A FORCE THAT IS HERE TO STAY.

grin and bear what they found they couldn't help.

past campaign there was something more involved than corporations." the mere question of the material well being of the people. There were involved deeperand more significant moral issues, which aroused deep sympathetic interest not alone in the breasts of what a plain-spoken contemporary has called THE CHARGES made against the civil-service com- philosopher's creed. "the bigoted church people," but in that class which, while owning no church affiliations, clings tenaciously to those and the Mailed Fist in heretofore irresponsible journalism, afford to ignore them. permitted openly to ply their vocations.

they find themselves in the first battle holding the bal- punishable by fine and imprisonment. sonal responsibility to the people such as hertofore he has a farce. which he serves the public. It will mean that no man, of it. It is therefore up to the mayor to act. whatever party, will hereafter be beyond the reach of the public's long arm. With the initiative and referendum and the direct primary they have it in their power not only to heads of the party bosses and nominate men who, when elected, will faithfully serve the public's interests.

reason to rejoice.

WHY LA FOLLETTE WON.

situation as given in the Outlook of June 4:

two factions were simply as to which of them should con- that a vacation affords.

tion of the railroads, an inheritance tax, a constitutional in the mountains; if the food is not as good as the home machines. Senators are not gods. Bosses ought to go amendment allowing the enactment of a graduated income cooking, and the lodging is inferior to home beds; if there out in the harvest fields. The People rule. But first they for the tax, the abolition of all railroad passes to public officials, are disagreeable neighbors or co-guests, and if all town commust think. And they are thinking. A FTER EVERYTHING has been said and done, the most gratifying feature of the recent election was the opportunity afforded for each one to have his say. "to fix and enforce reasonable transportation charges, so far heretofore every one has been forced to think alike. If as the same may be subject to state control," similar power the change they afford to mind and muscle. And sea breeze he didn't think like the other fellow, he was obliged to hold to be conferred by congress on the interstate commerce companies and to reduce the dom from restraint and conventionality enjoyed for a time.

Take EVERYTHING has been said and done, the tax, the abolition of all railroad passes to public officials, are disagreeable neighbors or co-guests, and if all railroad commission forts cannot be had—yet the very change itself, these very inconveniences and disagreeabilities, are restful, because of the legislature in 1902 and secured the passage of a law would command the next legislature to pass three certain must think. And they are thinking.

After this success the referendum league of Illinois went to the legislature in 1902 and secured the passage of a law would command the next legislature to pass three certain must think. And they are thinking. his peace or put his burning thoughts on a handbill and mission 'to control transportation charges and to reduce the dom from restraint and conventionality enjoyed for a time, measures, namely: First, an initiative and referendum distribute it about the city. Every genuine avenue of pubsame where excessive to a reasonable basis,' and it insists are by the average mortal by no means to be despised—

amendment to the constitution; second, for strictly local licity was closed to him. Such reports of public meetings that the Republican party by its party platforms has pledged more than repay the cost. licity was closed to him. Such reports of public meetings that the Republican party by its party platforms has piedged more than repay the cost.

and events were made as suited the purposes of those who itself to these reforms, and is therefore bound in honor to

People of Portland need a summer vacation or outing as controlled the newspapers, and those who presumed to enter carry them out. The party of 'stalwarts,' in its platform, little as those of any city of its size in the world, yet tens a mild protest were so bitterly assailed and found theme either by express statement, by necessary implication or by of thousands of them take longer or shorter vacations or organizations were almost a unit in their support, and a selves so utterly helpless when they sought a means of significant silence, indicates that it is opposed to the La Folton theme hack tired and glad to get home, and with a lighter purse. reply that they usually gave up the attempt in disgust to lette Republicans on every one of these points. Upon them back tired and glad to get home, and with a lighter purse questions were submitted in November, 1902, with the folguestions were submitted in November, 1902, with the lowing result: First proposition—Yes, 428,469; no, 87,654.

But things have changed in Portland, and changed might—Republicans, with the possible exception of the graduated go again and again as long as they live is proof enough that Second—Yes, 399,992; no, 83,377. Third—Yes, 451,319; no, ily, for the better. Public opinion is no longer bullied and income tax, the practical difficulties of the honest enforce- these trips are on the whole beneficial. hectored, and for the first time it now enjoys perfect free- ment of which were shown during our civil war to be so The fact is that with the old New York miser the exdom of expression. Independence in thought and expression great that we doubt the possibility of overcoming them. penditure is the only real consideration. His motto, for in a measure, and old Uncle Shelby Cullom doesn't know it, even of party trammels when they would fly in the face whelming majority of the people are in sympathy with the you can possibly avoid spending." His god is money, and of the voter's conscience, prostitute his ballot and turn it platform of the La Follette Republicans. They appear to this god he has worshiped with the fervor of a devotee ever against his own best interest and the best interests of the us to be in the main those of what we may call Roosevelt since his infantile hands clasped his first own penny. No of street railways in the city of Chicago, the second vote public, is no longer limited to casual and inconsequential Republicanism. The opposition to them, whether in Wis- charity; only money. No pleasure, except in getting money, on it last February was as follows: Yes, 152,434; no, 30,protest, but finds its vivid and potential expression not consin or elsewhere, comes largely from a wealthy, influen- No thought of anything in the 104. On the question, "Shall the Chicago board of educa-

