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SHALL WE ADMIT THE CHINESE? Objection to admission of Chinese coolie labor, stated in its simplest form, is that our present exclusion policy is essential to our domestic peace. We have no difficulty in agreeing entirely with Mr. Wilcox and other speakers at the Trans-Mississippi Congress that there is much work on the Pacific Coast that Chinese may do. As domestics, as common laborers, as gardeners, hoppickers and fruitpickers, they do not enter into competition with our native labor; but it is a deep-seated belief of our own workingmen that a Chinaman in a job means an American out of a and, except in the occupations named, their theory is in a certain sense. correct. This belief has never been and will never be, successful We do not understand that advocates of limited Chinese immigration desire that there shall be competition between American and Chinese workingmen. On the contrary, they especially assert that their purpose is to bring Chinese here to perform labor that the Americans will not do, and thus to fill a want in the labor market that otherwise will not be supplied. A broader and higher reason is that in this way the animosity of the Chinese people toward the United States may be quieted ind the trade boycott broken. The two main grounds of contention then, for admission of Chinese coolie labor are that we shall thus please the Chinese people and at the

same time benefit ourselves. It may be admitted that our exporters have been greatly slarmed by the Chinese boycott. It may be said, too, that the Chinese government has had reasonable ground for complaint that harsh and unreasonable construction has been placed by American officials on the exclusion law; that members of the Chinese privileged class have been subjected to affront and insult; and that some of them have been rejected at our ports without reason and with needless insolence. But we have never understood that the original complaint of the Chinese people against the United States was that their coolies were not admitted, and we have no notion that an amendment of our exclusion law in that particular will be a condition precedent to the resumption of satisfactory trade relations. The boycott was doubtless instituted against American exporters for the sole purpose of bringing the United States Government to a realizing sense of its decent obligations to the Chinese. The Chinese have been assured by the President that the law as it stands will be construed by our customs inspectors more leniently, and that travelers, students, merchants and all others entitled to admission will be treated with courtesy and consideration. In our present domestic situation. The Oregonian thinks that the United States can scarcely be asked do more. It does not think that China, nor any other nation, will demand that we waive our unquestionable right to admit to our shores whomsoever we please, making and enforcing with due regard to the humanities, such immigration laws as we see fit.

But suppose that China should demand that we admit her coolies; what then? We have the assurance of the Governors of Washington, Oregon and not to the relatively small class known selfishness. California that their respective states are unalterably opposed to reopening the old Chinese question. It is idle to say that the politicians only are opposed to admission of Chinese. It is not the politicians; it is the great body of our American women who are in a true facts that justify this statement? They people themselves. All persons who have lived on this Coast for a quarter of a century know through what terri- tionate women-women who are home- sold abroad at lower prices than at fying scenes of riot, disorder and bloodshed various communities passed be- sure as falls upon these is, however, methods and wages lowered to the starcause of the insistent demand of our laboring classes that the Chinese be expelled. The Chinese never can become the homes over which they preside, fur- acts, and almost by their words, that against them that they are nonassimigrants of no European country. That is the reason the question of Chinese im-

tirely from the question of European immigration. The Frenchman, the German, the Italian, the Scandinavian and the Russian in time become American citizens. The Chinese never do. They are always Chinese. The few exceptions of American born Chinese to be noted here and there merely prove the rule. We can never expect that our laboring classes will assume any position except of unconquerable antagonism toward the Chinese. The history of every community on the Pacific Coast for the past thirty years proves it. We have not had any collisions between our own laborers and Asiatics during the last ten years because the Chinese were decreasing in numbers and the problem seemed to be in process of gradual settlement. But reopening it means to jeopard our own tranquility and invite protracted and perhaps sanguinary race troubles. We think the price entirely too high.

JAPAN'S TERMS OF PEACE.

To The Oregonian it has seemed improbable that the conference for peace between Japan and Russia, invited by President Roosevelt, could result in a treaty of peace. Japan, for her own security, is obliged to make demands to which the pride of Russia, even more than her real interest, will not yield. It looks as if the war must go on.

