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INSIST ON HAVING THE BEE.

March this year has merely gotten the lion and the lamb hopelessly mixed.

be punished.

The departure of that 400 for Nevada will not leave Omaha's business and so- the middle of March. There is no doubt ciefy interests precisely in a state of whatever that the delay has been the paralysis.

scribe to the doctrine that legislative essary evils. After having vetoed the osteopathy

bill Governor Lee of South Dakota need not expect the ossified man's vote if he ever again runs for office.

Death of all concerned from old age, instead of a mere sickness of a witness, is likely to result from the apparently unending delays in the Bolln case.

The proof sheets of the World-Herald editorial on "Senator Talbot and His Dirk" should have been referred to Mr. Talbot's law partner, William Jennings

It has been forcordained that Omaha is to have a spring election just to accommodate the political funeral directors who are suffering from business de-

Unless the police can arrest some one besides boys now and then it would seem that one police matron can attend to all the duties of that position at the station.

In view of the apparent determination of the ice companies to oppress consumers in their usual fashion this summer for an ice factory here in Omaha.

One house of the Arizona legislature has passed a bill for ten-year intervals between legislative sessions. Ten years of rest from legislative turmoil-perhaps it would not be so bad after all.

The Chicago city ticket which has Gunther on it for city treasurer would come out with flags flying if every person in the World's Fair city who has a sweet tooth had a vote in the election.

Nebraska will not experiment with municipal woman suffrage for the present. The legislature should have credit for saving Nebraska women from the demoralizing influence of ward politics.

A prominent applicant for diplomatic office is quoted as saying that he has undoubtedly be placed upon debate reason to believe the president will appoint him to the desired ministry. There is nothing like faith. The office seeker who is not willing to believe the job get executive approval, for while the is coming his way may as well have old appropriations can be continued that kept out of the race.

When the republicans were in power we were constantly told by the populist press that the state house teemed with in recognition of the fact that President idle occupants of useless offices. The Bee agreed with these papers that some of the offices were unnecessary, such, for example, as three high salaried secretaries of the State Board of Trans- be passed in the house, owing to the portation, whose work can readily be performed by a single clerk. But has banking and currency committee, the any one heard of any of these offices being abolished since the populists got abdicating their function to a commishold of the places?

If Senator Pettigrew has any right to speak for his associates, the so-called free silver republican members of the ley said, that may be worth trying. United States senate will not lend their votes to any obstructive tactics against the new tariff bill. If Mr. Pettigrew and his friends also recognized the gress and refrained from wasting the fruitless issue, they could improve their

WHY ALL THIS IMPOSTURES

solely for the sake of expected party ad- relief their wisdom may devise." vantage. But it is unfair and discreditable to resort to imposture in order to pull through any measure, good or bad. When Representative Yelser invoked the house to take immediate action on the charter bill, in order to prevent the extension of the Omaha water works fran-It is amazing, however, that this imposture should be repeated by his colleague, Representative Rich, who cer-

tainly ought to know better. before the Omaha city council to extend the water works franchise. The ordinance which the mountebank mayor threatens to veto with a tremendous explosion simply proposes to modify one which nobody familiar with the subject of the terms of the contract between the city and the water company by which the right of the city to purchase the works at a valuation fixed by three arbitrators is to be waived for a period of five years. The right to acquire the works by eminent domain at any time is not waived and can be exercised under the present charter as well as the new charter.

As a business proposition it would be safer to buy the works by condemnation process, in which the court or city appoints all the appraisers, than under the arbitration clause of the contract which gives the city one arbitrator, the company one and allows the two choose the third. So far as the municipal ownership of the water porks plant is concerned, it is immaterial whether the new charter becomes a law this week or this having been successful over such demoyear, in March or in August. In no event can the action of the legislature prevent the city council from settling the disputed hydrant rental claims

which are the chief bone of contention. Neither the legislature nor the governor will be excusable for hasty action on this important measure under pretense that they would prevent the extension of a franchise worth millions, as asserted on the floor of the house.

NOT VERY MUNIFICENT.

