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TODAY'S WEATHER. - Threatening, with

PORTLAND, MONDAY, AUGUST 20. ANOTHER BREAK IN MACHINE RULE.

The nomination of Robert M. La Fol-Republicans, like the success of Roose-vell in New York, is an encouraging eign in politics. It marks a break in both cases the party bosses try to keep up the appearance of having adopted sickly fiction. In each case it is well known that the nomination was forced upon an unwilling muchine, and that

La Poliette is not so independent as Roosevelt, however. He made a set campaign for the nomination; indeed, he made three campaigns, in the first two of which he was rather unceremoniously turned down by the managers. The present Governor, Ed Scofield, a prosperous Oconto lumberman, was chosen four years ago, and made so poor a record that there was a strong movement to deny him the customary od term, and it was only by the use of all the power of the machine that ne got a renomination in 1898. La Follette, who had been shedding much light in dark places, continued the agitation for a cleaner administration of the government, and now the Republicans of the state are overwhelmingly for him and the machine managers skild as gracefully as they can and

claim La Follette for their own. La Pollette's success in Wisconsin will not strengthen the machinery of the National Administration. He ower nothing to the forces that are allied with the McKinley crowd. He had the power to defeat for National committeeman Henry C. Payne, who has so long bossed Republicans of Wisconsin and is close to the present Administration, but did not do so, and has thus ande that willy politicien subservient, In fact, La Follette has triumphed over all the Washington influences in the state, and is in position to dictate
rather than be dictated to. There is no fight between La Follette and the Mc-Kinley Administration, as such, but the discord is between the men who have represented and managed the Republican machine of the state and La Pollette. And now that he is in the saddle, It is safe to presume that he will not break his own neck to serve the forces that have so long fought him. He were shown when he was in Congress. He is a man of force and culture, of experience in affairs and of clean purpose, and it will be interesting to watch his cureer in a great state.

#### AN UGLY PROBLEM FOR THE PU-TURE.

United States Senator Chandler, of contributes a suggestive discussion of both North and South to treat the question with candor, fairness and mual forbearance as one of the gravest National importance. He points out that forty Representatives and forty Presidential Electors are now based on the colored population; that if the Southern States are allowed to retain the power of these votes though they distranchise the great part of these megroes, the South has an unfair adwantage which is sure soon or late to make irrepressible trouble. He reasons that the South will not consent, although its Democrats by fundamental law suppress the colored vote, to give up the representation based upon the ored population. The South will not agree to such a change, and without the votes of the Southern States the Constitution cannot be amended so as take away colored suffrage and prowide for a reduction of representation; other words, the lawful repeal of the fifteenth amendment, thus making the amendment applicable. Even if the South were willing to do this, Senator Chandler inquires:

Would not the black outcores for Northern protection against the inevitable approximate to follow National abandonment of the Pfricenth Amendment embroil the country more than any reasonable attempt to enforce the Fifteenth

Senator Chandler confesses he cannot solve the problem even satisfactorily To the Republicans who may that the effectual enforcement of the fifteenth amendment cannot be accomplished, that it is of no use to try do the Impossible, Senator Chandler

But it is impossible thus to refrain and also Tel II is impossible thus to refrain and also forward to make political contests with this wild South and its 20 extra Representatives and electors hased upon the cohered people. What, then, will these Sepulations to? Curiously enough, the factics of politics in 1800 are earlied; what they were 48 years ago, in the Prement mirrors of 1854, when I first longest to study them. The problem is: Can the prement curious of the best of the term of the people of the majority in Congress against the solid South and in addition a new Northern States upon which the bestocrate will turn all their wearwhich the Democrate will turn all their weapmail And the care is worse now than their weap-mail And the care is worse now than their for them there were Representatives and vice tore based upon only three-fifths of the col-seed secules now there are 40, soon to be 55. hased upon the whole five fifths-increased

ger today that McKinley will be defeated because of the grandfather clause and similar devices, nevertheless the situation is filled with peril to our political peace for the future. If the South should soon cease to be solid-ly Democratic, the danger might be-through change of climate, or in caring its victory or its perpetuation in the administration of the Federal Government to an electoral vote obtained spread of consumption are knowledge through these partial representations, and vigilance—the intelligent knowing country, for no great political party would long submit to the perpetuation of defeat through such an arrangement, without serious protest.

#### CONVERGENT CURRENCIES.

Rudimentary conditions from which the Canadian and the American banking systems have sprung are, of course, dissimilar. Yet, as present and future conditions must be greatly simflar, the points at which the two systems diverge must be less and less, and their correspondence must increase. A banking system grows along in just about the same way that the horse rose to his present position by slow stages. That is, it is the natural and orderly product of accumulated momentum acting upon and acted upon by fresh cir- its efforts to secure votes for Bryan: cumstances. At one end of the equation are the stored-up tendencies and traditions coupled with the exigencies of the moment; at the other is the system as you have it. X plus Y equals Z. Nobody can make a banking system out of hand.

