[Special Washington Letter.] HE saddest thing that has hapices. This most calamitous aituation royal paraphernalia he flatly refused. grew out of the unfortunate fact that Now, if there is any American living the raw, so to speak, but they are ascient time they will be able to give his tribe increase? pointers in imperial etiquette even to the bedizened and bespangled representatives of the effete monarchies of

It is said that Lord Pauncefote, the British embassador and dean of the diplomatic corps, has formally expostulated with Mr. Secretary of State Hay as to the indignity placed upon him and his high and mighty confreres and that an entire hour was consumed in consideration of the expostulation. While it is not given to ordinary mortals to know what was said by those two imperialists it may be naturally assumed that Colonel Hay rubbed much salve upon the burning wounds of the wrathful Englishman. It is to be sincerely hoped that this awkward incident will not precipitate a war between us and all the nations of Europe com bined. It is a humiliating idea to think of our Uncle Sam falling on his knees before the Europeans and exclaiming, "Peccavi, peccavi!" But since we have become imperialists and aspire to stand well with other imperialists it may be necessary for our uncle to perform that un-American caper.

It will be remembered by those who take any interest in the history of our early days that when Thomas Jefferson was president he, for some reason known to himself alone, took Mrs. Dolly Madison, wife of his secretary of state, out to dinner instead of leading out Mrs. Merry, wife of the British embassador, which precipitated diplomatic complications of a most laughable sort, ending in Secretary of State Madison requesting that Mr. Merry be recalled, which was done. Jefferson's conduct on that occasion gave the cue to all the American imperialists to abuse him and calumniate him and to hold him up as an awful example of bad manners; but then it must be remembered that Thomas Jefferson was an untutored Democrat, who hated royalty and all its works even as the devil hates holy water. He was not an imperialist, as are Colonel Hay, Senator Foraker and General Grosvenor. Jefferson, therefore, may be excused for violating imperial etiquette on grounds of ignorance. Even Foraker and Grosvenor may plead ignorance on this occasion, but the foreign imperialists will hardly forgive them for a second offense of this nature.

Morgan and Hanna. There is a contest on in the senate which is of more than passing interest to philosophers and psychologists. It is between that illustrious Democrat, Senator John T. Morgan of Alabama, a great lawyer, and that conspicuous Republican, Senator Marcus A. Hanna, who is not a lawyer, but who ranks very high as a business man. The bone of contention is the route of the isthman canal. Morgan champions Nicatagua and Hanna champions Panama. Of course others will take a hand in the shindy, but it is universally conceded that Morgan and Hanna are the leaders in the fight. It is shrewd, hard headed business capacity against learning, forensic ability and professional training. The contest will attract breathless interest. Morgan perhaps knows more than any other living man, but Mark is a fighter from away

Let Them Squabble.

Democrats may well take heart from as to their re-election and are voicing secure proper quarters for his con- search for a senatorial toga. He is in their alarm in Republican caucuses, of sulate. which there have been more held this old, than in any session in the last ten Years. The beet sugar men, the cane Cuban question. The reciprocity advoare wooling each other. The feeling say bitter, and is liable, indeed quite thely, to burst into a consuming flame at any moment. The quicker the better for the country and the cause of Good government! Hats off to ex-Governor James S.

A Slip In Imperial Etiquette - An American Prom Texas-Consuls, the Merit System and the Perquisites That Go With Party Success.

Hogg of Texas as he passes by! He is an American worthy of his birthpened in this world since that, right. While in London, looking after illustrious Missourian Mark the interests of his oil company, ar-Twain shed briny and copious rangements were made by our embastears at the tomb of Adam sador, Joseph H. Choate, to present the was the seating of the foreign dip- big Texan at court, but when Hogg tomatic representatives near our im- learned that in order to be presented perial court behind the supreme court to the king he had to tog himself up judges at the McKinley memorial serv- with knee breeches, sword and other