The action of the senate on the ex position bill practically limits the state appropriation to \$100,000. While this is not a very munificent contribution, it Embezzlement of public funds must might have proved of very great adbe made odious and public thieves must vantage to the enterprise had it been made promptly after the opening of the legislative session in January instead of coming near the close of the session in chief cause of the failure of the legislatures of many states to make provision President McKinley declines to sub- for state participation in the exposition.

sessions are to be classed among nec- is the omission of the emergency clause, which practically makes it impossible organizing the state board of directors. until August, which means that no work | tions, and therefore the Times man conwill be begun on the state buildings before the middle of September or the first of October. Where the responsibility for this omission belongs will be manifest by the time the legislature adjourns.

> THE FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS. The Fifty-fifth congress will meet in

extraordinary session today. will be no delay in organizing the new house, the republican caucus having voted to continue all the present officers and also the rules. There was no opposition to the re-election of Speaker Reed, which shows how entirely groundless were the reports sent out some time ago to the effect that there was a good deal of feeling against the speaker by reason of the way in which he applied the rules and his firm stand against expenditures he deemed to be extravagant. Thomas B. Reed is never likely to be in serious danger from any rivairy for the speakership of a republican house. His superiority as a parliamentarian is recognized by men of all parties and none will question that he has the highest qualifications for a presiding officer. there seems to be an excellent opening Whatever further honors await Mr. Reed, his name will always be conspicuously identified with the speakership, which he has made a commanding power in legislation.

It is presumed that the work of the session will be confined to the tariff bill and the delinquent appropriation bills, though possibly some attention will be given to the currency. The tariff bill will probably be ready for presentation to the house today and as outlined by Mr. Dingley it will be at once referred to the ways and means committee, from which it will speedlly be reported back and its consideration by the house entered upon. It is evidently the program of the house republicans to permit no unnecessary delay, so that while they will give the opposition a fair opportunity to discuss the bill a limit will There should be no doubt regarding the passage of the appropriation bills which passed the last congress but failed to is not a plan to be encouraged. As to cerrency legislation, it is hardly probable there will be any. It may be proposed to create a currency commission McKinley is favorably disposed toward that plan, and perhaps a measure for this purpose would pass the senate, but it is somewhat doubtful whether it could opposition it would encounter from the members of which resent the idea of slon. Still, a majority of the house

may think this a good way to dispose of the currency question for the time being-an experiment, as Mr. McKin-

The republican majority in the new house is 51-not so large as in the last congress, but still ample to insure the success of republican measures in that futility of trying to push a 16 to 1 free body. There are 130 new members, coinage measure in the present con- about fifty being democrats and fusionists who defeated republicans and a senate's time in declaiming on this large percentage of the remainder are democrats who succeed other democrats. standing materially with the general It is work of the very highest importance that the new congress has to do and

everybody should be able to acquiesce Every tub should stand on its own bot- in the hope expressed by Speaker Reed tom. It may be good politics to rush "that all branches of the government the charter through the legislature with- will be in accord as to the policy of givout correcting any of its serious defects | ing to the people immediately whatever

A NEW LEADER.

The democratic party has a new leader. He is Joseph W. Balley of Texas, who will today receive the support of the democrats of the house of representatives for speaker. The counchise, he might have been excused on try does not know much of Mr. Bailey. the ground that he did not know better. It is safe to say that a large majority of democrats have never beard of him. He represents the Fifth Texas district, but is a native of Mississippi. He is a young man, being not yet 34, and is There is no proposition now pending a lawyer. He will enter upon his fourth consecutive term in congress today, but his name has not been prominently identified with any legislation except a bill providing for voluntary bankruptcy approved.

> Mr. Bailey has, however, been some thing of a factor in democratic politics. It is interesting to note that as a mem ber of the Chicago convention he was opposed to the nomination of Mr. Bryan, regarding him as essentially a populist. Mr. Bailey was so dissatisfied with Bryan's nomination that he published a letter declining to run for congress, but was finally persuaded to accept a renomination, which carried with it support of the popocratic ticket As the democratic leader in the house of representatives, the Texas congressman will have a vantage ground for his ambition that will enable him to broaden his leadership if he have the ability to do so. That he has ability must be presumed from the fact of his cratic veterans as McMillin of Tennes see and Bland of Missouri. Mr. Bailey will have the best possible opportunity in the present congress to show what there is in him. If he can win prestige as a leader the chance is now before him. Should he justify the evident confidence of his democratic colleagues

will become a force to be reckoned with by the aspirants for the democratic presidential nomination in 1900 Mr. Bailey has bounded into national prominence and his future will be watched with no little interest.

