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Elsewhere in today's issue appears a mant communication on the subot of the dental bill before the Legisure. The Oregonian is in entire symthy with "Fair Play," and underkes to say that he puts the "regum" hors du combat. The medical and stal professions have both adopted seriseless and pernicious dogma that ertising is "unprofessional," but in actice they are all glad enough to get rertising, provided it is free. The ly puffs that are immoral are those the advertiser honestly pays for. stors and dentists of skill and charer advertise in The Oregonian, and its for malpractice, which afford a afficunt test of efficience, are seldom ught against them, often against the a-advertisers. There is no more sense octors or dentists refusing to adrtise than for lawyers or bankers or ools or churches.

The Bellinger code bill, passed by te Senate, 22 to 5, is in every way a ferable plan to the commission heme. As to the detalls of the prosal and its merits as to the work of nting and publishing, The Oregonian not sufficiently apprised to speak (th confidence; but as to the advisabilof a new code and as to the preneat fitness of Judge Bellinger to do ie work, no doubt whatever can exist any quarter. Probably no man conted with the Oregon bar is more orthy to perpetuate the labors of ady and Hill than Judge Bellinger s a lawyer he was indefatigable and nplary; as a Judge he is without ar or favor and above repreach. His e is sufficient guarantee of accuracy ad merit in the new code. It is gratiing that with much of legislation imeded by the Senatorial fight, the Senhas recognized this good work and Advising young girls to "boycott" so-be House will doubtless concur without clally not simply drunkards, but all

ad among them, had known as much prll 19, 1898, as they know today, they ould not now find themselves in the wkward inconsistency betrayed in utr contradiction of their vote upon the duration of war. There were Senars who resisted the demand of Turple, ller, Mason and others to recognize non-existent Cuban Government: at they all agreed to the clauses of the laration of war that make us trouble w. For example:

Sec. 4. That the United States hereby disvereignty, jurisdiction or control said island, except for the pacification of, and asserts its determination when control of the Island to its per

Shylously, it is a bad mess. Mr. Morin is right when he says we need saling and naval stations and forts palliation for gluttony or children born ong the southern coast of Cuba, but in wedlock any plea in abatement for is wrong in supposing that we can in mon honesty proceed to demand m. Whatever exigency we are in, ad faith is no way out of it. itude of reflections crowd upon the ind in contemplation of this awkward tuation. One is that our irresponsible nate is inferior as a working body the House of Commons, with its auoritative Cabinet, which determines icles upon reflection. Another is that the heat of declaration of war the st intention will go astray through ck of forethought and deliberation. tha, apparently, must be turned adrift. e can only hope that annexation will eal to her as the profitable course this end, Congress should withhold wiff concessions she could rightfully mand as a part of the United States.

The nomination of General Frederick nt Grant to be Brigadier-General in regular Army is without justifica-He is a great soldier's son, and at is his sole claim to consideration. was graduated from West Point in and served on his father's staff on General Sherman's staff until as Minister to Austria. His record business life and political life as Po-Commissioner of New York City ught him no reputation as a man of rgy or capacity. When he resigned ilice Commissioner he was regardas a complete failure, as a soldier, a man of business and as a public ial. He has won no reputation in Philippines that justifies his being en practically from civil life and ced over hundreds of officers in y way better fitted in experience training for the position. The aptment of Dr. Leonard Wood and tain J. F. Bell to the rank of Briga--General is certainly inexcusable tment of Fred D. Grant is worse man of no ability, while General riotous living, is a fair test of a man, gallery exclusively devoted to the ex- the last decade,

Wood and General Bell are at least men of good mental capacity and military ability. General Wood's rise from an Assistant Surgeon in the regular Army to that of Brigadier-General has no preedent since 1861, when Assistant Surgeon S. W. Crawford, U. S. A., who was part of the garrison of Fort Sumter under Major Robert Anderson, when it was fired upon, in April of that year, was made Major of the Thirteenth Infautry, and at the close of the war was a division commander in the Fifth Corps of the Army of the Potomac General George Sykes used to allude sarcastically to Crawford as his "Sur-General J. Franklin Bell is an able and efficient soldier, but t was gross injustice to jump a junior Captain of Cavalry over 1032 officers of onger service. For the promotion of Dr. Wood there is no excuse. He commanded a volunteer cavalry regiment three weeks: he is an able sanitary en gineer, a good civil administrator and organizer, but these facts furnish no good reason why an Army doctor should be made a Brigadier-General in the regular Army. The nominations of Grant, Bell and Wood ought not to have been confirmed, but the responsibility for the great wrong of their nomination rests upon the President and his military adviser, General Corbin.

