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should have The Bee mailed to them. Ad-

Welcome back, Teddy! There's no place like home. Accidents will happen with the best regu-

lated eleuths. Prohibitionists always insist on quoting a lot of dry statistics.

Mayor "Jim" is some letter writer, and doesn't care who knows it.

Rebels Are Still for War .- Headline. Sure, otherwise they would not be rebels.

The Nebraska wheat farmer is wearing one of those won't-come-off smiles just now. Hear it?

It would seem that King William is mighty ticklish-like about really risking Prince Charley in the fight.

If that Baltimore man who claims to be a brother of Villa shows proper contrition, he ought to be kindly treated.

The New Haven is not proving to be quite the comfortable haven for some folks that its name may have led them to believe.

It is the duty of an honest newspaper to expose corruption, but it is not its duty to corrupt someone in order to find something to expose.

Do we realize all the world is working for us?" asks an exchange. By the same token,. then, aren't we also working for all the world?

After all, there is something in the question, How far does either Huerta or Carransa represent the Mexican people, numbering 15,000;-

The only thing that looms up against our mediators at Niagara Falls thus far is the way Mr. H. Percival Dodge parts his name in the

Governor Johnson of California has been arrested in his state for exceeding the speed limit for automobiles. No doubt running with his exhaust open, too.

After the job of eliminating Huerta is out of the way, President Wilson might, without annoying the people, start a little elimination in his official household.

The man with the hammer, Venner, is out with another circular knocking Omaha's credit. The loss of that \$5,000 forfeit held by the city when Venner reneged on his accepted bid for Omaha bonds still rankles.

That editor and his nonresident paymasters wouldehardly be denying that they brought the Burns gang here if the plot had ended in a big eatch and grand expose instead of in a warrant of arrest for the bribe-giving sleuth.

The normal board member accused of graft in buying supplies for a normal school through his own mercantile firm sets up the defense that the governor has no right to remove him. That's almost as convincing of innocence as when a grooked lawyer gets away from an indictment because of the absence of the principal witness.



has been moved to one side, and men are at work putting in paving and guttering. A number of teams are engaged in hauling sandstone for the center of the

A. Budde of Chicago has arrived to attend to the office business of the Brunswick-Balke Billiard Table COMPANY.

Bond's packing house will shut down soon for the summer. At present 600 hogs are being killed daily. C. E. Griffin, the famous steeple painter who painted the spire of St. Philomena's last summer, is here to paint the steeple of the Dodge Street Prestyterian church.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Holtorf, 230 Farnam, are mourning the death of their youngest daughter. The remains will be taken to Cedar Rapids for interment.

The ladies of the Piret Congregational church gave a novel entertainment at the church, under the name of "Chocolate." The ladies in charge were dressed in the costumes of "re olden time," powdered hair and all, and served chocolate and cake.

Louis Faist, 1511 Dodge street, wants to sell his barber furniture, chairs, poles and glasses. A girl for general housework, one who can wash im, Twentleth street, near St. Mary's avenue. Turn On the Searchlight.

Another dark spot under the shadows of the city hall and court house has been uncovered upon which the searchlight should be turned to bring the whole plot and the plotters under the

The Bee has lifted the lid on the big bribery conspiracy, and Mayor Dahlman has opened it up a little further. But there is plainly more yet under cover.

For four months the Burns' sleuths, under pay of alleged reformers, have been trailing our public officials trying to inveigle them into bribery traps. How far they succeeded or failed is not now so much in question as by what criminal means the intended victims were tempted.

If everything has been on the square, the sleuths should not run away, but should be glad to come back and tell the whole story.

Mayor Dahlman has thrown down the gauntlet and public septiment will be with him if it is not picked up.

Spelling for the Youngsters.

California public school authorities announce the interesting discovery that 10-yearold boys have a larger vocabulary than their parents; that they have a working use of from 3,000 to 5,000 words, which is about the right number of words, they say, for a school speller to contain. May we venture to suggest, however, that in the case of the average boy some of these words with which he is on such familiar terms might not add a great deal to the attractiveness or practical utility of the spelling book. Yet it is not certain that their number could not be easily matched by father, if he is at all versatile and halter-broke to the ways of the world.