SECRETARY SHERMAN'S CRITICS. Secretary Sherman is used to being criticised and therefore is not likely to be troubled by the flings that are thrown at him by some American newspapers and by the American correspondent of the London Times, but none the less these should be resented by all who appreciate the great services which the veteran statesman has rendered to the country. The attempt of the correspondent to discredit Mr. Sherman as The worst feature of the bill as passed the head of the State department is reprehensible. It seems that the secretary of state was not disposed to unfold to for the state to take any steps toward the correspondent, for consumption abroad, his views as to our foreign relacluded that the secretary has no definite opinions or does not expect them to exert any influence and that he is wobbly in mind and purpose. This discourtesy to a distinguished statesman, in whose wisdom and discretion the great majority of his countrymen have the fullest confidence, cannot be too vigorously conhimself, who called Secretary Sherman into the administration because he knew his great ability and his soundness of

> If it be true that the secretary of state does not regard foreign affairs as of firs importance he is in accord with the intelligent opinion of the country. Important those affairs certainly are, but they are secondary to the question of domestic prosperity and the purpose of the administration to thus subordinate them is approved by the great body of the people. There is no uncertainty in the mind of the president or the secretary of state regarding the policy to be pursued in our foreign affairs, nor le there any doubt that they are in perfect agreement. We shall mind our own business, protecting our interests everywhere, but seeking no controversies or conflicts with any other nation. This is the meaning of what President McKinley said in his inaugural address and it is wise and right.

> > A MAN OF BIG PROMISE.

Mr. Venner has volunteered the statement that if he were only given a water works franchise in Omaha he could furnish the city with fire hydrants without charge.

If memory serves us correctly this is the same Mr. Venner that controlled the present water works plant in Omaha luring the wrecking period before it went into the hands of the court. If memory serves us correctly the same Mr. Venner entered into an agreement with Mayor Bemis on behalf of the water company in consideration of the payment of a disputed claim \$37,000 against the city to give the city the privilege of relocating without cost 100 fire hydrants from places where they were useless to places where they were needed. But when this same Mr. Venner had cashed his warrant he repudiated the contract nade in good faith by Mayor Bemis on

behalf of the city. Is the man whose promise to relocate 100 hydrants without extra charge was broken almost as soon as it was made, the man whose promise to give Omaha free hydrants would be worth any more than the paper it is written on? Is not Mr. Venner's play to use the city for pulling his own chestnuts out of the fire too gauzy to deceive anybody who does not want to be deceived?

Mr. Yeiser is the legislative champion of the initiative and referendum. General Coxey goes Yelser one better. Coxey now stands for the initiative, referendum and imperative mandate, whatever that may mean.

It ought not to be difficult to find community that is to get along without money. People are not at all scarce who have been involuntarily getting along without money for involuntarily getting along without money. without money for months past and seat of power.

One of the chief objections to the initiative and referendum is that it would be the beginning instead of the ending of the long series of expensive

At least it is definitely known now how much the state will appropriate the recipe that has the exposition, and, although the recipe that has officials at Lincoln. how much the state will appropriate for thing is better than continued uncertainty.

In Theory, at Least.

The indications are that public office will ontinue to be a public trust. Needlessly Alarmed.

When the world hears of the proposition o mobilize the militia of all the states at

the powers will wish they hadn't bulldozed Mistake of the Office Hunter. A large number of eminently respectable and eager citizens have yet to learn that a revival of business does not necessarily in-volve a change in the village postoffice, nor

new men in other clerical positions of the federal government. The Rond to Success.

An account is given in the scientific journals of a process for condensing a vast quan-tity of reading matter into a small space by means of new methods of photography But for practical purposes the better plan is to condense the ideas, as bright adver-tizers are doing every day for hurried

Business Before Spoils.

The announcement comes from Washingon that the president will not dispose of many of the offices until after the tariff legis-lation for which the special session is called shall be enacted. This is the thing to do, as it will tend to push the passage of the tariff bill by republicans in the senate and induce senators who are independent to put themselves in position to talk with the president about local officers. The early en-actment of the tariff bill is of much more mportance than all of the patronage, if t were a hundredfold as much as it is. Mr. Neveland used the patronage to repeal the Sherman silver purchase act quite effectually, and a president with more diplomatic advisers may use it even to better advantage in pushing the passage of the tariff bill.

Old Information Revamped.

