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of Turkey. The big stores in eastern cities are already making their holiday window displays. Omaha merchants must not lag behind the procession.

Speaker Henderson warned congress of the dangers of the surplus in the urge its early ratification, there is treasury. The world is full of people favorable promise that it will soon be who are perfectly willing to take disposed of, perhaps before the adjournchances with a similar surplus.

The school boy and the rabbit hunter of acres of winter wheat sent up a shout which drowned out all competi-

The fusion register of deeds in Lanto his office while the candidates for his successorship fight out an election contest. The greed for office knows no fore, that the convention will be ratiparty lines.

The first question the new school board will be called upon to meet will be. Shall the board be organized in the interest of Superintendent Pearse or is it to be organized in the interest of the public schools?

The insurgent uniform in Colombia is described as a hat with a red ribbon hand. That may answer in a warm climate like that of the isthmus, but would hardly be serviceable for troops serving in Alaska.

This is the season of the year when hot fires in new stoves or furnaces make work for the fire department, not only in Omaha, but generally throughout our cities. A little precaution in time may save a bout with the insurance adjusters.

A new collection of superlative adjectives is needed in Sioux City. The Ministerial association of that place has used up all the old stock in denouncing the theaters, dancing and card parties and still the evil triplets continue to

The London Times expresses the opinion that the combines in this country have gone beyond the bounds of discretion. Plenty of investors in this country will reach the same conclusion about the time the first wave of adversity strikes some of the overcapitalized corporations.

The committee which has been ap pointed to arrange the details of the coronation of King Edward of Great be appointed to carry the king's bow probably not miss it to any great extent.

In announcing his coming retirement from the leadership of Tammany Richard Croker said the leader of that orpolitical situation the year 'round. The new mayor of New York was elected from his past record he may be depended on to do it.

Some of the bills introduced into congress to deal with anarchists disclose the fact that the fool killer skipped many people when he made his last encounter the most vigorous protest and freak measures designed to curry popular favor temporarily are not tility to the United States of the people worthy of any man who has sense enough to entitle him to sit in congress.

A free bridge between Omaha and Conneil Bluffs would prove of advanwould be willing to cross the river on the danger is that some foolish or unfoot. But 99 per cent of those who do necessary legislation will be enacted business between the two towns would that will prove a future detriment.

this limit is not to be exceeded except to any interest. for repelling invasion, suppressing insurrection or defending the state in war. Instead of keeping the debt within the constitutional bounds every succeeding legislature has made appropriations largely in excess of the income, and the aggregate liabilities of the state have

been growing until they have reached enormous proportions. It was thought that high water mark was reached at the close of the second term of Treasurer Bartley, when by his peculiar financiering the outstanding interest-bearing state warrants were raised above \$1,900,000. But according to the semi-annual report of State Auditor Weston, just made public, the total of outstanding warrants December 1, 1901, was \$2,122,034.32. Of this colossal debt, while no exact figures are available, it is known that between \$1,200,000 and \$1,500,000 of these state obligations are held as part of the investment of the permanent school fund. While the delinquent unpaid taxes, if collectible, would perhaps pay off the greater part of this debt, the fact remains that the state has overreached the debt limit fixed by the constitution by fully \$2,000,000, and the permanent school fund, which is supposed to represent over \$4,000,000 of available assets, in reality represents more than \$1,200,000 of liabilities which the state must sooner or later meet, either by increased taxation or by the issue of fund-

ing bonds. It goes without saying that the taxpayers of Nebraska are not prepared for the imposition of \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 of additional taxes to meet the deficit in 30.255 | the state treasury. On the other hand, the warrant indebtedness cannot be funded into bonds without a constitutional amendment authorizing it. The question that confronts us is, Shall the 30,240 state continue to pile up a mountain of 921.835 debt and pay premiums out of the school fund on its own warrants or shall it 911,534 pursue the only rational course left open constitutional amendment?

We believe we voice the sentiment of the great mass of Nelraska taxpayers in demanding the application of business The flood of bills presented to con- methods by the men at the helm of the gress the opening week should induce state government. We must face the that body to sympathize with the sultan conditions as they are and meet them squarely, as we should every emergency that calls for decisive action.

