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 The oratorical storm is central over Ohio just now.  
 "Be British," may be all right, but "be men," certainly is.  
 Orooco insists on being the only pretender in the business.  
 Ohio is certainly getting the benefit. The result will be known later.  
 Four more aviators killed in one day. That was all that aviated that day.  
 Mr. Bryan, we understand, does not deny that he desires to be president.  
 Jack Johnson remits the report that he is fading. Jack's face is his proof.  
 The present incumbent of the White House has a vocabulary of his own, also.  
 "Ohio the Main Battleground," says the Chicago Tribune. Thought Massachusetts was.  
 They are all "mothers' day" when it comes to a thousand and one little things about the house.  
 Orooco knows when he is licked. When he loses 600 men. Most any old rebel would know that.  
 Let us hope that the Omaha commissioners on their visit to Des Moines found out about the things not to do.  
 "Mr. Bryan is out of the running," says Colonel Watterston. He may be so far as the stakes go, but not for the race, itself.  
 That plumber who became engaged to seventeen girls found out when he landed in prison that it was no lead pipe cinch.  
 The fault for the defeat of international peace treaties must be laid at the door, not of President Taft, but his bitterest opponents.  
 A foot of snow fell in Colorado, but orchardists felt little apprehension for their fruit. Buried under a foot of snow, they naturally would feel no fear about it.  
 The refusal of the Methodists to modify their amusement rule is not likely to seriously affect box office receipts at the theaters. Such Methodists as want to go to the theater usually do.  
 Philadelphia has authorized \$4,225,000 new thirty-year 4 per cent bonds and will dispose of them publicly. Omaha still seems to be the only city that disposes of its bonds by secret deals.  
 Iowa democrats, true to their traditions, began their fights on the way to the convention. But so far it is about all they ever get out of, no one should deny them the satisfaction of the row.  
 Eastern people are viewing with some trepidation the possibility of famine following short crops. If they will come out and take a look at the fields of the west they will need no further assurance.  
 The story is going the rounds that Harmon, Clark and Underwood have combined against Bryan, who, they consider, is now an active candidate for the fourth nomination. They are not alone in this theory of Mr. Bryan's ambition.  
 The selection of "Dad" Weaver to be secretary to Samson is recognition of faithful and meritorious service. "Dad" was in at the birth of Ak-Bar-Bee, and has been the most faithful and ardent of all the workers among the king's subjects. That he will be a success as secretary to Samson was foreordained.

**Popular Election of Senators.**  
 At last both houses of congress have assented to election of senators by direct popular vote and the proposed constitutional amendment goes now from the senate to the president, upon whose approval it will come before the various states for ratification, on which it may safely count.  
 The senate's favorable action on this resolution practically brings to a successful fruition a reform originally proposed eighty-seven years ago and continually urged at intervals since and with but little interruption during the last quarter of a century. This victory, therefore, simply stands as the evolution of politics, or the growth of public opinion. It shows that no proposition can withstand a majority public sentiment. When this power demands action, action will come.  
 It was apparent that the senate is the Sixty-first congress was but slaving off the inevitable when it defeated this measure. And the reactionary remnant of that senate, most of it, notably southern men, exerted what influence they could to continue thwarting the people's will, but they found that their day had gone by. They opposed the resolution this time on the pretext that the Bristol amendment providing for federal supervision of elections, would invite negro domination in the south, but subterfuges were swept along by the tide of progressive public sentiment. As a matter of fact, the south need fear nothing of this sort, since the federal authority is already exercised over the election of representatives.  
 It is of great significance that in this same congress, backed by a progressive president's voluntary recommendation, is pending another resolution to change the constitution to permit of the election of presidents for a single term of six years and that it has received favorable consideration. This, too, is a reform handed down from the fathers, but which likewise has always lacked the motive power of public opinion to push it into being. Thomas Jefferson was wise enough to foresee the wisdom of such a provision, but William H. Taft is the only president, at least in recent years, to advocate such a measure while in office.

