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The service one renders another in commending to him a good book, which & Good Book Is a Good Friend. he comes to value, is like that he per-Good Friend. Is not the forms in introducing him to a person who subsequently becomes a close friend. For, as the Boston Watchman has observed, it is in the power of books to enter into the very substance of our lives and to become fountains of strength and joy. Nothing, of course, can ever take the place of the force that radiates to one in association with a noble and strong personality; but next to that probably stands the power of books. In them we also come into relation with the personal forces transmitted through the medium of the printed page. And some writers have the faculty of transmitting themselves through that medium with singularly little diminution of power. It is not within the resources of many of us to have large circles of acquaintance with the choicest people. But for a dollar or two and the price of a light one may have spread before him the thoughts, the fancies, the discoveries and the speculations of the wisest and brightest human souls. For one who has tasted of the pleasure of communing with a congenial author there are few human satisfactions comparable with that of reading a book that appeals to you with a message for which you are ready.

The Baltimore school board, having decided to establish a cooking school, advertised for a teacher, offering a salary of \$540. No cooking school graduates responded, the only applicants being cooks, one of them a colored woman, and the superintendent would not employ any of them. Then it was discovered that the law required a competitive examination, and not a teacher in the schools was competent to hold the examination. When one of the teachers was asked what she would do if she married, she replied: "Why, hire some one, of course." Those who were previously opposed to the teaching of cooking in the schools before these facts were discovered are reconsidering the matter.

Postmaster General Payne is opposed to female rural mail carriers, and is likely to dismiss some that have been appointed. He is of the opinion that women carriers cannot endure the hardships necessary in such work during the winter months; but before he makes any changes he should certainly give the ladies a fair chance to demonstrate how efficient they are. In many lines of work women have proved them-

### Enormous Business of the United States Built Up by the Republican Protective Policy.

Americans are accustomed to seeing

big figures, for this is a big country and the figures which tell of its de-velopment are necessarily in keeping with it. But familiar as most of us may be with the magnitude of the exhibits made from time to time, there is little doubt that many will be surprised and impressed by the statements made by O. P. Austin, chief of the bureau of statistics of the United States treasury department-and who by the way, was formerly the Washigton correspondent of the Times. Mr. Austin has been deliver ing a series of lectures at the Colum bias university in Washington on the subject of "The Growth of the Internal Commerce of the United States,'

and has presented in compact form a great deal of very valuable information on this point, says the Troy Times

Mr. Austin has shown that the commerce between the nations of world has grown from \$1,500,000,000 in 1800 to \$20,000,000,000 in 1890, or from about \$2 for each individual in the world in 1800 to \$13 for each individual in 1890, and that the foreign commerce of the United States has made even more rapid gains, our exports of domestic merchandise having grown from \$32,000,000 in 1880 to \$1. 460,000,000 in 1900, or 46 times as much at the close of the century as at its beginning.

Dealing especially with internal commerce, Mr. Austin said it aggregates as much as the total foreign commerce of all the nations of the world, and has grown from a comparatively insignificant sum at the begin-ning of the last century to fully \$20, 000,000,000 at the present time. This growth has been mainly due to the transportation facilities, which opened up the interior of this highly productive country, whose variety of produc tion and great area make the interchange between its various sections very large and also easy.

The result of this great activity in our internal as well as foreign commerce is that the United States has become the most prosperous and the wealthiest nation of the world. Its exports of domestic merchandise are greater than those of any other nation, the money in circulation and stock of gold exceed those of any other country, and its national wealth is also the largest in the world and is rapidly growing. The wealth in the United States has increased from \$7,000,000,000 in 1850 to \$30,000,000,000 in 1870, \$65,000,000,000 in 1890 and \$100,-000,000.000 in 1902, and the per capita wealth from \$307 in 1850 to \$1,265 in

1902. All this has been brought about practically within a century-hardly span in the life of old nations, som of which were enjoying wealth and prosperity for hundreds of years be-fore the United States came into existence. And most of it has been gained, notwithstanding the enormous drainage caused by the bloody and costly civil war, within the last 40 years, under progressive republican control and the wise and beneficent republican policy of protection.