Japan has gained splendid advan tages. She is in better position than she could have hoped, at the outset to be. Her life has been menaced by the encroachment of Russin. Her astonishing victories have put her in position that enables her to demand settlement on basis of future security, and her purpose therefore is to exclude Russia from position of influence and opportunity on the Pacific shore of Asia. Japan's purpose is to remove this menace now, and for good and all.

The details are not so-clear as we could wish, for the Japanaese negotiators are reticent and secretive. They allow their demands to be divulged slowly-one at a time and in their order. But it is clear that they will require Russia to retire from Manchuria; to yield Port Arthur and the railroad; to cede Sakhalin; to give up Vindivostok, or at least to make it an open port; to pay war indemnity and to surrender war vessels interned in neutral ports. Japan requires these things, first because she believes expulsion of Russia from the Pacific necessary to her own security, and second because she be-

lieves herself able to enforce them. But Russia feels that she cannot yield; and it can scarcely be expected that she will yield, now. To expect her to abandon her purpose of extension of her empire to the Pacific it seems to us is to miscalculate the energy of the forces that for centuries have been pushing her on. Bitter as have been the defeats she has suffered at the hands of Japan, Russia will not yet believe the issue has been fought out. The probability is, therefore, that the peace conference will fall, and that the war will go on.

THE DECREASING BIRTH-RATE. One day we are told by the Superintendent of Compulsory Education of a great state that women are driving men

out of the industrial and trade vocations literally back to the soil from whence Father Adam is said to have sprung; the next day a painstaking statistician tells us that the native birth-rate in the United States is decreasing stendily, persistently, even alarmingly. Both statements are made seemingly from knowledge gained by

careful, specific inquiry. Is it not reasonably clear that, if the first statement is true the second is thought are given to a "gainful vocation" as the census has it, to be a all, knowing as enlightened human beings, that motherhood is essentially and we be told that women who strive in ternal vocation?

True, writers who have studied factory life as combined with family life of the woman toller, whose name is multitude, who "asks out" for a few weeks biennially while she gives another child to the census and later to voice to censure a woman thus situat-

censure. It is a natural consequence of tions. Motherhood, to be worth whilelized mind implies-must be above the look beyond this point for the cause of good will of foreign nations. the steady decrease in the native birth-

name of even one child. other. The "home without a mother" a frigid pretense, a hollow mockery. But hibitory to American agricultural prothe world an adequate description of suit; even meek and long-suffering the home, so-called, occupied through- England looks askance at our unmitication by children sione.

first glance, something of censure to while it is not probable now, it will be-American women. In the term American women, as here employed, we refer we change our policy of chameless as society women; not to the smaller class of professional women, nor to the because it treats the American people still smaller class comprised of those as a private preserve to be plundered to whom, for some reason, children do without limit by the trusts. What is not come; but to the great majority of the use of rehearsing the notorious sense helpful, womanly women-plain are numberless. Dividends earned on unassuming women-intelligent affect watered stock; the same grade of goods makers, wives and mothers. Such cen- home; competition killed by throat-cut sponsible duties cut off in the early easily turned aside by inquiry and observation, since it is made plain that facts. The standpatters claim by their American citizens. The objection made nish the children that throng the public the American people have been given to schools and in their turn set up, main- them by the Almighty, as Herodotus lative can be made against the emi- tain and perpetuate American homes.

American life a decreasing birth-rate is not alarming since it merely points | shear!

to the survival of the fittest, Women engaged in gainful vocations are not child-bearers, neither should they be. There are two reasons for this. First, a woman who pursues an industrial vocation, in the modern sense of that term, has no time for the exclusive and exacting functions of motherhood, and without disparagement to their practical good sense, it may be added that they have no desire to be mothers. Second, men whose wives are of necessity wage-earners are not fit for the responsible function of fatherhood. Having falled in the first duty of manhood, as defined by our strenuous President, to be the maintenance of ome and wife and children, he would but add to the burdens of the woman and the responsibilities of the state by adding to the census.

