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TODAT'S WEATHER-Fair and much cooler; shull virtuation which

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OUR POLICY AS TO CHINA.

We wonder whether our Bryan brethren will raise exclamation against Federal control of state elections, to tions wants to share in the partition; and it would be best for their interests, viewed with alarm a central governbest for China, best for the peace of the world, if their influence should be exerted against partition. They probably would draw Japan with them, and Germany might be expected to co-operate, Details of the course to be pursued must depend largely on circumstances; but it would seem to be certain that the Congress and people of the United States will approve the outline of policy announced by Secretary Hay; in sub- trol the transportation business of the stance as follows:

First-The United States will under no cir-umstances join in the partition of China among the powers.

Second-The United States will use all its nfluence, to the utmost extent, short of war with European nations, to prevent dismember-nent of the Chinese Empire. Third-The United States proposes to have

varitable settlement of the Chinese troubles, and his voice will ever be raised against spella-tion and in favor of preservation of China's territorial and governmental entity, slong the lines set forth in Becretary Hay's note to the

rs, dated July 3. arth-The United States will not declare ar upon China on acrount of the showing of outs, no institer what other powers may do. Fifth-The United Sistes, acting independent-by and for itself, will co-operate with the other powers in restoring order in Chins, in punishing all officials, high or low, found guilty of crimes against human life, and in retting up a stable government that may give guarantees of security of life and property and freedom of trade.

Here is the safe course for the United States. It will keep us out of entanglement with the powers of Europe; for we cannot tell how they may yet divide on the Chinese question, and if we were engaged with them, which of the nations would be our allies and which would become our enemies. Our present duty is simple. It is now, as heretofore, to act concurrently with other nations in opening up communication with clais, missionaries and other Americans who are in danger: secondly, in af- forth Rep fording all possible protection everywhere in China to American life and property; thirdly, in guarding and protecting all legitimate American interesta and fourthly, in aiding to prevent a spread of the disorders to the other provinces of the empire and a recurrence of such disasters. It is going to be difficult business to use a programme like this for support of a cry of anti-imperialism raised for a merely partisan purpose.

drunkard. This is the verdict of all experience, and from it there is no appeal. Hence he who leads the prohibition movement in the name of temperance reform leads a "forlorn hope," if hope, even with this dreary prefix, it can be called.

THE DOOR AJAR FOR ISHMAEL.

When the Democratic party suc cumbed to socialism, a great light failed in the firmament of time. Fate had been kinder to it in ideals than in achievements, but for almost the entire subscriptions or to my husiness matter sould be addressed simply "The Oregonian." The Oregonian does not bey porme or stories from individunts, and cannot undertake to re-turn any manueripis sent to it without solicita-For almost the entire organic life of this Nation the Democratic party has stood to encroachment of government upon age. the individual man's freedom of thought and action. In the balance of antago-

nistic forces in the political cosmogony it has been the centrifugal, as its opthe centripetal tendency. The Nation with the big N, that should do all things all relations of life, was the Democracy's greatest abomination, a useful and honorable ideal that was specifically embodied in opposition to govern-

ment currency, to a "protective" tariff, to a pauperizing pension system, to central government, the Democrat

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ment strong and meddlesome. sas City platform is a candid revelathe once stalwart custodian of the rights of man against aggrandizement- taxes, special and regular. If property pursuing government. It proposes to set the Federal machinery in operation affairs of business corporations; to concountry, so that no individual or community shall get the worst of a bargain; to restore and maintain "a bimetallic price level"; to take care of ployers from reporting undesirable employes to one another; to increase the lands of the West. This imperfect summary of the objects the Bryanized

ocracy believes the Government distance between it and the ancient position that the man is best governed who is least governed. Well, is the star of historic Democ-

to reappear in serene effulgence on some brighter scene? The hope is one that should be shared by every man fices may be needed to pay divers and who wishes for his country the best and noblest destiny within its reach. But the signs, it must be owned, are not well served without them, reassuring. To come at once to the concrete, what consistent champions of the old Democracy are coming back to publicans. Those that are returning have in that very return of- "paramount issue." But not politicians ness. The conservatives speak with ex- stances. That events are conspiring to cusable indignation of 16 to 1, but that bring the sliver issue to the front is was a hard hit the prodigals got from shown in two utterances, from widely the elder brother who said the other different sources, printed on this page day that a consistent leader like Bryan today. The Denver News, ardently is worth a tribe of "trimmers like Hill Bryan, and the New York Financial Chronicle, uncompromisingly and Stevenson." Is very much in the way of reconstructive statecraft to be standard, agree that the election will expected from men who announce their have a practical significance on our allegiance to sliver today though events finances. This is the all-important have fully demonstrated the iniquity of point. The protestation of Bryanism free coinage and the faisity of every has been that Bryan's election will be Bryanite prediction? It really begins to look as if the Re-

