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THE BEE ON TRAINS. All railroad newsboys are supplied with enough Bee to accommodate every passenger who wants to read a newspaper...

THE MILLS ARE MAKING ALMOST ENOUGH NOISE TO DROWN THE AGITATION ABOUT THE MINES. Nebraska club women may be relied on to keep the music going even without an official organ.

Weyer may not have much success in terrorizing the Cuban insurgents, but he seems to be succeeding in frightening the new Spanish ministry.

It is safe to say that Michigan corporations take no comfort in the news that Governor Pingree has returned from Venezuela, the very picture of perfect health.

Prof. Andrews is still president of Brown university, but his silence in the pending campaign indicates that he has come to the conclusion that discretion is the better part of valor.

As the emblem of Nebraska republicans the famous Abe Lincoln bald eagle will have an opportunity to serve another useful purpose by claiming the respect of the people of his Illinois.

President McKinley expects to go home to vote. His conception of presidential duty does not admit of going fishing on election day or forfeiting his residence by neglect to exercise his political suffrage.

Workingmen do not have to be coerced to stand up for their own interests and they see plainly that their interests are with the party of prosperity and employment rather than with the party of calamity and enforced idleness.

The segregation of the Union Pacific must eventually be followed by the consolidation of the principal components of the old system into a reunited transcontinental route.

If the Korean monarch has really changed his official title from king to emperor his ambition is at least excusable. With emperors ruling in China, Japan and Russia no wonder Korean aspirations have been aroused to the changing point.

Silver is recovering some of the ground lost during the past few months and is nearing the 60-cent an ounce mark. The silversites should get out their telescopes and hunt for a silver famine in Alaska or Patagonia to explain the improved condition of the market.

The right of the gold democrats and silver republicans to a place on the official ballot will doubtless have to be settled finally in the courts. It would be a poor year if the courts did not have a chance to pass on and construe some of the obscure provisions of the election laws.

The French ambassador to the United States is about to be transferred by his government to the court of Spain. The United States has served as the round in the ladder of advancement and fame for a number of foreign statesmen who have at times been accredited to the diplomatic service at Washington.

Cudahy says that Armour will not be permitted to outdo him in the matter of completeness or capacity of his South Omaha meat packing establishment and announces improvements and extensions in the Cudahy plant that will make it equal to the best. South Omaha today has the brightest future of any meat packing center in the world.

Tammany is running as one of its non-issues for justice of the supreme court a man who headed the anti-Tammany ticket for mayor only a few years ago. Nothing could better illustrate Tammany's desperation to win out this fall even at the cost of repudiating its time-honored rule never to favor any candidate who has not always been firm in the support of the organization.

ALIEN CONTRACT LABOR.

The immigration authorities state that alien contract labor is coming into the country in evasion of the law. A number of immigrants recently arrived in Baltimore whom it is alleged came here in violation of the alien contract labor law and according to the commissioner of immigration there have been many such cases in the south.

However, no fault will be found with all proper efforts to enforce the alien contract labor law. The statute prohibiting the importation of labor under contract was enacted to remedy what had grown to be a very serious evil and it has the approval of all good citizens.

A ZEALOUS ANNEXATIONIST.

Mr. Lorrin A. Thurston, who is in this country as a special representative of the Hawaiian annexationists, is certainly not lacking in zeal. He has just published a pamphlet, a summary of which is at hand, setting forth the reasons in favor of annexation and replying to the objections that have been made to it.

The professed fear of the annexationists that Hawaii will fall into the hands of some foreign power if this country does not absorb it is without any substantial ground. Japan has distinctly declared that she does not want the islands and no other power has ever been suspected of desiring them.

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The refusal of the German government to recognize the American consul at Cologne, who is a native of Germany, because of serious charges affecting his reputation and character, calls attention to a defect in the matter of consular appointments which ought not to be permitted to continue.

A CONSULAR DEFECT.