**Substantial Philanthropy.**  
 Julius Rosenwald, the Chicago philanthropist, has given a splendid stimulus to intensive farming. His gift is in the form of \$100,000 to be raised to \$1,000,000 later. He makes the donation in the name of his firm, Sears, Roebuck & Co., which, he affirms, is deeply interested in intensive agriculture.  
 The Council of Grain Exchanges approached Mr. Rosenwald on its plan for improving and enlarging grain culture throughout the middle west and Mr. Rosenwald said he would give to 100 counties in the various states of this section \$1,000 each to be used in furthering the methods of intensive farming, and if they used it well, he would then make the gift to 1,000 counties.  
 Now, with such a starter as the Chicago man makes, a county, by supplementing it, can get together sufficient money, the exchange assumes, to employ an expert agriculturist, who shall work in co-operation with the educational forces or whatever other intensive farming factors there may be, and build up a local movement in each county. It is easy enough to see the wonderful possibilities of such a movement. The propaganda of making two blades of grass grow where but one grew before and making those two blades better than the one thus is given a tremendous stimulus and this is the kind of philanthropy in which the present day and all interests have a direct and profitable concern. It means much when the commercial, industrial and financial powers of the cities unite with the educational and agricultural forces of the country, and the cities also, in this splendid enterprise, in which such institutions as the Omaha Corn exposition will be thought of as very stable and fruitful factors. No profession or business in this great farming country may longer remain indifferent or inactive on this matter of soil culture and crop raising.

**Harmon Does a Little Revealing.**  
 If the facts as to his and Mr. Bryan's relations are as Governor Harmon states them, it appears that he has borne rather patiently all that the Nebraskan has chosen to say of him. According to the governor, Mr. Bryan made him the remarkable proposition in 1904, of offering "to place me in nomination if I would have the Ohio delegation reconsider its decision to have my name presented." And further: "In 1908 I constantly urged his (Bryan's) election, declaring I would willingly be defeated for governor if it would help him, and during our joint campaign he repeatedly praised my efforts in his behalf and told many persons he meant to offer me a place in his cabinet if he was elected."  
 This revealing of old skeletons naturally suggests the question, if Bryan thought in 1908 that Harmon was good enough for a cabinet office under him, what atrocity could Harmon have committed since then to put him so far beyond the pale of the Nebraskan's favor? It must have been something awful. Will not Mr. Bryan take the public into his confidence and tell what it was? Also, will he not explain why he proposed that

tricky deal to Mr. Harmon in 1904? This is all very interesting. Our democratic friends may perform quite a public service if they continue their domestic revelations.

**Pigs and Dandelions.**  
 Some Iowa farmers advocate pigs as antidotes for dandelions. Just fence in your lawn and turn a pig inside, they say, and the dandelions will soon be gone. No doubt, but what about the laws? "Pigs in clover" may do little harm, for mowing machines are heavy enough to traverse hog-wallowed ground, but the ordinary lawn mower would make slow progress over a thoroughly rooted yard.  
 The pigs, we are assured, will go after the dandelion in earnest, because they like them; they will not merely nibble off the tops, but go down into the soil and get the roots. That sounds like a good thing. But after getting all the roots of the dandelions, what then? Possibly a well-mannered pig would not molest the grass, but all pigs are not well-mannered. Besides, our city ordinances are so aesthetic regarding the matter of pig culture in front lawns that an obstacle seems to arise there. It may be over-much skepticism, but somehow there is an ill odor of suspicion about this pig scheme making good. What might work well on an Iowa farm might not do at all on an Omaha blue grass lawn.

Suggestions are being made as to possible improvements in the Nebraska primary law, and the legislators will very likely have a large number of these before it. One of the difficulties encountered has been too much tinkering with the form of the ballot, the changes made from time to time having merely added to the confusion. Nebraska should adopt a ballot as simply planned as possible, and then stick to it. The most important change in the election law to be made by the next legislature should deal with the collection and compilation of returns.  
 And among the least, whether meanest or not, of scamps is he who steals dog tags. His offense is doubly mean. It subjects the poor dog to the peril of being caught and taken to the dog pound, whether he may never return and subjects the dog's owner to the expense and trouble of providing another tag for Towser. Yet some are that small and mean. At the city clerk's office it is learned that 200 such thefts probably have been committed this spring.

