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Lobsters are cheaper this winter That is, those you est.

Can you wonder that Mr. Hill feels like repudiating that interview?

Well, one thing, this session of congress can last only three months.

The government will have a hard time pulverising that sugar trust lump.

What good does England's great navy do? It cannot be used on the suffragelien

Butchers evidently do not read the the price of meat.

Christmas shopping.

to redeem himself. He has been acting pasty for a few days.

That magazine printing Dr. Cook's confession ought to send a de luxe edition to the king of Denmark.

'Women are getting mannish," says a Harvard professor. Well, that is-

just how do you mean, professor? You might have noticed that those

not go east by way of New Orleans.

ducks do not see much humor in it.

Here he gives it to the porter or

waiter.

The Richmond Times-Disptach proposes a tax on every bachelor in Virginia. Good. Now let Houston tax its red-headed widows.

the old song. But how aptly it applies a most complex and antiquated system can resist. today, for it can be filled much to govern passenger traffic. The travtheaper than a larger size.

urban trains had not raised so much ticket tax, and fourth, a fee for the smoke there would not now be such a registering of baggage not carried in hot fire in its official circles.

ably was no more than her duty.

One thing congress must remember to do at this short session is to give Its sanction to San Francisco as the place for the Panama exposition.

Mr. Aviator Drexel probably is correct in saying that one is as safe 10,000 feet in the air as 100. In other words, a miss is as good as a mile.

going to begin all over again. Most regulation, is the only proper system. fixture. What is really required for statement does not even fall within the millionaires are starting in to give The European railroads as a rule ex- Omaha is a better adjustment of the be made to the attorney. It and Mr. Park to the curbs gave to it. So a private away their fortunes, instead of going act higher rates, pay lower wages and present form of government to the would not need consideration if it were driveway has been built into the court was born in St. Louis and started in the

that Douglas county will send to Lin- factory features of our own system resent the state before the supreme proximately 21,000,000 have been werked on coin next month. Dr. Woodrow Wil- that we can get an idea of what con- court in the bank guaranty law case it in four years. Mr. Brandels probably son a criticism of our over-grown ditions across must really be. Is not winning him any support in would look at it as incidental rather than sidewalks. Express wagons, which carry 1875, at Montesums. Is. He came to Omaha appetite for legislation' would be even. American railroads have done well Lincoln. The personal champions of casual but it should make Mr. Park rumison's criticism of "our over-grown ditions abroad must really be. more significent.

The British Situation.

As things now stand it appears the British government is not-likely to achieve a victory in the present elections. Premier Asquith has not made the substantial gains for his coalition party, the nationalists and laborites, that he counted on and the House of Lords seems more remote from the peril of abolition than it did some weeks ago. Still the result is uncertain. If the Asquith ministry should fall, it would but prolong Britain's great problem, for it is only a matter of time until the hereditary power of Parliament must pass, just as did that power from the throne. The king remains and the lords may remain, but the days of hereditary power are over, or swiftly passing.

If, then, the lords achieve a temporary victory the king probably would recall the former prime minister, Mr. Balfour, leader of the opposition party in the present struggle, to form a new cabinet and man out a new program. That would be the signal for this whole fight to begin anew. For the nothing but the vaguest way possible to circumvent the main issue and perpetuate, possibly in a new disguised form, the old power at which the popular sentiment of Great Britain is directed today. How long it would .43,760 be before the second struggle reached .43,900 its crisis cannot now be determined, of course, but no longer than the forces as represented in the present govern-.48,630 ment program could help.

us, of course, that toryism dies hard 18 48,380 in Britain, but it is on its last legs un-43,340 less all signs are wrong. No nation assure the people that the work is to changed since election. It is worth can long deny those rights which the be well done. Those countles that what it cost to know that this source masses of Britain are now and for so will be called upon to relinquish pres- of democratic clamor is now stopped. Returned copies 15,426 long have been demanding. The Rose- tige and power now enjoyed must reberys and the Lansdownes are not alize that they are merely giving up vision. It is but the thinnest veiled the state should be worked without will sometimes get the better of him. plan to reconstruct and rehabilitate, regard to political advantage, and possibly in less offensive form, the old principle of hereditary legislation. To given what is due them in the matter attempt such a thing in a nation that of representation in congress and in year by year is pressing steadily the general assembly. toward democracy is of itself hazardous and but a staving off of the inevitable. This cannot be hidden deeply from the very men who are back of the tory scheme, yet they "consultation," but hereafter it must if you do it early. could not be expected to yield under share its claim with that part of the the circumstances, no matter how cer- legal profession whose business it is tain their ultimate defeat might ap- to look out for certain interests at