Canada starts with free banking and moves toward governmental oversight, We start with government credit and move toward free banking. Between the two extremes is the mean which each will some time approximately reach, traveling thither over convergtite for Governor by the Wisconsin entlines from widely sundered startingpoints. It has been almost a misnomer to speak of our bank notes as a commercial credit currency. They the autocratic rule of the machine. In guaranteed by Government, which in its turn is secured. But by graded steps we are approaching the place amoted the nominee, but it is a where free banking will be the programme, within approved restrictions. Canada took up with free banking fifty years ago, and the laxity of regula-It means a degree of wholesome reform tion has been encroached upon with fresh restrictions every recurring ten hole rooms" in which this mother and years when the bank act is amended. Those who desire to examine the matstudy it in Mr. R. M. Breckinridge's parental irresponsibility. Wages for exhaustive paper in the Quarterly amendment of 1900.

The Canadian Government will more closely than hitherto regulate the currency of Canadian banks. The amendments of 1909 direct this supervision of improper note issues; management Bankers' Association is a public corporation, whose control over the banks of the Dominion is extensive and semigovernmental, subject only to the veto of the Treasury Board of the Dominion Government. It will forbid note issues during suspension, will designate and control receivers of failed or suspended banks, and exercise jurisdiction in the merger of small banks into larger ones, a prevalent and instructive phenomenon in Canadian finance, Greater fuliness of detail is prescribed for statements of condition made by directors to stockholders, the Bankers' Association will formulate by-laws which will be as binding on the banks as a statute, and clearing-houses are in such a way that every bank in Canada is brought directly under supervision and discipline of the bankers' official organization acting in conjunction with the Treasury Board.

In Canada, it is true, notes are issued against commercial assets; but the proact imagined by some of our currency never was a truckling politician. His deed, that more law, not less, is the independence and undoubted ability recognized need there. We shall get a following. true commercial credit currency here in time, no doubt. But meanwhile it may be well to remember that the Canadian system we adopt, if we adopt it, will be more subject to government interference than the one we have been regarding with longing eyes. The day will probably never come, in the United States or in Canada, when government will permit a banking currency so sci-New Hampshire, a very able lawyer, entifically conceived that noteholders can lose through failures. It is theothe question of the disfranchisement of retically demonstrable that a bank citizens by the Southern States note guaranteed by government is inito the New York Sun. He appeals to quitous in point of both morals and economy. But the ideal condition is one we are likely never to reach. perfect currency reformer is the free trader or prohibitionist moved over into

finance. Perhaps the most unprofitable form of discussion is that which arraigns and seeks to counteract the religious convictions or traditions of disputants. It becomes easy in the stress of argument on vicarious atonement, the "triune God," the value of the sacraments, the power of the spirit for physical healing, and kindred matters of opinion, which are held to be matters of belief, for otherwise temperate and considerate people to "hate each other for the love of God"-a process as unprofitable as un-Christian, and embodying strife that, to say the least, is irksome to the public when the press becomes a dium of an exchange of compliments. Thinking people care little for the pre-tensions of Christian Science, so-called, while many good people reject as unjust the doctrine of vicarious atonement, and to a yearly increasing num-ber talk about "the trinity" is meaningless. Yet there is no reason why all of these conscientious, well-meaning people may not live in peace with one another and with the rank and file of orthodoxy. Friends, let us have peace. Immortal truth needs no defense and error can no more than masquerade in its name.

Either climatic conditions of Hawaii are not favorable to persons suffering with tuberculous diseases, or Honolulu has become a haven of refuge for a pale host who at an incurable stage of the discase have sought it in the vain hope of receiving benefit. The death rate of that city has increased so alarmingly, consumption heading the list of causes, that the health authorities have taken alarm and are discussing the advisability of establishing quarantine against patients suffering from this disease. While an extreme measure of this kind would not meet with public approbation, for the rea-son that very many families have had bitter and pathetic experience with this

erally concede that all proper precautions should be taken to prevent the dissemination of the germs of consumption. These precautions can be taken either in traveling with a concome remote, but if ever the day for the sufferer at home. Knowledge in comes when a political party will owe this, as in other matters, is power, and vigilance in this case is its agent. elements in this warfare against the there will be very serious trouble in this how and the persistent doing. If these can be brought into play, the isolation of the patient is neither necessary nor desirable. Otherwise, it is both, and, sooner or later, will be resorted to as a measure of public health.