**Editor Lafayette Young is again before the people of Iowa pushing his candidacy for a senatorial toga, and those who are opposed to him will find him no less vigorous than he has been at any time during a long life spent in helping to bring Iowa up to its proud position among the states. Iowa will do itself honor by sending "Laf" Young back to the senate.**  
 The spectacle of a Chinese prescribing the proper form of amusement for Americans might have excited some comment a few years ago, but the incident at the Methodist conference on Monday was passed by almost unnoticed. The world is certainly moving.  
 The sergeant-at-arms of the house raided the Washington ball park the other day to get a quorum. It is naturally supposed the representative from the Second Nebraska district was among the captives.  
 Gettysburg must be the best town in the country. It has a total population of 4,261, of whom 2,014 are church members.  
 When the "Gif" Comes.  
 Louisville Courier-Journal.  
 It is a sacred post which becomes established in America. It will be a gift to the people from the swinish express companies.  
 Why All the Scaoting?  
 Cleveland Plain Dealer.  
 Mr. Bryan calls the governor of Ohio a dead one, but seems strangely concerned over what the corpse may do.  
 Hope Deferred.  
 Indianapolis News.  
 The president of the Harvester trust has a hope that it will yet be able to qualify as a good trust; but it is not probable that he expects it under the present administration.  
 Will Precedents Govern?  
 Sioux City Journal.  
 In determining contests this year, no doubt, the republican national committee will be guided largely, if not wholly, by the precedents established in 1908, when Roosevelt was running the Taft campaign and was well pleased with the work of the national committee.  
 Fitchfork Sentiment.  
 New York Tribune.  
 Senator Tillman has issued an appeal to the voters of South Carolina to elect him because, although disabled, he desires to retain the office "for sentimental reasons only." This is the first time that the ex-"pitchfork" statesman has ever put himself on record as a sentimentalist in politics.  
 Justice for Theatergoers.  
 New York Tribune.  
 The verdict of a Massachusetts court granting to a theater patron damages because the theater would not refund money paid for admission when he found he could not see the performance from his seat seems more justice to the theatergoing public. Certainly charging regular admission rates for seats from which only a small part of the drama on the stage can be witnessed is a poor way to please either the sufferers or those who had it experience.

**Looking Backward This Day in Omaha**  
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**Thirty Years Ago—**  
 Captain Marsh is promising a car every five minutes on the park line on Sundays, as well as other improvements, including extension of the tracks on Saunders and Eighteenth streets, with cars running every ten minutes instead of every seventeen minutes, and the last car at midnight instead of 10:30 as now.  
 Selis Bros. circus pulled off the first event of the kind for the season to a multitude at both afternoon and evening performance, beginning with a grand entry with twenty mounted people, followed by the first appearance of a clown and then a leaping act of the entire company.  
 The roster of new officers of Omaha Lodge I. O. G. T. includes these names: John O'Brien, Nellie Daniels, Joe Kennard, Charles A. Potter, H. B. Joy, May Crawford, C. F. Edwards, Frank Bock, Anna Colabate, Jennie Aiken, Addison Jones, Little Webb, B. A. Thomas, S. G. Green and C. W. Green.  
 The old house south of Fremont's block on Sixteenth street are being removed to make way for the new brick block.  
 P. S. Gilmors, the great New York musician, while in this city purchased twenty acres of ground just outside of the city.  
 It will be pleasing news to the friends of Andy Hunt of the Union Pacific express office to know that he is recovering from his recent illness.  
 George F. Tierney of Tucumseh is at the Creighton.  
 F. C. Grable of Kearney is advertising in The Bee for a competent girl to cook and do general housework.  
 The gutter at the northeast corner of Douglas and Eleventh streets has become a fearful nuisance.

**Twenty Years Ago—**  
 Kountze Memorial church was appropriately decorated yesterday in honor of the memorial service to Augustus Kountze, and the church was crowded.  
 Rev. J. D. Deweller read the scripture lesson and Rev. C. E. Huber made the opening prayer. Miss Frances Roeder sang. "Thy Will Be Done." The sermon was preached by Rev. Henry Kuhns, D. D., who took for his text Second Samuel 13, "And the King said unto his servants, know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel."  
 The Farnam street theater had to hang out the standing-room-only sign on the "Two Johns."  
 George Stark Tooley, 4 years of age, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Tooley, died at the family home, 314 South Thirty-seventh street.  
 W. H. Clute, editor of the Lake Charles American of Lake Charles, Ind., was a visitor at the Bee office.  
 The mass meeting at Exposition hall in the interests of the American Sabbath union was one of the largest gatherings ever held in Omaha. Bishop Newman presided and Chaplain McCabe and Rev. Manley S. Hard of New York conducted the singing. Other notable divines in attendance on the Methodist conference took part.

