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The republican orators told the laboring men that the tariff was for their benefit. The steel barons have been making millions of dollars, and the laboring men for whose benefit the tariff is levied, are now making the light of their life in an effort to get their share. —Iowa State Advertiser.

The cables say the legislature of the Philippines is in session. This is one of the most interesting legislative bodies in the world. It consists of the five members of the Philippine commission appointed by President McKinley, and three natives, appointed by the commission, and subject to removal at the pleasure of the commission. —Cedar Rapids Republican.

Alton Democrat: Violent robbery is inexcusable. There is no use inserting your hand into your neighbor's pocket to get up his coin. Start a trust and make him hand it over. By so doing you can endow a college and get a nice monument in the park. Don't sneeze over to your friend's granary and steal a sack of wheat. Corner the market and steal the whole crop and you will stand before kings and queens and jacks and aces, and your daughter will marry a duke.

Waverly Democrat: "Six transit gloria mundi!" Who bears now of Carrie Nation? She and her hatchet cut a whole swath in the newspapers for a few days. The drink demon was to be banished from America, and peace was to reign and the melon patch flourish at every man's door. The saloons of Kansas are as numerous as ever, the monthly fine is imposed; prohibition is the fundamental law of the state, and whiskey and beer are openly sold in the shadow of the state's capitol.

For years the republican politicians have been in the habit of stealing whole counties from the Democrat, but now one faction is stealing precincts from the other there is a howl from the republican press. There has never been a campaign when there has been so much corruption developed as on each side of the Cummins' controversy. When both sides practice bribery and perjury it shows a rotten condition of affairs. It indicates that there is a time for a return to the Horace Boies regime. —Iowa State Advertiser.

At a meeting of the lawyers at Council Bluffs the members of the association wore silk ribbon badges with the words, "Iowa State Bar Association." The Clinton Herald tells a story to the effect that when the lobby of the Grand jury was well filled with the lawyers, district judges and members of the supreme court, a stranger was noticed standing at one side watching the interested groups, and he quietly remarked: "This is the soberest lot of saloon keepers I ever saw at a convention." That was a good one on the legal "profess," but the Bard of Avon said, "there is nothing in a name." A word sometimes has a double meaning, or more than one.

Bryan Still Idolized. Did Mr. Blaine cease to be the most popular idol of the republican rank and file of the country when Benjamin Harrison in 1888 wrested from him the badge of the presidency which he had been vainly chasing for twenty years? No. He still continued to represent the people who loved, respected and honored him, just as Mr. Bryan now represents the common people who love, respect and honor him, "unawed by influence and unbruted by gain," marched to the ballot boxes last November and voted for him. He is the idol today, just as Blaine remained the idol of his followers in the days that are gone. —Augusta, Me., New Age.

A fine bed of mineral paint has been found on the farm of Mr. Perry Lickie north of town and near Rawson's mill says the Arlington News. When Mr. R. O. Phelps' brother-in-law was in Arlington not long since he secured a specimen of the paint and took it with him to Chicago where it was submitted to expert chemists for analysis and it was pronounced to be of a high order. The other day two gentlemen from Chicago called on Mr. Lickie and rented a small part of the land for \$100 and negotiations are going on for the sale of the entire farm to the Chicago parties, who claim if they get the land they will employ regularly not less than fifty men. The vein of paint was three feet deep in one place and in another six feet and did not reach the bottom. The country is very rough and when developing the paint mines it may be that deposits of other valuable ores may be found.

He Raised Hanna's Taxes. It is Mark Hanna's turn to do something out of the ordinary. The reason is this: Tom Johnson, the mayor of Cleveland and the most potential individual force in that city has raised the tax valuation of the Cleveland city railroad from \$600,000 to \$6,233,800. This, as you doubtless have observed, is a little better than 10 per cent. Johnson is waging war against corporations and the street car line he has squarely hit is known as "Hanna's Own," or the "Little Consolidated." While the Cleveland board of equalization was listening to the logic of Mayor Johnson and shaping itself to agree with him, Mark Hanna was in Canton dictating the policy of the administration. It may be that he will make more in the larger deal than he loses in the smaller one, but nevertheless the general opinion is that under the Johnsonian regime Mark will have to pay for what he has been getting as a gratuity. If there were more Tom Johnsons there would be less Hannas. —Davenport Democrat.

The Croaker. Oh, the melancholy croaker, With the croak, croak, croak, He can always tell a funeral, But never tell a joke; He in his ready coffin Can drive a nail no doubt, But with a smiling visage He never draws one out. Oh, the poor unhappy croaker, Like a revolving vase, He rotates the weather, He sure is going to rain; He knows the crops are ruined, His memory he jogs To prove that now the country Is going to the dogs.

