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CURRENT TOPICS.

THE donkey is the longest lived of

domestic animals.

New YORK's police department employs 7,400 persons.

THE engines of a first-class man-of-

war cost about \$700,000.

Physicians' carriages have the right of way in the streets of Berlin. THE number of children and youth in the United States is 21,082,472.

A COLOSSAL statue of Gladstone is to be erected in Blackburn, England.

THE brooklyn bridge has contracted 41/2 feet since it was opened to the

In Russia people must marry before 80 or not at all, and may marry only five times.

THE prince of Wales's breakfast never varies. It consists of tea, toast and one egg. THE czar is considering the advisa-

bility of abolishing exile to Siberia as punishment.
Would-be Columbuses will be glad

to learn that one-tenth of the world is still unexplored. THE Siberian railway already has 50 gerator cars for taking butter to

the Russian cities. The first advertisements ever known were placed on the doors of St. Pauls

cathedral, London. GERMANY makes an excellent brand of "Scotch" whisky, which finds a ready sale in India.

WHEN first known to the Romans silk was so dear that it was sold weight for weight with gold.

GERMAN post office employes are not permitted to marry without the special consent of the government.

THE maximum weight of freight lo comotives is now 218,000 pounds, against 100,000 pounds 15 years ago.
In some eastern city a proposition

has been made to fumigate all the books in the public library. An offer of \$23,000 for three orchids

exhibited at the Antwerp horticultural show has been refused by the owner of the flowers. THE men and women of today are nearly two inches taller than their an-

cestors. This is no doubt owing to the growth of athletics. THE coal production of Great Britain amounts to 190,000,000 tons a year, of Germany to 100,000,000 tons and of

France to 28,000,000 tons. In Hayti there is sunshine almost every day in the year. Even during the rainy season the rain seldom falls until late in the afternoon.

It is said that one pound of butter gives a working force equal to that of five pounds of beef, nine pounds of poes or 12 pounds of milk.

Four thousand five hundred dollars was the cost of the cake provided at the wedding of John Jacob Astor to Miss Willing, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Choate, wife of the ambassa-dor in London, is in Paris, where she has bought some of the most exquisite

court gowns made in that city.

It has been found that in bald people the growth of the hair is stimulated, and its color changed, by the judicious

application of electric current.

At present England sells Colombia nearly 70 per cent, of the cotton cloth the latter, and the United

States only about 11 per cent. THE shepherds of Germany predict the weather by observing the wool on the backs of their sheep. When it is

the backs of their sheep. When it very curly fine weather will prevail. DURING the past year the exports of watches from Switzerland amounted to over \$13,000,000. The watches went to

almost all parts of the civilized world. ALEXANDER BEAUBEIN, the first white child born in Chicago and a son of Gen. John Baptiste Beaubein, has just celebrated his golden wedding at his

home in that city. An Atchison society woman has taken down the picture of "Washington Crossing the Delaware" in her best room and replaced it with "Funston

Crossing the Bagbag."

A CLUB has been formed in Peoria. ll., with 35 charter members, all ledged to marry none but widows. There is no age limit or other require-

ments in regard to the widows.

Daniel M. Burns, named by the governor of California as United States senator to fill the vacancy left by the legislature's failure to elect, is a man

great wealth, mostly made in mines THE Emperor William, despite the which he can shoot, is nevertheless quite one of the finest shots in Europe. Last year he brought down 897 head of game while attending the court differ

ent shooting parties.

The largest loaves of bread baked in the world are those of France and Italy. The "pipe" bread of Italy is baked in loaves two or three feet long. while in France the loaves are made in the shape of very long rolls, four feet or five feet in length, and in many cases

SEDITIOUS AGITATION.

Effects of the Treasonable Efforts of naldoists.

The deplorable results of the sedi tious agitation in this country on the subject of the Philippines could never have been set forth so convincingly as they are now in the interview with John Barrett, ex-minister to Siam. who have ridiculed the idea that the utterances of such men as Edward Atkinson were essentially of a treasonable nature would do well to ponder what the ex-minister says and to realize if they can how advisable it is to measure the onsequences of rhetorical inebriety before an indulgence therein.