A CASE FOR THE MAYOR.

things which the world regards as right and decent. The grave in their character that Mayor Williams, in justice to are few and far between. result was not alone a protest against machine domination himself, his administration and the public service, cannot Meanwhile, take a vacation, if you can, and enjoy your- ther is the direct primary nomination law. They will stick

but it was a vigorous protest against the outrageous part- Succinctly stated, Mr. Stowell charges that he was re- maybe; but you will have more fun, and a million chances to by legislators and politicians-most of them shams. nership which exists between the city government and moved because he would not violate the law; that the his one of getting into heaven. those forces of disorder which in defiance of the law are commissioners are not only constantly violating its spirit, but its very letter, where it is necessary to secure some There is no greater mistake than to believe that this is partisan advantage. He charges that not only have the but a temporary amalgamation of those forces which, mo- standards of efficiency been disregarded to get a favorite HE "direct legislation" policy, now being tried in sevmentarily aroused, accomplish an immediate purpose and on the eligible list, but that the marks given in examinathen fall apart. Happily for Portland, they are a force tions have actually been changed in order to make those hereafter to be reckoned with. Men of like general ideas who failed eligible. He gives particular instances and last year, is not altogether a new or untried thing. In have now found a way to make themselves effective. They names, and he specifies days and dates. If what he says May, 1901, the Illinois legislature enacted a law "providing and civic societies in various cities are taking the work have rubbed elbows with men of like way of thinking, and is true, these are serious offenses under the law, and are for an expression of opinion by electors on questions of

lice officer will hereafter be made to feel a degree of per- authority which is over them, then the law is worse than the people of that city, namely:

felt to nothing but the political machine. It means that The Journal does not propose to prejudge this case, but roads within that city; for ownership by the city of gas the course of every public official will be more narrowly at the same time it will not attempt to underrate its impor- and electric light plants; and, finally, for the nomination watched than ever before, that his success in office will tance. The mayor has a plain and unmistakable duty to of all candidates for city offices by direct vote of the voters be measured, not by the fidelity with which he serves a perform in the premises, and no man could be better quali- at primary elections to be held for that purpose.

machine, but the courage, honesty and uprightness with fied to discover what that duty is and how best to perform. The first two measures mentioned are not in point here

RUSSELL SAGE AND VACATIONS.

inaugurate reforms, but they are able to reach over the TEARLY ALL the papers of the country have com- a clique, are going to select their candidates for office. county may be accepted as evidence that the people are be remembered, that when he was a boy nobody took va- Chicago names. The newspapers generally ignored or coming back into their own. It is therefore both signifi- cations; that he never as a boy was allowed one, and had sneered at the movement. But the petition was a fact that cant and gratifying, and the people of this community who never taken one since that; they were injurious rather than could not be ignored, and the People got a chance at last believe in better public service and better things have every beneficial, tiresome instead of restful; and that, finally—and to vote, and this is how they voted: For ownership by the cago; it presents itself constantly in many large cities, and chiefly, in Mr. Sage's eyes—they were a source of needless city of railroads—Yes, 142,826; no, 27,998. For ownership has not been very successfully solved as yet in Portland. ties to get money.

Mr. Sage is half right about vacations being often more the people at primaries—Yes, 140; no, 17,654. S THERE IS great interest in the split in the Repub- tiresome and exhaustive than ordinary work at home, or It will be observed that a great many voters did not vote forth in a good cause. The example of a few, even, in lican party in Wisconsin and the causes leading so it seems. But this is only a surface view; it does not either way, but it may be assumed that if all had voted the active efforts along this line would be followed by others, thereto, we publish herewith a brief review of the take into account the resultant benefits of the change, the proportion would have been about the same. "Silence gives and after awhile public sentiment in favor of a continuously "The split in the Republican party in Wisconsin is of in another way; of the change, too, in scene and air, and the favored these propositions. more than local interest. If the difference between the escape from the routine of home as well as of business life Now, Chicago, with all its faults, is a typical American become so strong that greatly beneficial results would ap-

to the controversy scant attention. But it is clear from are ultimately beneficial to the average mortal it needs no government by the people. And the people there are going done. This is a movement that all good citizens should the platforms of the two conventions, as well as from Gov- extended argument or long citation of instances to prove. to govern-not a governor, not a legislature, not a conven- help along. ernor La Follette's address, that these two factions repre- Even work of a different kind for a little while may be a tion, not a president, not a party—the People—an increassent antagonistic political principles. The La Follette Re- comparative rest. So, even if a journey is tiresome, there ingly intelligent and responsible people.