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in the growing mind of the child or is improbable from the simple fact that impressed upon the matured under- Li Hung Chang has been abroad, and is standing of men. In other words, com- far too astute not to profit by the lespulsion in morals must come from sons in the power and progress of Westwithin and never can be successfully ern civilization which travel presented. applied from without. Detestation of If, however, it should prove true that the vice of drunkenness is a prime he is or was pledged to the anti-foreign requisite in the reformation of the policy of the dowager, this can be accounted for in his human desire for power, together with an old man's capacity for making a fool of himself lously serves. when he becomes stricken with the ar-

dent desire to marry. Tsi An was, if we may believe reports to that effect, exceedingly comely, as Chinese maidens go, when she was young. But that was long ago. Still she is probably as handsome as Li, and beauty aside, might well be considered an excellent "catch" by the first statesman of the empire. It would rolled in this club is variously statedbe a matter of rejoicing to the mis- one paper getting it up to 3000, and sionaries, who are held accountable by many for this outbreak in China, and of profound disgust to the rest of the world if it should prove that a love affair between two aged Celestials, involving mutual confidence and a desire to please, was the inciting and guiding spirit of the most stupendous and Buckner. Their total vote in Hamilton in the thoughtful mind for resistance far-reaching political outbreak of the

THE PROBLEM OF THE EMPTY BAG.

The municipality is like a family in ponent, Whig or Republican, has been that some things it must have in order to maintain an organized existence;

other things it can do without and for all men, and regulate all things in still maintain comfort and respectabillty. Among the things that the city must have are fire and police protec tion and a reasonable degree of light for the streets. The name of the things that it may do without, but which interested individuals insist that it must have, is legion. They are in evidence co-operation between the United States Federal participation in transportation chiefly in salaries paid right along and and Great Britain to prevent the par- and commercial enterprises. The Re- in deficits summed up at the beginning tition of China? Neither of these na- publican viewed with alarm a weak of each successive administration. It is as impossible now as it was in the time of Poor Richard to make an empty bag stand upright. Hence the scuffle All this has passed away. The Kan- and the strain to procure "filling" for the municipal bag as often as its aption of the transformation undergone by palling emptiness is explored. This the once stalwart custodian of the filling must come in the shape of

> valuations fall in response to the groans of overburdened taxpayers and the supto spy upon, publish and regulate the ply is thus diminished, the shortage must be made up by reprisal levied upon business-in fact, upon everything in sight. The blanket is applied and the sweating process begins. It may be said of the new Council that it shows a commendable desire to

> silver; to abolish free banking in favor make equitable adjustment of the speof government banking; to prevent em- cial tax levy so clearly necessary, but being given an empty bag to hold and confronted upon every side by demands Federal obligation by creation of a de-partment of labor; to improve the arid must be settled from its cavernous depth, it is forced to give its first and most earnest attention to raising money. It will succeed, of course; it should take care of testifies to the vast has got to succeed, since in no other way can interest on municipal bonds be met, old accounts with the fire and police departments be squared and these forces maintained in their present de-

> racy only dimmed by a passing cloud, gree of efficiency. These are among the necessities of municipal housekeeping; additional deputies in the various ofsundry political scores, but the probabilities are that the public will be as

It is not always in the power of platform committees, though they sit up leadership? Alas! few, perhaps none. all night and dragoon Hawalian dele-The injury of 1896, which could be gates, to determine the issues of the passed off as aberration, becomes, in campaign. It would please Chairman its studied and insistent deliberation, Hanna if the money question were mortal insult in 1900. Some are return- principally discussed, or perhaps pros-Pekin and rescuing the American offiare announcing themselves as hence- preferred neither of these, but staked its chances on "anti-imperialism" as the

whether the Bankers' Magazine has ever seen Mr. Wolcott or ever observed the phenomena of his career, or failing in this, whence it has obtained the information upon which its pen picture is based. A painful surmise, but one that cannot be banished is that the Senator owes his writeup to influences exerted by some of the great corpora-tions he so brilliantly and unscrupu-lously serves.

Several Bryan papers in Oregon and Washington have complacently printed the statement that "Colonel Thomas, of Cincinnati, has organized a club, restricted to Palmer and Buckner voters in 1896, who are pledged to support Bryan and Stevenson this Fall." The number of Cincinnatians who are enanother printing it as low as 353. Unquestionably the Bryanites find the news a pleasing exception to the reports that come from the country generally. The item has but one fault-it is lack-ing in truth. Cincinnati did not cast 3000 votes, nor 353, for Palmer and County-of which Cincinnati is the seat -was but 191. McKinley beat Bryan in

the county by 15,584 votes. A decrease of the majority to 15,393 is hardly worth the jubilation which the Bryan papers have accorded the prospect.

