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In considering municipal nominations tomorrow Republicans should not forget that the office of city controller is one of the most important in the entire list. In the hands of an honest and courageous man it is an almost invincible sufeguard against jobbery and fraud.

Stand by the Colors.

It may be impossible in the present condition of public opinion to secure an atmosphere of judicial fairness in which to discuss the political methods fixed policy with reference to the ulof those who are leading the fight for Senator Quar's defeat; but we invite those persons who wish to be fair to give consideration to the following facts:

Every man is entitled to be thought innocent until proved guilty. This is the very corner-stone of Anglo-Saxon jurisprudence: a principle in the establishment of which oceans of human blood have been shed-the crowning glory, in fact, of modern civilization, giving to every citizen an impregnable guarantee against injustice. Yet the human blood-hounds who are bellowing in chorus upon Quay's trail sound as the chief note in their battlecry the doctrine that Quay is the one man in these United States who must be treated as if guilty until he can prove his innocence. Once grant this doctrine and no man is safe.

In political prosecutions sprung no toriously to influence pending campaigns, the motives of the attacking shie deserve to be weighed fully as carefully as the evidence of the defense. Who are the men foremost in the man-hunt against Quay? Every one of them a disappointed office-seeker, overflowing with spleen and malice. There is absolutely not one exception. From the attack of politicians who have been disgruntled and eribittered by political disappointments, and whose motives, therefore, are discredited from the boginning.

While it is plain that Senator Quay must stand trial before a jury of his peers, in a court from which the maprobable contingency-would be equally chinations of political animosity and ffective in defeating Aguinaldo's vizpersonal prejudice have been carefully onary plan of a Tagal dictatorship excluded, yet what gross injustice would it be for his friends, who to a nected with our own commercial inman believe in his innocence, to permit terests in Orlent might arise which, the manufactured clamor of his enewithout any other prompting, would mies to stampede them into deserting force the conversion of temporary into from his support! Who would respect permanent American control. The a turn coat under fire? Who but a whole question, in short, depends upon coward would strike colors and run? conditions which have not yet devel-Senator Quay, as the Republican oped, rendering present snap judgment caucus nomince, deserves the support decidedly premature. of every regular Republican until such time as he shall either be victorious over the conspiracy against him or shall of his own prompting proffer release.

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wealth can all sustain the forgiving when he had been whipped and readily spirit characteristic of the senator him- if not cheerfully acknowledged the elf. It simply is not within the bounds fact. of fallible human nature. A press club convention is being ar-The party man who bolts forfeits ranged to be held in Baltimore in the

the right to expect regularity from his opponents when he is the regular nominee and they are the objectors. It is a poor rule that doesn't work two WDYS.

The example presented by some of the prominent statesmen of other days

who are now fighting the administra-It is generally regarded as unsafe in tion at Washington as anti-expansiona newspaper office to print the truth ists, is another illustration of the fact that a man can occasionally outlive his about a man who is not a candidate for office, but we would risk a jury usefulness trial on the assertion that the public's

Premature.

The assertion of Senator Foraker

stamps him as perhaps the meanest that the American people contemplate the ultimate independence of the Fili- man now living. We stand ready to make quick apology, however, if it can pinos is an individual opinion, not an authoritative statement of adminis- be shown that Mr. Sage, unknown to the public, has privately compensated trative policy. The American people at this time do not contemplate any this unfortunate employe for saving Sage's life by taking upon himself the timate disposition of this problem for full effects of the Norcross bomb.