Mr. Barrett, who comes from a close study of the situation, is positive that the natives would never have made war they received in the senate debates, and they would not have protracted hostilities as they have except for the inspiration they received from Bryan, Atkinson and all that class. He says that the Boston man's pamphlets were "meat" for the Filipinos. Mischiefmaking Spaniards at Manila seized upon such literature, had it translated and saw to its distribution in the quarters where it would do the most harm. Not only were the insurgents persuaded that they had powerful allies in this country. make it appear that Americans outside the select circle of the natives' friends were tyrannous and cruel. Spite of the remnant that would save, they were harsh to subject and inferior races, and the Filipinos might read their own future in the story of the negro and the Indian.

In the freedom of our own debates it is of course permissible for us to criticise our own policies even in exaggerated terms. But for a faction to go with these criticisms to an enemy in time of war is infamous. The effect which Mr. Barrett witnessed was in evitable. A wiser people than the Fili-pinos might have taken comfort from the wretched pamphlets, might have looked for aid to those who were attempting to create a diversion against the government in the United States How any American can think of the matter without experiencing a feeling of disgust and repulsion it is difficult to conceive.

But for others than the anti-expansionists it will be pleasing to learn that the success of sedition with the Filipinos was abundantly offset by its failure with the American troops. Our soldiers were not only true to their duty and the law of military discipline, as they might have been if they had had no relish for the war, but they responded intuitively to the true sentiment of the people on this side of the water and jeered the specious adverses that dresses that were sent out to convert them into mutineers. Their reply in action was to fight all the harder. The volunteers whom Mr. Barrett consulted scorned the idea of returning home if such a course would embarrass the campaign, and all expressed a perfect willingness to await the arrival of more regulars. Their spirit is revealed in the following:

in the following:
"When the fighting was begun on February 5 800 men who were on sick leave applied for permission to return to their regiments and got it. Of the Minnesota regiment, to which Gov. Lind's statements attracted attention, I can only say that while the regiment was doing patrol duty in Manila scores of men took the first opportunity to skip out and go to the front and fight. When men will risk court-martial to fight it does not look as if they wanted to come home in a hurry."

A review of the whole case should

A review of the whole case should m*ke the agitators long, like Dickens' haunted man, for a loss of memory.—Chicago Times-Herald.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Mr. Bryan is compelled to glare very intently at imperialism in order to avoid seeing the many evidences of prosperity at home.—Kansas City Jour-

We note with interest a growing disposition to let Mr. Edward Atkinson have a monopoly of the business which has lately engaged his attention.—N. Y. Tribune.

The democrats are waiting to see what the republicans will do. That is why the strongest kind of a plank should be put in the republican platform.-Cleveland Leader.

III would be just like Mr. Bryan to tie free silver and anti-imperialism by their tails and hang them over the clothes line in 1900. What a Kilkenny consequence would follow!—Brooklyn

Free silver politicians will regard Admiral Dewey's willingness to sit down to a \$50-a-plate dinner as forever settling his chances to become president, even should he change his mind -Washington Star.

The Atkinsons and Laughlins are noisy, but they do not represent the deep and settled conviction of the American people, at least as they are repre-sented by those that live in the great middle west .- Indianapolis News.

The Philippines belong to America by cession, by purchase, by the right of conquest and by possession. And yet there are some who dispute all these and would have the property turned back to anarchy, fire and sword .- Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

TNew Jersey kept up its republican majorities in the spring elections. The once ruck-ribbed democracy of that state dwindled into a minority when threatened with a bogus dollar. Bryan's new gospel of socialism will finish what is left.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

COur protective tariff hurts England, but a request in parliament its abrogation has just been officially that free trade will some day win in this country, but that is hoping against hope. Protection is the only safe-guard of the American standard of living for American labor.-Iowa State

TOO MUCH PROSPERITY.

The Bryanites Are Being Upset by the Good Times and In-creased Wages.