The idea, however, as advanced by the California school people, to restrict the number of words in the speller, say to 5,000, instead of three times that number, as is the case with many books, commends itself. One of the faulty tendencies of our popular schooling is toward superfluities and excesses. The child of 10 has no business whatever in attempting to learn to spell 15,000 words. Then why set him to work with a book of that many? Why not weed down to such a number of words as he has practical use for at his age and let him come to the larger number as he comes to every other stage of his development and education?

Even Arbitration a Concession.

The United States doubtless could well afford to submit canal tolls exemption to arbitration. as proposed in the senate, but even that would be a concession, and arbitration would be all that could fairly be asked as proof of our desire to do the right thing. Those who believe that the United States is free to regulate what might be called purely local control of a canal it built and paid for out of its own treasury without the aid of any other nation and which it will fortify and operate the same way, are unable to appreciate the force of the British argument that England should have the voice in fixing the tolls on coastwise shipping reserved to our

With Senators Root, Lodge and others, who have been contending for the repeal of our exemption clause, willing to compromise their fight on submission of the whole question to arbitration, the way out of an otherwise embar- pacific character of Mr. Buchanan at the rassing situation may yet be found. It will never be possible to convince a majority of Americans that we have not the right under the treaty to stand by the tolls clause and be fully within all our treaty obligations. President Wilson, himself, be it remembered, while repudiating his party platform in standing for the repeal, has never rested his case on anything more substantial than a desire, virtually, to accommodate England and other European powers.

Men and the Church.

On the theory that "an honest confession is good for the soul," and in a spirit of sympathetic oriticism, let us commend to the brethren of the cloth and their parishioners two suggestions by the Rev. Dr. Baltzly, pastor of a large Omaha church, as to why more men are not found in the pews. Rummage sales, bazars, sauerkraut suppers and soup dinners distract and disgust men, says the doctor, who also thinks some of the pastors too inactive to attract men. Those are his reasons, not ours.

As to the former, we are inclined to agree with him. At least, everybody knows that rummage sales, bazars, dinners and suppers may be had most anywhere; one does not have to go to church for them. The church has a peculiar mission of its own, but it is not such things as these. "When the church goes into such business," says Dr. Baltzly, "it loses caste." Without passing on that question, it seems at best a compromise and admission which no church can afford to make. It opens way for the inference that the church lays on its bargain counter the best it bas, and that these frivolities are the best.

The pastor does well to emphasize, as the one thing that will attract and hold men, an intelligent, instructive, powerful preaching of the gospel for which the church was ordained.

I am especially requested to state through the Herald that Germany has only one idea, and that is to remain on most friendly footing with America. The German government certainly would not use the present moment to make difficulties with the United States.-Berlin cable to the New York Herald.

This statement direct from authentic German sources speaks for itself and is a clincher for those fingoes, who delight to persist in the rumors and speculations of trouble between our country and our great and good friend, the

The return of Mr. Mellen with the documents and papers bearing on New Haven financiering recalls a famous cigar box that once figured in Nebraska political history, and which kept a lot of lofty people on the anxious seat for a long time while the box was in danger of being opened to the public.

If economy in the interest of the taxpayers is the real object of the School board, there are a lot of luxuries and extravagances that can be dispensed with without hurting anyone except those thus pried loose from the payroll.



OMAHA, May 12.- To the Editor of The Hee: The Water board and its employes are the most high-handed and arbitrary outfit in Omaha today. In order to try and make a wonderful dollar and centa showing they have adopted methods in conducting their business that any other business organization would scorn to use. They have insisted upon exorbitant advance deposits from agents and owners; have refused to supply new owners or tenants with water on account of the delinquency of former owners or tenants; have in a number of cases turned off water at various places with little or no provocation, and have in practically every case refused to listen to the owner's r tenant's side of the matter, but have simply acted as downright cussed and arbitrary as possible and instead of being polite, or even civil to patrons (the people who are paying their salaries) have acted as disagreeable as possible. If anyone doubts the truth of any of my assertions, let him step into the Water board office for a few minutes some day and listen to the wrangling. I am free to say that any organization which is conducted with as much friction as the Water board is being conducted wrong; and I am free to say that any manager who must resort to such tactics in making his collections is a very poor manager, and the aponer he is replaced the better for the community which pays

