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### In 1900.

Mr. Bryan says that he is going to continue the fight for Free Silver, and expects to win in 1900, Mr. Bryan's predictions always fail to be verified. The National Tribune's almost invariably comes true. We will now say in answer to him:

1. The Free Silver question will never be an issue in another National campaign

2. By 1900 the Free Silver advocates will be so few that they will hardly get out of the "scattering" column.

Our reasons for this are that the Free Silver issue is so radically wrong that it could only hope to succeed by capturing men at the 4 Silver, and 4 straight Populists. outset before they gave the matter sufficient consideration. As soon as | can vote 43. the advocates of sound money wakened up to the danger menacing the country, and began to present the arguments against it, the evangeli- number up to 52. On questions of zation was very rapid, and Free Sit. tariff the vote will probably stand ver lost enormously every day the 45-including Shoup and Carterdiscussion was continued. There is with scattering approval from Indeno doubt that as late as August Free | pendents and Democrats. Silver had a majority among the voters of the country, whereas in some danger in Kentucky-there November there was recorded will be a complete Senate-90 memagainst it the astonishing majority of more than 1,000,000 votes. Had to carry a measure. In case of a tie the campaign lasted another month | the Vice-President casts the decidthis would probably have doubled, ing vote and there is no need to say The discussion will now be continued as long the Free Silverites make any stir.

The general resumption of prosperity, and the satisfactory condition our National finances will assume under the new management, will take away from the Free Silverites the support they got from the hnancial situation of the Government and the people.

The rapid increase in the world's production of Gold will produce monetary changes in another direction, which will demand attention.

Better let the Constitution alone, gentlemen ! The minute you begin to tinker it you open the door to immeasurable evils to this republic .-N. Y. Sun.

The Senate of the 55th Congress.

Speculation is rife as to the complexion of the next Senate. With a Republican President and a Repub lican House, what will the Senate be? The 54th Congress, which dies March 4, 1897, numbered 89 members -Delaware lacked one owing to the Dupost contest-and of these 44 for Hoxie was called to testify. were Republicans, 39 Democrats, and six Independents. The Repub licans lacked only one of a majority.

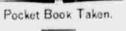
but the six Independent Senators, aided by six or seven bolting Republicans, who were looking long. heard four feet from the witness ingly toward silver, succeeded in stand, can't you?' locking every important measure by hanging a silver amendment to it, and refusing to vote for any bill that did not include a silver measure.

When the 55th Congress convet es in the Senate there will be 29 "hold overs," 28 out-and-out Republicans who will vote for gold and a tariff. Of the 31 remaining, six are Independents, including Shoup, Carter, Mantle, and Cannon. Of these Shoup of Idaho, and Carter of Montana, promise tariff votes.

Of the 31 new Senators, 15 are straight Republicans, 8 Democrats, This makes the straight Republi

On all questions of finance the Democratic sound money vote will be large-probably bringing the

If there are no contests-there is bers-and 46 votes will be necessary where Hobart stands on questions of tariff and finance.



On Friday evening of last week as Mr. Isaac Kocher of this place was in the post office to mail several letabout \$30 in cash, several checks, orders and notes, was taken. He had laid it down at the writing desk and had gone to the general delivery window for stamps, and when he returned to the stand the pocket book was gone. There were a number of number of issues develop before persons in the office at the time, and although he has pretty fair suspicion as to where it went, as yet he has no satisfactory information on which to proceed. The thief should at least return the wallet with the papers, as they are worthless to him, and are valuable to Mr. Kocher .- .- Snyder County Tribune.

## HOXIE'S DEFEAT.

He Had Not Prepared For Such a Tor rent of Questions

Hoxie had never in his life been on the witness stand, but he made it his boast that if he ever chanced to be thus situated he'd just like to see the lawyer who could rattle him in his testimony. He fancied, did Hoxie, that he would prove more than a match for the lawyer who chanced to tackle him. The other day Hoxie had a chance to utterly rout and defeat one of these "little shyster lawyers," as he called them,

"What is your name, sir?" thundered the big, eagle eyed lawyer who was to question Hoxie. "William Henry Hoxie."