Children are a blessing to the wellrdered home; the well-ordered home is the pillar of the state. To the poor nome, the home maintained by the daily oi) of the mother in a gainful vocation; home that is the gbode of ignorance, of dissipation or of gaunt poverty they are the reverse of a blessing and to the extent that the decreased birth-rate is confined to these it is not to be deplored. Indeed it might be wished that births in such homes would cease altogether, even as they have practically ceased in the homes of society women and in those of the idle, selfish rich.

AN INEVITABLE CONSEQUENCE.

There is complaint, we hear, that The Oregonian publishes as news such stories as that of the Taggart case, which it would not have published in former times. The question is asked, "Why this degeneracy?" The simple answer is that newspaper competition compels it. The more severe the competition the stronger necessity of meeting every phase of it. The Oregonian, within its own field of circulation, cannot allow any newspaper to outdo it. A group of very pious people publish a "yellow" newspaper here. Others publish like newspapers, round about. These journals are pitched on a low grade or basis, in many ways or features. The Oregonian must meet them, or go out of business. But The Oregonian is not going out of business. It will not descend to their depths, but it will print clean versions of stories, of which they print-other versions.

It is an inevitable consequence. Degradation of the character of journalism is the unavoidable result of this sort of the small amount that ran off early this competition. It is, however, less a reflection on the publishers of newspapers than on the public taste that demands such matter. Again, it is a reflection on those who, in order to push newspapers for support of their own personal and plutocratic schemes into fields already occupied by respectable journalsm, appeal to vitiated taste and help to cultivate it, that their publications may get "circulation."

The keener the newspaper competition, the lower the tone of journalism, the order. Montana comes forward urgalways. Therefore when money not sarned in journalism, when money that doesn't belong to journalism, when money derived from outside schemes is put in vast sums into journalism, you may expect decline of the standards of journalism, always. It is just as well ful. No one who has tarried even for to be plain about this matter. Pluto- a few days in Summer in the capital of cracy corrupts journalism. It corrupts everything it touches.

THE STANDPATTER AND HIS PETICIL.

There is now in session in Chicago a conference whose proceedings the American people will watch with profound interest. Six hundred delegates rily so? Can we expect a wom- have assembled there from all parts of an whose time and strength and the country to lay sacrilegious hands upon our National fetich. That is what our protective tariff is-a fetich. As cheerful, willing child bearer? Can we. the woolly-headed Hottentot secludes in indeed, expect her to be a mother at a sacred cave his god of feathers and painted clay, so the high priests of our delty of imposition, iniquity and fraud necessarily a sheltered condition? Need have guarded their ideal from all irreverent investigation, from all dangerthe marts of gain, or even those who ous inquiry. For to this high tariff idol, pursue gainful vocations of the lowlier as to all objects of slavish and benighttype, have no time to devote to the ma- | ed worship, investigation is perilous, inquiry is fatal. His cult is systematic deception. The hope of his hierarchy is in the stupidity and ignorance of those at Fall River, for example, have told whom they befool and plunder. And who compose the hierarchy of this tariff fetich? Who but those whose lust of power and riches fattens upon the superatition of his worshippers? None the mill; but who among us could find shricks so loud or with such holy horror when there is talk of tariff revision as ed who, having first made a study of your trust magnate. None stands quite the ways and means of "race suicide," so "pat" as your United States Senator, overcame the necessity of this biennial attorney for the trusts, who parades the insignia of his venal disloyalty in If it is true that women are rapidly the legislative chamber of the Nation or even slowly monopolizing the indus- he betrays. The trust magnates, their trial vocations, a decreasing birth-rate purchased or intimidated defenders in implies in itself neither wonder nor the Senate, an army of lesser politicians who depend upon them, and a diminishperverted industrial and social condi- ing host of voters who will not or can not or dare not look facts in the face to be worthy of the pains and perils and think for themselves these are and the hope and love that the vocation | the "standpatters" who have made alor the estate suggests, and to a civi- most a religion out of their ridiculous or mercenary fidelity to the Dingley plane of the wage-earner, above the tariff with all its absurdities, its impodemand of any gainful vocation upon sitions, its insults to the popular intelthe mother's time and strength. If we ligence, and its cynical contempt for the