The decision of the New York court the good and sufficient reason that they of appeals reversing the judgment of have not yet acquired the information the lower court which awarded Laidrequisite to the intelligent formulation law \$40,000 damages ends any hope of such a policy. It is likely to be years hence before they will feel qualified to which this victim of Sage's avarice may have had of securing redress answer this question. Off-hand opinions at present are more or less ridicu- through legal processes. The appellate

court holds, in substance, that when a American public opinion has gone no man is in imminent peril of his life, urther in the direction of solving the as Sage was when confronting that Philipy ne problem than to recognize bomb, he is not legally responsible if the necessity of a speedy ratification in an agony of apprehension he seizes of the Paris peace treaty and the hold of the nearest animate or inaninilitary occupation of the Philippines mate body and uses it as a shield. by this government for the enforce- This may be good law-there is no gonent and preservation of order pending ing beyond the final appeal-but if it the determination of the difficult prob- is, it is the kind of law that has a wonderful effect in multiplying anarlem of their future. A thousand contingencies may arise to modify present chism and souring the minds of the desires on both our part and that of poor against the rich.

the natives themselves. Resistance to It must be apparent to any man of our temporary occupancy compelling ordinary instincts that when Sage used us, in defence of our own dignity and Laidiaw as a bomb-protector he incurof our international obligations, to red an obligation which no honest man wage an expensive military campaign would forget. Laidlaw before that ocagainst Aguinaldo and his fellow adcasion was a vigorous young man in venturers might easily cancel what- sound health. Today he is a hopeless ever sympathy we might originally cripple for life. The sum of \$40,000, have felt for these men and require us which is perhaps not a thousandth as a matter of necessity, to take over part of Sage's fortune, is certainly a the islands permanently as American scant repayment for this degree of top to bottom the attack on Quay is territory, to be protected, defended injury. If Sage has any expectation and policed by the strong arm of the or desire of heaven we advise him to federal government. The discovery of get out his check-book, war stamp and proof of foreign intrigue would lead to all, and immediately settle up. a similar result. The intercession of

the intelligent, property-owning class-Quesnay do Beaurepaire, who rees for American protection and rule inigned from the Paris court of caseastead of the chaotic conditions of untion, must be a sort of James Gay Gorstable native sovereignty-a not im-

near future. This need not cause any

apprehension unless it precipitates the

The Meanest Man Alive?

knowledge of Russell Sage's treat-

ment of Clerk Laidlaw, if correct,

Electric city may be represented.

General Shafter's reticence is nov explained. He is going to tell his story with himself as dictator. Events con- in the Century magazine,

NEWS AND COMMENT

Sir James Edgar, speaker of the Cana dian house of commons, is an enthusiastle expanisionist. While in Baltimore re-centiy he said: "We, in Canada, watch with much satisfaction the growth and success of the United States. That, per-haps, is one reason why our eyes are

In the meantime there is ample exercise for practical American stateshups, is one reason will our present diplo-turned upon you in your present diplo-matic controversies. According to my judgment, the United States has acci-dentally been thrust into a situation manship in the formulation of a suitable mechanism for the suitable discharge of this new trust imposed upon which promises to open for her a spien-

ens, and these, of course, were promptly rejected, the law now requiring that re-cruits be American citizens. Of the 29,521 accepted applicants, 24,430 were native-born Americans, while only 5,631 were of foreign birth, but had become thoroughly Americanized and enjoyed all the rights of citizens of the resultion

of citizens of the republic Potter county claims the honor of hav-

Potter county claims the honor of hav-ing the queerest public school in Pennsyl-vania. It is a school with four pupils, all members of one family, the mother of which is the teacher. School is held in the regular way in a township school house and the teacher is paid by the school district. It is not her fault that organization of another club in Scranton in order that journalism in the there are not other families in the neigh borhood with children to be educated.

> A late investigation of social statistics as put it on record that marriage along with the other blessings it brings men operates most beneficially in lessening any tendency they may have to crime The statistician in the case tells us that in every 1,000 bachelors there are found 36 criminals, while of those in a state of wedlock the proportion is but 15 to the same number

SUBSIDIES AND PROGRESS

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

At 8.45 on Thursday night of last week At \$45 on Thursday night of last week a train arrived at San Francisco ninety-five hours out from New York. If any-thing can be said to be remarkable in these days of modern railroading, this feat may be classed under that category. The continent was spanned in one hour hess than four days, breaking all previous records by thirteen hours. Not so long ago a mile a minute for comparatively short distances was considered wonder-ful speed, and yet in this flight across ful speed, and yet in this flight across the country three hundred and fifty conecutive miles were covered in as many minutes, ninety miles were done in sixt; minutes, and for stretches the spec-The train was the pioneer of the fast mail which is to duplicate the feat every day in the year under favorable circum-