#### Solidly Republican.

Another practically solid section of the country is that part of it included in the 15 states west of the Mississippi river. Four years ago the republican carried eight of these states and the democrats and populists seven. In the recent elections, the republicans car ried them all, except the rotten borough of Nevada, by majorities aggre-gating about 278,000 votes. Of the 58 congressmen chosen in these trans Mississippi states the republicans appear to have elected 49 and the demo crats nine. The change from the conditions existing in that section of the country, where Bryanism was more or less rampant, is something remarkable, and is not readily accounted for it can be said to be due to the regions, as well as in those of the cowboy .- Boston Herald (Ind.).

# That Is What the Republicety Party Has Been Made by Its Leaders in Every Section.

The Birmingham Age-Herald asserts that the president has designated three well-known and highly respectable gentlemen of Alabama as referees or consulters with reference to federal appointments in that state, and that these gentlemen are opposed to the so-called "lily white" movement.

Assuming that the Age-Herald's statement is true, as it well may be, the action and attitude it records are entirely characteristic of Theodore Roosevelt. The law bestows upon the president an enormous responsibility for appointments to office, but provides him with practically no official means of obtaining the knowledge necessary to meet that responsibility, says the Chicago Inter Ocean.

Hence the practice long ago grew up of the president looking to, in districts and states whose representatives in congress are not in sympathy with the administration, certain men in whose judgment he had confidence for information about the character of applicants for office. This system has prevailed under all administrations, but because of its unofficial status public attention has not been often directed to its existence.

It is entirely characteristic of President Roosevelt's frank and open temper that he should openly use a method which all presidents have found neces-sary, but which a former democratic president thought fit to use with more or less concealment, as if he were rather ashamed of it. That the president should choose for his confidential advisers in Alabama men opposed to such unrepublican politics as the "lily white" movement represents is also characteristic of his devotion to republican principles.

The failure of the republican party in the southern states in the '70s was due chiefly to the fact that many of its local leaders tried to make it a black man's party—or at least gave it the semblance of an organization of more or less ignorant black men against the intelligence and property of the com-munity. The "lily white" movement is an equal blunder in the opposite direction. In Alabama it has attempted to exclude even intelligent property-owning black men from politics. As such it is an unrepublican movement, and can have no sympathy from the president or any other thinking republican.

For the republican party is neither white man's nor a black man's nor the rich man's nor the poor man's It is what its real leaders have party. ever made it all over the country, and what the president is trying to make it in the south-just an American man's party, thoroughly American in every sense of the word, because it is, without discrimination of race, color, religion, or material condition, for the upright American man.