"What? Speak up so you can be

"William Henry Hoxie." "What is your business, sir?"

"I am a bookkeeper." "A what?"

"Bookkeeper."

"Well, now, Mr. William Henry Hoxie, bookkeeper, I want to know what you know about this case. 1 want you-but wait a moment. Have you ever served a sentence in the state prison?" "No, sir!"

"Well, are you the William Henry Hoxie who was tarred and feathered and run out of the state of Ohio six years ago next month? Now think before you answer. Be careful, be careful.'

'No, sir; I'm not."

"Didn't you, William Henry Hoxie-didn't you elope from Indiana in the spring of 1890 with another man's wife?

"I-I-tell-you"-

"Be careful, be careful now. Remember that you're under oath and a stenographer is taking down every word you say. Have a care!"

"I never eloped with any man's wife," gasped out Hoxie.

"Didn't, ch? And you never served a sentence in the Iowa penitentiary for perjury? Be careful, careful. Just say yes or no." "I-I-oh-I"-

"There, there, my good friend; don't lose your head. You didn't have to leave the town of Pokeville in Illinois in 1886 for beating your wife and cruelly abusing your children, did you? There, now; just keep cool. Will some one hand the witness a glass of water? He seems to be choking. Now, my good man, will you say yes or no to my last question, not forgetting that you are under oath to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth? Now, how is it about that wife beating business?"

"It ain't true, and I"-"That will do, that will do. Now will you have the kindness, my good fellow, to face the jury and tell them if you were not arrested and convicted as a bigamist in the eastern part of Pennsylvania a few years ago? Remember that much depends on your reply and have a care, have a care. Perjury, my friend, is a very serious offense and you are un-

# CARL DUNDER TALKS. alley." replied the sergeant as he gave

HE TELLS THE SERGEANT ABOUT A LUMP OF GOLD.

Then He Receives Some Very Excellent Advice From Ills Friend, the Fat Policeman, and Goes Home Full of Sorrow. Not All Is Gold That Glitters.

The fat police sergeant stood in the loor of the station house watching a goat which was hungrily devouring an old Harrison hat which some one had kicked into the street, when Mr. Dunder came around the corner and cheerily called out:

"Hello, sergeant! I shust happened to come aroudt dis vhay, und I guess 1 shtop a minute to see if you whas all right.

"I thought you had gone back to Germany," said the sergeant as he continued to watch the goat.

'Back to Shermany! I doan' see vhy I should go back to Shermany. Nottings vhas two times alike in dis country, but I get used to dot. It whas a nice day, sergeant.

"Y-e-s. Have you had a guardian appointed yet?"

"Vby should I haf some guardians?" replied Mr. Dunder with considerable spirit. "If you belief I doan' know how to take care of myself you whas mistooken. A good vhile ago, when I whas greenhorns, somebody can shwindle me. but I like to see 'em try it on now. If you what my friendt you doan' shpeak like dot to me."

"Then nothing has happened?" queried the sergeant as the goat worried down his third piece of hat.

"Nottings has happened. Dot is, nobody has tried some gumgames on me. If he did, he whas a dead man in two minutes. Shust one man come along.

"Oh, a man came along, did he?" "I said a man came along. Vhas dot sometings to make you shmile? Ser-

geant, I doan' like dot vhay you shpeak to me. Vhas I a boy? Doan' I know some beans?' "Mr. Dunder," said the sergeaut as

the goat got away with the last rem- have read the libretto .- Indianapolis nant of hat and looked hopefully around Journal



### it a heave through the open window. "But vhy yo' do dot? Let me pick him cop quick!"

"Mr. Dunder," said the sergeant as he laid a detaining hand on him, "I can buy you all the brass you want at \$1 a pound. I feel sorry for you."

