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THE DISTRAUGHT OPPOSITION

On Friday night the democratic leaders another effort to discover "where they are at," and to "get together" on a campaign policy.

It will be well for them to read carefully the tribute paid to the republican administration by President-elect Palma of the Cuban republic, yesterday, and contrast it with their own reiterated misrepresentations of the acts and purposes of the republican party touching Cuba. In accordance with the honorable program our troops have been ordered to evacuate the island during the next six weeks, and the whole civilized world will marvel, for there is not a nation on the earth toannex the island. Let them make what they can out of the facts.

If Watterson is to direct the democratic party policy, judging by his speech on ment is growing: Monday, the democrats will make "antiimperialism" their "paramount issue," with the Philippines as a secondary issue. methods in the states to gage the extent of illegal disfranchisement, with a view to securing just representation in congress. Watterson's abuse of the president, as the promotor of militarism, is a revival of the foolish charges against the a distinct prejudice in favor of American late President McKinley. The basis of goods. The Canadian tariff is not so this explosion was the general army staff high as to make it out of the question of any kind. On the contrary, it is levied bill in the hands of the senate military committee, which proposes to do for the bers to go after this trade. On some ararmy what the navy has had for some time and to its advantage in securing effective organization for service. This general staff bill simply makes provision for an advisory military board composed of officers detailed from the army to study and prepare plans for the officers who give the orders. This work cannot be effectively done in the already overworked adjutant-general's office. Yet the democrats point to this eminently advantageous proposition as embodying a design to ride roughshod over the traditions of civil liberty!

Leaving this ridiculous bogey to expire by its own limitations, the "sympathy- existing in Austria-Hungary, Germany with-the-Boers" issue, democratically proposed, may be considered as fore- gration, formerly directed chiefly to this doomed. No such issue can possibly stand. The sympathy with the Boers in their heroic struggle is not confined to the democratic party. It is equally a sym- 300,000 German settlers and in Argentina ceeds to arrogate to itself the lawmaking whence he had previously struck off. The pathy of the republican party, and, as it was a republican administration which formally addressed the British government with a tender of the services of the United States to act as intermediary between the Boers and the British government, it is evident that the full, possible duty has been done in this matter by the republican party. Great Britain politely declined the proffer of our good offices, and that government holds exactly the same position to-day. Our government, it is true, might declare war against Great Britain and force a bloody war over the Boers, but neither the president nor

congress would take that step. It is to be regretted that the democrats choose to occupy themselves with such petty business as that referred to. The republicans would vastly prefer to meet a foeman worthy of their steel. Even the Philippines "issue" is fading before the progress of the military operations. which are confined now to the suppression of sporadic bands of guerrillas while tongress is preparing a full-fledged civil rovernment to suit the needs of the peoale who will participate in it. The United States has no notion of scuttling out of although there was a falling off to some the archipelago. Many millions of Ameri- extent in 1901, the present year bids fair

can capital wait to go in and develop the to approximate in immigration figures to

as franchises can be obtained, and our good faith in keeping its promises made in December, 1898, to give to the Filipinos good government and protection of the liberties and property of the people and promoting their welfare in every way. This it is doing.

Meantime the democratic proceedings on doubt.

Yesterday the first abandoned lands were certified to the state forestry board as unfit for agricultural purposes and suitable for forestry administration. The One copy, one month...........35 cents lands are situated in Cook county and the former owners have not seen fit to pay taxes on them. This is but a feeble beginning for a state forestry system, but great things may grow out of it.

STILL THEY COME

Settlers continue to pour into the northwest in steady streams. Although this is about the eighth year of the present wave of migration it promises to give Minnesota and the two Dakotas more settlers than any previous year. The number will doubtless go above 100,000. It is a movement which should be of the greatest interest to all. Every inhabitant added to the population of the northwest makes it more prosperous, makes its lands more valuable, its trade richer, its political influence more powerful. It is certain that within the present decade the population of Minnesota and the two Dakotas will be increased by a million people. How much that means appears when it is recalled that the combined population of the Dakotas is considerable less than that number now.

The great land companies and individu-THE JOURNAL is published als who are so largely responsible for the every evening, except Sunday, at direction of this population movement to 47-49 Fourth Street South, Journal the northwest are making good profits out of their foresight, but they are doing the states and the people more good than they are doing themselves. Without intelligent and persistent private effort. stimulated by the prospect of gain, the vacant lands of the Dakotas and Minnesota would not now be sought as they are and the whole region would be backward in its development.