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When California, in the course of out policy of "imperialism" and "expansion. was annexed to the United States the ity of San Francisco was covered with the sand dune and sage brush. A long tramp over the dunes from the water from brought the pedestrian to the little mission of San Dolores, consisting of the Mission church, a little graveyard and a cluster of adobe huts. That was the civilization of San Francisco as it then existed. The old Mission church and graveyard still remain, but the adobt huts have fallen before the steady advancement of progress, and cable cars now carry their passengers far beyond the old Mission through solidly built-up rects. The gold-seekers of 1849 were streets. ighting Indians and starvation by the ay, or else take the long trip in sail ng-vessels around Cane Horn. Late the Pacific Mail Steamship company sen-its passengers down the Atlantic coast to Aspinwall, thence across the Isthmus of Panama by rail, and up the Pacific y connecting steamships.

California grew, but there was still opon the maps the great American desert opulated only by roving Indians and the bones of dead men. It was not until sev-eral years after the War of the Rebel-lion that the great pioneer railroad system which was to connect the two oceans and open up this vast tract was ompleted. There were wise men in congress in those days. In spite of the out cry against subsidies-that terrible wor which gives every strict-construction Democrat nervous prostration-subsidies were granted, and the railroad was made possible. Subsidy in its broad scope simply means government aid. Without this government aid many a year must have passed before private capital could be in duced to take up a proposition which had in it so many elements of failure. It is true that there have been many scandals growing out of the Pacific railroads and it has required many disputes to ar rive at a settlement, but even if the gov-

ernment had not received a single c

in return, who will say that the country

GOLDSMITH'S BAZAAR. G. 8. Great Cut Price Sale

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The money you save this month in buying your Fine Curtains of us will astonish you when you see the Curtains and the prices that we have put upon themin order to relieve us of an over.stock. The Curtains we allude to are not the trashy kind only the real laces.

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expansionists who have cast a gloon over the senate during the past few days haven't a word to say in favor of Queen Lil's real estate claims.

Eagan and Miles.

It is extremely doubtful if Commissury General Eagan has improved his case by calling General Miles several kinds of a liar. The excitement of temper exhibited by General Eagan may not indicate guilt but it is a decidedly inadequate reply to the very distinct specifications set forth by the commanding general in his recent testimony before the war investigation commission. These, it will be recalled, included signed reports from nearly a score of company, battalion, regimental and brigade commanders testifying explicitly to the unfly character of much of the canned or dressed meats supplied to the army both at Santiago

and Porto Rico. Miles may be all the kinds of a ball man that General Eagan passionately bert's life was one of hardship. When suggests, yet the establishment of this twelve he was a plowboy, at fourteen given to your country a commanding fact-which, by the way, is as yet he was working as a day laborer on gateway. If utilized, and utilized to its merely asserted-would not undo the railroad work; at fifteen he became a misery caused by unfit rations to brave logger and teamster, and by reason of soldiers battling for their country under the broiling sun of a tropical land. in charge of the logging camp. He Whether Miles is a har or not may be went through the high school by worka point of considerable interest to those who are foud of personalities; but to borrowed \$50 to go to college on. He the country in general it seems like a minor point in comparison with the as a steward of a club, and by the issue which has been so plainly raised as to the army's recent food supply prizes in philosophy, science, and ora-What the country demands to know is tory sufficient to pay two years' exwhether the testimony of so many of penses. He was compelled to begin its intrepid officers who saw duty at college late each year and quit early the front is true as to the character of in order to go to work. The strain much of the meat; and if true, where proved too much for him, and to rethe blame belongs. After this point is cover his health Mr. Beveridge went determined it will be opportune to in- west, and for some time lived with the vestigate General Miles' character for cowboys. He then came to Indianapoveracity. lis, where he read law in the office of