**Ten Years Ago—**  
 About fifty underwriters of Nebraska gathered in Metropolitan club to give a banquet to W. D. Wyman, president of the National Association of Life Underwriters. H. R. Gould, president of the state organization, acted as postmaster, and in addition to himself and Mr. Wyman the following responded to toasts: H. D. Neely, John Steiss, Simon Goetz, I. E. Frederick, H. J. Gillan of Omaha, Max Kohrer, Council Bluffs and John H. Mockett, Jr. of Lincoln.  
 John B. Kohne, D. D., delivered the first of a series of lectures on "The Place of Christ in History" in the First Congregational church, taking for his subject "The Moral Supremacy of the Jewish Race."  
 Charles F. Gruenther, city treasurer of Chicago, was the guest of his old friend, George W. Linsger.  
 The body of Mrs. Melora McPherson Clarkson was laid beside that of her husband, Bishop Robert Harper Clarkson, in the churchyard of Trinity cathedral. The ceremonies were very elaborate, being conducted by Bishop Williams, assisted by Rev. F. S. White, Dr. R. L. Craig and Rev. John Williams.  
 The Board of Equalization raised the assessment of the Omaha Gas company from \$400,000 to \$773,000.  
 J. O. Brinkerhoff of Kansas City and W. L. Parke of Cheyenne, Union Pacific superintendents, were at the Millard hotel.

**The Bees Letter Box**

**Opposition to Aldreds.**  
 OMAHA, May 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: It was given out by the press a day or two since that the "Aldreds" planned for Twenty-fourth and Farnam streets had received its quietus, an injunction being granted, on the petition of many residents in the neighborhood. Yesterday's paper announced that the "Aldreds" would open for daily performances on Sunday next.  
 If you please, what about the injunction? It hardly seems possible that in the face of protests from so many influential citizens whose interests would be affected, the contemplated show place locality, is not here a chance for the new commissioners to show their public spirit and regard for the people's interest? Will they let the welfare of all these troubled citizens—including the inmates of two hospitals—suffer for the pecuniary advantage of one small amusement concern? If they do allow this detrimental proceeding, will not The Bee, which is surely well disposed and thoughtful for the hospital whose peace is specially threatened, set them an example and use its influence in the case?  
 Not only the people of that institution, but many others concerned, for their financial as well as their physical and mental well being, would be appreciative of such interest. A SUBSCRIBER.

**End of Golden Spike.**  
 NEW YORK, May 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Referring to the story of the last spike told by Uncle Joe Redman in your issue of the 8th instant, I notice that Mr. Redmond was unable to say what became of the gold spike which was used on May 10, 1883, when the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific were connected at Promontory Point. Doubtless some of your other readers are aware of what became of it, but as they may not draw attention to the matter, some of the railroad men now connected with the road and others may be interested to know that the spike was converted into a number of small spikes a little over an inch long and used for watch chains. I have seen several of these spikes, one being, I believe, now in the possession of Oliver Ames, a director of the present Union Pacific, a grandson of Oliver Ames, who had so much to do with the building of the road. Captain Fred S. Hodges of Boston, who was a young engineer at Promontory when the line was built, is also the owner of one of the gold spikes, and it would not be surprising if one is owned by General Greenville M. Dodge, the veteran engineer of the Union Pacific and numerous other roads, who is now living nearby you in Council Bluffs.  
 Uncle Redman's contribution to the history of the last spike is very interesting and accurate.  
 The original picture of the ceremonies described by Mr. Redman painted under the direction of Governor Stanford is still in San Francisco, but I think it is not owned by the Southern Pacific company. A very fine copy which hung in the executive offices of the Union Pacific in the Equitable building was unfortunately destroyed in the fire of January last. I understand a very interesting story attaches to the original painting to the effect that some prominent men were omitted and others included, although they were not present at the ceremonies, but I regret I am not informed as to the facts. YOURS VERY TRULY, ALEX. MILLAR.