FAVORABLE REPORT ON TREATY. The senate committee on foreign re lations having voted to favorably report the new isthmian canal treaty and to ment of the senate for the holiday recess. Two of the democratic members of the committee objected to the neuwere not the only ones who rejoiced at trality provision and to the clause rethe snowfall. The owners of thousands lating to the policing of the canal, but they did not vote against the treaty and doubtless will not when it shall come up for ratification. Indeed, they are said to have expressed themselves as desirous that the part the property of the government a wise and safe executive congress. There is no doubt that anarchy doubtless will not when it shall come desirous that it be ratified, so that there tive, who understands the country's may be no more unnecessary delay in more who will respect the popular will demned by every government of the civilcaster county proposes to try to hold on may be no more unnecessary delay in

There appears to be no doubt, therefied and there certainly is no sound reason why it should not be. The neutralization principle which the treaty recognizes is as much in the interest of the United States as of any other country and it is manifestly absurd to argue that it would place this country at a disadvantage under any circumstances. The idea, also, that the clause relating to the policing of the canal places a limitation upon the power of this country to absolutely control it is without force. The United States has secured in this treaty all it asked and there ought to be no question as to the duty

of ratifying it.

THE IMMIGRATION LAWS. There appears to be strong probability of radical amendments to the immigration laws. President Roosevelt said in his message that the existing laws are unsatisfactory and suggested that there should be a comprehensive law enacted to exclude believers in anarchistle principles or members of anarchistle societies, also persons of a low moral tendency or of unsavory reputation; to secure by careful educational test "some intelligent capacity to appreciate American institutions" and act sanely as American citizens, and to exclude all persons who are below a certain standard of economic fitness to enter our industrial field as competitors with American labor. He urged that "there should be proper proof of per-

sonal capacity to earn an American living and enough money to insure a decent start under American conditions." Senator Lodge has again introduced his immigration bill, which he failed to have passed in the last congress, the principal feature of which provides for and arrows. As the king is a little out an educational test. The Massachusetts of practice with the long bow he will senator, who it is understood will be the chief representative of the administration in the senate, may be expected to push his immigration bill and with favorable chance of carrying it through. Another bill relating to immigration has ganization should be "in touch" with the been introduced by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, which contains the extraordinary provision for a duty of \$3 per to do away with the "touch" system and head on all persons coming into the except those who are citizens of this country or of Canada or Mexico. No such preposterous proposition as this, it is entirely safe to predict, will receive to the normal when Judge Gordon's sucserious consideration. It would not only rounds. The problem is a serious one from European governments, but such legislation would create a bitter hos-

anxious to cultivate. It is thus evident that the immigration question is again to become promitage to a small number of people who nent in the attention of congress and as some of them would be liable to be travel in cars. What the people of the There was a considerable increase in two towns would prefer to a free bridge immigration during the past year and investigate the alleged levying of black-

friendship and trade we are most

RECEPTION OF THE MESSAGE.

Rarely has a president's message been commendation as has been accorded President Roosevelt's first communication to congress. The leading newspapers of the country, including those which are not favorable to republican policies, have spoken in terms of praise of the original character and the fine of its clear and strong treatment of the editing? subjects discussed and its elevated and patriotic tone. Republican statesmen have spoken of it as a most statesmanlike paper-wise, conservative and having the characteristic directness marked rough rider tendencies in the presand earnestness of its author. Those who feared that the message would contain some radical utterances that might prove disturbing, politically or otherwise, have been gratified that there is nothing of this kind in it, while at the same time it conveys | eky, Uncle Sam feels easy. the assurance that the president can be relied upon to protect and maintain, to the extent of his authority, American rights and interests everywhere. It was of course inevitable that there would be paper. The vigorous advocacy of to say. There are no involved sentences, question is responsible for much of the exrepublican principles and policies could labored phrases, slovenly construction, or isting trade duliness. not escape adverse comment on the part of the opposition. But this has been for the most part moderate in tone. The message has made as favorable

an impression abroad as at home. The comments of the London press are generally appreciative and in some instances warmly commendatory. The fairs are regarded as showing an excel- statesman." But he will disarm even him lent spirit. "There is nothing in the by making him ridiculous. And he will message," commented the London win confidence and respect and support Standard, "that is revolutionary, noth- from the masses. Such stories of his opening to alarm property owners or to disturb the innate American respect for many a conspiracy. the sanctity of individual rights and nothing that need in the smallest degree excite anxiety or apprehension abroad." Another paper observes that the references to trusts and reciprocity contain nothing that is calculated to increase the European dread, but that on the exaggerated panic. The London Times describes the message as "distinguished by clearness, firmness and reserved platitudes.'

