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the welcome in the east that awaited

him and them then.

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devanter and Lamar-whose appoint-Subscribers leaving the city femporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested. them for these high judicial duties, and both are eminent in the legal pro-

The stability of Mexico is also refession. Lamar is a scion of one of flected in the strength of its tomales.

Senator Stone has a bad cold. Probably forgot and went out without his gum shoes.

Now, count the lame ducks in that army of applicants to judicial positions, if you can.

A Cincinnati reformer threatens not Vandevanter acting as chief justice in to rest until kissing is done away Wyoming, with. Oh, pretzels!

A St. Louis woman says her hussioners Lane and Prouty off the Interband never told her a lie in his life. What, his whole life?

banking. They all tend to undermine which got to headquarters just a little The Judicial Appointments. public confidence, and that, as history after some "charges" arrived. Jack President Taft in the appointment of a chief justice and two associate amply shows, is the prime factor in did not make the trip overland, like his boys last spring, nor did he find justices of the United States supreme every panic.

The Governor's Promise.

Governor-elect Aldrich paid a flying

Congressman Hitchcock is trying to discharged it well, and with as much visit to Omaha on Monday and while decide where to light. He is standing cause for general satisfaction as could here made two addresses, in each of reasonably be expected to follow such which he made the same promise. It an important act. His task was en- is practically the same promise that larged by the necessity of appointing has been made by every governor whothe members of the new court of com- ever sat in the executive chair, and merce and two new interstate com- the easiest promise that anyone can sane. make. The governor of the state can-

Undoubtedly the president surprised not say less than that he will enforce many by not naming former Governor the law as he finds it. This is his good symbol for the national democracy. Fort Sill, Okl., for the reason that that Hughes as chief justice, and yet the plain duty at all times, and his oath but it certainly suits Tennessee .- Charlesion News and Courier. promotion of Associate Justice White of office requires it from him. But

That is what Tennessee gets for rewould seem to be more in keeping between promise and performance a fusing to sanction murder; for electing as its governor a man whose only

offense is being a republican.

The failure of the expedition to Washington is not going to be fatal to the Nebraska Postmasters' association, with a full complement of officers. but may make that body a little more considered, also, that it would be advanconservative. Its object should not be the perpetuation of postmasters in fantry and cavalry sent to the school to office. take the advanced course in musketry. Justice Harlan, while he is the oldest Omaha did not vote for Governor-elect

member of the court in point of serv- Aldrich either at the primary or at the Champ Clark continues to rail ice, having been appointed in 1877, is election, because a majority of the cit- against the auto and declares he will tained the hope that the question of the not ride in one when he becomes type of army leggin had been permanently speaker. If Champ wants to get settled with the tentative approval of the favored Justice White. Both are But to insinuate that our people are right down to the real old Missouri simplicity let him ride a muley cow.

publican and White a democrat, this fact is unfair. The Bee does not .43,910 Mr. White's pro-federal ideas of gov. believe that Mr. Aldrich intended that Governor-elect Aldrich may not "cuff" leggin, with simplified lacing in ernment marks Mr. Taft's action as this interpretation should be placed please everybody by his appointments, front. The board of cavalry officers in problem of government presented by of food commissioner, for example. The appointment of Judge Lamar of a large city and by that of a country

Omaha is glad to have the county

court any more than has politics. The order. The governor-elect has a Fining a juror because he has accepted a bribe may purge the contempt tom. The court should keep on until

> Now that a man has actually been wounded in a French duel we may look for even a stronger demand for the fists as the proper means of ad-

Opportunities Frittered Away.

St. Louis Republic. Mexico is very generous to Americans variety of insurrection now in progress there presents unusual possibilities. Are communities or sections and are far his reasons is rather a sad commen- the picture-show men alive to their oppor-

Helping the Solicitor. Chicago Record-Herald.

a bit easier, and every little helps in their Under present conditions it is impossib

APPOINTED BY ALDRICH.

