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There seems to be nothing left for Mr. Bryan but to accept something "equally as good."

Uncle Sam's cash balance has dropped below 150 millions, but he still has enough money to do business on.

The man who induced Dewey to become a candidate for the presidency is as hard to find as the man who struck Billy Patterson.

It was very courageous on the part of Mr. Pulitzer to declare for Bryan before he knew whether or not Mr. Hearst would be nominated for vice president.

Regardless of the fact that he found it necessary to shoot a good many of them, General Otis regards the Philippines as far superior to the other Afloats in character and intelligence.

The nations of the world know the value of an American when anything is to be done, therefore one has been selected to lead the international forces for the rescue of Peilin from the boxers.

Those people who have organized a new India relief committee to act independently probably think the starving Hindoo will assimilate his food more readily if he is made to understand exactly where it comes from.

It has been estimated that Great Britain put 500,000 troops in South Africa and the Boers armed 50,000 soldiers for the defense. The British army lost 50,000 men and the Boers 12,000. The money cost of the war has been \$300,000,000 by Great Britain and \$1,000,000 by the Transvaal.

Republicans are looking for an available New York man to nominate for the vice presidency. The situation has become so acute that Governor Roosevelt still feels called upon to decline at frequent intervals. Cornelius N. Miles is generally regarded as second choice, but he is too hard to catch. Why not propose to the leader of the league for the Democratic side of these living, burning, dominating issues. He is for this reason entitled to and will receive the support of the World and its readers. It is a matter that the only issue worth considering in this campaign is the preservation of the republic, the maintenance of the constitution, and a return to the principles of the declaration of independence.

THE NEW YORK WORLD AFTER WAGING war against Mr. Bryan nearly four years, has finally come out flat-footed in support of that gentleman for the presidency in an editorial which closes as follows:

"Mr. Bryan, who, as the World said two months ago, will be renominated by acclamation, represents the American side of the Democratic side of these living, burning, dominating issues. He is for this reason entitled to and will receive the support of the World and its readers. It is a matter that the only issue worth considering in this campaign is the preservation of the republic, the maintenance of the constitution, and a return to the principles of the declaration of independence."

THE DEMOCRATS MUST LOOK TO THE EAST, largely for their electoral votes this fall, and to the south, solid south.

This is the consensus of opinion of the political wisecracks who have completed analyzing the returns from Oregon.

The Pacific coast states on the question of expansion seem likely to stand by Mr. McKinley and possibly carry with them adjacent states. That Mr. Bryan will carry several western states this fall none will deny, but that he will secure enough with the aid of the south to secure his election is not probable.

Mr. Bryan, as the nominee of the Democratic party, is reasonably certain to count in his column in November the following southern states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Louisiana, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, with 129 votes. But the candidate that wins must have 234 electoral votes. Where can the friends of the Nebraska man hope to secure the other necessary 95?

To the solid south list can reasonably be added: New Mexico, Nevada, 3; Nebraska, 3; Idaho, 3; Utah, 3; Montana, 3; making 34 additional, and carrying the Nebraska vote up to 163, still 71 short of the goal.

In 1896 Mr. Bryan carried in addition to the list given, west of the Mississippi, Kansas with 10, South Dakota, 4; Wyoming, 3 and Washington, 4. But many men of both parties think the 21 votes in these states doubtful, so they will be left from the Bryan column in this count. What may happen in November will be another story. This brings Mr. Bryan up to the Ohio river on the south and the Mississippi on the west with 71 votes needed.

It is useless almost to figure on Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, Minnesota, Pennsylvania or the New England states leaving the McKinley column. But there is Kentucky with 13 votes, Maryland with 8 and West Virginia with 6 that are much more likely to go to Mr. Bryan than to Mr. McKinley. This makes Mr. Bryan's column creep up 17 more but still leaves

him short 44 votes. But New York, which hasn't gone twice in succession for the same presidential candidate in more years than we can remember, has 24 votes. New York's vote was for Mr. McKinley four years ago. Indiana with 15 votes is also declared extremely doubtful this fall. Should the Hoosier state land in the Bryan column along with New York the necessary 234 would be found. But the figures show that New York is needed by Mr. Bryan if he expects to defeat Mr. McKinley. The Democrats must look to the east.