It is certainly a most notable success that President Roosevelt has achieved at the beginning of his administration in having his first communication to congress, dealing with questions of great national and international importance, so generally and heartily approved at Europe is expected to make a combined home and abroad. It is a most auspicious start for the administration sumed that if the attempt takes practical upon which the president and the counneeds, who will respect the popular will as did his lamented predecessor and who in all his feelings and aspirations if they do, such methods will be successful, fidence in President Roosevelt has been them to do something than to let the evil greatly strengthened by his able and grow unchecked. statesmanlike message.

The fight is now on between the live stock men and the dairymen. The dairy- next year, men insist that all artificial butter shall be taxed out of existence, but they want to reserve to themselves the privilege to unload stale cow products re-worked and disguised in attractive colors. On the other hand, the live stock men want to supply the constantly increasing demand for butter by substitutes made out of fats and oils which are certified to as seventeen democrats and nine republicans healthful and equally nutritious as the dairy product and can be supplied to forty-four republicans. consumers at lower prices. In this struggle between the dairymen and the cattle raisers the average Nebraska farmer can look on with equanimity. If the pie platter over Heligate. the dairymen have their way he will get stock men win he will get a better price for his meat. It is different, however, with the mass of people who have neither cows to milk or steers to market. Their interest lies in competition.

When the legislature of 1895 in violation of all precedent took the power to appoint a fire and police board for metropolitan cities from Governor Holcomb and conferred it upon an appointing board, in which the attorney general and land commissioner constituted the controlling majority, the World-Herald was highly gratified. Now that municipal Tuesday. pretending to advocate, has been the Redell case and the appointing power exercised by the mayor and countransferred to the governor, the World-Herald exhibits new gratification. When it comes to a question of principle the double-ender organ can change its colors as often as a chameleon.

Will the school board reformers who profess to be grieved that the police court fines are not larger back up the efforts of Judge Gordon to hold himself in on the police bench to continue the United States from foreign countries. play of releasing every prisoner who has money enough to divide with favored police court lawyers? The receipts from police court fines will only be restored cessor takes hold.

Representative Wachter of Maryland is shocked that President Roosevelt should have attended the army and navy of South and Central America, whose foot ball game and will introduce a bill into congress prohibiting such games in the future. He might follow this up with one providing that after graduation the cadets should never go to war, hurt in the scrimmage.

Nearly three months ago the Board of Education called for a grand jury to to a reduction of the street railway fare. this fact has caused a renewal of the mail on lawless resorts for the benefit fied civil service.

AN EMERGENCY THAT MUST BE MET. demand for making the law more re- of city officials and their confederates The constitution of Nebraska limits strictive, though it does not appear that The resolution was adopted at the inthe state indebtedness to \$100,000 and this immigration has been an injury stance of Member Funkhouser, who claimed to have abundant proof to sustain the charge. The grand jury has now been in session five weeks, but Mr. Funkhouser has failed up to this time to received with such general and cordial appear before that body to make good senting the different German labor bureaus, branch of city government.

A Change for His Health.

Chicago Record-Herald Some of Mr. Bryan's Nebraska friends want him to be a candidate for governor. literary style of the message, as well as Can it be possible that they don't like his

> Tickled the Wrong Foot. Kaneas City Journal.

Former Governor Jenkins of Oklahoma is about the only one who has discovered any

Exercising on Easy Street. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Government receipts are running shead

of expenditures by \$6,000,000 a month and,

as there isn't a democratic cloud in the Goes Right to the Spot. Indianapolis News. Even a president's message is made better by a good literary style, which is to

say, that a message is bettered by the

pronouns of doubtful antecedents in Mr

Roosevelt's message.