The Lexow anti-trust committee has made 10,000 word report to the legislature at Albany without giving the public any informa-tion it didn't possess already. The report states that the trusts are formed to suppress competition. regulate prices and increase profits, but it farg to suggest any effective way in which they can be controlled or sup-

The only remedy offered is in the shape of a bill enlarging the powers of the at-torney general to deal with trusts that attempt to restrain trade. The report itself shows that this will effect little, as the powers of state officials and legislatures are restricted by the federal constitution. Compressed into plain, everyday English the report is a confession that it will re-quire a statesman of larger caliber than Senator Lexov to discover a legal way of regulating the tendencies of trade that will harm than good,

BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

Under Protection.

Calcago Times-Heraldets The forecast of the sugar schedule to b eported in the new tariff bill naturally at tracts public attention to the remarkable growth of the beet sugar industry in this country and its possibilities under the favorsugar industry it must be kept in min-It reflects upon the president | that this country does not export sugar to any great extent, being able to supply only small percentage of domestic consump tion. During the fiscal year of 1894 the United States imported 3,834,843,605 pounds have nearly all resorted to the bounty sys tem of developing the beet sugar industry but are nearly all heavy exporters of sugar t follows that a different economic question is presented in this country, and one that must be regarded from a different point. The sugar planters in the British colonies which are compelled to compete with the bounty-covered product of the coninental countries are already clamoring fo tariff on beet sugar entering the Kingdom equal to the bounty paid on it is the land of production.

This protection which is demanded by the sugar planters of the British colonie against the product of countries that pa ounties presents a problem which has its parallel in this country, and has been promptly met by the ways and means comrittee. Although the new tariff may cause trifling advance in the price of sugar to he consumer, it will doubtless give narked impetus to the beet sugar industry n this country, which may be said to be i to experimental stages. So far the state of the susceptibility of its soil to beet suga-cultivation, but R is believed that under the stimulus of adequate protection the industry an be established with profit in other state The total production of beet sugar in Call fornia for the three years 1892, 1893 and 1894 duction for the same period was 12,486,200

In all future legislation affecting the sugar industry congress should keep steadily in view the possibility of such development of beet sugar as to result in the production of all the raw material needed for sugar manu facture in the United States.

THE CUBAN SITUATION.

Globe-Democrat: It is said that Spain supporting at home and in the colonies an army of 370,000 mon. The task of doing this with an empty treasury is not the least of the troubles at Madrid.

Minneapolis Journal: The Cuban insurgents have occupied a fashionable watering place near Havana and are-cutting off food supplies from the city. Havana is full of sympathizers fortified and garrisoned for the insurgents with their present resources, to successfully attack it. But they have spoiled all Weyler's plans elsewhere and reduced the Spanish campaign to a wild-goose chase.

Washington Starr The merest glance at the record for the mast two years shows that has been at a most serious disadvan He has in last been a marked man for tage. spanish abuse and Spanish persecution. The requently exhibited sympathy of the Cleveland administration for the Spanish cause in opposition to and criticism of the pre-vailing sentiment in this country has made it entirely safe for the Spanish commanders to move against Americans in the island as men without flag or country. But all that is past. An American policy, with an Ameri-can behind it, has now to be reckoned with. Philadelphia Ledger; Ultimately Cuba will no doubt win her freedom through the ex-haustion of Spain. Her best efforts to queli the rebellion have been put forth without suc-cess. Correspondents in Madrid say that the government will have no money available for carrying on the war in Cuba after the lst of May. If that should be true the Span-

ish troops, already suffering for want of pay except in depreciated paper currency, will soon be in a bad plight. The Cuban in-surgents relied from the first upon the ex-haustion of Spain rather than upon victories won on the battlefield, and, if they can keep

who did it without joining any com- MISPLACED PUBLIC CONFIDENCE. POINTERS ON PERTINENT TOPICS.

Osceola Record: Eugene Moore and Jon Bartley will confer a great favor on the fellows who supported them for office if they will stop their jaws and put up the dough.

Dodge Criterion: The disclosures at the state house will tend to etrengthen the hold the Omaha Bee has enjoyed upon the confidence of Nebraskans generally. Pierce Leader: The only way to zettle for state money retained by ex-state officials is to settle. The actions of Bartley and Moore experiments in impracticable and visionary measures of pretended reform. in standing trial only serve to add to the belief that they are guilty of plain, unadulterated stealing.

