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STATISTICS say the average family in this country consists of four persons, a dog and a slight fraction. The fraction is supposed to be the husband.

OTHER things being equal the old soldier is being given the preference in the distribution of offices by the present administration. This is as it should be and meets with approval on the part of members of all parties.

A MAN who can rent a farm and make money does not stay a renter long. He buys a farm of his own and in a few years has it paid for. It takes all kinds of people to make up a world and some succeed where others fail.

THINGS transpire in this old town of which people little dream—things, which if mentioned in these columns, would make the hair stand on end on a bald-headed man. But it would not sound well and do no good—therefore we are silent. It may not always be thus.

TAXING bachelors may be a meritorious idea, but chasing the runaway husbands who by thousands desert wives and children every year, and the bring them back to a workhouse would be a more meritorious law. There are practically no laws and no requisition proceedings to cover such desertions.

UNLESS all signs fail a convincing rebuke will be administered the overbearing spirit of the congress just closed, when the people get another opportunity at them next year. The termination of this sessson is attended by a general dissatisfaction with results that is ominous for the republican party. There is a growing feeling that the time has come for American voters to take from republican hands a control of government which has been so flagrantly misused and to insist that public affairs shall once more be administered in the people's behalf rather than for the exclusive benefit of a powerful few. The prospect now is that this spirit will make itself manifect at the the polls next year in the defeat of republican candidates.

AT the end of his second congress Mr. Roosevelt had hardly any sincere friends in that body. The party machine is the most perfect that we have seen. It governed absolutely, and its decrees embodied in legislation. For the moment the country is governed by edicts of an oligarchy, and not by laws which are the result of discussion and deliberation. The oligarchy gratifies the president with some legislation, denying him much, and deciving him in some respects. What it granted was for the sake of harmony. The independent, thinking republicans, who are adverse to this rule, who had hoped for help from the White House against the tyranny of the oligarchy, are hurt and angry. The president may retain the affection of their constituents, but he has lost the friendship and confidence of the congressmen. As it is now, the president is the ally of the ruling oligarchy, whose leaders do not agree with a single principle which he announces. They are satisfied, however, with his ultimate surrender, and they would throw him over but dare not attempt it.

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Democratic Harmony.

Edgar Howard of the Columbus Telegram has undertaken to gently chide Bryan for refusing to meet Cleveland at a so-called democratic banquet, and Editor Bates of the Plattsmouth Journal reprints Edgar's effusion and adds a few tears of his own because Bryan's "refusal no participate on such an occasion does not show that he is very much in favor of harmony." Cleveland's views on national questions are as well known as are Bryan's, and the two men can never again belong to one party, without stultifying themselves, unless one or the other changes his views. Cleveland is not now and has not been since 1896, a democrat, and if his ideas of national policy are to control the convention of 1904, then Bryan cannot be a democrat unless he changes his views—or acts dishonestly as Cleveland has done these seven years. There can be no harmony betwen men of as opposite political opinions of Bryan and Cleveland. There can be no compromise. One or the other must win and and the other step out. Which shall it be?—Nebraska Independent.

For the sake of harmony and success why not both step out? It has been fully demonstrated that the platform adopted in 1904 must differ somewhat to that of 1900, to assure success, and many of those who have professed leadership of the party for the past twenty years side-tracked. The man who says there can be no compromise, utters only his own selfish ideas—one whom expression of sentiment of another pertaining to the interests of the democratic party, has no weight whatever, and is not willing to accept any but his own views as "law and gospel" for six or seven million democratic voters.

It may become necessary before the convention meets, for the masses of the party in different sections of the country to publicly say to Mr. Bryan, Mr. Cleveland, Mr. Hill and others: "Gentlemen, you have caused us to go down in defeat in two successive presidential campaigns, now please step aside and give the democratic party an opportunity to nominate a gentleman who is able to carry the banner of democracy triumphantly to victory. Don't be so selfish as to stand in the way and think that either one of you are the 'Great I Am' and still insist on having your way to the utter ruination of the party and overwhelming defeat again, caused from the dictatoral attitude assumed by you."

