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It may be taken as an absolute fact that one-half of the Chicago combines are anti-Omaha combines in effect.

The democratic press is plainly sparing for wind when it attempts to draw any consolation from the Vermont election.

The cholera has never yet crossed the Pacific ocean. But that is no sign that it will not do so, for this is a record-smashing era, and nothing is impossible.

The League of Republican Clubs will have a monster assembly at Buffalo this week. It will be the most appropriate and enthusiastic opening of this backward campaign.

The election of Rev. A. T. Pierson of Philadelphia to the permanent pastorate of Spurgeon's church in London is a high compliment not merely to Mr. Pierson, but to this country.

The local sports who attended the New Orleans exhibition have not yet returned to Omaha. The late rains, which have seriously impeded highway travel, have presumably caused this delay.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY has plunged into the Minnesota campaign with the zeal which is his compensation in allowing Shakespeare to resume writing his own plays until a few weeks after November 8.

The disclosures made by Deputy Treasurer Fisk at Hastings regarding the alleged robbery of the funds by Treasurer Paul, if they can be proven, will create a strong sentiment against Paul's pardon.

"COLONEL" SCOTT complains that the rhetorical sketches of his checkered career are copies of portraits drawn by unfriendly artists. The trouble with the great "colonel" is that his friends are as scarce as hens' teeth wherever he has lived.

There is a good deal of nonsense about the library and the city hall elevator. The fact is that the patrons of the library for three years have been squeezed into a 2x4 elevator not half as large as the city hall elevator and twice as dangerous.

COMMODORE PERRY'S victory on Lake Erie seventy-nine years ago yesterday was quite a contest, yet the gallant commodore must owe his immortality more to his sentence, "We have met the enemy and they are ours," than to his signal victory over the British.

The contractor for the Douglas street grade is creeping along at a snail's pace with his work. Unless he is spurred on by the Board of Public Works to finish the job by the 1st of October it will be impossible to do any paying on Douglas and the cross streets between Sixteenth and Twentieth this year.

The opening of the school year again brings out the complaint of pressure in the high school, with an urgent demand for relief. The superintendent of schools suggests the removal of the Sixth grade from the Central school to some other building, and if this would give the needed relief it would seem that there should be no delay in adopting the suggestion. This matter of giving relief to the High School has received so much discussion that something practical ought to be done.

THE total number of business failures in the United States during the past week was 146, against 185 during the corresponding week last year. About the same falling off in the number of failures has been recorded each week this year, showing that the condition of business has greatly improved throughout the country. It has always been held that a national campaign has been held that a national campaign has been held that a national campaign has been held.

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WHAT OMAHA TRULY NEEDS.

A little more than a year ago THE BEE began a campaign in behalf of home patronage which at once commanded the approval of the citizens of Omaha and the surrounding country, and produced results that are yet plainly apparent in the business life of this community.

But experience has shown that the mere keeping of Omaha money in Omaha does not by any means meet the requirements of the time, though it does a great deal of good in its way. In this city, as in all others, the pulse of business is quickened or slackened according to the degree of activity shown in enterprises which afford employment for the working classes.

It appears from interviews with many local business men published in this paper, that the need of enterprises affording employment to workmen is generally recognized. The jobbing trade of Omaha is flourishing finely. It extends far into the northwest and does not stop this side of the Pacific.

The subject is one that should engage the attention of those who are seeking for profitable fields of investment.

CRIME AND THE LAW'S DELAY.

The daily record of crimes in the United States goes far to justify what was recently said by Hon. Andrew D. White, minister to Russia, that this country is today, among all the Christian countries of the world, that in which the highest crimes are most frequent and least punished.

There is consensus of opinion among those who have given this matter any attention, that lax administration of the law and the delays which outworn legal methods allow are largely responsible for this condition of affairs.

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in proportion to population. In no other nation are the forces which operate against vice and crime in stronger array than here. The school, the press and the church are all vying. The chief trouble is manifestly in the lax administration and the delays of the law, and how to remedy this presents a very serious problem.