Ponca Journal: Two or three hundred years ago some one remarked that the way to get rich is to keep one's mouth shut and grab every dollar he sees. That is perhaps the recipe that has been followed by certain officials at Lincoln. McCook Tribune: The York Times says

sational statement to the effect that the presthat ex-State Treasurer Bartley 'has won the gratitude of the business men of Ne-braska.' But the price was too high, Tim; and fellows for the past twelve or more too altitudinous altogether. A few more years, in the hope of stirring up something too altitudinous altogether. A few more such winnings will bankrupt the state. to use for campaign thunder this fall. It is Fremont Herald: Up to date ex-Treas-

Broken Bow Beacon: Rumor has it that Governor Holcomb will call an extra wession urer Joe Bartley has not only neglected to urer Joe Bartley has not only neglected to turn over any of that half-million deficiency, but will not even give an inkling of where it is. He should read up the career and history of Barrett Scott, and not get too flossy. The people of ring-ridden Nebraska are getting in a humor not to be forever wronged and triffed with—no matter if some responsible for his accession have since disthe coming Omaha exposition we presume international stocks will go tumbling and responsible for his accession have since dis-owned him.

pertinent inquiry. It wants to know why the amendment recount should stop with one Hebron Republican: Ex-State Treasurer Bartley knew two years ago that in January, of the twelve amendments voted on at the last election. Of course the only answer is 1897, he would have to cash up with his successor. As a forehanded man he should have gotten himself and his outlying state that the popocrats do not care for the amendments further than the use that may funds together for a turn-over to the new treasurer with that surprising swiftness to of partisan supreme judges. For instance, they have made a great hullabaloo about the investment of the school fund. Why don't they recount the ballots cast for and purposely please himself, his political friends and to dumbfound his political enemies. It would seem, however, that Mr. Bartley has against that particular amendment? populists-for chumps.

warden over in Iowa who has been running the bastile at Fort Madison so as to make it produce a neat balance to the credit of the state. The other day he turned over Auburn Granger: Can it be possible that Auburn Granger: Can it be possible that ex-State Treasurer Bartley will go into court and plead that he was two days late in giving his official bond, hence is not liable to the state for the \$500,000 he is short? Can it be possible ex-Auditor Moore will go into court and plead that he is not liable to the state because the treasurer, not he, should have received the insurance fees? The good people of Nebraska are law-abilding but—if \$6,000 as a part of the penitentiary's surplus earnings. He also saved \$7,000 out of an appropriation to build new cells. What a curiosity he would be in Nebraska. Prison management in this state has always been people of Nebraska are law-abiding, but-if they are forced to the conclusion that punshment will only be dealt out to defaulters as it was in Holt county then they will wel-come Holt county methods.

Beatrice Woman's Gazette: Ex-State Treasurer Joseph S. Bartley was arrested upon the complaint of the attorney general for the alleged theft and embezzlement of not necessary to infer that the promised re-forms of the populist party have been a pretense and a sham. There is no need for inference. The fact is patent on its face. \$539,762.93 of the state funds. There are fourteen different counts against the extreasurer. Bartley was released on a \$50,000 bond. It seems to us that a bond should at least cover the amount of the alleged theft Wisner Chronicle: The "straight" repub-lican papers have retired from the business of abusing The Bee and the few country newspapers of Nebraska that had the honf not more. The embezzling habit appears be one that is very hard to get rid of esty, independence and courage to demand a change in state administration and the after once being contracted, and there should be some scheme devised to prevent the loss of such large amounts of money to the state after they were obliged to abandon all hope of seeing the reform element of the party succeed in purging it of its selfish and corat the end of each term of office. ley says he intends paying every dollar back in time to come, but he should have thought of this before appropriating the funds to his own use. There is a place sometimes men tioned as being paved with good intentions

OUR LEGISLATIVE PUGILISTS.

Schuyler Quill: The present seasion of the ebraska legislature is getting up a reputaion on the scrapping line. Randolph Times: Senator Ransom has been mentioned to challenge the winner of the pugilistic battle in Nevada. He is said to be keeping himself in practice during the resent session at Lincoln legislate an inspector of beer, when and "other liquors" into a state sinecure it is difficult to see how fool legislation could go any further. Yet there is a probability of

Beatrice Democrat: The initiative and eferendum are now on at Lincoln. A clerk ecently referred to Senator Ransom as a liar, and the senator planted his "initiative" on the probescis of the referee, Exeter Democrat: When time hangs heavy

on the hands of our popocratic legislators some of the members liven things up a little by engaging in a fistic encounter the rest of the members swarm roun while the rest of the members swarm round them to see the fun, like flies around a molasses barrel.

