Printing Combine After the State Printing.

A Plain Statement of the Facts as Revesled by the Investigating Committee-- A Monster Steal.

Once upon a time in a moment of urid thought a genius hit upon the fact hat figures will not lie. But there is one thing that they will do, and that is, show up one of the most impudent and brazen-faced attempts to hold up the state of Nebraska upon a printing contract that was ever conceived. When properly and correctly added, subtracted and multiplied these innocent little figures proclaim the proof more strong than holy writ that the state and silver and greenbacks.

The rector, Mr. Greer, asked for \$80, treasury is about to be looted by a horde of hungry pap-suckers who have had hold of the public teat so long that the "stripping" point is not far hence. But for the shrewdness of a few gentlemen, who have the faculty of detecting a rottenness before the aroma has stirred up the entire community, the state to-day would be under contract with a certain printing establishment to furmish books and blanks for the next two Tears at prices ranging from 50 to 5000 per cent over the last contract, or amounting in the aggregate to \$25 000 or \$30,000 more than was paid for the Democrat. same supplies the two preceding years These gentlemen entered a protest against the awarding of the contract and the state printing board have thus far heeded their admonition. Figures hara been presented them showing the outlandish increases and it is to be hoped that they will investigate the matter most thoroughly before binding. the state to pay such exorbitant prices, in many instances one and two thousand per cent more than the commercial price would be to individuals. Below we append a comparative statement on a great many items, sufficient to show the enormous increases proposed: AMT 1891 1893

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Teachers 2d grade certif	500	\$ 30	\$ 150
reachers 3d " "		15	75
Cohool laws	10 000	375	937
Courses of study	5 000	91	
Institute manual	6 000	503	1308
Educational directory	1 000	36	126
Institute directory	500	15	56
Annual Report director	34 000	40	
Conone venoris		29	100
Notices school	25 000	15	50
School tax certificates	15 000	8	26
Teachers term report and	/5 000	100	72.5
summary		25	
SummaryCo Supts annual report	2 000	44	70
nstitute reports, per 1000	500	44	70
Institute reports, per 1000 Petitions change in b'nd'ry	3 000	8	
Notice for netition	30 000	7	60
Notice to taxable inhabit nt	2 000	4	10
County treas certificates	2 000	- 2	8
" clerk "	2 000	2	10
Pert of director to Co treas	10 000	3	9
Pressurer's bond	10 000	10	27
Teacher's contract	10 000	16	
Reports of standing	20 000	. 7	16
Institute enrolling blank	250	12	30
School tax receipts	2 000	10	
ale certificates	2 000	12	22
Lease statements	2 000	- 6	15
Sale statement	5 000	12	25
Application to purchase	10 000	21	43
lease	5 000	5	
Abstract of sale	10 000	22	48
Land school lease	3 000		90
Assignments	600	719	1753
Copies Sup court calendar	1 000	719	15750
Neb Sup court reports	A CHARLE	1230"	+3130

hauls were contemplated are the assessment books and schedule blanks. Last year the successful bidder bid onefifth of a cent per page on 1,500 2quire, and 225 5-quire assessment books, and \$1.06 per 1,000 for 400,000 schedule blanks. These cost the state, presuming that the bill corresponded with the bid, as follows:

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1,500 2-quire assessment books 225 5-quire assessment books 400,000 schedule blanks	8 480 180 442	00
Total	1,102	00

The bids this year call for 1,500 2, 4 and 6-quire assessment books, and the Journal's bid is 1 cent, 24 cents, 1 cent, For the 400,000 schedule blanks the whi a playing in the gravel on her lowest bid, which is the State Jourhal's, on everything in the book and blank line is \$2 50 per thousand. Now, let us see what the difference would be between this year's bids and those of two years ago, presuming the books would be ordered in the same ratio as before, that is 1,500 2-quire and 225 5-quire.

1,5002-quire assessment books 225 5-quire 400,000 schedule blanks		
Total Price under 1891 contract	4,390 1,102 00	

would decide to have the 1,500 divided up equally between the four and six quire books, let us see how the state would come out. By the 1891 contract 750 books of each at a cost of 1-5 of a cent a page would amount to \$980. In 1893 the cost would a ... oe \$11,650, a difference of \$10,670, a mere bagatelle. To make the matter a little plainer to those who may not understand what is meant by quire, we will say that a book quire is composed of Mr. Cole himself is an only 40 leaves or 80 pages, therefore 2 quire book would contain 160 pages 4-quire double that, and so on. It cost less in proportion to the amount of liges to

quire book, their bid is the same (I cent) per page, while on a 6-quire book, cheaper again in proportion to bind the bid is 21 cents. Surely consistency was not present when this bid was made. The fact is that the books this backs as legal tender paper money?—
year will probably run very much to People's Rights, Seward. made. The fact is that the books this large sizes and the bidders arranged their figures accordingly. If they should order an equal amount of each A FULL AND COMPLETE EXPOSURE the average price per page would be 1 11-16 as against 1-5 of a cent last year and the books would cost \$8,437 50, while under last years figures, an even \$1000.00. The plain figures 1, 21 or 21 cents per page look very unsignificant, but when the totals are footed up the result is astonishing, and the contrast with last year more startling still.

LARGEST ON RECORD.

Over Eighty Thousand Dollars Put on the Plate in a New York Church.