Mr. Bryan says emphatically that he is out of the race, Mr. Cleveland does want the nomination, and couldn't get it if he did—then, in all candor, what do they want? We can't see any reason for throwing a man overboard because he does not agree exactly with Mr. Bryan, and is willing to accept a few of the ideas of prominent eastern democrats. The democrats have lost out in the two last campaigns, simply because the party was split in two. Mr. Bryan was the standard-bearer in both instances. In the last campaign, it must be admitted, that he did not run as well as he did in the one previous, and at a period when his most intimate friends expected him to do so, if not elected.

It is not justice to those who battled side by side in two campaigns, for Mr. Bryan to assume the attitude of dictator in the selection of the nominee in 1904, and it would be just as well for the eastern friends of Grover Cleveland and David B. Hill to understand that the next national convention will be in the hands of representatives of a democracy who will know no Bryan, no Cleveland or Hill, and irrespective of the selfish desires of these gentlemen, nominate a candidate and adopt a platform that will meet with the approval of both factions of the party.

In the past seven years the trusts have gradually increased their power in controlling legislation, until today they are dictators in every department of the national government. If this great evil is not checked by election of a democratic administration, then it is farewell to the rights of the common people. Four more years of republican rule, and the government of the United States will be so centralized in the interests of these combinations that that party will be able to retain control of the government for all time to come—and then farewell to free America.

By harmonious action the democratic party will be enabled to call a halt, and in no uecertain tone, but it can never do so while the bitterness engendered by Bryan and Cleveland exists and they are allowed to create a rupture in the ensuing national convention by pursuing their "rule or ruin" and "the people be d—d" policies in that body.

Circumstantial Evidence.

Mrs. Lillie has been convicted of the murder of her husband at Davis City, Neb., and sentenced for life in the penitentiary. The evidence that convicted her was purely circumstantial. Once in a great while an accused is convicted on such evidence, but not often. We are decidedly opposed to conviction and a life imprisonment or death sentence on such evidence. The writer remembers an incident that occurred about twenty-five years ago that always enters his mind when he hears of anyone being convicted upon circumstantial evidence. Two brothers—noble specimens of young manhood—were convicted on simply such evidence and hung for the murder of their father. They were two hansome, bright looking boys, aged about 20 and 22, respectively. They protested their innocence to the last moment, and did not even know who had committed the deed, but they had to answer for it just the same. About six or seven years after they were hung the inhuman mother of these innocent youths, died, and confessed that she and the hired man committed the murder. Now, it must be admitted that it was wrong to have these boys convicted and executed for a crime committed by another. There seems to have been no positive evidence to convict Mrs. Lillie for the crime of murdering her husband, and we believe it to be a sad mistake.

IT is just a little strange that on the same day that David R. Francis, President of the Louisiana Purchase exposition, was hobnobbing King Edward and enlisting his interest in the fair, David A. DeArmond, of Missouri, in the House of Representatives, was introducing a resolution to annex Canada to the United States. It would seem that the two Missourians were doing considerable to the King in one day.

"Now Will You Be Good?"

The Cedar Creek boy, with a smile so queer,
Comes in to take his portion of beer.
He drinks it down and starts for the door,
But is back in a minute to ask for more.

The Plattsmouth boy, whom you all have met,
Has the habit of smoking the cigarette.
He takes his tonic, sour or sweet,
And smokes and loafs upon the street.

The Louisville boy is strictly "in it,"
If he wants a drink he tries to win it,
If the "jack-pot's" small he doesn't care,
For "there are others" here and there.

The Weeping Water boy creeps slyly in.
And at the back door asks for gin.
He don't want you to mention his name
But he goes and gets it, just the same.

The Mynard boy's drinks do not come so fast,
But he makes the most of 'em while they last.
He goes to other towns, looking forlorn,
And comes back happy, but not 'till morn.

The Nehawka boy you would think quite tame,
But down to the city he goes just the same.