Transportation in Europe.

for, has received quite a stimulus in that the Jockey club paid to its attorpapers. They have not yet reduced at Johns Hopkins university, spent six this money was paid. What was it the higher railroad cost of living. months on the continent studying con- attorney did in the legislature that ditions and gathering data, and he has was worth \$42,000 to men interested Now that the first genuine snow presented a rather exhaustive and very in the defeat of anti-race track meashas come, you may go ahead with that interesting treatise. There is too much ures of valuable interest in the book to be The weather man still has a chance or two points might be referred to. st the stupidity of any investigating ing very well that he will still be able to

of financing, equipment, service, rates ferent from that of the doctor. The in Europe each nation directly or in- while the lawyer comes without call- this time. San Francisco exposition becomers did directly, owns or manages the rail- ing-from that end. roads. Taking Mr. McPherson's showthat "Lame Ducks alley," but the lame development and in the inferior rall- in this country and that before long In Germany every passenger on a themselves into a "superior committee hope that it is not very far off. It train has to pay a tax on his ticket. of industry." reported the administra- has been a hard fight, this one against

eler first pays the ticket rate; second, an extra charge for the use of an ex-Perhaps if the Illinois Central sub- press train for his baggage; third, a venes Such a policy ought to be of hand. This is on a par with the system in some other countries of main-Mrs. C. P. Huntington recently paid taining two classes of freight service, \$48,000 to the revenue collector on slow and fast, and charging accordreturning from Europe. Still, it prob- ingly, instead of as in this country, by of the countries the railroads are conducted at such heavy expense and with so little attention to economy and "Would-be Senator" Soronson lets With this qualifying preface we turn

national treasuries. One cannot go into this subject of mission form of government. In suggovernment ownership of rallroads in gesting that the business affairs of "Brandels? Why! he's a joke. He ten men working sixty days to produce any country where it has been thor- the city be submitted to the examina- doesn't know what he is talking about each of them, and a solid train of thirty oughly tested without, we believe, tion of experts it was not intended He's a foel." coming to the conclusion that private to convey the impression that such a Brandels. One does not dispose of Bran-Now Battling Nelson says he is ownership, under wise governmental commission was to be a permanent dets with a feint and two punches. give poorer service than do the Amer- needs of the city. ican railroads, and it is only when we If all legislators were of the stripe stop to think of some of the unsatis- Arthur Mullen's ambition to rep-

the people a better insight into their clearly discernible. affairs and to get into a closer working sympathy with them they have done country.

Redistricting the State.

unanimity of opinion on the necessity to waste. of redistricting the state for both congressional and legislative purposes.

hard to overcome. Just why this master. should be so is not readily apparent. The redistricting of the state should tation shall be based, and then so years to begin running away now. group the countles that each will rejustice be done. The matter will come be to get it into the record. We have seen enough to convince it does not call for hasty action, beearly before the legislature, and while solely to the end that the people be

Consultation. The medical fraternity has had a The campaign of education on the large sums of money while the race railroad question, which the railroads track measure was pending before the themselves are so largely responsible New York legislature. It developes

Consultation. That is the answer. In the first place, if the book is in- committee that would pause to ask get at his club all he wants himself. tended to offer a contrast between Eu- the question. This lawyer, being a ropean and American railroads favora- doctor of laws, or rather of bills about ble to the latter it meets the test with- to be made into laws, knew better out a doubt, for in his review of the than the amateur legislator what was and operation this is true. Of course, doctor is called in by his patient,

But we are flattering ourselves that ing of conditions, this is the strongest the day of the consultation lawyer is tion of railroads there to be "notori- the professional lobbyist. The evil had tivity of the bureaucracy, which seems two, not even with the power of public of this in Albany the other day

rip things up as soon as congress con- Gurty of Schoharle county. great help to the democrats. It will prevent the enactment of any serious Former Omaha Railroad Man Talks temple, representing, many folk say, the constructive legislation by the republican party and leave all matters of bills, over to the body that will be dilogical end of insurgency.