**BOUQUETS FOR THE BEE.**  
 Tokamah Journal: The Omaha Bee is giving excellent reports of the Methodist general conference now in session at Minneapolis. The Bee's correspondent Fremont Tribune: The Bee says that "How Dry I Am" should be the popular song in Kansas City. The funny thing about it is that The Bee is published in Omaha, where that song was never known.  
 Arapahoe Mirror: Bud Fisher, perpetrator of "Mutt and Jeff," has been on a honeymoon trip the last two weeks. Now if the designer of "Desperate Desmond" will only get married or drop dead, a suffering public will rise up and call him blessed.  
 Dr. Hielop, presiding elder of this district, and he handles the news in an interesting manner. The Bee's effort to get a good grip of news concerning the conference should be and no doubt will be appreciated by the great body of Methodists in Nebraska.  
 Kearney Hub: The Omaha Bee's editorial paragraph hits one nail squarely on the head, as for instance: "It is usually the nonresident who builds and lets stand the little tumble-down, ramshackle that endangers all the neighborhood." True, you bet. How many in Kearney? A score or two too many. And there ought to be a way to meet that problem and remove the greatest impediment in the way of city building and embellishment.  
 Last of the Old Army.  
 Des Moines Register and Leader.  
 Thursday, when Brigadier General Daniel Harmon Brush, who was relieved of the command of the Department of California on May 1, retired for age, there were only three officers left on the active list of the army who served in the civil war, Colonel John L. Clem, assistant quartermaster general, Colonel James Allison, assistant commissary general, and Major Daniel W. Arnold, quartermaster.

**ADVICE TO BACHELORS.**  
 What some men should have is a phonograph.  
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 This dear doctor graphophone.  
 And a man can make it quit talking, too.  
 When tired of hearing it's voice.  
 While a woman—oh, well she will have her last word.  
 And she'll care for trivial things?  
 You can't care that one of 40 it yourself!  
 While your phonograph chatters and sings.  
 Yes, that solves the problem, a phonograph.  
 You won't need to buy it new clothes.  
 Nor other things that cost more so much.  
 And greatly increases his wear.  
 And phonographs are quite cheap now-a-days.  
 And they last you a lifetime 'tis said.  
 What a splendid investment! Go take my advice—  
 Buy a phonograph, who's want it wed.  
 JANE BLAIR.

**Look Who's Here**

Flattmouth Journal: Jim Dahlman is a race horse and generally wins when his professed friends don't throw stones on the track.  
 Hastings Tribune: Say what they will about Dahlman, he certainly is popular with the people in Omaha, and he must be giving the people of that city a good administration.  
 Fremont Tribune: Whatever Jim Dahlman may want he has the backing of Omaha. It can be said that Jim Dahlman is fairly representative of the ruling element in Omaha, whatever he does.  
 Wood River Sunbeam: Dahlman has again made a clean sweep of Omaha. This "wide open" mayor is still the whole show down at the Nebraska metropolis, even though he is looked upon as a joke by outsiders.  
 York Times: It does not make much difference in Omaha whether they have the commission plan of government or not. They always have Dahlman, and that fact is a perennial source of pleasure and satisfaction to them.  
 Flattmouth Journal: Omaha enjoyed a hot time in their city election for several commissioners. The commission form of government may prove all right for Omaha, but we believe the people of the metropolis will be as anxious to cut loose from it as they were to adopt it, if not a little more so.  
 St. Paul Republican: Mayor Dahlman had a "clean up" day in Omaha last week, and the newspapers state that there was an extra lot of garbage to haul away the next day. If the mayor would now set apart a time for a moral "clean up" it would take more than a day to haul away the "garbage."