The boycott is not only un-American, but experience publicans demand the direct primary, the ad valorem taxa- are discomforts attendant upon a stay at the seashore or So it will be elsewhere. Smash the shown that it is loaded with boomerangish tendencies.

love for family or kindred, no patriotism, no religion, no no, 58,482.

mission by B. L. Stowell, its late clerk, are positive, It is well, doubtless, that such men live. Verily, they

SOME FACTS ABOUT DIRECT LEGISLATION.

eral directions in Oregon, under the "initiative and referendum" amendment to the constitution, adopted public policy at any general or special election," similar to less effectual efforts to accomplish what the political bosses ance of power, if not actual masters of the situation. All No law, however good in itself, is of any consequence our new portion of the Oregon constitution. But this was through their army of henchmen, high and low, fail or this does not necessarily mean anything radical; it does unless it is enforced. The best of good laws may fail of only a statute, and the petition or "initiative" required 25 neglect to do. In some cities women are taking not only not mean that the city is to be turned topsy-turvy, or that their purpose through lax administration or through set per cent of the legal voters, and limited the questions to be they will seek to put in operation irrational and half-baked purpose to defeat their aims. If the civil-service law is submitted at any one time to three. Notwithstanding these enlisting the services of children, though this means, it plans. But it does mean that the city has "a governor," not honestly administered, the machine in this respect is restrictions, which to the writer seem fair, a referendum that the knell of raw, flagrant and aggressive vice has just as absolutely in control as it ever was. If men who league was immediately formed in Chicago (for the law been sounded, that some things which have been tolerated fail to enforce the law or who openly violate it are im- applies to cities of its class as well as the state), and cerin the past will no longer be tolerated, and that every pub- mune, if they are held to no accountability by the executive tain questions were selected to petition for and refer to

For ownership by the city of Chicago of all street rail-

now, though they may be before long. The third we in Oregon are about to try under the law passed by the peowell-a law passed by the people. And now the people, not

mented-most of them facetiously, but some seri- In Chicago it took 104,000 petitioners to get these proposiexpenditure, of the waste and loss of money, and opportuni- of gas and electric lights-Yes, 139,990; no, 21,364. For the

break-away from the monotonous treadmill, the getting tired consent," and we might even assume that those not voting clean city, or as clean as possible under existing conditions

city. More, perhaps, than any other large American city, it pear. trol the organization and hold the offices, we should give That such changes, although often physically wearisome, is seeking for the best methods of self-government, of right

Thus direct legislation has really come to pass in Illinois doesn't understand it.

As to the celebrated Mueller law, that for the ownership alone in the public prints, but in the ballot-box. In the tial and conservative majority, and especially from favored heavens above or in the seas beneath, except money. No tion be elected by the people?" the vote was: Yes, 115,558;

> mercy, no faith, no hope, no action in any direction that This is only a brief and imperfect summary of the progin any wise or in the least degree interferes with the get- ress toward the People's instead of the Politicians' rule in ting of money-and no matter how. This is this fine old Illinois. The movement is spreading. It has already strong roots, and even branches above ground, in Oregon.

We are going to have what is called Direct Legislation, straightforward and circumstantial. They are so must have their uses. But let us be thankful that they and more of it. The Initiative and Referendum amendment to the constitution of Oregon is not an ephemeral fad. Neiselves. You won't leave as much money as this old miser, and grow. The People have been too much imposed upon

The People are going to govern themselves more and

PRIVATE WORK FOR CLEAN STREETS.

ESPAIRING of clean streets under municipal supervision, all such work being in the hands of politicians, in hand, in one way or another, and are making more or neglect to do. In some cities women are taking not only an active but a leading part in this work, and are even may be expected, will be sporadic.