The Dingley tariff is absurd because rate, we shall doubtless find much in it holds to the theory that by impudence the situation that reflects discredit or chicanery we can forever induce forupon American women, Within this eigners to buy our goods while we buy limit, a woman is free of blame if she none of theirs. Commerce is exchange. refuse to add to the census returns the The ideal of the plrate or the hog, to take all and return nothing, may suc-One abnormal condition begets an- ceed for a time as it has with us, but it is not commerce and it cannot suchas long been sung in tender words of ceed forever. Other nations are awakpathetic music. The home, barren of ening to our utter unfairness in this children, has been long deplored as matter. Germany enacts a tariff proneither song nor story has yet given to ducts; France is preparing to follow out the working hours of a gainful vo- gated greed. A European tariff union against America has been proposed by A decreasing birth-rate may imply at men of international influence and, come more and more probable unless

The Dingley tariff is an imposition vation point-these are some of the tells of the Persian despots giving cities | Oregon's Summer climate. It is not too much to say that these to their favorites, to be exploited withhomes are the salt that saves the Na- out remedy or appeal. There must be

fleece is golden as it is, and so easy to

The Dingley tariff is an insult to the popular intelligence because it pretends with barefaced mendacity to do what cannot be done. It says to the farmer You have not sense enough to perceive that a tariff on wheat can not affect the price of wheat; therefore we will cajole from you with that piece of foolery your consent to be robbed by other duties which do raise prices." The standpatters say to the "We want the exorbitant Dingley tariff retained with the purely benevolent intent of paying you high wages;" at the same time they hurry over from Europe "pauper tabor" by the steamship load to take their jobs from these same beloved American workmen.

The brutal contempt of the standparters for the intelligence and rights of the American people has been uniformly met with bumble submission. No won der, therefore, that they supposed foreign nations could also be cajoled and bullied indefinitely. The insurrection of Europe against their commercial domination takes them by surprise. It is like a servile rebellion against the lordly Senators of imperial Rome. Their method of forcing foreigners into submission is singularly stupid, but it is characteristic of the "standpat" spirit. They propose to make Europeans more of our goods by raising our tariff stile higher. When one of the boys at Dotheboys Hall gagged at the brimstone and treacle, Mrs. Squeers poked another spoonful down his guilet. The standpatters seem to believe in her method.

The exceedingly light snowfall last Winter in the watershed of the Snake and its tributaries is manifest in its effects on the hay crop in Central and Western Idaho, Even down in the north, where occasional rains keep the percentage of moisture high enough make the crop, there is the report of "Rain is greatly needed," and "Pastures are drying up." Up in the central part of the state, however, where irrigation makes three great crops of alfalfa, the report is general that "the second crop is light, owing to drouth," and "there will be no third crop, owing to shortage of water." The Payette is lower than it has been for years, there is very little water in the Bolse; further east, both forks of the Snake were never known to be so low; while the creeks that supply small ditches have long since gone dry. Conservation of even Summer would have insured these crops; the big ditch at Minidoka will in time help within its range; but the thousands of farmers on the smaller streams must obtain relief independent of the larger canals. Probably they will in time.

The grand conclave of Eagles, now in session at Denver, will consider the proposition of establishing a National me for superannuated members of ing that the home be located Helena on what is known as the Broadwater property. Commodious buildings are already on the ground and the site. being in the very heart of the Rocky Mountains, is both beautiful and health-Montana has failed to visit beautiful Broadwater and taken a dip in the waters of the grand natatoriums that are warmed by Nature for the delightful bath.

amount of free advertising this year troduced said: "Colonel Zevely, you apart from the many an example, one of the big life insur- you got your title of Colonel?" Zevely ance companies that distributes 3,000,000 drew himself up to his full six feet and pages this month to Oregon as a oneil" rtsman's paradise, with beautiful fllustrations. A mighty sight more interesting than life insurance figures are the cold facts relative to hunting and fishing, camp life in our mountains and the scenery of river, forest, ocean and lake. In this case, the presentation of one of the state's Summer attractions exactly truthful, therefore valuable.