SOMEWHERE May 17 -To the Editor of The Bee. The leader of the liberals, the founder of the party, was Don Benito (Benedict) Juarez, a full blood Zapotee Indian, born in what is now the state of Oajaca, March 21, 1806. He lost both his parents, who were peons. Juarez was 12 years old before he could read or write. His teacher was an ecclesiastic who had taken the minor orders, and belonged to a fraternity of the third order of St. Francis. Benito was designed for a priest, but abandoned theology for the law. He practiced as a country lawyer; was elected governor of his native state; served as professor of experimental physics in the government college; was elected to congress; became chief justice of Mexico and ex-officio vice president. Succeeded to the presidency. Santa Anna hated Juarez and at one time imprisoned him at Vera Cruz in the fortress of San Juan de Ulioa, in a dungeon under the sea, from which he escaped by means best known to himself. The best commentary on the honesty of this high-minded patriot is that, while an exile at New Orleans, he earned his

Letters of a Political Heathen-

living with a small cigar store. At the time Juarez succeeded to the presidency, the clericals refused to acknowledge him as president, Michael Miramon, Frenchman by remote descendent, claimed to be president, though he was never elected. This infernal scoundrel forcibly broke into the British legation and robbed the strong box of \$750,000, which belonged to the British bondholders and had been deposited to pay Mexico's debt. He afterward borrowed \$800,000 from Jecker, & Swiss banker, and issued \$15,000,000 of bonds on the Mexican government-think of it, a discount of 96 per cent. The proceeds of the robbery and the loan were pocketed by Miramon; and, probably, were afterwards his means

This disturbance in Mexico took place during the administration of our President Buchanan. Notwithstanding the outbreak of dur civil war, he proved himself extremely bellicose during this period. The president wished to selse and Chihuahua in northern Mexico, and hold them to prevent outrages on our border. His recommendations were not followed by congress. Sometimes they did not even notice them. It is strange how history repeats itself. We are now having trouble with Mexico, and also trouble in Colorado. Then we had trouble with Mexico and trouble in Utah. The Mountain Meadows massacre took place at this time. A senator said that the president had best set his own house in order before meddling with Mexico.

At this time, Buchanan did what was probably never done before or since. He sent Robert M. McLane as minister to Mexico, with authority to recognize which ever government he pleased. This confidence in McLane was not misplaced. His is one of the names that deserved more fame than they have received. As soldier, stateman, diplomat, lawyer and business man, he made good; he never failed. McLane on his arrival, and after investigation, recognized Juarez. The Miramon government immediately slaughtered every American within reach, not sparing even the surgeons, who were attending their wounded. But Juarez finally triumphed. In the pan-American hall at Washington, where each of twenty-one American countries is represented by a statue of its most illustrious citizen, the United States have placed Washington, Argentine has St. Martin, Hayti, Dessalines, Venezuela, Bolivar and Mexleo. Don Venito Juarez. DER HEIDE.

Fly Breeding Versus Fly Swatting. OMAHA, May 18.-To the Editor of The Ree: I am well pleased to know that our health department goes to the trouble and expense to get cards printed to in terest our school children in a "swat the fly" campaign. But will some kindly. intelligent human being please explain to us how Omaha's diligent Board of Health can allow a worse than a Vale of Hinnom to exist right in the center of our much - desired - to - be - beautiful city of Omaha, where all sorts of manure, cans and garbage are dumped? Had the garbage haulers numbers on their carts I might be able to give you definite informatter as to who were guity of making the hollows around Thirty-first and Charles streets a garbage receptable. Incessant complaints have falled to stop or remedy the nuisance, so shall we let the files breed and thrive and then sand our little school children out to swat them? MARTIN PAULSON, 1571 North Thirty-first St.

General Wood as Army Chief.

West Pointers in the array regard Leonard Wood as a born soldier. By intelligent devotion to duty he has lived down the envy and distrust which his rapid promotions excited. But General Wood's value in a Mexican campaign would be more than that of soldierly ability. Both in Cuba and the Philippines he proved himself a capable administrator and a vigorous sanitarian. Wood has no peer in the army in the triple capacity of tactician, medical man and administrator. In Mexico all his qualifications for high command would be needed.

## Graveyard of the Sea

Sable Island, Fearsome Spot on North Atlantic.

Dreaded by Mariner. No other part of the north Atlantic is so dreaded by mariners as Sable island, the region where the recent survivors of the freight steamer Columbian. destroyed by fire May 3, put to sea. The island is appropriately named and has a melancholy record as a marine graveyard. Located about ninety miles southeast of Nova Scotia, the island is a huge sandbar, created by the shifting currents of the ocean and its wind-driven waters. It is crescent shaped, twenty-two miles from tip to tip, and is one mile in breadth at the center.