Papers of the ultra Bryan and populist variety are beginning to be troubled about the good times. They seem to realize the force of the remark of Mayor Taggart last fall, that a democratic victory cannot be expected long as good times continue. Therefore they declare that the good times are deceptive-that there will be no real prosperity until the United States perfects a vast silver-bullion trust by legislating to stamp every 45 cents' worth of it one dollar. To them the outlook is not cheerful, and so they make it as

Cherries as they can.
Unfortunately for such cliques and newspapers, but fortunately for the country, the people knew better. Most of them read newspapers, and when in one issue, as was the case on Monday, they read that 4,000 wage-earners in Cleveland had their wages advanced from five to twenty per cent., that 15, 00 iron workers in Birmingham, without solicitation, were given an advance of from ten to fifteen per cent., and that advances were announced in Reading, Pa.; Springfield, O., and other places, most people will come to the conc that prosperity of the substantial sort has come very generally. One of these papers declares that the

prosperity is artificial, having been manipulated by Senator Hanna for political purposes. He is the bold, bad man who is inciting employers in extensive industries all over the country to increase wages and to make it appear that there is an unprecedented demand for all the staples of the country.

Thereat they invent some new story designed to show the depravity of the

The Journal is not an admirer of Senator Hanna. Doubtless he does not care a fig, but the Journal has never taken to For that reason and others we would warn the agitated Bryan-populist editor that he may overdo the Han-na talk. There is more labor seeking men to perform it than there ever has been in the country before. Workers are getting millions more as wages each week than they did three years ago. Never before did 750,000 of men have their wages increased without asking. Now, if all these people whose condition has been improved by the better times should be persuaded by the Bryan-populist editors that Senator Hanna has brought it about he would be the most popular man in the land. He could have anything he desired at the hands of those people. What if they should make Senator Hanna a popular idol? Dreadful thought!-Indianapolis Journal.

COMPANIONS IN CRIME.

Another Shot at the Associated Preachers of Treason in This Country.

Brig. Gen. Harrison Gray Otis, who has just returned to the United States from the Philippines, adds his testimony to that of the other commandin praise of the American, troops who have been participating in the cam-

paign about Manila.

For a fact the American soldiers have made a record for valor, endurance and perseverance in the Philippine campaign, considering the fact that most of them were raw volunteers, which has astonished the world and every American should be proud of the men who have been following the stars and stripes through jungles and swamps under a tropical sun. These brave volunteers have put their hearts into their work, and there has been rare pluck behind every gun. Furthermore, they have made the sac-rifice willingly, because they were inspired by a patriotic desire to uphold the honor and glory of their country. Yet while the American soldiers have

been demonstrating that they are the best fighters on earth, traitors at home have been trying to breed insubordination and mutiny among them in the hope of so weakening the forces of Gen. Otis as to make it possible for the insurgents to win.

ssible to contemplate the splendid work of the American army and navy in the Philippine islands without feeling the utmost contempt for Edward Atkinson and his associated preachers of sedition .- Cleveland

The Rise of Silver. The upward movement of silver will do more, if it continues, to put Bryan against silver than could all the arguments of the honest money men of the country. Of course, if silver should go up anywhere near the mark at which the silver dollar would be intrinsically worth 100 cents Bryan would drop silverism. Anyone who would then talk sixteen to one would be an "agent of Wall street" and an "enemy of the hu-man race." Bryan is not bigoted in his devotion to silver. He shouts for the silver dollar because it is a dishonest dollar. He wants to force it on the farmers and laborers of the country because its general adoption would cheat them out of more than half of their earnings. He wants it for them because it is only worth 4f cents. If it was worth only 26 cents or 16 cents, he would shout twice as loud for it. Until silver starts down again, which it is likely to do to-morrow or the next day, Bryan will keep very quiet about sixteen to one.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The democratic party got on the wrong moral side of the union question of the emancipation question, of the re-construction question, of the financial question, and now, as an organization is getting on the wrong moral side of the expansion question. The number of democrats who will not follow the insanities of the party still remain sufficiently large to save the country And they will do it again next year.-Brooklyn Eagle

NEPHEW OF HIS UNCLE.