## "REVISIONISTS" OF TARIFF.

#### Where the Demand for a Ripping Up of the Whole Tariff System Comes From.

The "tariff revisionists" are simply

free-trade democrats, except as they are reenforced by a few selfish manu-facturers who have hitherto called themselves republicans because they desired protection for their products but now hope for still further profit to themselves by conspiring with the free traders to take away the protection which others enjoy, says the San Francisco Chronicle. We do not hesitate to declare that there are not now, and have not been since 1897, a thousand real republicans in the United States who desire any change whatever in the schedules of the Dingley tariff, except as they have secret hopes of some special profit to themselves at the expense of other Americans. The persistent democratic story that the remublican revision of the tariff is a persistent democratic lie. The voters of Iowa, who thought they wanted "tariff revision" voted for the democratic candidate who was sure to help them get it. He was buried under 70,000 majority We deny that there is or has been any republican demand for tariff tinkering in any part of the middle west. The vote of the Mississippi states shows an increased determination to uphold re-publican doctrines. If any republican leader professes to desire tariff re-vision he does so not because he believes it would be good for the country, but because he has been seared by the shouting of the democrats. There is conclusive evidence that republicans desire no change in the fact that there has not been named on any republican platform or in any republi-can journal a single articles on which a reduction of duty is demanded. If re-publican protectionists desired any change it would be in respect to son particular article or some paticular schedule. They would state their spe-cifie demand and give their specifie rea-A vague demand for "tariff reson. vision" is simply a demand for ripping up the whole system. The term was invented by democrats as more allur-ing than the "free trade" for which it stands. #FEx-President Cleveland has again been lecturing the democratic party on its duty. He says it must not imi-tate the example of the man who sat been beturing the democratic party on its duty. He says it must not imi-finding in keeping enough mechanical down between two chairs and conse-quently fell with a duil, sickening thud, but it must return to its old seat and adopt its old principles, which are summed up in "a tariff for revenue only," better known as free trade. And Henry Watterson, who has charge of the sacred cause of tariff reform!-Troy Times.

### ANGLO-GERMAN ALLIANCE.

## Englishmen Are Sick of It - Opinions of the British Press Concerning the Venezuelan Imbrogilo.

London, Dec. 18 .- The developments in the Venezuelan imbroglio, as revealed by Premier Balfour's statements in parliament yesterday, have resulted in bringing out in the press tils morning stronger expressions than ever of the desire to reach some pacific settlement of the difficulty

It is said on behalf of the govern-It is said on behalf of the govern-ment that even in last July, when German co-operation was first moot-ed, the British government fully rec-ognized the possibility of war with Venezuela and only postponed action until the winter at the suggestion of the admiralty, and in order to avoid the unhealthy season.

On the other hand, those who de-Clare that the government of the United States forced the govern-ment of Great Britain into a virtual declaration of war are not lacking. Certainly a considerable portion of the British public was rather disa-greeably surprised to find that Great Britain actually was at war, and that this war might for many months to come require the presence of a large naval force in Venezuelan waters and put a stop to all British trade with Venezuela.

Henry Norman, M. P., in a newspa-per article published this morning in which he emphasizes the dangers of the position into which Germany is dragging Great Britain, contends that the only safe and dignified course for Great Britain is to satisfaction through co-operation with the United States.

Mr. Norman's opinion reflects a very widespread feeling with regard to the Anglo-German agreement and concerning the question of how the United States would view the existence of a state of warfare between the powers and Venezuela. The newspapers this morning ask: "What would happen should Ger-

many choose to seize Margarita island as a base for the blockade?" The Daily News, in an editorial de-

clares that the new European con-cert "is not to coerce a bankrupt republic, but is a revolt against the Monroe doctrine."

The Times gives great prominence to a letter from Sir Robert Giffen de-claring that the foreign office gravely blundered in associating itself with Germany against Venezuela. Sir Rob-ert contends that a blockade will be useless against a bankrupt state, while the seizure of customs will be tantamount to annexation and full of danger. "Further," continues the danger. "Further," continues the writer, "however much we may bring Venezuela to its knees, no solvent to deal."

Sir Robert strikes his most alarming note when he refers to the daning note when he refers to the dan-ger of Germany embroiling Great Bri-tain with the United States. He be-lieves that Germany would not hest-tate to occupy Venezuelan territory, and he thinks the less said about British claims the better. He says he doubte if Great Poissie hes any mondoubts if Great Britain has any mor-al claims against Venezuela and concludes with these words:

"The best course is to ery off at all hazards and, at the utmost, exact punishment for the injured seamen by getting hold, if possible, of the guilty Venezuelan officials."

