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Subscribed in my bit sense and sworn to before me this 3d day of April, 1916. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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The March lion must have secured an extension of time into April,

Ten more days will determine whether the political vehicle will be a limousine or a funeral

The romance of modern piracy was shortlived. Greed for booty spoiled the thrilling chapter

Pretty near time for congress to begin figuring on summer adjournment, if the fences are to be kept in repair.

Munitions are said to have made a thousand millionaires in Japan. The Yankees of the Orient warrant the thrifty title.

The certainty of another summer at home will enable globe trotters to stand a fair examination in American geography.

No professed friend or offensive partisan can swerve Brother Charley from the plain path of duty by working up an artificial scarcity of hair renovators.

Colonel Bryan's hammer knocks on the senior senator are intensified doubtless by memories of the cruel blue pencil wielded twenty-one years ago.

Our democratic friends are still busy introducing their "Who-is-he" candidate for governor. He will have to speed up still more for the home stretch.

he eagerness of a few American undertak ers for possession of Villa's body exhibits a class of enterprise rivaling the zeal of Foxy Bob for naturalization fees.

The inability of the weather man to appreclate the lean and hungry look of winter coal bins presents the most discouraging case of heartlessness embalmed in the annals of spring.

As "Boh" explains it, the fee-graft that he is still freezing to amounts to only \$75.27 a month. Yes, but for nine years this totals \$8,129.16. That is why he won't put it back until he has to.

The prize has been awarded for the best "seven reasons why a man should join the Commercial club." The one best reason is that there is no good reason why a man should not join the Commercial club.

A succession of protests and incidental conversation between Washington and Berlin and London provokes "weariness and vexation of spirit." Telegraph and cable companies, however, maintain a cheerful front.

Increasing Value of Farm Lands.

The Department of Agriculture reports an advance in value of farm lands in the United States equal to more than 25 per cent within the last four years, and of more than 11 per cent within the last year. This notable addition to the wealth of the nation is occasion for both increased pride and apprehension. It will enable us to point to an enormous aggregate of material possession, but It is also notice to the offect that the naturally available portion of our wonderful domain is already in use. Intensive farming, utilization of land new neglected in the best of farming regions, and the further reclamation of desert and swamp will increase both the productivity and the employed area of land in the United States, but it will not help the situation of the landless man,

The frontier was long and wiped out, and the neglected regions of the country have been carefully scanned in search of available farms. Notable achievement has followed effort to make useful land that had too much or not enough water, and the sud of this is not yet, they are given a chance to live. but Uncle Sam can no longer give "forty acres and a mule" to anyone. This does not mean are voluntarily restricting the wheat output by farmers will be required to make more of their

epportunity. enastrum to advance The Law of "Writing It In."

Quite a few republicans, earnestly for the plan to write in the name of Charles E. Hughes on the republican preferential primary ballot express fears that the votes intended for Hughes will not be counted for him because of inwitable mistakes in writing. We admit that there is a risk, but if the election officers will do their duty according to the spirit of the law, this danger will not be great.

The writing-in plan finds its foundation in the section of the statute providing for an expression of a preference for president at the primary as follows:

2145. Sec. 207. Presidential preference vote: When candidates for offices of president and vice president of the United States are to be nominated every qualified elector of a political party subject to this article shall have opportunity to you his preference, on his party, nominating ballot, for his choice for one person to be the candidate of his political party for president, and one person to be the candidate of his political party for vice president, of the United States, either by writing the names of such persons in blank spaces to be left in said ballot for that purpose, or by marking with a cross opposite the printed names of the persons of his choice, as in the case of other nominations.

The count and canvass of these votes is covered by another section of the election law, which applies equally to the primary, which

2072. Sec. 124. Surpaine of candidate: If at any stage of the canvass a ballot shall be found having correctly written or printed thereon the surname of any person for any office, who shall be a candidate for such office at such election, and there shall be no other candidate for the same office having the same surname, such ballot shall be counted for such candidate, although the initial letter, or letters, or first name or names, written or printed before his surname may not be those properly belonging thereto.

If this were not specific enough, we have still further the introductory article of the primary law in the following words:

2124. Sec. 198. Construction of primary laws This article shall be liberally construed so that the real will of the electors may not be defeated by any informality or failure to comply with all provisions of law in respect to either the giving of any notice or the conducting of the primary or certifying the results thereof.

