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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 3d day of February, A. D. 1904. M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

Cruzen also declares he will not be a candidate for United States senator. What are we coming to?

Martial law has been suspended in Colorado in time for the primaries of the various political parties.

The Ohio idea as distinguished from the Iowa idea is to be propounded by an aboriginal Ohio man at the Ohio club dinner on March 12.

Superintendent Pearce has not yet explained why it was necessary to increase the salary of his first lieutenant, the secretary of the board.

Iowa and Nebraska republican state conventions will meet on the same day and a hot time is looked for in Des Moines, as well as in Lincoln.

Russia's real intention of opening Manchuria to the trade of the world is best shown by the fact that it refuses to recognize an American consul at Dalny.

There is nothing in current literature so typical of one phase of American thought as the column now running in a Baltimore paper entitled "Humor of the Fire."

The czar desires to remind Secretary Hay that China has something to say in regard to its neutrality, but he did not think of this when he was trying to annex Manchuria.

They say that a house divided against itself cannot stand, but it is announced that the Hoagland house is to be divided in the middle and moved from Omaha to Dundee.

Cleveland assumes a paternal tone in discussing the future of the democratic party, but a majority of the members of that party rather think of him in the role of mother-in-law.

The Japanese Mrs. Morgan has invited her visit to America by criticizing the dress of American women. She might admire that dress if she had footed any of the bills.

It was no doubt respect for the countries which may have specimens on hand that the Geneva conference for the consideration of treatment to be accorded prisoners of war was indefinitely postponed.

It was hardly fair to Count Cassini to expect him to correctly gauge public opinion in America when the leaders of one of the political parties of the country have been unable to do it for many years.

After he has dodged a few more anti-popean mobs Alexander Dowie may return to America satisfied to remain in a country where the people had rather laugh at foolishness than resent impertinence.

The pamphleteer who has issued a statement of the Panama matter from the standpoint of Colombia wisely refrained from signing his name. This fact may preserve some one's reputation for veracity.

Omaha coal dealers appear to be in dead earnest in their peremptory demand that cars loaded with coal should be weighed on delivery. It is to be hoped they will win, and then it will be the turn of the coal consumers.

In ordering additional lamps the council exhausted all the money at its disposal for lighting, so that unless the electric light company generously comes forward to donate the illuminating material for the carnival next fall Ak-Sar-Ben will have to give up the street parade or meet the expenses out of its own treasury.

NO SHIPPING LEGISLATION.

It seems to be practically settled that there will be no legislation at the present session of congress looking to the building up of our merchant marine.

According to advices which seem to be trustworthy there is no disposition among republicans in either branch of congress to push this subject at present.

Representative Grosvenor of Ohio has a bill which provides for the appointment of a commission to investigate the needs of the American merchant marine, with instructions to report on needed legislation at the opening of the next session of congress.

The measure provides for a bi-partisan commission composed of five members of the senate and an equal number of the house, six republicans and four democrats.

The bill provides that the commission shall be authorized to travel to any part of the United States in the search for information, with the power to send for persons and papers. A limit of \$20,000 is set on the expenditures.

According to the Washington correspondent of the Brooklyn Eagle, the proposed appointment of a joint commission is objected to on the ground that it is a relegation of legislative functions to a special body of men.

The new Chicago grand jury which is investigating the cause of the Iroquois theater fire seems to have resolved to discover the real culprit by the rule of exclusion.

The fireman in charge has been exonerated and will be used as witness against others.

Spain's Record in Peril. Detroit Free Press. Russia has thus far succeeded in adding to its submarine fleet with a rapidity that bids fair to excel the former high record held by Spain.

TRIBUTES TO SENATOR HANNA.

Indianapolis News: In one sense Mr. Hanna was prophet of his time, and it explains his greatness to that time: He was a success.

New York Sun: We doubt if he at any time in these later years harbored any serious ambition toward the presidency.

Louisville Courier-Journal: He dies recognized by men of all political parties as a broad-minded, level-headed, practical American, whose kind sense and business methods were applied as masterfully in public affairs as in private.

Washington Post: Here was a man who did well whatever he did at all; who never gave his word unless he meant to keep it; who was frank in the performance of duty.

New York Tribune: As a legislator the Ohio senator had not served long enough to show his true quality. But in party councils, in interviews and arguments in the Bryan papers everywhere, at advertising rates, on news and editorial pages, and thus carried the McKinley antidote wherever the Bryan bane was spread.

Boston Transcript: A dramatic, almost tragic feature of the latest stages of Mr. Hanna's illness has been that in the delirium which has frequently occurred during his extreme weakness his mind seemed to be running upon the idea of one notable fact in connection with the presidency.

Chicago Inter Ocean. Now that it is positively known that radium can be extracted from the lobster, the time cannot be far distant when secrets may be extracted from the clam.

Chicago Record-Herald. A man 90 years old has just been admitted to the bar in Nebraska. With fair luck he hopes in time to be able to build up a good practice.

Who Shall Decide? Washington Post. Secretary Shaw wants the American boy to stick to the farm and Secretary Moody wants him to join the navy.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The naval reconstruction bill prepared by the Spanish government has abandoned the enormous program proposed by Silveira, and is more modest in its aims.

A question that is now under discussion in London is whether local means exist for the summary suppression of some of the latest developments of the advertising yellow of other journals.

An extraordinarily pessimistic speech was delivered in Spain the other day by Senor Silveira, the ex-prime minister, who has been in public life for more than thirty years.

Best European opinion seems to be that the war in the far east will hasten the solution of the different problems in the Balkans.

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RUSSIAN BRAVERY. Battle of Two Cruisers Against Overwhelming Odds. Philadelphia North American. Standing on the heights overlooking the bloody plain at Balaklava, a French general watched the Light brigades charge to death and glory under the Russian guns and sketched the achievement in an epigram.

SMILING REMARKS. "Some folks," said Uncle Eben, "is good-natured cause dey's too lazy to stan' de war an' try to read dein' deir stars."—Washington Star.

Mr. Chugwater—What are you coughing and sneezing about? Mrs. Chugwater (busy with the morning paper)—I am not coughing and sneezing. I'm trying to read the dispatch from Port Arthur.—Chicago Tribune.

Effect of Political Electric Wires on the Fire's Progress. Chicago Inter Ocean. The recent Baltimore fire has two important lessons for other cities. The reports indicate that the firemen in the earlier stages of the conflagration were continually and seriously hindered by overhead electric wires.

Why is it no one ever tries to learn who "I was invented pie?" That woman, beautiful and just, first rolled, and pinched, and cut the crust. And to alleviate distress, filled it with pungent happiness?

Then, there are chicken pie, and lamb, and oyster, mutton, veal-and-ham. And current and gooseberry pie, Blackberry, prune, and cherry pie, Peach, plum and sweet potato pie—Say, ever eat tomato pie?

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