Matters of Interest on and Back of the Firing Line Gloaned from the Army and Mavy Megister. away from his theory.

Beatrice Express: The governor's selec-

York Times: Governor-elect Aldrich has post is centrally located, has a suitable climate, and a reservation of a sufficient area. for all kinds of rifle firing over varied time comes. The idea seems a good one ranges. Another proposition is to retain the school of musketry at Monterey, establish another one at Fort Sill, and a third, smaller one, at some post in the east The proposition to transfer the present school of musketry to Fort Sill is coupled with the recommendation that the present York county candidate has been rememgarrison he increased by a whole regiment bered yet, but we feel confident the governor will find it expedient to name some York county man for an important place. tageous to have an officer and several Kearney Hub: Entirely aside from any enlisted men from each regiment of inpolitical consideration or a disposition to make suitable return for political support. Governor-elect Aldrich has done quite the

right thing in announcing that he will The War department authorities enterretain Superintendent Manuel at the head of the State Industrial school in this city. This institution has' suffered frequent changes of superintendents, even where recommendation from the infantry equipone republican has succeeded another rement board of a pattern which has been publican with each change of governor. fully described in these colums and which Fortunately partisan lines were so commay be briefly alluded to now as a canvas pletely obliterated in the recent gubernatorial campaign that Governor Aldrich will be able to do some practical reform work session at Rock Island to recommend a rein the state institutions by inserting the vised equipment for the mounted arm has thin edge of the wedge for a partial civil service or merit system.

expressed its preference for a canvas leg-Rushville Recorder: Governor-elect Ald leggin was submitted to the cavalry board. rich has already indicated his choice for along with some other articles to be used many official heads of state offices, and in common by the two branches, for remark. The report from the cavalry board so far as we can see, he has not lost clerks, county commissioners and su- is now under consideration by the general much sleep over the matter, as he has and with Vandevanter added, the west at all times. He will find the city pervisors as guests, and trusts that if staff of the War department and the quar- brought a conscientious desire to confer the has a fair representation. Of course, officials of Omaha ready always to co- any of the visiting gentlemen doesn't tarmaster general of the army has made appointments on men who are of a high geography has never been a con- operate with him in the enforcement see what he wants that he will not be volved in the proposition from the cavalry regardless of their political bias. It says board is whether there should be two dif- much for the high efficiency of the referent kinds of leggins for the service. It publican party in the state that he is is also a question whether the leather leg- enabled to do this, and announce them begin would be a profitable type to adopt in fore he has been inaugurated into office. of court, but it does not reach the bot- storage. It is believed, however, that the much to sustain the splendid reputation view of the chance of deterioration in We believe that governor Aldrich will do reserve stock can be worked over every he made as senator of the whole people, three years and that the leather will not which all the campaign lies could not deteriorate in that time. break down in spite of the liquor element. or the so-called handlcap of county op-

It has been decided by the military tion.

authorities that the medical instruction Columbus Telegram: Governor Aldrich camps which existed, to the number of has displayed good sense in getting most five or six, last year should be held in of his appointments out of the way before alternating years so as not to conflict with the meeting of the state legislature. Thus the general maneuver camps held, for in- he will be free to keep an eye on the grist stance, this year and destined to occur of legislation and to find time to know again in 1912. It is appreciated by the the merits of all bills, thereby fitting himauthorities that the medical department as self to either sign or veto them intelliin the matter of concessions, and the dwarf a part of the army must participate in the gently. There was a time in Nebraska general maneuver camps. The camps of when all appointments were held in relast year, with their complete field hospi- serve by a new governor, to be used by tals, afforded an excellent opportunity for him as a club on the heads of legislators the study of important field medical de- who were seeking positions for their partment organization. Of course, benefits friends. Under that system may a memwill be derived by medical officers of the ber of the legislature was led to support regular establishment and the militia from legislation which his home people did not The Colorado supreme court has der the exercises of this year conducted on approve, supporting it only because the for special counsel do not permit the pay- cided that insurance companies must pay a more general scale, and there are advan- governor approved it, and fearful to opment of fees which bear any comparison on policies even if the insured commits tages to be gained from this year's pro- pose it, lest offense be given to the govsuicide within a year after being accepted. gram, which are not possible from the ernor, who had the power to appoint the bodings that he would take Commis- Here is a large truth in a nutshell. This should make the work of the solicitors medical department instruction camps. legislator's friend to an office.

PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

George L. Baer, chief of the anthraeits Beatrice Sun: Chet Aldrich's theory is to put the state institutions into the hands coal barons, having heard from the courts of competent men instead of turning the that a hard coal combine was not visible unfortunate wards of the state over to the to the judicial eye is justified in increascare of political plugs. But in some con- ing the candle power on his halo.

spicuous cases his appointments betray the Senator Jeff Davis is duite chummy fact that his practice is a country block with Vice President Sherman these days, and he has boucht an automobile. Probably

those "high-collared roosters" at Little tion for positions at the local state insti- Rock will see to it that the horrible news tution are very satisfactory to Beatrice reaches the hill billies of the Ozarks. the meantime his newspaper sarcasti- The institution at the Presidio of Monteroy, and Gage county people. Both Dr. Rev. Effic M. Jones, a Universalist mincally sneers at the appointment of under the superintendance of Major George Thomas, who gets the appointment for su- ister of down, is spoken of by the newsthe Liberals. The German newspapers dilate

on Dr. Jones' impressive appearance, the already announced a number of appoint. carrying power of her voice, her self-posments he proposes to make as seen as the session and her wise and witty sayings: Due de Chartres, brother of the Comte to us. As soon as he can make up his de Paris and uncle of the French premind who are the best people for the po- tender, died in England recently. He had sitions, it is only justice to them and to a notable military career, having served other aspirants to let them know about with his brother on the staff of General it. It saves them time and money and the McClellan in the Peninsular campaign, and governor a good deal of annoyance. No fought through the Franco-Prussian war under an assumed name. In several controversies over "Little Mac's" campaigns the brothers were ardent partisans of the hero of Antietam.

W. C. Gladstone, the only grandson of the famous British statesman of that name, has been appointed secretary to imbassador Bryce at Washington. It was expected that he would be a candidate for Parliament, at this election, but he had chosen a diplomatic career, for a time at least. He had a brilliant career at Cambridge, is a strong liberal in politics and an exceptionally good apeaker. He will go to Washington soon.

The portrait of Captain Daniel Eldridge of boston is to adorn with others, the "hall of heroes," a room in the new state capitol of New Hampshire set aside for mementoes of the state's distinguished soldiers. Captain Eldrige served in the Third New Hampshire regiment throughout the

lvil war. He is known to many people in the west as an active force in the build ing and loan association movements, was one of the organizers of the United States league and its second president, and headed the Massachusetts delegates to the Omaha convention of 1898.

SUNNY GEMS.

Upon returning from a palatial residence Viifred remarked to his governess: Wilfred remarked to his governess: "Gee, Mary, it was great! They had swell furniture and swell carpets. In fact, every-thing in the house was swollen."-Judge.

"How did Billings save that high class medy of his?" "By changing the scene of the third act a chiropodist's studio."-Cieveland Plain Dealer.

"I made five hearts glad today," said the "I married two couples before minister.

noon." "That's only four. Where's the fifth happy heart?" asked the parishioner. "You don't suppose I married them for nothing, do you?"-Toledo Blade.

"What's the hearded lady so mad about?" inquired the armiess wonder. "Somebody has sent her a Christmas catalogue of a safety razor factory." said the living skeleton.-Chicago Tribune.

"A man tried to pick my pocket yester-day on the street, but my wife prevented

"Did she grapple with him or just scream?" "Neither. She wasn't there."