The root qualities of energy, thrift and business sense" are essential to the development-spiritual and material-of any race. So wrote President Roosevelt in a letter to the National Negro Business League now in session with 200 delegates in New York City. And when the President added: "It is as true of a race as of an individual that while outsiders can help to a certain degree yet the real help must come in the shape of self help," the great lesson of the ages to mankind is tersely and tritely given

The hope of New Orleans for the present lies in the systematic, intelligent warfare that sanitary science is waging against yellow fever. Its hope for the future is in prevention, and is outlined in the water and sewerage systems now under construction by means of which cesspools and cisterns may be abolished and the city drained of the impurities of its every-day life.

Nothing could have been more timely and more grateful than the rain that fell in this vicinity Tuesday. Pastures will grow green, late gardens will laugh into plenty, hopvines and orchards have been washed clean, the dust has been laid and the harvesting has scarcely been interrupted. As usual, the truth is good enough about Oregon

Desire on the part of officers of life insurance companies for supervisory control of the business by the National Government shows at least an awaken-When so eminent an insurance man as Senator Dryden favors the proposition, there is hope that opposition to it from the big companies will not be offensively active.

Half a hundred private soldiers from Fort Snelling have lately left the post without permission and failed to return. The cause of this wholesale desertion is said to be the disinclination of the men to work on the new rifle range. It is pertinent here to ask what is the matter with the rifle range?

The death of Dr. George A. Torgier is regretted as that of a young man who had been carefully equipped for remorning of life. A death of this kind we are wont to term a waste of life by prematurely arrested effort

Visitors this week will have something to tell when they get home of

migration is on a different basis en- tion. While they abound as now in no change, forsooth! No, indeed; the about your American invasion! Miss Roosevelt is soing to Pekin. Talk | How OREGON OZONE

That some steps must be taken at nce to curtail the power of our courts and prevent them from trampling with iron heel upon the rights of man is evident. The other day a Boston jurist fined a man \$10 for carrying away an umbrella.

Tom Watson is to be orator of the day when the monument to Tom Paine is unveiled at New Rochelle, N. Y. Has Tom Lawson been utterly ignored?

Some people don't know enough to ome in when it rains. The correspondents tell us that at Asbury Park a few days ago thousands of persons went bathing in the surf during a rainstorm.

Senator Stone, of Missouri, told a puntry picnic audience last week that he liked buttermilk so well that he had shaved off his mustache so that he might indulge in his favorite drink. The Senator shows excellent taste, not to speak of tender consideration for the feelings of his colleagues at Washington. A toga-wearer with bunches butter sticking to his mustache would not be an edifying spectable in the Senate Chamber; and besides, the country constituents would accuse him of undue extravagance and of rich and riotous living.

Having issued an order to the effect that all short batning skirts shall be measured before the wearers are permitted to enter the surf, to the end that it may be ascertained whether they are shorter than the law allows, the Mayor of Atlantic City is said to be besieged by applicants for the position of official skirt measurer. As yet no ladies have applied for the post.

The Santa Fe Railroad Company is suing an Illinois Circuit Judge for the recovery of five cents. Who now will dare to assert that the railroads stand in with the judiciary?

Farmer Haytop-I see by the farm papers that beardless barley is a good thing to raise. Can you tell me now to go about it?

Professor Smart-Certainly: plant your barley in a soapstone field, irrigate well to make the lather, and shave it close.

In The Outlook of last week the President of the United States appears in a new role—that of book reviewer. He reviews a new volume of poems and declares that it is "not verse but poetry." Is the President's private library so sadly depleted that he makes this bold bid for complimentary copies of contemporary books that are not poetry but verse, or does he seek a reelection and take this method of making his calling and election sure? The poet vote is something to be considered.

The heir to the throne of all the Russias and all its troubles reached the age of one year a few days ago, but he already is a veteran in point of military service, having been appointed Colonel of the Pavlovski Regiment of the Guard when he was four hours old. He is next to the youngest Col onel that ever was. The very youngest was Colonel William Zevely, of Missouri, now connected with the Department of the Interior. Colonel Zevely, in als early manhood, was or the staff of a Missouri Governor. One Oregon is getting a tremendous day an old lady to whom he was inare entirely too young to have served ognized by the postoffice authorities. As in the Civil War. May I ask where copies of an 8-page paper, devotes two replied: "Madam, I was born a Col-

But Does Carnegie Need Money?

