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Faint heart never rebuilt wrecked home.

Another clean-up day is demanded. Sort of getting into the habit.

Those lower water rates are coming, yes, they're coming, thank to The Bee's persistent campaign.

That Kanast bank official found guilty of stealing cigars two or three at a time, must have been smoked out.

Omaha's dandelion crusade would look better to the naked eye if the officials practiced in the parks what they preach in the city hall.

The democrats are for full publicity for everything except tariff making, and such other political midges mixing as they think they can do better in the dark.

If Lincoln can supply its people with water at 15 cents a thousand gallons at its profit, surely Omaha ought to have water at not over 25 cents a thousand gallons.

Our new election commissioner says he can get the election machinery all ready to start by July 15. If so, he has certainly cut out a sixty days of strenuous life for himself.

Pamphlets setting forth the "defenseless condition of California" are timed to reach newspaper offices just as California spurns the advice of the federal government. What's the explanation?

Objection is made to certain features of the proposed income tax law that it is double taxation. Reading the explanation of the law offered by its sponsors leaves the impression that is what is intended.

Lincoln charter makers are asked to devise some scheme that will abolish slate-making, or rather frustrate the purpose of the slate-makers. Lincoln must not expect to obtain the millennium in one jump.

Governor Sulzer's invitation to Secretary Bryan to participate in the New York primary campaign looks like a challenge to suspend public pledge of peace for the pleasure of taking another shot at a man named Murphy.

A special election is to be called to vote the issue of \$250,000 restoration bonds. Where is the protest from that newspaper that was so loudly declaiming that a special election could not possibly be reported to ascertain the will of the people?

It has been mutually agreed among the girl graduates of a certain high school in an interior town in Nebraska that \$10 be the cost limit of their commencement gowns. Yes, but if a commencement gown can be had for this outlay, what excuse will there be later for paying more for any other gown?

Jersey City is moving toward commission government at a smart pace. Public interest in the change is uncommonly strong. In the preliminary contest for a place on the final ticket ninety-one candidates brought out a vote of only 3,500 below the vote cast at the November election. Ten were selected out of the field of runners, and of these five will be chosen at the final balloting, June 19, to constitute the commission. The favorite in the primary balloting was the noted literary switchman, Mark M. Fagin, who jumped from a switchman's slant to the office of mayor as a matter of bosses.

Science as a Pacifier.

In the invitation to all nations of the world, formulated by representatives of English-speaking countries, inviting them to join in the celebration of one hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States, occurs a significant reference to the peace-making powers of science.

It is historically recorded that, although the last war between Great Britain and the United States was officially terminated by the signing of the treaty of Ghent, December 24, 1814, yet the final battle of the war was fought at New Orleans two weeks later, no news of the peace agreement having reached this side of the Atlantic.

In still another way modern science proves its power as a pacifier in binding together great intellectual forces regardless of geographical lines. The laws of science are the same the world over, and scientific achievement, wherever made, belongs to the whole human race.

A Station Subway.

The executive committee of the Commercial club has by resolution recorded itself in favor of the construction of a subway connecting the Union and Burlington stations by a passage under the tracks.

It just happens that while the Commercial club is favoring the proposed subway, the retailers' organization not long ago resolved against it, on it, seems to us, a mistaken theory that its construction would be inimical to the project for a new union station farther uptown.

Presbyterian Unity.

Differences as to points in the creed which have held apart their adherents for generations, are not easily to be adjusted; but the gathering of the Presbyterians at Atlanta is most significant of the progress that is being made by the church.

Yet the Presbyterian character is such that it does not lightly yield on points that may seem inconsequential to others. The church was founded in a day when the future of the Christian religion itself was being determined, and its history is of glorious examples of firmness and sacrifice to duty and principle.

liberation; if the union be left over to another time, it will be because weighty reasons have supervened. Yet to a layman, it appears that the union of the Presbyterians into one body might be the best example at present likely for the edification of all Christian sects.

Overwrought Imagination.

Do people fully realize that in times of stress an overwrought imagination leads them to exaggerate what they see, and sometimes to think they see things that do not exist at all?

When Omaha was tornado-struck that Easter Sunday many distorted descriptions secured publicity in more or less distant towns, some of them sent out from here, but more of them carried by travelers passing through the city, going so wide of the mark as to be scarcely recognizable by those acquainted with the facts.