#### BRYANIC CLAP-TRAP .-

The Helena Independent, an exponent of Bryanism and a sincere admirer of would-be United States Senator Clark's methods of purifying politics, makes pitiful and even pathetic plea from day to day in the name of the toiling masses for the defeat of McKinley as the one thing necessary for the financial equality of all mankind and the perpetuity of American institutions. The following paragraph illustrates the style and argument employed by that organ in "All day she had watched her haby brother while her mother was away at work. Relieved by her mother's return, she fell asleep at an open window and fell to the puvement, being instantly killed." So died little Anna Cossio, aged 4 years, in New York City last week. The awful heat, the close walls and low cellings of the four little rabbit-hole rooms that lets no breathing space. Five children and a mother working to size out a miserable existence. The 4-year-old doing the work of a nurse all day, doing a woman's work in the playtime all day, doing a woman's work in the playtime of life. Yes; wages are rising.

While recognizing the pathos of this picture and being moved to pity for the condition of the Cossio mother and children, one is puzzled to know what special feature of the policy of the present Administration is responsible for it. "Imperialism," "militarism," or the repudiation of the doctrine of 16 to 1? There are doubtless matter-of-fact, commonplace people in considerable numbers who will see in the circumstances and incidental tragedy depicted in the paragraph quoted the influence of the "awful heat, the close walls, the her five children lived, not evidence of an unwise Governmental policy, ter in detail as it exists today can but of human short-sightedness and the class of labor that this wretched Journal of Economics for August. All mother and thousands like her perform, that will be attempted here is the and have performed throughout the briefest possible summary of the ages as a means of keeping base life afoot, are not subject to fluctuation. The charwoman's wages in New York gregation into paying what it honestly City have never been much beyond the owes. If so, he could hardly be betstarvation point, whether the one political party or the other was in power. specifically at three objects: Maintenance of adequate reserves; prevention and Administration, when industrial forces were literally taking the country of suspended banks. The Canadian by storm, than in his second Administration, when labor-even skilled labor-reached low tide in remuneration and begged for employment of any kind

at any price. In all ages of the world irresponsible parentage has subjected helpless child-hood to conditions of misery from which death offered the only release, To cite examples of this kind as evidence that the country is in a bad way industrially by reason of its governmental policy, is the cheapest politi-cal clap-trap, the shallowest demagogy. It is an insult, moreover, to the intelli-gence of the community and to the sturdy common sense of its voters. Yet nalists-so-called-of the Rocky Mounthe Bryan column. No wonder that to mak Republicans have hope of carrying 000,000. even Montana with intelligent methods, or that to this end Republican daily newspapers have recently been started cess is not the simple and unrestrained Helena, the capital and head center of of Minnesota have come out against the Clark pull and push; Butte, where Bryan. These are straws favoring Mc-Dale holds

Clearly, there never was a better opening for a "campaign of education" than is presented in Montana this Fall. The Democratic contention, when not puerile, as in the example above noted s most mischievous. This is witnessed in its constant attempts to array the forces of capital against those of labor, or to use the demagogue's pet phrase, the "poor" against the "rich." In either phase it is utterly contemptible and meaningless, except as it appeals to shallow men whose very existence is a grievance, the notes of which, whether socialistic, anarchistic, populistic or hybrid Democratic, "bray harsh discordance on the air."

The Railway Age finds 135,000 miles. or 20 per cent, of the rallways of the United States controlled by 28 compa-The New York Central leads, with 10,410 miles, and is closely fol-lowed by the Pennsylvania, with 10,392 miles. Canada has in the Canadian Pacific a single system of 10,018 miles. The Southern Pacific has 9362 miles; Chicago & Northwestern, 8463 miles; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, miles, and the Southern Rallway 7887 miles. The Louisville & Nashville, with 5077 miles; Baltimore & Ohio, with 3605 miles; Seaboard Air Line, with 2540 miles; Atlantic Coast Line, with 2278 miles, and Plant System, with 2140 miles, are Southern systems of note. These figures take no account of the larger units created by predominating "financial influence." If this influence could be traced, striking aggregates ould be disclosed. In the East the Vanderbilt, Morgan and other interests concentrate control of nearly all important roads in a few hands. Pennsylvania's influence, for example, extends to over 16,000 miles. In the West, plans of alliance are being worked out for many roads which are to be unified. It happens that the systems mentioned here as the largest are commonly regarded as the best in management and service. When plans of operation must embrace many states and diverse regions and conditions, large views must be taken, and it be comes well understood that the prosperity of the transportation system depends upon the prosperity of the community served, and vice versa, Baltimore Sun offers the pertinent reflection that the idea that either the community or the railroad can flourish by ruining the other is obsolete.

Mr. George H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the New York Central, has sent The Oregonian marked copies of the New York Times and the New York Evening Sun, containing his department's advertisement. It includes schere political power given because the scourge, and so make personal appli-buth entered into unautorestal rebellion! scourge, and so make personal appli-interest, "The North Pacific Coast." This is very well in its way, and it is mention in big type, as attraction of ble one, is that while there is no dan- sumptives, out, reasonable people gen- gratifying to know that Mr. Daniels'

this particular gift-horse in the mouth, "The North Pacific Coast" is a pretty indefinite and barren sort of announcement. What we should really like to Monterey or the Northern Pacific booms the Yellowstone. Some day Mount Hood will be one of the world's greatest Summer resorts. It is worth considerable space in Eastern advertising columns.

