin' to be no core." When Chief Little Blson gets that Sloux colony in full working order the

Nicaraguans may have something to think about besides revolutions.

tural congress at Council Bluffs will M. N. Johnson, he introduced to nabe a forerunner of a big Council Bluffs tional notice a name that was not genday at the Corn show at Omaha.

Gu., having sent its "we view with rowest limits. Question as to the rea- he, "but 'twas a famous victory," alarm" to Washington, it is in order to son for the selection of a man relahear from the tailors of Tooley street. tively obscure brought the ready ex-

Plebelan Mars! Prof. Lowell now has discovered patches on the seat of its nether continent. Thus is the human relationship all the more firmly estab-

Mayor "Jim" got out of town without jarring loose a Thanksgiving proclamation. Here is a chance for Acting Mayor Burmester to immortalize himself,

sating through the air with sufficient that Keeley's motor is running.

schools back into politics

Publicity as a Safeguard.

Among the most interesting disclosures in the trial of the American Ico company in New York on the charge of violating the anti-monopoly law, is that gleaned from correspondence of the president of the concern, acknowledging that because "the newspapers were beginning to howl" the combine had

not "gone as far as it wished" in raising prices, but had come to the conclusion that "it was not safe to go any further just now." This admission of wholesome respect for newspaper agitation is just the sort of argument to sustain the claim that publicity offers one good way to control such corpora- fortune, and no city in which these tions effectively. Letting in the light injures no honest cause, but is calculated to safeguard the public from injustice and rascality.

The greatest step in the direction of publicity yet taken is, of course, that embodied in the corporation tax section of the new tariff law, which requires detailed returns from each corporation subject to the law, and makes these returns freely accessible as public records. If the ice company president did not think it was safe to go further because of fear of newspaper publicity, the same persuasive power may be expected to arouse a repressive influence through the publicity feature of the new corporation tax law which President Taft has said he regards as more important than any possible revenue that may be collected from the tax.

The Situation in Nicaragua.

From the basis of jest commonly ac-American revolutions, the situation in 500 sympathizers of the revolutionists contact. shot without trial it is quite concelvable that in that number he included in commercial circles in the larger Nic- and really organizing them. araguan communities.

At any rate, Washington appears to have received official news warranting the expedition of United States war republic, and President Taft has deferred receiving Zelaya's new ambassador. This is/as taut a tension as could exist in diplomatic circles without a definite break of friendly relations. On the surface it looks as though If the city law department merely we might have to take a hand in afwants an office boy it can hire one fairs down there in spite of our disinclination.

The Sugar Frauds.

part of anyone as to the thoroughness with which the customs house cleaning goes on to show that he does not know Some of the participants in the Chi- is being prosecuted. President Taft has what he is endorsing. Mr. Bryan's cago shale rock scandal seem to have expressed his determination to see that program calls for free raw materials than we now have any conception of, and creamy buckskin, or some material reis administered in all cases where there all other articles until a uniform rate the island in worse shape than the earthpatent leather high boots were topped with revenue."

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Is administered in all cases where there all other articles until a uniform rate of 25 per cent is reached. Our demoalso been given something besides revolution to think about, and if its custom white and blue cockade on the left side, undergo a most vigorous prosecution, program unreservedly, goes on to say:

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The best ald that congress can give the president in this most worthy crubribe-taking would indicate that Ok- sade is to appoint a capable commislahoma county was garrisoned in name sion of investigation, with authority to spondingly increasing, if necessary, the and imagine vain things. He is getting delve into every phase of the case. Secretary MacVeagh, Attorney General streets for Omaha is a supply of new already uncovered much of the crook-The Norfolk delegates are right. of so thorough organization has necesa personality beyond being influenced and abolition of all customs duties. by pull or prominence of anyone invelved, and no purpose whatever democratic party go on. Halley's comet is very timely if the old should prevail except a genuine desire

to see exact justice done. In the meantime the active work of may be expected to proceed without interruption and no possible precaution omitted to make sure against offenders escaping.