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There is no good reason why our government should not respect this feeling of foreign governments, but on the contrary there are obvious reasons why it ought to do so. Certainly the good of the service would be promoted thereby.

These objectionable appointments, due to political influence, strongly emphasize the necessity of entirely divorcing the consular service from politics and placing it upon a basis where those who would enter it must have a high standard of character and merit.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

The ticket placed in nomination by the republican county convention commends itself not merely to republicans, but to all citizens who desire to see the affairs of the county administered by men of ability and integrity.

A majority of the candidates are now holding the offices to which they present themselves for re-election on the records which they have made. This is true of Sheriff John W. McDonald, Treasurer George Holmrod, County Judge Irving P. Baxter, Superintendent of Schools E. J. Bodwell and County Surveyor George McBride.

Of the other four candidates, two have served in a public capacity. The candidate for register of deeds, Tom Crocker, was a member of the last city council, in which he served his constituents satisfactorily.

Mr. D. M. Haverly, candidate for county clerk, is well and favorably known among business men as a first-class accountant fully qualified to perform the duties that devolve upon county clerks and enjoys a reputation for unswerving integrity.

Mr. N. P. Swanson, candidate for coroner, is highly respected as a man of excellent character possessed of good business qualifications. While not seeking the nomination he was chosen by the convention in recognition of the Swedish-Americans, who constitute an important element in the county.

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The total transactions passing through the Omaha clearing house last week aggregated \$6,168,563, or more than \$1,000,000 a day. Daily bank clearings of over \$1,000,000 a day brings the record one more up to the highest plane reached during the prosperous era previous to the financial collapse of 1893 and must be accepted as assurance that the upward movement is well started and holds out promise of continuing upward almost indefinitely.

IMPENDING BREADSTUFFS SHORTAGE.

Is the demand for bread increasing at the much greater rate than the supply? Mr. C. Wood Davis, the statistician, says that such is the case and supports his contention with an array of statistics which if not conclusive are certainly very interesting.

According to this authority—and no one has made a more careful study of the matter—the world at present requires for its needs at least 50,000,000 acres more than it has in wheat and rye. He says that the yearly addition to the world's grain-growing acreage, to keep pace with the increase of bread-eaters, ought to be 4,000,000 acres, but it is much less.

Whither Are We Drifting. Louisville Courier-Journal. It is a curious fact that water is selling at 5 cents a pint in Arkansas and yet a southern brewery has to make an assignment.

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present needs and that the greatest crop ever grown would not meet present requirements, while if the world should again harvest in succession, as is not improbable, three such crops as those of 1870, 1880 and 1881, the situation would be one of the gravest peril.

The contention of Mr. Davis holds out encouragement to wheat producers, for if it is correct wheat growing will be the paying agricultural industry of the future. But what of the "bread eaters," whose numbers are steadily increasing?

The destruction by fire of the girls' dormitory of the South Dakota State Reform school and the deplorable loss of the lives of six little girls and their teacher in the conflagration adds new emphasis to the demand that institutions of this kind be housed in buildings as nearly fireproof as can be erected.

To avoid confusion and mistakes in marking the ballot, every voter should inform himself of the changes made by the new Nebraska ballot law. Under that law a man may vote a straight party ticket by putting a single crossmark in the circle under the party emblem.

Character and Integrity Count. Boston Globe. The great lesson of Neal Dow's long and busy career—characterized as it was among other things by gallant service in the war for the union, in the course of which he was four times wounded and once made prisoner—was that character and integrity count for nothing else in making a man's life notable and honorable in the eyes of his fellows.

The Newspaper as an Educator. Des Moines Leader. A new brand of philanthropist has appeared in Maine. He is a gentleman who believes in the moral and educational influence of the press, and he has ordered a newspaper sent at his expense to each family in the State.

Reflections on the Choir. Atlanta Constitution. If we are to sit back in our pews and gaze at a lot of singers and not be able for the life that is in his five words of their hymns, etc., then let choirs come down.