The Denver News, now perhaps the leading silver organ, will not have it that Bryan, if elected, could not overthrow the gold standard. It says, on the contrary, his election would surely overthrow It:

It is not true that fhe Senate is an impregnable stronghold of the money ring; it is not irue that the allied silver forces eannot explure the House; it is not true that Mr. Erran as President would be helpless unless he had Congress with him. By carrying for aller only those states which voted for it in 1866 the gold majority in the Senate would be re-duced to two. The gold standard was forced upon the country by a gold-standard President in the force of a Congress opposed to it, and it can be forced off the country by a silver Presi-dant, even though Congress be opposed to him. The more truth there is in this utterance, the greater the menace involved

in Bryan's election. -

upon persons of low vitality is shown in the frightful mortality among young children in New York during the past few days. Forty little bodies awaiting epulture in the morgue at Bellevue Hospital at one time presented a record of infantile suffering, happly ended, the pathos of which-the suffering, not the end-makes shuddering appeal to human sympathy. The intensity of heat that has caused wholesale prostrations and many deaths is not unpre-European, where they are now recorded, but on the Pacific Coast it is practically unknown,

It is to Chairman Hanna's credit that he has incurred the odium of Quay or-gans in Philadelphia by his studious ignoring of the Pennsylvania boss. It is evidence, also, that the astute chairman does not regard Quay as the heroic figure and indispensable factor in National politics his friends conceive him. The National committee will be stronger through Quay's absence from it and Mr. Hanna will move up a notch in popular estimation.

This is the way the New York World

is "supporting Bryan." The extract is from the issue of Tuesday, July 17: Is there not, as the World has said, "a

eardonic humor, a preposterous paradox in politics, in the fact that the Democratic party risks its very life and puts in peril the integ-rity of our free institutions upon an issue not desired by Democrats and not involved in the election, but forced upon it to please a

would exercise its option of paying in silver. The redemption department might be redesming United States notes in gold, and even selling bonds for gold to mainfor Mr. Bryan, suppose would be the re-suit of such a management of the Treasury?

THE BRYAN DOLLAR PERIL.

Probable Effect of the Election of the Nebraskan to the Presidency. Matthew Marshail in New York Sun.

Hitherto we have been able to keep at par with gold the 505,000,000 of silver dollars already coined, because they are received by the Government at par in the payment of customs and public dues. Frobably, too, we shall be able to main-tain them at par after they reach the volume of \$10,000,000, but, if by the election of Mr. Bryan with a silverite Con-gress at his back, the mints are to be opened to the coinage of as many more ratio of 16 to 1. That we should be swamped with silver, until by the process gold had gone to 200 and over, is therefore a dead certainty.

This result would come the sooner, if, as is probable, a silverite Administration should enact the issue of silver certifi-

cates directly against deposits of silver builton, without waiting for it to be coined. This measure was proposed in 1894, and was defeated only by the strenuous opposition of the financiers of New York and other centers. Its purpose, then, was to secure at once the seigniorage on the sliver purchased under the Sherman act, and though its evil ten-dency was overrated, it might have done considerable mischief by the alarm it would have caused. If adopted now, it would be sure to increase our sliver currency as fast as the Treasury presses could work, and the suspension of gold payments would follow almost immediate-

ly. Herein consists the peril with which the country is threatened by the Democratic party. They propose to reduce, as The tremendous power of the heat in the twinkling of an eye, by more than upon persons of low vitality is shown one-halt, the value of all contracts for the payment of money not specifically the payment of money not specifically payable in gold. The wages of labor, and the thousands of millions of savings of the industrious and thrifty poor would suffer the same fate as the accumula-tions of the rich. The rich, indeed, would not submit to be despoiled without re-sistance. As soon as it became known that on March 4, 1901, Mr. Bryan would be President, and a Bryanite Congress could be called together in extra session to pass an unlimited silver coinage act very holder of accurities liable to be paid cedented in the cities, American and in silver would hasten to turn them into gold at the best price obtainable, and a monetary panic would ensue, more violent than any which the country has ever experienced.

Reaping the Whirlwind.

Philadelphia North American. England and Germany have been selling rifles, cannon and ammunition to the Chinese and teaching them the trade of war for several years, and European engi-neers, mechanics and military experts have established arsenals and arms facto-ries, built fortifications, installed artillery and trained the Chinese to do these things for themselves. Commerce has been promoted, and England and Germany have made a big profit out of their industrial and military missionary work. It is not improbable that some enterprising American business concerns have turned an honest penny now and then

by patriotically supplying the Chinese with cartridges and repeating rifles. That was "business," but it was amening idlocy and sowing of the wind, and and expects to leave for the Continent in a few now comes the reaping of the whirlwind, days. and after all the harm has been done-and

The Issue in a Nutshell.