To anyone who does not stick for technicalities this makes it plain enough that the law provides an extra blank line for the purpose of permitting the voter to "write in" a name not printed there, and that the judges and clerks of election are to count the vote, if the writing makes the intent of the voter clear, despite mistakes in spelling or initials. So it is up to the voter who wants Charles E. Hughes for president to "write in" the name and put a cross in the adjoining square and rely on the election officers to do the rest.

Counting the Cost of War.

Twenty months of war makes the deepest and most enduring impression on the finances of the fighting nations. The lives sacrificed are soon forgotten beyond the thresholds of bereaved families. The maimed and crippled live out their diminished years. Property losses may be felt for a generation, and nature quickly repairs or disguises the ravages of battlefields. But the mountainous debts piling up promise to greet posterity with a load for ages to come.

The magnitude of the financial operations of the warring governments aggregate \$25,000,-000,000 a year at the present time. A summary of the cost, compiled by the National City bank of New York, credits Great Britain with a daily expense of \$25,000,000 and a national debt of \$11,700,000,000, of which \$8,000,000,-000 is due to twenty months of war. Nearly one-fourth of this sum consists of advances and loans to the colonies and allies. Germany's four war loans total \$9,000,000,000, including the March loan, which brought \$2,600,000,000 to the treasury. Germany, no doubt, is financing its allies to some extent, yet its daily war expense of \$16,500,000, officially announced, is far below that of Great Britain and \$1,300,-000 lower than France's daily outgo. Up to the close of March France spent \$7,400,000,000. The borrowings of Russia amount to \$4,000,-600,000, and its daily outgo equals that of Ger-

Excluding Austro-Hungary and Turkey, no figures being available, the war debts of the big four now total \$28,400,000,000, to which must be added \$15,000,000,000 debts contracted prior to the war, and their daily expenditures run close to \$75,000,000. On the basis of these outlays, the cost to Austro-Hungary and Turkey runs the daily cost close to \$90,000,000, and adds \$2,700,000,000 a month to the debts already contracted.

The immensity of the load future generations of Europeans will shoulder may be grasped by the statement that the present rate of expenditure for two mouths exceeds the combined public debt of the United States, of all the states, counties and cities, by \$1,000,000,000.

Let Nature Strike a Balance.

The "harmless, necessary cat" is coming in for some serious, and not a little casual, conalderation in Omaha just now, consequent upon the suggestion of the Audubons that unlicensed Tabithas and Thomases be deprived of each of their nine lives. This, of course, is in interest of the birds, supposed to be sufferers through the existence of unrestricted felines. Did these Audubons ever stop to think that the birds have come down to this day from an antiquity as remote, at least, as that of man, and that along with them came the cate of various kinds? Nature has a way of taking care of creatures, great and small, and if undisturbed will see

Not so very many years ago man, in his wisdom, undertook the extermination of curthat the limit of our agricultural output has | tain birds, because, formooth, they are charges been reached. We have just read in the news or pulled corn, or did something size unseemly. columns the announcement that the farmers | He soon found out his interference with nature's plans had disturbed an equilibrium he knew 200,000,000 bushels; it is possible to raise even | not of, and he was compelled eagerly to devote greater crops than were gathered in 1915, the himself to counting back the birds that he might bust year ever known in this country. Our be ridded of the bugs. Cats might be bautshed, but who can tell what will follow on the disappearance of pursy from our economy. She Farm values. Ille all others, must be fixed | may pounce upon her fluttering prey, or disturb by survice, which localf depends on many fac- the night with her love-making, but she has tirm. Increasing value means increase in effort | her part in the general plan, and it may be wise that profit may be produced. Paw farms are to let her play it. For the sentimental side, new officiently conducted. The reorganization | some folks love a cat quite as fervently as othof the agricultural industry of the country era do hirds. It's better to let nature striks is not come if the valuation placed on farm lands | the balance when it can be done without serious

Views, Reviews

T WAS with a feeling of sadness that I attended the funeral of William H. Kent this last week, for he was another of the men who had helped put The Res on the map in the early days. He was city editor when that functionary was the whole local force, and though it was long before I had any active part in the production of the paper I know how much he was valued by my father, who with but little assistance, was the whole editorial department. Rent was an indefatigable worker of the old style of journalism and his stories were newsy and readable. What is more, he had a personality that made friends and he had a host of them in those days. And when, after using up his vitality in other fields, he came hack and found a less strenuous job with us at the proof deak, in his quiet going and coming he never seemed just the old Kent, steady and industrious as he was to the end, when he died in the harness, as all of us want to die when our time comes.