The Expedient Employed by a French Explorer to Get On with the Niger Natives.

Lieut. Hourst, the Frenchman who nade himself famous awhile ago by sailing down the Niger from its upper waters to its mouth, has just published a book describing the journey. Every part of the river he saw had been previously visited, but he was the first traveler who traveled down the entire river. His journey was a great success in spite of the rapids and the enmity of some natives, with whom, however, he did not come to blows.

Hourst attributes his success largely the fact that he was advised by one of the Mohammedan natives, an elderly man, who had seen Barth during that explorer's great journey to represent himself as being the son or nephew of the famous German. The man told Hourst that no white man that ever came into the country had made so good an impression upon the people as Barth had done. The fame of the ex-plorer had been handed down from father to son, and all the more intelligent people of the western Soudan knew of the great man, had heard how much he was liked by their fathers, and would exert themselves to show their friendship for anyone connected with him by

Hourst acted on the hint. All along his journey down the river he caused himself to be heralded as the nephew of Barth, and in many places he was received with special hospitality on this account. Inasmuch as he never fired a gun at a native, but treated all with courtesy and consideration, it is likely that any other "member of Barth's family" who may visit the Niger will meet with a kindly reception.

MOTHER-IN-LAW DISSOLVED.

An Impecunious Artist Who Wen Cleopatra, Serpent of the Nile, One Better.

HON. JAMES SCHOOLCRAFT SHERMAN.

FIRST WARM DAY.

The Country Folk in Southeastern Pennsylvania Call It a Weather Breeder.

In southeastern Pennsylvania there comes a day in February that brings with it an indefinable sense of joyousness. A southern wind wanders up the Delaware with a touch of spring in its air that quickens, for the first time, the slumbering life. It is then, says Appleton's Popular Science Monthly, that those mysterious forces in the cells of living things begin their subtle work hidden in the dark, underground store-houses of plants and the sluggish tissues of animals buried in their winter sleep. On such a day the groundhog ventures from his burrow, some restless bee is lured from the hive to wander disconsolate over bare fields, a snake crawls from its hole to bask awhile in the sunshine, and one looks instinctive ly for the first breaking of the earth that tells of the early crocus and the peeping forth of daffodils. The southerly wind is more than apt to be a tell-ale, for with all its springtime softness it is drawing towards some storm cen-ter, near or remote, that will inevitably follow with rough weather in its sweep. The countryfolk rightly call such a day a "weather breeder," and even the groundhog knows its portent in the very sign of its shadow. Come as it will, the day is really a day borrowed in advance from the spring, as though to hearten one through all the dreary days that will follow, and, in starting the growing forces of vegetation, to make ready for the season's coming.

THEIR PET BELIEF.

Nearly All Women Think They Have a Fine Knack for Mending Things.

If there is a woman who can lay her hand on her heart, or the region where it ought to be, and solemnly declare that she has ever succeeded in mending When the engagement was in its first anything permanently with paste, gum quarter Wagers painted the portrait of or cement, I should like to meet her. I

up to me and said he was in a most embarrassing position, had his sister and mother aboard, and had lost his mileage book. He would introduce me to them and give me any security for \$25. I said I needed neither introduction nor security, but would give him ten dollars—all I had to spare. He insisted on giving me his diamond searjin, and then rushed into the station to see if he could get more cash. As the train pulled out without him, he came running wildly after it, but had to give it up. "Then the porter approached me tentatively. 'Was that man annoying you?' he said. I told him no. 'He insisted on carrying the baggage of two ladies inside, sah, an'—an'—did he get any money out of you?' "Of course he didn't, said I; but I took the first opportunity of examining that pin. It was worth about five cents.'—Buffalo News. Catarrh Cannot be Cured Catarrh Cannot be Cured

The major, just returned from Bostontells in strict confidence this story:

"I had engaged my berth, and was standing on the rear platform five minutes before the train pulled out of the Park
Square depot, when a middle aged womanand a handsome girl, both ladies, passed meand ertered the car, accompanied by a
gentlemanly-looking chap who carried their
baggage. A moment later this fellow pushed
up to me and said he was in a most embarrassing position, had his sister and mother
aboard, and had lost his mileage book. Hewould introduce me to them and give me

Joke on the Major.