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heads you lose."

New York Financial Chronicle.

ething after the fashion, "tails I win;

Thanks, Gentle Critic.

Platt Something Like Gibbon.

New York Evening Post.

terest. Of course, it has now become difficult for Platt to distinguish between his own interest and that of the state. Walter Bagehot said that Gibbon confounded his own personality with that of the Roman Empire; and it would not be strange if Platt, when he takes oath to see that the Republic suffers no harm, thinks he will plously perform his vow if he takes care that he does himself no harm. At any rate, the "care" he is now exercising in determining the nominees who are to be named by the respective conventions in due time with great spontanelty and enthusiasm, is fair warning that he expects a great deal of "political business" to be transacted by the next

Legislature. What with the Franchise Tax to be repealed or eviscerated, and other legislation to be provided for be-forehand, it is obvious that he will need a body of picked men. He is now doing the picking.

Support of Brynn. New York World, Dem.

In his heart Mr. Bryan doubtless knows that New York cannot be carried for cheap and dishonest money, and that whatever chance the Democrats had to carry it on the issue of imperialism is destroyed by opened to the coinage of as many more dollars as the silver in the world will permit, it will be impossible. The sur-plus production of the world's silver mines, even at the present low price of the metal, is 150,000,000 ounces a year, and of practical politics. Mr. Bryan may be both Germany and France have on hand large stocks of it, which they would be wise in dismissing with disdain the idea wise in dismissing with disdain the idea quick to exchange for our gold at the of trying to carry New York under such circumstances, and in looking for electoral votes elsewhere?

Was It an Error!

San Francisco Wave. San Francisco wave, At a time when every man, woman and child in Colorado Springs was in-vesting in mining stock and almost every man, woman and child had been badly bitten, it happened that a certain min-owner and stock manipulator died sud-denly. The local paper held the press to put in an secount of his death, headed. "Death Loves a Shining Mark," but when it came out the people with whom he had had his business dealings were surprised and pleased to read, "Death Loves a Mining Shark."

Wants a Rest. New York Press.

A stalwart Republican making pur-chases in an uptown dry goods store happened to met Mike, the porter, and the political microbe in the air tempted him to ask: "Mike, how do you feel about the election?" "Bryan, for shrue!" said Mike. "But, Mike, are you going to vote for Bryan?" "Shrue I am, sor." "Why, are you going to vote for Bryan, Mike?" Mark the sage reply: "Oh, begorra, I have had work for four years, an' I want a rest.'

A Southern Declaration.

Memphis Commercial-Appeal, Dem. The Democratic party is not in favor of abandoning territory that came to us as the legitimate spoils of a war which the Democratic party forced upon the country, or territory that came to us by treaty and purchase which were recommended, ratified and indorsed by Democratic leaders.

The Case Exactly Stated.

Richmond Times, Dem. In vain will the Democrats seek to make imperialism the "paramount issue." Imperialism, so far as the Republican platform is concerned, as an assumption; free silver, so far as the Democratic platform is concerned, is a positive declaration.

MEN AND WOMEN.

Senator Depaw's success as a young lawyer was speedy. In the second six months of his practice he made \$500.

Professor Vambery, the celebrated authority on Oriental subjects, has received an invita-tion from the Sultan Abdul Hamid to pay a visit to Constantinople. stantinople.

George C. Boldt, proprietor of the Waldorf-Astoria, has been ill in London with neuritis, and has been under treatmont by Sir William Gower. He is rapidly reguining his strength,

The Octogenarian Association of Iowa reall the infamous profit made-the powers solemnly agree not to sell any more mu-nitions of war to the Chinese. They will N. A. Bacon, of Des Moines, the oldest mem-When you're kind o' gettin' tired of the

NOTE AND COMMENT.

There will be no danger of an attack n the Chinese in Tacoma. .

Stevenson will seek the bauble reputation even in Bryan's mouth.

Mr. Hearst's new Chicago paper has plenty of local color, especially yellow.

We do not like this sample of Eastern weather. Let's try some more of our own kind.

Anyway, we needn't worry because the man next door won't shovel the snow off his walk.

No. Muriel, Brussels carpets are not made of Belgian hairs. You have mixed geography and soology.

Somebody was wounded in a duel with Prince Castellane the other day, but it was probably only in his feelings.

To bow to graven images, The Chinese Queen delights, Because, like other women, she Must have her woman's rites.

The men who were mentioned for the Vice-Presidency are now sleeping in dull, cold obscurity, where no mention of them more must be heard of.