Columbus Telegram: The senatorial sessions at Lincoln have thus far developed two bruisers who should, if they had their deserts, be working out sentences instead of participating in making laws for the gov-ernment of the state.

Fremont Tribune: Developments at Lincoln this winter make it more than ever able legislation proposed. In considering the policy of the government with reference to ptrengthening the act against prize fighting. passed of a well-fed corporation. in which senators played the leading roles. North Bend Republican: Some members of the Nebraska legislature are gaining quite reputation for pugillatic ability. A few days ago Senator Ransom and one Clary enof cane sugar, valued at \$111,078,840, and gaged in an imprompty bottle and the sen-510,350,276 pounds of beet sugar, valued at ator succeeded in knocking out his opponent \$15.793.041. As the continental governments in the first round. Tuesday evening Sen or Farrell of Merrick county and Editor J. Bowlby of Crete fought a few rounds which the editor came out second best hallenge the winner of the Farrell-Bowlby

> Holdrege Citizen: The state senators ar becoming quite pugnatious. About a week ago Senator Ransom punched a clerk of the senate, because of a quarrel with the clerk which grew out of the stock yards bill while last Tuesday Senator Farrell tackled Editor Bowlby of Crete, Corbett fashion, because the latter in his paper had assailed the motives of the former for his stand on the stock yards bill. If the senators keep up their practice they may be able to go to Cuba to help down there by the time the

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Michigan courts decline to interfere wi Hazen Pingree's grip on two offices. Hereafter any person anxious to inspect th ortifications of the United States may satisfy is curiosity by enlisting in the army. The reported finding of a diamond in a scuttle of coal in New Jersey is calculated to wrench popular

belief in the grip of the coal trust. Beefsteak at \$48 a pound may be classe as rich chewing in northern Alaska. Meas the Nevada standard, it is an exhorbitant prices to pay for jaw exercise. A case on trial in a Minneapolis court gives a familiar proverb a severe jolt. An unfor-tunate father is required to establish the

identity of his own children. Henry W. Corbett, who has been appointed United States senator from Oregon Gov-ernor Lord served in the senate on term, from 1866 to 1872, and will be remembered as be ing connected with some of the most important legislation enacted in the days of re

Robert Gillesple Blaine died in his hom in Washington of paralysis last Tuesday. He was the last of the late James G. Blaine's brothers, and of late years had held small positions in the Agricultural department and n the congressional library.

A Massachusetts judge who presided a the trial of a prominent citizen convicted of embezzling \$3,000 laid down this principle in reply to a plea for clemency: "I do not think that persons well surrounded in life should be more leniently dealt with than those in the ignorant walks of life." He then sentenced the prisoner to five years in the conitentiary.

John G. Garibaldi of Chicago, known is to build a home in Chicago fo aged and indigent Italians. The Italian col ony in Chicago numbers 30,000 and they have ever had such an institution. Mr. Garl baidi came to the western metropolis from Italy in 1863, a penniless boy, and by his industry and business eagacity has come a millionaire.

Mexico lost her greatest general the other day in the person of Guadelupe Lopez, who died from pneumonia after five days' ill-ness. General Lopez was known as the greatest Indian fighter in the republic. As a full-blood Indian, he was able to cope with the savages with their own tactics. He was regarded as the best officer in the army, and, owing to his universal kindness, was known all over the republic as "Uncle Lupe."

The amount of democratic abroad in Chicago may be gauged by the statement of the Chicago Chronicle that the convention which nominated young Carter mayor was compos dead beats, bunko-steerers, grafters, and confindence men. The democratic organ pic-tures the candidate as "a colorless character, neither virtuous nor vicious—one of the many who, born to abundance, are content with a life of aimless luxury."