The Oregonian has already referred to the fact that the relief of the Lega-tions at Pekin recalled the famous relief of the British Residency in Lucknow, in the Indian Mutiny of 1857. The first siege of Lucknow began July 1, when the Residency contained about 1700 men, women and children, including a British regiment, the Thirty-second Foot. The first relief, under Gen-erals Havelock and Outram, entered the Residency September 25, 1857, after the garrison had been under fire eightyseven days. Havelock brought too few men with him to rescue the garrison and the second relief did not arrive until November 14, and the garrison was not rescued until November 22. This movement was made, not to capture Lucknow, but to rescue the besleged residents. Lucknow was not captured until March, 1858.

All classes in Montana will unite to welcome Governor Roosevelt to the state where he is scheduled to arrive early in September. Not that he is the noted "rough rider" of San Juan Hill fame, though Montanans appreciate his valor on that occasion; or that he is candidate for Vice-President, though Republicans who are going to make a hot canvass for the National Republican ticket in the state expect much help from his presence and speeches, but chiefly because in the earlier years of Montana Roosevelt was a resident rancher of one of its beautiful valleys and a hunter of great game in its mighty mountains. In other words, "Teddy" was for a time "one of them," and with great good-fellowship they will meet him and listen to what he has to say upon National issues.

We are favored with a long complaint from a dissatisfied church-goer who listened yesterday to a sermon on church debts which failed to interest him. Keenly as we regret his annoyance, we fail to see how a column letter in the paper will recoup him for his lost time and damaged feelings. Probably the preacher was trying to cajole his conter employed. At any rate, if he did not do so, we should hear complaints about how lightly the preachers regard the financial obligations of their charges. The preacher who pleases all his hearers has yet to be born, along with the newspaper that can satisfy all its readers. In one case as in the other, the most unwelcome service is frequently the most needed.

Since June 30, 1899, there has been a considerable increase of the number of National banks, under the act of March 14, 1900. In June, 1899, there were 3583 National banks, with \$604,865,327 of capital and \$228,870,316 of notes in circulation. In June last the number of such banks was 3858, with capital of \$631,108,-095 and circulation of \$294,948,930. Since June 11 last there have been 111 National banks organized, 18 of which are this is a fair sample of the stock argu-ments by which the Democratic jour-National charters. Many of the new banks have the minimum capital of tain States seek to keep their states in \$25,000. It would take 400 such banks

in the three chief cities of the state- thirty or more Democratic newspapers chances. They indicate that Northwest are not as scared over "milltarism" as has been supposed. Incidents of this sort may be given exaggerated importance, usually are, in fact, by Republican papers, but it is probably safe to regard them as trustworthy signs of the trend of opinion away from Bryan.

> Goebelism still stalks abroad unpunished; but that is no reason why Goebel's murderers, if they can be found and convicted, should not be given the full penalty of the law. Kentucky has itself credit in the orderly conduct of the Powers trial, and in the verdict and sentence upon the evidence. Half its duty is done. There remains to abolish the iniquitous law which was the source of the whole trouble.

> Ex-United States Senator Boutwall statesman of very eccentric opinions for a long time. As long ago as October 31, 1871, Wendell Phillips, in an address before the Labor party of Massachusetts, quoted Secretary Boutwell with saying that "fifty years hence the idea that a man could own land and leave it to his children will be ridiculous." -

# IMPRESARIO OF STATESMEN.

He Is Lucky in Some Selections That's a Fact.

Baltimore American If for nothing else, President McKinley deserves to live in history as one of the Nation's greatest Executives because of the number of truly great men he has discovered and brought to the front. It has been a common thing of late years to hear much lamenting over the decadent near much immediang over the decadent standard of our statesmanship, and men have sighed for the uprearing of a line of public servants capable of favorable com-parison with the giants of the country's youth.

The administration of President McKinley has demonstrated to the world that we are still rich in the possession of brainy men, and has proved that the only thing necessary to their participation in the public affairs of the Nation is the presence of a man competent to discover and bring them to the fore. It was Mc-Kinley who discovered William R. Day, a man who, in the course of a brief career, rose from the obscurity of a Circuit Judge to take rank as one of the foremost statesmen and diplomatists of the cent-ury. It was he who met the trained and willy diplomats of Spain and so success-fully conducted the Paris peace negotiations. Frederick W. Holls, an obscure Brooklyn lawyer, went by President Mc-Kinley's orders to The Hague Feace Conference as one of this country's representailves, and in a short time won such a commanding position in that body as to secure the most generous encomiums

recent trip out here has borne fruit. Secretary of War. Together these two ency in any of those states to exchange this particular gift-horse in the mouth, problem, and while the diplomatists of of a republic"? the Old World tinkered away at it these novices were doing things. With no knowledge of the intricacles of diplomacy, see is an advertisement of Mount Hood, or the Cascade Springs, or Meacham or Foley Springs, on some such generous way as the Southern Pacific booms Monterey or the Northern Pacific booms brought China to her knees, a supplicant they grappled with the wily Chinese.

for peace and mercy.