To one approaching from the north the taland anpears a succession of low sand hills, scarcely patched with struggling vegetation. At the west end an elevation of some eighteen feet rises gradually as one goes eastward, until it attains an elevation of about ninety feet near the east end light, beyond which it slopes away again until it merges into the northeast har. At the northwest end the bar extends seventeen railes to sea,

This darksome isle possesses few natural attractions. There are no contrasts of color so grateful to the eye of those who have grown weary of limitless sea and sky. Even the sunshine of a midsummer day falls pitifully in custing any glamour upon its grim and ghostly shere, while a winter's storm invests it with an accumulation of terrors truly ap-

Life-Saving Stations.

Sable island is now almost entirely given over to the life-saving stations, the first of which was founded in 1802 under the superintendence of James Morris. The government establishment consists of a superintendent and eighteen men distributed about the island. There is a main station at the center of the island and five or six out-stations, in which the men reside. Besides these stations there are two houses of refuge, in which are huge fireplaces always filled with wood. Candles, matches and bags of biscuits hang on the walls out of reach of rats. The doors of these rescue houses are always simply latched, and on the Inside are directions posted telling castaways how to find fresh water by digging in the sand and how to make their way to the inhabited stations. Many a heartfelt prayer has been offered up in these shantles by the poor unfortunates cast up by the sea upon this somber isle. At all the out-stations there are signal staffs, for the purpose of communicating with vessels and the main station, which is a crow's-nest, pinnacled on a mast 120 feet high, from which a view of the en tire island can be obtained-when the fog permits. There are several metallic lifeboats, surfboats, life buoys and rockets, mortars and so forth at the different stations, and a supply of horses is always kept on hand to drag the boats and appliances to wherever they may be needed.

beenn Currents and Fogs. The gulf stream, after sweeping between the coast of Florida and the islands of Cuba and the Bahamas, runs northward along the American coast until it reaches the shoals of Nantucket, when it swerves off to the northeast, and passing to the south of Sable island stretches across the Atlantic eastward to Europe. The cold, ice-laden current of the north passes out of the Arctic ocean along the east coast of Greenland, and there, joining with another current from Baffin's bay, sweeps along the coast of Labrador to the banks of Newfoundland: There it meets the north edge of the gulf stream and splits in two. One part, from its greater density, sinks below the warm current of the gulf stream and continues its southward course as a submarin current. The other portion, after striking the gulf stream, turns off to the west and sweeps along the coast and bays of the northern continent. This is the dread current of mariners, and which, in the neighborhood of Sable island, runs at such a rate as to carry them out of their reckoning before they are aware.

Then there is a third current which, detaching from the polar stream at the south end of Labrador, shee through the Straits of Belle Isle, joins th overflow of the St. Lawrence and becomes the Gulf. of St. Lawrence current. This third current skirts the east side of Cape Breton, and, passing south strikes the westward-flowing portion of the great polar current in the neighborhood of Sable island. Here is the sombre sand heap of Sable Island lying in the very track of sea travel, in the midst of swirling waters, surrounded by entangling shallows and enveloped in bewildering fogs. Here it lies like some great monster Polypus of ancient story, stretching out its tentacles grasping for its prey, while insidious currents sweep circling around it-fearful feeders to its insatiate maw-and the roaring break ers sound an eternal dirge as they crash upon the shores of this dark and dismal rock and wreck-bound isle, where uneasy spirits seem to shrick beneath the lash of every gale. The "Graveyard of the Atlantic" is the grewsome title which mariners have so fitly bestowed upon this isle of constant mourning, for

#### Twice Told Tales

countless are the unknown dead who occupy the un-

marked graves that stud the shores of Sable.

Canny Mary.

Will and Mary had been busy courting for over two years, meeting every night in Hope street, Glas-About a fortnight ago, Will, in parting with his beloved, made the usual remark; "I'll meet ye in Hope street tomorrow nicht. Mind

and be punctual." "Deed, aye, Will, lad," replied Meg, with a merry twinkle in her eye. "We hae met noo a lang time in Hope street, an' I was jist thinkin' that it was high time we were shiftin' oor trystin'-place a street farther along. Whit wad ye say to Union atreet?"-London Tit-Bits.