In a recent discussion between United States Senator George F. Hoar and United States Senator Turner, the latter, referring to Senator Frye, of Maine.

He is so cheerful and optimistic of spirit He is so thereful and optimistic of spirit that he can only be compared to the country-man mentioned in the Flush Times of Alabama and Georgia, who, in relating a fight which he had bad with a neighbor, said: "I gently inserted my none between his teeth and bore him to the ground."

Mr. Hour-Mr. President, will my bonorable friend allow me to say it written to the fire of the country in the co

friend allow me to say in justice to John Phoenix that that was the celebrated fight beween John Phoenix and the editor of the San Diego paper.
Mr. Turner-I thank the Senator from Mas-

setts for his correction.

Hour-He was an old and personal of mine, and I wanted him to get the

it due him. A correspondent inquires when Senaor Hoar was associated with the late Captain George H. Derby so intimately as to be a personal friend. Captain Derby was a Massachusetts man, born and bred at Dedham, near Boston, and was graduated from West Point in 1846. George F. Hoar was born and bred at Concord, Mass., and was graduated at Harvard in 1846. Derby came of a distinguished old Salem family His father was a lawyer, a graduate of Bowdoin College, and a man of some note as an author. Boston was not a great city in 1846, and Massachusetts boys who distinguished themselves at West Point had a wide social acquaintance with the Massachusetts boys of their vicinity who were students at Harvard. Doubtless Senator Hoar's acquaintance with "John Phoenix" dates back to their college days. Captain Derby, who was a brilliant humorist, was stationed for several years at Vancouver Barracks, and is well remembered by a number of our citizens who were young men in 1854-56. Cap tain Derby died in May, 1861, from the effects of a sunstroke he received while engaged on professional duty in Florida

### A MORAL BOYCOTT.

in 1889.

There is an association in Trenton, N. J., founded recently by a number of women connected with the W. C. T. U., known as "The Business Girls' Association." Nearly a hundred of the members have already signed, the folowing pledge:

I hereby promise not to associate with or to marry any man who is not a total abstainer from the use of all intoxicating liquors, includ-ing wine, beer and cider, and I promise to ab-of 40. And when nature lures the aged staln from the same myself and I will not marry a man to save him

young men who are not total abstain ers, belongs to the deepest some of plat-If certain Senators, Morgan of Ala- form bigotry and folly. Nine-tenths of the clergy of Great Britain, whether of the Anglican Church or Dissenters, are not total abstalners, and outside the Methodist and Baptist churches a majority of the clergy in America do not abstain absolutely from the use of some form of alcohol. The use of wine and beer at dinner is not unusual among clergymen in America, and the use of whisky is not rare among clergymen who have been educated in Scotland. Gladstone used wine daily at dinner from youth to old age, both in public and in private, and so did every President of the United States save Lincoln. Is there any need for an apology for the decent use of wine at dinner? To use wine in moderation is no more a sane excuse for using it intemperately than the temperate use of food is any in wedlock any plea in abatement for

> Why should young girls be urged to "boycott" socially a young man who uses alcohol at all rather than a young man who is cruel, deficient in commer cial integrity, without honor in pecuniary matters, a social sponge, grinds the face of the poor, robs the ignorant or despotizes over the weak or the unfortunate to his own selfish advantage? Are there no scoundrels or brutes who are total abstainers? Your sober gambler and your sober burgiar are very common characters; they have to be to succeed at their nefarious business. No right-minded woman would marry a drunkard, and yet no rightminded woman would refuse to marry a man otherwise of good repute except upon proof that he was a total abstainer from alcohol. He might be a total abstainer and yet be a very worthless fellow, and he might drink a glass of wine at dinner or elsewhere in moderation all his days and be an admira-

It is true that no young woman ought to marry a young man "to save him." A young man who would accept such a when he returned to civil life. He sacrifice is worthless, and a young woman who would consent to make such a sacrifice is wanting in both meral sense and worldly wisdom. Young men, like young women, work out their own salvation, and the temperance morality that has only a coddled life, that bursts into being and continues to bloom only because of a young woman's smile or outstretched hand, has not vigor enough to keep it sweet in the smallest of the world's trying experiences. Every man sooner or later earns a reputation for the power of self-restraint or the lack of it, not simply in the matter of abstemiousness in the use of alcohol, but in all the traitor as indispensable as the face matters where self-indulgence may mar m the Army point of view, but the the same conduct of life. To earn a reputation for self-restraint and modera-

but whether he is or is not a total ab- hibition of Democratic political saints stainer from alcohol is of and by itself there is neither room nor good light band and father.

specific tests of presumptive virtue. You must not drink this or you must said;

'Tis but the fool that loves excess; Hast thou a drunken soul. The bane is in thy shallow skull, Not in my allver bowl.

