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TUESDAY, JULY 13, 1897.

The New York Journal of Commerce is not a republican organ. But it cheerfully acknowledges that the business conditions of the last week were, on the whole, quite favorable.

The provision in the tariff bill for a stamp tax upon stocks and upon speculations in stocks and bonds is generally commended.

CALLS for the fusion state convention were sent out Saturday. Chairman Edmisten issued a call for the populist state convention to be held in Lincoln, September 1 at 2 p. m.

A WRITER in an eastern paper says: "Prior to the enactment of the Wilson law, the eastern cities and manufacturing establishments were supplied with coal largely from the Virginia and West Virginia mines."

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In Switzerland parents are fined who do not send their children to school for a period of at least six

years. When a parent proves that he is too poor to educate his children, the various cantons aid. Thus each year about 40,000 children are placed in school by aid from the state.

General Gomez, has, according to Spanish authorities, been "killed" five different times and as many times "seriously wounded."

Bryan agreed to deliver a popular oration at Los Angeles July 5th and avoid politics, provided the natives would give 50 cents each to get in.

Globe-Democrat: The number of business failures for the first half of the calendar year 1897 and the amount of the liabilities involved are below those of the same period in 1896.

A Japanese paper explains how Japan may capture and control Hawaii, in spite of all the United States may day. It calls attention to the fact that there are about 25,000 Japanese in Hawaii, about 18,000 of whom are trained to arms.

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ONE KIND OF BAD MEN

THOSE WHO ARE DANGEROUS TO ROWDIES AND ROBBERS.

A Wyoming Cattleman Who Checked the Little Game of Two Chicago Thieves. How a Millinery Salesman Cowed a Tough That Wanted to Shoot at Everything.

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MRS. BLACK'S CHURCH.

Her Coachman Thought It Too Humble For a Cabinet Lady.

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His system is so clogged up with impure, poisonous matter that he has all sorts of bad feelings all the time, sour stomach, dizziness, heart-burn, palpitation and everything else that unfits him for work.

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