"How whas I sorry for you? Do you belief dot man vhas a shwindler?" "Of course I do. You have plenty of

water at the house, haven't you?" "Vhas has dot wasser got to do mit him? How you know dot man whas

some shwindlers?" "When you go home, Mr. Dunder,

cornmeal into it, and then soak your head for 24 hours. If you can't soak it off your neck, get somebody to knock it off with a club.

again?" gasped Mr. Dunder as he got so weak in the knees that he had to sit down.

Boxwood, son of Nutwood, has a mile in 2:2416.

almost as great a flight of speed free for all pacers. handsome Onward mare Pearl 6 the street and said : 2:10%, for \$2,500.

way home, I'll send a small boy with on or write your address on a card." "Den-den she vhas brass?" mur-

"Yes, she whas brass!" replied the sergeant. "Go home, Mr. Dander, and be sure and have the water hot and put in plenty of bran.

M. QUAD.

choruses to sing intelligibly? It is so aggravating to be unable to distinguish

The first glove factory was opened in London in its The original standard sur exact length of the arm of Km I of England.

A substitute for silk, so pr deceive the most experies from wood pulp.

Messrs, Tennant's chimere gow is the tallest chimney in a and stands 460 feet high.

Edith, the wife of Thomas of Wiltshire, England, in 1 birth to seven children at out

The authorities of the John hospital of Baltimore have be storage room in which dead is be kept for the use of medial in winter.

There are few uncracked ma sen, Germany. The testing d guns manufactured by Kreppin en the foundations of not houses and keeps glaziers host

The Duke of Westminster's in Cheshire is Eaton ball 1 as once taken to a cerrid the whole breadth of the 'How far is it to the other inquired, and the reply was fit Country roads in Chins # bounded by fences, but are an defined. While the farmat is to plow up any read passing his land drivers of vehicle equal right-and they cause traverse any part of the of large.

## TURF TOPICS

Mandolin, 2:16, has been a Flush, by Socrates, recently Alvin, 2:11, in Russia. Bob Riley, 2:10, is the

tion to the extreme list. The Village farm horses are

John Payne may train for

Word comes from St. Louis

The 2-year-old filly Minnis

Sandy Boy, 4, 2:12, by St

W. W. Hubbinger has pure

The pacing stallion Will

2:27 %, recently went a rareat

The late Colonel R. P. Today

a large estate, including alor

acres of the choicest blue grash

ap Beauty, the dam of the

great 3-year-old pacing flip ]

2:11, at auction last spring for

the east, as has been reperted

Tell, 2:18, is being driven of

by his owner, Arthur Lengis,

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Instead of being on a ringing

W. P. Dickinson of Chicago

Kentucky.

cago.

without a bit in his month.

inger, Vienna.

racing until next spring. Onset holds the Jackson (Ten record trotting, at 2:221/

The old mare Mill Girl, 2 200 sold for \$80 week before last Artful Mand, 2:16%, is about

one to the credit of Ashland Wa draw a tub of water, put 10 pounds of ones of Portsmouth, N. H. s J. Burke has become a complete

"Sergeant, vhas-vhas I tooken in crank. Katherine, 2:17, and Ami 2:1536, have been bought by E a

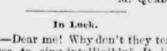
"Yes, you have been played again. That fellow knew you to be the biggest sucker in the state. Which idiot asylum had you rather go to?

'So-so I vhas bent?" The sergeant lifted him to his feet and led him to the door and dropped him off the step. Then he pointed down

"If you think you can't find your

mured Mr. Dunder.

And Mr. Dunder crept away, with his feet dragging and his back humped, and he turned the corner and vanished from sight without once looking back.



# She-Dear me! Why don't they teach the words.

He-You don't know your luck. I

ters, his pocket book containing

There will in all likelihood be a 1990 in regard to domestic and foreign policy, which will be so absorbing that Free Silver will be forgott-121.

Undoubtedly Mr. Bryan's splendid stumping ability will be in demand in 1900, but it will be for the wrong side of something else than the money question.

### entra gaza Chatter About Changing the Term.

As is generally the case after a Presidential campaign, the reformers who always want to be reforming our institutions are talking about the desirability of a change in the term of the President from four years to six, seven, or even eight, The disturbance to business is the reason offered.