GLOBE SIGHTS. [From the Atchison Globe.] When a man needs a tooth pulled, how numerous dental signs are!

An Atchison couple, married two years, till have kissing sore lips.

After all there is nothing more reliably valuable than a good big mule.

When the women have dresses made on purpose for a reception, it can properly be referred to as "brilliant."

When the census enumerator asks a woman if she has a cow, it is a half hour before he gets on to the next question.

Of course every girl is said to be popular, but not one girl in fifty knows what it is to have two invitations for the same event.

When a woman's attention is called to her wrinkles, she takes one consolation in the reflection that her husband isn't growing younger, either.

Every poor farm should be located near town, so that the people may often see what they are coming to if they continue to throw their money away.

The relatives of an Atchison woman believe that she has had the hardest kind of luck; she has had seven children, and every last one of them looks like "him."

It can no longer be said that there is nothing new under the sun. An Atchison father speaks approvingly, and with considerable pride, of the young man who is keeping company with his daughter.

There is a new disease in town known as whistitis. It is confined entirely to women who play whist, and is said to be a sort of nervous prostration resulting from the excitement incident to rustling for prizes.

Is there a boy so young that he hasn't his mind made up that the greatest sign of disgrace would be to put on a girl's clothes? An Atchison woman found that whipping, threats, and punishments off all the usual kinds had no effect on her four year old boy, so she had a tailor subvert for him, and he becomes the best boy in town at the threat that she will put it on him, and compel him to play with the girls.

QUARER REFLECTIONS. [From the Philadelphia Record.] The doctor's motto is: "Have patience."

A gossip is a person who believes the stories he invents.

The fact that beauty is only skin deep doesn't bother the Hippopotamus.

From a cyclist's point of view the path of duty is often strewn with tacks.

The golden opportunity of a man's life is when he has a chance to marry an heiress.

Screacher—"I had my voice tried yesterday." Wigwag—"I suppose the verdict was 'guilty.'"

Wigwag—"That dentist seems to be a jack of all trades." Wagg—"Yes; I know he pulled my leg."

A woman may not know how to sharpen a lead pencil, but she can usually be depended upon to sharpen a man's wits.

Neil—"What kind of a girl is she?" Belle—"She's the kind of girl who thinks a great honor to have her picture displayed in a photographer's show window."

The Benedict—"I tell you, my boy, a wife is a great comfort." The Bachelor—"Yes; it must be comforting to have some one to blame when things go wrong."

Sillius—"Do you believe that opportunity makes the man?" Cynicus—"Well, that depends. If the man has an opportunity to bet on a sure thing, I say yes."

Bobbs—"Why don't you consult a doctor about your insomnia?" Slobbs—"What! and run up more bills? Why, what!"

When photographs such as the above are seen, words somehow seem superfluous. Fortunately, indeed, that America recognizes applicants to relieve the anguish of Her Gracious Majesty a distant subject! Famine wants bread, not promise. And then the cholera!

It's because of what I owe him now that I can't sleep."

"What makes you think she's a man masquerading as a woman?" asks the detective chief. "Because she refuses to talk," replied Detective Muchwed, who had buried three wives.

They were in the back parlor, and the light was dim. "Tell me, darling," he implored, "why do you call your little brother 'Time'?" "Because 'time' will tell," she replied, as she struggled from his embrace and peeped under the sofa.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS. [From the Chicago News.] True charity never waits until it is asked.

It takes two drunken men to make a pair of tights.

If you ever attended a circus you probably saw dust.

All is not gold that glitters. Sometimes it is a diamond.

The man who always speaks the truth is sure to have other virtues.

It is usually the dimpled and rosy cheek that wins in this world.

In all well-regulated families the hired girl has to get up and dust.

All a man has to do when he goes shopping with his wife is to take notes.

The man who smokes hams is more important than the one who smokes cigarettes.

Some girls are tailor-made, but the one who seeks an offer of marriage is ready-made.

But little history was written in the dark ages. Probably the people couldn't see to write.

It's surprising how full of life loaf contrast. You are so good, you know, and other people are so very bad.