those illustrious courtiers, Senator Jo- who has a right to be proud of his seph Benson Foraker and General calves it is Hogg. They are large, ro-Charles Henry Grosvenor, both of Ohio, tund, amazing. If he had donned knee who as chairmen of the senate and breeches, he would not have been comhouse committees were charged with pelled to have his calves padded, as, it cetting up the programme and with is said, Mr. Whitelaw Reld has done. making the arrangements, were not an Nay, not so. Without any artificial fait as to their duties in matters of aids or adjuncts he would have exhibimperial etiquette. In extenuation of ited such a gorgeous pair of calves to their grievous fault it may be pleaded the astonished eyes of the British beefthat these two able and ambitious eaters as has not been seen at St. Buckeye statesmen are new to the im- James since the days of Dickens' fat perial business. They are courtiers in boy. Hogg is indeed royally, even superfluously, endowed with calves. But siduous students of the new school, and be would not don knee breeches and at may be confidently predicted that, as long stockings even at the suggestion they are quick to learn, after a suffi- of Joe Choate. Great is Hogg! May

> Nothing so refreshing has happened since that other eminent American refused to remove his hat from his noggin in the presence of Albert Edward, prince of Wales, saying, "I am as distinguished in my profession as the Prince of Wales is in his," which, being said before his historic meeting with Pompadour Jim Corbett at New Orleans, was absolutely true.

When a great foreign actress first gazed upon Daniel Webster, she turned to her male escort in an ecstasy of delight and exclaimed, "Thank heaven, I can now truly say that I have seen a man!" What her escort thought of that this deponent saith not.

Had she lived to feast her eyes upon the towering form of James S. Hogg she could have truly said, "I have seen another man."

Barring Unpleasant Remarks.

The high handed methods of the Republican majority in the house is fully illustrated by the following statement: More than a week's debate was allowed on the oleomargarine bill when everything both for and against it could have been fully stated in two days. On the Philippine tariff bill, a measure of farreaching consequence, only two days' debate was originally permitted. When it came back from the senate loaded down with amendments and Mr. Richardson, the Democratic leader, asked for one hour in which the minority might briefly express its opinion, it was denied him, and the Hon. Sereno E. Payne, chairman of the committee on ways and means and ex officio floor leader of the Republicans, with a smile that was childlike and bland, offered him thirty minutes, which Richardson contemptuously and. scornfully refused. Then the minority in revenge forced the house to squander twice as much time in roll calls as Richardson had demanded for debate, and it dld right. Now, it may be asked, Why did the majority permit a week's debate on the oleomargarine bill and only two days on the Philippine bill? Because it did not care what was said on the former and dreaded what might be said on the latter. Its plan is to amuse the house with talk on nonimportant matters and to railroad all important measures.

Dinsmore of Arkansas.

One of the ablest among the young southern Democrats in the house is Hugh A. Dinsmore of Arkansas, the ranking Democrat on the great committee of foreign affairs. Dinsmore was lucky when he came to congress nine years ago in being assigned to a committee whose duties are congenial to his tastes and in the line of his experience. He had been minister to Korea and had borne himself so well in that station that the people of his district sent him to congress and have kept him there ever since. Able, faithful, suave, tactful, eloquent, in the very flower of his years, he is a tower of strength to our side of the house and is invariably in favor of all just and reasonable measures. Not long since, in a rather warm debate on the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill, he gave the following fine illustration of the average American's adaptability to any situation:

"Some years ago a gentleman of West Virginia was selected to be consul at have fallen into innocuous desuetude Nagasaki, Japan. He was a parvenu, and to have gone to the bottom of the the quarrels of the Republicans. On so to speak, in consular matters. He sea after the fashion of Mr. McGinty. the surface things are placid as a duck had never been abroad; perhaps he Dawes had a good job in one of the depond, but beneath the surface there had never been out of the confines of partments, but concluded that he was are storms and disturbances of all the state of West Virginia, unless it of senatorial stature; so Brother Dawes sorts. Representatives of agricultural may have been to come to this capital resigned early last summer and has constituencies in the great and gor- or to go to New York. On arriving at been prancing around over the praireous northwest are becoming alarmed Nagasaki he found it inconvenient to ries of Suckerdom ever since in a vain

"He could not get a house in which bone to snatch at a shadowy bone tession, though it is only three months to establish his office, but he found which he saw in the water. Wonder if an American merchant doing business | Br'er Dawes ever-read Æsop? in Nagasaki, who said to him, 'You men are at each other's throats on the So Mr. Birch, the gentleman of whom I am speaking, took the rooms above cates and the antireciprocity shouters | that store and holsted his flag. He was immediately tabooed by the whole conis growing exceedingly heated, not to sular fraternity there and by the community. Why? Because the English idea of affairs obtained out there, and shopkeepers were not considered entirely respectable people. Mr. Birch had set up his consulate in a shopkeep er's establishment.