In the retirement of General Otis the man. He was, perhaps, the most perfect conditions in Cuba during our occupation type in the army of the officer who scrupulously adheres to the letter of his orders, economic conditions, betterment in which adopts them as his own opinions and car- is dependent upon reciprocity with the ries them out to the minutest detail. United States. Reciprocity will be good Scrupulous performance of duty, without fear or favor, has distinguished General will injure neither ountry. It is most un-Otis at all times. The machine soldier more initiative might have succeeded bet- It is not broad statesmanship to keep ter in dealing with the Filipinos than Otis Cuba out of her due because a certain did. But when he got his orders from narrow statesmanship is willing to grant at Washington will assemble and make Washington, after the outbreak of Feb. it, or because certain porcine interests work of crushing the insurgents, and reciprocity. Cuba may be unfortunate in tions which speedily resulted in the collapse of Aguinaldo's army and government, as well as any one else could have done under the circumstances.

A TRADE WORTH CULTIVATING

Those St. Paul manufacturers who are arranging to establish a permanent exhibit of their goods in Winnipeg, largely with the purpose of keeping in touch with the large American element that is now day which would have similarly spent its pouring into western Canada, are wise in blood and treasure to free a people op- their generation, and their Minneapolis pressed, and spend other millions start- competitors would do well to take a simiing them in their new national life under lar step. The extent of the American their own flag. Our democratic fellow movement into western Canada is not apcitizens have been predicting for the last preciated by our people, neither is its three years that the government intended profound significance understood. The to keep our troops in Cuba and forcibly following official Canadian figures show how large a part of the total immigration into that section is American and how rapidly its proportion of the whole move-

Year. Total number, Americans 1896 4,196 189827,857 190037,600 18,000

the democratic house caucus, the party | The official estimate for 1902 is from proposes to go afield with "sympathy with 35,000 to 75,000 from the United States. the Boers" for the issue. There are symp- The former figure is probably nearer the toms, too, of attempting to make an truth, but, at any rate, this year more issue out of the republican proposition to people are going into western Canada have a committee investigate election from the United States than from any other country or region.

The native Canadian naturally has a certain prejudice in favor of Canadian made goods, other things being equal, but this new American population will have for Minneapolis manufacturers and jobticles, it is true, the tariff is practically prohibitory, but the success of American manufacturers of agricultural machinery points the way for others to establish a good trade with the new country.

THE TIDE OF IMMIGRATION

The periods of heaviest immigration to this country from Europe coincide with the periods of our prosperity and with periods of business and industrial depression in Europe. The larger immigration of last year, which has continued into the present year, is due to the depression and Russia, chiefly. The German immicountry, is now going to a considerable extent to South America. It is said that in southern Brazil there are no less than there are many.

The statistics published by the New force the disregarded law. York Journal of Commerce show that. during January and February, usually months of decreased immigration, there were 15,000 steerage passengers more than ter to the accumulating evidence against during the same months last year, the Poultney Bigelow as a careless slanderer. movement being largely from Austria-Hungary, with Russia second and Germany and Italy contributing strongly. New York is the entry port of 83 per cent of all the steerage and third-class doing so utterly perverted the facts. As passengers, and the record shows that, for a consul general there is an abundance the eight months of the fiscal year (up of evidence that Goodnow has been an unto March 1) the arrivals there numbered qualified success. So utterly erroneous 226,581 as compared with 195,274 during the corresponding months of the previous year. For the calendar year 1901, the arrivals from all points in Europe numbered 438,868, as compared with 403,491 in of the incident, which was wholly to 1900. Of the 1901 arrivals, 120,000 to 130,-000 were from Italy and Portugal, chiefly from Italy, however. The present term of our prosperity brought us, in 1899, after a term of diminished immigration growing out of the crisis of 1893, 312,000 immigrants as compared with 229,299 in 1898. In 1900, the total increased to 449,000, and

valuable resources of the islands as soon | the big year 1891, when the record shows a total of arrivals at all our ports of government will set another example of 550,319. This was a "boom" period, to be followed in 1893 by the bitterness of a

commercial panic.

There was a time when Americans welcomed all immigrants in sight with great gratification. Even John Chinaman was, at first, received with joy and set to building our railways. We have drawn Friday night will be of interest, no the bars on John while we are admitting class of European immigrants who are not half as serviceable to the country as he. No other immigrants unless paupers, insane or notoriously criminal, are excluded. We have absorbed millions from abroad and are assimilating them and we have room for many more millions and will still have land for millions more when our arid and semi-arid areas are subjected to irrigation treatment. The percentage of immigrants who take naturally to the land to extract the wealth from it, is, however, diminishing. A large percentage of them go to the cities and towns for work and contribute to the urban population congestion. But in this espect we have not reached the danger point in this country. There is land for the landless and sure reward for all who choose to settle upon it and work it in-

In referring to the Charter Union's plan of adopting the present city charter as a home rule constitution. The Journal neglected to mention the important fact that it is intended to amend it so that municipal elections shall be separate from the general elections. The importance of this amendment is plain. It will make possible and probable the gradual alteration of the charter by amendment from time to time, and it will tend to take municipal affairs out of regular party politics, though with no such results in that way, probably, as could be hoped for.