Beaver City Times-Tribune: Mayor Jim Dahlman is not the most popular man in the state of Nebraska, but he is in Omaha. At the election there Tuesday, under the commission plan of government, there were fourteen candidates for the seven places of commissioner, and beheld Jim's name leads all the rest.  
 D'Neil Frontier: Jim Dahlman was elected one of the commissioners of Omaha at the city election last Tuesday under the commission form of government, with a majority of over 2,000. His popularity in the metropolis was such as to carry all his companions upon the ticket to victory with him. Jim is certainly the "Candy Kid" in Omaha.  
 Valley Enterprise: Mayor Jim of Omaha and a number of his associates in the present city administration were winners as commissioners in the election this week against the citizens' ticket. Jim is the ideal mayor for the liberal element of that wicked city, but he could not get to first base "outside of Omaha."

Shelton Clipper: In the Omaha city election Tuesday Mayor Dahlman and the balance of the slate representing "the square deal" were elected over the Citizens' union ticket by large majorities, the mayor having more votes to his credit than anyone on the ticket. The "square deal" slate was "that you couldn't beat Jim in Omaha," begins to look as if it were the whole truth.  
 North Platte Republican: Omaha held its first election Tuesday under the commission form of government and the "on the square" candidates, headed by Mayor Jim Dahlman, had a decisive victory over the Citizens' union. This election verifies the statement that Mayor Dahlman can secure in Omaha anything for the asking—all the good citizens may not be back of him, but "the boys" are certainly with him all the time.

**GRINS AND GROANS.**

"So you think your wife could break up corrupt political organizations if she were allowed to vote?"  
 "I don't say that," replied Mr. Meekton; "but I will say that Henrietta can come pretty near breaking up any society she will let her join."—Washington Star.  
 "How was it the man who set himself on fire with his cigar in a trolley car got off so easily?"  
 "Merely a matter of regulation rules. There is no smoking allowed on that car so the conductor put him out."—Baltimore American.  
 The young wife, refused a new hat, bitterly complained that she had a lot to put up with.  
 "Yes," replied her husband, "and if you knew how little I have to put up with you would not ask me to put up with a new hat."—Boston Transcript.  
 "Billingsley was elected to the Book club."  
 "But I thought a member must be a collector of some sort."  
 "Oh, Billingsley is eligible. He collects seed catalogues."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Pastor Goodale lost his patience. "Everybody in the congregation," he said, "seems to have a cold. If there is as much coughing at the close of my sermon as there is now I shall consider the indications good for taking up a collection for the cause of missions. I remark 'thirly.'"—Chicago Tribune.  
 Jones—Don't you think it is time to make our wives drop this suffragette nonsense?  
 Smith (thoughtfully)—I don't know about that. They say they are wearing 20-cent hats.—Baltimore American.  
 "It is a shame to see the noble red man being steadily pushed out of existence."  
 "Yes," replied the trader, "Considerin' what a good thing an Indian is for a man lookin' for bargains, he ought to have a certain amount of protection, same as if he was big game."—Washington Star.

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**People Talked About**

Cheer the weather man. He is delivering the goods.  
 Laws and precedents to the contrary, a New York judge granted divorce to a woman whose husband brought lingerie for his "affinity."  
 Once more Colonel Guffey is down and out in Pennsylvania. The stained glass decorator of Fairview, like other colonels on the hustings, has the faculty of coming back when least expected.  
 The fate that befell many of the joy-riders on the Titanic was a sober and somber spell over the passengers of the liner Columbia from Glasgow to New York. Not a drink was sold during the nine days' trip. "There were six men in the smoking room on three occasions," the melancholy steward reports, "but they only smoked and read books."  
 Somewhere in Massachusetts they claim to have a policeman who does not use tobacco, never dances, or smokes, or drinks, or plays cards, or gambles.  
 There was astonishment when the wife of Miss Belle Bennighoff, the oldest woman in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, was filed over the announcement that her estate was worth \$50,000. Miss Bennighoff, who was 97 years old, died two weeks ago. She was an eccentric maiden—lived like a hermit.  
 If running up debts is a mark of genius, Julius Caesar should be rivaled one day by the son of the South African millionaire, Sir Julius Wernher. The young man appeared in a bankruptcy court in England the other day and held out at the age of 23 he has managed to run through more than \$200,000.  
 Dr. A. S. Orea, "father of the juvenile court," has returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., after an absence of seventeen years, during which time he has traveled 32,000 miles and visited every state in the union except South Carolina. He left Brooklyn in 1904, accompanied by his wife, and with a capital of 7 cents. When he returned he had 4 cents.