The Real Problem. The professor of natural philosophy in Trinity college gave the class a problem to think over during

the night and answer the next day. The question "If a hole were bored through the center of the earth from side to side and a ball dropped into it

would it come to a state of rest?" Next morning a student was called up on this philosophical problem. "What answer do you give this question?" asked

"Well, really, said he, "I have not thought of the main question, but of a preliminary one. How are you going to get that hole through?"--Philadelphia

### People and Events

Arthur Gray, the boy who walked from Northwood, N. H., to Kittery in order to join the navy, and then was rejected because of his age, has been given work in the navy yard, and is happy. He intends to join the navy as soon as he is old enough.

Albert Howe, formerly a contractor and builder of Boston, gave up his life at Warwick, R, I., to save his buildog. The dog had run in front of a high-power electric car. Mr. Howe, who was 77 years old, tossed the animal to safety, but was himself struck and killed.

King Alfor so of Spain, five feet seven, and Eugene Arceau, the Breton giant, eight feet in the clear, were the headlines of a circus in Madrid, recently. The king walked under the giant's outatretched arm without missing his hair and 'Gene looked down on royalty as though he was born to it. The Breton giant weighs 300, is only 19 years of age and still growing.

Miss Mary Czaplicka, a Polish giri, and a native Warsaw, Poland, is about to set out in charge a scientific expedition to Siberia, sent thither by the University of Oxford. The rest of the members are English, but will be under the guldance and authority of Miss Casplicka. She is now in Oxford arranging for the departure of the expe-The date of starting has not been fixed.

LINES TO A LAUGH.

"Pa, doesn't precipitation mean the same as settling"
"It does in chemistry, my son; but in business you'll find that many persons in settling don't show any precipitation at all."—Chicago Record-Herald.

The bad boy had greatly annoyed that "You must apologize for your discour-telous behavior," she said.
"Not on your life," replied the bad boy. "Huerta didn't, and I won't.—Cleve-land Plain Dealer.

The Pastor's Wife—"What peculiar eyes found Ashley has. They always seem half-closed." half-closed."

The Pastor—Yes, he has me guessing.
I'm inclined to think he sleeps all through
my sermons—but I can't catch him
at it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Here's young Jones pulling the wires for all he's worth for a job."
"Why shouldn't he?"
"Bless your soul, man, he's a wireless operator."—Baltimore American.

Diner (sarcastically)-Walter, you may possibly recollect that I ordered roast lamb a long time ago. Walter-Yos, sir; it will be ready di-Diner-Well, kill aonther: I don't want mutton.-Boston Transcript.

"Was your husband's death a very severe loss to you, Mrs. Mulligan?"
"Loss, bless your heart? Why, it's been worth \$5,000 insurance to ms, mem, and him alive wasn't worth 30 cents."—Washington Star.

"Try to put people with similar tastes

together at dinner, my dear."
"Very well."
"See, for instance, how beautifully
Mr. Wombat get along with Mrs. Wampus. They could talk for hours without

pausing. He has rheumatism and she knows a remedy for it."—Louisville Cour-er-Journal.

Dearborn So you have made up will our wife? Wabnah-Oh, yes

What persuaded her not to leave you?" "Well, we talked it over and we con-cluded it would be better to keep the all-mony in the family."-Yonkers States

#### DON'T BE A QUITTER.

S. E. Kiser, in the Record-Herald. We can not always find the ways That lead to waiting treasures; There must sometimes be dismal days.
That are devoid of pleasures;
The winds that blow so softly now.
Tomorrow may be bitter;
The storms will come, but, anyhow.
Don't be a quitter.

We cannot always do the things We wish we might be doing:
We may not be all dukes or kings.
Some men must do the hewing:
Some men must plow and some must sow,
While some in jewels glitter,
But, if your place is high or low,
Don't be a quitter.

Some men may live in idleness
On fortunes they inherit,
And some men never may possess
The sweet rewards of merit;
Some men may ride in lordly state,
While others bear the litter;
But, rich or poor, or small or great,
Don't be a quitter.

You cannot win by sitting in Your cannot win by sitting in Your corner, sighing gravely: Inflate your chest, thrust out your chin, And do your duty bravely; You may have cause to be in doubt, Your hardshipe may be bitter. But never let the world find out—Don't be a quitter!



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