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Parties leaving for summer: Parties leaving the city for the summer may have The Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Business Office...

King Corn is causing greater anxiety to the railroad kings than all the socialists and anarchists. Pierre Lorillard, the horse New York multi-millionaire...

The three great railway combinations have divided up the coal transportation east of the Mississippi river. Porto Ricans are said to be clamoring lustily for free trade...

THE REASON WHY: The Bee seems to be displeased with the recently organized "Municipal League" to the extent that The Bee editor prints a letter alleged to have been written by a taxpayer...

THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE: The Municipal League will not fill the bill of a taxpayers' league for the reason that some of the reputable taxpayers in the league enjoy well established reputations for tax shirking and tax fighting...

THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE: Kansas railroads are complaining they cannot get cars enough to handle the wheat crop. It is no use to look north for help—the Nebraska roads will soon have all they can do to handle their own troubles in that line.

THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE: Robert Finkbine, who was the active supervisor of the building of the Iowa state capitol, is dead at his home in Des Moines. In the building he leaves behind him a magnificent monument, honestly constructed and all paid for.

THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE: It has been discovered that the original order to Dewey to attack the Spanish fleet at Manila was unsigned and the identity of the man who wrote it is unknown. There is no doubt about what happened as the result of the order, however.

THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE: From present indications Omaha is destined to retain for the present season at least the distinction of being the only city to make an exposition a paying institution. The attendance at Buffalo, while on the increase, is still disappointing.

THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE: The building permits issued up to July 1 indicate that more than \$1,000,000 will be expended for store houses and dwellings in Omaha during the present season, but the question is, Will these improvements be visible on the assessment roll in 1902?

OUR AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS.

The mainstay of our export trade is agricultural products. The foreign demand for these, as shown by the report just issued from the Department of Agriculture, has been steadily growing and there is reason to believe that it will continue to grow.

These are facts worthy of attentive consideration in connection with the question of commercial relations with those countries. The United Kingdom will not need less of our agricultural products this year than it did last year and the probability is that Germany will require more.

There is not enough left of the democratic party in Iowa worth bothering with and democratic parties are forced to put in their time mixing in republican politics or remain idle.

One Blessing for Cuba. There has not been a death from yellow fever in Cuba this year. That is a sort of independence to which the Cubans are unused.

Cruelty to the Spectators. There was no cruelty in the bull fight at South Omaha except such as was inflicted on those who bought tickets and sat through the show.

Peace Through Extermination. The Boers have decided to accept no terms except independence. The British are determined to pursue the war until the Boers submit.

Favorites of the Hatchet. Mrs. Nation, the Kansas snasher, delivered her address at the Fourth of July celebration at Crawfordville, Ind. Mrs. Nation said that she was in great demand, but felt that "the poor, lost Elks" needed her most.

Plugging a Big Leak. As long as the United States Postoffice department is required to expend more than half its entire revenue in carrying second-class matter at a loss of \$50,000,000 a year it is useless to hope for a proper development of postal facilities in this country.

Art in Musical Criticism. Not long ago a convention of musicians denounced ragtime as out of harmony with the eternal musical fitness of things. Now the Indiana music teachers in convention pronounce the Moody and Sankey hymns to be "rot." What sort of musical criticism is it that expresses itself with such a word?

Cinch on Three Great Necessaries. Mr. Morgan's soft coal "combine" is the logical supplement to his hard coal "combine" and his transportation "combine" and will soon confront the condition of a small group of men—the Morgan group—in absolute control of the prices of the three great necessities of our civilization, coal, iron and transportation.

Keep in the Open. On July 1 ten boys and a man were killed by lightning under a pier, where they had fled from the rain. On July 4 a man and his wife and three children were killed by lightning at McKeesport, after having taken shelter under a tree. Science and experience both say emphatically that when caught out in a thunderstorm the safest place is in the open.

Comparative Bliness. Before the United States gets too uppity and biggity about its annual trade it might be well for us to remember that Australia last year had a total trade of \$25,000,000, nearly half of which was imports. With a population of 5,000,000 this would show the extraordinary per capita of \$15. In order to equal this the total trade of this country would have to be very nearly \$14,000,000,000—a tidy sum even for these days when billions are talked of with a gibes that would have made Croesus stare himself blind.

A HOPELESS BOIRNON. Midsummer Impatience of a Democratic Foghorn. William J. Bryan is reiterating in brief speeches and reprinting in large type his unalterable devotion to the "principles" of the Chicago and the Kansas City platforms.

laid down in the republican national platform last year and up to the point where it does not conflict with the principle of the American protective tariff. The more this question of commercial relations between Cuba and the United States is considered the more perplexing it becomes.

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should convince the Germans that in putting up the tariff on what they are compelled to buy abroad they are only injuring themselves. Year by year Germany is becoming more and more dependent on foreign countries for its food supply and the United States is increasing its exportable surplus. Germany better make up its mind to trade even.

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POLITICAL TALK IN THE STATE.

Kearney Hub (rep.): J. H. Edmisten has been telling the dear people again about the troubles of the populist state central committee of which he is the sole proprietor for several years. If Mr. Edmisten would mind directing his remarks to a policeman the public would doubtless appreciate it.

Hastings Tribune (rep.): In fixing the time for holding the republican state convention the state central committee made a wise move in setting Wednesday, August 28, as the time. This will give the candidates about eight weeks in which to make their campaign and that will be time enough—in fact it will be just about right.

Minden Gazette (rep.): Now that the committee has fixed the date for a state convention it behooves the republicans of the state to cast about and select the very best man that can be chosen as a candidate for supreme judge. No man can be nominated and elected just because he is a good republican and a good fellow.

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the terrible laugh from the whole ship's company forward. The officers had rigged up a shower bath on the after deck, under which, with only a pair of small trunks on, they stood when they got up on the hot mornings to get cooled off. The apparatus had only been up for a couple of days, when, on this morning that I'm speaking of, the executive officer, who was an exceedingly absent-minded man, pranced out, with his little pair of new trunks and turning the water on, stood under the shower, gasping and enjoying himself. It was about an hour after 'all hands' in the morning and all the men were on deck. Well, when they saw the 'first luff' stripped that way, there went up a shout from that ship's company that sounded like a homeward-bound roar.

"For the executive officer was just one mass of fat tattooing from his neck to his middle. It was all Japanese work—dragons, eagles, snakes, dainty garden scenes and all that sort of stuff, in all of the Japanese tattooer's colors. His arms had all kinds of adders and pythons and boa constrictors coiled around them, and all in all, I don't believe any of us in the crew had ever seen a man, forward or aft, so completely tattooed up as that 'first luff' of ours was. When he heard the tremendous laugh the executive officer looked up in surprise, and when he saw the whole ship's company going nothing but staring at him with grins, he turned as red as a beet, looked at himself and blurted for his room at the gallop. He looked pretty sheepish and red when he emerged about half an hour later in uniform, but he took it all good naturedly and that afternoon said to me on the quays: 'You know forward or aft, I'm no meger enough, but I have had to make things needed on me when I was a pin-head of a cadet, thinking it was fine. Anyhow, it's not a case of doing as I do, but of doing as I say!'

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