In North Dakota.

When Governor Burke of North Dakota appointed Fountain L. Thompson United States senator to fill the vaappointee to be without experience in The post hamlet of Rising Fawn, public affairs except within the narplanation that the democrats were hopelessly divided over candidates and Mr. Thompson's selection opened an easy way out by a compromise.

The political situation in North Daing senatorial fights on the boards when the next legislature meets there. The term of Senator McCumber will expire in 1911, thus imposing the necessity of choosing a long-term and a short-term senator at the same time, The Wisconsin inventor who says he and this double choice is always has discovered a mysterious force pul- frought with peculiar political possibilitles. North Dakota has been staunchly energy to operate machinery perpetu- republican, with the sole exception that ally, might carry the news to Philadel. Governor Burke himself has been able phis, where some people still believe to be elected and re-elected as a democrat on his strong personality. It is not unreasonable to suppose that Governor The only excuse for the enactment Burke himself would not object to goof the defunct normal school law by ing to the senate. His present term as the late democratic legislature was to governor will expire conveniently for provide jobs for democratic pie-biters. the transfer, if other conditions should it's in the eternal fitness of things for be favorable, and it may be taken for the democratic organ to try to make granted that the senator just appointed caught by the cold snap with several out that the failure of this democratic by him would not be so ungrateful as half-finished jobs on their hands. Pre-

both senatorial seats will be filled by seasonable. republicans. It is safe to figure the new democratic senator from North make way for a republican auccessor an opportunity to act.

Organized Charity. We do not believe there is another ity of the same size and population as Omaha so well equipped with charitable institutions and societies devoted to the alleviation of distress and mischarities are so poorly organized for co-operative work. With us, each institution or society maps out its own field of activity, often overlapping that of others, and solicits contributions on there. its own accord and has its own circle of beneficiaries.

We have no doubt that most of our charities are doing good work without being too often imposed upon, but their power for good could be tremendously increased if there was some definite relationship between them and some systematic supervision and direction. As it is charitably inclined people who are glad to respond to solicitations for contributions have no idea whatever of the relative needs of the different charitable agencies or of the relative results which they are achieving.

People would like to put the money which they devote to charity where it will really do the most good and corded to discussion of most Central divide it up in some reasonable ratio of apportionment gauged by the char-Nicaragua has suddenly taken a really acter and the amount of the needs to serious aspect. As the tide of battle be met. They ought to have the nechas turned his way, President Zelaya essary assistance to do this very thing. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this let day of November, 1909.

(Seal.)

Treasurer.

appears to have become transformed into a most vindictive and bloodthirsty ruler, and if it be true that he has had made to work together at all points of ruler, and if it be true that he has had made to work together at all points of

The right man, or woman, could render Omaha a great service by taksome Americans who had been active ing hold of our numerous charities

Another Statesman Recruited.

Enlistments in Mr. Bryan's army of tariff reform which he is trying to revessels to the waters of the disturbed cruit among democratic congressmen are coming slow, but at last a volunteer has been secured from Mr. Bryan's home state in the person of Representative McGuire of the First Nebraska district. Mr. McGuire does not even hesitate to follow where Mr. Bryan leads. He says:

In view of the events of the recent seesion of congress W. J. Bryan's tariff suggestions are very timely. I endorse them

This statesman from the First dis-There need be no skepticism on the trict could just as well have said, "I endorse them blindly," because he the service is cleaned and that justice and a gradual reduction of duties on it may easily be possible that it has left sembling buckshin. A gorgeous pair of The special session of congress demonstrated the necessity of a clear understanding between the people and their representatives. It showed clearly that the essential items and principles in a tariff platform should be set forth in detail. Schedules should, of course, always be framed with a view of reducing to a miniim the rates on necessaries and corre-

ate on luxuries. Here again we have another element Another prerequisite to cleaner Wickersham and Collector Loeb have of uncertainty introduced as to where the line is to be drawn between necesbrooms and motive power to wield edness, but what they have done has sities and luxuries, for obviously it is been in the face of great obstacles, and not to be drawn at the same place as in New York-hence the vicious wrath of corruption of such long standing and the line between raw materials and finished products. It differs, also, sarily entrenched itself strongly. The from the demands of other democratic investigation commission should have congressmen for absolute free trade Let the good work of uniting the