The Audible Voice. New York World. President Roosevelt could not make surer bid for the popularity that defeats the craft of machines than by his present in a public room and in an audible voice. condone many a blunder and will confound

Question of First Magnitude.

New York Times. The scheme of systematic irrigation contemplated by President Rocsevelt is creative in the sense that it aims to extend by contrary the president says much which will establish for the new communities to The transport is put out by contract and should help to diminish that infinitely occupy such areas the best industrial and competition is said to be so keen that a strength, which do not require the aid granting unlimited irrigation franchises of rhetorical pyrotechnics or popular will be increasingly difficult of correction troduced over all the Sahara region where when the public interest finds itself confronted by vested rights not amenable to regulation and practically impossible of extinguishment.

International Run on Anarchy.

Philadelphia Ledger Under the lead of Russia and Germany effort to put down anarchy, and it is preshape the United States will be asked to co-operate in it. The feeling of this counmethods for its eradication, and whether,

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Oregon will fire the first political gun Pennsylvania still retains a poll tax of 50 cents as a condition of suffrage.

After all, the money question was not kept in the dark in Ohio last month. Republican and democratic committees report having spent \$62,000 and \$12,000, respec-The division of the Maryland legislature,

according to the official count, is senate, house of delegates, fifty-one democrats and Dick Croker is inclined to heed the deand for his return to Wantage. He ad-

mits he is old and wornout and life is not worth the living where his enemies kicked Croker's Democratic club of New York a higher price for his milk; if the live City dolefully greets the approach of political poverty by cutting dues from \$50 to \$25

per annum. This is the most significant calamity of the waning year. The total registration in the city of Boston for the December city election is 110,431 an increase of 4,000 over last year's city election and of 3,000 over the registration for the state election of this year for gov-

ernor. Testimony in a political libel suit in Missouri shows that one franchised corporation contributed \$6,000 to the democratic state campaign fund last year and its interests were diligently cared for in the

Boston will vote for city officers nex Mayor Hart heads the repubhome rule, which that paper has been lican ticket and Patrick A. Collins does like service for the democrats. The town knocked in the head by the decision in Ancient and Honorable Artillery was about to assail a clambake.

The campaign for the republican nomina cil under two former decisions again tion for governor of Pennsylvania has already begun and the anti-organization republicans are making plans for a union with democrats on a candidate who will be satisfactory to all elements of opposition to the republican organization.

Under the new Alabama constitution all white men may be registered, as 90 per cent of the whites may be registered as old soldiers and the others as property holders or under the character-intelligence clause comparatively few negroes can be registered, because they are neither old soldiers nor the descendants of old soldiers and lack the educational qualifications required. The state of Georgia, now one of the few states in the south which have not adopted market is characterized by a surplus prodisfranchising methods for reducing the

votes of the colored citizens by constituional provision, has under consideration the calling of a constitutional convention for the submission of a new suffrage 860,018 tons, against 559,823 tons last year. amendment to the voters. At present the On the other hand, extremely low prices Georgia method of excluding colored voters are quoted. The cane sugar of the West from the franchise is by the enforcement Various estimates have appeared of the

on the same ticket with him, will have, more will be within the gift of the county

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

Stories of the increasing distress among the working population of Germany continue to be reported from all sources. The lack of employment is being felt more and who is the chairman of a committee reprethe grave imputation upon the integrity is in favor of a resolution providing that of officers representing a co-ordinate work shall be given to natives only, which would raise the immigration question in au acute shape. It appears that Russians, Croatians and Italians are largely employed as navvies, in the construction, for example, of the Teltow canal, at the very gates of Berlin. Dr. Freund has directed the attention of the Prussian ministers of the interior and of public works to this circumstance and has also recommended that facilities be given for the return to their homes of those who have more recently migrated from a distance to Berlit and other cities in the hope of finding work In spite of the statistics of the unemployed which, on the lowest estimate, bear witness to a very serious state of affairs, Dr. Freund does not admit the existence of acute distress at present, but confesses that there are serious grounds for anxiety with regard to the immediate future. Th general trade depression is already affecting the lower middle classes, who have contracted habits of unwonted extravagance during the golden period of prosperity, and the papers are beginning to preach about the evils of luxury and to advocate a return to the old German traditions of simplicity of life. Necessity has already driven many persons to the plainest of plain livsome criticism of so important a state author's ability to say just what he wants ing. Commercial uncertainty on the tariff

