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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 29th day of December, A. D. 1901.

The growth of the average daily circulation of THE BEE for six years is shown in the following table:

Table showing average daily circulation from 1896 to 1901. Values range from 18,497 in 1896 to 24,077 in 1901.

THE Omaha capitalists who have public spirit enough to donate lands for public parks are too modest to make themselves known.

TWO PER CENT bonds are bringing one-half of 1 per cent premium in the face of the democratic pretense that the treasury is bankrupt.

SILICON plaster is remarkable for its political ramifications. It bobs up serenely in the most surprising governmental localities hereabouts.

JANUARY 12 the first vote will be taken in the Ohio legislature for United States senator, and on the same day Mayor Bemis will make his appointments.

SYNDICATE park is rough and uncouth, but its location, its springs, lake and natural timber go a long way toward making it available. It is a natural park.

SLY is certainly an appropriate name for a train robber who could successfully plan and execute robberies at St. Louis, Omaha, Kansas City and elsewhere and escape the clutches of the Pinkertons for months.

WITH the dawn of the new year all eyes are turned upon the governor of Kansas. He has it within his power to make a very handsome New Year's gift in the shape of a cushioned seat in the United States senate.

THE editorial writer on an esteemed contemporary who speaks so glowingly of the Nebraska State Teachers' association as if it were a new organization should be told that the association is very nearly as old as the state.

WILLIAM A. SPRINGER knows a good thing when he sees it and therefore grabs it. He saw his opportunity when he voted for Crisp, and he sees it again in appointing his son clerk of the committee on ways and means at \$3,000 per year. The Springers are thrifty.

THE School fund will be \$30,000 short this year, in all probability as a result of the reduction in the number of liquor licenses issued. This is gratifying as proof that the whisky business is not as prosperous as it has been heretofore, but it should open the eyes of the Board of Education to the necessity of rigid economy.

HAVING signally failed to renew the Indian troubles in South Dakota and Arizona, the Indian fakir has gone to Oklahoma, and he reports that a great many Indians near Fort Reno are out in their ghost shirts dancing. It is to be hoped they will be permitted to dance off the craze, for no harm can come of it in mid-winter.

THE democrats appear to have captured New York through the court of appeals, having failed to carry it at the election. Gerrymanagers will now fix up the congressional districts to the liking of Hill and Tammany and the legislative districts to make sure of another democratic United States senator. Governor Senator Hill has accomplished his purpose and once more shows himself to be the most skillful political manipulator in America. His grip on the executive chair had a deadly purpose, to continue himself as boss of the New York machine and the grip has been successful.

ALTHOUGH some of the newspapers are making light of the project, there are very good reasons why the fish commission should be transferred to the Agricultural department. There is no other proper place for it and no reason why it should be a separate and independent bureau. Fishes are a food product and the fish commission's business is to assist in propagating them and to teach the people how to care for them. The Agricultural department is the smallest of the executive portfolios and should be made equal in dignity to the others. The transfer of the weather service was ridiculed, but everybody admits that it was a wise action. The fish commission and the geological survey are both intimately related to the business already in the hands of Secretary Rusak, and they could very properly be placed under his immediate supervision.

THE NEW YEAR.

The passage from one year to another is as simple as the transition from day to night. There is no halt or break in the course of time, and nature makes no line of demarcation to separate the old year from the new. But civilized mankind has learned to give an impressive importance to the coming in of a new year, and it is made the occasion for "burning over a new leaf" and making promises to do better in all ways shown by experience to need reforming.

The year 1892 promises to begin an era of great prosperity for the American people. Every indication points to a remarkable revival of industrial activity and a business movement in all branches unparalleled in recent years.

THE ARID LANDS PROBLEM. Nebraska and Kansas are deeply interested in the arid lands problem. Should the project of conveying these lands absolutely to the states be carried out these two states may be seriously affected.

WHAT WILL THEY DO? This is the question which is agitating and perplexing political circles in New York regarding the course of the republicans in the senate of that state.

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eratic leaders who are subject to his dictation, the republicans are obviously bound to abide by the result. The course taken was according to their wish, and it is not claimed, so far as we know, that they were denied any means or opportunity to establish their claims.

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON. The editor of the Lincoln Journal is very much concerned over the unfriendly relations that are alleged to subsist between the new secretary of war and the editor of this paper.

TRADE RELATIONS WITH CANADA. It is said that the administration has decided upon a waiting policy for the present regarding our trade relations with Canada.

POINTS ON PROSPERITY. The western railroads have gained more than the eastern in earnings this year as compared with last year, but the gains even in the latter have been decidedly important and encouraging.

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WHAT IT ENABLES US TO DO.

Chancellor Canfield's Splendid Address Before the State Teachers. EDUCATIONAL WORK A MEANS, NOT AN END. Power of Thought and the Power of Language—The One Thing That Distinguishes Man from Brute—Other Lincoln News.

Chancellor Canfield took up the discussion of the first topic, reading a paper on "The Place and Value of Language in an Educational Curriculum." The theme of his address was that educational work must be considered a means, not an end.

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SOME CHILL TALK.

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SPECIAL SUIT SALE. The Reason Why. The continued warm weather has been very bad for the clothing trade, and we find ourselves with a much larger stock of suits than we should have at this time of the year.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report. Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE.