

WHEN I WAS A BOY.

Up in the attic where I slept
When I was a boy—a little boy
In through the lattice the moonlight
Came.

The Stolen Diamond

CRIMINAL, who has a peculiar
mark on his person, such as
a missing finger, a club foot, or
any mark made by his trade, such
as the mark on the hand of a barber,

President's Own Flag

An Ensign the Existence of Which Has Been Known
to Comparatively Few People of This Republic.

NOT everybody knows that the
President of the United States
owns his own flag, which he is en-
titled to hoist over any boat of the
United States navy in which he may
happen to be.

When I had a chat with Mr. Dane,
and, being myself something of an
author on dynamics, I was able to
interfere.

THE HAWKEYE STATE

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POLITICS

OF THE DAY

The Heraldic Trust War.
Again it is announced from Washing-
ton that Attorney General Knox will
proceed vigorously against the trusts.

Trust's Contempt for the Public.
'It is none of the public's business,'
says an anarchist's coal road presi-
dent, in answer to the question why
they will not consent to arbitrate a
strike that means loss thereof falls
finally on the public.

Fairbanks and His Boom.
The 'Fairbanks boom' has again
been heard from. It is reported to
have touched at Manhattan Beach Sun-
day, where it was communicated with
Senator Fairbanks and Governor Hiram
Fairbanks of Indiana, managing owner
of the boom, says that he is out of
politics until 1904 and is attending
strictly to business affairs.

Home and Foreign Prices.
The higher prices at home than
abroad for the official bonds of Ameri-
can origin is being pointed out by
Senator Fairbanks.

Unappreciative Tin-Plate Workers.
It is difficult to find any palliation
for the tin-plate workers who have de-
clined to arbitrate their wages reduced
to 10 per cent in order that the Ameri-
can Tin-Plate Company may underbid the
mills of Wales and secure a contract
for the building of 1,500,000 boxes of tin
plate for the lowest rates ever offered.

Not the Man for the Place.
The President's choice, Wood, is to be
placed in charge of the construction of
the Panama canal. The selection is
improper and slow, and explains the
ground of favoritism. It will surely
arouse a popular protest. An army
doctor, who changed to be on terms
of intimacy with the occupant of
the White House, Wood's advance-
ment has been rapid—far more so than
often comes to men of greater merit.
But upon what ground of fitness or ex-
perience could Wood's selection as a
canal constructor be possibly con-
demned?—Albany (N. Y.) Argus.

Volunteer Pension Grabbers.
Five regiments of regular infantry
that took part in the battles at San-
tiago and lost 604 men in killed, wound-
ed and missing have furnished 704 ap-
plicants for pensions. From five regiments
of volunteers that did not lose a
man in any of the battles some 2,900
claims for pensions. As we are for-
bidden to assume that the volunteers
were any less unselfish in their patri-
otic devotion than the regulars, the
only possible inference from this con-
trast is that the volunteers were sadly
unfit to withstand exposure, since more
than half of them represent themselves
as permanently disabled by their short
service.—Philadelphia Times.

Democrats in Fighting Mood.
The Democratic party does not agree
with Senator Vest that it would be
good thing for it to be beaten by the
Republicans this year. The party is
in a fighting mood and far better fight-
ing condition now than it has known
since 1892. It intends to attack the
Republicans all along the line and to
give them a wallop such as they have
seldom known.—Atlanta Journal.

Will History Repeat Itself?
The retirement of Egan did not
save Rogers from a steel company for
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How Working People View It.
When an honest laboring man or
woman, who is not looking for charity,
but for fair wages, reads in the papers
that the cost of living today is higher
than it has been at the beginning of
any fiscal year since 1865, what does
he or she care if a trust magnate has
endowed another library? Does that
endowment really improve the pres-
ent? What is the use of building a
superior education in this country?—
Boston Globe.

They Must All Be Crazy.
If Hoar is crazy on the subject of
the Philippines, so was Benjamin Har-
rison, so is Governor Boutwell and
George F. Edmunds and Thomas B.
Reed. A man who harbors the idea
that we have not 'outgrown the con-
stitution' or that the Declaration of
Independence is something more than
a mass of 'glittering generalities' is
necessarily crazy.—Helena Independ-
ent.

Practice Far Short of Profession.
The Democrats are determined to ap-
peal to history to prove that no anti-
trust legislation is to be expected from
the Republican majority in Congress.
Scarcely a day passes but one of their
politicians repeats the charge on the

