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At the council meeting this evening, affidavits will be filed like brick-bats.

JOHN QUINN has boycotted THE BEE, but he manages to read it every day, whether he pays for it or borrows it from his neighbor.

The democrats are congratulating themselves upon the fact that Tilden's "hall" has not been materially affected by the Wall street crash.

A BOSTON baby show has failed. Liabilities, \$8,711; assets, 500 borrowed babies. The failure, although closely following the Wall street crash, was not caused by that event.

MR. EDWIN ARNOLD got \$250 for his Italian translation in the Current of May 3. We doubt whether the proprietors of that publication will ever get their currency back, as such investments are not very profitable.

If Congress passes Senator Cullom's pension bill, placing every soldier and sailor who served three months on the pension rolls, the ghost of surplus revenue, now vexing American finance, will very suddenly get out of sight.

A. H. Andrews of Chicago has been commissioned to make the gavel that shall be used in the June convention in Chicago. He has sent to every state and territory for pieces of wood to be used in making the gavel.

GOVERNOR SHERMAN and the famous Gen. Tuttle are in Washington trying to get the new soldier's home located "somewhere in Iowa." That means, of course, at Des Moines. It is to be hoped for the sake of harmony that if they succeed, the worthy governor will not have anything to do with its management.

AS USUAL after a great financial crash there comes a number of suicides. The returns are now coming in. George B. Williams, stenographer in the Mexican Central railway office in Boston, and formerly a newspaper reporter, committed suicide the other day, owing to losses in Wall street, and he was followed by Alexander White, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who lost \$125,000 in stock speculations.

The national association of wool-growers have issued an address to the people of the United States, demanding the restoration of the wool tariff of 1867. Now let us hear from the cotton-growers, the sugar-planters, the cloth-weavers, the salt boilers, and glue makers and when all the returns are in perhaps some one will venture to say a few timid words for the consumers. They seem to be the only class that are not pushing themselves to the front just now.

A BILL has been introduced in the senate to make two United States judicial circuits out of the 8th, in which Nebraska lies. The plan is to make Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas and Arkansas the eighth circuit, and Iowa, Minnesota and Missouri a ninth circuit. This is a worthy measure that ought to be passed without hesitation.

THE Congressional Record is a costly fraud. The undelivered speeches on the Morrison bill fill 360 pages of the Record and would make two volumes of the size of the American Cyclopaedia. It cost the government to print all this mass of rubbish not less than \$10,000. Some of the matter thus cast in a deluge upon the public printer was of a nature outrageously fraudulent.

Every speaker that followed thought it his duty to make a display of knowledge by scissoring these tables and incorporating them with his own remarks. In this way two or three compilations of statistics are repeated all through the entire alleged debate. Now the government paid an enormous price—probably four-fold the ordinary price of composition—to have these tables set up. Yet they were in reality only set once, for whenever they were used thereafter, they were simply "picked up" or set into place by the printers, who were paid as much as though they had really composed the whole each time. Of course, the total amount which this operation cost is not very large when compared with some other expenses of the government, but it is a great deal too large for the purpose it serves. And the total cost of printing useless speeches for a year, must be very considerable. It is a leak, that whether great or small, ought to be stopped. It is a fraud without an excuse.

SONS OF VETERANS.

Sutton, Neb., May 19, 1884. Mr. Editor of the Bee: I see by the local papers of this vicinity, that lodges are being established for the "Sons of Veterans." My father was four years in the service and I am therefore the son of a veteran.

This is a very plain question, plainly put, and it deserves a plain answer. The sons of veterans are not entitled to a pension, under the present laws, and we do not believe they ever will be. No government on earth has ever granted a pension to a second generation, unless they were the descendants of some illustrious soldier, monarch, or prince, who inherited revenues by their "blue blood."

MARSHAL GUTHRIE. MARSHAL GUTHRIE has seen fit to publish over his own name what is intended as a vindication of his course as chief of police. He poses before the citizens of Omaha as a martyr and singles out THE BEE as the chief instigator of all complaints about his mal-administration.

Marshall Guthrie came into office under very peculiar circumstances. He had no political claims on the republican party or upon the mayor. He had rendered no service in the election, and had no experience whatever in police affairs.

THE passage by the senate of the house bill to permit the construction of a second railroad bridge at Omaha is now an accomplished fact. There is no doubt whatever that the bill will be signed by the president.

SENATOR BROWN, of Georgia, owns very extensive iron furnaces at Rising Town, Ga. A day or two ago, he posted notices through his establishment that in a few days all the free laborers would be discharged. This was the result of his having made a contract for the labor of negro convicts.

to point to a single case of malfeasance on my part, and for the information of any of those who are endeavoring to accomplish my removal, I would state that the salary attached to the position, is the munificent one of eighty-three dollars and thirty-three and one third cents per month.

We take the Marshal at his word. He defies any one to name a single case of malfeasance, and we will name it. There is in this city a disorderly house, kept by one Jack Nugent. That place has for years been the resort of the lawless elements of the city.