An old bachelor says that an appropriate design for the engraved portion of an engagement ring is a spider's web with a fly in it.

A man can always tell when a girl is trying to look at him like she had a nameless longing in her breast.

OPEN DOOR FARCE.

Secretary Hay Hasn't Accomplished Anything in That Line.

New York, June 13.—While they admit that the "open door" negotiations are not as conclusive as Secretary Hay desired, officials of the administration point out that a long step toward the preservation of American treaty rights in the sphere of influence in China has at least been taken.

Secretary Hay declined to discuss the doubts cast upon the success of the negotiations in an article printed in the National Review written by Mr. Robert A. Yerburg, M. P. A European diplomat well informed of every stage of the negotiations and thoroughly acquainted with Chinese affairs said today that the general conclusions reached by Mr. Yerburg were practically those of every diplomat who had taken pains to study the notes exchanged.

The agreement reached is not "ironclad" was apparent not only to members of the diplomatic corps, but to administration officials after the receipt of the replies of foreign governments to the American representation.

The assertion has been made that Great Britain complied in every respect with the wishes of Secretary Hay. The diplomat who discussed the matter points out that this is not the case.

"I have much pleasure in informing your excellency," Lord Salisbury's note stated, "that her majesty's government will be prepared to make a declaration in the sense desired by your government in relation to the leased territory of Wei-Hai-Wei and all territory in China which may hereafter be acquired by Great Britain. Directly north of Wei-Hai-Wei, provided that a similar declaration is made by the other powers concerned."

It is this provision which is an obstacle in the way of complete success of negotiations. Russia declined to accede to the proposition advanced by Great Britain. Directly north of Wei-Hai-Wei and jutting into the Gulf of Pe Chi Li is Fort Arthur, now a Russian stronghold. It is believed in diplomatic circles that Lord Salisbury made his declaration respecting Wei-Hai-Wei for the purpose of inducing Russia to throw Fort Arthur open to the world. It has been noted that no reference to Fort Arthur is made in the Russian note.

A comparison of the British and Russian notes will show their great dissimilarity, and neither can be regarded as binding when the proposals are so different. As Germany, France, Japan and Italy gave assurances on condition, it is evident that the whole fabric of the "open door" is likely to be torn

THREE MEN KILLED.

And Eight Badly Injured in a Brooklyn Fire.

New York, June 12.—Three men were killed, eight so badly burned or maimed that they are in the hospital and three other men are missing, as the result of a fire in the coopers establishment of Paul Weidmann at North Eleventh street and Wythe avenue, Williamsburg, Brooklyn. The property loss is variously estimated at from \$75,000 to \$250,000. The dead are:

AUGUST BENEDETTI, 59 years old, burned so badly that he died immediately after being taken from the building.

JOHN M. LOCKWOOD, 66 years of age, died from being crushed by falling timber.

UNKNOWN MAN, burned to death. The building was four stories high and there were over 100 employees in the place at the time. Many of these leaped from the windows.

It is said that at least two score of people dropped before the firemen had arrived. When they came many were hanging from the upper windows.

August Benedetti, a cooper, was hanging from one of the windows with all his clothing afire. He held on to the ledge while the ladder was being run to him. He was so badly burned when he was taken that he died half an hour afterward.

John M. Lockwood had his chest crushed by a falling timber and died in the hospital.

The unknown man was taken from the burned building and the body was so badly charred that identification was impossible.

The following injured are in the Norwegian hospital:

John M. Lockwood, jr., 34 years of age, son of the dead man, chest crushed and body burned.

George Hemling, 25 years of age, broken ankle and numerous contusions.

John Donita, an Italian boy, 15 years of age.

Frank Comma, 37 years old.

James Hazleton, 14 years old, and August Smith, who disappeared from the scene. He was not seriously injured.

Fireman Joseph Fee and George D. Schenan were severely injured.

TOPEKA HARVEST HANDS.

Rate Will Be in Effect But One Day, Friday.

Effort is being made by the A. T. & S. F. Rock Island, Missouri Pacific and Union Pacific to reach an agreement to sell tickets for harvest hands from Topeka to points west of Moline, Sevier, Emporia, Council Grove, Eureka, White City, Junction City, Manhattan, Blue Rapids and Marysville on the same rates authorized from the Missouri river, half fare each for the round trip, one ticket each for each for three men on one ticket.