Caring for Calves. As soon as it has strength enough to show playfulness, the calf ought to be let out into the sunshine every day. Nail up a small box in its pen and put a handful of feed in it every time its mother is fed. It will soon learn to look for it. If it gets the scours boil its milk a few times. See that it always has hay or grass within its reach. Muzzle the calf before you turn it in with the cows, for that old saying about the "ounce of prevention" is just as true in 1901 as ever before. Fasten a large harness snap up about the height of a pail on the inside of the calf's pen. Snap this onto the pail when the calf is fed and let her hunt. When the weather begins to get hot give the calf a drink of cool water at noon. If it can have a pasture by itself it will do better than if turned in with the cows.

Keep the calf growing. The faster the better. Nothing but a good beef will make a good cow or a good beef. Now, because beef and butter are high, don't go to raising two calves on one cow's milk. Ground oats are good for calves, and should be fed dry. Salt should be supplied. Skim milk is better than whole milk. The paunch ought to be well developed. Don't be afraid of a pot-bellied calf. Keep the calf's quarters clean. A good dry bed is essential. —New York Farmer.

Stock breeders and dairymen hall with joy the declaration of Prof. Koch at the international congress of medical men in London that he had demonstrated that consumption cannot be communicated from bovine milk to the human family. For years the cow raisers have fought the enforced use of the tuberculin tests and the wholesale slaughter of animals alleged to be affected by tuberculosis for the very reason advanced by the noted discoverer of phthisis bacillus. The owners of cows have escaped the rigid enforcement of this obnoxious law because of the friendliness of the present board, which has for a member one of their number.

What Prof. Koch declares he has proved scientifically the dairymen have asserted with vehemence. They have insisted that a single case of communicated tuberculosis could be milked, though the susceptibility of milk to the germ even after it has left the cow is well known. During the winter a committee consisting of Samuel L. Pope, of Libertyville, E. J. Fellows, of St. Charles, and W. A. Goodwin, of Crystal Lake, was sent on a roving commission to secure testimony proving or disproving the popular theory. It is claimed that a copy of this report forwarded to the governor was the means of securing for the stock breeders and dairymen favorable recognition and diluted the edge of the rigorous statutes.

PUZZLES FOR JUDGES

SIMPLE WORDS THAT HAVE TANGLED UP ENGLISH COURTS. Some Terms of Almost Everyday Use That Proved to Be Too Profound For the Intelligence of the Learned Bench and Bar.

In a case that came before a famous lord justice some time ago the counsel for the prosecution in the evidence had to mention a "blouse." The judge asked what a blouse was, and it was explained that this was part of a lady's dress. But the case came to a dead stop for the time, for the judge did not know what a blouse was, and after some hesitation the barrister admitted that he wasn't sure. Several learned brothers gave their opinion, some opining a blouse was the upper half of a lady's costume, while others insisted it was not more than a handkerchief. The judge, filled with learned celebrities whose heads held all the laws of Britain, from pitch and toss to manslaughter, argued it out, but nobody was sure. The judge thought it was the lower half, but a junior barrister who had lately been married said he thought that that half was called a skirt, but did not feel certain. At length a lady was called, who set the court right.

Another odd dilemma happened not long ago when in the Hobson "horse faking" case the word "reticle" arose. A felleck, as everybody knows, is the ankle of a horse. The court asked what it was, however, and the prosecuting counsel was nonplused. The witnesses were out of court save one, and he knew nothing. The judge, however, thought a felleck was a sort of hind knee, otherwise "hock," but one learned brother was quite certain it was the lock of hair that hangs over a horse's forehead. The defendant's solicitor opined it was that part of the harness which slips over the tail, the crupper, and another legal celebrity agreed with the judge. Finally the court had to call a stable groom to clear up the mystery.

In a case that was settled some years since the records were brought up short by a phrase used by the counsel for defense, who spoke of a transaction concerning a pound of "blacklead." This is a common and useful article, but the counsel on being asked to explain its nature said it was a black substance used for boot polishing. The recorder thought it was a mineral used in lead pencils, but another barrister asserted it to be a "tough kind of lead used for roofing houses." The case was brought to a standstill, and one lawyer, unsurpassed in legal knowledge, declared that blacklead was a slang term for pig iron as produced in the north country. A fourth expounder of the law vaguely suggested it was the opposite of white lead, and finally a domestic servant put the court right, and the assembly at last learned that it was used for blacking stoves.

Another dilemma was produced a little while ago on the western circuit by the introduction of the words "dry nurse" in an address to the court. The bewildered judge, who asked if a dry nurse was a nurse who dried babies after they had been washed. That solution did not occur to the learned counsel, but after some hesitation, he said he thought it meant a nurse who was not addicted to drinking and therefore most suitable to look after infants. Nobody seemed to know what the term really meant, though several more guesses were made, the last of them being that a dry nurse was one who could not amuse children.