No doubt business has been great ly disturbed during the past three months. No doubt business suffers to some extent in every Presidential year. But if this is a good reason for lengthening the intervals between elections from four years to six, seven or even eight years, it is a better argument for lengthening them to fifteen years or twenty, or twenty-five. If the Presidential election with its demand upon the people for their earnest attention to political affairs is an evil to be avoided as far as possible, the ideal arrangement would be a life tenure of that office. Even then there would be a season of stress and unsettlement whenever a President died; but that could be avoided also by making the office hereditary.

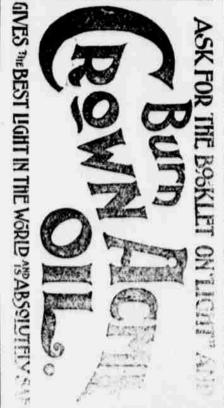
As between four years and six years there is this to be said : Supposing that Bryan had been elected last week. If that stupendous misfortune had occurred, would the business interests of the United States have regretted the Constitution provision limiting his term to four years? Would they have been happier if the country had been doomed to six, seven or eight years of poor Bryan before the first opportunity to shake off the incubus?

There is always the chance that a bad President, a dangerous President, or a fool President may get into the White House. In such an event, the business interests of the country are decidedly better off with a four years' term.

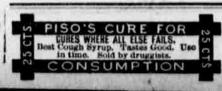


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der oath. Nothing but truth will

do here. Be very careful or-why, for an old boot, "we will go inside, the man has fainted. Could more Now, then, what have you got to say conclusive evidence of his guilt be to me?

asked? And is the word of a con-"Nottings." fessed bigamist of any value in this "Yes, you have. A man came along. or in any other court? I ask the What did he want?"

court if this man's testimony is "He doan' vhant nottings. He whas a poor, unfortunate man, but he doan' worthy of any weight whatever. No, it is not. And as he is the chief leg of me. "I see. You are a great friend of the witness against my client, the depoor, Mr. Dunder. He called on you fendant in this case, I ask and deand-what?"

mand that the case be dismissed at once."-Detroit Free Press.

#### One Tombstone For Four.

use because he reads of me in der pa-Last winter, while wandering pers. I can't help it if he like to gaze through the rural districts of south on me, can I? He look so pale und seek Georgia, I chanced upon a family dot I pity him."

"Of course. Go on." graveyard, in Telfair county, of "I ask him if he doan' half some unique character. There were three graves side by side. The central one and by he says dot his house in Buffalo gets on fire when he whas away und his board, made of thin slabs of marble. wife und shildren burn cop. His wife The headboard, divided into three whas a blond, und his children whas andivisions, was engraved as follows: gels, und he feels so had dot he doan' The first, or top, division, "John care to live no more. Allen, a Just Man. "Poor man!" sighed the sergeant.

The second division was engraved, 'First Wife.'

The third division was similar to the second, only the hand pointed to Vhen dot house burns oop, it burns all the grave on John's right, and was der shewelry mit it. Dot shewelry melts engraved, "Second Wife."

These three completed the legends he hunts aroundt und finds dot lump." on the headboard immortalizing John Allen as a just man. The hasty reader may think John Allen had

better written "a frugal man." Again, the footboard for the father

is made a headboard for the son by engraving on it, "Son." I have given things as they actually exist, except that the name of John Allen is substituted for the real .- Nashville Banner.

#### Marrow With Cheese.

Beef marrow is appreciated by few cooks save the English, and still in the oven until the cheese is melted. Serve on slices of toast or on Pittsburg Dispatch.

"BUT WHY YOU DO DOT?"

A Labored Explanation. Two young husbands were comparing notes on infantilo woes.

"That kid of mine," said one, "never seems to holler except when I'm at home.