"Then how could she provent him?" "She had been through my pocket first."-Baltimore American.

Nellie-Hasn't Mr. Felewalley proposed Norn-No, but he has gone as far as to ask what time we have breakfast and whether mother is a good cook .-- Chicago News.

it gets the man who paid the bribe.

member of which, L. Q. C. Lamar of cuted, or to be prosecuted, by the gov-Mississippi, served in President Cleve- ernment and discloses some very sigland's cabinet. Both these appointees nificant results in the form of penal-

men stand high in their respective results are not satisfactory. One of above the horizon of the ordinary, tary upon the disposition and policy tunities?

ment) are small and the funds available President Taft discounted the fore- with those offered by private interests.

by the senate-have had what might month will be reversed in Douglas be regarded as special training to fit county. Campaign Against Frauds.

the oldest southern families, another sents a shocking list of frauds prose-

should prove especially strong. Both ties, but he admits by implication that

Attorney General Wickersham pre- justing matters between gentlemen.

licans. Both the new members, Van- lieves he will take full opportunity to establish for himself such a record

89 42,230 Georgia gives the south four members village, and that in the administration -White, Lurton, Harlan and Lamar, of his office he will be guided by reason

trolling factor in appointments to this of law and the maintenance of good too modest to ask for it.

political complexion is two democrats, splendid chance before him for a rec-Lamar and White, and seven repub- ord of achievement, and The Bee be-

ments, if is assumed, will be confirmed that two years later the verdict of last

and both have served as members of of the people toward such matters: the supreme courts in their own states, The salaries paid (attorneys in his depart.

with the natural dignity and character wide variance has frequently been of the solemn tribunal. The office noted. represents no additional power, but is Some of Mr. Aldrich's statements a recognition of long and able service are interpreted as applying especially

on the bench. Such a token would to Omaha. If it is to be interpreted seem to belong to an old member. In as meaning that Omaha requires esthis connection, of course, the point pecial care and watchfulness on the will be raised that if priority is to gov- part of the state executive the impuern, Justice Harian should have been tation almost amounts to a direct inadvanced instead of Justice White, But suit. The majority of the people of

judges who are known to be safe and We do not know that the jackass is a

There has been a renewal of the discusfirst on one foot and then on the other sich of the establishment of one or two adin the effort to catch his balance. In ditional schools of musketry for the army.

W. Melver, Twentleff Infantry, has re- perintendent, and Mr. Quein, who will be papers of Berlin as having made sulted in work of the greatest value. One the, new steward, are well qualified in sreatest impression oratorically of all the proposition, made by General Funston, is every way for their positions and will per- speakers heard at the recent World's Conthat this school be transferred to one of the form their duties with credit to all con- gress of Free Christians and Religious large posts in the middle west, prefarably carned.

Army Gossip

fled by the price-\$160.

break through and steal."

put, bookmaking as a sporting proposition is still on the wane.

President Taft at least left no room

Buring November the Philadelphia functionaries of the country. mint coined \$5,700,000. So that is where that new dollar came from.

Arizona's constitution contains only to leave room for plenty of amend- ten years. It is a growth that has government must take what it can get. ments.

have pleased the democratic organ of ments.

We hope none of Colonel Watterson's campaign roosters gets mixed up in that flock of lame ducks at Washington this winter.

The Memphis Commercial-Appeal frank his typewriter home. If he can do it without his wife catching him.

A paper that publishes an editorial those remaining and enlarging the commant on the president's message. three columns long is scarcely in a position to criticise the length of the object. It is but another way of dismessage.

One of Chicago's most eminent the grounds of public confidence. It thugs was recently betrayed by a tends to bring to a safe and same level handkerchief. He probably had em. the important business of handling the broidered his initials in it. Too much people's money and maintaining the fancy work.