to enter this field of publicity and ed- Attorney Whedon are fairly ramping matter than declamatory.

ucation, even if in some instances they over the action of the attorney gendo color their literature their own eral. Just wherein this controversy way. But where they attempt to give serves the interest of the public is not

President Taft is learning, among well. It is important that Americans other things, that quite a number of be informed on what constitutes the western lawyers are willing to assume largest single industry in their a place on the supreme beach. This ming of the last act of the se and sesof things, but with the spirit of the west. Folks out in this section never One of the encouraging signs is the did believe in letting a good thing go as spick and span as an industrious

From his comfortable ranch home The inequality and injustice of the in balmy Texas, Mr. Bryan calls to the selemnly as a plate rack in a dining present division is so glaringly ap- democratic congressmen to remember room were taken from their per-ties and parent that no one has the temerity that he expects them to revise those to suggest that the condition be left house rules and place the appoint-It has been suggested that the task the house, taking it away from the of the living Levi P. Morton, Adiai Stevwill present difficulties that will be speaker. Then watch them obey their

"Lafe" Young is meeting his oppobe a very simple process of addition sition a little more than half way. He partiality. In the office buildings of the and division. The counties have been proposes to take the senatorial quesgiven their population rating by the tion to the voters of Iowa. Senator census. What remains to do is to de- Young has always been known as a termine the factor on which represent good fighter, and he is too far along in knows no bottom.

ceive its proper proportion. This will | Lincoln comes to the front with a overturn completely conditions that a very comfortable increase since have existed for many years. But it Uncle Sam's census man made his

"Charlie" Pool has the slender satbe given such consideration as will on the machines have not been

The civic reform fever is so high deceiving the nationalists and the to other counties what rightfully be- in St. Paul that a justice of the peace laborites with their promise of re- longs to them. The redistricting of fined himself \$20. A man's conscience

> August Belmont, so they say, is to have a chance to "recite the facts" in that race track legislation case. At least a chance to state his side of it.

If you haven't done it yet, set about it at once. The shops are waiting monopoly on the use of that word and Santa Claus will feel all the better

> Making Life Worth While. New York Tribune.

Iron bars do not a prison make, legislatures. The suggestion arises in when there are face curtains to hang over or measure. There is no doubt that the connection with Mr. August Belmont's the bars. That is the sentiment of the public at large, following the lead of the whole of 20 per cent between the census

Planning a Change of View.

New York World. A prominent railroad president is about of the food products which they buy. to retire to realize an old ambition to be a Logan G. McPherson's book on ney \$42,000 "at Mr. Belmont's in- farmer. It will be interesting to have his author, who lectures on transportation probing to ascertain for what service raising rates on tarm produce to meet the

Sounds Like a Home Song.

The declaration of the emperor of Germany in favor of prohibition sounds a little bit like the zeal of the American reformer who would enforce such a law for reviewed at any length here, but one It is so simple that one might wonder the benefit of the poor workingman, know-

Talk Versus Work,

Springfield Republican. Speaker Cannon is still referring to the coming congress session as a billion-dollar one. President Taft, however, is evidently situation, country by country, Mr. Mc. best for the state and what was not determined that it shall not quite reach Pherson finds the American railroad and hence the consultations. But the up to this now familiar record. The deincomparably superior. In methods case of the consultation lawyer is dif- partment estimates have been reduced at engaged in a greater or better work at

Steel Interests Able to Sit Up.

The steel interests will now draw a deep They may joke all they please about adverse factor in the tardy industrial on the wane, that its sun has about set breath of relief and satisfaction. For weeks they have been waiting for big railway companies to put in their orders for ralls. road facilities. Those who remember conditions will be such that not even First the delay was attributed to the the situation in France a few weeks the boldest and most skillful manip- pendency of the election. Then it was Kipling is campaigning for the ago during the railroad strike are ulator will venture to call any legis- uncertainty regarding the action of the Interstate Commerce commission in the lords in England. Well, just so the quite prepared to admit this. Even later into his consultation corner. We matter of rate advances. At last the Pennpost laureate does not get in the band in Belgium, where considerable prog- are not unsophisticated enough to be- sylvania railroad has acted. It has placed ress has been attempted, prominent lieve that such a day is here, but the orders for 150,000 tons of rails, a larger and progressive business men, forming best people are faithful enough to amount than has been bought in any year

Love of the Plag.