"Then," said the other, "I suppose he doesn't commence until the early morning hours. Now, our baby yells at any and all times. I wish to thunder there was some way of stopping him." Then the third young husband chip

ped in the best he could. He stattered. "Vhell, he came in my place und "A-a-at our ho-house," he laborious anid vhas I Carl Dunder. I vhas. Dot ly remarked, "we h-have just gug-gugvhas all right. He shust like to gaze on got a f-fresh p-pair of"-

"What! Twins?" yelled both the other young husbands.

'N-n-no, not t-t-twins-'goric. P-p paragoric. P-puts the bub-bub-baby right to sl-sleep. Gig-gig-get some and tut-tut-try it."-Cleveland Plain Deal-

### The Football Season.

First Collegian-I hear that Bullett, the great half back, has been killed. Second Collegian-Great Scott! How? First Collegian-A brick house fell on him.

Second Collegian-And that's the result of letting him go home for vacation and get out of training .- New York Press.

He Couldn't Run Away.

"There has been another burglar caught by a Chicago woman. "Is that so?"

"Yes, she married him in jail."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### It Reminded Him.

Hoax-Why did Gouldbugge move from his Broad street house? Joax - The number was 16-2-1 -Philadelphia Record.

> Paying Up. To bet, or not to bet-That was the riddle.

But, having danced, I needs must pay the fiddle. Send Jones an overcoat (That's twenty dollars), Jenkins a hat and Brown

To Smithers send The suit I designated ; To Green the boots

Six shirts and collars.

For which he's got me slated I'm very glad no more

The votor's yelling. (Colonel Jim James will call And get my dwelling.) —Atlanta Constitution

STAGE GLINTS

Thomas E. Shea expects to New York shortly with a new "My Lord and Some Later to be put into rehearsal by he J. K. Emmet intends total continuous performance fis

season. McKee Rankin is south

new play, "Judge Not," # 1 New York.

Rose Eytinge is now fait member of "The Great Data bery" cast.

John Fowler's new play. moter," will be produced in by M. B. Curtis.

Charles Frohman has mad of \$10,000 for an Americal ble for Maud Adams.

The Bostonians have denied "In Mexico." The open h

with the results expected It is said that "The Ga west" will resume its tours

a new outfit and a new comp Mrs. Potter and Kyrle Bo to make an American tour # Application has been main

the principal theaters. A. C. Wheeler and E M. new melodrama has been W. A. Brady, who premise duction before the search of

DAINTY TRIFLE

For travelers come flasks resting in silver cups

rative silver tops. Housewives on the slats dent effect patronize cat P either the princess or had

Hair combs and pizz " and sold in sets. Some some of tortoise shell and to suit the color of the hall The blue delft fad hates

for an extension of tinta ful plaques, jars, trays and made to retail at populat

Miniature toys expansion in precious metal and s minutest detail large de day life, such as a chain forte, find eager patrons ors of curios and are also bric-a-brac cabinets in b -Jewelers' Circular

you, I suppose?"

shust half a pound."

ceived and inspected the lump. "He didn't want over \$25, did he?'

"Vhell, he likes to get \$30. Dot makes a payment on five combstones. crumbs, place on a tin plate and put He whill come aroundt in two weeks und pay me back. If he don' do it, den I shall sell her for five hoonered dollar. heated plates with slices of lemon .- 'Here, vhas you do mit dat lump?'' "I was just tossing it out into

"Exactly, Mr. Dander. He had the lump with him?" "Yes." "And he wants to raise money on 12 350 "Vhell, he likes to raise a few dollars to buy tombstones, but he vhas no deadbeat. If I doan' take dot lump of gold, he doan' take no money.

"Just so. You have the lump with

"Vhell, I shust put it in my pocket, you know. Here she vhas. Dere vhas more ash five hoonered dollar in dot lump, mit diamonds inside. She weighs

'How much money did you give him?'

too bad, but I can' gif him no money.

He knows dot, und so he doan' ask me.

altogether in one lump, you know, und

"I doan' gif him two cents. Dot vhas

"I see," said the sergeant as he re-

it may be put to various uses in making palatable dishes. Cut into slices, boil in salted water, drain and dip in grated cheese and bread