During the active movements of the French troops last year in the Moroccan-Algerian hinterland great annoyance was encountered owing to the difficulty of forwarding provisions to the columns and when it was decided permanently to occupy such posts as Twat and Gourara the quescourse of conducting the public business tion of revictualing the garrisons there asreferences in the message to foreign af- He will offend an occasional "gum shoe expense and waste. At first it was decided to employ requisitioned convoys, the camels being paid for at the rate of 3 france per day with liability for the full value of the beast in case of death. But this was an expensive operation, as the mortality, natural and, it is alleged, designed, amounted to nearly 40 per cent, which not only meant that the government must indemnify the owners for the loss of their animals, but lose the stores they were bearing as well. The Algerian administration has now declared free trade between the colony and the French posts vast areas the habitable portion of the in the hinterland and has invited competicontinent, and to do this in ways which tion in supplying the garrisons with food. social conditions. It is a question of the saving of 50 per cent is effected, while future of first magnitude, but it is also a the mortality among the camels has been question of the moment for the reason that reduced to a minimum, as the government errors now made in ill-advised legislation can no longer be held responsible for their loss. This system is gradually being in-France has supreme jurisdiction or spheres of influence.

In the recent trial of Polish students at Posen, which ended in the sentencing of several of the accused to long terms of imrisonment, the court held that it had been established that a league was in existence to re-establish the kingdom of Poland. As the attainment of this object would involve the detachment of districts that were formerly Polish from their present allegiance to Prussia and to the German empire, the operations of the league, of course, were treasonable. The court based its conclusion on the fact that a so-called "Polish notional treasure" existed in Rapperswyl, benefit of the accused that they were ignorant of the ultimate aims of the league. and accepted their explanation that they is thoroughly American. Popular con- may well be doubted. Still, it is better for considered its object to be the promotion of a Polish national sentiment. The pleathat it was merely in order to avoid attracting the attention of the Russian authorities that secrecy had been observed in the conduct of the league and of the societies dependent on it was not considered valid. Secret societies are forbidden by Prussian law if their object relates in any way to public affairs, and it was clear from the evidence that the societies to which the accused belonged came under this prohibition. Prominent German newspapers approve the action of the authorities and it is plain that the Polish question is beginning to excite considerable uncasiness. They say that the Poles must not be allowed to cherish the delusion that any movement in the direction of separation can be permitted to be carried on with im-

At the trial of the two editors of the Stuttgart Beobachter, who were prosecuted for libeling the German troops in China. Lieutenant General von Lessel, who commanded the German forces in Chi Li, declared in his evidence that although defenseless persons, such as old people, women and children, were killed it was owing to their being mistaken in their Chinese dress for men. He further admitted that an order had been issued according to which it was permissible to shoot any coolies who might be found outside their quarters after 9 o'clock at night. After roundly denying that the German troops had ever been guilty of murder, pillage or robbery, General von Lessel refused to answer, "from feelings of esprit de corps," the question as to whether soldiers of other nations who were represented in China could be accused of such crimes. In answer to a further question he admitted that in ten or twelve cases excesses had been brought to light, but asserted that the guilty soldiers had been severely punished and were now confined in the fortress prison in Cologne. The defense was handicapped by not being able to obtain proper

