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If all of the foreign nations were as unfriendly as the yellow press would have us believe, the United States would be obliged to declare war at least once a week during the dry season

Labor's Friends to Labor's Rescue.

The announcement of Mayor Jones, of Toledo, that he will tonight lecture before the striking street car employes of Cleveland, O., with the intention of trying to persuade them to abandon their use of the boycott, shows that labor's real friends are at last coming to labor's rescue. Labor's real friends seem at times to be somepreserving an unbroken peace. As what slow in catching up with the these unavoidable risks of an expandprocession: at the start off it is usualing national vitality augment so ly the hotheads and cranks who catch must augment our precautions against labor's cars and fill them full of vicinjustice or loss. It is not as a herious suggestion and unwise promptmit power which seeks the solitudes ings, but with labor, as with capital, truth and justice generally win out before the race is ended.

The boycott is unnecessary where labor's cause is just and where it is necessary to bolster up a declining strike it usually is ineffective, Where a cause of labor appeals directly and on its obvious merits to public syma funeral. pathy a formal boycott is superfluous because public opinion will voluntarfor wise and noble peace, whether ily organize its own boycott. If pubthrough arbitration or through the lic opinion cannot be induced to cooperate with labor by the moral suasion arising from a just grievance inwhich degenerates into unfitness for telligently presented, it cannot be coerced by skull and cross-bones, placards and anonymous threats. Publie opinion in such matters sits as a ley's old home at Canton, O., should larger jury and will not submit to not be taken as an indication that he intimidation from any source. intends to occupy it permanently dur-

Mayor Jones should tell the strikers ing the next five years. of Cleveland, and the lesson should apply elsewhere, that the best thing what labor can do, in the street car business or in any other business, Is to attend strictly to business. living tive responsibility in various commerwithin its income whether that be cial or industrial enterprises are liable great or small and every month putto feel like agreeing with C. P. Huntting something aside for a rainy day. ington that the American young man The inflorer who does this, who is is over-educated. Such a feeling is the temperate, frugal, studious and willnatural result of receiving, in vacation ing to give back full value for the time, from pupils in the schools or from wage he receives, may, of course, meet with misfortunes, since these are tions for positions which do not involve an inevitable risk of life, but the the necessity of manual labor and few chances are that in the long run he for positions which do. will find small necessity for walking delegates, boycotts or other incidents of economic strife to enable him to secure, in proportion to his ability and skill, steady work at fair wages, subject only to the unpreventible variations in market conditions, which affect employer and employe alike and which no labor organization can prevent.

in their manufacture until need for columns of falsehood about confertheir use has forced recognition from ences and agreements, and we have every obtuse mind in the nation over had the ticket all made up for us. The which an alert and resourceful aptagpolitical clearing house is exceedingly onist ought to have an emphatic adversatile. What it says one day it devantage. nies the next. It will give out a state-Let us look, for a moment, at what ment in all soberness and falsify it in

'good sword;" but let us spurn with

ontempt the doctrinalre type of peace

The purchase of President McKin-

Men Who Can Do Things.

These are the days when a good

many men holding positions of execu-

recent graduates numerous applica-

worldly responsibilities.

all persons concade to be undeniable the course of the next twenty-four facts in our international position. In hours. Consequently, while we have this hemisphere our flat has the pracbeen informed that at a regular contical effect of law. We are legally ference everything was arranged, we commissioned guardiang of Porto Rico are now informed that the siate is and Cuba; and the Monroe doctrine subject to revision. has given us a measure of responsi-Now, as a matter of fact, there has bility in the foreign diplomacy of the been no conference. The Republican Central and South American repubstate ticket is not settled. It is true lics. Toward the North Pole we have that the Philadelphia delegates-or at Alaska, only just beginning to breed least the great majority of them, for for us international disputes. In the the Martin contingent will not count-Pacific we have Hawall and Guam will ask that Josiah R. Adams be for a certainty and whatever shall be