The achievements of these four men are worthy of favorable comparison with anything accomplished by Webster, Calhotin or Clay. It is a relief to all Amer-ica to know that her citizenship contains men of such commanding genius in state-craft. With them making the history of the present in such a manner that greater luster is shed upon the American name wherever heard, it would be well to cease lamenting over a decaying statemanship and turn to thanking the man who, in less than three years, has discovered and brought to the front four of the most conspicuous and accomplished statesmen and diplomats of modern times.

#### CULTURE RUN TO SEED. Criticism of a Critic and Then Com ment on the Criticiser.

New York Evening Post.
An Academy critic who has fallen foul of a number of Poet-Lore writes of the collision in no gentle spirit, having suffered, as he deems, in mind, if not in body and estate, from the "literary tall-talk" of the Boston review. "It is with the quarterly arrival of Poet-Lore from Boston," he says, "that we feel how many rungs of the ladder of Culture we have yet to climb. Our only doubt is whether any one can be so cultured as the readers of Poet-Lore seem to be. There is here no mingling of the cup."

The ladies who expound the messages of Browning and Meredith, respectively, excite the critic's wrath, particularly the inventress of an "inerrant" Meredith. The culogist of Mr. Mcredith seems to think she will gain the ear of the reader by saying that genius "in its formed philosophical theories may err, but not in its perceptions of life"—and that therefore "in his inspired representations of life and character, coming not

from thought alone, but from his whole na-ture, Meredith cannot err." Like the cuckoo, the Bostonian critic selects an author in which to find, or deposit, a gospel; and once the se-lection is made the poor man has no peace. He is not even allowed to err. The critic exhausts his vials of wrath on a conference on "Present-Day Poets," as follows:

The last item in our "Folk-Lore" (sic) is a veritable tit-bit. It is a kind of examination paper in "Present-Day Poets," in which some very solemn questions are propounded by the editors. We give below a few of these questions, and the answers which we have framed from the residue of our intellect:

Is Mrs Louise Chandler Moulton too owly restricted to emotional themes and emo-

Does Mr. Thomas Balley Aldrich escape the usual penalty for laying emphasis on delicacy of finish so that the result is satisfying in its happy precision? Or does he seem cold and elaborately superficial? Does he, so to speak, carve cherry-stones oftener than he engraves cameos?
We don't know. Does it, "zo to speak,"

matter twopence?

Is Miss Louise Imogen Guiney's scholasticism too dominant in her work? Does she lack human warmth? Or are her restraint and good taste the index of deeper feeling? Does her cultured thought and chasts concentrated

power of expression lift her above the ranks of the minor poets? Perhaps they "does." We will leave it

Does Miss Hannah Parker Aimball's por-traliure of Judas Iscarfot reveal a capacity for dramatically creating development in charac-ter? Are her lyries too grave, or is it their especial blend of high seriousness and intel-lectual insight with unforced expression, which gives them unusual richness?

We should say that the blend named would give unusual richness to any hu-man composition; but, there, we are tired. From the tone of the Academy surtcle, we judge that literary clubs do not rage in England as with us, while on the whole matter the defense of the prayer \$25,000. It would take 400 such banks to make a total capitalization of \$10,
Gorman has announced that he will take no part in the campaign, and thirty or more Democratic newspapers

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meeting by a clergyman with a sense of the prayer meeting into humor is pertinent: 'The prayer meeting is sometimes good for everybody.' he said, "and it is always good for those of some use as an opposition party, but have uses which its English critic does not divine.

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#### HERE IT IS AGAIN. If You Haven't Read This Before.

Read Now and Reflect. Senator Hoar's Worcester Interview. When Colonel Bryan says that if he is elected he will call an extra session at once and propose to Congress to give up the Philippines to their own people he must know very well that this talk is the idlest and most ridiculous nonsense. He knows he could not expect either House of Congress to do this thing until the people of the Philippine slands have abandoned their opposition and have reestablished an orderly government under

our protection. He knows that if there should be Democratic majority in the House of Repsentatives equal to his wildest hopes, and if the Republican majority in the Senate should be reduced or wiped out altogether, there are still earnest and pledged imperialists enough in the Democratic party to prevent any such action.