Governor Hughes probably knew this departure on the part of the govwhat he was doing when he refused ernment will be adequately appreto respond to the popular clamor to clated. shave his whiskers in anticipation of room banking system, in spite of all becoming chief justice.

efforts against it. It has shown it-Philadelphia suggests that St. Louis self in various forms and disguises, inherited \$20,000.000.

1.ou Etter's promotion from the principle applies to them just the batile. position of assistant to that of post- same, for it is a policy of discouraging an postmaster.

A glance at what the department has state Commerce commission and place to do will convince any fair-minded them in the new court of commerce. man that the task is herculean and

in his 78th year, and this is undoubt- isens of Omaha did not hold with him

edly one reason why the president on certain of his pronounced views.

southern men, though Harlan is a re- not loyal and law-abiding because of

Lady Hamilton's biography is out, This undoubtedly will gratify the that without adequate resources it but public morals are fairly well forti- shippers who have interests pending cannot properly be performed. before the commission and feel that Attorney General Wickersham is a

they would suffer had this change been notably great lawyer and he and a few Jim. Tama Jim has been kept in office by Bishop Beecher is forcibly reminded made. Chairman Knapp, who goes to others have consented to give their that he is still in a life "where thieves the new court, has been long in touch services to the nation for what the full force and effect for many years to with the problems that enter the great nation will pay them, but very many come:

Weeding Out Weak Banks.

We have had too much of the mush-

question of transportation in this other equally great lawyers refuse to In spite of the steady literary out- country, and his fitness from the make such willing sacrifices. So when standpoint of qualification cannot be Mr. Wickersham goes out to employ questioned. The west' gets another the best legal talent to aid him and his late.

liberal recognition in the appointment staff in the prosecution of gigantic inof Judge Carland of South Dakota, a terests he discovers competition he for democrats to cry for a square deal democrat, and Judge Hunt of Montana cannot meet. The private interests,

> be one of the most important judicial and are willing to invest them in the best counsel. The country has ample

resources, but is unwilling to make such an investment. Hence, since all

The national banking system has great lawyers do not act from purely brought stability and security and This is not all the fault, but it is a

Too bad President Taft could not development. It is still subject to believe that money fines are more po- woods after deer. vital improvement. There are too tent in checking the rapacity of avari-Omaha in his supreme court appoint- many banks for one thing. This fact clous powers that offend the law than

is recognized by the government and terms of imprisonment. So there is will be dealt with, and has already still fairness in demanding a more Moreton Frewen was returned from Cork been dealt with to some extent. The strict application of the criminal government's plan of weeding out the clauses of the law. But they are beweak institutions will effect a much ing applied with increasing force. larger degree of improvement. As dis-

Whether an official's name should closed in the comptroller's report, the asks if a senator should be allowed to plan is simply to guide these weak be cut in living stone on a public banks into liquidation or combination building erected while he was in office with stronger houses. This will have is now a burning question at the state house. As a matter of fact, a good the effect of cutting down the number, but of increasing the efficiency of public official will leave a record that should need no other monument. Yet, measure of safety both to the shareif he is concerned in the erection of a public building no serious objection boiders and depositors, an essential

> couraging the tendency of banking that he is in office is an evidence of the speculation and therefore adding to confidence his fellow citizens have in him, and false modesty should not lead him into a foolish demonstration.

> Cock crow at the poultry show nation's financial integrity, and when hasn't anything to do with the rising that is comprehended in its full import of the sun, but is proof of the interest taken in improving the breed of fowls.

