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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION. Omaha, Douglas County, Mo., State of Nebraska, Douglas County, Mo., etc. Total 774,525; Less unsold and returned copies 11,772; Net total sales 762,023.

That census supervision seems to be a hoodoo. Senator Clark of Montana should have had the Omaha school board to deal with and he would have come out cheaper.

The Nebraska State Horticultural society has just been discussing the question, "Where Should Plum Orchards Be Planted?" in the state house yard.

Remember that bribe-taker Hess was one of the fixtures at the last legislature in the capacity of confidential man of Hugh A. Myers, president of Cadet Taylor's un-Patriotic club.

It is in the eternal fitness of things for the president of the un-Patriotic league to rush to the rescue of his cronies Hess to save him from the penalties of his bribe-taking propensities.

Several more shining lights of Webster's great league of patriots have fallen into trouble. Here is another chance for the volunteer defender of republican inuocability to come to the front.

The Hossians of history were notoriously to be bought, providing only they got their price, but they would doubtless disown the Omaha branch of the family if they knew how low they were cutting rates.

An eminent attorney, we are told, is to be called to the assistance of the prosecution in the school board bribery cases. What a confession of ignorance and incompetency on the part of the county attorney.

If the war in South Africa continues for any considerable length of time England will become a very extensive buyer of American flour and provisions seized by its war ships under pretext of their being contraband of war.

War correspondents in South Africa make much sport of the fact that many rich Boers are said to drive to the battlefield in carriages. It is far better, however, to ride to the battlefield in a carriage than to leave it in a hearse.

THE BRITISH ANSWER. Ambassador Choate has informed the State department that the British answer to the representations of this government in regard to the seizure of American merchandise is highly satisfactory.

The Bee is keeping up its reputation, producing the best newspaper and a high-class literary and pictorial journal. Don't fail to read it.

RESTORE PERMANENT TENURE RULE. The Board of Education has made a good start in instituting an investigation into some of the corrupt practices in school management.

While we believe in centralized responsibility in the government of public schools, we do not regard it as essential to good discipline or advantageous to the public service that the appointing and removal power should be unbridled.

Measure Classifying the Service and Restoring Former Pay. Ever since the railway clerks had their pay reduced more than twenty years ago they have been asking in vain for an increase.

DISPOSING OF THE SURPLUS. Serious Problems Confronting Republic. The large excess of treasury receipts over expenditures during December and the probability that the surplus will continue to mount high during the remainder of the fiscal year.

THE SUNDAY BEE. The Bee Publishing company was organized as a corporation under the laws of Nebraska on January 15, 1878. The term of the incorporation was to expire January 15, 1900.

Another article bearing on the work of the State Historical society is illustrated with pictures of the society's museum at Lincoln and the secretary's office.

A local cooperative organization is out with a demand for a democratic national convention in advance of the republican convention which is to be called for June 19.

Every one likes to watch the fire fighters when called out to save property from the fire. The latest utensils which have been devised to assist the firemen are described and pictured in Sunday's Illustrated Bee.

namesake of The Bee living at Fairfield, Neb. Two foot ball groups are likewise given: one of a team at Seward, Neb., and the other of the University of South Dakota.

Civil service tenure has become a vital principle in the educational system of many of the leading cities. It was adopted by Omaha after a full and free discussion and no valid reason has been given for its abandonment.

Under the permanent tenure rule all teachers who have taught for five years in our public schools and had been re-elected on three successive occasions were enrolled on the permanent list.

The superintendent is clothed with ample power to cause the removal of any teacher who has deteriorated in capacity or failed to come up to the regular standard.

It is to be hoped that the board will retrace its steps and reinstate the permanent tenure rule which it has dropped at the beginning of the year.

It comes to The Bee that the report is again being assiduously circulated by malicious gossip-mongers that this paper has been sold to outside parties.

As to the increased limit of capital stock, that is a necessary result of the growth of Omaha and the expansion of The Bee.

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The report of Oil Inspector Gaffin indicates that his predecessor was either not diligent in inspecting oil and collecting the fees due the state or extremely lax in covering them into the state treasury.

The English government has conceded that fo-dustuffs are not contraband of war. Typewriters, Nebraska honorary consuls and other deadly weapons, however, can never hope to escape the vigilance of the British patrol cruisers.

It is definitely announced that Senator Vail of Missouri will retire from public life at the close of his term in 1903.

The items in the 1900 budget for gas and electric lighting for the four divisions of Greater New York foot up \$23,157,000.

What is a little roll of \$30,000 to a would-be senator with an income of \$100,000 a year? Montana politicians rarely consider the price when success is at stake.

Uncle Sam is just about the worst person in the world for a man to have after him. He never gets tired or discouraged.

It now appears that it is going to cost at least \$225,000 to return the Spanish soldiers and their families taken to the Philippines.

The bill deals in detail with the duties of each class and the order of promotion. Strict civil service principles control the service in the post office.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. In the past seven years the railway mileage of Japan has doubled.

The attacks of the French press upon Queen Victoria, and the fact that when personages of her rank are so attacked, readers are rarely sought through the embassies—the case of the sultan of Turkey being a notable exception.

Speaking about political grips, that possessed by President Diaz of Mexico is the most effective and immovable now in sight.

In his recent report Governor Brady of Alaska calls for a standstill for that territory, for the construction of cable and telegraph lines, for the branding of fur seals and the cessation of killing them for ten years.

A western member of congress has introduced a bill in the house to change the time for congress to meet. The constitution ordains that congress shall meet the first Monday in December unless a different day shall be fixed by law.

Members of congress elected in November, 1898, do not make their seats until the first Monday in December, 1900.

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THE IMPLEMENT MAN. Detroit Journal: Customer—These cabbage loam tops are just a few cents, mami!

Chicago Post: "Yes," said the old gentleman, "it is a wonderfully capable young man."

Chicago Tribune: Reporter—And he laughed while you were trying the rope about his neck? He must have been a hardened wretch.

Philosophical Press: Miss Swallow—Sister is so disappointed. She can't go to the opera tonight.

Orlo L. Dobson in Farm Implement News. You may sing of the artist, the actor or poet.

The farmer gets trusted for plows and for hay. For seeder and self-binder, all splack and spean.

He threshes and hurries his crop to the manure. To pay off the farm mortgage now is his plan.

Yes, when he is dead all his trials are over; St. Peter is waiting his record to scan;

There's a "fair shake" at last for the implement man.

The Proper Way, is the straight one in the matter of clothes—it isn't worth while to go a roundabout way looking for the cheapest price tag.

ing that Italy had no stake in the North African question. This declaration, it is said, produced considerable sensation and it is expected that a full explanation of the matter will shortly be demanded.

Brooklyn Life: Rightist—in the senate gallery—So these are our national solons, are they?

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