nominated for Superior court judge. the form of the ultimate adjustment Colonel Hawkins, had he lived, would of the Philippine problem the fact of it, have been nominated for state treasalready clear, will be an American urer. But he is dead, and if Lieutensupremacy and responsibility, opening ant Colonel Barnett cares for the office only an insurgent would deny him new vistas of opportunity and risk. As our merchants go for trade to the the honor. So far as the Supreme court is concerned, the contest for the fast multiplying ports of the Orient, and as the communications of our vacancy is still open, as it always has foreign commerce carry us farther into been. There is no agreement. There fields hitherto untilled, the rivalries has been no conference, and there will and frictions will inevitably arise be none today, and that is the whole which give employment to statesmantruth about the matter. ship and complicate the problem of The Republican state convention will

nominate a strong ticket, and the combined influences and falsehoods and hypocritical demonstrations of the insurgents and Democrats will be power-

less to harm it.

General Toral was acquitted of the and dwells in senile self-communion crime of surrendering Santiago by the that the United States is to figure in Spanish court martial, not because it the annals of the Twentieth century, was an exhibition of good sense but but as the maturing giant taking hold because he simply obeyed the orders of of duty and destiny as both unfold. his superior officers. If the government fearlessly and unabashed. There are follows up the superior officers the imliving nations and dying nations, but pression that Spain is looking for a the United States is not headed toward scapegoat will be verified. Let us, then, be for all that makes

The wise housewife wastes no time in showering caresses and honeyed phrases upon her husband at this season, but occupieth herself in the preparation of a goodly stock of blackberry jam for future consumption.

Tammany Democrats who are pre-

paring to spring Augustus Van Wyck upon the country as a rival of Mr. Bryan, if profiting by past experience will select a date upon which ex-Governor Hogg is out of town.

A curious state of affairs has been leveloped at the present trial of Captain Dreyfus. The Paris mobs are unable to determine which side they should favor and have failed to make the usual demonstration.

It is certain that some one must have slown out the light in the brain of the 'Man with the Hoe" or he would have been leaning on an up-to-date one horse cultivator when posing for his pleture.

Mr. Huntington of course was wrong The same amount of energy wasted so far as he has been understood as by a Klondike prospector if applied to ounseling against education. There a ten acre lot filled with garden truck cannot he too much education of the will in nine cases out of ten bring betright kind; but the right kind will not ter results in a financial way. turn out graduates who feel that hand

labor is less dignified than the ill-paid, The King of Siam has purchased a inferior type of labor of the brain, or sicycle in Elmira, and Binghamton of that the opportunity opening to the course may be expected to exhibit though the Federal government should institute a thorough trial of the Sanarelli ducated mechanic is unworthy of the

VOICE OF THE PRESS.

American Negroes for Cuba. From the Chicago Record.

A Cuban newspaper published at Mananillo is much concerned about the pos-sible colonization there of negro laborers from the United States. In Cuba and Puerto Rico negro immigration is looked on much as Chinese immigration is re-garded in the United States. For years there has been as indive of merrors, esthere has been an influx of negroes, es-pecially into Puerto Rico, and these, by their superior strength and industry, are crowding out the white laborer and threaten to dominate the island. These negroes, however, do not come from the United States that from Mail the Doubst

United States, but from Haill, the Danish West Indies, Jamaica and other neigh-boring Islanda. Even the negroes of Key West generally are from the Antilles and not from the United States. Any prooslition to take American negroes to colonize them has some elements of ab-ardity about it, which the Cubans are not yet sufficiently Americanized to un-derstand. The negro of the south does not want to go to Cuba. He is almost too well contented where he is and with his own prospects for advancement. In America no law exists and none can be enacted or even thought of that could be used to transplant the negro in Cuba against his will. Therefore nothing is likely to take him there except the in-ducements held out by the Cubans themselves. As the prosperity of Cuba re-turns the Cubans may find that the American negro of the south and his mule are exactly what are needed to de-velop the resources of the fertile island.