> > Some day when the fanciers can produce chickens and eggs that will be

Nebraska is certainly making good be made the headquarters of the one of the latest of which is the bank in its support of the anti-tuberculosis Tightwad club. Some Quaker youth guarantee, which invites a multiplicity work as exemplified by the sale of Red with headquasters at Denver, is # years probably was jilted by that 16-year- of state banks without any actual pro- Cross seals. This state is remarkably cid teday. He was district superintendent old maiden in the Missouri city who fection that will stand a thorough test. free from the ravages of the great at Omaha until recently. He started in the codure along the identical lines of the de-Of course, the government's proposal white plague, and yet its people are

does not concern state banks, but the glive to the necessity of aiding in the

master at South Omaha is a deserving weak institutions and strengthening. Jack Abernathy carried his resigna- 14, 1860, at West Liberty, is. recognition of a young man's ability. the entire system. Such a policy is tion as Okishoma's United States mar- pharmacist by profession and came Mr. Elter has made good in his under- constructive, but it nevertheless will shal to Washington and the attorney Ca fm siven years, engeging in 185 in upon such boards will be more arduous and takings and will certainly make good be opposed by the theory underlying general refused to see him, but conthe guarantee and similar fads about cented to look at his resignation, nam, where he is simi located.

case

A Great Combination. New York Sun.

In spite of the unprecedented and unequaled risks of his calling, the farmer has been put into an automobile by Tama the farmers. A just and mutually satis-

An Object Lesson in Saving.

Cieveland Plain Dealer. starting in life with \$2 a week the Hy Michael Cudahy contrived to leave

\$15,000,000 No doubt his helrs wish he had started with a better salary.

Problem: If a man can save \$15,000,000 to the court of commerce, destined to the defendants, have ample resources on a 26 salary how much can he accummulate if the salary is \$12?

> Grim Visaged War Outclassed. St. Louis Republic.

the American side in the naval branch of from their regular work, to no special pur-16,000 words. Probably it thought made its greatest growth in the last patriotic and altruistic motive, the the service were about one-stateenth the pose Deyond the entertainment of spectanumber of men killed while hunting during

An Echo of Sixteen-to-One. Bloux City Tribune.

In the voting yesterday our old friend to Parliament as an O'Brienits. It was he who came across to give us advice on financial safety depended upon the free

coinage of allver at 16 to 1. He is as hopelessly wrong now as then.

> Caying Sin of the Age, ltimore American,

The secretary of the treasury says that the amount of dishonesty which has crept into the import business is appailing. But, | find it impossible to resist them and, of mluckly, the import business has no course, compliance with any of the requests of graft, private and public, in small affairs and large, it reems to be the crying

sin of the age. "Greed for graft and graft can be raised to the appearance of his for greed" is apparently the ruling motto. name on its cornerstone. The fact although, collectively, the cons nation has been guickened.

Our Birthday Book.

December 14, 1910. Nonh Porter, former prosident of Yale college, was born December 14, 1811. He was a famous author and scholar and principal editor of several new editions of

Wobster's dictionary. Alexander D. Noyes, financial ed tor of within reach of the consumer's purse the New York Evening Post, was born Dethey will have achieved their mission, cember 74, 1923, at Montelair, N. J. He is an authority on financial subjects and vis-

iten Omaha a few, weeks aro. John C. Nelson, general superintendent Western Union-

hostness for himself at Stateenth and Far- exacting and of a responsibility equivalent to fine judgment.

to mobilize even one field medical organization at each camp, which situation makes it out of the question to give the best re-

suits to those who are in need of the demonstration or the instruction. It is The eastern newspapers are publishing a appreciated that erroneous impressions are likely to prevall concerning the regulation is to be made on the 2-cent fare law of medical department organization in the both Illinois and Iowat field, but the system contemplated is much "Plans on the part of leading railroads more than has hitherto been possible, and for a concerted attack upon the validity for that much there is due acknowledge-

ment.

of the 2-cent fare law, both in Illinois and Iowa, are nearing completion.

"Statistical experts have been at work The War department has under considfor some time gathering data relative to eration numerous requests from various railroad earnings and the return on incities for the assignment of troops to take vested capital, and as soon as their compart in tournaments. There is an increasputations have been assembled a committee will convene and map out a course ing desire for the military feature of these

assemblages, and among the places from of action. "It is not yet determined whether the which these requests have been received are Tacoma, Kansas City, Baltimore, Chi- legislatures in each state will be asked to cago, Atlania, Spokane, Los Angeles and repeal the 2-cent statute or wheether an San Antonio. The policy of the department appeal for redress will be made to the has been one which does not particularly courts. The broad ground to be taken will If our statistical memory serves, the favor the army participating in the tour- probably be that the 2-cent rate is confatalties of the Spanish-American war on naments. Those affairs take the troops fiscatory."