Love of the flag is part of the despest ously inefficient." The basic fault in intrenched itself so firmly that it consciousness of men who served in the republican candidates," and the judge France, of course, is the pernicious ac- could not be uprooted in a year or civil war. There was a striking instance reads the names of the republican nomito use the railroads as a mere foot ball sentiment against it. It is one of the glass cases of battle flags on the secto kick to whichever goal it pleases. | most subtle and sinister forces in our ond floor of the capitol to be opened so Germany, where one might look for political life. Its blandishments have that an old soldier might touch the colors "Hang up the baby's stocking," ran the best management and service, has a material side which only the strong under which he fought. He had been a member of the Nineteenth New York volunteers, and the flag he desired to place his hand on was stained with the blood of Judge Norris again raises the ban- the color-bearer, who, when he fell, was ner of "insurgency" and proposes to carried to the rear by the visitor, Comrade artisans finishes the work now in progress

A THOUGHT FOR MR. PARK. Without Thinking.

Chicago Tribune. When a distinguished attorney ventures importance, except the appropriation the assertion that \$1,000,000 a day could be saved in railroad operation and when railroad men take up that statement for rected by Champ Clark and his co- public discussion in interviews and speeches the character of commodity. In many horis. Such a consummation is the there are opened up many opportunities for getting awkwardly if not erroneously at what the various disputants are trying

waste as to be a severe drain on the his wish become parent to the thought briefly to the yet briefer comment credited when he commits The Bee to the com- to W. L. Park, vice president of the Illinois now stand in an unbroken row. They and used to practice law in Philadelphia. Central. Mr. Park gets within quotation

That, of course, does not annihilate from the quarries in Massachusetts. the Illinois Central.

That road, we believe, is in court with is not winning him any support in would not make much of this fact. He Washington Life

Some Interesting Phases and Conditions Observed at the Mation's Capital.

The scenes are all not for the beginis in accord, not only with the fitness sion of the sixty-first congress. Both chambers of senate and house of representatives have received their annual dusting and varnishing and everything is Dutch cleanser could produce. The thoroughness of the cleansing job is indicated by the fact that the busts of the "immortals" lining the senate chamber as given an animated bath. The "immortals" of the senate are the carved images of vice presidents past and present. In ment of committees in the hands of the heap around the bath were images Colonel Roosevelt. These with the effigles of predecessors were scoured and polished, replaced in their niches, whence they look down on the assembled statesmen with countenances of unvarying imrespective houses no great change has taken place, but the luxurious elegance of the solons' quarters has been increased by the artistic touch of a purse which

An incident which shows how uncon sclous President Taft is of his awn size and bulk occurred in front of the White necessarily result in the breaking up new city directory which gives the House the other day. As the president of present county relations and will town a population of 59,000. This is was getting into his automobile on the morning of Thanksgiving day to attend the pan-American mass Congressman W. W. Cocks of Long Island stepped to the must be accomplished in order that rounds last spring. The trouble will curbing alongside of the machine and bade the president good morning. good morning, congressman,

said Mr. Taft, with a smile. He was standing upright in the machine cause no "emergency exists," it should isfaction of knowing that the figures by this time, adjusting the lap robe. "Oh. Congressman, you know Mrs. Taft, don't you?" said the president, as he turned half way around.

Why, yes, of course, I know her," Mr. Cocks said, hesitatingly, as he looked about him to the right and left, without being able to catch so much as a glimpse of the first lady of the land.

Just then Captain Butt, the president' the somewhat astonished Mr. Cocks by the arm and piloted him around the northwest corner of the president to a point from which one could see Mrs. Taft, who was already seated in the auto. Realizing only then why the Long Island congressman had not at once time I have ever been known to stand in should have them. But it is time to end Mrs. Taft's way."