So many specimens of bugs, worms, flies, etc., supposed to be insect pests, have been sent to The Oregonian for ideatification this season that the young man who has been acting temporarily as bugologist is beginning to see things crawling over his copy paper, and although strictly temperate, sometimes imagines he is "getting 'em." The last shipment of this kind which has come to hand consists of a number of handsome and plump worms or caterpillars inclosed in a small vial, which contained only a homeopathic dose of air for them, and consequently they are dead. They are labeled 'clover worms," and their well-nourished condition speaks well for the clover they fed on. They are member of the great army of worms now progressing through several sections of the Northwest, and are, therefore, to be designate as army worms. They should make excellent bait for fisherman, but perhaps might not suit the fish. It is to be hoped that the day of insect pests of all sorts will soon come to an end.

The blcycle has ceased to be a novelty, and has come into such general use that some prejudiced persons consider it more in the nature of a nulsance. This, however, does not affect the general result, as all sorts of people ride it, and use it for all kinds of purposes practicable. Some have bicycles arranged for carrying heavy loads, some for carrying a woman behind the rider or a child before, and they are used for many strange purposes, but an old citizen, who was out in Washington County a few evenings ago, saw a girl scorching about in a pasture on a bicycle and rounding up a herd of cows to drive home, and he thinks that the strangest use he has seen a bicycle put to yet. When a boy he says he used to have to drive home the cows every night from a New Hampshire pasture, but he had to race around on foot to get them together, and the perverse brutes were generally scattered all over the pasture or. If most of them were near the "bars," one contumacious old beast would be sure to be away at the further end. He used to wish for wings to help him get around after these cows, but he never dreamed of a bicycle. When he first reached this Coast, he was somewhat astonished to see the lamplighters, pig-drivers and newspaper-carriers following their occupations on horseback, but none of these things struck him as so funny as did

the sight of the barefooted farmer's

THE REFORMER'S VIEW.

Candidate Woolley accepts the nomination of his party as Prohibition nominee for the Presidency, not as he declares, as a "leader of a forlorn hope," but as "the color-bearer of the next and greatest forward movement of humandty." This is the reformer's view, whatver the special cause that he champions. To the representative of the Emiversal Peace Society, the abrogation of war, to which sentiment he is pledged, is always the "next and by far the greatest movement in human affairs." In the estimation of the foreign missionary his course leads all others in importance; the advocate of woman suffrage is certain that her clalism, is that he will be compelled to claim represents liberty itself, and will be the "very next" to receive the just indorsement of mankind. The White Ribboner is abroad declaring that the social purity, is the greatest and "next" duty of those who love their fellowmen, and so on through the entire list of reforms which well-disposed but impractical individuals champion as of aramount importance to the welfare and, indeed, to the preservation of the human race.

The mistake of these people is that they utterly fail, or persistently refuse, to take human nature for what it is. They appraise mankind as a wholea job lot; so to speak-and insist upon evying equal tribute in temperance, in religion, in morality, in conception of political questions upon all. Government should and must, in their view, run its citizens in similar grooves o thought and of conduct, and by arbitrary decree keep them there. No deviation from certain well-defined paths is to be tolerated in individuals. Because China, it may be safely said that his one man cannot take wine with his conable indulgence by an orgie that listresses his family, shocks his friends and absorbs his week's or month's effect probably has no graver foundatake wine with their meals.

To talk of liberty in conjunction with ach a proposition is nonsense. The has to make it, who some months crying need of the times is not to ago declared that Li and Tsl were marcurtail but enlarge the sum of personal ried or soon would be, and would proponsibility; to inculcate the virtues of self-control and of respect for the ner in which England was ruled durutside the gate" while at play by lock- policy. ing the gate, thus making obedience impulsory by means which the boy to be running things at Pekin accordill easily circumvent as soon as he is ing to her own remorseless will and the a based upon false premises.

powerless to affect the standard of value or the stability of the currency. publican party, with its impaired capi-As my teeth have been broken off and tal of heroic memories, with paternal- my claws extracted, says the silver fox, istic notions of its own, with you may safely trust me in the henlittle leaders and platitudinous vap- coop. But the Denver News sets the orings of impossible principles, is stamp of disapproval upon this pretty be the only refuge of the pretense. "The gold standard can be uncorrupted Democrat. For the most forced off the country by a sliver Presipart his sensations there will be dent," it says, regardless of the comthose of the cat in a strange garret. If plexion of Congress. There is, unforthe tariff issue should ever reform a tunately, reason to fear the News is cor-Presidential campaign on old lines, he rect. If so, the business world will could go home with a clear conscience. know enough to scent the danger and But what is more likely, in view of the act accordingly.