### AGE AND EXERCISE.

It has become the fashion for certain people who dabble in the so-called "scimen and women need not grow old, even physically; that in constant activity and cheerfulness and a determination to remain young lies the secret of perpetual youth. The chimney corner, so enticing to persons who, according to the calendar, are old, is flouted as enervating instead of restful, and aged people are warned to shun its allurements, ignore aching bones and stiff joints, take to the sharp, frosty air, and thus cheat nature out of her dues.

On the other hand comes Dr. Hoy, a reputed medical expert of Chicago, and leclares that men of middle age and past do not need and should not take exercise-that, in fact, they are better off and stand a better chance of long life if they will forego physical exertion. This theory he has elaborately set forth in a book recently published. Acof the brain or the muscles destroys this waste, he says, is strained if it is as an example of death resulting be- in." cause the poison induced by disease ould not be gotten rid of, the machinery of the body that should have performed this service having become worn out through a long period of undue acivity. It is further asserted that William M. Evarts is alive at more than three-score and ten, and Joseph Chamberlain keeps his health and strength though an old man because neither takes exercise. Hence it is concluded that exercise is a foe to health, and especially to longevity.

But what of Gladstone, who used the ax daily in the forest at Hawarden until past four-score? Or of Ruskin, who lived to be an old man in spite of cease-less mental activity? Or of Victoria, who took her daily drive to within a week of her death at past four-score, and even up to that time gave consideration to weighty matters of state? In the face of such testimony, the correctness of Dr. Hoy's position may well be doubted. Indeed, from evidence all about us it is safe to conclude that exercise is indispensable to persons of all ages, varying only in kind and degree at the different stages of life. Isolated examples, however illustrious, do not prove or disprove a general rule, Common sense is the safest guide in all cases. The man of 40 cannot, without injury, indulge in a vigorous course of athletics which would be beneficial to a young man of 20, nor should the man of 60 attempt to be as nimble as a man man to a cozy seat by his own fireside, he will not greatly err in complilabored reasoning of extremists on both sides of the question, is that every one should take a reasonable amount of exercise daily, regulated to suit his age and bodlly vigor, urging himself thereto if necessary with the reflection that ac-

## STEALING THE LIVERY OF HEAVEN

tion is life-inaction death.

Ex-Congressman Lentz desires to make the local Bryanite Democratic organization of Columbus, O., now known as "the Jefferson Jackson and Lincoln League," a National organization. The impudent appropriation of Lincoln's name and fame by the Bryanite Democracy is one of the punishments that great and good men are made to suffer after death. The late Chief Justice Ryan, of Wisconsin, who was famous for saying nothing good of a brother lawyer in life, never hesitated to pronounce a charming eulogy upon dead. On one occasion, when the Chief Justice had spoken with conspicuous ne of his audience marked: "Judge Ryan always did like dead lawyers." It is something so with the Democratic party. It never had anything but brutal abuse and vilification of Lincoln in life, but the moment Lincoln was assassinated the Democratic camps become vocal with elo-

quent praise of the great President. Lincoln is treated with nominal respect, but he is really cordially hated by the Bryanite Democracy, because they know and feel that Lincoln's legic, enforced by Grant's sword, dispersed the Democratic party and remitted it for twenty-five years to the condition of hungry political outlaws and suller exiles from the pale of National patri-otism. Lincoln is the great distinctive figure in the Republic's Pantheon, and yet the Bryanite Democracy today pretends that it is ready to canonize him and celebrate his birthday as hilariously as they do that of Jefferson. Jefferson was a legitimate Democratic saint, who would have disrupted the Union long before his death, had it not been for John Marshall, whose presence on the Supreme Bench prevented Jefferson from honeycombing the timbers of the ship of the Union with the teredo doctrine of state supremacy. Outside of bedlam finance, which was always repudiated by Jefferson, Bryan is justifled in his worship of Jefferson, but the picture of Jefferson has no business in the same Democratic gallery with that

of Lincoln. The only explanation that would jus tify the association of the Bryanite saints in the same picture gallery with Lincoln would be explanation of Judas' presence in the great painting of the "Last Supper," viz., that the historical unity of the picture made the face of of the Christ. To a full picture gallery of Lincoln's times, the faces of its lets into the world. That city has Judases are as necessary as the faces started out to make a larger censusthis, that it is contemptible, for he is | tion as opposed to self-indulgence and | of the saviors of the Nation, but in a