The battle of Montgomery, between in reunion assembled, must have been almost as worthy of immortal verse as respondent seems to have been delinquent. But from the way the canes thwacked and the way "That with my compliments, sah, from an officer and A big Omaha day at the Horticul- cancy caused by the death of the late a gentleman, sah!" were interchanged, one may judge that the warfare was both as vigorous and as courteous as erally known, and inquiry shows the the greatest stickler for the old code could desire. What did they fight about? "Oh, that I do not know," said

Any city government interested in he subject, and desiring to go and do likewise, is respectfully informed that Baltimore statisticians have just determined, from computations based on the census returns, that the Maryland kota presages one of the most interest- metropolis is the most economically administered municipality in the country. In this instance, however, most cities will be like most housewives, who view a more thrifty neighbor with envy, and will exclaim, "I don't see

how she does it." If the democratic candidates had not stolen the livery of the populists they would have been beaten by upward of 20,000 in our recent Nebraska election. It should be remembered, too, that Nebraska is the only state in the union where this embezzlement of political power is tolerated. In New York the court Intervened to prevent Tammany from stealing the name of Mr. Hearst's Independence league.

The paving contractors have been the next North Dakota legislature continue in good standing among his and not a problem

ought to be as strongly republican as is fellows if he pushed his work to comthe present legislature, in which event pletion while weather conditions were

'If that "Call of the Farm" is to the Dakota is simply there temporarily to country lad what the call of the alarm clock is to the city chap, no wonder as soon as the legislature shall have Jim Hill and other high-salaried missionaries have their bands full gathering recruits."

Possibility of Crowding.

St. Louis Republic If President Taft gets into his annual message a fair summary of half he said service spreads itself over the globe at on his swing around the circle, the news-your uncle's expense. This year congress papers will be bothered to find space for ommissions of its members.

A Cordial Recommend. Boston Herald.

Needs Them in His Business. Chicago Record-Herald. Former Vice President Fairbanks has

Joe" clings to his galways. They help

to lend him an appearance of flerceness which he finds useful in his business. An Important Alternative. Washington Post. If all the millions which have been pent in war preparations by the United States have not made it ready for attack

few well-worded apologies and have them ready to hurl at a moment's notice. The Case Stated. Kansas City Star.

or defense, then it would better prepare a

The case of Mr. William Loeb, ir., colector of the port at New York, and the Sugar trust is simply this: The trust has asked the removal of Loeb, who, in order to catch big Sugar trust thieves, has given immunity to and retained in office two small thieves of the trust who have con-

Brains Preferred to Brawn.

Boston Globe. of the first rank who are sick and tired Some of them are not back yet and will of adapting their instruction to the requirements of incompetents and resisting appeals from the athletic committee to give their 'star' one more chance."

Meanness of Fattened Thieves.

New York Times Only a very mean trust would cheat the government out of the customs duties due scales made it odlous in the sight of the people. But now there is talk of a thorough housecleaning. The forces of purgation are at work from without and from

Troubles of Tropical Lands.

Boston Transcript. harder than ever to pay its creditors.

GETTING RESULTS.

Collector Lock Proves to Be the Right Man in the Right Place. Washington Herald.

The Hon. William Loeb does well to sit results, all right, and results are what count when it comes to running thieves and grafters to earth.

It is becoming more and more evident every day, however, that Mr. Loch is stirring up a particularly nauseating mess numerous persons of "great influence, high social standing, and large business connections." Gilded grafters and polished thieves, it is shrewdly suspected, are feeling more or less uncomfortable as "that man Loeb," prods and probes, and makes his nose into things-other people's most private affaire, indeed.