complete conquest of his party by so-So much hostile criticism of athletics act, however undemonstratively, with proceeds from unworthy sources that the Republican party. And if it is to be one is pleased to apprehend in the acthe abode of the defenders of individ- tion at Corvallis last week a motive ualism and foes of paternalism, the springing from desire to conserve the abrogation of the social evil, looking to dwelling must be modified somewhat to cause of true sport. The regents of accommodate the new boarders. Space the Agricultural College, who have must be found for their free trade pic- forbidden students there to participate tures on the walls and free banking in inter-collegiate contests, are conrugs on the floors. Through their aid vinced that more harm than good, even at last some worn-out furniture of the from an athletic standpoint, results place may be bundled off to the attic. from these contests. Feeling runs high, Through their aid, maybe, we shall get gambling is indulged in, and the fatal rid of protection, subsidies and spoils, blight of professionalism finds fertile and get fair trade, honest pensions, effisoil. Perhaps a way may be found to cient civil and consular service, fiscal correct these gatherings without their economy and old-fashioned statesmanentire abolition, but meanwhile the Corship. Only in this way, apparently, if vallis school, at least, will take no at all, can be preserved the precious chances. It is earnestly to be hoped seed of manly independence which the that the cause of athletics may be adold ark of the Democracy has borne vanced by this step, and if support of the measure has proceeded in any quar-

TSI AN AND LI HUNG CHANG.

across the years.

culture among our youth, the desire If it shall transpire that Id Hung may meet prompt and decisive disappointment. Opponents of athletics are Chang conspired with Tsi An to bring about the massacre of foreigners in three in kind-those who hate them as couldn't dance; those who are moved to yellow jacket and three-eyed peacock dinner without supplementing this rea- feather will not save him from the just anguish by the sight of human beings wrath of the nations when the time for reckoning comes. The rumor to this rages, all men must be forbidden to tion in fact than that promulgated by prize-ring. If any such are among the a foreign correspondent, working under joy should be short-lived instructions to send news, even if he

ceed to rule the empire after the manhuman body as the temple of life. The ling the life of the late Prince Consort. Colorado sport's walk and conversation, wise mother does not supplement the That is to say that, though unknown in private and political, are sufficiently

able to scale the door-yard fence. The stilly romance long since dropped out ture," "energy and ability," "refusal to whole scheme of compulsory morality of that story. Whether the graver po- stultify himself," "a man of such emi-

small and contemptible faction of Silver Re-publicans"-who, it appears, to add to the fered irrefragable evidence of supine- shape the issues, so much as circum- grim irony of the situation, refuse after all to have to watch their arms and ammunibe pleased? -

> Nebraska affords a striking illustration of the effective work of Colonel Bryan is building up the Democratic party. Under his capable leadership, his party is so nearly eliminated in his state that it gets the politically unimportant office of Attorney-General in a fusion with the Populists, who take the important places on the ticket beberlains should be hanged. cause they have reduced the Democracy almost to a reminiscence.

gold

The Oregonian is not atraid of "imperialism," and it thinks those who are shouting about it are not afraid of it. They are merely in want of a campaign Nobody, in fact, believes that cry. through retention of the recently acquired islands we are in danger of "losing our liberties," or of "drifting into an imperial despotism." To be silly and ridiculous, and yet be serious, is a hard ridiculous, and yet be serious, is a hard matter. -

This is a bad season in Eastern Washington for the hobo. Farmers in the Palouse country are reported to be hiring not only every available man who comes along, but are watching freight trains to rout the "tourist" from boxcar and breakbeam with an offer of enticing wages to work in harvest fields and help save the wheat crop. -----

Among prosperity items is the report that, "Wheat Chart" Jones has an offer of \$10,000 a year as attorney for a Spokane corporation. Some of his admirers express doubt that he will desert the plain people for the ranks of plutocracy.

"Bryanarchy" is a term coined by J. Sterling Morton, of Nebraska; President Cleveland's Secretary of Agriculture. He defines it as the anarchy that is attempting to do business under the name of Democracy.

The Silver Menace.

deception. During the two great conven-tions the big daily had its managing ed-The New York Journal of Commerce itor in attendance as a special represen-tative, and his dispatches showed that he had the full confidence of both the follows Professor Loughlin in not being satisfied that the Nation is, by the late currency law, fully protected against dan-Oregon delegations-Republican and Dem ocrats-a confidence that he did no Byron hated the walts, because he gers from aliver. It calls to mind that the Senate amended the measure objecabuse, every intelligent reader will admit. The point is this, that bonesty is the best policy in all things, cleanliness is better than dirt, and when both paper tionably when it came to that body from the House. The Journal of Commerce