The death of Will H. Roenig also comes close to The Res household, for he was at one time a member of this newspaper family and we always kept close the bonds of personal friendship. When a man undergoes the intense suffering he had to endure in his last two years, his taking off brings grief but not

It is now definite that the temporary chairman of the coming republican national convention will be Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio, who will deliver, in that capacity, the opening speech as did Senator Root in the last convention and Senator Lodge in the convention before that. Senator Harding was here in Omaha during the campaign of four years ago when he addressed a republican meeting in Lyric hall and made a most favorable impression upon those who were fortunate enough to attend. I remember that he discussed chiefly the tariff issue, showing himself thoroughly familiar with the phases of the subject which he took up. He is a newspaper man, the editor of a paper published in Marton. I had heard him make the speech nominating President Taft which was a masterplece of that style of oratory and it is safe to predict a stirring and finished address from him

as the keynote for the convention. Ifis task, however, will be comparatively easy, for the prespect is for a harmonious and fairly smoothmoving meeting. The election of the presiding officer. which four years ago required an individual roll call and took all day, will be perfunctory and probably by unanimous ratification of the recommendation of the committee, things may even be calm enough to permit of a few brief remarks by Chairman Hilles when he raps for order, if he is inclined that way. Before the big meeting of 19:2 was convened, the press associations applied day after day for advance copy of what I was going to say, but the only answer I gave them was that there would be no advance copy. could perhaps have prepared a typewritten paper that would have read all right in the press reports, but it is well to recognize one's own limitations. I found I could make myself heard better, or at least farther. by having a megaphone operator repeat what I said to him and besides, the oratory role belonged to Senstor Root and Senator Harding, still better equipped for the oratorical performance.

A striking figure of all the recent conventions has been removed by the death of Cecil A. Lyon of Texas. which occurred last week. Colonel Lyon used to exercise an almost exclusive proprietorship in the republican party of the Lone Star state. Though born in Maryland, he was a typical Texan in appearance. He was an ardent political worshiper of Colonel Roosevelt and a great personal favorite of the colonel. He was state chairman, national committeeman, patronase dispenser, presidential referee, all in one. He was a sort of political dictator in Texas and at the same time exercised a fatherly oversight and solicitude for his crowd. I recall a humorous incident in which the joke was at the expense of Colonel Lyon, but which, none the leas, illustrates the southern atmosphere Three nets of confusting delegates claimed the seats allotted to Texas in the 1966 convention. hearing Colonel Lyon himself, representing his own delegation, broke in on the colored man pleading for a black delegation with the customary charge that the other side draw the color line,

"Do you mean to eay," interrupted Lyon, "that I don't have any colored men in my organization? Don't you know there are negroes right here in my dele-

"Yes, Mister Lyon, you have a few black delegates who do jes' as you tell em, but they dosn' represent

"But don't you know I have negroes on my state committee and my county committees and all through my organization?

'Ch, yes, Mister Lyon, you have a few black men on your committees but they haven't got nothing to say. All the politics you have is done in that white mane' club you've got up at Dallas ..." "What!" thundered Lyon, "Do you mean to tell

this committee that I have a white man's club that does all the politica? Who told you that I belonged to a white man's club? Did you ever see me at any white man's club up at Dallas?" "Lordie, no. Mister Lyon," came the answer, quick

as a flash. "Why, you know perfectly well it wouldn't be safe for me to look for you at your white man's club up at Dallas." The laugh was on Colonel Lyon and he joined in

And then the committee voted to seat the Lyon dele-Colonel Lyon made his fortune in lumber and was

at the head of the Kirby Lumber company when it maintained an office in Omaha.

Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha

W. N. Babenck, R. C. Morshouse and General Manager Fitch of the Northwestern ratiroad have returned from Chevenne, where they have been to at-

tendance upon the Western Cattle Growers' associa tion. John A. McShane of this city also attended the Captain H. J. Moynihan, who has been in Ontaba for several days on a visit to his brothers, has left

his trip to Omaha and resards it as the must promising place in the west. Colonal Henry, with a company of Ofce men and thips officers, left to attend the funeral of Captain Elminot Crawford at Kenrasy. They will go out on

a special car attached to the murning Overland train

for Chicago. The captain was greatly pirased with

The concert given by the Soward Street Mathediat church was a great entered. Among the musical numbers were soing by Minz Jawel McCune, Mrs. J. H. Presson and Mrs. J. E. Neuman-

on the Union Pacific.