The court was again nonplused by a statement made that somebody con-

cerned in the case supposed to suffer from melancholia was really "as jolly as a sandboy." The judge wanted to know what a sandboy was in order to get some idea as to the exact degree of jollity involved. The counsel could not tell him, though one suggested it was a boy who sanded the roads and the other thought it might be a lad building sand castles on the seashore. The whole court stopped to discuss the word, and finally they decided that a sandboy was a boy who was jolly, but they could not solve the problem.

It is hardly believable that anybody should not know what a "snaffle" is, but a London magistrate recently desired to be informed, and nobody could tell him what a snaffle might be. A solicitor thought it was the same thing as the "curb," and the clerk had an idea it was a kind of cold in the head which horses caught, causing them to snuffle a good deal. —London Answers.

A Famous Temple. The most magnificent work of architecture in the world is the Taj Mahal, in Agra, Hindustan. It was erected by Shah Jehan in the memory of his favorite queen. It is octagonal in form, of pure white marble, inlaid with Jasper, carnelian, turquoise, agate, amethysts and sapphires. The work took 20,000 men 20 years to complete, and though there were free gifts and the labor was free the cost is estimated at \$16,000,000.

Helping Him. Mr. Backward—Well—er—yes, since you ask me, I was thinking of consulting a fortune teller. Miss Coy—To find out whom you will marry, eh? Mr. Backward—Why—er—yes. Miss Coy—Why not ask me and save the fortune teller's fee toward the price of the ring? —Philadelphia Press.

An Order Cook Be Filled. Customer (in Boston restaurant)—Waiter, have you any fried oles? Waiter—We have oles, sir, and they are susceptible of being fried.—Ladies Weekly.

The first mention of stamps is in the letters of the old Bishop Synesius of Cyrene, whose coast of Africa, 400 years after the Christian era.

Wellington's Endurance. Wellington on one occasion started, Sir Herbert Maxwell tells us, at 7 a. m., to ride a place 28 miles distant, heard a review and was back at the place from which he had started for dinner between 4 and 5 p. m., says Golden Smith in The Atlantic. He galloped 23 miles and back to see whether damage had been done to a pontoon train. He rode 17 miles in two hours from Fremada to Ciudad Rodrigo, where he dined, gave a ball and supper, in the saddle again at 3 a. m., galloped back to Fremada by 6 and was doing business again at noon. He rose regularly at 6 and wrote till 9 and after dinner wrote again from 9 till 12.

It must be essential to every general and indeed to every man who is bearing a heavy load of anxious business to be a good sleeper. Napoleon was a first rate sleeper; so was Pitt; so was Brougham; so was Mr. Gladstone; so was Wellington.

At Salamanca Wellington, having given his order for the battle, said to his aide-de-camp: "Watch the French through your glass, Fitz Roy. I am going to take a rest. When they reach that copse near the gap in the hills, wake me." Then he lay down and was fast asleep in a minute. In the midst of the critical operations before Waterloo, feeling weary, he laid himself down, put a newspaper over his face and took a nap.

For Exercise Why Not Walk? The best exercise in the world is walking. A person who knows how to walk intelligently can get along without a gymnasium. No other form of exercise brings so many muscles into play and develops them so normally. The most popular games are those in which walking forms a prominent part. Golf, croquet and in a sense cricket and even bicycling merely give an excuse for walking.

Every one knows how to walk properly. It is because of carelessness that so many walk badly. The body should be carried erect, the chest well out, the head back, while the arms should swing freely at the sides. The pace should be regulated to one's strength. Every one should walk fast enough, and far enough to get the body in a comfortable glow. To get the best results from walking one should give his undivided attention to it. In other words, he should walk for the pleasure of it and not carry worries with him. Excessive walking is injurious. Never walk just after a heavy meal or after violent exercise. And after a walk it is well to rest for 10 or 15 minutes before taking up severe manual work.

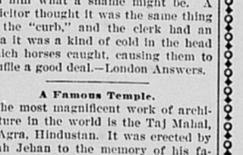
Lamb in Either Case. One of the editors who read the manuscript of Henry Thoreau's "Patron Van Volkenberg" thought that the author might be a good man to know. Accordingly he wrote a pleasant personal letter, inviting a better acquaintance, and, as one of the tests of companionable fitness, inquired whether the author preferred Lamb or Milton.

Mr. Thoreau replied, acknowledging the pleasure the letter had given him and saying: "I do not know whether you ask if I like Lamb or Milton or Lamb or Milton best, but in either case it's Lamb." Even the reflection on the editor's handwriting could not detract from the editorial approbation of Mr. Thoreau's choice, and the new partnership of minds was immediately formed.—Youth's Companion.

A Slender. Greene—They say that Senator Keener is on the make. They even go so far as to say that that new house of his was given him in payment for his vote. Gray—It puts me all out of temper to hear such slanders! It is as far as possible from the truth! I know all about it. It was this way: Some people who were interested in a certain bill bet him that house that he would vote against the bill, and he didn't and won the house. That was all there was about it. The idea of Keener's being open to bribery!—Boston Transcript.

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