Is it possible that the American public library craze is responsible for the terrible Japanese-Russian war?

money to use in founding public libraries. Second Premise: The Russlans buy

urmor plate for their ships from Mr. Carnegie. Conclusion: In order to create a market for his armor plate so that he could sell in large lots and found many ilbraries with the proceeds, Mr. Carnegle sicked the Japs onto the Russes

Kentucky Couldn't Wait.

war vessels.

whisky

suh?

Yesterday a thirsty man from Kentucky walked along one of the alales in the Manufactures building at the doubt. The taint develops in consequent Exposition wondering how far it was of a failure to cook the food properly. between drinks in Oregon.

At this season the duty of promptly rebetween drinks in Oregon.

at his left.

the book. Then he eyed the attendant the original source, and consequently imexpectantly, with a mouth that would possible to fix the responsibility. have watered had it not been as dry as Death Valley In August,

"Thank you," said the attendant. "Don't thank me, suh," replied the Kentuckian; "I'm the one to thank you, is cracked up to be. It is all right for a sub-that is, sub-" week or two to have the family away, but And he waited some more.

"Fine day," remarked the attendant, turning to other duties, "Might be a fine day fo' you, suh, but

"In these bottles," replied the attendant. "An, but-pardon me, suh, but wha's my sample that I was going to get.

"Oh, that will be sent to you at your home address." "Young man," said the Kentuckian, "If I don't get that thah drink befo" I get back to my home address, I'll be the deadest man yo' evah saw, suh.

Young man, do it now!" ROBERTUS LOVE.

How They Got Their First \$1000. New York Sun.

The Portland Oregonian has induced a number of rich Portlanders to tell how they laid the foundation of their fortunes. The revelations are not very satisfactory. recipes for the young. One plutocrat mad his first \$1000 "by spending less than he earned." How simple! To be sure, a lot of folks, most folks, never earn money ugh to be able to save a thousand dol.

The noblest answer is given by the man who says he "saved \$1000 from pay as a soldier in the British Army." How old was he before he got that initial

GRAFT.

Minnesota Etymologist Explores Authorities With Surprising Results.

Fergus Falls Journal. The recent appearance in an obscure and irresponsible paper, as well as in certain official publications of the City Council, of the word "graft" has elicited from a number of our readers an inquiry as to what the word meant, as it is not found in dictionaries even of the most recent pattern. For the benefit of our readers residing on the Flats and Tordenskjold rairies-who do not enjoy metropolitan advantages—we have made an exhaustive evamination of the authorities and will give all our readers the benefit of our re-

"Hostetter's Family Almanac" we GRAFT. n. (See grafter. Deriv. either

from grab, to take, to seize, or from graft, to make grow upon or insert in.)

1. The benefiting of a public official or his lends at the public expense, through an official act. 2. The using of one's official position to gain The many of ones official position to gase advantages denied to others.

3. To so act or do that an official's fellow-citizens are injured while he and his friends

4. To so direct public matters as to benefit or friends and injure others. 5. To take for onesetf or to give one a friends special privileges.

6. To take that which belongs to the public

T. To grant oneself or friends immunity from that which others are compelled to do.

8. To do a thing, pretending that it is for public benefit when it is only private. ILLUS. To as run a sewer that an Alderman may get the benefit of it while his neighbors pay for it. To sell to the city through a lummy when the law forbids an official to do It directly. To so place street lights that an Alderman can enjoy it and the public cannot,

His graft was bold.

And yet within the pale of jaw. -Ben Jonson.

He was as subtle a grafter as ever graced a Council's heard. Or fixed his street at ward's expense.