Considered Seriously. From the Rochester Post-Express.

Whatever may be thought about Mr. Astor's renunciation of his American citizenship and naturalization as a sub-Ject of the British queen, nothing but condemnation can be bestowed upon the attempt made in New York city last evening to insult him. Only a crowd of rufflans, led by a ruffian, would have felt called upon to burn him in effigy in a public square. If Mr, Astor prefers to be a British subject to an American citizen. It is his business alone. He is guilty of nothing treasonable, or even discredita-ble, or that requires public condemna-tion. Feople are constantly changing their ject of the British queen, nothing but tion. People are constantly changing their

allegiance. Englishmen become American citizens, and Americans citizens become British subjects. But no one thinks of reprobating them, or burning them in effigy.

Facts Are Lacking. From the Mobile Register.

Those who, like Champ Clarke, see nevitable success for the Democratic party in the next campaign, are gotting their inspiration from the thought that the free sliver policy will sweep gold Democracy off its feet in the Eastern and Middle states and the Eastern Demo. racy, thus brought into line with the Democratic party of the rest of the country, will then carry the electoral vote of those states for Bryan. The facts to back the thought seem to be lacking. In truth, they point the other way. The Maryland Democracy, for example, has receded from its rather advanced position in 1897, when it de-clared for international bimetallism. This car its platform is absolutely slient on the financial question.

Worth a Trial.

From the Philadelphia Record. In the face of Dr. Doty's recent favor-able report upon the Sanarelli serum and of the one cure seemingly effected through its agency on Swinburne Island, omes a declaration from Dr. J. B. de comes a declaration from Dr. J. H. de Lacerdo, of Rio Janeiro, that experi-ments with the South Américan scien-tist's therapeutic discovery at San Paulo, Brazil, have determined it to be neither curative nor preventive. In the absence of details, this unauthenti-nated sciences are sented.

cated statement cannot as yet be ac-It would seem, however, cepted.



There is something radically wrong in the system of government which aldiploma lows the citizens of various states to lynch foreign residents and forces Uncle Sam to settle the bill of damages without having the opportunity to punish the offenders.

A Hint from the Fatherland.

The remark of Baron Von Stengel second in rank among Germany's delegates at the recent peace conference. that " a good sword is the best protector of a country's rights," contains enough of truth in it to warrant intelligent recognition of it by advocates the social discrimination now existing of peace. As applied to our own country, the baron's remarks warns us not simply to prepare for a particular of it. We are becoming of a sudden war, as our authorities are now doing a great exporting nation; we are far with reference to the Philippines, but on our way to become in a literal sense to so arrange our military and naval the workshop of the world. It is not affairs with regard to the future that lawyers or doctors or dentists or clerks as eventualities shall arise we will be who will reap the great business prizes equally ready for them whether the of the next century; but the intellectual theater of their occurrence is near to mechanic, who shall master the inour own shores or in Islands or along tricacies of industrial production and mainlands thousands of miles redevelop the executive skill to turn them moved. to the best account.

In the European sense militarism is a danger which does not exist for Americans. Those who are depicting its horrors for the purpose of influence ing public opinion in the United States are setting up a scarecrow for fools. The American who imagines that in this land of instinctive democracy, where each man is by heredity jealous of his sovereign rights, a condition could arise such as is now threatening the future of France-a condition in which the army battles with the republic for the mastery of the countrya condition which as in the continental nations, causes the individual soldier to look with contempt on the individual civilian and forces the civilian. under pains and penalties, to give to the soldier at every meeting the salute of homage and the right of way-such an American utterly misunderstands the character of his countrymen. Many of the rhetoricians now solemnly exhorting the American people to shun the pitfalls of imperialism are undoubtedly sincere, but we must be charitable enough to believe that they are also a little cracked in the upper story.