If successful it is likely the arrangement will be made to sell only on one day, Friday, June 15, and only to all unemployed men in Topeka and vicinity who intend to seek employment in the harvest fields should be prepared to leave here not later than August 1, as the rate will not be made after that date.

NETTED \$1,000.

Street Fair Profits to the Commercial Club.

Treasurer Greenwald of the street fair committee said today that there will be a profit of \$1,000 on the proceeds from the fair.

There are several large bills to be paid, but most of the claims have been settled, and there will be a good margin left when all are paid. When the Commercial club gives another street fair it will not be necessary to pay one-third of the gross receipts to a promoter. The business men of Topeka have learned how to manage a street fair and another one will net a larger profit.

CONTRACT DRAWN UP.

Commercial Club-Santa Fe Agreement Made Today.

General Manager Madge, of the Santa Fe, today drew up the agreement to be signed by the officers of the Santa Fe company and the officers of the Topeka Commercial club in reference to the location of additional shop buildings in this city.

In exchange for the land to be purchased with the \$25,000 raised by the Commercial club, the Santa Fe agrees to at once erect a blacksmith shop and frog factory.

In consideration for securing the remaining land of the tract at 500 per acre, the Santa Fe agrees to make certain other improvements, principal among which is the construction of a locomotive erecting shop, the same to be built inside of 12 months after the company notifies the Commercial club that the land is needed.

Hindoos Starve That Britons May Fight.

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THERE IS A "LOW."

It is in This Region, and May Make Trouble.

Tuesday's rain amounted to 2 1/2 hundredths of an inch. The morning rain measured 10 hundredths and the rain in the night 9 hundredths.

The forecast for thunderstorms was correct, but Mr. Cox won't try it again today. The forecast for Thursday is for a heavy rain, probably partly cloudy and warmer. The maximum temperature up to 11 o'clock this morning was 75 and the minimum 64. The wind was blowing 12 miles an hour. There is a high barometer near the lake region and another low over the coast. There is a low in between and something may happen.

MAY DRAW \$1 A DAY.

Judge Hazen Settles Question of Fees of Coroner's Jurors.

Judge Hazen has handed down a decision in the case of L. M. Carter against the county deciding the controversy over coroner's fees.

Carter was a juror two days and received his fee of \$1 on the grounds that jurors were entitled to it for every question. Carter claimed that he was entitled to \$1 a day and sued for the other \$100. Judge Hazen decided in favor of Hereafter coroner's jurors will receive \$1 a day whether they hear the evidence in the first or second trial.

Last spring E. J. Evans, Cairo, Ill., was so run down in health had to give up work. Was also troubled with boils and eczema. He writes: "Doctors had me no good, but before I had finished one bottle of Boggs' Blood Purifier, I began to improve and am now a well man." R. W. Squires, Pharmacist, 722 Kansas avenue.

FAULKNER HERE.

Says Work on Topeka's New Gas Plant Will Commence Sept. 1.

Mr. W. J. Faulkner, the Chicago man who proposes to give Topeka gas at reasonable rates, arrived in Topeka at noon today. His visit is for the purpose of arranging some details in regard to stock with the officers of the company, and he will return to Chicago tomorrow.

Mr. Faulkner made the important statement this afternoon that he expected to break ground for the Topeka plant by September 1.

"I am at present busy looking after the establishment of a plant at a big manufacturing works in an Indiana city about the size of Topeka. This plant I expect to have completed and in operation by the middle of the year and it will stand as a practical demonstration of our method. Gas will be furnished for fuel, which is the object of the method can be put to. As soon as this plant is in operation, the financing of the Topeka plant, which is now under way, will be completed. I expect to break ground here by September 1."

The ordinance granting "The Topeka Federal Light, Heat and Power Company" a franchise to construct a gas and electric plant in this city was given the approval of the city council and was accepted by the company, and was published officially in the State Journal Monday evening. It provides that the plant shall be completed within three years of the acceptance of the ordinance, and that within one year at least \$100,000 shall have been expended.