Neligh Leader: The Omaha Bee has

late been engaged in the laudable task

Minden Gazette: The Bee publishes a sen

Kearney Hub: The Omaha Bee makes a

be made of one of them in seating a couple

Kearney Hub: There is a penitentlary

bad. Sometimes it has been very bad. Under the misdirection of Holcomb and the mismanagement of Leidigh it has been

execrable. Convicts are nearly all unem-ployed and the future of both the institution

and its inmates is the most discouraging in the history of the state; from which it is

independence and courage to deman

turning over of the records for examination

rupt managers. They are the same "straight"

papers that are now busy kicking the con-victed ex-sizte officers in a frantic effort to

set themselves right before their constitu

ents. The "bolters" can now recall the vil-ifications of the "straights" with serenity of

spirit, recognizing this as but another pro-

that he who stands for the right may stand

alone for a time, but his reward and vindi-

cation must come, for the right shall finally

SNAP SHOTS AT THE LEGISLATORS.

Kearney Hub: When it is proposed to

the state "bug juice" inspector becoming a

Schuyler Herald: The stock yards bill has

been passed by the state senate after a hard fight. The people are to be congratulated upon it having passed at all, when we con-sider that some of the leading fusion mem-bers, including Ransom of Douglas, were ar-

rayed on the side of the stock yards folks.

David City Press: The Omaha stock yards

bill passed the senate by a vote of 25 to 7.

One populist, one democrat and one silver re-publican voted against it on the final passage

It is the first time in fourteen years that Nebraska has had a state senate with virtue enough in it to withstand the blandishments

York Times: The populists in the house

work all right in a little community where

state like this or a country like ours that no ensible man, who has studied its workings,

Nebraska City Press: Senators Ransom

and Loomis have delegated unto themselves

the authority to call a free silver republican state convention at Lincoln March 25 and

have issued their proclamation for that pur-

oose. One of the main objects of the conven-

ion is to make a permanent organization and

attack the regular republican organization, from which each of them deserted, not only

n a political way, but to usurp the right to

use the party name on the Australian ballot.

Nebraska Independent: The bill passed by

he house for revising the charges in the office

of secretary of state which was prepared by

don is a most excellent measure. It is based

on laws existing in Ohio, Wisconsin, Col-

orado and many other states, and is intended

creases the amount of charges for the filing

of articles of incorporation and other fees to

far below the charges in other states, but

are sufficient to pay all the running expenses

Valentine Republican: Before the legis-

lature there is pending a bill to make the

erm of all county officers four years instead

of two years and making candidates eligible

to but one term. If such a law would be constitutional the Republican believes the

bill ought to pass both houses without a dis-senting vote. Such a law would do away with one-half of the election expenses and

place officers in a position where they would

of getting a second term. Many of them would no doubt perform their duties more

satisfactorily, knowing that if they did their duty it would not spoil their chance of re-

Geneva Signal: The senate has passed

drastic bill slashing the prices that are now charged for bandling stock at the South

charged for bandling stock at the South Omaha stock yards. We are not running any stock yards and are therefore not losing any sleep over bills of this character, but we doubt the wisdom of attacking the stock yards as a matter of public policy. We do not believe for a moment that the farmers, who raise and fatten the stock will profit a cent through this legislation if it is finally enacted. The South Omaha stock yards have

enacted. The South Omaha stock yards hav

one much for Nebraska and it is a foolish

That is, nobody will ever see any-

ousiness policy to attack profitable business enterprises when we gain nothing by doing

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Large families are the rule rather than the

exception among the Dutch, but a certain Sucanna Joubert of Klipfontein, in the Free

State, has broken all records in that line. She has had four husbands and her living

A learned pig of almost superhuman abil

A learned pig of almost supernuman ability is astonishing the natives of a Massachusetts town. This pig solves mathematical problems after the manner of a lightning calculator, and in all operations connected with the square root he is said to be particularly brilliant.

t. If this cut goes, we will see how more the farmers get for their hogs

thing of the sort.

descendants number 327.

be free from showing the favors in th

state. The amounts charged are still

Secretary Porter and introduced by

to make the office self-supporting.

of the office.

but is so entirely impractical for a

deal of valuable time on the visionary

"initiative and referendum."

there was no diversity of occupation

and Watson and Representatives

ould be in favor of it.

reality.

Chicago Record: Patient-Say, doctor? Surgeon (calmly opening his case of in-struments)-Well? Patient-Hemember-we are insured in the same mutual company.