no assurance that he is an all-around | for the picture of Lincoln. The Bryanself-ruled, self-restrained man. He lite Democracy has use for Jefferson's might never drink and yet be utterly memory and "principles," but as yet destitute of moral sense, as is the sober | they have no sincere admiration for the miscreant under death sentence at Co- memory or use for the patriotic princilumbus, O., for shooting and robbing ples of Lincoln. It is altogether too his friend in order to get money enough | soon for the Bryanite Democracy to apto marry upon, or he might drink a propriate Lincoln with impudent assur glass of wine every day at dinner with ance, even as they have Washington his family from youth to old age, and and Jackson, and describe him as "the remain from first to last a model hus- foremost exponent in his time of good sound, Democratic doctrine." It is al-There is absolutely nothing in these together too soon for the Bryanite Democracy to try to make its political "rogue's gallery" look respectable by not do that, if you ever expect to be plundering the Republican party's "hall officer of mine, It was Holmes that of fame" of its leading heroes and statesmen. When the Bryanite Democ racy celebrates Jefferson's birthday, it never hesitates to couple his name and fame with that of Washington, who denounced Jefferson, the founder of the Democratic party, as a political incendiary; and with that of Jackson, who collared Calhoun and cowed him into submission when with Jefferson's torch ence of being" and deduce alleged facts | in his hand he tried to fire the fabric of from their own opinions to assert that the Union. It would be a crowning act of political impudence for the Bryanite Democracy to include henceforth in its gallery of ancestral portraits that of Abraham Lincoln, who carried the bat-

The Bryanite Democracy making claim to Lincoln as an original evan gelist of their creed of flat money and populism is like a rabble of Turks on a religious feast day, pledging the mem ory of Jesus as a prophet identical in moral and spiritual philosophy with Mahomet. It is too soon for the people to forget the past. Lincoln's picture among the portraits of the political ancestors of the Bryanlte Democracy would be like the portrait of Cromwell cording to his reasoning, every action in the library of a Jacobite who still believes that Charles I was "a blessed cells, uses up tissue and creates so martyr" and that Edward VII is a much waste matter to be taken up by usurper upon the throne of Great Brit the blood and eliminated from the system. The machinery for carrying off tries to steal Lincoln's name and fame as a sign under which to conquer, they exercised after it is thirty-five years have "literally stolen the livery of old. The case of Senator Davis is cited the court of heaven to serve the devil

tle-flag of his party when it sent the

Bourbon Democracy howling back to its

trenches, who with both pen and sword

stabbed the pro-slavery Democracy to

In the break-down of the Spanish armored cruiser Emperador Carlos V. at the outset in her attempt to reach Cowes to take a place of honor in the marine funeral procession of the late Queen, the Spanish newspapers are forced to proclaim that there is something rotten in Spain's navy. It is indeed pitiful if the Government at Madrid has learned nothing from the Spanish-American War. An object-lesson limned with blood and fire, and premust be cleared out of the navy if it is a lars all laws totter and fall into rain. Do ye hear? The self-confident herd extols the imploument. As at present constituted and officered, Spain's navy is not unsature. fortunate-it is simply useless, even as a guard of honor at a funeral, and what enrages the critics the most is that, such as it is, it costs annually 27,000,000 peactas to keep it inoffensively affoat.

In our solicitude to make laws against usury, we should not neglect to legislate against the man who would pay excessive interest, as well as against him who would receive it. The usurer has nothing to favor him except the folly of his victim. No law of the land compels any man to borrow. A law of business and commerce, however, inhibits borrowing at less than a market rate. This rate is low or high, according to attendant risks. One of these risks depends upon the character him who would receive it. The usurer promises, he probably is more dishonest than the lender, because he hopes cheat the latter with usury laws. Moreover, it is not dishonest to lend money at more than the legal rate, Besides, the signer of a note wants the money or he would not sign. He violates the usury law, not the lender.

Generals J. H. Wilson and Fitzhugh Lee, who have been confirmed by the Senate as Brigadier-Generals in the regular Army, are both of them graduates of West Point, and both of them veter ans of the Civil War. Fitzhugh Lee, nephew of Robert E. Lee, was gradualed from West Point in 1856. On the outbreak of the war he resigned his commission, entered the Confederate Army, and rose to be Major-General. General Wilson was graduated from West Point in 1880, and rose to be Mafor-General of Volunteers during the Civil War. Both of these officers will soon go upon the retired list.

In order to render more complete 'protection," why not have a law to compel inspection of everybody who shaves? In this way the next person would be spared much hazard, and barbers would not be so liable of malpractice. If only those with a permit should be allowed to shave, we can readily see what a panacea for innocents it would be against barbers' lils. By this means also, a Board of Inspectors would be given fat jobs and thereby removed from the wear and tear of grinding for a living.