DONE BY WOMAN'S CLUB.

Organization Responsible for Seats Along State House Walks.

The woman's club of Topeka has been granted permission by the executive council to place seats on the state house grounds. The seats were given to the park commissioners, when the fact was first announced. The park commissioners have had nothing to do in the matter.

The woman's club has worked hard in accomplishing this act, and it is a matter of which they are justly proud. The seats have been ordered and will within a short time be placed on the grounds. They are intended to be placed under the shade trees near the public library and along the walks.

IGNORANCE OF LAW.

Secures Mitigation of Penalty in This Case.

Washington, June 13.—Newspaper reports just received at the war department show that three natives were convicted by a military commission of having murdered Quartermaster Sergeant Albert Voltaire, company K, Thirty-ninth volunteer infantry, at the barracks of Bagbag near Tamara in a province of New Guinea on February 2, and were sentenced to death by hanging.

In passing upon the case Gen. Otis, as the final reviewing authority said that the findings of the commission were fully sustained by the evidence and that the death sentence imposed by it had the express sanction of the laws of war. He was however unwilling to direct the execution of the sentence as he believed that the accused were influenced to commit the crime which they were convicted by local guerrilla chiefs, who he said, were the principal criminals in the affair. Moreover, he said the prisoners were ignorant of the legal consequences of their act, therefore he commuted the sentence in each case to 30 years imprisonment at hard labor in the Presidio de Manila.

"The clemency herein exercised," said Gen. Otis, "is not to be construed as a precedent to guide or influence the future action of the reviewing authority upon proceedings of military commissions in the future. It is a special case and the occasion is taken to announce that in the judicial determination on questions of guilt which involve responsibility for the death of a man, the full rigor of the law will be inflicted when rightly invoked by legally constituted courts."

LOCAL MENTION.

Jerry O. Niccum, aged 27 years, of Black Hawk, Colorado, today secured a license to marry Gertrude A. Wetting, aged 19 years, of Oakland.

The suit brought by Hiram Higgins against W. R. Humphreys to settle a question of the dividing of a crop was settled by the jury and Higgins awarded \$28.

Jack Morton was arrested last night by the police on the charge of petit larceny. He returned to the city and was allowed to go. It was the outcome of a quarrel between him and the woman who was supposed to be Elsie Fry, Officer Lucas arrested. John Wade last night for assault. He slapped a neighbor.

Harr Larimer, attorney for Keepers & Hatch, by local architect built the Topeka Melan arch bridge, the first and the finest structure of its kind in the United States, today received word that the firm had received the contract to build a Melan arch bridge over the Niagara river, a short distance above Niagara Falls.

Mr. Emerson H. Lister and Miss Emma McLean were united in marriage last evening at 313 Seventh street, Rev. J. D. Countermine of the First Presbyterian church officiating.

The last regular meeting of the Topeka Commercial club before the summer vacation will be held this evening. The 12 year old son of Dr. M. Edison fell from a tree at noon today and fractured his arm in three places.

The Arion society has elected the following officers: John Schlar, president; Frank Gurech, vice president; Joe Heintz, secretary; E. Muller, financial secretary; B. Stritzinger, treasurer; Charles Schmidt, trustee; Wm. Schulz, standard bearer.

Work has been commenced on the store room of the Coughlin Hardware company. The building will be thoroughly remodeled.

Gospel services are being conducted in a tent in the city park by Revs. Haynes Morris, St. Paul, Wyo., Colby and others. Meetings every afternoon and evening.

Approved by Bundesrath.

Berlin, June 12.—The bundesrath today approved the navy bill and the measures providing means to carry out the proposed plans as already passed by the reichstag.

Reports show that over fifteen hundred lives have been saved through the use of One Minute Cough Cure. Most of these cures were attributed to grip, whooping cough, bronchitis and pneumonia. Its early use prevents consumption. All drug stores.

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"At one time I suffered from a severe sprain of the ankle," says Gen. E. Cory, editor of the Guide, Washington, Ya. "After using several well recommended medicines without success, I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and am pleased to say that relief came as soon as I began to use it and a complete cure speedily followed." Sold by all druggists.

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