It seems to be a tendency of human nature to make out that had things are worse than they are, although occasionally a horror grows as we get fuller information. In most cases it is a safe rule to make liberal allowance for the overwrought imagination of eye witnesses, to any great calamity that, for the moment shocks the senses and stuns the mind.

College Athletes.

The presence in the news columns of voluminous reports of the meeting of various college teams in athletic contests might easily give support to the thought that undue prominence is being given to the matter of physical development in the great schools of the country today.

A few years ago the charge was made, and with some justice, that Americans were neglecting outdoor exercises to the extent that there was danger of physical degeneracy. This brought out a cry that at the big schools of the country athletics were for the very few who had such endowment of physique as made them desirable for foot-ball and other strenuous games.

Perhaps the greater result of the insistence on physical training at school may be found elsewhere. All over the United States men and women in the professions and in business are found to be giving over some part of their waking hours to outdoor work or play, to the end that steadier nerves and clearer brains are brought to the real duties of life.

Is Dr. Cook Coming Back?

Is Dr. Cook coming back? Although most folks have ceased to distress themselves over the North Pole discovery controversy, which raged so fiercely a short time ago, this question is suggested indirectly by an article in a current periodical on "Science and Polar Exploration," by William Hallock, himself a noted scientist at the head of the department of pure science in Columbia university.

Dr. Hallock reviews the recent work of professional explorers in polar regions to support his conclusion that they have contributed little or nothing to the serious advantage of science. It was not at all necessary, he tells us, for Peary to discover the pole, "which it is assumed he did," because it had been discovered by science long before, and continues:

Peary, of course, verified the fact that we were correct. He discovered the water at the North Pole, and he thrilled us with somewhat unverified information that it was an "unfathomable" sea. But he had lost his sounding instruments before he got a chance to use them in this water.

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Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

The spacious building originally erected by George Francis Train on Ninth street, and known as the Cogens house, has been reopened under the name of the Grand Pacific. The lessee is T. J. Saleman of New York, and A. H. Aylsworth is in charge as chief clerk.

The Value of a Calling.

"He that hath a trade hath an estate," said Franklin, "and he that hath a calling hath an office of profit and honor." The wisdom of the proverb should not be lost sight of by parents with sons, or by the sons themselves, facing the realities of life.

Twenty Years Ago

Low Avenue Presbyterian church sent this telegram to President Cleveland, himself a Presbyterian: "In the name of God and humanity, in the interest of rest and of righteousness, save our American Sabbath."

How the Democrats Rule.

When, after denouncing the famous Reed rules, the democrats came into control of the house they did not go far until they adopted the very rules that they excoriated. Likewise, among other things that helped give the democrats their present majority in our national lawmaking body was the outcry and onslaught on the methods of doing business typified in "Cannonism," yet it is already patent that democratic methods, though slightly different, are no less arbitrary.

Ten Years Ago

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People and Events

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Let the people of the east infer from Governor Johnson's latest

preachment that the California legislature has its halo of righteousness on straight, the San Francisco Chronicle screamed with joy on the final adjournment of "the most villainous legislature that ever cursed this or any other state." Later, when the extravagances of the body trickle down through the sources of taxation, Californians will have their pocket conscience most thoroughly scorched to make up appropriations of \$30,000,000 in excess of the state's present revenue.

The governor of Colorado vetoed a "blue sky" bill and one creating a commission to supervise boxing

contests, but permitted a racing bill to become a law without executive approval. It is confidently believed that selling blue sky mining stock and playing the ponies afford an ample outlet for the sporting proclivities of the population.

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A committee of the New Jersey

legislature is about to make an investigation of the fire insurance business in that state. When it gets through it can find an inviting field for extension of its inquiry right here in Nebraska.

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The Norwegian Singing society, recently organized, made its debut, E. Anderson is the choirmaster, and the arrangements committee is made up of John M. Jacobsen, E. Olsen, E. Jensen, John Hofstad and P. Wiig.

When a Man Falls.

When he has no confidence in himself nor his fellow men. When he values success more than character and self respect. When he does not try to make his work a little better each day.

Muffled Knocks.

If you keep your mouth closed everybody will agree with you and respect your opinion. If a woman can keep her temper and her good looks she has no trouble keeping her husband.

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