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### It Didn't Offend Anybody-

the editor decided for once in his career to get out a paper that was entirely-satisfactory. Every item that was brought in was carried around to different houses, and, if any objection was raised, it was killed. At four o'clock the paper went to press as usual, and when the patrons unfolded they found it nothing but a blank sheet. The editor s'ept sweetly that night realizing that he had printed nothing to offend anybody.

### Township and Borough Anditors.

In 1879 an act was passed that the term of township officers should begin on the first Monday of March, and that township auditors shall meet on the second Monday of March to audit accounts except school directors and school treasurers. In 1883 a similar (Rep), act was passed relating to borough officers and auditors. So the time for township and borough auditors to meet to settle these accounts is on the second Monday of March of each year.

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The fifteenth meeting of the Penn-sylvania Odd Fellows' Anniversary Association will meet at Renova April 26, and the Renova Odd Fellows are busily engaged getting ready for the event. It is expected that the coming meeting will be an enthusiastic one. Prominent speakers will be present.

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PUBLIC OPINION.

Opinions Prom 'arious Sources on Questions of the Day.

"I speak not of foreible annexation, for that enanot he thought of. That by our code of more live would be criminal argument of "- Pro-result McKinley to congress, bec. 1, 1917.

Dear brothren of the "God and morality party," when you liek a revenue stamp for a bank check, telegram, etc., etc., don't forget to do it enthusiastically, as you are helping to pay the salary of the sultan of Sulu and keep up the establishment of his harem. The taste of the paste on the stamp may not be very delectable, but the McKinley administration has raised "old Glory" over the harem and slave pens of Sulu, and "where the flag has once been raised, who will dare pull it down?"-Westmoreland Democrat.

Ahab and Jezebel killed Naboth and took his vineyard. England can kill Kruger and annex the Transvaal. The United States can capture and shoot Aguinaldo and his followers, and hold the Philippines as a subject colony. But will the Supreme Ruler of the universe approve of the killing Kruger and Aguinaldo? Or will He visit the same judgment on modern oppressors as He did on Ahab and Jez-A reporter dreamed one night that but of right. The wealth of the Philippines and the Transvaal, and how much this country and Great Britain can profit by taking these countries should not be considered. Ill gotten gains are always a curse.-Meadville Democrat.

> We have opposed the forcible annexation of the Philippines on two purely material grounds—that we believe it to be bad business and bad politics. Ethical grounds cut little figure in the last decade of the Nineteenth century. We have considered it bad business because it will cost many millions to reconstruct the islands. The cost of the little war there will be but a bagatelle compared to the cost of the task which follows the war. We have considered bad bolitics because we firmly beeve that it will endanger the success of the Republican party in the year 1900. The labor vote is lining against the Republican party. trades unions are declaring against expansion.—San Francisco Argonaut

> In his message President McKinley said he had "every reason to believe" that the cession of the Philippines to the United States was in accordance with the wishes and aspirations of the great mass of the Filipino people. But what reasons had Mr. McKinley for be-Heving this? He specifies none. And certainly the burden of proof is upon him, for the only expression of the Filipino people so far came through the envoys of the Filipino republic, and those expressions were hostile to the proved the cession, when he refused to listen to the only expression of sentiment that any of the Filipino people in an organized capacity ever attempt-

"Pity 'tis, 'tis true," that expansion AGENTS WANTED To sell the of American territory means expansion of the nation's flag goes the curse of the legalized drink traffic. In the year the government's liquor policy-sent to Cuba liquor to the value of \$472,272. In 1898 the value of liquors sent from the United States to Porto Rico was \$3,668. In the first five months of 1899 it was \$191,422. In 1898 we shipped \$337 worth of liquor to the Philippines; in the first five months of 1899 we sent \$86,833 worth! When it is remembered what the use of alcoholic drinks means to the people of tropical lands. it would seem as if the "benevolent" policy of the United States toward its new possessions were to kill off the natives as soon as possible.-Union Sig-