The Situation on the Yukon. Philadelphia Ledger. Sensational stories of the destruction at Dawson City are being told by the latest arrivals from the Yukon. They appear to be exaggerated, but the situation is undoubtedly very serious.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT. Minneapolis Tribune: The women of the Methodist church have struck an effective device by which to insure recognition in the conference. They are seriously considering the withdrawal of their efforts in church work to let the brethren realize just how important factors they are.

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THE GOVERNOR'S RESPONSIBILITY.

John C. Cowin and Frank T. Ransom Charge Governor Holcomb in Open Court with Responsibility for the Bartley Defalcation.

On Thursday, October 7, in the trial of the suit brought by the State of Nebraska to recover on the official bond of ex-Treasurer Bartley in the district court for Douglas county, presided over by Judge Powell, John C. Cowin and Frank T. Ransom, as attorneys for the bondsmen, offered to show that Governor Holcomb knew of the shortage before he approved the bond.

Mr. Cowin: The answering defendant surreties offer to prove by this witness, G. M. Bartlett, that at the close of the term of the defendant Bartley's incumbency of the office of state treasurer, January 2, 1895, there was a meeting of the treasurer, Bartley, and the governor of the State of Nebraska, Sins A. Holcomb, for the purpose of producing an accounting of the treasurer of the funds and property in his hands belonging to the state. Bartley, belonging to the state treasurer's office, as provided in section 17 of page 128 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska, 1897, the answering surety defendants then propose to follow that testimony up with testimony of this witness and other witnesses showing that at that meeting held for the purpose aforesaid, the defendant, Bartley, presented a statement, with which he claimed he was chargeable of funds and property. That according to the statement he was chargeable with funds to the amount of \$958,008.75 at the close of January 2, and to commence the second term on re-election January 3, the amount which the state alleges and has attempted to prove by this witness he was chargeable with at the commencement of his term, alleged to have commenced January 3, 1895. The answering defendant's surreties propose to follow that up with testimony that the defendant, Bartley, did not have that amount of funds on hand at that time at the close of January 2 and the commencement of January 3, 1895, and that there was at that time a shortage of more than \$150,000; that that shortage was known to the governor of the state of Nebraska aforesaid at that time, and that it occurred during the term of office of Defendant Bartley before the 2d or 3d of January, 1895, and that the said shortage was not required to be accounted for by Governor Holcomb, nor was it accounted for by said Defendant Bartley at that time or at any other time. That the alleged prima facie case is thus to be controverted as to the amount of funds Bartley, defendant, received and had at the close of January 2 and the commencement of January 3, 1895. That this witness was present at such meeting and can testify to the foregoing facts of his own knowledge.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

To put it plainly Germany would rather send tankers and beer to the United States than warships to Cuba. Cye Pride and Kie Sherod have adorned East Nashville, Tenn., and their euphonious cognomen the local personal columns.

Chicago takes much interest in the Laetger trial, but there will be a chance of time when it comes to pay the principal. The trial will cost the taxpayers \$10,000.

San Francisco displays its old time skill in manufacturing cataclysms in the interior of the city. The beauty of these celestial decorations is the accuracy of the death roll.

A gentleman named Colonel Rye is delivering a series of prohibition lectures out in Illinois. Colonel Swallow is the cold water candidate for an office in Pennsylvania.

Maria Edgeworth once wrote a book entitled "Irish Bulls," and the secretary of the Dublin Agricultural society ordered a copy, thinking that it treated of live stock.

During a council meeting in Chicago one of the aldermen had his watch stolen. The unfortunate entertained a few suspicions, but dropped when it was shown that his associates did not leave their seats during the session.

Abram Ray of Chicago, one of the oldest locomotive engineers on the Baltimore & Ohio system, retired from the throttle last week, with a record of forty-five years of continuous service on that road. In all that time he had but one accident.