The laws require every officer to prevent prize-fights and arrest parties who are known to be in training or intend to become participants as seconds, referees, judges, &c. The marshal and police know all about the preparations, and mingled freely with the pugilists and their gang.

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late to his own employers. Like some of the quacks, Mr. Quinn does not like to take his own medicine. He can meddle with matters that concern only the employes of THE BEE, and may go so far as to try to heap abuse upon parties, who desire to use our columns to increase their own traffic.

As to Arthur. The facts about Arthur. Four years ago he wrought a remarkable transformation in republican politics in New York.

Now the Conkling machine is opposed to Arthur and the reformers. The reformers and the better elements of the party are warmly supporting him. This change has not been brought about by any change in the character of the president.

The idea that every political bumper in New York who happened to be appointed to a customs inspectorship by Collector Arthur, was entitled to a foreign mission from President Arthur, is at the bottom of machine opposition to him.

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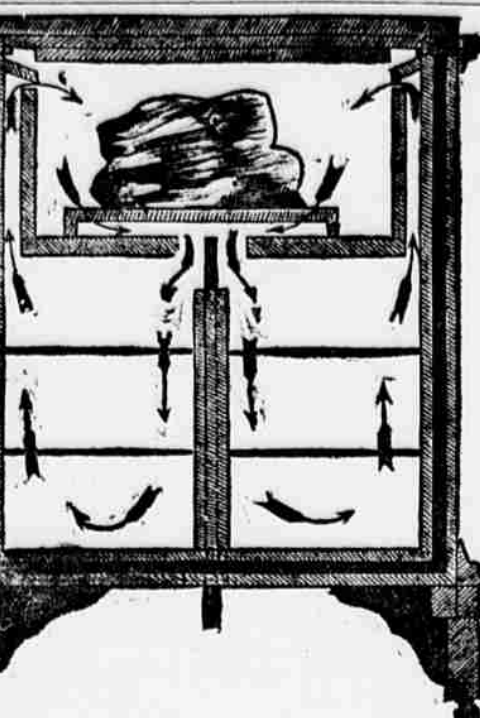
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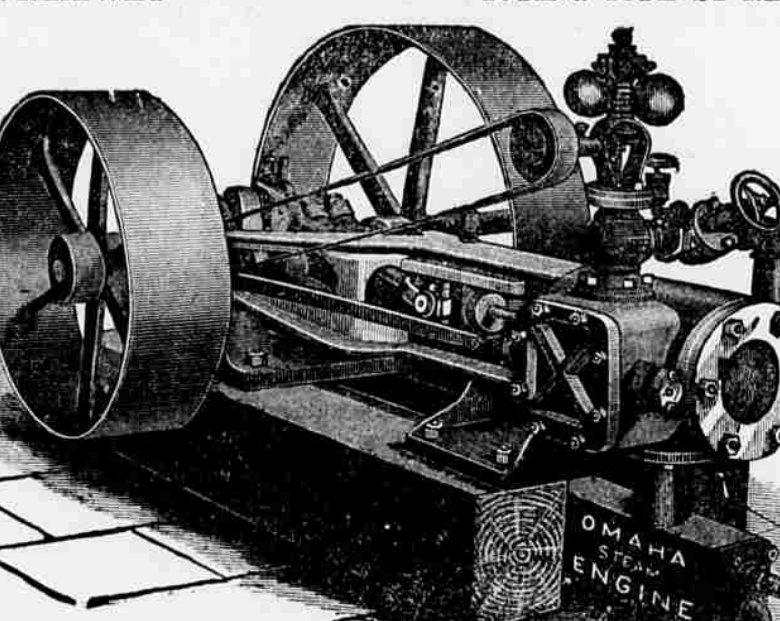
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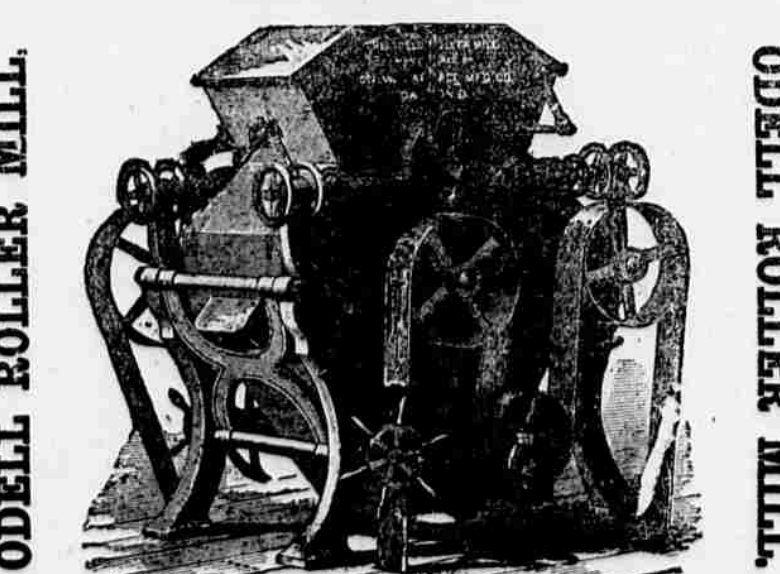
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