Whether Miles is a liar or not, he is the late Senator Joseph E. McDonald. the military head of the army with Young Beveridge lived on two meals one of the best military records bea day while doing so. At the end of hind him of which the public is inthe first year he was made managing formed. It may be that since his fricclerk. After his admission to the bar tion with the war department he has the cases which came to him were of suddenly deteriorated, and is now ungreat importance and his first pleadfit to retain his present position, but ing before a court was in the Supreme this opinion will not prevail on the court." uncorroborated strength of Commis-

The subsequent career of Mr. Beversary General Eagan's heated vituperaidge is well known to students of politics. As an orator he ranks with the

cago on Washington's birthday in 1895

"Kid" McCoy and other pugilists of

Well-meaning legislators will find the natural gift of eloquence in an excold comfort in being recorded on a "roll of honor" that is carried in John and intellectual power without which Wanamaker's vest pocket.

tion.

Human Nature.

The Philadelphia Press is worried at was one of the great orations of modwhat it calls the "threats" of the Quay ern times and the recent address of 'machine" to inflict vengeance upon Mr. Beveridge before the Pittsburg Bar party bolters. So far as Senator Quay association on "The Vitality of the personally is concerned he has been in Constitution" has received the honor a long and stormy political career pre- of quotation by some of the ablest coneminently noted for his magnanimity, stitutional lawyers in the country. A Whether successful or unsuccessful he career of this kind should be an inspirnever shows malice. ation to young men.

But in view of the extraordinary vindictiveness and personal venom shown by his assailants in the present cam- the hour ought to take a hint from the paign it is hardly to be expected that example of John L. Suilivan, the great-

us by the providential vents. It looks as though the Czar of

Russia intends to get something together to disarm.

sequence

The New Senator from Indiana. The biography of the caucus nominee of the Republican party of Indiana to succeed David S. Turpie, Democrat, in the United States senate, is mighty good reading in these days when pessimists try to make the people believe that native ability has no longer the chance that it once had to rise above adverse circumstances. In the Washington Post we read that:

"Albert J. Beveridge was born during the civil war, on a farm on the borders of Highland county, Ohio, His father and all his brothers were away at the war, and at the close of that

Illinois. From the age of twelve Ala natural command of men was placed ing at nights and in the morning, and got through his first year by working end of the year he had taken

great supply still below.

did list of trade opportunities. Let me explain. The British empire by the pos-session of a fortified stronghold in China has not been benefited a thousandfold commands a vast bulk of trade in that populous country which no other force The pioneer read was a developer; as progressed business increased, the wast than the holding the port could possibly command. This trade with China is one places were built up and today the great continent is traversed by several conti-nental lines. The feat of the mail train of the most destrable which the world now offers. The tremendous sweep of territory embraced under the Chinose name, covered with a teeming multitude of people who are destined to become ed twenty years ago. arge purchasers of the finished products

from civilized markets, presents a most inviting field of trade into which any progressive nation might wish to enter. The United States may have the call in ommanding that trade, but if that trade s to be effective the United States must issess a port almost at the entrance to the Chinese empire, one which can and will be fortified, one from which ships of trade and ships of war can issue forth for active labors or else seek refuge in when the occasion requires it. It must west, Because of the vast railroad sys be a port close to the Chinese empire. from which the United States can speak greatest exporting nation on the face of with aggressiveness. Your country nust the earth; but while we have improved and developed internally, we have los struggle Beveridge's father lost all his property, and the family moved to illinois. From the age of twelve Alsoon become for you a veritable treas- in foreign vessels.