No, the anti-imperialism of Mr. Bryan and that of his party are but a maskit is a mask to cover the things they have had most at heart from the beginning, it is a mask to cover their purpose to establish the free coinage of silver, a mask to cover their purpose to bring in free trade, a mask to cover their purpose to overthrow the banking system, a mask to cover an attack upon the Supreme Court and a purpose to reorganize it if they can get the opportunity.

## UP TO TILLMAN.

Will He Kindly Aply the Kansas City Rebuke to North Carolina? New York Times. Alabama's population in 1890 was 1.512.

017. There were, upon the common cal-culation of one voter in five, 302,203 voters in that state in 1896. Alabama gave to all candidates for President 193,653 votes. Bryan receiving 130,307. Louisiana's population in 1830 was 1.118,587. The state was entitlêd in 1896 to at least 222,000 votes. It cast 102,046, and Bryan had 77,000 of these, Mississippi had 1,289,900 population in 1880, and presumably 25,520 males of voting age. In 1896 there were east for President in Mississippi 70,545 votes, Bryan getting 63,859. North Carolina was report ed in 1890, in the census of that year, as having 1,517,947 population. The state cast 231,210 votes in the Presidential contest of 1896, or a little more than the reasonable ratio for 1890. South Carolina, with a reported population in 1899 of 1.181.149, sind with not less than 280,000 voters, cast for all candidates in 1896, 88,907 votes, and 58,788 of them went to Mr. Tillman's man

Bryan. What became of the 600,000 votes that appear to have been missing from the election returns of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina? Were these 600,000 voters to be governed, in case Mr. Bryan was chosen or defeated, without their consent, thus subjecting them to the "tyranny," referred to by the Democratic platform? Have those missing voters been since found and re-quired to give their consent to the elec-tion of Representatives of Congress, in order that they should not be taxed with-out National representation fairly sefrom the world's greatest diplomatists. John Hay was prominent in public affairs, but without rank as a stateman until President McKiniey made him Secretary of State. Eithu Root had made a reputation as a lawyer, but was practically untained to new restrictions of the sufknown to the Nation before he was made | frage? Has there been shown any tend-

How have Alabama, Louisiana, Misstatipt, North Carolina, and South Caro-lina qualified themselves to reproach the Administration for Imperfalism? Have not three of those states formally and completely and the two others by progressive steps undertaken to deprive some 800,000 of "the governed" of the opportunity to give or withhold that consent guaranteed as a right according to the Democratic application of the Declaration of Independence, and secured by the Constitution?

Why waste hypocritical platform sentiment on the people of Porto Rico because they have "a government without their consent and taxation without reptheir consent and taxation without rep-resentation" when 800,000 voters in four states, all Democratic states, are de-prived of the right to consent, and about 1,000,000 altogether. If we consider Vir-ginia, Georgia, Florida, and Tenessee, are in the manner subjected to "tyranny"? Mr. Tillman's platform also declares its opposition to "militarism," for the rea-son that "it means conquest abroad and intimidation and conversation at home. It son that it means conquest abroad and infimidation and oppression at home. It means the standing army that has al-ways been fital to free institutions.' What apology does Senator Tillman offer to the standing army of 1,000,000 voters disfranchised in Southern States? Were "intimidation and oppression at home" prac-ticed to bring about this result, peculiar only to one section of the country? Does not the condition of these silenced voters "appeal with peculiar force to our justice and magnanimity"?

## Bryan Crowds, as in 1896,

Chattanooga Times. Associated Press dispatch: Associated Press dispatch:

Between 2509 and 3000 people assembled at
the Burlington station at 7:30 o'clock tonight
to see W. J. Bryan and his party pass through
en route to the formal notification meeting at
Indianapolis. A cheer went up as the train
rolled in, and Mr. Bryan stepped out on the
rear platform.

This apparencement has an old, familiar

This announcement has an old, familiar This announcement has an old, familiar sound, and carries us back to the glorious days of 1896, when the people also thronged to that rear platform, and it appeared as if the whole world was for Bryan. In 1896, it was free silver, 16 to that caught the crowds; this time the start is made with not the faintest reference to the Issues. Nevertheless the incident is significant of what is coming, just the same as it was in 1896.

#### General Wood's Work in Cuba-

Boston Transcript. General Wood appears to believe in starting right, and his sword appears to be expable of severing Gordian knots. When he found that a new sewerage system for Havana could not be put into operation without an issue of city bonds, and that these could not be issued under the old charter, he immediately drew up a new charter, which will be put into operation by simple flat. Some time ago tional means of expression for bounteous poetic cheer, or is the perfect alliance of her emotional range and workmanship the very source of her lyric excellence?

We give it up.