As has already been announced by cable, the international sugar conference will begin in Brussels December 16, where will be represented England, Germany, Roumania, Russia, Belgium, Italy, Austria, Holland, France and Spain. At the conference of 1898 the congress did not have the desired result through the difficulty of coming to terms with the French and Russian delegates and the members separated deputing the Belgian government to prepare the way for an international treaty on the subject through direct diplomatic negotiations, and it is as a result of these negotiations that the forthcoming conference has been arranged. The actual situation of the sugar duction. The stocks of sugar in Europe and North America, as well as floating cargoes, are much more considerable than they were a year ago, for they attain a total of Indies, it is said, suffers most from this fact, for it does not enjoy the compensating actual number of places which the new concerned, the first nine months of this municipal administration of Greater New year show a deficit of 28,000,000 francs on York will have to fill or be able to fill the score of sugar, and this is subject to after January 1. Mayor Low will have 100 taxation, being one of France's main indusappointments; the county officers, elected tries. But, instead of the government taxing the manufactured article, it taxes the collectively, twenty-five. About as many amount of sugar which it considers the beetroot ought to yield. Every hundred officers of Kings, Queens and Richmond kilograms of beetroot sent to the factory and in the whole of Greater New York is supposed to produce seven and threethere are about 300 places not in the classi- quarters kilograms of sugar, and is taxed accordingly. Therefore, as is usually the

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JUSTICE IN HARD LINES.

Supreme Court Judges Skating on

Thin Ice. Portland Oregonian. The effect of the Philippines decision is

Lima case, decided against the government, the court stood:

In the Downes case, decided in favor the government.

In the case decided the other day, agains

the government, the court stood Gray, McKenna, eckham. Brewer. Whatever we think of the decisions it is

most impressive exhibit in the actual workings of jurisprudence that eight of the judges ranged themselves changelessly on one or the other side of this question and that the issues have been adjudicated upon the variations of one man, who alone among the nine seems capable of differentiating the cases, whether he does it from sound

last May different judges reached similar conclusions by different courses of reasoning. So they do now. For, while the judges who are uniformly against the government oppose the duty collected and the collecte ernment oppose the duty collected in this second Dooley case on the ground that it is an export duty, Justice Brown, who turns the scale against them, declares the decision does not affect the question of expor

duties. A very useful service is rendered by Chief Justice Fuller in correcting the popular suspicion that the De Lima and Downes decisions were contradictory. What he says concerning that is worth repeating. In the De Lima case it was decided that an act previously drawn in application to foreign countries was not applicable to Porto Rico after cession to us, and in the Downes case was decided that a certain particular ac in respect to a specific country was valid There is a distinction here which none car deny, however it may be misconstrued or

With the memory of the income tax ups and downs in the supreme court fresh in mind, these fluctuations over perhaps the

French sugar is sold at 2-pence a pound, telligent opinion as a unanimous verdict would bring in settlement and general ac-Eminent lawyers will fill the reviews with skillfully drawn opinions that the supreme court is in error. One might almost be pardoned the venture that justice is not so much blind as she is cross-eyed.

FLASHES OF MIRTH.

The effect of the Philippines decision is profound, but no more impressive than is the reappearance of the personal element judges, upon which the most momentous problems precariously hang. In the De Lima case, decided against the government,

Harlem Life: "Charley," said the affectionate little wife, "didn't you tell me those blue chips cost \$1 apiece?"

"Well, here's a whole box full of all colors that I bought at the bargain counter for

Brooklyn Life: "Waiter, I find I have just enough money to pay for the dinner, but I have nothing in the way of a tip for yourself." "Let me add up the bill again, sir."

Washington Star: "Don't you think a holiday is more cheerful when there is a sarge family gathered about the festive board?"

"I do," answered the sardonic person. "A large family is a glad assurance that there is not going to be enough turkey left over to supply the menu for the next three days."

Yonkers Statesman: Patience—He must have a soft spot in his heart for me. Patrices-Why so? Patience—He says he is always thinking

Patrice—But you know a man doesn't think with his heart. The soft place must be in his head. reason or from caprice.

The second Dooley case emphasizes this disquieting aspect of the decisions. It will be remembered that in the cases decided between the cases decided

TOMORROW.

Cy Warman, in New York Sun Tomorrow! Oh, Tomorrow's
The day that I like best;
For though my sunset's clouded
It's golden farther west.
Observe the little sparrow!
Throughout the dark Today
She sings of her Tomorrow
And the egg she's going to lay.

I hear a sad soul sighing To leave "this vale of tear," But make no doubt he's lying About a hundred years. And feel no twinge of sorrow

For though my sun's declining
Behind yon hoary hill,
I know that it is shining
Beyond the summit still;
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