and man can command such confidence from political opponents and others, they The new law in effect makes the United States notes and the Treasury notes gold certificates, but it provides for the substitution of silver certificates for the Treasury notes, and it provides no are not immodest if they lay claims to BUCCESS. means for keeping the silver dollars at par in gold. There have been coinen 400,000,000 silver dollars. Of these 15,000,000 "The greatest care is to be taken in belong to the Government and 67,000,000 are in private hands. The remaining 405,000,000 are stored in the Treasury, and the nomination of candidates for the Senate and Assembly." This is an official announcement, as the ukase comes from represented by certificates in circulation. Platt himself. He will relieve the various Mr. Bryan is pledged to the payment of Government obligations in silver. He conventions of all needless vexation by naming the candidates for them. Every lesser Republican may go away for a long vacation with a clear conscience, certain that, on his return in September. ild have, as the Treasury now stands, \$15,000,000 to begin with. But in the fiscal year 1839 the Government received \$095,-549,041 in silver certificates, and paid out the ticket for which he is to take off SGTL072.572. It need not have paid out the certificates; it might have disbursed the dollars. It is true that the Secipients his coat and help roll up a big majority, will all have been kindly arranged for him by the boss. There will lurk in some might have redeposited the coin and taken out certificates, but they could get no gold, or notes redeemable in gold, if minds, however, a suspicion that the "care" which Platt is taking in the selec-tion of his next Assembly and Senate

tion merchants like hawks to make their | J. G. Schmidiapp, of Cincinnati, has made agrement effective, for the ethics of trade an offer to the trustees of the Cincinnati Art are so fearfully and wonderfully defined Museum of \$100,000 to build a wing to the museum as a memorial of his wife and daugh-

museum as a memorial of his wife and daugh-ter, who were killed in a railroad accident last that a business man is not deemed a trea-sonable villain for supplying an enemy of his country with war material prior to formal declaration of hostilities. An Eng-lish firm in which the Chamberlain fam-ily is heavily interested sold powder to Spring near Kansas City. Captain W. Bade Di Wismar, the wellknown explorer. Is organizing an expedition to

start next month for Franz Josef Land, to seek traces of Andree, and to obtain intelligence of the Duke of Abruzzi. Cornelio Manui, the Italian writer and traveler, will accompany the Boers up to the opening of war, but it has not been suggested that the Cham-

the party. A Kansas City baker, Arcangelo Defeo by name, has brought suit against Mrs. Sils Abbandanetto for \$2000 damages for spreading a report that he kneaded his bread with his fest, which Mr. Defeo regards as slanderous.

What we desired to suggest was that the 16-to-1 idea as offered to the public today calls for a complete revolution in The defendant says that at the trial she will our currency system without a show of reason for doing it. We are thereby conput in bread with footprints on it. Professor Max Muller, in a recent interview. said: "I lost very little time on novels before my libess. Now I delight in them. Not that I read them extensively myself. They are read to me. The old novels are very good. fronted, at a moment of great prosperity, by the ridiculous proposal to make a change in our monetary arrangements under which, as they now exist, we have mod-

and to accept and substitute another sys-tem of which the very best that can be claimed for it by any one is that it is experimental. That is to say, we are called upon to risk the buoyancy and in-dustrial progress now so manifest upon a deeperate and billd venture. The real situation is, of course, even worse that situation is, of course, even worse than that. We were speaking of this risk from the standpoint of the silver advolast person to give expression to such ideas, and that her intention is rather to present the higher forms of the classic and poetle drama cata enlightened as to our gold currency by the last two years' experience. From the sound-money status the free coinage to enter a field in which she has never sought recognition. Bhe assures those interested in her work that her future productions will be made with the best hope and highest purpose of silver means a wide catastrophe enguifing for a cycle of years, and until our gold standard is reinstated, all our until of the stage in view. industries. Hence the venture becomes deadly, however viewed, the country be-ing in the position of the victim accept-ing the proposal of the sharper, made

The Village Blacksmith. Henry W. Longfelew. Under a spreading chestnut tree The village smithy stands. The smith, a mighty man is he, With large and sinewy hands; And the muscles of his brawny arms Are strong as iron bands.

Catholic Sentinel. The Sentinel is radically opposed to His hair is crisp, and black and long; His face is like the tan; The Morning Oregonian, so far as its political policy as well as other things as enunciated in its editorial columns is His brow is wet with honest sweat, He earns whate'er he can

And looks the whole world in the face For he owes not any man. concerned, but like thousands of readers of all political faiths it approaches its news columns without fear of taint or Week in, week out, from morn till night, You can hear his bellows blo You can hear him swing his heavy sledge,

With measured beat and slow; Like a sexton ringing the village bell, When the evening sun is low.

And children coming home from school, Look in at the open door; They love to see the faming forge, And hear the beliows roor, And catch the burning sparks that fly Like chaff from a threshing floor.