Shakespears. Black was a past master to the art of grafting. He was a thorough parliamentarian. He always had his matters well in hand, His reports were always carefully prepared, and every move was consummated with a clock-like precision. Although powessing a sensi-tive nature, he was bold, almost brazen, in the carrying out of the jobs in which the comthe carrying out of the jobs in which the com-bination, whose servite tool he was, was in-terested. The Lord Mayor, whose vast and varied interests frequently encroached upon public rights, relied upon him implicitly, and he never falled him. His associates on the board, with one or two exceptions, were hon-eat, but they were obtuse or weakings and offered no resistance. The organic law govern-ing the city was imposed forestive and he ing the city was ignored, forgotten, and his grafting went on unhampered and unchecked,—McDougal's "The London Council,"

Dr. Schopenkoffer in his "Growth of Language," says; In these days when our vocabulary is being riched by many new words whose origin and rivation cannot be traced to a certainty. there is a constant tendency to substitute, that the exact meaning is liable to be con-fused and lost. We should strive to guard sgainst this and by proper use fix their exact meaning. The words "graft" and are cases in point. Their meaning is entirely different. Boodle is the price paid for an of-ficial act or vote, the taking or giving of which is a crime. Graft is the profit of an official

act which, although within the law, is mor-ally wrong and not to be tolerated in well-Minnehaha, filled with laughter Turning said: "You are a grafter; Take another, it's no matter Till the public catches on. Then the bolder, Hiawatha Grafts the graft that grafters long for Till the maiden called for quarter, Yelled, and hiked for Hunning Water.

-Longfellow will not permit our going into his matter at greater length, but this will be sufficient to enlighten our inquirers and furnish the commission a guide in its investigations.

Pointed Paragraphs.

Chicago News. Don't cry over split milk. Call the cat. There are also a number of fugitives from | And only last week a young wife

nesn't hold out. Necessity knows no law, but many a young lawyer knows necessity.

The man who has more than he needs never

had more than he wants. No, Cordella, marriage and happiness are not necessarily synonymous.

A soft-headed natt and a hard-headed man just under 4,900,000, or, to be exact. are both difficult to drive.

Some politicians are self-made, but most of the candidates are machine-made.

A sour mash drives some men to the saloon

New York among the big cities of the

It's the 25th anniversary of her debut into ton, Tokic and Philadelphia, all of the world that is oftenest celebrated by a have over 1,000,000 inhabitants, the last

Woman.

Good men are seldom heard of, but the ras- 1999. cals are always getting their names in the police reports. A man's laziness has certainly reached the

limit when he feels that it is too much trouble to try to avoid trouble.

Ptomaines a Hot Weather Danger. and caused a considerable demand for New York Tribune.

Ptomaines are poisonous products formed in fish, meat, milk and other articles of food by a process of decomposition that leaves little other trace of its action. Bacteria probably promote their formation, but on that point there remains some "Come in and register, and you'll get dairy farm from which it is derived is sample of our whisky," said a voice often slighted, and as a result the fluid this left.

The Kentuckian went into the booth grous condition. Consumers buy it without suspicion, and when sickness is caused with alacrity and wrote his name in by its use it is usually too late to trace

The Summer Widower.

Grand Rapids Herald. Summer "widowering" is not all that it the enjoyment of freedom is apt to pall as time passes. There is a novelty about feeding the cat, taking care of the canary, making up the bed and washing the dishes that makes the experience enticing for a looks to me like a frost. Wha's yo' while. But it is pinchbeck and the gilt

The President's Daughter.

By H. V. A. Ferguson In Europe the boys in their teens Drink a noggin or two to their Queens, Which is etiquette over the water; But here when the gallant toasts pass

Ye lovers, whose books are the roses Good fellows, who show by your noses. You think the grape better than water, Stand up with a glass in your hand And drink to the rose of the land In a health to the President's daughter.

And after the lass comes the laddle; From the daughter we pass to the daddy, Which is atlquette over the water. With the best of the vintage make ready To tess off a bumper to Teddy Who gave us the President's daughter.

To Captain Clark.

John Jerome Rooney, in New York Sun. Here's a nation's love for you; love and big handshake for you. Captain of the Oregon, greyhound of the

Duty lit the path for you, glory trailed the wake for you. ke a long shore leave with us-every Take a port is free!