NEW YORK, May 7 .- St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church broke the record this morning by taking up a collection that footed \$81,000. Some of the vestrymen could hardly carry the plates to the altars so loaded were they with gold

000 to refurnish and refit the church, and the congregation, which is a wealthy one, raised the limit \$1,000. This is the church attended by the Astors and Vanderbilts, and in the last four years it has expended in charities and regular church expenditures \$1,-

W. E. Ananias, the B. & M. Journal Washington correspondent, goes out of his way in almost every letter to say something mean of Congressman Bryan. This Ananias is a bigger liar than the one we read about and is fast becoming a stench in the nostrils of all lovers of fair play, vericity and honesty.-Crete

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

good enough to issue bonds on, why is it not good enough for the issue of green-

had a Donnelly to lead them, the trusts would at one blow banish flattery and would not find it such smooth sailing. defamation from the earth. He got after the Minnesota coal combine and that institution do s know "where it is at."-Cherry County Independent.

Too much credit can not be given the independent members of the legislature for the passage against the strongest opposition of republican members, of in his studies. He was very democratic the railroad bill reducing freight rates in his manner as a youth, and during the in Nebraska 20 per cent. - Independent three years he spent at school at the Cas-Press, Franklin.

Reports from all over the county conwork of the past year is beginning to bear fruit.—Holt County Independent.

The feeling in California is daily the sing." Cleveland. They seem to feel that his methods of dealing with Hawaiian affairs are proving him to be decidedly behind the times in the treatment of foreign affairs .- St. Paul Phonograph.

That Nicaragua canal can be built, but if it is built with government cash 40 acres in cultivation, all tillable. it must be owned and controlled as well as protected by the government. The lessons of the subsidized transcontinental railroads and the Credit Mobilier dress, F. D. KLINE, tal railroads and the Credit Mobilier dress, are fresh in the minds of the American people.-Rocky Mountain News.

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Shrewd Points.

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"I resolve," says Bishop Beveridge, 'never to speak of a man's virtues before his face, or of his faults behind his back:" If all the investigating committees a golden rule, the observance of which

> Not less than 172 crimes were committed on Spanish railway cars last year, and in consequence the government has de-cided to abolish the closed coupes and introduce more of the American style cars, many of which are now in use

The German emperor, when a boy, was not noted for any unusual proficiency sel gymnasium he met the other boys on terms of equality.

Who are the happiest! The earl of Derby answered this question recently in an address to the scientific and technologcerning the alliance work are very en-couraging indeed. Many new members couraging indeed. Many new members ical school of Liverpool, an institution of viving all along the line. The good which he is one of the founders. He said: "Having known men of many professions, I should say that the happiest are those which have been devoted to science. Every step is interesting, and the success of those who succeed is last-

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Monaco, with its territory of eight square miles and its standing army of 126 men, purposes to have a universal exposition next year.

A little girl who lives in Lincoln county, Tenn., is said to have found and 21 cents per page, respectively. a pearl nearly as large as a marble father's walk.

> The city of Boston lays claim to the oldest postal clerk in Uncle Sam's and he has been employed in the postoffice for forty-four years. Police statistics show that the ar-

> rests for drunkenness in London are at the annual rate of one to every 175 inhabitants, in Birmingham one to every 153, in Manchester one to seventy-one, and in Liverpool one to fifty. The states of Virginia and Tennesee

have for years been engaged in a legal controversy over the town of Bristol. The state line has been supposed to But suppose the board should not want | run along the main street of the town. any two or five quire books this year, but There are two city councils, two mayors, and two sets of police. A settlement of the dispute appears to be as far off as ever.

William J. Cole, a real estate dealer, asked to be excused from jury service in a New York court, and, after making an inquiry. Judge Truax thus indersed his summons: "This man is excused from jury duty because his nineteenth little boy is ill of croup and his twenty-first child is unwell.

The Japanese show their preclation of an actor's playing in a more substantial manner than by freely applauding. They throw various por-tions of their dress on the stage, and bind a 4-quire book than it does a 2-quire at the end of the performance the book, and yet the bid is 254 cents on a favored person claims the money that 4-quire book, while it is only I cent on a the donors repurchase them with the 2-quire. Again, on a 5-quire book, which prices for the vario a articles being as is two and a baif times as large as a 2- a fixed rate.

fine spun theological theories and ancient dogmas rather than tackle the common every day problem of life .-Columbus Argus.

Gold needs nothing behind it they say, but since its stampede for Europe there is a clamoring people at its back wishing it would either stay at home or stop assuming to be the basis of our currency, and then we would not be on the verge of a financial crash at every move of its manipulators. When will the people's eyes be opened?-People's Banner, David City.

More circulating currency is needed to stop so much mortgaging and debt paying interest. Nebraska is a rich proservice. His name is Charles Bingham ductive state and the interest the people pay to the east would support one of the New England states the size of New Hampshire. How many thousand dollars has Garfield county sent east as interest in the past five years?-Loup Valley, Alliance.

> There is a petition pending in this state to relieve Mosher, the bank wrecker, from going behind the iron bars by his friends paying the \$190,000 deficit. If he gets out on this we may soon expect to hear of him getting some fat government position, as it would appear that the thief of a quarter of a million is entitled to consideration.-Home Rule. Ainsworth.

> The Minnesota legislature investigating committee has unearthed gigantic frauds in the manner of stealing state and school lands and evading taxation by railroads and other corporate thieves in which the people of the state have lost millions. This is not anarchy. O. no! This is just the present beautiful system of doing justice by bribery and perjury when one has enough money to stand in with the ruling power. If a poor hungry man or woman steals a loaf of bread they are hurried to prison, but the rich-what do they care for laws? Laws are just to keep the poor dupes commercial anarchy. The very rich have no laws to obey—They are higher than law .- Columbus Argus.

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