It is difficult, nevertheless, for the ordinary layman to avoid the conclusion two doughty confederate colonels, in right place. If he has been overgealous thrilling adventures of Deadwood Dickexposure and prosecution under way the presence of their comrades-at-arms in the discharge of his duty-a doubtful manner of going about the same.

> LET THE BOY ALONE. Hands Off."

Denver Republican cil Bluffs, Ia., subscribed towards a Boy's smokeless and dustless atmosphere, perusclub fund, with the intention of founding ing no lighter form of literature than those clubs that would "make good boys out of congressional records, digesting in detail bid ones." The movement failed however, all the measures introduced in the halls of and the chief of police, who received the legislation the night before, and exactly funds, announces that the checks have depicting how the wheels of progress move in Washington, and which way tariff revebeen returned to the donors.

It would appear that altogether too much is being said about the boy. Too ward. many theorists are putting forth their be given to Nebraska," said Harry F ideas as to the training of the youth of Williams of Omaha, Neb., in an interview the land. People are not satisfied to let in the Washington Post. "Practically the commented upon. The boy naturally feels fine dust. that he is in the limelight, and he begins to swell with self-importance like the United States comes from Nebraska. It

ject of controversy. Nobody seems to want to let the boy instead of forgetting everything except the discouraging fact that he is the man

It is hard to spoil a naturally good boy, but if these theorists keep on they are going to spoil him until he is past all re pair. The best thing they can do is to turn off the spetlight and fasten it on

Washington Life

Short Sketches of Incidents and Episodes that Mark the Progress of Events at the Mational Capital.

Uncle Sam's summer travelors to fore'gn parts are moving back on Washington in platoons, greatly refreshed by their vacation and overflowing with information and experience. Every year an army of officials from nearly every branch of the increased the number with two roving

European waterways and their relation to the growing problems of transportation Mr. Bryan has probably learned about was the subject of a short-range study all this country has to offer, and will by members of the national waterway comexplore South America for awhile. He can mission, of which Senator Theodore Burton be cordially recommended to the republics of Ohio was chairman. These commissioners left New York about the middle of August and spent ten weeks in traversing Europe. They will make their observations the subject of a report to congress this winter. haved off his chin whiskers, but "Uucle

More Americans went abroad this year under the auspices of the State department than any other branch of the government. Twenty-three delegates attended the sixteenth international medical congress at Budapest from August 29 to September 24. Two went to the second international scientific congress against leprosy at Bergen, Norway, August 16 to 19, and forty-nine others went to various international congresses during the summer. Both the War department and the Navy department have sent several of their med cal experts to conferences abroad, it being recognized that this line is more international than national, and that all the leading powers are working in harmony Among other visitors were Rear Admiral Raymond P. Rodgers, president of the naval war college and Rear Admiral Adolph Marix. Others who went to Europe for Uncle Sam this year were Commissioner of Patents Edward B. Moore, Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bu-Right in the midst of the foot ball sea- reau; Bailey Willis and Stephen J. Kuebel n, when the destinies of all the higher of the geological survey, Stuart McNanstitutions of learning are trembling in mara of the department of justice, Dr. the balance, comes Dr. Shanklin, the new Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the bureau president of Wesleyan university, with the of chemistry; Otto H. Tillman, superinisquieting remark that his college will tendent, and John F. Hayford of the coast ontinue "to attract to the faculty scholars and geodetic survey, and many others. not return for many months.

Some of the motorists of Washington who are sticklers on form profess to be badly shocked every time they look at the official White House automobile. Not that the machine is a bad looking one, for it is nder rates which its own influence and a new \$4,000 steamer with no end of little its own lobby agents had caused to be frills and devices to make it as comfortable written into the tariff law. That is what as a seat in a cozy library. The things the sugar trust did. Its crimes have that get on the nerves of the "correct" stamped it as the meanest of the trusts. motorists is the "get-up" of the colored motorists is the "get-up" of the colored The scandal of the fraudulent weighing attendant who usually goes along with the president.