## ALMOST IMPREGNABLE. A French Diplomat Says that Venez-

uela's Capital Would be Hard to Capture. Paris, Dec. 18 .- M. Thiesse, formerly minister of France to Venezuela, and who lived many years in Vene-zuela, has been interviewed concern-

zuela, has been interviewed concern-ing the situation there. He said: "Venezuela can put 400,000 men in the field, and even foreigners there are liable for military service. A number of the younger officers re-ceived their education in the military schools of France and Germany. The Venezuelans are armed with Monthal Venezuelans are armed with Martini and Remington rifles and have a few Maxim and Krupp guns. They have no eavalry.

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#### TO PREVENT FRAUD.

#### Bertillon System Will Be Used to Identify New York Employes. made

Fraudulent impersonations mad by laborers in the street-cleaning de civil partment led the municipal service commission of New York to adopt a rule requiring such employes to submit to the Bentillon system measurement in order to permit the identification at any time of men in the city's employ. The system is in use in this country almost exclusive-ly for the identification of criminals. It is the intention of the civil serv-ice commission to extend the system to other departments where laborers are hired in large numbers and pos sibly to the police and fire departments, where, it is said, gross frauds have been perpetrated by substitu-tion of one man for another while

examinations are in progress At the meeting of the committee t is said that in the last three it months 20 cases have been discovered where men have been working under assumed names and using cards that had been given to them by the original employes. In many cases, it was said, the men caught had only been in the country a short time. Indica-tion cards are to be used. On these will be noticed the color of the man's hair and eyes, his stature, the length of his feet, forearms and thumbs, the size of his head and ears and any distinguishing marks or blemishes that may be discovered.

The decision of the commission was reached after the street cleaning department officials had conducted a rigid inquiry into several cases where substitution was suspected. In one of these a man working under an assumed name was discharged in court, the magistrate holding that no law had been violated. Hereafter where misrepresentation is discovered the owner of the identification card and the holder of it will be dismissed from the service. The infliction of this penalty debars both mer from entering the city's employ for a year.

# "GREAT HEAVENS!" IS BAD.

The Co-Eds at the Northwestern Un!-versity Now Say "Fudge" Instead. Northwestern university co-eds at Evanston, III., use "swear words" even though they don't mean to be even though they don't mean to be profane in the least. So says Prof. J. Scott Clark, head of the English de-partment of the university, and he took the young warman scenario he took the young women sorely to task for their failing in his sophomore composition class. "Great heavens" is the favorite "swear word" of the co-eds, accord-ing to Prof. Clark, and it is just as sinful na femining mouth as "damn"

sinful in a feminine mouth as "damn' the mouth of a young man. ejaculating

"Don't shock me by ejaculating 'great heavens,'" said Prof. Clark to his class, "It is a profane expression. I want to warn the young wowen in this class, especially, because I know they are in the habit of using the ex-pression more than the young men. When you say 'great heavens' gave taking a sacred name in vain. you hear girls using the words every day, would feel almost like blashing and if 1 were not aware that they didn't mean it for anything bad."

The expression which prompted the remark on feminine profanity was found by Prof. Clark in a co-ed theme, which he read before his class. The 30 young women were in-dignant at the accusation aimed at them, but have decided to throw over "great heavens," and henceforth say nothing stronger than "Oh, fudge!"

#### Practiced.

First Fan—That rightfielder is mighty light on his feet. Look how he went into the air for that fly. Second Fan—Well, he ought to be. He's jumped eight contracts so far this season. —Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

An Exchange.—Mother (who has been out for the day)—"Tommy, did you take that medicine that I told you to, when I was away?" Tommy—"No, ma. Willie Jones ame in, and he liked it so, I exchanged it with him for a sour apple."—The King.

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#### He Thought His Bones Were to Ba Taken from Him a Bit at a Time.

At the Royal national hospital, Ventnor, recently a patient found a very small piece of splintered bone work out through his skin. Next day he happened to be called up for medical examination, with some four or five other patients. In the consulting room he told the physician of the preced-ing day's incident, relates the Philadelphia Inquirer. "Can you produce the piece of bone?" said the latter. Whereupon the fellow care-fully unwrapped a little piece of paper and handed over the tiny object. The doctor made some remarks about its chemical na-ture, and passed it on to the resident med-ical officers for further scrutiny. The patient was then dismissed, and in the next room caused some amusement among the few fellow sufferers present by the remark: "That's all right, ain't it'? I wonder what he'll do next. He's started speakin' my confounded skeleton, and says how very interestin' it is!"