> Samuel Salter and the other men employed by the machine to stuff the ballot box in the Thirteenth division of the Seventh ward are still in hiding and hunted. Well laid plans for flight, complaisant bondsmen and well spent machine money have combined make easy their disappearance. Undoubtly the way of these transgressors is hard; yet the path is not so rough as might be. They are not friendless. these faithful adherents of the machine. Condemned as they are by every decent citizen, they still retain the favor, unwilling but profitable, of the men they served. Few citizens who know politics are so guileless as to believe that these clumsy makers of majorities have entered upon their travels, pursued by warrants, with purses empty and futures unprovided for. Their knowledge is power, and their employers know it. Had any of them -Salter, for instance-chosen to tell all he knew of the ward elections, various forms that now obtrude upon the public gaze in high places would come hurling earthward. Immunity from such a fate must prove expensive. Men like Salter do not leave their homes, their families and their positions-his was worth \$3,500 a year—and enter upon what may be a lifetime of exile. without excellent assurance that they will be taken care of. Pondering upor these things brings one to the conclusion that there has been heavy draft upon the machine exchequer within recent days.—Philada. North American.

The national convention called to meet at Chicago Feb. 12, to consider measures 'a curb the alarming en-croachments of the trust power should be largely; tended. The call is signed by about 6 men from all sections of the country, representing all occupa-tions and ad parties. The dangers of trusts have been pointed out for some time by far seeing men, but not until recently have the evil effects of these enormous aggregations of capital and watered stock become so widespread as to attract general attention and cause general alarm.

MANY DIFFERENT COCKTAILS.

The Bartender Says There Is No Limit to the Varieties That Can Be Made.

"How many kinds of cocktails are there, do you suppose?" said the bartender. One man said six, another ten, while an Englishman hazarded a thousand, but no one paid any attention to him. Finally they all gave it up, and the bartender had the chance he had been waiting for, says the New York

"How many, then?" they asked. "I don't know," said the bartender. "I have only been in the business ten years, but there are very many. Some years ago when I was in 'Frisco, a man told men I couldn't make one dozen different cocktails. I told bim I could make four times as many. Finally we made a bet. He used to come in every morning, and I guaranteed that I would make him a different cocktall every morning for 40 days. If I failed I was to foot the bill, otherwise he was to pay. I got through all right. For 40 days I made a different cocktail for him every morning, and finally I threw in eight more just as a flourish.

"There was not, of course, much difference between them, but quite enough for an experienced man to be able to distinguish them, and so I won. The truth is there is no limit to the varieties of cocktail, and I should not be surprised to see an experienced man reach the hundred mark."

### FOR SWELLS ONLY.

Rigs Are Not Allowed in Hyde Park, London, Except They Are in Livery.

Americans visiting London for the first time are more than likely to hail a hansom the day they arrive and start promptly to see the Row, says a New York exchange. Half the books, stories, newspaper articles, etc., treating of English life make prominent mention of this, the smartest driveway in the world. London society circles largely about Hyde Park, and naturally enough tourists regard it as a good starting place from which to study British manners and peoples. Imagine, then, the indignation and the disgust of a pair of pretty girls, accustomed to traverse home drives in any fashion they like, to be warned back from Hyde Park entrance by a six-foot arm of the law. No tips, no remonstrances, no pleading has the slightest effect upon stern "bobby," who simply orders cabby to depart, and tell his fares to get a more correct equipage if they desire to take part in the Row parade. It is livery or nothing, and if the visitor contiaues to long for a glimpse of the Hyde Park show, she must have boots and breeches to drive her, thereby having at least the semblance of a private establishment. No admittance is the standing exile for the ostensible cab.

### WARRING IN THE CHOIR.

Inn Maclaren Says Choristers Quarrel Almost as Readily as Irish Patriots.

Rumors reach one's ears that the power of quarreling within certain RAILROAD TIME TABLE hurch choirs can only be exceeded b the high spirit of a body of Irish patriots, and that there is almost nothing so trivial and invisible but that it will set a choir by the ears, writes Ian Maclaren, in Ladies' Home Journal. It may be the place in the stall, or the singing of a particular part, or a correction of the choirmaster, or a word of approval to another chorister, or a remark dropped by one of the choir-so tender are the feelings of a choristeranything, or for that matter, nothing, will hurt. He will suik, or make unpleasant remarks, or resign, or drive some other persons out, and then on some great occasion all the members of the choir will resign and take themselves so seriously that the event will be considered equal in interest to a war. Upon the whole, the choir rather enjoys a crisis of this kind, for it gives stimulus to the artistic temperament. But there are some who do not enter wholly into the enjoyment.

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