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THE WILSON SHRINKAGE. SENATOR WARREN of Wyoming, in his speech the other day on the resolution directing the committee on agriculture to investigate the causes of the unprecedented shrinkage in the number and value of the farm animals in the country, as shown in the last published report of the department of agriculture, gave some figures from that report that should be a political object lesson to the farmers of the west.

In 1893 the number of cattle other than milch cows in the United States was about 36,000,000; in '95, 34,300,000. Value in '93, \$548,000,000; in '95, \$483,000,000. Number of swine in '93, 46,000,000; in '95, 44,000,000. Value in '93, \$295,000,000; in '95, \$219,000,000. But in sheep the decant is a tremendous one. Number of sheep in '93, 47,273,553; in '95, 42,294,064. Value of sheep in '93, \$125,909,264; in '95, \$66,685,767. Including horses and milch cows, the shrinkage of the value of farm animals in two years has been from \$2,483,506,631 in 1893 to \$1,819,446,306. Loss in two years of democratic rule, \$664,060,325 in the value of the live stock of the country. This loss of about \$10 per capita, or \$50 per family if averaged, is a tremendous tax on the people for the delights of democratic rule.

What has caused especially the falling off in our sheep values of almost 50 per cent is disclosed in the figures here given: For ten months in '94 ending October 1 the aggregate of our imports of wool was 83,223,280 pounds, while in the ten months corresponding in 1895 the aggregate was 211,057,038 pounds. In '94 the amount of shoddy imported was 1,081,441 pounds, and in '95, 17,824,008 pounds. For the same ten months in '94 our imports of woolen goods were valued at \$13,981,389, while in '95 they aggregated in value \$49,899,717. It is not to be wondered at that a democrat turns tail and flees when he meets an American sheep.

In answer to certain vague and general denials of democratic senators on the floor that the Wilson bill had decreased the price of American wool, the senator submitted the original books and accounts of a single western sheep-grower who had for years sold his clip through the same Boston commission house. These books showed that in 1892 the sheepman sold 318,630 pounds at the average price of 17 cents, while in 1894 he sold 218,388 pounds at an average price of 9 cents. His clip for 1895 is not all sold yet, but the indications are that it will bring any more that it did in '94. The conditions were the same. It was the same flock reduced in number of course by selection whereby the price ought to have been better, because of an average increase in quality, but he got but half a cent over half as much for the wool in '95 under the Wilson act as he did in '92 under the McKinley act.—State Journal.

SENATOR THURSTON on the Monroe Doctrine: "Sir, believing that the honor of my country is involved; that the hour calls for the highest expression of loyalty and patriotism; calmly confident of the verdict of posterity; reverently calling God to witness the sincerity of my purpose; I shall vote for the resolution reported by the committee on foreign affairs. I shall vote for it, not as an affront to any other nation but to uphold the dignity of my own. I shall vote for it in this time of profound tranquility, convinced that peace with honor can be preserved. But, sir, I would vote for it just as surely were we already standing in the awful shadow of declared war. I would vote for it were the shells of British battleships bursting above the dome of the nation's capital. I would vote for it and would maintain it, at all hazards and at any cost, with the last dollar—with the last man. Yea, though it might presage the coming of a mighty conflict, whose conclusion should leave me without a son, as the last great contest left me without a sire."

M. A. DAUGHERTY, of Ogalalla, has written a letter to G. H. Cutting, chairman of the republican congressional committee, in which he states that he is not a candidate for renomination. In his letter Mr. Daugerty says he stands ready to do any duty imposed upon him for the cause of republicanism and prosperity when the campaign is on.

SENATOR ALLEN, of Nebraska, is regarded as an available candidate for the populist presidential nomination. At best it will prove an empty honor.

TOLD IN A FEW WORDS. HIGHLIGHTS OF ALL SECTIONS SUMMARIZED.

Happenings From Home and Abroad Reduced From Columns to Lines—Everything but Facts Eliminated For Our Readers' Convenience.

Friday, Jan. 24. The story that Cleveland had purchased the St. Louis base ball franchise is declared a fake—Callahan, the crack class B rider of Buffalo, N. Y., says he will not do much racing next season—Advices from the City of Mexico say bull fighting has been interdicted in the republic after fulfillment of the contracts—The Eagle Paper company at Franklin, O., made an assignment to D. B. Anderson. The total indebtedness is \$200,000—An invitation from Attorney W. W. Foote of San Francisco, Cal., President Cleveland may spend his summer vacation at the Pacific coast—The League of American Wheelmen suspends O. O. Hayman of Great Island, Neb., from all track racing until July 1, 1896, for a false entry at Kearney, Neb.—Ferdinand Schiebau, the noted shipbuilder of Elbing, Germany, died in that city. He built the first iron ship that was constructed in Germany—Lord Hawke's cricket team lost its first match in South Africa—William Upst, ex-justice of the supreme court of Oregon and second comptroller of the treasury under the Hayes administration, died at Washington—City Marshal Hatch of San Antonio, Tex., was shot and killed at Galveston by a negro named Jim Harris—Eugene V. Debs denies that he intends to resign from the presidency of the A. R. U.—Auxiliary members of the Salvation army at New York are vigorously protesting against the removal of Commander Ballington Booth—Governor Brown issues a call for a national convention at St. Louis July 22—Monroe doctrine, finance and the tariff all received attention in the senate—London papers assert that Russia and Turkey have signed a treaty of alliance—Iowa legislature has adjourned for 10 days—The Commercial-Gazette, in one of its series of articles on presidential possibilities, presents Ex-Senator Manderson's name—Opening of the new Manitoba legislature has been postponed to Feb. 6—Ex-President Harrison appears before the supreme court to defend the Wright irrigation law.