The new North Omana Indge, Knights of Pythias. to be known as Triangle lodge, was instituted Thursday sight with about forty members. A number of the highligen of Mystle and Nebraska indges were in attendance at the revenera-

Chief Butler in engaged in 155thg. a new limited which is to be purchased for the fire department. The antonal is young, but strong and ducits, and will make a valuable addition to the equine force of the

B. H. Crowell has returned from North Platta. where he has been profusionally sugaged to connretion with the suit of Frewar Rose, against Price & Jeans. The matter will now go before the supreme tieneral Could represents the plaintiff and John I. Wabuter the Julindant

SECULAR SHOTS AT PULPIT.

Houston Post: An Indianapolis preacher says the man who does not tell his wife the truth under any and all circumstances is a scoundrel. Absolutely true, and yet if he does he's a foot.

Washington Post: The governor of New Jersey has signed a bill compelling the reading of the Bible in every school in the state, but the senate still gets its theological pointers from the chaplain and Jim Martine.

Late: At the next triennial celebration of the Protestant Episcopal church at Bt. Louis in October the Ten Commandments, boiled down to seventy-six words, will be submitted for approval. The fourth commandment, for example, will read as follows: "Hix days shalt thou labor and de The superfluous comment about rest and the Sabbath being the Lord's will be omitted. This is in line with modern progress. Moses did not understand that bravity is the soul of wit. He ran on too much. If he were alive today he would undoubtedly be a congressman or an after-dinner speaker.

Pourth Estate: Before the church can engage in a successful advertising campaign it must know its field. This may require a thorough going survey. There is no advertising panacea for getting peointo the church. It is important to get the viewpoint of the people outside of the church. Why do they remain away from the church? In most church pullicity plans ministers seem to think only terms of those who are siready inside the church. Men should not be invited to go to church upon the assumption that the church is a losing proposition and that they must go in to save it. They must be persuaded that the church is engaged in the greatest task in the world, and that they may have a part in it if they will come into the church. Therefore, the church should speak with authority and dignity regarding its work.

BRIEF BITS OF SCIENCE.

A substitute for imported edible gelatin is made in the Philippines from sea-

Including all the movements of the earth, a person travels #5,255 miles to taking a three-mile walk.

The residue from indigo plants after tre extraction of the dye in India has been found to be an excellent fertilizer for to-

That the human brain can withstand the strain of persistent work better than the muscles of the body has been proved by recent experiments.

Norway will build a canal, nine miles of which will be through a tunnel, to open to navigation a lake separated from the sea by a mountain ridge.

Recent experiments seems to have shown that richer augar beets can be grown in some parts of England than are produced on the continent of Europe. A Frenchman has perfected a horizontal

windmill with the vanes so shaped that nine-tenths of them utilize the force of the wind no matter in what direction if is blowing.

An English actentiat believes there is an individuality in heart beats affecting the handwriting to such a degree that it can be identified when the writing is

The removal of tar from gas by electricity is the subject of a patent recently granted to an inventor of Detroit. The operation constats essentially of passing the gas through an electrical field of alternating polarity between receiving and discharging electrodes. It is asserted that the particles of tarry substance in the gas then confesce and are deposited

SIGNPOSTS OF PROGRESS

Eighteen thousand bricks can be manufactured by the steam process in ten

Electrification of steam railroads in the United States last year brought the total of such equipment up to about 2,660 miles.

The world's product of lead pencils probably amounts to nearly 2,000,0000,000 a year, half of which are made from American-grown cedar.

Pendleton county, Kentucky, famous for its honey, seems to have some reason to be proud, data showing that several bee keepers there gathered 10,000 pounds each and one M.000 pounds,

Eight years ago, W. C. Carl, a contractor and builder of East St. Louis. Ill., announced he could build a house in a day. The house, a story and a haif cottage of three rooms and a bath, was begun at 7 o'clock in the morning and at 6 o'clock that evening the tenants had moved in and were eating their first supper. Recently this house. pled by Frank Kasaros and family, burned flat in half an hour.

Platinum has recently been discovered in the mountains about Bonds, in southern Spain between Algedras and Othraltar. The Spanish government has taken possession of the ground on which the discoverey has been made, and has arranged for developing the mine under the direction of the Geological Institute. An appropriation of \$33,000 a year will be made for the necessary drilling, machinery and other expenses.

