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What we may look for from congress is not encouraging while the senate remains a majority for the trusts and corporations. The senate may defeat any and all legislation for the people, against the trusts and remain secure from condemnation of their constituents, shifting the blame or responsibility to one another, each claiming to be ready to help if there were only a show. The Hepburn bill has passed the house almost unanimously, but will be defeated in the senate or crippled so as to work no injury to the railroads, or good to the people, if passed. Our representatives will return to us in the spring rejoicing how they have covered themselves with glory in the lower house, but what will it mean to the people of the United States, who have long submitted to robbery under republican rule and are now looking for relief? The general reply or answer to the people is a long list of figures, showing what a glorious country we live in, and what wonderful prosperity the farmers have enjoyed, and how much better they are faring than people in other countries, and wind up with an appeal to the patriotism of the people; "how we licked the rebels and preserved the union, and say, don't you want your pension increased?" or, "I'm trying to get an appropriation from the government to build a postoffice in your town," or some other evasion that will answer or satisfy local conditions. What our people should expect is, results that can't be disputed. We're tired of this boast of what's going to be done when we get together again and that the president is going to recommend so and so, and that he may call an extra session and so on. What's going to be done in this congress? What's going to be done now?

Eat Wood and Save Money.

(World-Herald.)

Just when Thomas A. Edison has predicted early success for the efforts of inventors to save the present 90 per cent waste in the conversion of fuel into power, an Englishman announces that wood is an excellent food and Dr. Forbes Winslow admits that he can see no reason why it should not be. At this rate, the cost of living ought to get down within reaching distance pretty soon.

That is really the way to get at the trusts. When one ton of coal will last us through the cold and cruel winter, the coal trust may come down a peg or two and Mr. Baer will begin to think that his divine commission has been revoked. So the beef trust and the flour trust and the sugar trust may sing a little lower when the American citizen can go out and knock a board off the back yard fence for dinner, with a cigar box for dessert. And when hard times come, if we can imagine hard times under such conditions, there will always be an old rocking chair somewhere around the house that will make a fine roast with sawdust dressing.

We thought when the new-fangled breakfast foods struck the market that it was a great discovery; but we see now that it was only a preliminary step in the wise

economy of Providence to educate us to the good times coming.

When some forlorn and dejected member of the tribe of Weary Watkins shows up at the kitchen door with his moving tale of woe, how simple and easy for the housewife to say, "You poor man! Take this saw and go right out and saw enough wood for your breakfast.

The lumber trust and the match trust would probably get a little gay and go to boosting prices on account of general prosperity and increased demand, but they couldn't corner the market—not while we have a roof over our heads. The only really disturbing thought is that the diet fiends would immediately get busy and discover that every kind of wood that is good to the taste contains opium or nitro-glycerin or some insidious poison to shorten our days. However, that is a form of affliction that is with us always and it is no use to murmur against fate.

W. C. T. U.

Where is the trouble?

Who is to blame?

What is the disturbing element?

We answer, whiskey, the rum traffic. It is the disturbing element in every conceivable thing that stands for the upbuilding of the human race, and has been in our country ever since it was first rolled ashore in barrels into the colony, and became the disturbing element between the Indians and the whites. It is the disturbing element in more than one home in Valentine right now. It is to blame for more than half the misery and poverty of every town in the state. The trouble is, it is simply allowed to remain, that is all.

An attorney, who seems wondrously wise in the eyes of the saloon ring, and who has a peculiar interest to try to make black appear white in court, would have the public believe Col. Holt has been the disturber of the peace in Valentine. If we just had a few more such men as Col. Holt to travel around throughout the country, to stir up the rubbish caused by the saloons and expose the corruption existing beneath it to the view of the public, possibly the good citizens of not only Valentine, but every other town would be aroused to the fact that a good "cleaning up spell" would be wholesome to the community and would use every effort to elect men to office who would have an interest in the elevation of the moral standard of the town, and who would have the protection of the people at heart.

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er Kind of a Measure.

(World-Herald.)

Congressman Kinkaid today presented to the president and also to Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock, Henry Reynolds of Chadron, and C. H. Cornell of Valentine, representing the Nebraska live stock interests that is moving for a leasing bill. They discussed the matter briefly with the president and at more length with the secretary. The president assured them that he is fully in sympathy with the attitude of the Nebraska cattle interests, which is indeed the attitude of stock interests generally throughout the grazing country, in advocacy of a proper leasing bill. He was not, of course, able to discuss details. He gave gratifying assurances that his moral support will be with the Nebraska men.