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Wednesday, Jan. 29. Alton, a hamlet of 100 inhabitants near Palmyra, Wis., hasn't a woman in it. A Philadelphia man who married twice to know if he can end his days in peace—Boston papers report that John W. Sullivan the "pug," is going to retire from the stage to become a saloon keeper—Governor Rich pardoned Bartholomew Sands, one of the oldest convicts in the prison at Jacksonville, Mich. He was convicted in Oakland, Cal., of criminal assault and sentenced Sept. 30, 1869, to life imprisonment—Twelve hundred Republicans held a "love feast" at Springfield—The \$500,000 breach of promise suit of Belle Avery of Fond du Lac, Wis., against D. S. Evans of Marshalltown, Ia., was settled before it came to trial. Miss Avery received quite a large amount of money to dismiss the suit—The Chickasaw legislature convened and voted upon the nation's debt of \$78,000,000—John W. Stillman, ex-governor of Colorado, died of pneumonia. He was 90 years old—The Marselles Manufacturing company at Ottawa, Ill., made an assignment with debts of \$200,000—The skeletons of two men with bullet holes in their skulls were found in Peoria, Ill.—L. E. Ayres has been transferred to Stockholm—The Michigan State association of Washington celebrated the 79th anniversary of the admission of Michigan into the Union with a banquet—Hiram Sopher, 80 years of age, died at his home in a territorial prisoner, died at his home at Clinton, Ia.—A pop in Calvary Episcopal church in New York was read at auction, in default of six months' rent, for \$50—Ex-President Havier of Swiss republic is dead—Mrs. J. T. Dunlap, 83 years old, and Mrs. Harry Anderson, 62 years old, mother and daughter, died within a few hours of each other in Brookfield—Hundreds of people are freezing and starving in Newfoundland—J. K. Gowdy was re-elected chief man of the Indiana state central committee—Dr. S. G. Galt, a well known surgeon and long time resident of Clinton, Ia., is dead. He was 85 years old.

Thursday, Jan. 30. Mike Ryan shot and killed John Dalton at Houston, Tex.—Spotted fever has made its appearance at New Birmingham, Tex., and so far five deaths have resulted—Four horses affected with glanders at Fort Wayne, Ind., were killed by state health officers from Indianapolis—Maud Belle Bonstetter, who at one time lived at Creighton, Neb., and who disappeared from Kansas City in January, 1894, is reported to have died as a result of an unsuccessful criminal operation in Cincinnati—The Grand Island sugar factory has many applications from farmers who desire to contract for beet for the coming season—The Masonic Building association of Grand Island expects to pay off every cent of indebtedness within the next 18 months—The boiler in a lumber mill at Offerman, Ga., exploded, killing four people—John Hines, a farmer, living near Indianapolis, beat his wife to death and then hung himself—The Milwaukee street railway was sold on foreclosure proceedings. It was bought in by the bondholders—The dry goods house of Fessenden & Neoburn of Chicago was closed by creditors—Liabilities \$185,000; assets \$137,000—Miss Fay Underwood of Kansas City went to Sacramento to marry Hugh Klags. Her affianced was murdered a few hours before she reached her destination—Thomas Dwyer, aged 70, the wealthiest man in Washington county, Texas, was assassinated by unknown parties—Colonel L. G. Cook of Herrington, Kan., is announced as a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination of that state—Secretary John K. Brown of the New York Republican state committee has issued a call for a meeting of the committee at the Fifth Avenue hotel, New York City, Feb. 8—Victor Robello was sentenced to Paris to imprisonment for life at hard labor for the murder of Abbe Gabriel Segal, a rich man of Argentine Republic, in London in October, 1894—Mayor Swift, who is at Lake Worth, Fla., will return to Chicago late this week. He has been greatly benefited by his vacation—Gen. Alfred Baker Smith, well known as a soldier and lawyer, dropped dead while leading a cottage prayer meeting in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report. Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE. SENATE URGES DECISIVE ACTION. Calls Upon the Foreign Powers to Bring Turkey to Time.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—After a brief but stirring debate, the senate Friday agreed to the concurrent resolution urging decisive action by the European powers against Turkey and pledging to the president the support of congress in the most vigorous action he may take for the protection of Americans in Turkey and the redress for injuries to American persons and property. Mr. Cullom (Ill.), who reported the resolution, urged its adoption in a speech which set forth the startling extent of the massacres, the greatest in the history of the world, the senator said.