The secretary of the Wholesale Grocer's association announces that the executive committee of that body has decided to offer help in passing at the coming session of congress a bill requiring the branding on food products of the exact net weight examination as to the distribution of (Hastings) for fencing government lands, states and the repeated declarations of gain was in the state of New York. That entitled to know the weight and measure made the greatest percentage of gain,

Some legislators have even gone so far as to assert that the passage of a weight loss. Iowa's loss is 7,082. "Transportation in Europe." The stance." But it took a vast amount of professional epinion by the advisability of or measure branding statute would add some points of interest to the question in which the entire country is interested-the

high cost of living. The secretary of the association, in comfrom various sections of the country indicated that consumers were not satisfied with the weight and measure branding empty. clause of the naional food law, which provides that if the weight or measure be resentatives of the association in the various states found that there was a strong our humiliation much keener. public demand for a national weight and measure branding law that would require

should be branded on food products. A good story about the elections down his command, and still he demands further in Arkansas has drifted into Washington. reductions. The chief executive cannot be The Arkansas election laws are strict and framed with a view to securing to the colored voter the full rights of citizenthat upon the arrival at the polling place an unhappy fact. We want no farm monof a colored voter, who professes himself opolies. unable to mark his ballot without assist- We want young farmers, farmers of energy ance, he is to be accompanied into the and ambition, to make the soil yield what booth by one of the attendant judges, it ought to yield. This judge has been sworn to mark the ballots in accordance with the wishes expressed by the illiterate voter.

Upon the arrival of one of the colored interests. voters at the polling place the following dialogue ensues: "Good morning, judge. Guess I wants

a little help to mark my ballot." "All right, Jos. I suppose you're still a rock-ribbed requblican?" "Deed I is, judge.." "Well, then, I suppose it is your desire

to eliminate each one of the following trees.

"Sure, dat's right, judge. I wants to liminate every one. And the judge marks the ballots in exact accordance with voter's directions. All of which indicates that it will still be some time before the solid south loses its solidity

When a small army of architects and on the United States Treasury building. the beautiful old structure will show the first material changes since 1869. Architecturally it still will represent a pagan American people's worship of money. But the visitors to the nation's capital who in 1876. have not seen the treasury in forty years will find many changes for efficiency and economy.

The double stone staircase leading up to the colonnade on the Fifteenth street the water board in the Omaha waterworks side has been torn away. Architects said appraisement. it spoiled the beauty of that side of the building.

are said to be the finest examples of their flat cars brought them to Washington The appearance of the front of the

The treasury has been marred, the artists say, by the commercial aspect, which the the bureau of printing and engraving will them himself. carry its precious load practically into the building, instead of depositing it on the Omaha postoffice, was born December the same.

PRAUDS ON PENSION ROLL.

What the Carelessness of Congress Has Produced. indianapolis News.

William Bayard Hale's discussion of the pensions question, which is new running in the World's Work, ought to be publicl read. No summary of the articles can de them justice. They reveal a condition that must shock the moral condition of the country. Mr. Hale shows that pensions are being paid to deserters and cowards; to men whose military records were made by congress by means of bills "correcting these records; that in some cases one man in drawing as many as four pensions in violation of the law, that pensions have been paid to men impersonating others who were entitled to them: that pensions have for years been paid to dead men whose names were used by others. The shown. The carelessness and cowardice of congress are exposed, making a disgrace-

ful showing. Not alone are the people robbed right enson, Charles Warren Fairbanks and and left, but the honest and deserving veterans as well. Their interests are sac rificed to those of the worthless creatures Legion and the other soldier organizations | inch to six feet three inches in height. ought to demand an investigation of this nonstrous business, to demand a purging rightly dealt with. One suggestion seems to us to have some

value. There are now some twenty thousand soldlers of the Spanish war on the pension rolls. That fact seems to prove that we are to go through the same experience with these men as with the civil war soldiers. But why should this be Why can we not stop where посеявату? we are and resolve that we will in the future investigate all such cases carefully and carefully define the pension status? George Smith reconsly in Belviders, N. J. fered in the camps, and no doubt some were seriously incapacitated by disease, for ground. surviving soldiers of the Spanish war there military aid, who saw the situation, took abundantly able to take care of themselves. And yet thousands of these men are now drawing pensions from the government and others are no doubt trying to break into the treasury. As we remember it, there were not more than (wenty or twenty-five thousand soldiers in Cuba and Porto Rico. Some volunteers served greeted his wife, the president smiled and served well in the Philippines. All and remarked: "This is really the first who are fairly deserving of pensions the pension riot.

IOWA PERLS HURT.

Census Showing Hits State Pride In Tender Spot.