In Chicago the commercial and merchants' clubs have set about the task of making and keeping the streets clean by means of private contributions, and while this shows a high degree of civic enterprise, it is to be suspected that these-public spirited citizens will soon tire of paying out of their private purses for what they pay taxes to have done. For doubtless there, as in most cities, a large proportion of the money paid in taxes for this purpose is squandered in keeping the army of henchmen in good humor. But these two Chicago organizations seem determined to carry on this reform. They have raised a fund of \$20,000 ple last Monday. By the way, that sounds well, and is as a beginning and under the supervision of an expert the work is to be done in such a systematic and vigorous manner as will establish a precedent of much value to other citizens and even to the city officials. This value, a Chiously-upon Mr. Russell Sage's recently expressed tions before the people. This took seven months' earnest cago paper thinks, "cannot be over-estimated. It should go Taken as a whole, the result of the last election in this opinion adverse to vacations. He said in substance, it will work, but in January, 1902, the petition contained 109,428 far toward relieving Chicago of the stigma of the dirtiest streets in the world, and more, should arouse the officials to a keener sense of their obligations to the public."

The street cleaning problem is one not peculiar to Chi-Whatever efforts of citizens, men and women, can reanomination of all candidates for city offices by direct vote of sonably be made to improve the present system, or to aid and add to the work of the department, will be put -and also in favor of bettering those conditions-would

Everything possible for a clean city in 1905 should be

The boycott is not only un-American, but experience has

By LADY HENRY SOMERSET WRITTEN FROM A VILLAGE IN KENT THE CHURCH BELL

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Every morning the old ringer comes from his little red-roofed cottage among the fields, to see if the bell must be rung; every evening he comes on the same errand. The vilsurrounded by green fields and pine woods, and bathed in clear fresh air. So the bell is not often needed. Only about once in the month we hear its loud sonorous voice, telling us that another soul has gone home to

I know nothing more solemn than the

that the practice was absurd. But the bell, Chinese custom to scare the dead man's soul think, "Pool old soul, he has gone." though it no longer rings to tell us to cover from the village. Well, why not; why not our lights, rings to tell us more important try to scare all horror and fear from a lonely soul, going out into the unknown? Why not scare the soul away from material things out

into the great peace beyond? But even if the modern man were right, we, too, here in the village, are right in lovlage is a small one, lying high up in the hills, ing the bell, for if it was once a symbol of our selfish horror of death, by and by it became a symbol of our reverence and pity for the dead.

The village is so old, so unspoilt by modern notions, that still, as in bygone days, the sound of the passing bell brings the folk

to their doors. Some one has gone; who is it? The ques-

FEW YEARS ago the currew still than the idea that calls for its ringing. The swered quietly. Generally it is some old he had gone out alone. rang in our village, till some modern man who laughed at our curfew body that has died, some one who has seen person who liked new ways and de- told us that the passing bell was rung orig- his three-score years and ten, and, tired now, things to be ashamed of, many a thing to spised the old convinced the village inally to scare devils away, perhaps like the is glad to rest. It is of him the people

> In watching them, my mind has slipped back a few hundred years, and in imagination, I have seen the forebears of these kindly neighbors, just the same sort of people, with the same interests and occupations, called to their doors by the passing bell. make the sign of the cross, and whisper plously. "May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in

bell. It sounded through the village and across the fields, and up the slopes of the gone home to God. A poor old soul, perhaps, prayed, one who had been among us in the doors to ask who had gone. I knew, too,

sound of that bell, nothing more beautiful tion is asked in awestruck tones and an- harvest fields or by the winter fire, but now

Perhaps in those years he had done many make him dread his journey. How could he help but fear? So the bell rang, to tell us all to stop our work for a moment, stop our laughter and play and pray for the old neighbor, gone with all his faults and failures to stand before God's great white throne. How tragic that bell can be, how good for us to be reminded of life's great tragedy.

The other day, as I was going over the hill, I met the little servant from a farm on the outskirts of the parish, running down to the village with a white, scared face. Be-This was surely the Christian use of the fore I got to the top of the hill I heard what had been her message. Across fields from the square gray tower below came the slow, neighboring hills, to tell us that a soul had solemn voice of the bell. It seemed to fill the little valley, and I knew, as I stood there, a soul that had toiled and labored, loved and that the village people were coming to their

woman was sitting desolate by the little

white body of her dead child. The bell had a new tone that day. It did not call us to pray. The little child soul that had gone could have no fear. The bell was entreating us to pray for the mother, left bewas blue and the sun shone on green fields, was alone in that dark agony, when God's face is hid for a season. When the body has gone home, the bell rings a second time. It marks the day of a funeral by tolling early in the morning, and again at funeral time.