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elves as capable as men, and when serves as capable as men, and when it comes to braving the storms of win-ter in the face of duty they have not ter in the face of duty they have not dent Roosevelt in the Rocky mountain been found wanting.

Two "leper missionaries," as they are called, were recently received by President Roosevelt in the white house. Of course these two missionaries are not lepers, but they help to make life better worth living in the leper colony in Surinam, South America. This missionary work is of special importance to the United States on account of our growing trade with Surinam, where 3,000 lepers have their home. Rev. and Mrs. Henry T. Weiss were much grati- portant .-- Cleveland Leader. fied at the interest the president showed in their work.

The Chinese of New York are plan-for trust evils.-Omaha Bee. ning to erect a hospital in the Chinatown of that city, where their sick may be treated by physicians of their own race. This hospital, if it is esoriental plan, and will be a distinct Indianapolis Journal.

other day. That's just like a woman. The robber got the money and can buy jars,-St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The robber got the money and can buy a new hat, but the victim can't do any-thing with the plunder she captured. A man would have made a grab for the thief's watch, at least.  $\mathbb{P}^{T}$  The president has done his whole duy. He has riddled the armor of those who for months have been en-deavoring to lead him into the pitfall thief's watch, at least.

acreage of 6,033, producing 2,177,271 bushels.

# POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

The populist yell captured the democratic party in 1896. Look out for the socialist shout of short division in 1904 .- St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

There is some comment because

IPPresident Roosevelt makes it clear that he does not agree with those political doctors who prescribed tariff smashing as the exclusive nostrum

DThe expression of leading repub-lican senators in Washington is unanimous in favor of some legislation to strengthen the anti-trust laws-to regtablished, is to be conducted on the ulate commerce, not to destroy it.-

 

 oddity in this country.
 Image: Southal.

 A Detroit woman grabbed the hat of a thief who snatched her purse the republican party. Even those who may be unfriendly to the league must addit that the the souther day.

admit that it can stand some terrific

thief's watch, at least. California ranks sixth as an onion-producing state, according to the cen-sus reports, having 2,207 acres that yielded 514,859 bushels, worth 2996,271. New York takes first place, with an acreage of 6,633, producing 2,177,271 erty and intelligence .- Albany Journal.

"Caracas is almost impregnable, owing to the fact that it is situated on the other side of a mountain range about 6,000 feet high. These mountains are impassable except by steep mule paths where 20 men could stop a whole regiment. There is a rail-road from La Guaira to Caracas, but the destruction of a single bridge would render the line useless. If, by a miracle, Caracas shall be taken, the Venezuelans would wage a guerilla warfare, as they did against Spain."

#### Earthquake Destroys a City.

Ashkabad, Russian Turkestan, Dec 3.—The town of Andijan was totally destroyed by an earthquake Tuesday The number of fatalities is not ye ascertained. The population is ascertained. The population is threatened with starvation. Shocks were felt in surrounding villages and a railway at Andijan was destroyed for a considerable distance. Andijan is a town of Russian Asia. It had a population of about 30,000 souls.

## Insanity Plea Didn't Win.

Insanity Pice Didn't Win. New York, Dec. 17.—Thomas Tobin was yesterday convicted of the mur-der of Capt. James B. Craft, of Glen-cove, L. L. whose decapitated body was found about two months ago in the Empire music hall. The defense sought to prove insanity, but numer-ous experts testified that the pris-oner was sane.

## Clerks Get the Worst of It.

Topeka, Kan., Dee. 18.-The diffi-culty which western rullroads are protest.