John Jay Jackson, judge of the United States court for the western district of West Virginia, who issued the famous injunction in connection with the miners' strike, was appointed by President Lincoln August 5, 1861. He is 76 years old.

WALTHAM WATCHES. Ask your jeweler for a WALTHAM watch and he will supply it, no matter if he happens to have personal prejudices in favor of some other. Insist upon having a WALTHAM and no other.

There are other American watches and other American companies, but none of them can make a WALTHAM watch. The American Waltham Watch Company is the first American company; the first to be organized (nearly half a century ago), and the first at the present time in the quality and volume of its product.

WALTHAM watches are all good timekeepers—some of them better suited for one class of service, some for another.

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BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

Truthfulness is the diamond of character. Hypocrisy is a cloak that is ragged in the back.

A twenty-dollar coat often covers a five-cent soul.

A heart without love is like a violin without strings.

The man who talks most about himself says the least.

A pious face is not infallible proof of a devout spirit.

Smiling lengthens the month and the life in about equal proportions.

All things were made for the good and some day they will have their turn.

It is more than half miserable who is doing nothing to make others happy.

Any fool can make money, but it takes wisdom to know how to spend it well.

What if you have lost your ring? Be thankful that you still have your finger.

DOMESTIC IDYLS.

Somerville Journal: Hoks—Have you ever had any trouble with your wife's mother?

Wicks—No, she's dead.

Chicago Record: "Aunt Margaret has had five cooks married from her house in this town."

"Is that so? Why don't you send our daughter Julia over and see what Aunt Margaret can do for her?"

Judge: "Well, for a man-hater I think you're just too inconsistent for anything."

"Why, what do you mean?"

"Well, every time you laugh you say 'he-he!'"

Boston Traveler: "You see, my dear," said Mrs. Youngblood, to his wife, triumphantly, at 3 o'clock the other morning, "the moment I begin to sing to baby she is quiet."

"Yes," said his wife, "she is easily frightened, poor little thing."

Detroit Free Press: "Perkins, your wife seems devoted to her flowers?"

"Devoted? Well, she's nearly an October night that woman has dragged the blankets off my bed to keep those wretched little geraniums from getting frost-bitten."

Philadelphia North American: Mrs. Scrape—My husband and I agreed the day we were married to have no quarrels.

There were none in his town; before him all do bow.

And when him he has nobly won the laurels on his brow.

Not as a valiant soldier did he win enduring honors.

Nor as a gifted statesman did he gain an honored name.

He is a famous preacher leading a people from his pulpit.

He's the proud, imperial papa of a pair of purple twins.

LEISURELY LANE.

Is there no road now to Leisurely Lane? We traveled it long ago.

A place for the lagging of leisurely steps sweet and shady and slow.

There were rims of restful hills beyond, and the shadows of clouds across them blown, and popples asleep at our feet.

There were lads and maids on a Sunday met and strolled them, two and two; and the leaves they faced in a roof overhead and only the sun peered through;

And there was time to gather a rose and time for a wood-bird's call, and plenty of time to sit by a stream and mark its ripple and fall.

Is there no road now to Leisurely Lane? (God knows we have hurried along.)

There was once a lamp through the brooding dusk, and over the tree a star;

There was once a breath of the clover bloom (sweet Heaven, we have hurried so long!)

And there was a gate by a white rose clasped, and out of the dusk a song.

That song... the echo is strange and sweet, the voice it is weak and old;

It hath no part with its former, wild rush, and this hard, manly fight for gold!

It hath no part with the clamor and din, and the jarring of wheel and stone.

Oh, listen, my heart, and forget—forget that we reap the bread we have sown!

Is there no road now to Leisurely Lane— who knows we have hurried along?

The summoning bells of twilight time over the meadows blown.

May they be striking in our homeward way, and of the evening star?

Is there no road now to Leisurely Lane? God knows we have hurried along!