Thomas Bailey Aldrich escape the control of the cont

## Chicago Chronicle.

There died recently the only man who knew the name of a mysterious benefactor of the United States in time of peril. It was Lucius E. Chittenden, Registrar of the Treasury under Lincoln, who died.
During the Rebellion Minister Adams, in
London, heard of the Lairds fitting out
two ironclads for the Confederates. He
tried to have their putting to sea stopped. But the British Government wouldn't do But the British Government wouldn't do this unless Adams put up 15,666,666 in gold to offset possible damages. Adams couldn't raise the money, but a man called and offered the money without se-curity. He was made to take \$10,000,000 in United States bonds, however, The man's name was never divulged,

## The Bryan Party's Usefulness.

Rockford Independent.

The Democracy is always hanging back on the skirts of progress, opposing new departures when the Republicans first departures when the Republicans has strike them out and then getting into line and condemning them, and then again opposing the still newer advances of the Republicans. We suppose they are of some use as an opposition party, but

## When Brynn Goes to Carolina.

Cialiam Courier. North Carolina has entered on a period of "government without consent of the When the world at of "government without consent of the governed," and the little fiction that "the Constitution follows the flag" don't go in the Tarheel state. When the great Democratic joss goes into that state he had better leave both the flag and Constitution. The day of its own easer pleading. My boy, will you walk with me? tion at home. Neither one is respected.

## MEN AND WOMEN.

Mrs. Thomas C. Platt, the wife of the New Tork Senator, gives a great deal of her time to study. Two years ago she took up French, and is now proficient in that language. Major General Joseph Wheeler has been asked to deliver next Winter a course of lectures on the great battles of the world before the department of history of the University of Chicago.

All Ferrou Bey, the Turkish Minister to this country, is a regular member of the Washing-ton Fencins Club, of which Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, is president, and is one of its best swordsmen.

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John D. Hockefeller, the Standard Cil magnate, was interviewed the other day on vacations in the abstract. "The only way for a rich man to enjoy one." he said, "is for him to forget completely that he is rich."

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Secretary Hay figures as a leading American man of letters in a recently published London interview with the English poet, Swinburne, in which Mr. Swinburne speaks of him as having great originality in his verse and a distinctive American note.

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Sir Richard Webster, the new English Master of Rolls in succession to Sir Nathaniel Lindsay, was bore in 1842, and is the second son of Thomas Webster, the famous lawyer.

He is a Charterhouse alumnus, and has been Attorney-General three times.

There is a legend about the Senate chamber that General Hawley, for 10 or 12 minutes, in a speech once spoke 223 words a minute. The average speed of Senators in speeches does not reach 110 words, and in dictating letters rarely reaches 100 words.

General Miles braved the heat of New York General Miles braved the neat of New Jora-meently to pay a visit to his daughter, whose mahand is quartered at Governor's Island, and to see the arrival of several boatboads of mmigrants. On such occasions he always fresses in citizens' clothes, with a straw hat, dresses in citizens' clothes, with a straw bat, dark suit and a flowing tie.

# The Glad Girl on the Wire.

Chicago telephone girls must becenfter answer calls cheerfully. They must use the rising infection and do so in musical tones when they ask a customer what number he wants, they must let their voices indente that they are glad the bell was rung, and they must by ans of happy little outbursts give every one o uses the wire to understand that they wish him well.

When the sky is gray above you And when no one seems to love you. When all the world, in fact, is dark and drear; When people hurry by you And when troubles come to try you. There still are happy words that you may hear.

Whether gleeful birds are singing, Whether gleeful birds are singing, Whether joyous bells are ringing, Or whether gloom has settled over all. She must greet you gayly, gladly, Never spitefully or sadly—Always with a cheerful accent when you call.

She has ceased to be emphatic, She has ceased to hid us chase ourselves away, But in soft, sweet tones that thrill us And with happy feelings fill us. She answers when the bell is rung today.

Oh, why sit sighing sadly And you seem to near some terrifying fate? Drop your dime down in the slot and Ring up Maud or Grace or Dot and Be snoduraged—let her cheer you—while y

wait.

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-Chicago Times-Heraid.

#### NOTE AND COMMENT.

Open letters, this Presidential year anpear to be confined to the puglists.

It took a march to Pekin to teach the orld what Bret Harte told it 10 years ago.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina has sustained a decision rendered in Burke County imposing a fine of \$1000 on a railway company for having given an annual pass to a doorkeeper of the Legialature in 1897.

A resident of Wichita Way, who is now at Cape Nome, recently wrote a letter to a relative at home, from which the following is an extract: "Here lies the rolling sea; towering above that are the ice-green mountains, and towering above the mountains is the price of grub," Many regiments in the British Army

have nicknames of which they are exceedingly proud. This is not the case with the Eighteenth Hussars, now in service in South Africa, which has been nicknamed "Kruger's Own" because such a large number of its men were captured At Grant City, Mo., the other day a

man beat his wife and was arrested on a warrant sworn out by her. He was sentenced to the rock pile, and the next morning the people were astonished to see the wife patiently holding an umbrella over her spouse as he hammered away at the rock.