At Tillamook four steelhead salmon have been caught whose dorsal finn was removed at the Salmon River hatchery last year. Wiseacres conclude that salmon do not always return to the same stream to spawn They certainly do not if gifted with the wisdom of those four fish. Sagacious fish, no matter how brave, would never risk the Columbia more than once. The very fact that those four escaped the snares of the Columbia is reason enough why they never

Some \$5,000,000,000 of personal prop erty is yearly assessed in New York City alone, and is yearly "sworn off." This nal property is, however, nearly all of it the stocks and bonds of corporations, and the State of Pennsylania successfully reaches it by taxing the gross receipts of these corporations as a measure of the value of their franchise. Some such device as this is likely to be adopted generally, as the only means of making accumulated capital bear its proportion of the public bur-

dens. A Tacoma woman has brought trip showing in the next 10 years than in

### FOPE LEO'S NEW ODE.

AN. CHRIST, MDCCC PRIDIE KALENDAS IANVARIAS A IESV CHRISTO INEVNTS SAECVLI

AVSPICIA. ultrix bonarum nobilis artium Decedit aetas; publica commoda, Viresque naturas retectas, Quisquis avet, memoret canendo

Saeli occidentis me vehementius Admissa tangunt; hace doleo el freme Proi quot retrorsum conspicatus, Dedecorum monumenta cerno.

An pervagantis menstra licentiae? An dirum in arcem Vaticanam Mille dolls initum duellum? Quo cessit urbis, principis urbium Nullo impeditum servitio decus?

Querarne caedes, sceptraque diruta,

Quam saecia, quam gentes avitae Pontificum coluere sedem? Vac segregatis Numine legibus? Quae lex honesti, quae superest fides? Nutant, semel submota ab aris, Atque ruunt labefacta lura.

Auditis? Effert impae conscius Insanientis grex sapientiae; Brutaeque naturae supremun Nititur asseruisse numen.

Nostrae supernam gentis originem Pastidit excors: dissociabilem, Umbras inanes mente captans, Stirpem hominum pecudumque miscet. Heu quam proboso gurgite volvitur Vis impotentis caeca superblae, Servate, mortales, in omne Iussa Dei metuenda tempus.

Qui vita soius, certaque veritas, Qui recta et una est ad superos via, Is reddere ad votum fluentes, Terrigenia valet unus annos.

Nuper sacratos ad cineres Petri Turbas plorum sancta petentium Is lose duxit; non Inane

Auspicium pietas renascens. Jesu, futuri temporis arbiter, Virtute divina rebelles Coge sequi mellora gentes.

Tu pacis almas semina provehe; Irae, tumultus, beliaque tristia Tandem residant: improborum In tenebrosa age regna fraudes

Mens una reges, te duce, temperet, Tuis ut instent legibus obsequi; Sitque unum ovile et pastor unus, Una fides moderetur orbem. Cursum peregi, lustraque bis novem Te dante, vixi: Tu cumulum adilo Pac, quaeso, ne incassum precantis

Vota tui recidant Leonis. TRANSLATION. -Leo XIII. In the year of Christ 1900.
On the day before January 1.
From Jesus Christ.
The prospects of the opening century.
A noble age, fosterer of good arts, is dying:

sever cares to may commemorate in song the public conveniences and the forces of nature that have been laid bare. More keenly do the things permitted by the declining century touch me; at these I grieve and wax wroth. Oh, shame, how many monuments of disgrace do I perceive in looking back!

Shall I mourn over battles and thrones over-pursued or the monsters of license roaming

turned, or the monsters of license roaming at will, or the unhallowed war opened with a thousand wiles against the Vatican citadel? limned with blood and fire, and presenting destruction in its blackest, and at the same time most vivid, tints should not pass unheeded. The verdict of the Spanish Liberal press is that "useless officials with powerful titles" what law, what faith, is left for the good man? As soon as they are removed from the most be cleared out of the pasy if it is less toll was totter all less rolles and fall into rule.

ay angry passions and quarrels and deplora ble wars at last be quelled; drive into the realms of darkness the frauds of the wicked. realms of darkness the frauds of the wicked. May one thought, under Thy lead, restrain kings that they may press on to obey Thy laws; may there be but one fold and one Shepherd, and may one faith rule the world. I have run my course and have lived twice nine lustra, Thy gift. Do Thou add a crowning gift. Grant that the prayers of Thy Leo, who is entreating Thee, may not be in vain. METRICAL TRANSLATION.

Translated for the Independent by Dr. William
Hayes Ward.

Now ends this age, kind nurse of noble arts;
Its useful gifts, and nature's powers unveiled,
Let those who will acclaim with grateful

The failures of this failing century Concern me more; these I bemoan. Alast What wrongs my backward game recalls to r

or shughters, broken scepters, vice wide Shail I complain? Or of the Vatican Beset with thousand wiles of battle dread?