Often, as I have watched a little funeral procession going soberly through the quiet street. 'I have been half in love with easeful death." There is none of that ugly horror of sable trappings which we still see in cities. coffin. "I know that my Redeemer liveth." Here all is simple and quiet. The bell rings slowly, and slowly the little handful of people carry their dead through the quiet street

to the old gray church. Last week the village rangman died. Old

that over there in the farm, behind me, a and cross, a baggler at a bargain, not many people were sorry to see him go. I was passing by as they carried his old body through the lych gate, and saw the rector, with head uncovered, lead the way across the cobbled path to the church door. The hind, who now, at this moment, while the sky rector has a clear, strong voice. Across the churchyard and across the village square

to where I stood I heard the words: "I am the Resurrection and the Life," saith the Lord. "He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die." The little procession was pitifully small. The old ragman had few friends, and these were old as he, just a handful of bent men in their Sunday clothes following the The words came clear over the still, spring air. My heart cried out in gratitude to God that a cross-grained old ragman could share in that promise, and a few moments later the voice of the great bell rang out Amen.

WHAT IS THE SECRET OF THE SOUTH? . By GARRETT P. SERVISS

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ordinary tales, whose qualities of eries. pure imagination have never been approached by any of his imita-the reader is thrilled with a se-continent of dramatic incidents and vivid pictures relating to the Antarctic contint. For the majority of people, perthe country of dreams. They have before the mind's eye, more impressive never seriously thought of it as constitution before. tuting a real and extensive subdivision of the land area of the globe.

But the return of the German Antarc-once reigned over what are now the c expedition, following that of the ritish expedition, which visited a dif-linited States. It is undoubtedly, say expedition, which is conti-

continent in the consciousness of mankind, from which it had, to a great degree, faded in the past half century like a seldom-told tale of olden times. maps, that continent is simply a part of But now we are made to see it looming

The Antarctic continent is a living picture of the great age of ice, which the German explorers, the most exten-

N one of Edgar Allan Poe's extra- Captain Wilkes and his exciting discov- vast ice-covered continent which surre-established the Antaretic soil, such as it may once have hadfor the same indications of former tropical conditions that the far north presents are found there, too-and it would support hundreds of millions of inhabitants and furnish room for the growth

of a great empire. The ideas at present prevalent concerning the polar regions give no con-ception of the state of affairs which paleontological evidence indicates once existed in those parts of the earth. If there was an Arctic continent, it has sunk beneath the waves, for the North of the south, serves to fix atten- sive area of glacial desolation at pres- Polar ocean, as Nansen proved, occu-

continent still exists, with mountain showing the continued play of subter-

The recent explorers tell of the steep descent of the coast of this ancient southern land into a deep, surrounding ea, of large marine mammals inhabiting the waters, and of flocks of rare birds haunting the repulsive shores. Even the microscopic bacteria which flourish there have not escaped the obbacteria which servations of the enthusiastic German scientists.

There are indications that the present isolation of the Antarctic continent | years ago.

Great | tion upon that quarter of the world as | ent existing on the earth. Greenland | pies a deep basin. Not so with the | did not always exist. There was a time | it has not been fixed since the days of would form only a peninsula for the Antarctic end of the axis. There the when broad tongues of land connected it with the equatorial belt of the world. rounds the southern pole of our planet. chains as lofty as the Alps, and with With the advance of the influences These new explorations may be said Given a genial climate and a productive volcanoes as mighty as the Etna or Co- which turned it into a glacial waste topaxi, some of which are still active, we may imagine some, at least, of the former inhabitants making their escape to what are now South America, Africa

> But the period when those migrations occurred is so remote that, even though a race of intellectual beings were con-cerned, hardly the shadow of a tradition about them could have survived; for consider how faint and uncertain are the legends handed down to us from the immediate ancestors of the present races of mankind, who dwelt in Europe and Asia but a few thousand

tarnished, even when backed with the mask, whose broken edges flash apparently imperishable amalgam of inscriptions, labored parch-

a possible change in the future condition of the Antarctic continent, appears in the report of the German explorers Immense as is the present extent of the glaciers, they say, the marks on the mountain sides show that formerly they were still more extensive. In other words, the ice seems at the present time to be slowly receding. Who would not wish to look upon that land when it has become uncov-

Whose imagination is not stirred with the thought of what secrets of the ancient life history of our globe may lie fore.

Human memory is a mirror quickly hidden beneath that glittering crystal or glimmer shortly across the frozen sea when, during the equally long Antments and printed pages.

One significant, item which speaks of arctic night, the full moon ride over the teeming pampas of South America, and attracts superstitious eyes from the hut-doted plateaus of Central Africa?

Understands Now.

One morning I heard a wife lay a score or more of injunctions upon her chase of thread, dress goods, groceries, etc. And then I understood what was