President Taft cares nothing about style. So he takes his footman out with him nearly every time there is a vacant seat in front with the chauffeur. Recently, when the president went out to deliver his ing the last fiscal year at the American address to the Laymen's Missionary gather-The island of Jamaica is a paradise when ing, he was accompanied by Captain Butt, will probably not be known for some time. | was dressed up "like a Christmas tree." four feet of water within as many days the buttons down the front in two rows and was \$5. loss of life and property must be larger around the cuffs. His breeches were of presented a striking contrast to the mod-

estly uniformed chauffeur. White House and sinks into the luxurious folds of the deep leather cushions of the auto. The chauffour gives the wheel a steady in the boat while the heathens rage turn and the machine is off. In the mean time the two secret service men who always trail the president, are having a hard time getting their motorcycles started. They push them along with mad haste until the motors are set in motion, and then scramble into their scats. They bend to eatch the flying president, who is 100 yards in the lead. As the coats of the secret service men stretch tightly into position the utlines of two army pistols may be seen plainly in their hip pockets.

Fancy the congressional Record being trains, just like a "penny dreadful" or starving invalid brother. a "shilling shocker!" A United States senator was aninterested spectator when he observed on a Boston train complete copies Woodmere, L. I., having paid about \$3,of the Payne Tarif bill being purchased 600,000 for its 400 acres and all the property that Mr. Loeb is the right man in the perused in transit as if it contained the by passengers for ten cents and eagerly If publicity of this kind will serve to "if," of course surely his enemies have dissipate the mystery which has often sixty hot cakes and two pounds of saubeen even more oversealous in seeking to shrouded tariff matters from the ken of sage announced that he wasn't very hundiscredit him. It will transpire, we think, the public, says the National Magazine, gry. Wonder what would have happened the battle of Blenheim. It is unfortu- that the public is much more interested the people of today certainly have every had he been? nate that the newspaper reports are so in learning that Mr. Loeb has rounded up opportunity to get "behind the scenes," devoid of details. Therein the war cor- a collection of particularly picturesque in a way that has never before occurred Gage, former secretary of the treasury, scoundrels than it is in criticism of his in the history of the world. When iravel- who is 73 years young, is going to marry, ers can secure copies of such important is described as tall and stately, with pale laws by expending a few stray coppers. blue eyes, white skin and a mass of glowthere is no excuse for ignorance of governing red hair. What, does Mr. Gage care mental methods, and no crying need of Childiess Reformers Invited to Keep the useless and cumbersome referendum of Oregon. A picture of the future willprobably reveal a high-browned people, Some well meaning individuals in Coun seated in smooth-running trains, in a

> nue wheels are going-upward or down-"The name 'Pumice state' might fairly the boy be nothing more than a boy. De- entire state is overlaid by natural debating clubs discuss him far into the posits of this substance, in all stages of night. His every act is scrutinized and consolidation, from fairly solid rock to "Most all of the pumlee

actor upon whom the dazzling glow has is a voicanic product," continued Mr. Wilfallen. His deeds of mischief are dilated liams, who is interested in the pumice inupon, and his punishments form the sub. dustry, "and its presence in such large quantities in Nebraska and some adjoinng states is eveldence of former volcanic activity in that region. It is prouced by grow up, as he should grow up, with a the rapid expansion of gases in lava, due im of attention. Few people even to sudden release of pressure, which either allude to him as a boy any more. He is forces a light, porous rock, or may comcalled a vexing question, and even his pletely shatter the lave into dust, in sports are provided for him, and people which state it may be transported great want to drag him to club rooms where. distances by wind and deposited in drifts "In the western part of Nebraska there that he is a superlatively healthy young are impure masses of it, probably depos animal, he is never allowed to escape from ited in this way, 100 feet or more in depth. The price of pumice is about \$4.29 a ton. Nearly all the pumice or the volcanie 'ash' used in the United States is made into polishing powder or incorporated in abrasive scaps.