Senator Quay went to Atlantic City The danger confronting the United for the sole purpose of angling for sheepshead. Senator Penrose goes to States is exactly opposite in character. It is the danger of falling to profit by Atlantic City when he can get a day the teachings of the costly experiences off. Insurance Commissioner Durham of the past few months. The reserve has been in the habit of going there forces of our democracy can be trusted for years. Attorney General Elkin to take effectual care of any embryonic has been going there at the end of the Napoleons who may develop among the ranks of our future soldiers or sallors; but these reserve forces cannot so easily improvise trained soldiers and sailors, together with the tools of their profession, when, as in February of last year, the need for them becomes suddenly apparent to every observer. Swelled heads in uniforms are quickly reduced when reduction is necessary for the public welfare: but seaworthy battleships, modernized coast defences, rifles and ordnance are not made in a day or a year. and the nation which puts off the start | ployers. Therefore we have been given

holder of a high school or college plaint.

An education in books is useful but there is still greater need for an edu-English regiment in the Transvaal it cation of the common sense, to the is said Oom Paul becomes less boorish. end that the overcrowded lower ranks According to latest reports ex-Goverof the so-called learned professions (which, by the way, are professions nor Altgeld has decided to alight from that mostly live upon the misfortunes the Bryan 16 to 1 gospel wagon. of other people) may be thinned out and some of the starving thousands

Already our great industries are on

the lookout for such men. They can

hire all the lawyers they need at their

own price. They don't have difficulty

in employing doctors or accountants or

journalists or stenographers. The so-

called "genteel" vocations yield an

abundance of good material ready at

hand for the signal of command. It is

the man with grease on his elbows, the

clear-brained, sharp-eyed fellow who

can take hold of machinery and men-

and do things who is the scarce and

precious article in this year of grace;

and schools which fail to correct the delusion that the mechanic crafts are

to be despised are missing their mark

New York Democrats are congratu-

ating themselves that ex-Governor

The Republican State Ticket.

(From the Philadelphia Inquirer.)

The utter unfairness of the insurgent

and Democratic press in Philadelphia

is again apparent. A day or two ago

week throughout the summer. The

mere fact that Quay went there the

other day was sufficient excuse for the

reporters of the insurgent and Dem-

peratic papers to organize a clearing

house and swap news and to lift the

event into one of political importance

and to tell their readers that a confer-

ence was on for drawing up a slate

A reporter on an insurgent newspa-

per is playing in extremely hard luck

these days. He must magnify and he

must lie outright to satisfy his em-

for the coming state convention.

by a very decided margin.

Jones also keeps quiet.

The long silence of David Hill indicates that he considers it unsafe to who now beclog them be put in the direction of earning an honest living rock the boat at this time. by the healthy sweat of their brow. An education is wanted which will Latest reports are to the effect that

ady Randolph Churchill is disengaged. teach not only the othical absurdity of Even the Kansas cornstalks are a to the disadvantage of the mechanical

vocations, but also the economic fallacy menace to Bryanism. ARMY OFFICERS CALLED "MR."

From the New York Tribune.

People who are not versed in matters f army usage often ask why certain rmy officers are addressed as "Mister," nd not by their titles. To the men who neer the service from West Point the ustom is well understood, because they now that, no matter how much authorirm may be, they are simply "misters' til they wear two bars on their shoul der straps. A recent occurrence in the Army Building illustrated the matter. A an who had been a field officer in the

olunteer service in the war with Spain had been appointed to a lieutenancy in the new volunteer army, and called at ne of the offices at the headquartors on matter of business. There the of-er in charge presented him to a United

States army officer. "Major Blank, allow me to present Mr. Smith-Mr. Smith, Major Blank." The volunteer officer hinted in a modest way, when the major had withdrawn, that it might have been well to let the act be known that he also was an army flicer. "Oh, that's all right," said the officer who had acted as host. "every-oody is mister until he is captain." Even in service the first and second lleutenants are addressed "mister" by officers of higher rank. The custom is so general that it is not unusual for lieu-

enants in the regular service to have heir visiting cards engraved with the 'Mr." prefixed.

