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LET no guilty man escape.

THINGS are not so monotonous at Lincoln just now.

NOBODY can blame the Nebraska ground hog if he stays indoors today.

THE Pinkerton investigation in congress has ended in smoke, but the operations of the Pinkertons end in bloodshed.

THE Hawaiian commission which passed through Omaha eastbound last evening had a fair opportunity to learn what the climate of Nebraska really is.

THE contest in the North Dakota legislature is, by no means, a heated one.

THE promotion of Mr. Edward Dickinson to the position of general manager of the Union Pacific system will meet the approval of the army of employes as well as of the patrons of that road.

IF CANADA wants to be annexed to the United States let her burn her bridges behind her as Hawaii has done.

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THE gerrymandering legislative apportionment law of Indiana, which was declared unconstitutional by a republican supreme court, has fared no better at the hands of the democratic supreme court which has lately come in.

MR. Gladstone has promised that there shall be no delay in introducing a home rule bill, the preparation of which is understood to have been completed.

SENATOR JONES of Nevada, one of the delegates to the Brussels international

OVERWORKED RAILWAY EMPLOYEES.

There is hardly a railroad company in the country that is not in the habit of requiring of employes connected with its train service excessive hours of labor. Engineers and brakemen on freight trains are often compelled to work, particularly in the busy seasons, eighteen and twenty hours a day, until they become worn out with the strain upon their vital energies and become unfit to exercise proper care and vigilance in the performance of their duties.

The legislature of Indiana proposes to find out whether it is possible to stop the overworking of railroad employes in that state. It has before it a bill making it a misdemeanor for any railroad official to enforce more than sixteen consecutive hours' work upon any employe, and prescribes a heavy fine and term of imprisonment for all those who violate the provisions of the bill when it becomes a law.

The measure has the sanction of the organized railway men, who have sent representatives to urge its adoption. There can be no question that the object of the bill is a commendable one, and the general public has as much interest in such legislation as the employes of railroads.

People who travel have the right to demand that life be made safer by the imposition of just such safeguards. The overworked man who has anything to do with the running of trains must in the nature of things be as a rule an unsafe man. His faculties cannot be as clear and alert as they should be and his thoughts are more likely to be upon himself than on his duty.

The citizens of Omaha must be pardoned if they resent such statements as we have quoted above, for it is an injury to the business interests of any city to represent that it is not adequately guarded against loss by fire.

Omaha wants more business enterprises and is constantly inviting them. Realizing that an inferior water supply, a poorly equipped fire department and prohibitive insurance rates are not conducive to growth and prosperity, a liberal policy has been pursued by this city in making provision against fire losses.

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OMAHA'S WATER SUPPLY.

The following from the New York Commercial Bulletin shows how erroneous and damaging impressions may be created by means of information furnished to the press by careless or malicious persons:

The water supply at Omaha is said to be very bad. A few days ago the new water tower was received, and at a test given six engines could hardly throw a stream of water over a three-story building.

Nothing could be further from the truth than the statement that the water supply of Omaha is "very bad." On the contrary it is remarkably good, and is one of the things upon which this city especially prides itself.

The Boston Advertiser takes the correct view of the proposition to annex the Hawaiian islands when it says that it is not in accordance with the settled policy of this country.

THE county commissioners have reached a sensible conclusion in respect to the question whether the city of Omaha should be compelled to pave the streets connecting with the county roads.

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FREE TRADE AND POVERTY.

It is a trifle singular that, although he is as deaf as a post, Bayard managed to hear the first cabinet whisper of Mr. Cleveland, whereas many a man who has his ear right at the elbow ever since last November has not been able to hear even a rustle that he could mistake for a call.

THE free trade coal combine, which is to monopolize the coal fields of Nova Scotia, makes its profits out of American consumers and drives the American mine operators out of American markets.

THE complete success of the ballot reform system in so large a proportion of the states makes certain its speedy adoption in the remaining states.

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SENATORIAL TOPOGRAPHY.

Chicago Mail: Why not annex Hawaii and send Charles H. Lummis there as provisional governor? Then the extra "H" in his name will no longer wobble around as such an unanswered question.

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