A GOOD AUTHORITY ON CUBA

The Journal attaches much importance to former Senator W. D. Washburn's view of the business conditions prevailing in Cuba, arrived at after a personal investigation in the island. Mr. Washburn thinks that a concession of 50 per cent in the duty on Cuban sugar is necessary to restore prosperity to the sugar industry of that island. He remarks that while we have done much to country loses the services of a faithful improve the physical and governmental we have done nothing to improve the for both the United States and Cuba, and fortunate that it has become a sort of is in a sense a faithful slave. A man of cat's paw for both factions in congress. 4. 1899, he went steadily ahead in the favor it while opposing all other forms of probably conducted the military opera- her friends, but we are unable to see why she should be sacrificed to spite them.

Governor Van Sant should be very careful to select the right sort of men for the Minnesota commission at the St. Louis exposition. They will have a large amount of money to expend and a very important service to perform. They should be men who will view the choice of assistants purely in the light of merit. The matter of the choice of a superintendent is especially important. Unless disinterested mmissioners are appointed the state may not have the right man in this important place. It should profit by past

A LAWLESS POLICY

Nothing but the fixed indifference of Americans as a whole to what their municipal governments and their officials do prevents an outburst of popular wrath at the lawlessness of Mayor Ames' new policy regarding certain groups of vicious women.

So far as this policy is concerned Mayor Ames is a Minneapolis dictator. He has usurped the functions of the council and chinery to enforce it. Aside from the essential futility and immorality of the arouse the puble.

The tax the mayor proposes to levy on these women is not for the public treasury, and it is too much for the services of the medical inspectors employed. It is not levied under any authorization of law by the implied threat to enforce law. Summed up, the mayor's attitude and policy come to this:

Submit to my law, pay the tax I levy, or I will enforce the public laws to your grief. You are in my power and you know it. A correspondent of The Journal

in a communication published elsewhere, brings this point out at length. The melody and sure to become popular.

makes him absolute ruler and autocratic lawmaker of Minneapolis. "I am mayor and I am going to run this thing as I please" is his reasoning. The chief-ofpolice, taking the cue from his brother, intelligently and politely remarks that the police will handle the matter without the assistance of a "lot of d-d, old women." along expected lines. From disregard of

The Ames wideopen policy is evolving law and failure to enforce it, it now profunction and enforce it by a threat to en-

The Journal publishes to-day another letter which adds still more mat-What John Goodnow may have done or been before he was appointed consul general to Shanghai, is not now in point. Bigelow attacked him as consul, and in was Bigelow in every respect that even in the detail of the insult offered to Goodnow in the English club by his predeces sor, he totally misrepresented the effect Goodnow's advantage instead of his dis-

AFTERMATH

He who for love has undergone The worse that can befall Is happier thousand-fold than one Who never loved at all. A grace within his soul has reigned Which nothing else can bring.
Thank God for all that I have gained Thank God to:

By that high suffering!

-Lord Houghton.

The Nonpareil Man

Children's Verse, No. 2-The Gideous Gobulin.

It was a Gideous Gobulin!
He climbed the Gumbo Tree,
And made the Hideous Faces At Katherine and Me.

He tucked his Mouth behind his ear And pulled his rose awry; His other ear hung limp and loose And Katherine said, "O, My!"

And then he tried to frighten us By loudly saying "Boo!"
But Katherine bravely looked at him
And sternly said, "O, you!!"

Casually Observed. The war department would like to retire

for. He refuses, however, to stand for the have shaped themselves, however, it would celluloid doughnut and India rubber pie at be hard work for a man of Mr. Lind's princithe Nebraska hotel.

new Moses so badly.

"Lobsters I Have Met," by M. Champney

One of the later dime novel heroes is Fred Fearnot, who has run through a series of 167 books meeting with adventures that astound and embarrass the mind. When "the he is following the bloody career of F. F.

language, causing the neighbors to pull down the open windows.

Well, anyhow, Poultney Bigelow has warm friend in the German emperor.