Queen City, that hast never owned defeat, Why fades thy fame? Long centuries hon ored thes; Ancestral tribes bent at thy ponliffs' seat.

Woe when man's law the law of God defical What faith can stay, once from God's altar Then justice faints and falls, and honor dies. Hear ye the implous rant, the rabble speak, Vain of their crazy lore? Their only God in nature blind and dumb and dead they seek. They scorn to see, wrought in the human

Image of God; but, chasing empty dreams, wathe. Alas! how wallows in a gulf of shame Man's shameful pride! Mortals attend and

In service bend before God's holy name! He is the Life, the Truth, the only Way To Heaven above. He only can restore The vanished years to mortals gone astray.

'Tis He that lately led the plous throngs Of pligrims seeking Peter's holy dust-No empty omen for our prayers and songs. Jesus, thou ruler of all times that be Bless thou the century's successive year Bid thou the recreant nations turn to thee

Neurish, I pray, the seeds of kindly peace, To realms of darkness drive the crimes That passions, tumults, cruel wars may cease. Let Kings with rager hearts thy laws obey;

One sheepfold and one shepherd let there be. And let one faith rule all the earth for aye. My course is run. Now fourscore years and ten Thou givest me of life; give me its crown. Let not thy Leo's prayer be prayed in vain.

Louisville Courier-Journal It was Garfield who spoke of John Marshall as "that great Judge who found the Constitution paper and gave it power." Be that as it may, the demurrers to Marshall's construction of the Constitution are today merely paper, while its power as now maintained is along the lines that Marshall laid down.

# It Would Help the Democrats.

Louisville Courier-Journal. If the Republicans care to block needed legislation in order to force action on the subsidy bill, and if they choose to saddle.

### A FILIPINO ON THE PHILIPPINES

St. Paul Pioneer Press. A native Filipino, Benito Ligarda, form-erly Secretary of the Treasury in Aguinaldo's Cabinet, has recently given an interesting interview in New York concern situation in the islands. He is vouched for as one of the most highly re spected citizens of Manila and as a get tleman or unimpeachable veracity. he is a conservative as well as an intelligent observer is apparent in all his statements. What he says will therefore have more weight than the hearsay reports of statements of irresponsible and compara-tively unknown natives which the anti-Administration press is continually re under its tongue. Of the drift of native sentiment since September, when he lef Manila, he does not undertake to speal Manila. he does not undertake to speak with authority, as he has had, like the rest of America, to depend on meager and contradictory press reports. He .however, has great faith in the tact and wisdom of the Taft Commission and its ultimate success in winning the confidence of the authors.

of the natives. He says of it:

This commission, headed by Judge Taft, is fast getting at the bottom of things. It is grappling with problems which confront it, and is daily leasening the friction which exists. Thousands of Filiphnos are beginning to realize this. Perhaps not quite as much progress has been made as your people expected; but progress there has been, and it has been sure and certain. It is slow, it perhaps will be slow. President Taft and his associates have inspired confidence wherever they have gone and in what they have done. Suspicion of the Americans is giving way to confidence, and there is a growing impression that the American commission and the American Government are sincere in their endeavors to better the condition of the islands and to lift up the people from a state of bondage to self-respect. of the natives. He says of it: of bondage to self-respect On the much-mooted question of the capacity of the Filipinos to govern them-

selves, Ligarda says: A great deal has been said about the fitness of the Filipino for self-government. I believe, and I say it with all respect that the Filiand I say it with all respect that the Fillpinos are not capable of self-government now.
They certainly will be in the future. They
have good intelligence and love moral and
social development, and I can assure you that
they have a natural moral element in their
character. When the Fillpinos know the laws
and customs and the real feelings of the
American people toward them I am sure they
will make as good citizens as you are. Why
not? You must remember that they have
had no part or chance in the government of
their country. They have been practically
serfs. When the Americans broke the Spanlah yoke and ended Spanish ruie, it was
natural that many should think that they were
able to conduct their own affairs, but I know
they are not able. The Spanish Government
had taken away not only the idea but the
spirit of development. Conditions were as
bad as they could be.
Not content with this blow at the filmsy

Not content with this blow at the filmsy foundation upon which the flery advocates of Filipino independence have reared their gorgeous superstructures of unsubstantial words, Mr. Ligarda substantiates the contention and echoes the warning of General Lawton that the blood of the American soldiers lies at the door of their own countrymen, who have by misrepresentation of the purposes of the Government and by their silly clamor fostered misap-prehension and false hopes among the Filipinos. On this subject he says:

Some of you Americans have done your best to keep up this insurrection by sending out encouraging statements to those who are fighting against your government. Why do they do that? The activity of those in arms today can be accounted for in great measure by the activity of these men who live in Do ye hear? The self-confident herd extols the imploueness of science growing mad and strives to assert the supreme divinity of brute nature.

