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EVERY true American of whatever party, creed, color or nationality, rejoices in the cheering information that James G. Blaine is rapidly regaining his health.

PERHAPS the job printing department of the State Journal has more interest in the Hastings asylum investigation, and this may explain the irritation of the newspaper end of the concern upon the subject.

TWENTY Indian boys are at work in the sugar-beet fields at Norfolk and no fault is found with their presence. The momentary foolishness of a labor organization which resented their employment has been almost forgotten.

GOVERNOR THAYER is participating to a rather unusual extent in the asylum investigation. This will enable him to pass upon the findings and act upon the recommendations of the board of public lands and buildings without delay.

HASTINGS is to entertain the independent state convention, which is another straw to be grabbed at by Judge Gaslin before he sinks out of sight in the turmoil of alliance politics in his struggle for a place on the supreme bench.

ERASTUS WIMAN is right. Everything points to good prices for American cereals this year. Nebraska farmers will be wise if they hold as much of their surplus as is not necessary for winter market to requirements for the winter market.

OUR people must not forget that we cannot make a great grain market here without storage facilities and manufacturing mills, malt houses, cereal mills and distilleries to care for and consume the product offered.

THE Missouri river is now running in a new channel at Atchison and a slice of land from Missouri has been left on the Kansas bank of the river. The border troubles between Missouri and Kansas will never cease so long as the Big Muddy continues unconquered.

CEDAR RAPIDS has a population of 18,000. The Iowa republican state convention numbered 1,968 delegates. The little city entertained them handsomely and satisfactorily.

THERE are 35,000 strangers in Indianapolis today. No complaint of a want of hotel and other accommodations comes back from that city. Her population is 107,000. As many as thirty-five thousand people attend the state fair at Lincoln and yet that progressive little city manages to entertain the crowd.

THE officials of the department of agriculture believe the farmers will not avail themselves of the Nebraska warehouse law to any great extent this year. Why not? The warehouse act goes into effect August 1. There is a large surplus of grain in the state.

THE IOWA REPUBLICANS. The republicans of Iowa have nominated a strong ticket. The candidate for governor, Hon. Hiram C. Wheeler, is one of the best known and most popular men in the state. For 30 years he has been identified with the agricultural interests of Iowa, and no man has done more for their development.

THE platform, so far as it relates to national affairs, is thoroughly republican in tone and spirit. It judiciously commends the national administration and the work of the last congress, favors the policy of reciprocity, and justly claims for the republican party in the country the merit of having always favored the purity of the ballot and promoted legislation for that purpose.

IT is important that claimants under the Indian depositions law should understand that all contracts made by them with attorneys were cancelled and annulled by that act. Section nine of the law explicitly says that "all contracts heretofore made for fees and allowances to claimants' attorneys are hereby declared void."

THE claim agents and attorneys are making a fight on the law upon the ground that congress has no power to annul private contracts, and hold that contracts involving a contingent fee are irrevocable. Claimants who are thus involved should pay no attention to it.

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ALTHOUGH the total pack of hogs for the season shows a decrease of \$30,000, Omaha falls off but 11,000. Kansas City is still over 100,000 ahead of this city, but has packed nearly 200,000 hogs less than last year. Last year at this time Sioux City made a showing of 216,000 hogs. This year she has packed but 89,000. A single spurt of a week's duration would run Omaha up to second place as a packing center.

NO man is competent for superintending of the Omaha schools who is coarse in his language, brutal in his criticism of teachers, openly partial to favorites, and frequently unfair to those whom he personally dislikes. We want a man in this position who can hold the respect of patrons, teachers and pupils, who will maintain the high standard of excellence already attained by our schools and who will grow with Omaha and her school system.

THE drill contest at Indianopolis rests between Omaha, Neb., and San Antonio, Texas, with odds in favor of Omaha. The guards promise to cover themselves with glory and return to the city with first prize, first money, and the next drill for Omaha.

WITH a cash balance in the United States treasury of \$153,503,508 bankruptcy does not stare very impudently at Uncle Sam.

THE secretary of the board of education should not be a cunning ward striker, a partisan whose highest purpose is to advance the interests of his political party, a busy-body who continually intermeddles with matters in which he has no right to interfere, a proverbial talker who brews and broods ill-feeling among teachers, a tricky, treacherous trimmer whose methods arouse continuous suspicion of his motives, and an individual whose name is synonymous with sly manipulations to advance his own interests and circumvent by foul means the plans of persons for whom he has conceived dislike.

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INTERNAL revenue has appointed the following sugar inspectors under the provision of the tariff bill: Henry C. Morton, District of Columbia; Harvey N. Slusher, Ohio; George E. Fleisher, New Hampshire; H. H. Norton, Maine; R. Loran, Iowa. The law limits the number of these inspectors to twelve.

CHICAGO, July 2.—There arrived in the city yesterday a travel-stained and foot-sore pedestrian. He was George Simms, and he had counted every railroad tie between this town and Galveston, Tex. G. C. Fox, of Galveston, valued \$1,000 that Simms could not walk without money from Galveston to Chicago in sixty days. Simms accepted the challenge. Yesterday he completed his long tramp, finishing four or five hours ahead of time. Simms says that he had all sorts of thrilling experiences. So many adventures were crowded into his tramp that he will not get well for some time.

THE Roman Catholic laymen of Chicago do not take kindly to the Calmeny scheme for planting foreign bishops in their midst. Not even the language condemnation issued by Archbishop Ireland and leading Roman Catholic papers exceeds in heartiness the course which the laymen will take in their regard to the "Irishman plot," as Horace Calmeny has been called.

THE iron workers held a big meeting last night and decided to strike the structural iron employed on the buildings now under police protection and the structural men will assist themselves in order to support the shopmen. The strike will be a structural men are instructed not to work "scabs" or handle iron made in non-union shops.

THE state board of supplies has made the following list of contractors for supplies for the various state institutions: Industrial Home—Milford; Flour and feed, Johnson & Co.; coal, George A. Raynes & Co.; hardware, Howard, groceries, L. A. Warner & Co.; Home for Friendless—Lincoln; Meats, Lincoln; Groceries, Lincoln; Coal, Whitebread coal company; Hospital for Insane—Lincoln; Coal, Whitebread coal company; paints and oils, McArthur Brothers; Groceries, Meats, Palmer Brothers; groceries, Charles H. Kipp; dry goods, Pickens & Sons; bread, Jacob Fisher; Groceries, groceries, Kent; drugs, McWade & Smith; clothing, Falk & Bloom; coal, Hastings fuel company. The board passed a resolution that the whole of the drug bill be purchased at once.

INSURE Hospital—Norfolk; Drugs, A. K. Leonard; coal, Rayner & Co.; bread, Birchard Brothers; groceries, Meats, E. Enderly; groceries, Raymond Bros. & Co.; Possible-minded—Beatrice; Coal, J. L. Mead & Co.; groceries, Meats, C. F. Wilber; Deaf and Dumb Institute, Omaha—Broad, Otto Wagner.

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