Wheat is down to 70, but a lot of farmer

Work of F. Fiend, Esq., Foiled. next door. Having gone through several fires tion. in the last ten years, nearly every newspaper writer or setter in Minneapolis is prepared o drop suddenly and forcibly out of whatever vindow may present itself and to stay outside until the Fire Fiend has had its game out. There was the usual racket of talk, typeuilding lasting about two seconds, followed That was enough, and everybody moved, some of the boys putting on their cuffs, and others unscrewing their typewriters. A calm and ollected genius turned on the iron shutters, but not before a glimpse into the light well showed a window full of flames roaring like

About this time several large, coarse fire-men appeared, and with no politics about it whatever ruined the whole event from an art istic point of view by turning the Mississippi a fourth nomination. river into the flames, which promptly went After that nothing was left but the talking, the six or eight people who had discovered th

high-priced tailor over last season's bill.

flames being free to mention that fact, and the parties who had been burned out in the Great Tribune Fire of 1889 easily obtaining an audience when they told how they had paper file for a balancing pole.

escaped by walking a telegraph wire, using Fires look very simple and amusing after they are out, but when they are in, the best place to be is out, and that's where we intend to be unless chained down by the man-

-A. J. Russell.

AMUSEMENTS

Foyer Chat.

Marguerite Sylva, supported by Nixon and Zimmerman's big company of comedians and singers, will give the last performance of 'Miss Bob White" at the Metropolitan to-

Miss Daphne Pollard, a little 7-year-old Galiety Girl" at the Metropolitan to-morrow News-Messenger. He predicts the nomination night, by the Pollard Juvenile Opera company. From criticisms of this company's per- as motives "dissapointments in securing for formances in other cities it is gathered that themselves or their friends official positions, Miss Daphne is a whole show by herself.

The enormous success that Viola Allen has be believes, is chiefly confined to the three chieved during the past three years, first as large cities, and the country is almost solid Glory Quayle in "The Christian" and during for the governor, including many democrats the past year as Dolores de Mendoza in "In and populists. the Palace of the King," has been wonderful. Miss Allen's stellar honors have been fairly the governorship, two years hence. Hi the legislature, has made a law of his own and intends to use the city's police maseason.

Two new songs which Andrew Mack has been honest, zealous and courageous policy the usurpation of power manifested written for his new play, "Tom Moore," will serving and promoting the welfare of the in its adoption ought to be enough to prove a source of interest to the many admirstant that he merits and the people, and that he merits and ers of the sweet-voiced comedian. One of the will receive the nomination, and romising is a number entitled "Sweet of which great thingns are expected. It will be heard at the Metropolitan for the has not been in full accord with some of the first time the latter part of next week.

> "Are You a Buffalo?" attracted a large au dience last evening at the Bijou.

Al H. Wilson, the golden-voiced singer will be the attraction at the Bijou next week. presenting "The Watch on the Rhine," a ro-The play is produced with a full complement of beautiful scenery, showing pictures of fa-mous points on the Rhine, the Schloss of Heidelberg and other places famed in song field in Hennepin county. His chances in the and story. sing six new songs, each a gem of exquisite mayor, he well shows, is violating law to enforce his own revenue-raising rule.

The mayor seems to think that his office melody and sure to become popular. They are entitled "Love Is All in All," "My Little Fraulein," "In Tyrol," "The Tea Kettle Song," "When Parading" and "A Song of Home." The company in support of Mr. Wilson is claimed to be above the average bard district indicate that a rival combinaand thoroughly capable and satisfactory.

THE LUCK OF A GREENHORN Boston Herald.

weeks ago, a new member was playing around the links for the first time. It, was really his first serious effort to play golf. He ma pretty good strike-off from an elevated tee valley to the top of a hill about seventy-five yards beyond. Thinking to have little practice across the valley, he struck his ball back toward the green beside the tee ball sailed gracefully over the hill, and, to his inexpressible surprise, the player heard i go "kerchunk" into the hole on the green. friends, persists in his refusal to be a canhad struck a ball seventy-five yards and landed it in the hole. Probably few players cannot remain in this climate winters. He is ever did such a thing, and this player says understood to be favorable to Dr. Watson he does not expect ever to do it again if plays golf for a quarter of a century. It 'the luck of a greenhorn.'

SATISFACTORY EXCUSES

A girl absent from school for half a day rought the following satisfactory excuse: "Miss teecher-My dotter's absents yesterdey was unavoidable. Her shoes had to be halfsoled and she had a sore throte. Her konstitushun is delikit and if she is absent any ore you can knew that it is en acount of unavodabel sickness or something else. boy absent for half a day laid the following explanation on his master's desk: "Dear sir, please excuse Henry. He went to grandpapa's funeral with me this forenoon. I have been might if he was good, and he has been very

DISAPPOINTED

Baltimore Sun. A little girl had a quarrel at school with little Jewish girl; and, when she got home, she denounced the Jews. Her mother said, ovingly: "My dear, you must not talk in will consent to believe that he would ab a dor way. The Jews were God's chosen peo-Our Lord himself was a Jew." After a gont's dear thought the child replied in a moment's deep thought the child replied, in a fairs. didn't know that. I'm so serry. I always Mr. Bryan is president know that I'm so serry. I always cil at Two Harbors. one of horror and regret: "Oh, mama, I thought he was an Episcopalian.

