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IMPORTANCE OF IRRIGATION.

The National Irrigation Association, with headquarters in Chicago, is doing good work in arousing public interest in the question of irrigation of the arid lands of the United States.

There is no more important question before the American people today than that of reclaiming our arid lands and bringing them under cultivation.

President Roosevelt, in his message to congress, tersely sets forth these benefits. He said: "The reclamation and settlement of the arid lands will enrich every portion of our country just as the settlement of the Ohio and Mississippi valleys brought prosperity to the Atlantic states."

Again the Jews in Russia are being harassed. Presumably this is by order of the government, since the oppressive measures are not confined to any one place.

The bill for the creation of a federal naval reserve which has just been introduced in both houses of congress is framed along very broad lines.

Information has been received by the state department that the Chinese government is violating that condition of the international peace protocol which forbids the importation of firearms, material for their manufacture and ammunition into China for a period of two years.

Abbreviations make up one of the most important elements in the career of the telegraph operator.

Admiral Schley's counsel in their bill of exceptions to the findings of the majority of the court of inquiry have about as completely demolished that verdict as Schley did the Spanish fleet at Santiago.

and the name of Mrs. Bonine was first mentioned, one of the local operators received a query from the Pittsburg man. "What sort of a looking woman is Mrs. B.?"

It would be interesting to know just where the Tacoma News stands on the Philippine tariff bill.

"The feature of the Philippine tariff bill which most strongly commends it is the fact that it is drawn with a view of creating a revenue for the islands, which are greatly in need of funds for various purposes."

Evidently the News is of the same opinion as the eminent statesman who said "the tariff is a local issue." If the bill is to be commended because it provides "revenues for the islands which are greatly in need of funds," why should Washington wheat or flour be relieved of its just proportion of the tax?

Senator Lodge is reported to have expressed his intention to bring all his energy and influence to bear upon congress to induce it to make provision for a new executive mansion.

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Advice from Washington are to the effect that Arthur H. Noyes is to be relieved from his position as United States Judge for St. Michael district, in Alaska. This announcement will be received with profound satisfaction by every one who was a witness of the manner in which the high office of a judge was prostituted to the base ends of personal pecuniary benefit.

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Could Measure It.—"How long was Bronson's speech?" "I don't know. I didn't have my gas meter with me."—Harlem Life.

Charles Replage, Atwater, O., was in very bad shape. He says: "I suffered a great deal with my kidneys and was requested to try Foley's Kidney Cure. I did so and in four days I was able to go to work again, now I am entirely well."—Hart's Druggist.

Savanna—Mrs. Fuss—I have kept my last hired girl a month! Mrs. Fuss—Dear me! Do you keep her locked up?—Ohio State Journal.

AN EVANGELIST'S STORY.

"I suffered for years with a bronchial or lung trouble and tried various remedies but did not obtain permanent relief until I commenced using One Minute Cough Cure," writes Rev. James Kirkman, evangelist of Belle River, Ill. "I have no hesitation in recommending it to all sufferers from maladies of this kind."

No objection.—"And den Santy Claus he come down de chimney." "Doan he git his face all black wif soot?" "Wal, he doan mind dat when he's a-calling on culdud chillun."—Puck.

SAVED HIS LIFE.

"I wish to say that I feel I owe my life to Kodol Dyspepsia Cure," writes H. C. Christenson, of Hayfield, Minn. "For three years I was troubled with dyspepsia so that I could hold nothing on my stomach. Many times I would be unable to retain a morsel of food. Finally I was confined to my bed. Doctors said I could not live. I read one of your advertisements on Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and thought it fit my case and commenced its use. I began to improve from the first bottle. Now I am cured and recommend it to all. Digests your food. Cures all stomach troubles. Chas. Rogers, Druggist."

Marriage not a Failure.—Old Friend—Was your daughter's marriage a success? Hostess—Oh, a great success. She's traveling in Europe on the all-mony.—New York Weekly.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

A poor complexion is usually the result of a torpid liver or irregular action of the bowels. Unless nature's refuse is carried off it will surely cause impure blood, pimples, boils and other eruptions follow. This is nature's method of throwing off the poisons which the bowels failed to remove.

The Height of Delicacy.—Clara—Margot is so thoughtful about her Christmas presents. Belle—In what way, dear? Clara—Always leaves the price tag on so as to save me a trip down town to find out.—Brooklyn Life.

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Straight Tip.—"I hear your engagement with young Gotrox has been broken off." "I said the first fair daughter of Eve. "Well, you are entitled to another hearing," rejoined fair daughter No. 2, as she held up a graceful hand on which a solitary sparkled. "You can see for yourself that I am still in the ring."—Chicago News.

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If the amateur Santa Claus is wise he will have his wig, whiskers and fur made of asbestos.—Chicago Tribune.

Mr. Bryan's friendship for the Nicaragua canal seems quite appropriate in the leader of a party which is always in need of a "last ditch."—Kansas City Star.

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