The Japanese Government through an agent has just made very large purchases of shoes, cloth and iron for the Japanese Army in St. Louis, Mo. Said the agent: "Our men will wear American shows and boots into China and when they reach Pekin will hang American shirts on the walls to dry."

Ex-United States Senator Boutwell, of Massachusetts, who was the leading orator at the Indianapolls reunion of all the "aunties" in the country, is only 53 years of age, but his views inspire the suspicion that he is a good deal older man, as they are identical with those vociferated by Josiah Quincy, of Boston, on the floor of Congress 59 years ago in opposition to the admission of Louisians

The action of Russia in taking possession of New Chwang prompted Great Britain to land troops at Shanghai, Japan is indignant justly at the action of Russia, but France stands by Russia, and Germany is expected to be dissatisfied with the action of Great Britain. If Russia continues her clutch on New Chwang. it will not be surprising if a war broke out between Russin and Japan, backed by Great Britain.

Two cadets were sentenced to dismissall the other day from West Puint, Cadet Keyes was convicted of "having been under the influence of liquor," and Cadet Highee was convicted of having made a false official statement, made with intent to deceive. President McKlinley has mitigated the sentence of Cadet Keyes to suspension from the military academy school pay until June, 1901, but confirms the sentence of dismissal in the case of Highee.

Colonel Claude Chinn, of Kentucky, is charged with a shortage of \$10,900 in his accounts as County Clerk. He says: "I may be short; I cannot tell." Claude China is a Goebelite fire-enter, a crack shot, a sport, a friend of Senator Joe Blackburn, His present situation recalls the famous Colonel Yell, of Yellville, Ark., of whom it was said by his eulogist: "Colonel Yell may have been a defaulter to the state, but, neverthe less, we believe that his heart always beat warmly for his native land."

He stood on the twillight threshold. He stood on the twilight threshold.
A golden-haired boy of three.
Then said, with hands outstretched in pleading.
Paps, will you walk with me?
How the parent heart leaped at the summons,
O'erflowing with foreliness and joy.
With a prayer that such love and confiding.
No harstness should ever destroy!

Looking down the long years of the future

Every day has its threshold of duty. Earth-child will you walk with me?

## PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

"The devil is in the weather," says an exchange. That being the case, hell is getting too close to be comfortable. - Atlanta Constitution "It is said that Oom Paul is trying to make terms for himself." "Later on he will make terms for the secture bureans and the maga-aine editors."—Claveland Pain Dealer. A woman who will not forgive a man for

forgetting her will almost love him for ing to forget her, for she knows that in this in the ensence of remembrance. - Life. A Correction.—"We haven't any cults in Chi-cago, as far as I know," said the Chicago girl,

ingenuously. "Nonsensel" replied the Boston girl, "Chicago is a cult unto berself,"--Puck. "I've got the best of the ould railway company for come in me loife." "How is that, Par?" "I've got a return ticket to London, and 'in a whisper) I min't coming back."—
Tit-Birs.

"What you gits out'n pob talents 'pends on how you uses 'em." said Uncle Ellen. "Many a time a man's gif's o' talkin' doesn' 'com-plish nothin' 'esp' to make hisse'f an' a lut o' yothub men folks lats fob supper."—Wash-ington Star. From Minnesota.-"A New Jersey minister

From Minnesota.—"A New Jersey minister argues that women should seep their hats on in church became St. Faul favored it." Thea you can bet your life that every woman in Minneapolis will go barehended?"—Cleveland Plath Dealer.

Partly Qualified.—"What is his occupation?" asked the warden of the pentientiars, referring to the latest arrival. "He hasn't any regular occupation," said the subordinate. "He is pothing but a ward heeler." "All right," rejoined the warden, "put him in the shoemaking department."—Chicago Tribune.

A Manise.—"He admitted to me." the un-

A Manine.—'He admitted to me..." the un-impeachable witness spoke with an evident re-luctance, which made his testimony all the more convincing, "that his 5-year-old on was no brighter than anybody else's ltid. then two stalwart minions of the law grabbed the defendant and held him fast, while the gray-haired Judge made out his commitm to the asylum.-Harper's Basar.

of With the Old Love. I loved you more than tongue could tell.

But you must go.
Because you know
I've yielded to another's spell.

"Imperialism" - rhythmic word-The rippingest I've ever heard-Must take your place.

1'll miss your face.

Put your successor is a "bird."

Parewell, free sliver—we are done; Your race, I'm and to say, is run. 'The anid, but oh! Your ratio To my new love is "naught-to-one."

I know I raid, "though all be lost,
I'd cling to you at any cost."
But, don't you know,
That did not "go."
Because—I had my finers crossed?
—Baltimore An