Senselees, it turns in disgust from the divine origin of our race; snatching at empty phantoms in its mind, it mingles together the races of men and that of beasts, that cannot be united.

Oh, into how shameful an abyes is whirled the hind power of impotent pride. Observe, mortale, at all times the awful commands of God.

He who alone is the life and the certain truth, who is the straight and only way to heaven. Only He has power to make the years flow according to their wish for those dwelling on earth. people who are nonemark of the Phi mediate self-government of the Phi mediate self-government of the Phi mediate self-government of the Phi

#### William II and Bismarck. Fortnightly Review,

William's great merit was that he dis-missed Prince Bismarck. This may seem strange, considering that a young monarch needs nothing more than an old, wise and strong Minister, more especially a Minister of the world-wide fame and in-fluence of a Prince Bismarck. But it was exceedingly good luck for Germany that Prince Bismarck was not permitted to de in harness, as he often wished. If he had died as Chancellor without the world hav-ing had an opportunity of seeing William II and Germany getting on without Prince Bismarck, his death would no doubt have meant war, very likely a European war. Alive and not ruling, Prince Bismarck erved, as it were, as a buffer state. As it happened, both France and Russia had to fear the reappearance of Cincinnatus. Meanwhile the world had seen that all was right in Germany without the great

was right in Germany without the great founder of the empire.

But it may be granted that this high po-litical motive was not the only cause of the overthrow of the first Chancellor, Long before this catastrophe there have been politicians who prophesied that the young Emperor and the old Chancellor would not be in accord for long. Prince Bismarck himself was sagacious enough to forestall his own fate, for he used to say the Emperor would be his own Chan-Yet he was not wise enough to

cellor. Yet he was not wise enough to take the consequences.

Maybe gratitude, the popularity of the Chancellor, and the advantage of having such a man as First Councilor would have made the Emperor delay from day to day and from year to year the catastrophe, were not his overruling desire to let the world, especially his own people, know that in Germany, in Prussia, the monarch is the real ruler. William II was jealous not as man, but as sovereign One should be master, and that one was not to be the Chancellor. It was a question of principle.

## Bryan's Talk on England.

New York Times.

We can imagine the consternation which the King's compliance with the oracle's advice would create in England. The very first step, of course, would be the resignation of all the Ministry, from Lord Salisbury down, who are responsi-ble to Parliament for the official utter-ances of the sovereign. The next would be the taking of measures, for which there is a precedent at the beginning of the last century, for the dethronement of the King, as non compos mentls, and the establishment of a regency. We trust that there are not many of our

readers who need to be told what an abysmal depth of ignorance is here displayed by the statesman who undertakes to instruct his countrymen by these won-ferful suggestions, and who seems to have terminated his reading of British consti tutional history with the tve period of George III. with the close of the act

#### The Latest General Grant, Boston Herald.

It pays to be the son of a great Gen-eral and something of a Republican poli-tician besides. In the recent Army pro-motions, Frederick D. Grant has been jumped over 804 Captains, 277 Majors, 38 Lieutenant-Coloneis and 77 Coloneis in the regular Army. The great General Grant subsidy bill, and if they choose to saddle, on the country an extra session in order to complete their raid on the taxpayers, so much the better for the Democrats, as far as party considerations are concerned.

Subsidy bill, and if they choose to saddle, won his promotions in a different manner, being taken at the beginning of the Civil War from a humble position in civil life, and fighting his way up to all of them by successive steps.

### NOTE AND COMMENT

This is the month when the year takes day off.

Affairs in Madrid seem to be in their ormal condition again.

That death of Kruzer's seems to be an unlimited go-as-you-please

Captain Oberlin M. Carter is evidently dissatisfied with jail life.

Vancouver, Wash, is proving liself to be a great city by becoming the scene of a crusade against vice.

Minister Wu is doing so much talking that there is reason to fear he is going to join the Populist party. There is a lobster famine in Boston,

Have the antis selected some other city as the seat of their capital? Wilhelmina's honeymoon will not be

marred by the fear that Alfred Austin s going to write an ode about it. Queer that the Chinese mandarins who were requested by Kwang Hau to com-

mit suicide should decline the honor! The esteemed Congressional Record has reached a circulation of 26,000. And some

people question the prosperity of the

country. King Edward will have to study for the stage if he ever hopes to look like all the pictures that have been printed over

The bill to save the big trees at Calaveras, Cal., which has passed the Senate and now awaits the action of the House, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to pay \$125,000 for the famous grove and, if the offer is refused, to save the grove under condemnation proceedings. San Francisco Call says: "The strong sentiment that has been developed in behalf of the big trees is extremely creditable to the people of California, Nor is that sentiment confined to this state, We have become as a people old enough and wise enough to know that historic treasures and natural wonders have more than an intrinsic value. We have much in this direction that might have been saved; but we may at least preserve what is left."