He then gets on a great big "toot,"
From the crown of his head to the sole of his boot.

The Murray boy goes to the "hole in the wall,"
The bartender comes at his beck and call.
When he asks for "bitters" he gives him whisky,
And this accounts for him being so frisky.

Of course there are many others,
Which we hope wont slighted feel.
For with each and every one
We want to fairly deal.

So if the names of worthies,
On this page you chance to miss,
You can thank your stars if your nerves are whole,
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Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the city of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on April 7th for the purpose of choosing:

One councilman for the First ward.
One councilman for the Second ward
One councilman for the Third ward
One councilman for the Fourth ward
One councilman for the Fifth ward
Two members of the school board for three years.

And on the proposition "Shall the common council and mayor of the city of Plattsmouth in addition to the sums appropriated or to be appropriated under the law for street grading and improvements in the city of Plattsmouth appropriate and expend from any other fund or funds of said city or levy of taxes not to exceed the sum of $1,000, to be used exclusively for the purpose of raising the grade of Washington avenue in said city, in deepening, widening and straightening the bed of the creek south of said avenue; in raising the curbing on the east side of Sixth street, where said street is paved and in making any other proper provision for draining surface water flowing down said creek bed and avenue during times of excessive rains."

Said election will be held at the following places:

First ward—Perkins House.
Second ward—Turner Hall.
Third ward—Jones' Livery Barn.
Fourth ward—Waterman Block.
Fifth ward—Bach's Store.

And will be open from 9 o'clock a. m., and remain open until 7 o'clock p. m., of said day.

By order of the Mayor.
FRANK J. MORGAN, Mayor.
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H. M. SONNICHSEN, City Clerk.

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Commissioner's Proceedings.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb, March 3, 1903.—Board met pursuant to adjournment. All present. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

The petition of J. C. Cannon and others for a public road through the west ½ of section 30, 12-9 and the remonstrance to the same came on for hearing and the board granted the petition on condition that the petitioners pay all damages and expenses. Falter and Banning voted for the pesition and Zink voted against it.

Official bond of John Campbell was approved. Resignation of J. G. Lemon overseer district 36 was accepted. A contract was signed with A. Rouse as superintendent of the poor farm and his bond approved.

Claims allowed on general fund:

C H Smith, P M, stamped envelopes	$ 21 40
E E Hilton, work	52 09
Weeping Water Herald, printing	3 50
Lyman Kildow, salary	50 00
L A Tyson, same	155 39
State Journal Co., merchandise to county	91 25
J D McBride, boarding city prisoners	9 50
J D McBride, boarding county prisoners and fees	112 50
A Rouse, salary	50 00
W B Banning, salary and expenses	41 30
Turner Zink, same	41 60
J P Falter, same	44 30
C L Graves, printing	7 00
Plattsmouth Telephone Co. toll and rents	24 10
J A Clements, printing	19 00
A E B Neligh, repairs	7 70
Coroner's report, inquest W R Webb	33 55
John Bauer, merchandise to poor	2 50
J M Jeroushek merchandise to poor	8 00
F H Nichols, same	10
B & M R R Co, ticket to pauper	1 12
Evening News, printing	41 35
Mason Bros, merchandise to county	2 10
F R Guthman, boarding pauper	64 00
W C Smith, salary and expenses	101 75
Wurl & Coffey, merchandise to poor	5 00
C M Leach, same	3 60
E G Dovey & Son, same	24 00
Asher Clark, same	8 00
T L Davis, same	5 36
M E Green, boarding pauper	5 00
Mrs R E Yoder, same	5 00
C G Sheeley, repairing bridges	43 50
B C Marquardt, merchandise to poor	6 00
N H Wilkinson, same	5 00
Nebraska Telephone Co., toll charges	40

March 5th, 1903. The petition for a public road between sections 28 and 29-11-11 was laid over to March 17th. Board was engaged with county business March 4th and 5th.

March 6.—Resignation of W. C. Smith, county superintendent of public instruction was received and accepted.