No inkling of anything of the sort has reached lows, nor has there been the tors with "stunts" that are not of ser- least suggestion of an appeal to the legispresent season. Grim-vissged war on vice value. It has been the intention of lature. It has been supposed here that the the bounding billow is a safe pastime, com- the government to limit the army part in 2-cent fare had been attended with an inpaved the way to more substantial part of it. To be sure, we are slow to pared while taking a little turn in the north tournaments to one such event in each mill- crease of travel that had at least made the companies good. tary department and to assign the troops

Just how the great western roads will to the same city but once. It is difficult for the authorities to adhere to any rule go about it to prove confiscation is not when there are exceptions possible by ap- plain. They have certainly been maintainplying pressure. It is also a hard task to ing an appearance of prosperity.

make any distinction between cities where tournaments are to be held, and then there is always the fiction that the army is brought nearer to the people and is an 'education" to the taxpayer of what the military force is doing, as if circus-riding and athletic feats by soldiers constituted any real demonstration of the usefulness of the army. The demands for the presence of the troops at various places are so insistent that the War department may mopoly of dishonesty. From revelations provides a precedent hard to ignore thereafter.

The ruling of the War Department to the effect that officers who are regarded as inefficient may be ordered before retiring boards has aroused the keenest interest among members of the commisstoned personnel. Everything depends upon the observance in the War Department of its own construction of the law defining the word "incapable." There are now two cases which are pending before the department involving officers who come within this eliminative class. At least neither of them is likely to be found disqualified for active service on account of any physical defect; but each has been reported for the sort of incapability which has been described in the official com munication, reproduced in these colulast week, defining the character of the disqualification. It is interesting to observe that (leneral Duvall, shortly to retire from active service and who closes his military career as the commanding general of the Philippines Division, in his annual report telegraph service as messenger and has partment ruling. He also remarks that worked his way up continuously with the with this broadened function of retiring heards, it will not be necessary to have Preston B Myers, prosident of the Myers- special legislation to eliminate incapable Dillon Drig company, was born Denamber army officers. The proceedings of army He is a retiring boards in this particular will po ness an extraordinary interest and it will

TWO-CENT FARES IN IOWA. Rumors of a Concerted Attack on the

"Do you and your wife agree?" "Oh, yes, always-at least. I do."-Cleve-land Leader. Rate. Knicker-Do you think women would vote Des Moines Register and Leader. r the best man?

Booker-Certainly; the bridegroom rouidn't be noticed at all.-Judge's story to the effect that a concerted attack Library.

PETE'S ERROR.

Denver Republican. There's a new grave up on Boot Hill, where we've planted Rowdy Pote; He died one evenin', sudden, with his leather on his feet; He was Cactus Center's terror with that work of art, the Colt, But manhow without warnin' he up and

But somehow, without warnin', he up and

missed his holt. His fay'rite trick in shootin' was to grab

his victim's right. Then draw his own revolver-and the rest was lest "Good night;"

was lest "Good night;" He worked it in succession on nine stout and well armed men. But a sickly lookin' stranger made Pete's feet allp up at ten.

Pete had followed out his program and had passed the fightin' word: He grabbed the stranger's right hand, when a funny thing occurred; The stranger was left-handed, which Pets hadn't figgered out. And, afore he fixed his error, Pete was dead beyond all doubt.

It was just another instance of a flaw in work of man; A lefty never figgered in the gun man's

lefty never i battle plan;

Cattle plan; There ain't no scheme man thinks of that Dame Nature cannot beat-So his pupils are unlearnin' that cute trick they got from Peis.



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