The difficulties of this question, however, loom larger as its consideration in committee approaches. Thus Congressman Norris of the Nebraska delegation today declared his position, and it is one that will be taken by many others in the house. He said:

"The advocates of a leasing measure insist that they do not wish to have a measure passed that will interfere with the homesteads and development of the country through the work of the homesteader. But it strikes me, when I consider the sort of bill that should be drawn, as practically impossible to make a measure that will protect both interests, and unless I am shown a bill that will do this, I will not vote for any leasing measure."

All the public land authorities agree that it is much easier to talk of equity to these two hopelessly conflicting interests than it is to secure it in legislation. For instance, a member of the public lands committee supposed the case of a leaser who secures a tract 5x10 miles, subject, however, to homesteading. He would have 50 square miles, but ten homesteaders might come along, locate on a string of ten quarter sections, constituting a strip through the middle of it, and cut his holding in two. Thus the leaser would be subject to the schemes of the enterprising homesteader and might be forced to buy immunity.

No date has been fixed for hearing Reynolds and Cornell. Members of the committee are looking up the prices at which the railroads lease their great areas of grazing lands, which they hold under land grants. The evidence thus far is that they get much higher prices than the cattlemen are willing to have fixed. In explanation it is urged that the railroads took largely land along streams and in various ways have secured exchanges that have given them much more valuable holdings than the average of government lands. But the average congressman doesn't realize all this and can't see why the railroads should be getting three or four times as much for grazing lands as the government can get.

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No More Passes.

(Omaha Daily News.)

Chicago, Feb. 20.—All mileage books, free transportation, rates for ministers, and all other forms of transportation have been cut off by the railroads of Ohio except the 2-cent rate provided by law. This decision is the result of a meeting of all passenger representatives with roads in that state.

Who Stole Wm. Francke's Horses?

Several weeks ago Wm. Francke missed two horses from the pasture above the road near the mill pond, and last Saturday found one of them in the possession of Chas. Salmon and Will Hollenbeck who drove to town from North Table. They claimed to have purchased the horse from an Indian named Good Boy who was arrested and lodged in jail yesterday. Chas. Salmon and Will Hollenbeck were also arrested and gave bond for appearance. Good Boy says he did sell a horse, but not the horses that are in question.

Other Crowe Jurors Told to Leave the City.

(Omaha Daily News.)

Following the receipt by Juror Rasmussen of the Crowe jury Monday morning of a letter warning him to leave the city within thirty days, other members of the jury have been receiving similar letters. Those who have received them so far are Messrs. John R. David, W. H. Sloane, Green and Rasmussen.

The letters, which are uniformly written, are worded as follows:

"Having proven yourself to be an enemy to law and order and in sympathy with crime and criminals, you are hereby notified to leave this community, city, county and state within thirty days of the receipt of this notice.

"CITIZENS COMMITTEE."

The judges of the district court have practically decided that for fear of intimidating other jurors, the members of the Crowe jury will not be excused from the panel, but those who are asking to be excused are being accommodated. So far W. H. Sloane and M. Rosenbaum have, at their own request, been dropped from the panel.

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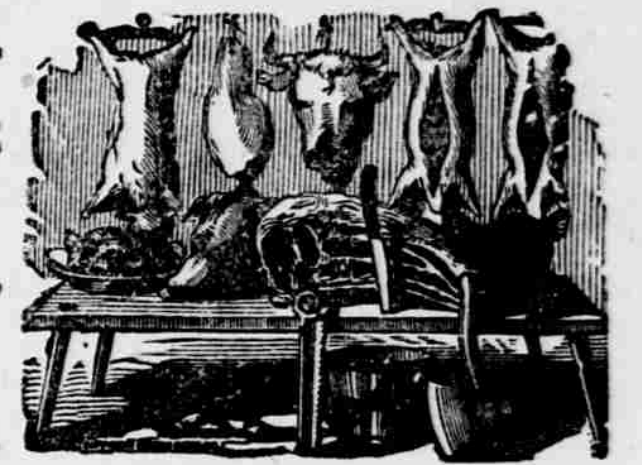
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Notice to Delinquent Subscribers.

We do not like to criticize the people whom we have sent notices to the first of the year. Some may be out of luck or short of money. In either case we are out of luck. If you will try to pay a part of what you owe and pay at the rate of \$1.50 per year, which is 12c per month, it will make us feel better than to totally ignore our statements. Some have already remitted in full. We dislike to speak of this in the paper but many have overlooked or misplaced our statements to Jan. 1, 1906, and we hope to remind them by this notice at much less expense than to send other notices. Pardon us for again reminding you. 4-4