THE CONGRESSIONAL RACE.

A careful canvass of the delegates selected in Friday night's caucuses for the congressional district convention shows the following preferences: Mercer, 49; Scott, 37; Bartlett, 9; Cornish, 9.

The county precincts, which are entitled to sixty-five delegates, have held no caucuses. It is safe to predict, however, that the county will be most decidedly against Scott.

DIVERSIFIED FARMING IN NEBRASKA.

A subject of deep interest to the farmers of Nebraska, and one to which they are now giving considerable attention, is the practicability of diversifying the products of their lands in such a manner as to avoid the risks always attendant upon single crop farming.

It is doubtful whether any single crop can ever be relied upon as a permanent source of profit, even in localities especially adapted to it. The whole of the cotton-growing region of the south is suffering from a too implicit trust in cotton.

PREPARE FOR COLUMBUS DAY.

The proclamation of the governor of Nebraska, formally setting apart Friday, October 12, to be observed as Columbus day in this state, in conformity with the proclamation of the president of the United States, suggests that as the public schools are to play the chief part in the celebration it is time for them to begin active preparations.

RELIGIOUS PROGRESS OF THE NEGRO.

Mr. H. K. Carroll, the special agent of the census in churches, bears testimony to the religious tendencies of the negro race. He says that worship seems to be a necessity of their nature.

Thus far no plans have been made in our public schools for the observance of Columbus day. More than two months ago the Grand Army men of Omaha began to discuss the subject, it having been determined that this organization throughout the United States should co-operate with the public schools in the celebration of the day.

INCREASE IN PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Next to the school the most valuable help to popular education is the public library, so that the increase in those institutions is a most interesting fact in the record of the progress of educational facilities.

Church organizations of negroes have established, since the close of the rebellion, universities, colleges, academies, called thousands of men into the ministry and provided many houses of worship. The value of the property in church buildings and lots which colored Christians have acquired for public worship is estimated at nearly or quite \$20,000,000.

the endowments of libraries by private citizens amounting to millions of dollars, while Connecticut also makes an excellent showing. The eastern states outside of New England have not, it appears, shown very much zeal in this respect, though, of course, there are extensive public libraries in all the principal cities.

A SOUTHERN VIEW OF THE WEST.

In the course of an article designed to attract attention to the south as a field for agricultural investments, the Atlanta Constitution says: "The west has been over-boomed. Too much has been attempted in a short time, and the whole section is mortgage-blighted."

THE SALT OF THE EARTH.

American produced 10,000,000 barrels of salt last year, and yet the misguided Chilians said they thought America was too fresh.

Case and Effect.

A minister in delivering a discourse on the relations of capital and labor, put stress on the fact that they rarely work, this is not remarkable.

A Millionaire as an Inventor.

John Jacob Astor has invented an automatic road sweeper to blow the dust from roadways into convenient wireways for removal.

Barriers Against Pesticence.

Canada's ports are now closed against immigrants from Europe, excepting those from Great Britain and the United States. It is not to be forgotten that a very large proportion of the immigrants to this country from the infected regions of Russia take ship at the British ports of Liverpool and Glasgow.

The Quaker Poet.

It is not strange that the name and fame of our English poet should be so cherished wherever the English language is spoken. A life, simple, sincere, frank and absolutely unfeigned—a life marked by characteristic characteristics and by gentleness of spirit, save when a great wrong was to be assailed and freedom won for a race enslaved—this has been Whittier's proudest gift to the world.

A ROMANCE IN WHITTIER'S LIFE.

Whittier's poem, "In School Days," is one with which every school child is familiar. Some say the sweet verses are very easy to learn by heart, and when they are once committed to memory they have a way of lingering there long after the school children have become grown men and women.

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Still sits the school house by the road, The faded benches unaltered grow. Around it still the sassafras grows, And blackberry vines are running;

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