Des Moines Capital. The official facts from the census hureau state that there has been an increase of population in the United States as a Dr. Wiley of the United States de- state added nearly 2,000,000 of people. The partment of agriculture, feel that they are territories of Arizona and New Mexico Of all the states and territories of the

union, the state of Iowa alone shows a In all the other agricultural states there were gains. States wherein the laws are not sup-

posed to be as good as in lowa report Verily there is work to do in Iowa Verily we must give attention to good roads and to the 2,000 school houses scat-

tered over the prairies that are almost Had it not been for the growth of Des Moines, Waterloo, Cedar Rapids, Sloux stated upon the package it shall be the City, Fort Dodge and some of the other true not weight or measure, but that rep- cities of the state, Iowa's loss of population would have been much greater and

We need a new awakening in this state of the lowa spirit. We need more lowa that the net weights, measures or count enthusiasm. We need it on the farms. We need it in the shop. We need it in he schools. We need it everywhere. We fancy that our people have been giving too much attention to politics and not enough attention to the natural develop- products free from the avaricious demands

ment of the state's resources. Iowa farms are rich enough to divide up. There has been a loss in the ship. The law prescribes, for example, of the farms by consolidations. This is We want no big land holders Let every Iowa man read the official

> List to This Scoffer. Houston (Tex.) Post.

census reports and at once make up his

mind to begin the fight for Iowa, for Iowa

A beautiful Nebraska girl sloped with a Mexican cowboy in the republic to the south. No doubt she was driven to this desperate act out of a feeling of shame because her home state defeated old Jim Dahlman for governor.

Our Birthday Book.

December 5, 1910. Martin Van Buren, eighth president of the United States, was born Dedember & 1786, at Kinderhook, N. T., and died there in 1862. He was made president by Andrew fackson, who picked him as his successor. and the chief event of his administration

was the terrible panic of 1837. General George A. Custer, Indian fighter, was born December 5, 1839, in Harteon county, O. He served with credit in the civil war and lost his life in a skirmish with the Indians in the Big Horn mountains

Lyman E. Cooley, civil engineer and profeator of angineering in the University of Michigan, is 80. He was born in New York and was one of the experts called in by

Henry M. Hoyt, formerly solicitor general of the United States and now counsel for the Department of State, is 54 years old which cost \$5,500 and weighs thirty tons, today. He was born in Wilkesbarre, Pa., Charles E. Magoon, formerly governor kind of the stonecutters' are. It required of Ohio, was born December 5, 1881, in Minnesota. He used to be a law partner of C. O. Whedon's at Lincoln and was at one time more or less prominent in Nebraska

> John F. Coad, capitalist and banker, who died last month, was born December 5. 1842. He was a native of Ireland and a pionear of Omaha. He made his money in the land and cattle business.

When it is finished the big three-horse hotel business at Fremont in 1881, going truck which brings up its rich cargo of right ahead until now he owns half a currency every day to the vaults from dozen hotels, including the Rome, running

Gus Bolton, superintendent Station C.

PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

The projected Baltimore conference of eading democrats has petered cut, pwing o the fear that the uninvited might throw a brick. A feast is sobstituted as more

enducive to prace. Mrs. George Bradley, who resides near Breystone, Conn., rode into Waterville in the now recently on a bloycle and pedaled ome again with a load of groceries. Mrs Bradley is 53 years old. She said she had never heard of Dr. Oster.

Cannon, the speaker, and Champ Clark the speaker-to-be, propose walking up Broadway, New York, agm-in-arm, which goes to show that Clark doesn't regard Caunon as such a bugaboo as do some folks in Cannon's own party. Mrs. Fred H. Austin was appointed traf-

fic chief in the office of a talegraph cominfluence of politics and pension agents is pany at Mobile, Als. This is the first wo man in the south to occupy such a position The appointee is a sister of Rube Wad dell, the well known base ball player, and was formerly manager of a branch office The North Adams (Mass.) mayoralty contest, to be decided next month, will be race of six-footers. Charles L. Frank, rewho are drawing money which might be publican, Earl D. Getman, democrat, and otherwise used to increase the pensions of Dr. Wallace E. Brown, defeated for the the deserving. It seems to us that the republican nomination, who proposes to run Grand Army of the Republic, the Loyal as an independent, range from six feet one

When Mrs. Sarah Brown, age 78, of Bird Lake, recently secured a license and of the pension roll. We have had pension boarded a train for the north woods she ommissioners who honestly tried to do started on a journey that will add to her their duty. But the forces of graft were long record as a nimred, she being the too strong for them. Great as the evil is, oldest woman hunter in the state, Mrs. It is not so great that it cannot be Brown is a crack shot, a number of deer heads and stuffed hides adorning her home in Bird Lake.

Because he was afraid a former "mas ter," to whom he had been apprentices to learn farming, but from whom he ran away to go to war, would lay claim to his person and force him to serve out his period of service, Daniel Sheldon, a veteran of the civil war, threw away his discharge papers and assumed the name of

The Spanish war lasted only three months | Sylvester Babbitt of Enfield, N. H., who and it was fought almost exclusively by is 85 years old, husked 407 bushels of corn regular troops. Few volunteers saw any this fall. Hiram Young, 80 years old, of action at all. Of course some of them suf- West Lebanon, has been slating the Dartmouth college roof, 90 feet from the Joseph H. Hedgdon of Dover the camps were a scandal. But of the drives about the streets of that city alone Stephen J. Roberts of Claremont, 29 years are, we should say, few who are not old, is making his annual visit to New York City, unaccompanied.

MENACE OF FOOL COMBINES.

Need of Laws to Prevent Price Pixins Combinations Cincinnati Enquirer.

Notwithstanding the announcement ower prices in a number of the articles which enter into household cost of living there is a deep-seated public sentiment that a combine or combines are preventing the free action of the laws of supply and demand in food supplies. The people of the United States should not have the prices of their food supplies, of any line or of any character, fixed by any combination of middlemen, or by any trade associations or through the united action of packers, wholesalers or retailers.

Those who manipulate for profit by creating a temporary scarcity, whether by storage or other methods of withholding supplies from the markets of the people are injuring the nation and inimical to the interests of our population. The laws against such methods should be

promptly and persistently enforced against all offenders of this class until the people of every city, county and state are freed from the excessive exactions of such Shy locks. The producer and the consumer should be free to deal directly as far as It is possible to do so; but where there needs to be a middleman, as there must be cases, such middlemen allowed to check, to halt or to withhold the natural flow of food supplies to those who desire to purchase for consumption. manipulation-yes, of ability to arbitrarily raise and to depress the prices of the articles of food that are required in nearly every home in the United States. That is power that should not be lodged in the hands of either one or of any other number of persons, and the laws of the United States should be most active against any or all persons who are engaged in such operations,

Prosperity can only be maintained in this or in any other country by keeping food of middlemen who would impoverish the consumers through their excessive exacnumber tions, their greed for undue profits proving too heavy a toll from the daily or weekly earnings of the masses of our citizens.

LAUGHING GAS.

Was that interview published as coming directly from you authentic?"
"I haven't decided yet," replied Senator Sorghum. "I am waiting to see what effect it has on my constituents."—Wastengton Star.

"And do you take your meals out?" asky the village probe, who is garnering in-formation from the former resident who is home from the city for a few days, "Not until I have eaten them," wearily responds the unwilling victim,—Judge.

"Do you think it's possible for a man to live all his life without telling a Re"
"Hardly. Most every man falls in love
one time or another."—Cleveland Leader. New Reporter-The auto turned terrapin City Editor-You mean turned turtle. New Reporter-Well, it was a high-priced nachine.-Judge.

"Give me a ticket to Reno, Nev." "if I was single I wouldn't be going there."—Boston Transcript.

"That young medical graduate says he going to make a specialty of automo-lie practice."
"What does he mean?"
"Treatment of motor nerves."—Baltimore American.

Flub-Who originated the idea that the ongest way 'round was the shortest way Dub-Some taxicab driver, I suppose .-

'My husband says your husband had a full hand yestarday evening."
"I don't think so," replied young Mrs.
Torkins. "He came home quite empty-handed."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"Jack told Maud be'd never give her up."
"Didn't that cause her to relent?"
"No; she thought that so determined and
obstinate a man would make a hard hus-band to handle."—Detroft Free Press.

He had just tried a new make of safety razor-having already failed with half a dozen different kinds. "Well, how did you like it?" asked his The shaver turned to him a sad, sad "It took everything off my face," he next!-New York Times.

THE WIND.

I whisper in the forest trees, Gently as a roving sprite. Or stir with a rousing bree The calm of a quiet night My breath is hot upon the land.

Ever as the changing sand. Moods bid me come and go. To me, alike, are night and day,

Either on land or sea.
Unchecked, I force my way,
Where my dealess may be.
maha. ROBERT DUN.