AROUND THE CITIES.

Philadelphia produces yearly 50,030,000 yards of earpsts and rugs.

Last year #16, Joseph, Mo., paved a little over eight miles of streets at a cost of

Seattle's public library has installed a special telephone for the purpose of answaring outside requests for information. The municipal tedging house of St.

Louis closed on April 1 with a record of 20,000 todatours, for which men paid by working to the parks. While digning a cellar at Hikhart. Ind., wokinen uncovered a treasure trove con-sisting of a tank containing sixty-five

guilless of high-test gazoline. Some luck, An audit of the municipal books of Des Moinna shows a debt of \$300,000, which the old council cheerly peaces up to the

new. The finaling dobt is to be turnes New York removed 10,000,000 cubts yards of snow from the structs last winter at a reat of \$2.000,000, or 35 cents per cubin yard. The cost was higher than usual,

awing to the scarcity of labor. Montelair, N. J., claims to be the best "hally town" in the United States. During 1815 the death rate among babins under one year was only slaty-five in 1.00. compared with 116 in 1.00 in all New Jurpay and 124 to 1,000 in the United States.

Five of the Items in a requisition for chamicals in the New York City hospital Oximidediteomperacemic disaskyluximidemesoralamids, dimethybith and transfer will be and transfer or phlorogluctuitricarbunglicatus. Once is awhile printers and printingdons get their

PEOPLE AND EVENTS.

"An innocent country girl from Cincinnati," is the way a New York paper refers to Dentist Waite's stenographic companion. It is hardly probably that she had to go away from Cincinnati to

get an eye-opener. The Sunshine club of Laurel Springs, N. stag smoker for Easter Monday night own, As the club is composed of bachelor maids, the news gives Mother Grundy an overtime job, and Father Grundy offers space rates for the stories that go with the amoke.

A widow of twenty-three summers. weighing 615 pounds, was married in St. Louis the other day to a tall and slim man teries of wrath, some men wilt, and from Rock Island. The bride was uncommonly attractive in her give-away gown-so attractive in fact that the judge who performed the ceremony was too dazed to take the proffered fee.

The regenerated city of Syracuse, N. Y. is backeliding in a shameless way. Common methods of gambling remain outlawed, but the sporting blood of the community obtains exercise by betting on the three-minute run of a cockroach moving an eggahali on a checkerboard. The game draws more coin than a slot machine.

The depths of masculine curiosity were sounded recently by a dying man at Evansville, Ind. Three days before his death he induced his wife to buy her mourning regalia and had her try them on so that he might see how she looked in "widow's weeds." Having satisfied his curiosity, he smiled happily and de parted in peace.

A recent inquiry into the conduct of institutional orphan asylums in New York City which receive public moneys, brought to light a fine collection of political chairwarmers. Most of them are cousins or marriage relations of aldermen. Years of soft and easy living had so fattened their upper stories that they could not remember a thing when cross-examined. In a general way their sense of responsibility to the state's wards centered itself in high living and drawing their pay regularly.

The brownstone mansion in New York City in which was nurtured the tragikilling of Jim Fisk, forty-four years ago, is in the hands of wreckers, to make way for a modern building. Here is where the woman in the case held court, amid surroundings as lavish as ever stuffed a royal palace. In less than ninety days after the tragedy, the life story of Fisk Stokes and Josle Mansfield, in book form. was peddled from house to house in Omaha, and proved the best seller of the

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Last year, for the first time in more than half a century, new railway con-Ulan 1,000 miles. In 1914 the total of new mileage built was 1,000 and in 1913, 8,071.

The 366 rapids traversed by the last Judge.

Brown—The boss says that when he was a bov on the farm they had a mule that was just like one of the family.

Jones—Yes, and I know which one struction in the United States fell to less than 1,000 miles. In 1914 the total of new mileage built was 1,532 and in 1913, 8,671.

party to case through the Grand canyon of the Colorado dropped them a total of 6,000 feet to the gulf of Lower California, the trip covering 1.400 miles and requiring

the trip covering 1.60) miles and requiring exactly 101 days.

So extensive are the precautions taken on the railroads that climb the Andes and link Argentina and Chile, which have the steepest grades in the world, that not a fatal accident has occurred since they were opened in 1310.