"One of the most desirable posts at Windsor Castle," says a correspondent of the Chicago Record, "is that of 'the King's limner,' who in ancient times dec. orated books and manuscripts with initial letters, and who now prepare parchment commissions when his majesty is pleased to confer knighthood or some other honor upon one of his subjects. The man who now fills the post has extraordinary skill with the pen and brush, and his diplomas and certificates were greatly admired for their exquisite taste and skillful execution. He receives a salary of \$2500 a year. The clockmaker at Windsor Castle receives the same compensation, and it is his business to keep all the timepieces in repair. The historiographer, who is supposed to keep a record of events, holds an hereditary office, with a salary of \$2500 a year. The master of music, Sir Walter Parrett, the famous organist, receives \$1500, and arranges concerts for his majesty's diversion. The surveyor of pictures is paid \$1500, the librarian (who by the way is Richard R. Holmes, an eminent author), receives \$2500, the examiner of plays \$1600; the keeper of the swans is paid \$300, and the barge master, who looks after the boats used by the royal family at Windsor, has a similar compensation.

## PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

Hypocrisy is the homage which Tammany They Wanted Him.—"He says that his em-ployers always regarded him as a valuable man." "Yes, they offered a large reward for him when he left."—Lafe.

Not Complaining.-The New Pastor-1'm very glad to have your husband's good optn-ion. Sister Hardshell-Oh! he's quite satis-fied. He says, What can we expect at such a salary?-Puck. Poor Fellow .- Lens-I don't know what to

make of Harry Harmless. Alms.—Well, if you were to do as a good many of the girls have done, you'd make a fool of him.—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin

Miss Fuzzie-I want to break my engage-ment, but don't know how to do it without driving the poor fellow to suicide. Little Brother-Why don't you let him see you in curl-papers just once?-Tit-Bits. Literary Note.—Messez, Mowin, Baryl & Co. amounce that they have already sold 2,586,000 copies of a thrilling movel they are to bring out next Fail. They have not yet selected the author who is to write it.—Chicago Times-Her-

aid. An Epinode,-Streakor-We had a glo trip. Beautiful weather all the time, and the auto collided with only one man. Whisser-Folice notified? Streakor-Yes; but the man was so far gone that it wasn't worth while to arrest him.-Harper's Engar.

Urban Economy.—Tenant—Why, what you call a spare bedroom isn't a room at all, only the picture of an alcove painted on the wall! How could we get a bed in there, pray? Janitor—Well, people mostly has their furniture painted in these days. It naves movin' expenses,-Detroit Journal.

A Testimonial -Jones-You rem a miserable memory I used to have? Well, Dr. Bolus gave ms a prescription that has done me a world of good. Smith-Something to take before meals, was it? Jones-Weil, I don't recall just what the directions were, but it's a splendid cure.—Philadelphia Press.

## Fnistaff's Song.

Edmund Clarence Stedman. Where's he that died o' Wednesday? What place on earth hath be? A tailor's yard beneath, I wot, Where worms approaching be For the wight that died o' Wednesday, Just laid the light below, is dead as the variet turned to clay A score of years ago. Where's he that died o' Sabba' day? Good Lord, I' not be he! The best of days is foul enough

From this world's fare to fice; And the saint that died o' Sabba' day, With his grave turf yet to grow, Is dead as the sinner brought to gray A hundred years ago. Where's he that died o' yesterday?

What better chance hath he
To clink the can and toes the pet
When this night's junkets he?
For the lad that died o' yesterday Is-just as dead-ho! be As the whoreson knave men laid away

The Little Lady. (Of Four Bright Years.) Atlanta Constitution. The Little Lady hath for me
Only her kisses tender,
And in her eyes a light I see
That's all of earthly splendor.
She knows not when the world goes ill;—
She only knows she loves me still!

The Little Lady's emiles so bright With mixetic spells have bound me; She waits for me when falls the night, And twines her arms around me. She knows not where my steps may ber-She only knows her love for me

Dear Lady of the tender years. And of the bright eyes beaming.
God keep those frusting eyes from tears,
And God be with you dreaming!
I know not what those dreams may be;
I only know your love for me!