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The JOURNAL wishes all its readers a Merry Christmas.

Because Congressman Kom has removed from the state, congress is disposed to declare a vacancy from the Sixth district. There has been a vacancy there for six years and congress will tell no news to the people of Nebraska if it makes the fact public.—York Times.

The fact that a bill has been passed by the house of representatives to prohibit the sale of liquors in the capitol building at Washington indicates that the members of that body want to protect Nebraska from disgrace as much as possible. Bill Greene will soon be a member of that body.

The supreme court has held that the sugar bounty could not be paid for the reason that the last legislature failed to make an appropriation therefor. It now becomes incident upon the new legislature to make provision for such payment. From a business standpoint Nebraska cannot afford to refuse to carry out its promises. Much depends on the incoming legislature whether Nebraska is to advance or retrograde.

When Senator Allen made the statements he did a few days ago in upholding the honor of Nebraska he assumed a position very different from what many supposed he would, and in doing so he dropped the populist mask and added another link to the chain of evidence that proves that the leaders in the demopublican know that they worked the tops to the full limit and will look to them no more. As a national factor the populist party has followed the lead of its predecessors and walked into the maw of the democratic party and is gone, and there are few states where populism will cut much figure in future elections.

The purchase of the Mile End Thread Mills, of Newark, N. J., by the J. & P. Coats Co., Limited, of Glasgow, Scotland, is attracting much attention. The Scotchmen paid more than a million of dollars for the American institution and as a result have control of the cotton thread market of the world and it is very likely that the price of that article will advance. The case affords an excellent opportunity for study by economists and publicists, especially in the United States. Here is a foreign corporation controlling what has come to be a necessity in the civilized world, and it is within the power of that company to demand any price that it pleases. It is not a combination, pool or trust but it is a most gigantic monopoly and it will be a problem to devise a way to protect the public.

For sheer demagoguery the pop papers which publish trash like the following take the cake: "Mr. Hayes' Tumbleweed, of Russian Thistle hollow, was in town this week and called at this office and gave us a shake of his honest hand. He is the leading populist of Russian Thistle hollow and says he has seen no indications about his place of the wave of prosperity that was to sweep over the country if McKinley was elected." Of course he has seen no indications of prosperity about his place. The fact of Mr. Hayes' Tumbleweed being a leading populist precludes all chance of any indications of prosperity showing themselves about his place, for if they did he could no longer claim to be a leader. If a tidal wave of prosperity should come along and carry him on its crest he would struggle to get beyond its reach. Prosperity deprives the leading populist of his stock in trade.

There is much talk about the state treasurer-elect and his bond. The law providing for the bond of a guarantee company is said to be defective and consequently the new treasurer will have to give individual sureties. To do this the capitalists of the state will be asked to go on his bond. It has been charged by the opposition that the republican state treasurer have been party to a ring which has been speculating with state funds and that an investigation would show a shortage. There is no doubt that such charges helped to bring about the result in November and now the people, regardless of party want to know the facts. If the rank and file of the republican party have supporting men for office whom they supposed to be honest but who were not they want to know it, and those republicans who were supposed to support the opposition by the charge of crooked work against the republican state treasurer want to know whether they were misled by dishonest political tricksters or not, and outside of position the taxpayers want to know whether or not their money has been

squandered. Under the present law if there is a ring of that kind the democratic governor as well as the republican treasurer must be a party to it. Let all the facts be known.

A congressional committee has been appointed to further the international bi-metallic work, and fast friends of silver from the silver states make up the majority of the committee. Many of those who advocated free silver because they honestly believed it would be the best, not because they had silver interests, have taken a position for international bi-metallism and will work to bring it about. The republican party is pledged to labor for that object and it should honestly carry out its promise. The business and commercial interests of the nation are entitled to protection in the matter and steps should be taken to prevent a repetition of the conditions that existed during the recent campaign. In other nations such questions are handled by experts in those lines and if such a thing could be provided in this country and remove it from politics it would be a great relief to the business of the entire nation.

Cash Inflation.

Chicago Inter Ocean.
A writer in "Harper's Weekly," that well-known publicist, David A. Wells, sets forth somewhat in detail an experiment in inflation recently tried in one of the Chinese provinces. The province contains about forty millions of people.

The Viceroy of the province was a veritable Bryan, only instead of expatriating upon the bantams of 50 per cent cash he put the theory into practice. It was a clear case of letting the money do the talking. The people wanted more money per capita, and without more ado he quietly doubled the issue of cash. Like Paul, he took not counsel of flesh and blood, but on his own official responsibility granted the boon of a doubled cash currency.

To appreciate the situation it must be remembered that China has no free coinage of any kind; and that cash—a term ingrained upon our language from China—is a copper coin with a hole in it, eleven of the coins being equivalent to 1 cent of our money, twenty-two equaling the English penny. The government makes them and then sells them to the people for silver, the latter being taken by weight and at its intrinsic value.

This Bryanitic Viceroy did not believe in letting his left hand know what his right hand was doing, so he put out this double cash issue without saying anything about it. All went smoothly for a time, but when the facts in the case became known the purchasing power of the cash in that province went down one-half. The people found that it was not much easier to get cash than it was before, and that it went only half as far. Instead of being grateful to the Viceroy for lessening the burden of debt and all that, the people rose in riotous rebellion. His excellency had a narrow escape from being pelted and beaten to death by an infuriated mob, armed with strings of cash, whereupon they behaved him.

The riot took on such serious proportions that the central government had to take cognizance of it, for investigation was had and the facts fully ascertained. The philanthropic Viceroy not only lost his office, but his head. The United States is not alone or singular in its partiality for honest money.

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