America, theu Builder!
Thou reacher up to God!
Thou, whose tall cities grope with trusting spires.
Into the shining empire of the sky, littend now with thy good weapons in thy hands.
There's a lask here for a builder.
Hark the wind more were opened in 1910.

groom was M, the oldest bride was 79; the youngest brideagroom was 15 and the The youngest bride il. There were three men and two women who were married for the fifth time.

Bangor, Me., druggists report the receipt of certain lines of goods which are produced in Germany. They were shipped by the way of Turkey and Asia to China and from there to the United States. By the time they reached Bangor they had almost completed the circuit of the earth-

A huge bowlder having ten acres of surface above ground, from which granite is being taken for building the new Oklahome state capitol, is said once to have been a favorite bandit rendezvous. It is a solid mass towering above the tree tops and formed of an excellent grade of stone.

The glory and fame of cornerstone laying is rapidly waning. A recent New York ceremony on a modern building consisted in driving a silver rivet, which affords absolutely no space for graven immortality. Getting the name and picture in print is about all that is left.

The highest return during the past year to any Pennsylvania egg farmer was 63 cents a dozen, according to W. Theo. Wittman, the poultry expert of the department of agriculture. The break in prices was the earliest yet known, and it is claimed that fall eggs and not winter eggs now bring the maximum prices.

MUSINGS OF A CYNIC.

When a woman pauses for reflection, look for the mirror.

All men are born squal, but the equal ity is apt to end right there. In traveling the road to success some people always want to cut seross lots.

The people most addicted to wasting I, startles the town by announcing a time are those whose time is not their A spendthrift is a person who saves hi money for a rainy day, and then prays

for rain.

Casting sheep's eyes at a man is on way a girl has of pulling the wool over

his eyes. When a woman switches on her bat

Hehind the darkest cloud the sun t shining, but that beautiful thought won' keep you dry if you have been caught out in the rain without an umbrella. A man who talks all the time gets to a point where there isn't a sufficient supply of truth to meet the demand for

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

conversation.-New York Times.

Mother-Geraldino's teacher says she is on the merit roll again. Orandmother-She's her father's girl, bless har! Hiram always did the most meretricious work!—Judge.

"We have evolved a standardized bridge prize for all our afternoon affairs."
"What is it?"
"A boiled dinner in a can. It keeps the wives happy and their husbands from scolding."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"When I went home the other night, tired out and hungry, my wife gave mothe cold shoulder."
"How mean of her."
"Not at all. She had made a fine salad of it."—Baltimore American.

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE SHOULD I BRING A BOX OF CANDY WHEN VISITING A YOUNG LADY FOR THE FIRST TIME?

YES - BUY AS YOU GET MORE TO ST AND TALK OF THAT

FIRST VIET OF YOURS!

"I can't understand why men should complain about their wives having the last word. I never object to mine having the last word."
"You don't?"
"Not a bit. I'm always thankful when she gets to it."—Boston Transcript.

Child (thirsting for knowledge)—Papa, please tell me what is collaboration between two authors?

Literary Parent (who knows)—A mistake that begins with a luncheon and ends with a lawsuit.—Puck.

filliboy-Miss Gussie, do you believe in auto-suggestion?

Hmart Girl-Weil, I was just thinking how good a joy ride would come in just now.-Baltimore American.

THE BUILDER.

Dana Burnet.

In Maine during the last year there
The song of the proud ships going unwere 6.222 marriages; the oldest bride was 78.

Nor the sweet hum of cities at their mile; beat of souls is in it * * * and Of wasted dreams, and the great gasp of death.

> See, there's a flame to eastward! Half a world Burns to its naked timbers! Heav'n itself Is stained, and all the dynasty of stars Which we had built our stone to like a

Is blotted by the angry bloodled fires: They burn! Our brothers' cities! All Where history lay cradled and where Dwelt in her golden garments like a And art, her handmaid, brushing from her The dust of rotted centuries, stood forth Clear-eyed, a star-smudged palette in her hand. And God Himself upon her brushes tip— They burn! Those ancient, spiendid cities What art is left? What truth? What The whole's to build again and we alone are strong to build it! Now, my country, rise. And take the stone up in thy straining hands; To thee, of all the nations and the tribes That e'er have played the game of des Is given the task to shape the world anew!

Then wake, for dawn is shining on the Fing thy tall spires to heaven like a song!
Come, lift the world up to the rising sun, America, thou builder:

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