MINNESOTA POLITICS

John Lind does not want to run for gov-Three campaigns and two years in office have satisfied him. He is willing to run for congress from the fifth district, and if he can have his way, as he usually does, that is the position he occupy on the democratic ticket this fall. This has been surmised a good many times since Mr. Lind's removal to Minneapolis. The report was given currency in this column months ago. It is no longer guesswork, how-

Though the ex-governor has preserved the silence of a Sphinx, and has taken great care to guard his intentions from public knowledge, there are several little leaks through which the information has come to his way to town or back home again was utwaiting ears. The governorship has no charms for Mr.

Lind. He ran for a second term in 1900 against his wishes and judgment, and though, once in the campaign, he fought hard to win and was disappointed at the result, he was General Miles to a padded cell on the army rejoiced to be relieved from the cares of the ration, did not the democratic party need a office. It was not the office that he cared for rejoiced to be relieved from the cares of the but the honor of a political triumph. Dr. Bixby is making a personally conducted the contest this fall would be to wipe out the tour of Nebraska and finds much to stand up bitter defeat of two years ago. As events only thing that could induce him to enter ples to make a campaign against Van Sant The present governor's bid for popular sup-port is his hostile attitude toward railway "Lobsters I Have Met," by M. Champary, McChampney; Bill & McSnorter; \$1.75. This deadless of society in New York city is inwould be known as the merger candidate, whether justly or not. He would have the whether justly or not. He would have the results of the railway interests, and, while This combination. The candidate against him this is not to be despised, it is also a handi-cap with a great share of the voters.

Even should he win, there would be no nev honor in it for Governor Lind. It would mean a six months' campaign and two years kid" is keeping quiet it is a safe guess that in office to the entire neglect of his private business.

A congressisonal career is particularly

Chicago boasts a parrot who uses golf tempting just now. Mr. Lind is said to be persuaded that if he runs in this district he can be elected. This, too, with only a seven weeks' campaign, practically confined to the A revivalist who combines religious work city of Minneapolis. Once in congress, his with the selling of oil lands is exciting the disgust of the Congregationalist published in perience at the capital, would make him at once a leader of the democratic minority. In all probability he would be the most com-manding figure on the democratic side of the house, and would have inflitely better opporunities to take the lead on national questions than in the governor's chair. A conare so prosperous and well fixed this year gressional career would put him in line for that they can easily afford to wait until it his ambition's goal, the United States senate. is in the fifties before selling their last year's The ex-governor is known to have a particular desire to measure swords with Senator Knute Nelson, and if the political wheel of fortune should so turn by 1907 as to give the While grinding out a poem on the Whang- democrats a chance at the Minnesota legislaloodle yesterday, this column was brought to ture, Mr. Lind would be the standard bearer pause by a hot yellow fire in the light well in the fight against Senator Nelson's re-elec

No better news than this could be brought to Minnesota republicans-outside Hennepi county. They confidently feel that with Lind governorship, however, is not entirely ban writing machines and boys playing tag yes- ished from his mind. His final decision will when a sudden silence all over the depend on the way the republican state conby a rapid overturning of chairs and pattering of feet attracted attention. An unattached, uninterested voice said, "There's a fire." case Mr. Lind might be prevailed on to consider his candidacy a duty. It is currently reported that he prefers to run against Van Sant. This is natural, as if he runs he pre fers to beat the man who defeated him in 1900 However, if Van Sant is renominated by acclamation, as seems probable, and the party rallies around him for re-election, it will be rather a slim prospect for the democracy. Mr. Lind's best friends say that in such a case they would not feel like urging him to accept

> L. A. Rosing, private secretary to Governo Lind, is willing to be his heir apparent. While democratic leaders are still talking Lin 1 for governor, Rosing's name has been mentioned in some quarters, and apparently it is not distasteful to the chairman of the state committee.

The populist attitude toward fusion does not please the democracy, at least that portion of it that has profited by union with the popu-list forces. N. P. Olson, former assistant labor commissioner, says in the Anoka Free

We are in receipt of an advance sheet of We are in receipt of an advance without the state of people and the state of the state committee. Its sole purpose seems to be to advise nonulists to stand aloof from democ-Victor E. Las sole purpose seems to be committee. Its sole purpose seems to democadvise populists to stand aloof from democadvise populists to stand aloof from the democadular to a standard the mainteends the mainteends. racy—to avoid fusion. This means that, in the eyes of our populist friends, the mainte-nance of a third party name and organiza-tion is of more importance than the bringing about of political reforms, which everybody knows cannot be accomplished without the

Captain C. C. Whitney has some interestmedienne, will play Corporal Lance in "A ing gossip in his latest letter to the Marshall of Van Sant and says that his opponents have or have a kindly feeling for, or an unwarranted fear of, corporate influence.