The officer in the regular service also shows a preference for civilian's dress, which the volunteer officer does not always share. When not on duty, at home on leave or on his way to post the regular officer usually wears no part of his niform, and prefers to appear as an ordinary citizen.

MIDSUMMER.

power is on the earth and in the air, From which the vital spirit shrinks afraid And shelters him, in nooks of deepest shade. From the hot stream and from the flery glare Look forth upon the earth-her thousand

plants Are smitten; even the dark, sun-loving maize Faints in the field beneath the torrid blaze

The hord beside the chaded fountain pants; For life is driven from all the landscape

The bird has sought his tree, the snake

The trout floats dead in the hot stream, and men Drop by the sunstroke in the populous town; As if the Day of fire had dawned, and

Its deadly breath into the firmament -William Cullen Bryant.

'icterolde'' serum, or yellow fever antitoxin, upon its own account, when a defi-nite solution might be expeditiously With the arrival of every additional achieved.

Gold Is Expensive. From the Detroit Tribune.

Klondike stories have been plentiful from the beginning of the stampede, illustrative of the doctrine that the gold of the world has always cost more than it is worth. The Klondike gold has been an expensive luxury, considering alone the suffering that has been endured in getting it. The latest heartrending story is that of Mrs. H. W. Bens, who has just returned to her home in Bay City. She reports that of an expedition of thirteen persons into the interior of the Kotzebue sound country, including her own hus-band, she is the only survivor. Scurvy freezing and exposure were the principal auses of suffering.

Liquid Air for Microbes. From the Philadelphia Ledger.

Inasmuch as frost is the recognized antidote for yellow fever, the sugges-tion is made that in cases like the present situation at Hampton, where frost is not to be expected for many weeks, frost conditions may be had by the use of liquid air. The experiment seems worth trying, for, at the worst, it would be harmless and inexpensive, while in theory, at least, the process would be dentical with the natural one-merely he freezing out of the tender fever microbe

Cannot Boycott the Jail. From the Troy Times.

There is one institution in Cleveland that the riot sympathizers cannot boy cott, and that is the jail. And from pres-ent appearances some of the boycotters are likely to learn the fact by harsh experfence. When boycotting takes the form of preventing physicians from ministering to their patients and stopping druggists from preparing prescriptions, with fatal results to the sick persons, it comes perflously near murder, and these guilty of such barbarism should be made to feel the strong hand of the law.

Candler of Georgia.

From the Syracuse Post-Standard. Governor Candler, of Georgia, is rapidly developing a reputation as a man of re-source and determination. The way to stop a lynching, according to Governor Candler's idea, is to be on the spot where it is likely to occur, and he did so at Newnan the other day, taking command of the militia and causing the safe re-

noval of the prisener to the Atlanta tail. Candler would make a good army official, but he is needed more in Georgia than he is in Luzon.

Recipe for Good Government.

From the Elmira Advertiser.

The man who really wants to secure and to continue good government must go to the caucuses always if possible and must go to the conventions when chosen for that purpose. He must, final-b, vote with both courage and common sense and keep doing these things all his adult life.

That Wicked Tariff.

From the Denver Times. The wicked Dingley tariff is working havoc. In the fiscal year just closed all the countries of the world, with the exception of four, which reduced their im ports of breadstuffs, largely increased their purchases in the United States. The sales of manufactured articles to all parts of the world has been beyond all prece-dent. Democratic leaders have gotten beyond trying to "explain.

and the Repauno Chemical Company A. any case if used according to directions. I always speak a IGH EXPLOSIVES. good word for them and use them myself whenever I need tutety Fuse, Caps and Exploders Room 401 Council Building. them. Every one who has tried them here says they are

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the best medicine they have ever tried for indigestion.