Private Pension Bills Passed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The house passed 12 private pension bills, among them one to pension the widow of the late General Cogswell of Massachusetts at \$75 per month. This bill passed the senate.

NEW SENATORS SWORN IN. Frank J. Cannon Draws the Long Term. Hannabrough Criticizes Morton. WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The senators Frank J. Cannon and Arthur Brown from the new state of Utah took the oath of office in the senate Monday, the former drawing the term ending March 31, 1899, and the latter the term ending March 3, 1898. With the exception of the contested Delaware case this establishes the political division of the upper branch of congress until March 4, 1897, as follows: Republicans, 44; Democrats, 39; Populists, 6. Total, 89. Necessary for a majority, 45.

Mr. Hannabrough (N. D.) severely criticized the secretary of agriculture for the alleged failure to distribute seeds in accordance with the law. Mr. George (Miss.) defended Secretary Morton's action.

Heppburn Too Rash For Hill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The house Monday, after an interesting 4-hour debate, adopted the resolution passed by the senate last week, calling upon the powers signatory to the treaty of Berlin to enforce the reforms in Turkey guaranteed to the Christian Armenians and pledging the support of congress to the president in the most vigorous action he might take for the protection and security of Americans in Turkey.

Nebraska Senator Believes In the Monroe Doctrine. WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Foreign affairs and finance occupied the attention of the senate Tuesday. Mr. Thurston (Neb.) vigorously upheld a strong application of the Monroe doctrine and was at times warmly applauded for the patriotic ring of his sentiments.

House Holds a Brief Session. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The session of the house was brief Tuesday. Contrary to general expectation the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill precipitated no discussion whatever. None of the foreign complications were even mentioned and the bill was passed in less than an hour.

TWO STIRRING SENATE EVENTS. Resolutions on Cuba and Tillman's Dramatic Speech. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The presentation of committee reports on Cuba and a highly dramatic and sensational speech of Mr. Tillman, the new senator from South Carolina, furnished two stirring events in the senate Wednesday. The majority resolution on Cuba asks the president to urge Spain to grant belligerent rights to the insurgents, while the minority report directs the president to take steps toward securing from Spain the complete independence of Cuba. Both resolutions went to the senate calendar.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA. Tate Jury Now Filled. TECUMSEH, Neb., Jan. 30.—The jury has been completed for the Tate murder case and the trial started.

School Bonds Carry. HARTISBURG, Neb., Jan. 27.—The question of issuing \$12,000 bonds for the erection of a new school building at this place carried.

Relics of an English Syndicate. WELLSFLET, Neb., Jan. 24.—The last relic of the defunct English syndicate, the big Lincoln hotel building, is fast being torn down, and the lumber hauled away to build sheds and fences.

County Judge Brooks Dies. RUSHVILLE, Neb., Jan. 30.—L. A. Brooks, who has been county judge of this county for the past two years, died at his home in this city of heart failure. He leaves a wife and five children.

Failure Kills the Cashier. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Jan. 24.—The saddest chapter in the recent closing of the Bank of Commerce occurred when Oscar J. Smith, the cashier, died from the result of nervous prostration, brought about by the failure.

Nebraska Lands In Demand. INVALE, Neb., Jan. 27.—The deal was consummated in which the Minnie ranch, consisting of 800 acres of land finely improved and well watered, located in three miles east of here, was sold to A. M. Lowthier from Illinois for \$19,000 in cash. This is one of the finest farms in the valley of the Republican.

Irrigation In Holt County. O'NEILL, Neb., Jan. 29.—Irrigation is receiving much attention in Holt county. The Elkhorn Irrigation and Land company recently had a deed in this county conveying to it over 4,000 acres of land under its control south of this city and has already written contracts to break and crop over 2,300 acres of it the coming season.

His Sweetheart's Shot Fatal. DECATUR, Neb., Jan. 27.—Williams, the man accidentally shot by Rose Pettie, his sweetheart, Wednesday morning, has died. A coroner's inquest will probably be held. Miss Pettie takes his death very hard, and since the fatal day has been a constant nurse and watcher by his bedside. It is thought the terrible blow will turn her mind.

Father Smith to Be a Bishop. OMAHA, Jan. 26.—Father Smith, who, according to a cablegram to the Watchman, has received the appointment to the bishopric of Wyoming, is now the priest of St. Patrick's church in Omaha. He was nominated with two others for the place by the bishops' meeting in Dubuque the latter part of last November. Official confirmation of the report has not yet been received.