ure house. The accidents of war have fullest possibilities, your future trading

will become immense. Writes John T. McCutcheon, one of the two American newspaper correspondents who went through the naval battle of Manila: "One of the incidents hich made America smile was the story that Admiral Dewey withdrew from the fray to give his men breakfast. As a matter of fact, that was not the real reason why he withdrew, but it was a good story, and had a flavor of humor about it that appealed strongly to the people at home. The ships were with-drawn in order to take an account of the mmunition on hand, a report having ome that it was running low, and that nly fifteen rounds of five-inch shells for ach gun remained. This was an alarmng piece of news, but on investigation it proved that it meant there were fifteen rounds for each gun from the magazines. but that number did not include the

The Scranton Tribune has issued a The Cincinnati Express-Gazette has very complete, well printed and care-fully indexed almanac of 1889-a handdilected data anent the operations of train robbers during the past year. The effect of federal jurisdiction upon train book of over 100 pages. It is especially noteworthy for the extent and care robberles is evidenced in Mexico. Dur-ing the past year there was not even an aken in the compflation of political inattempt at train robbery in the sister reformation-Philadelphia Record,

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public. The crime is punishable there with instant death. Following is the record of train robberies in the United States: 1890, 12; 1891, 16; 1892, 16; 1893, 20

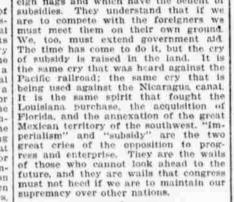
The Bachelor! The Bachelor! The man who lives in joy! 1504, 34; 1995, 49; 1896, 28; 1897, 30; 1898, 58, Total number of trains "held up" in nine years, 248. Total number of people killed, 58. Total number of people in-jured (shot), 77. The record for 1898: Number of train hold-ups, 28; number of Whose cares are few, whose friends are years, killed, best in the country, possessing not only Whose peace holds no alloy: Who lights his pipe and fills his bowl, Cries "Fie!" to care and strife-O! ceptional degree, but also the logic stage robberies, 7; number of passenger: and trainmen killed, 5; number of pas-sengers and trainmen shot, 4; number of Who takes a sip from ev'ry lip And leads a merry life-O! mere oratory is trivial. His address robbers killed, 5; number of robbers shot before the Union League club of Chi-

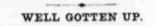
Adjutant General Corbin's paper in the anuary Forum is calculated to correct opular misconceptions relative to the ind of men composing the regular army,

The wight who lives alone, With friends to share his pleasures fait Whatever may have been true in earlier times, General Cerbin shows that today the sot or burn has not one chance in a But none to hear his mean; With elbows out, and heels run in, million of getting bio the army. That the examination of applicants has be-come more rigid than in former years is evidenced by the fact that while 25.521 recruits were obtained for the regular For lacking of a wife-O! With lips to kiss, but no lips his; He leads a sorry life-O!

recruits were obtained for the were army last year, 36,27 applicants were rejected. Nor is the army an asylum for aliens. Although nearly 120,030 men pre-meted themselves to the recruiting offi-God help the povern Bachelor When heart and hair grow gray, With little joy for aught, my boy, his friends throughout the common-, est fighter of the age. John L. knew, cers last year, only about 5,000 were all-

in running from New York to San Fran clsco in less than four days is made possible only because of the subsidies grant Just as subsidies were fought then they are fought now, when the great Nicaraguan canal scheme is projected and when it is proposed to build up at American merchant marine. The mone of the country has gone into internal in provements. Capitalists have invested h mills and factories, in railroads and roll ing stock, in electric light, gas and water plants, and have sent their money t open up the great farming lands of the There is splendid opportunity here for investment of capital, but when the capit-alists take up the subject they find great lines of steamships running under for eign flags and which have the benefit of





THE BACHELOR.

God bless the jolly Bachelor,

Who's ever blithe and gay;

Who, when he won't, my lad, And when he would, he may!

The Bachelor! The Bachelor!

Save having of his way! -Richard Stillman Powell in Puck.

lad, he don't

From the New York Sun. Certain Republican congressmen make a merit of splitting at a law of which their national platform boasted and which they are bound in honor to sustain. We have never admired Chinese civil service reform, but we admire a good deal iess the politicians who try to break a solemn promise of their party.

Plymouth Wilkes-Barrs