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A writer in the Contemporary Review claims that there are other points of similarity between the Russians and Americans besides the bigness of their territory and their industrial under-takings. He says: "What impressed takings. me most about the educated Muscovite He is conscious that his country has lagged behind western nations; he is also conscious that it has been going forward this last decade by leaps and More Precious Than Diamonds. Among the rarest of precious stone he green garnet is probably the mos

mellow as the moon.
"Gentlemen," he said, "when Cleo-

patra, lovely sorceress of the Nile, gave a banquet to her fr'en's she dissolved a

pearl in wine. But I, gentlemen, go th'

fair serpent one better. I've dissolved

And so he had, by the aid of the pawn

broker around the corner, to raise funds

-my mother-in-law.

for the feast.

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exceedingly rare, while red garnets are so common that their cost is trifling. Military Musicians.

diamond of equal size, because it

The German army includes more than 10,000 military musicians. Other man?" he asked, as a kind of clincher. powerful nations on the continent employ rather less numbers in military

his mother-in-law-elect, says the New have known many housewives and York World. He had never done anything better in an artistic sense, and the course of a brief but useless life, his friends gave him credit for unexpected diplomacy. The course of true love seemed strewn with roses, and the pacture had the place of honor in his studio. Then, all at once the bride-tosecutive minutes when subjected to the be was whisked off to Europe and Wa- slightest strain, says Pearson's Magazine.

A woman can mend a saucer with ce-

gers found himself a jilted man. For a little while he was inconsolable. Then he rallied his spirits and spread a feast for the boys in the old den.

ment, and its broken parts will continue to adhere until some one picks it When the champagne sparkled in the up. She can also mend an umbrella glasses the speeches began, but, with handle with gum, and it will present a rare delicacy, the subject of his recent decent appearance until some one tries masterpiece was not mentioned, although everybody noticed that the to take it from the umbrella stand. This, however, is not the sort of mendplace it ad occupied knew it no more. Then Wagers rose, and his smile was ing which the woman desires, and it is needless to say that it is worse than no mending whatever.

This gentleman, who is the leading eastern candidate for the speakership of the national house of representatives, was born in Utica, N. Y., in 1855. He is a young man full of vigor and energy, and one of the most popular members of congress. He received both an academic and collegiate education; graduated from Hamilton college in the class of 1878, studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1880. In 1884 he was elected mayor of Utica. He was elected first to the Fiftieth congress, and has served in the house ever since. He is said to be a fine presiding officer.

Yet, although every woman who has reached the age of 35 has probably made 450 attempts to mend things, every one of which has failed, she will still continue to believe that broken articles can be firmly and permanently mended with her favorite sticking mix ture. Whence comes this indomitable faith? Echo declines to return any anwer whatever.

Chinese Politeness.

When in Shanghai Prince and Priness Henry of Prussia were given an amusing example of Chinese politeness. While visiting a notable mandarin their host asked through the interpreter the host asked through the interpreter the age of Prince Henry. On being told that the experor's brother is a little over 36 the mandarin turned to the prince and said: "You appear 50." He then inquired the age of the princess, who is 32. The interpreter, Herr Voigt, an honest citizen of Stettin, hesitated to inform the princess what the man-darin replied on learning her age. prince Henry, however, has a smattering of Chinese, and laughingly commanded: "Out with it, Voigt!" The Chinese flatterer had told the princess: "You look 60."

A Pertinent Question.

The weak fellow was making the girl tired by his long and vapid talk on the

advancement of women.
"Don't you ever wish you were a "No," she responded, in the sweetest most womanly way; "do you?"-1"t-Bits.