ST. LOUIS

Dr. C. F. Applegate, superintendent of
the hospital for the insane at Mt. Pleasant,
makes the statement that the per-
cent of recoveries of insane patients in
Iowa is on the increase. This is the con-
clusion he reaches backed up by statis-
tics which he has submitted in the forty-
third annual report of the Mt. Pleasant
institution filed with the State Board of
Control the other day. Figures submitted
by Dr. Applegate show that 40 per-
cent of the patients discharged as recov-
ered during the past year remained in this
improved condition. Dr. Applegate
strongly commends the system of parole
of insane patients adopted by the Board
of Control, stating that in several cases
he knows where recoveries have been hast-
ened by the paroling of the patients. In
no case has there been any accident or
act of violence by a paroled subject. Of
the 145 patients out on parole during the
past year 22 had been discharged the year
before, 43 as improved, 3 as unimproved, 10
died, 19 were returned, and 63 are still
out on parole. At the beginning of the
present fiscal year 100 insane men, 100
and 400 women, making a total of 608
patients in the Mt. Pleasant hospital.
During the year there were admitted for
the first time 100 insane men, 100 and
400 women, making a total of 303. Seventy-seven
men and 40 women, a total of 127, were
discharged during the year. The whole
number treated during the year was 1,424,
or 840 men and 615 women. During
the forty-three years' history of the
institution, closing with June 30, 1902,
the 887 patients discharged were 39,100,
of this number 3,738, or 31 per cent, have
been discharged as cured. Fifty-one per-
cent, or 6,004 were discharged as recov-
ered or improved.

The annual report of the Iowa Soldiers'
Home at Marshalltown shows that there
have not been so many American vet-
erans of the Civil War during the
past year as there has been evidence
of weakened physical conditions which
will require more or less of the hospi-
tal. During the year 1901, Commandant
C. C. Horton, who submits the report,
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The Executive Council has completed
the assessment of the railroad, telephone
and express company property
within the State. The assessment of
the railroad assessment over last year is \$4,011,
556, which amount is borne almost wholly
by the trunk lines, the Northwestern
Railroad, the Great Western, the Rock
Island, the Chicago & North Western,
the Chicago, St. Louis & North Western,
the Omaha, the Missouri Pacific, the
Dubuque & Sioux City, the Des Moines
Central and the Wabash roads.
The Iowa Central and Wabash roads
were not changed, the assessment being
same as last year.

Judge Kline of the Board of Control
states that since Mt. Pleasant Hospital
has been designated by the board as the
place for the commitment and detention
of insane patients, the board has been
intendant, has received numerous applica-
tions for admission and patients are ar-
riving there every day from various parts
of the State in such numbers as to give
ground for the belief that the room set
apart for them will soon be exhausted.

Plans have been completed for seventy-
two buildings at the Des Moines army
post. These are sufficient to give the
number to quarter a full regiment of
cavalry. The plans have been approved
by the War Department.

Minor State Matters.
E. O. Young of Mason City had a hand
badly lacerated in a power saw.
The Gates Hotel at DeWitt was
damaged by fire. Loss about \$300.
The postoffice at Albany has been dis-
continued, mail to Ash Grove.
Jacob E. Fickel of Des Moines has been
appointed a cadet in the revenue cutter
service.

Mrs. P. W. Sullivan, a former resident
of Waterloo, was killed at Salda, Col.
in a runaway accident.

Mrs. Jennie T. Williams, a Council
Bluffs widow, received a letter demand-
ing \$150 on pain of having her young son
kidnaped. The police are investigating.

Sportmen in various portions of the
State are becoming impatient over the
next crop of prairie chickens will be
small. During the wet weather many
eggs are said to have rotted under the
straw.

A controversy between W. R. Williams,
a Mason City tinner, and a fellow in his
employ named Harry Bailey, ended in
the latter poisoning Williams with the
head with a hammer and inflicting severe
injuries. Bailey will probably be prose-
cuted for assault with intent to kill.

The attorneys for Mrs. Sarah Kubu,
convicted of the murder of her husband
in Keokuk County, have filed an applica-
tion for a rehearing in the Supreme
Court.

The coroner's jury in the case of Gus
Labarge, who was killed at Dubuque
while riding on an electric car, has re-
turned a verdict censuring the company
for overcrowding its cars and providing
insufficient space between the cars.

The Cascaen Manufacturing Company
of Waterloo has imported a number of
men to take the places of its striking em-
ployees. To guard against trouble with
the strikers the company will house in
new men in the factory.

THE DISINTERMENT OF JESSE JAMES' REMAINS.



JESSE JAMES, JR., EXHIBITING THE SKULL OF HIS FATHER.

THE moldering bones of Jesse James,
Missouri's bandit king, have at last
found their final resting place. All that
remains of the dead bandit, who was
buried in the Bagley graveyard, the body, which since James'
tragic death at the hands of Bob Ford in St. Joseph in 1882 had rested at the old
Samuels homestead, three and a half miles northeast of the city, was disinterred
in the morning, placed in a new black casket and in the afternoon was reburied
at the east. The remains were placed in a new black coffin with a simple name plate
of silver on top.

There will be erected the stone shaft which has stood guard over the re-
mains for twenty years in the corner of the lot at James' birthplace, which has
been a shrine for his admirers, watched over by her for two decades, and
Mecca of a horde of sightseers. The curious have been a source of family re-
venue, paying 25 cents a head.

The body of Jesse James had really been dust so long that it has dis-
appeared. As he was lifted his body was placed in a coffin, and the coffin was
placed in a casket, and the casket was placed in a vault, and the vault was
placed in a building, and the building was placed in a city, and the city was
placed in a state, and the state was placed in a nation, and the nation was
placed in a world, and the world was placed in a universe, and the universe
was placed in a God.