State Auditor Dunn, he says, is slated for them. "Mr. Dunn asserts that the governor administration has been meritorious, that he state and the people, and that he merits and elected to succeed himself. All this he emthough admitting that overnor's views."

This is authoritative, as Captain Whitney is in a position to speak for the state auditor dependent on that official, and not or the governor, for his official position. Whitney also gives currency to the report that L. A. Rosing will be the democratic candidate for governor.

Senator Lowell E. Jepson has filed hi certificate of candidacy for renomination, being the first formal entry into the senatoria During the action Mr. Wilson will forty-fourth district are regarded as the best. The only opponent for the nomination is They Frank S. Lane. Now that the boundary lines have been changed, the district is believed "The Tea Kettle to the safely republican.

> tion is after the scalps of Senator Jones and Representatives Babcock and O'Neil. Colonei E. B. Wood of Long Prairie is the candidate for this combination for the senate, while Colonel G. A. Whitney of Wadena and Ed Hines of Park Rapids have joined forces as candidates for the house. Sepator Jones may not desire a renomination owing to ill health

Reports from the Todd, Wadena and Hub-

The Gary Graphic says:

In view of the fact that all other candidates seem willing to drop out if Senator Myran is still in the race, it is about time for Ole to put us wise as to his intentions. The great mental strain on the other "probabilities" must be enervating in the extreme. Senator Myran, much to the regret of his friends persists in his refusal to be a contribute the senator man and the strains of the senator myran, much to the regret of his friends persists in his refusal to be a contribute that the senator myran is the senator myran and the senator myran in the senator myran is senator myran in the senator myran is still in the race, it is about time for Ole to put us when the senator myran is still in the race, it is about time for Ole to put us when the senator myran is still in the senator myran is senator myran in the senator myran in the senator myran is senator myran in the senator myran is senator myran in the senator myran is senator myran in the senator myran in the senator myran is senator myran in the senator my Owing to the state of his health he didate.

The Willmar Republican Gazette says: State Senator Miller, of Luverne, has many friends who would like to see him named as the republican candidate to succeed Governor Smith, who is not a candidate for re-election, it is said. The senator is a brainy man, and as honest as the day, and enjoys an envisible republicance of a fixed of the results of the second of lable reputation as a friend of the people. They say the second district is going to Senator Miller is true, but he is not a candidate.

Congressman Eddy's absence in Europe is worrying his constituents.
The Ortonville Herald-Star observes:

The Ortonville Herald-Star observes:
The rumor that Congressman Eddy had
mysteriously disappeared from Washington
has been run down, and it appears that Mr.
Eddy is now in Norway in the interest of
some colonization scheme. He was granted
a thirty days' leave of absence, and has now
had this leave extended to sixty days. This
is on the word of the veracious newspaper
correspondent, but Mr. Eddy's constituents
will want some further evidence before hey
will consent to believe that he would she don

Mr. Bryan is president-of the village coun

IOE HARPER'S WILL

By JOHN HAMBLIN

Copyright, 1902, by the S. S. McClure Comand worked a little farm and kept house for himself, and he had little desire for the com-pany of others. It was said of him that he never was known to laugh, and anything in the way of a joke flung at him as he plodded

terly thrown away. Of course everybody held him up to contempt or ridicule. He had been living thus for ten years when, one day, in a hollow tree on his own farm he found a great heap of money. There was such weight that he had to borrow a neighbor's horse and wagon to convey it to the bank in the town. He tried to be very secret about it, but the matter became the gossip of the county. Neither Joe nor the banker would tell what the sum was, but people who took a look at the hollow three estimated it at \$30,000. Those who didn't take a look placed the figpres at \$75,000 and also added a lot of

It was passing strange what a change took place in public opinion. The old bachelor had callers by the score, and each caller warmiy



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congratulated him. Instead of being guye by the passers-by, as he worked in his fields, men climbed the fences to shake hands with him and invite him to make investments. In the years past even the homeliest old maids had declared that they would drown themselves sooner than marry such a "poke" of a man. Things were different now. At least half a dozen old maids and three or four widows began sending in custard pies and jellies and currant wine and giving their opinion that Mr. Joseph Harper would show off with the best of them if he only had a wife to give him hints and suggestions. Joe did not come out of his shell very far, but it was afterward remembered by a good many began. Joseph Harper had found a box of that he had something like a twinkle in his coins in a hollow tree, but they were bogus eye as he shook hands with his numerous