Wallace Tug: An airship has nover been Detroit Free Press: He-What's the mat-er, my dear? She-I'm speechless with anger. Then she talked a blue streak for tifteen seen in Nebraska west of the 100th mer-idian. This speaks well for the grip medi-cine dispensed in this end of the state.

FLASHES OF FUN.

Life: Hunker-It is odd what an affinity the presidential office has for working in wood, Harkins-What do you mean? Hun-ker-Washington out down a cherry tree, Lincoln split rails and all the presidents have been cabinetmakers.

Judge: Aunt Todate (aghast)—Brother Bhidad, that is the fingerbowl you are drinking from. Uncle Bildad Comeon (between gulps)—Peart name fer it, sister, I swow, it does take ev'ry finger a feller's got ter hold ther thing while he's gittin' a drink, b'gosh.

Detroit Journal: "Oh, yes," the far-wandering Ulysses further replied, "I guess there were other ways. If the horse of wood hadn't gone, I might have tried a plug of tobacco, I suppose, I was bound to get the horse on the Trojans in one form or another."

Chicago Tribune: "I wonder," mused Allen Sparks, looking over the bill the plumber had sent him for making sundry hot water connections, "if he hasn't figured in something for that strong pipe he was

EXCUSABLE. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No usher came adown the aisle And asked her with a warning smile To kindly stow the towering tile.

She sat until the curtain's fall, As quiet as her own pet doll— She's four years old and three feet talk

Robert Herrick,

It it to quit the dish Of fleshe, yet still To fill

The platter high with fish? Is it to fast an houre,

Or ragged goe, Or show A downcast look and soure? No! 'tis a fast to dole

It is a fast from strife, From old debate, And hate To circumcise "thy life."

To show a hearte griefe-rent, To starve thy sin, Not bin,

VEXATIONS. Washington Star.

Who tries to warble is forbid
Lest germs attack his throat.
The dancer's prowess must be hid,
Though he may screech a note.
Who dines in carelessness complete
Is tempted by the throng,
Rut he who likes to, may not cat;
The doctor says it's wrong.

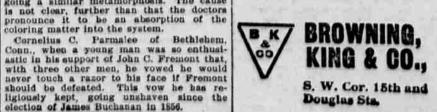
You shun the water, sparkling fair
Lest foes lurk there disguised;
You mustn't breathe unless the air
Has been well analyzed.
Thoughtless, you turn, as is your wont,
With an affection strong,
To kiss your baby. But you don't,
The doctor says it's wrong.

What Do You Want?

A SPRING COAT? THAT IS THE QUESTION. IF YOU DO, THERE IS NO OTHER PLACE TO GO FOR IT. NO FINER STOCK IN THE CITY THAN OURS, AND THERE NEVER WAS A FINER LINE THAN WE MADE FOR THIS SEASON. WE HAVE NEVER SOUGHT TO CHEAP-EN THE GARMENTS OF OUR MAN-UFACTURE FOR THE SAKE OF COMPETING WITH THE SHODDY STUFF THAT IS OFFERED IN SOME PLACES FOR PERHAPS A HALF OF WHAT A REALLY GOOD GARMENT

WE CONSIDER QUALITY OF THE FIRST IMPORTANCE, AND WE PUT THAT INTO EVERY GARMENT WE MAKE, AND THEN SELL IT AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICE

DON'T PUT OFF MAKING YOUR SELECTION BECAUSE THE WEATHER IS BAD-IT'S NOT GOING TO BE THIS WAY LONG. REMEM-A black woman of Cincinnati is said to be slowly turning white and several colored people at Raleigh, N. C., are undergoing a similar metamorphosis. The cause is not clear within the cause



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Cleveland Leader: The Minister-My good man, do you believe in a hereafter? Shotwell-A hereafter? Sh'ld shay I did, I'm married to a new woman. I b'leve in sheveral hereafters.

She wore her high hat to the play, It made the boys behind her gay, Yet not a harsh word did they say.

No-there she still demurely sat, Beneath the shadow of that hat, Unmindful of the law's flat.

KEEPING LENT.

Is this a fast to keepe
The larder leane
And cleane
From fat of veales and sheape?

Thy sheafe of wheate, And meate, Unto the hungry soule!

And that's to keep thy Lent!

Washington Star.

What wondrous days, indeed, are these When science shows a light. On any pathway that you please, That your may turn aright. Yet life is filled with terrors new; The hours grow dull and long, For everything you care to do, The doctor says, is wrong.