Lucien Memminger, new vice consul for the United States at Naples, is in Washingsomething else on the world's stage. All ton on leave, and his friends are having the boy needs is a place in the background. fun with him because he wears the honor scheme is calculated to put normal to stand in his way. On the other hand, sumably a paving contractor could not where he does not forget he is only a boy of having been the man who collected for this government the only \$5 it earned dur

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consulate at Boma, Congo A few days ago the report of the auditor at peace; an inferno when in convulsion. his military alde, and the White House of the State department was printed, show-The extent of the recent physical disaster Coachman. The latter, as somebody said, ing that in the last year the consulate at but if it has experienced a precipitation of He wore a long-tailed blue coat, with brass and expenses, and the net revenue from it

Omaha., Neb.

"Well." said Memminger the other day, "I was the man who collected all that "What was it for?" he was asked.

Mr. Memminger is too modest to explain that he did valuable work for the govern-It is always an interesting sight to wit- ment at Boma, as he was there on a secret ness the start of the president on a ride mission from the Department of State. As to the country. He comes out of the a result of his work, he was promoted to his present position at Naples

PERSONAL NOTES.

Pupin, who is the inventor of the wireess telephone, worked his way through Columbia college. He is said to have received \$800,000 for his invention.

Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, and Moses Wetmore of St. Louis, are said to be financially interested in a new \$250,000 demperatic newspaper for El Reno, Oki. The chivalry of Alabama sends to a con-

vict farm with negresses, for seven years, a feeble-minded white girl who stole haif sold and purchased with avidity on railroad a pound of butter and five eggs to feed a Maxmillian Morgenthau now possesses by purchase the entire modern town of

> of the land association which built it. The Jersey champion buckwheat cake and sausage consumer who despatched

> The charming widow that Lyman J about insinuations regarding his former relations with Mr. Havemeyer of the sugar trust?

WHITTLED TO A POINT.

Council Bluffs, Ia.

Opportunity had knocked at the door of the man of genius.
"You've made a mistake," said the man, recognizing him. "The rising pugilist you are looking for lives next door,"—Chicago Tribune.

Gunner—And now comes a professor who declares that fruit is just as healthy with the skin on as it is peeled.

Guyer—H'm. I'd like to see someone start him on a diet of pineapples.—By-stander.

Knieker-I would life women the suffrage when all women want it. Mrs. Knicker-Huhl Do you give me a ersian lamb coat when all women want it?-New York Sun.

"Huh!" snorted the home-sceker, scornfully, "there isn't room in this flat to swing a cat."
"My dear sir." replied the agent, haughtlly, "we don't allow cats in these flata."
--Catholic Standard and Times. "Did you have any assistance when you made your appearance as a singer?"
"Yes." answered the amateur soloist."
"There was a policeman keeping order in the gallery."—Washington Star.

Wife-You were late last night.
Hub.-Beg pardon, my dear. As I came in the front door the clock struck II.
Wife-But what time did you arrive at the head of the stairs?-Boston Transcript.

IF HE WERE ABSENT.

Los Angeles Express. His little muddy footprints stain the hall His scattered playthings litter every He leaves dark finger prints upon the wall And never yet was known to close His little jacket anywhere is flung His cap upon its peg is seldom hung; He always pleads to go unwashed to bed

He oft provokes me with his careless ways. He nearly drives me frantic with his And, selfishly, I often rue the days I must watch him playing 'roune A thankless task at best, I say it is, And yet, should I not hear his dear voice

Nor catch the eager boyish laugh of his, And listen all in vain for his footfall; hould I not see his rosy face at night. To mine upheld for one last bedtime kins Were he to pass forever from my sight; Should I his lisping prayer at even miss Ah. God! how I would plead to feel onc

more
His little restless hands upon my face,
And see him running through the open To greet me with the old-time glad em-



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