Unknown to any one but his doctor, Joseph Harper had a weak heart, and one day he up old scores. overexerted himself and died at his own door. So far as was known he had not spent a dollar of his find, and as he had no relatives, siders" were tickled to death, and the row there was much curiosity as to whether he had made a will or not, and who would come windows smashed adn fences leveled. There in for his money. A village lawyer soon are some still living who speak of the dead gratified curiosity as to a will. One had been made only six months before the old others who never hear his name mentioned

The excitement was intense, and more peo ple turned out to pay a last tribute of respect to Joseph Harper than had ever followed another citizen of the county. While at least 200 people who could not get in stood about the yard to learn the contents of the will. The first person mentioned in the document was an old maid. Before the find of the treasure she had been in the habit of mimicking the walk of the old bachelor and

had made a great hit. "Miss Lucy Arnold," read the document, is to walk twice across the floor and imitate my gait as closely as possible. She is then to be allowed to take a double handful of coins out of the box as a token of my esteem It took Lucy five minutes to work up her nerve for the performance, but she figured that double double handful of coins would

be at least \$500, and she went ahead. The next legatee was William Johnson, a farmer's son, who was required to laugh in a hearty manner for the privilege of taking one handful of coins. He had always been asking old Joe why he didn't laugh. It was a pretty hard job for him to get up a haw! haw! on this occasion, but he finally accom-plished it and made a mighty one handed

Then the document mentioned Mrs. Scott, wife of Peter Scott, who was in the habit of puckering up her mouth in a curious way when saying it was the way Joe did when he tried to whistle "Auld Lang Syne." She was to stand up and pucker her mouth for two minutes by the clock and was then to be awarded with a pint basin full of coins. She hung off about it for awhile, but her husband braced her up, and she earned her coins and got her mouth back to its usual hape again.

Then came the turn of Miss Hattle Davis. another old maid. The old bachelor was deaf in the left ear, and he had a rather curious way of jerking up his left hand when spoken to. Miss Davis was in the habit of imitating this movement. They will read that she was to stand up and then go through the motion twenty times, and she was to be rewarded with all the coins she could grab with both hands. But for her mother being pres-ent to tell her that two big handfuls of money would doubtless bring a suitor for her hand Miss Hattie might have not reaped under the

A few months before discovering the trees. ure Joseph Harper had suffered for several weeks with rheumatism in the hip and had een compelled to drag his right walked. Young Aaron Geernwood, who was the smart Alec of the neighborhood, had given imitations of the limp for the delectation of the neighbors. The will read that he was to limp ten rods and back after "the Harper style" and would then be allowed to fill one trousers pocket with coins from the box. The young man went through the per-formance, but none of the spectators was con-

vulsed with laughter. There were twenty-two legatees under the will, and twenty-one of them had to go through some performance in order to inherit. n each and every case the bachelor got even and a little more, though lying in his grave. The twenty-second and last person to be mentioned was the wife of a farmer living five miles away. It appeared that she had once called Joseph in as he was plodding by in a storm and had fed and warmed him. To her was left all his real estate and personal property, amounting to a matter of \$6,000, and she was charged to congratulate all the others on what they had received.

This charge was never fulfilled. She had not yet risen to carry it out when the row quarters and halves and dollars and hidden away by some gang of counterfeiters years before. He had made use of the find to square

Of course the "legatees" were boiling over with indignation, and of course the "out-

Daily New York Letter

March 26 .- Bertha Schilling, 12 years of age, of 493 Courtlandt avenue, had an odd experience Sunday when she was knocked down by a car and had her hair cut off almost as clean as if by a pair of scissors. She was crossing Third avenue behind a south-bound car when a north-bound car confronted her. She stepped back to let it pass, but the side of the fender caught her and threw her heavily to the ground. In falling, her long hair fell across the rail, although her head and body were out of danger. The forward close to the scalp. Part of the scalp was

The accident was witnessed by a large number of persons, many of whom supposed engagements and Mr. Fromman agreed the girl was killed. After the car passed by, up the concerts contemplated here. dozen men rushed to her assistance and The girl smiled, but burst into tears when she realized that she had lost her hair, of which she was very proud. The severed curls were gathered up and handed to her. With them tucked securely inder her arm, she ran home to tell he

mother. Pre-Election Promises.

Despite pre-election promises of reform and department is as corrupt as ever, according to a statement made by a committee of the Drivers and White Wings' union. It was asserted that not less than \$2,500 a week is collected by foremen and their agents, the employes referred to paying \$1 each in order to e sure of retaining their positions. members of the committee criticized Commissioner Woodbury for retaining many Tammany subordinates, who, they asserted, had been bold and more grasping in blackmailing the men since Woodbury assumed office than they ever were under Mr. Nagle. Backing up the statements made by the committee are letters and affidavits of many men employed as sweepers and drivers. Acting in dependently of the committee, District Attorney Jerome has been at work gathering material which he hopes will result in the conviction of a large number of officials.