THE NAVIES OF THE WORLD The Figures as Revised by Our Of-

fice of Naval Intelligence. The United States Office of Naval Intelligence has revised its figures of the Navies of the world to June 1 of this year, including an changes to that date nused by the Russo-Japanese war. By otal completed tonnage of each Navy the

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ireat Britain

441,249 316,528 254,510 252,661 By battleships of the first class the rank-Great Britain. many 82,800 niled States .. By cruisers above 6000 tons: reat Britain By cruisers of 2000 to 6000 to ted States. папу 17,400 12,393 By cruisers of 1000 to 3000 tor Breag Britain. By torpedo-boats: France Germany Italy Great Britain Russia 10,000 12,660 9,250 44,563 7,420 6,695 3,500 Breat Britain. nited States 3,935 1,485 1,245 1,400 913 120 107 Frent Britain.

combination of the navies of Great Britain, France and the United States, out the

would have the following strength: Aymored cruisers.
Cruisers above 6000 tons.
Cruisers allow to 6000 tons.
Cruisers, 1000 to 5000 tons.
Corpedo-beats
orpedo-beats thmarines -Combined total strength. . 819 2,344,982

Such a combination could dictate the world's peace.

Need of More Amusement. Philadelphia Record.

It would be quite as well for womankind the stronger sex, instead of promising "I thee with all my worldly goods en-dow," especially when they've no worldly goods to speak of, should give their brides ome idea of what they propose to do in the way of providing amusement for them after marriage. The insane asylums are said to be full of farmers' wives who have gone insane because of the ceaseless grind of labor, so frequently and regularly re peated as to become fairly mechanical. polson because her husband, a truck farm-All men are born equal, but the equality er, had repeatedly refused to take her to town with him by way of an outing,

Detroit Free Press. The incomplete census figures indicate that the population of New York is now 154. The probabilities are that Manhattan and some others to the divorce court.

Though the wisdom of the ancients may have been superfor to ours, we are still alive.

Pirst Premise: Mr. Carnegie needs money to use in found in the world and getting a head in the world and getting a head in

Reflections of a Bachelor.

New York Press Nearly every girl captivates herself with her beauty.

A girl can't learn to swim in a bathing suit that is made to go in the water.

A man seldom ever can get away from his business for a vacation if his family is going with him. Riding in an automobile makes a woman almost as proud as it makes a man to

have a millionaire bow to him in a streetcar.
You can tell when a girl is not engaged
by the way she pretends to be, and when man is married by the way he pretends

With the Minstrels.

Exchange. Mr. Tambo-Do you mean to tell me, Mr. Bones, that that ignorant gentlemean to whom we were talking is a host in filmself.

Mr. Bones-Yes, sah. Appearances am mighty deceivin', sah.

Mr. Tambo-But what did he ever do?

Why is he a host in himself? Mr. Bones-Dat gem'man am a host in nimself. Mistah Tambo, becase he am de landlord of de leadin' hotel in Pucker

Mr. Tambo-Ladies and gentlemen, with your kind permission, Mr. Highcollah will now sing. "My Girl's Name is Miss Too ber, and She's My Sweet Potato."

The Horror of the Hoop.

Life: Mabel has a slender "figger" Like the pole that twines the bean-Her circumference will be bigger When she puts on crinoline Mabel shows but slight resistance When my arm about her loops She will keep me at a distance When she wears those awful hoops

Oft at night" I wake and tremble Thinking of that ghastly day; Mabel's skirts will soon resemb Nothing but a load of hay. "Standing room" will then be posted Every time she takes the floor every nerve will be exhausted Getting Mabei through a door.

Then won't evenings be lonely On my darling's fair "front "front stoop"! I must fly, for there'll be only Room for Mabel-and her hoos And in what unearthly Aiden Can I get the nerve to spoon With a rare and sainted maiden Half way through a gas ballo

Aye, forecoth, 'twill take a wide wall Mabel, heed this tearful carol. By sire Pashion's slats and coops-Don't become a lovely barrel

Rolled about inside of hoona!