He goes on Sunday to the church, And sits among his boys, He hears the parson pray and preach, He hears his daughter's voice, Singing in the village ci And it makes his heart rejoice.

It sounds to him like her mother's voice, Singing in Paradise! He needs must think of her once more, How in the grave she lies, And with his hard, rough hand he wipes, A tear out of his eyes.

Toiling-rejoleing-sorrowing, Onward through life he goes; Each morning sees some task begin, Each evening sees it close; Something attempted, something done, Has earned a night's repose.

Thanks, thanks to thee, my worthy friend, For the lesson thou hast taught. Thus at the flaming forge of life Our fortunes must be wrought; Thus on its sounding anvil shaped Each burning deed and thought.

When you're kind o' gettin' tired of the hot

an' dusty town, When the mercury's a-raisin' an' the sun's a-

beatin' down, You can shet your eyes and listen for a votos that's in the sir. Givin' you an invitation to git up an' ro

somewhere. beens to float on all the breezes, seems to come from every tree.

"Just forgit the sticky het-up town, an" come away to me."

fon kin see them, when you shet your eyes, the shady, woodsy nooks, You can hear the tinklin' music of the purlin'

mountain brooks, fon can hear the birds a-chirpin' when they

snuggles down to rest, And the sun, a blaze o' glory, paints the moun-tains in the west.

An' they all jine in together, fur to sing to

you an' me, "Leave the hot ole town behind you, an' jus' come away to me."

r perhaps you'll hear a-beatin' on the shinia'

standy shore, The drammin' of the ocean, an' you'll listen

to its roar, While you see the gleamin' breakers throwin' rainbows at the sun,

Or curlin' in to strike the shore, an' smashin'

ane by one, An' you listen to their chorus, while you hear the gray ole sea, "Jus' leave the dried-up town behind,

Say. and come away to me."

You can hear 'em all about you, voices singin' in the sir,

In the sir, If you shet your eyes an' listen, you will know that they are there; From the woods an' from the mountains, from the river, from the shore,

Comes the whispered invitation, not to stay

in fown no more; ' "Don't stay tisd up in the city, throw the

chains off an' he free, For there's nothin' that will cheer you till you come away to me."

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

The Other Variety .- Freddle--Why does a unaway automobile cut up such capers' wigger-Because, my boy, it hasn't any horsem. Judge.

"I wonder," mused the shoe clerk boarder, "who gets up all those Chinese dispatches?" "I think his name is Wun Heap Li," said the Cheerful Idiot.--Indianapolis Press.

He Must Be .- "Yes, he boasts that he has lved nearly 70 years without ever having been neide of a bank." "What is he? A bank inside of a bank." "What is h director?"-Chicago Times-Herald.

"Oh, you will fight then?" gleefully cried the fire-eater; "name your weapons." "Swords," replied the timid man. "Very good, sir." "At twenty paces."-Philadelphia Record.

"You look very hored, Bobble. Can't you think of anything to do?" "No. I wish I could. If I could think of something I ought to do, and wasn't doing it, I should feel much better."-Punch.

Even in Days of Yore .- "Where is the elec trician?" yelled Nosh, as he groped his way toward the engine-room. Thus, even in the days of yore, was there much commotion when the are lights went out.-Brooklyn Life.

Romething Worse-Jonson-What do you know about the horrors of war? Bronson-I know a lot. Jonson-You don't know a thing; you stayed at home. Bronson-I know I did, but I had to read the yellow journals every day.-Detroit Free Press.

Gny.-Lettor Freg Free. Strength of Character.-"'He is a man of great strength of character and self-control." "How do you know?" "He stopped smoking for two weeks once without referring to the fact oftener than 18 or 20 times a day."-

The first step-""What we want to do," and one of the benighted nation's wise old men, "is to get clvilized." "I know," any swend the clvilized." "I know," as it"" "Well. I suppose the first step is to quit killing people by hand and learn to use ma-chinery."-Washington Star.

ter from desire to discredit physical says that:

in a state of enjoyment, and those who denounce college sports as a cover for their passion for the brutalities of the regents of the Corvailis institution, their

One of the most inexplicable things in recent journalism is an article in the Bankers' Magazine encomiastic of Sepator Wolcott, of Colorado. The

mand to her young child "not to go the Government, Li would direct its well known to need no extended description. But what shall be said of a Tsi An is still a dowager and appears reputable and usually trustworthy publication, descending to apply to Wolcott such terms as "a man of logical na-

litical significance of the last report nent ability," "an honor to the state," There is no such thing as compulsory will drop away as harmlessly remains "maintenance of his own convictions," emperance except as it is inculcated to be seen. The story is extremely etc.? It would be interesting to know they demanded them. The Tressury does not relate strictly to the public in-