Claims allowed on general fund:

A H Weckbach & Co, merchandise and coal to poor	108 02
L D Bennett, merchandise to poor	18 06
John Tighe, taxes refunded	3 65
Frank Dickson & Co, coal to poor	6 00
August Bach, merchandise to poor	25 00
C H Smith, stamped envelopes	21 60
Elliott & Hatch Book T W Co, Ribbons	4 16

Board adjourned to meet March 17, 1903.
L. A. TYSON,
County Clerk.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co., druggists. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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Probate Notice.

IN COUNTY COURT, CASS COUNTY, NEbraska. In the matter of the estate of Edwin Davis, deceased. Ann M. Davis, Euseba or Eusebia C. Colvin, Rebecca P. Kennedy, Rosetta or Rosa Z. Keeney, Laura Peterson or Petersen, Lora Davis, Flora Manker, and all other persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that upon the 11th day March, 1903, Basil S. Ramsey, administrator, with will annexed of said estate, filed in said court his finalaccount and petition for final settlement, alleging among other things, that all debts, claims and demands against said estate have been fully paid and settled, except the balance due on court costs and expenses of administering said estate; that the personal property of said deceased which has come into the hands of said administrator has been coverted into cash; the prayer of said petition is that a hearing be had thereon; that his final report be settled and allowed and a decree of assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate be entered in accordance with the terms of the last will of said deceased, and that said administrator be discharged. You are notified that a hearing will be had upon said petition and final account at the county court room in Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, on the 4th day of April, A. D., 1903, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and that if you fail to appear at said time, and except in writing to said report, the court may settle and allow the same and enter a decree of assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate as directed by the will of said deceased, and discharge the said administrator with will annexed. Witness my hand and the seal of said court at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 11th day of March, A. D. 1903. J. E. DOUGLASS.
[SEAL] County Judge.

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Probate Notice.

IN COUNTY COURT, CASS COUNTY, NEbraska. In the matter of the estate of Carl Fredrich Krecklow, deceased. W. F., or William Krecklow, Anna L., or Johanna Louisa Burns, August, or August F. Krecklow, Fredrich, or Carl F. Krecklow, Julius, or Julius J. Krecklow, Andreas, or Andrew A. Krecklow, and all other persons interested in said estate, are hereby notified that upon the 9th day of March, 1903, there was filed in said court, by Wm F. Krecklow, his duly verified petition, alleging among things that Carl F. Krecklow, late of Manley, in said county, departed this life in said county, on the 7th day of February, 1903, leaving a will and testament, and seized and possessed of real and personal estate situated in said county to be administered upon. That the above named persons are the heirs at law of said deceased and the only persons interested in said estate. There was filed with said petition a paper writing purporting to be the will and testement of Carl Fredrich Krecklow. The prayer of said petition is for the probate and allowance of said propounded instrument as the last will and testament of Carl Fredrich Krecklow, and the execution thereof and administration of said estate be granted to August Krecklow and Herman Schliefert. You are notified that a hearing will be had upon said petition and the proofs of said propounded instrument taken at the county court room, in Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, upon the 4th day of April, A. D., 1903, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and that if you fail to appear at said time, and contest said propounded instrument, the court may grant the prayer of said petition, probate and allow said propounded instrument as the last will of said deceased, and grant execution thereof and administration of said estate to August Krecklow and Herman Schliefert, or some other person or persons, and proceed to a settlement of said estate. Witness my hand and the seal of said court at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 9th day of March, A. D., 1903. J. E. DOUGLASS.
[SEAL] County Judge.

Legal Notice.

TO CHAS. L. CURTICE, Non-resident, defendant: You are hereby notified that on the 3rd day of February, 1903, Mary E. Curtice filed a petition against you in the district court of Cass County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is to obtain a divorce from you on the ground that you have willfully abandoned the plaintiff, without good cause, for the term of two years last past and for non-support. You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 16th day of March, 1903. MARY E. CURTICE.
By ALLEN J. BEESON,
Her Attorney.

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