"On making application at that time to become a member of the Nagasaki club Mr. Birch was blackballed. He was not admitted to the club. But I take pleasure in saying that before John M. Birch had been in that port two years he was recognized as the best consul there and was president of the same club which had before blackballed him for putting his flag over a

When we control the house again, as we probably will do in the next congress. Dinsmore will be chairman of the committee on foreign affairs, which is always an important committee, sometimes the most important in the house, and he will do honor to the position. Arkansas and the whole country can well afford to be proud of such men as Hugh A. Dinsmore.

Consuls and the Merit System. In that same debate I set forth what I know to be my own position and what I believe to be the Democratic position as to cive service examinations, as follows:

"I want to say, speaking for myself and the entire Democratic party, that we are not opposed to a merit system. I repeat that with emphasis, so that no idiot can go away from here and misconstrue it - that the Democratic party is not opposed to a merit system based on common sense. We are not opposed to a merit system, but we are opposed to life tenure in office. It is both undemocratic and un-American. I have an old fashioned idea that when the Republicans carry the election in this country they have a right to the offices and when the Democrats carry it they have a right to them, and certainly Democrats do not carry it often enough to form the chronic habit of officeholding.

"I undertake to say, without the fear of successful contradiction, that it is a libel on American intelligence and on the public school system of this country, which we so proudly vaunt and which costs so much, to say that out of the 6,000,000 men who voted for William J. Bryan in 1900 you cannot find 200,000 fit to hold these appointive offices under the president of the United States, and it is a greater libel, simply because there were more of them and not because they were more intelligent, to say that out of the 7,000,000 Republicans who voted for William McKinley you cannot find 200,000 fit to hold these offices.

"I say this, that when the Democrats are in power, if you would have a rule that the appointees should be Democrats, and then that they should be thoroughly examined, that would be all right, and the same way when the Republicans are in power, but here is the objection in this consular business to the civil service reform examination as now conducted.

"They do not ascertain a man's fitness to be a consul, because the examinations are not about things which a consul ought to know ir order to render the best service.

"I stated on the floor of this house once, and I repeat it now, that, in my judgment, notwithstanding there are over 200 college graduates in this house and a proportional number in the senate, there are not thirty men in both houses who could stand an examination for a \$900 clerkship over here in one of the departments. Why is that true? I will tell you. It is true because the men who are fit to sit in the congress of the United States have forgotten the things that they are examined on in these examinations over there. That is the truth about it.

"Men are fit to serve in house and senate not because they have forgotten certain things, but because they have learned more important things. The latter things crowd the former out of their minds. To undertake to examine men for consular positions in one of conducted will end in this-that you will get a lot of men just out of school Hulls. who know nothing about business, while business knowledge is the most necessary qualification for consul, as it is a purely business office. Napoleon picked his marshals by the shape of their noses. I undertake to say that there is not a man on this floor who cannot go into his own district and pick the men who are fit to be consuls anywhere by their business capacity, because he knows them and understands what they are good for. Natural pride would compel him to select the most competent."

Senatorial Fight In Illinois. The chances are first rate for the Democrats to elect a senator of the United States from Illinois to succeed William E. Mason, a consummation devoutly to be wished. Mason, Hopkins, "Uncle Shelby" M. Cullom, young Governor Dick Yates and other Republican bigwigs are carrying on a Kilkenny cat fight which ought to redound to the good of the Democrats. In the meantime Mr. Dawes, who was supposed to be a sure winner, appears to the fix of the dog that dropped a real

The Portrait. She-It used to be considered a good likeness of me. He-Well, it's changed somewhat since thes, hasn't it?-Indianapolis



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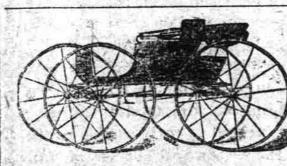
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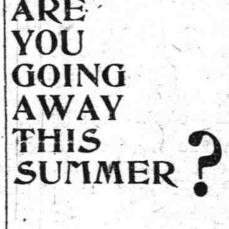


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