New Devices for the Astor.

Work upon the Hotel Astor, which will occupy an entire block, and which will represent an outlay of \$5,000,000, has begun. When completed, the hotel will take rank as one of the most imposing structures of the city. The building will be ten stories above the of the complaint with costs. sidewalk and two below. Brand new devices will figure in almost every department of the great hotel. One of them will be an automatic dish-remover. Waiters at the Hote Astor will waste no time in carrying dishes from the tables. the dishes from the tables to the "remover and, presto! the soiled china will be whisked automatically to the washing-room. The ho tel will be absolutely fireproof, but in every room there will be automatic fire alarm

Mr. Vanderbilt's Pictures.

It is expected an unusually attractive fea ture of the spring opening of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, early in May, will be an exhibition of the collection of paintings owned support Colonel Everett of Fairmont for clerk hibition of the collection of paintings owned of the supreme court. All that is said of by the late William H. Vanderbilt and now at the home of George W. Vanderbilt, Fifty first street and Fifth avenue. It is said the raintings will be loaned to the museum fo a year during the absence of George W. Vanderbilt, who, with his wife, sailed to-day or the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. There are several hundred pictures in this famous col lection, and it has never been publicly ex-

An Insolvent Company.

Attorney General Davies has brought suit to wind up as insolvent the German American Real Estate Title Guarantee com pany of 175 Broadway, and Justice Gilder sleeve has appointed John Henry Hammond emporary receiver. The state insurance de partment, which recently made an investi-gation of the affairs of the company, reported that its capital of \$500,000 had been impaired \$408,448, or \$1.96 per cent within a year. The

last annual report of the company put the assets at \$1,866,000 and the liabilities at \$1,371, 000. Since this annual report the item of borrowed money has been liquidated by a transfer of all the equities in real estate owned in fee to the creditor advancing the moneys represented by the item. This creditor is Russell Sage.

Kubelik Sails for England.

Jan Kubelik has salled for England on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and will appear in London scon after his arrival there. He will return afterward to Prague to see his mother. The American season of the youthful violinist might have been but he was anxious to keep his London engagements and Mr. Fronman agreed to give rangements have as yet been made for Kulelik's return to this country, but it is practically settled that he will come back and spend the greater part of next winter here.

"A Rake-Off" of \$11,000,000.

The suit of John H. Parks against John W. Gates for a share in Gates' sulting from the organization of the Ameri-Despite pre-election promises of reform and prevention of blackmail, the street-cleaning New Jersey has reached the arguments of counsel before Justice Traux in the supreme

court. Counsel for Parks, Austin G. Fox, said that he had intended to introduce testimony from William Nelson Cromwell but that Mr. Cromwell was busy in Washington and his testimony would probably be ruled out any way. He therefore intended to ask for an interlocutory decree and that under such decree he would seek to introduce the evi-dence of Mr. Straus of Seligman & Co., and thers, who would tell how much of the profits of the steel and wire deal was deided among the promoters.

Mr. Guthrie, after slight objections, said that he would let the request for an interlocutory decree go without objection. He intimated that he did not see how Parks could get any sort of a decree.

Mr. Gutherie said that it was absurd to contend that because Mr. Gates and Mr. Parks had once been partners in an enterprise which had resulted in no "promoters profits." Mr. Parks should all through the rest of Mr. Gates' life have a right to claim a share in every profitable investment which Mr. Gates made. He asked for a dismissal

Austin Fox, attorney for Mr. Parks, said that he was satisfied that there had been a rakeoff of \$11,0000,900 somewhere and that no small part of it had been turned over to the riends and associates of John W. Gates as the share of the Cates' crowd in the pronoters' profits. Mr. Fox read a numbe nessages passing between Gates and Parks and held that they showed that Parks was inderstood to be working all the time in

Gates' interest. Justice Truax took the papers.

WHEAT ELEVATORS

Castles, or Titans' houses, or huge fanes Of ancient gods that yet compel men's fear-What powers, what pomps, do these betoken

coming aloft upon the plow-seamed plains?

ouls of ripe seasons and spirits of sweet rains Flock hither; and the sinewy, yellow year Heaps their high chambers with Pactolian

No fortresses, nor lemigods' abodes, These are uprain it to well-feared deities Whose will is iron, and whose splendid

precious than those golden Lydian

s undisputed now as when great Rhodes, And Tyre, and Carthage, flourished serving

Or Joseph stored Egyptian corn away.