



Emperor William announces his intentions to make the "German navy, like the German army, the greatest in the world."

The colored representative in the house, Mr. White of North Carolina has introduced a bill making lynch-bees treason against the United States.

Twenty-six cars of canned beef were lately drawn over the rails out of Chicago for transportation to south Africa for the use of British soldiers.

The sage presiding over the esteemed Republican at Atkinson tosses his irongray mane to the breeze and comes clamoring to the rescue of that hideous excerpt of the most truly good and beautiful word of the English tongue, X-mas.

As a matter of truth and fact X is no more indicative of the crucifixion than Y, and no encomium or impulse of church or the Holt County Republican, can emblematicize it.

Nebraska The Language.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Palmyra (Neb.) Item, in addition to a large amount of interesting and instructive general and local information, contains in a recent issue the intelligence that "Mrs. Thomas L. Stewart trained to Lincoln this week."

We take it that the Palmyra Item is being edited as nearly as possible with the view of meeting the demand of its readers for something piquant and unique in the composition of personal notices, which are, unhappily, too often verbed and adjectived by our rural contemporaries with distressing uniformity, and are not infrequently tautological and commonplace in construction.

There is no very good reason why it should not be adopted by the Nebraska press in treating of the movements and actions of politicians, however, and we look forward with some degree of hope and

A HANDSOME GIFT. During the year 1899 there were seventy-nine and three quarter millions of dollars given in large gifts to benevolences in the United States.

confidence to the time when the Palmyra Item and other newspapers of equal enterprise throughout the state will be telling us that William Jennings Bryan ostriched in Texas a few days ago, or is enjoying himself panthering with Governor Hog or is going to Chicago to ratio with John P. Altgeld, or has recently returned from New York, where he anti-expanded with Dick Croker, or expects to visit Kentucky shortly in the hope of platforming amicably with Henri Watterson, or is gating large receipts while crucifying in Indiana, or will shortly Filipino with Senator Jones, or hopes to soon to trust and monopolize in Wisconsin, or is training to California to pleasure with himself previous to the holding of the national Democratic convention, or is doing any of the great many things which are now being chronicled in the old and weather-beaten style of composition that obtains east of the Missouri river.

A Growing List.

The constantly growing roll of southern senators said to be open advocates of the expansion policy, as exemplified in the retention of the Philippines now includes the names of Morgan and Pettus of Alabama, Mallory of Florida, Clay of Georgia, Lindsay of Kentucky, Caffrey and McEnery of Louisiana, Sullivan of Mississippi, McLaurin and Tillman of South Carolina, Culberson, and Chilton of Texas and Daniel of Virginia. All of these have given expression to expansion sentiments mainly as a business proposition.

The stoves of the Hottyan Indians are curious things. A hole is dug in the ground about 18 inches deep and a foot square, and over this is built a roof of clay with holes of different sizes to receive the various cooking pots. Roasting is done on spits passed through the holes, so that the meat comes out very much smoked unless great care is taken to have only live coals at the bottom of the oven.

Cows Who Wear Glasses.

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American Grapes.

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CITY SAVED MONEY.

What was the result of the Topeka in selling the street lighting plant? The Industrial Commission published at the Topeka, Kan., the following: There is an electric plant at Topeka, Kan. It has evidently made a thorough investigation of the situation in Topeka and arrived at the following conclusions: "In spite of the mistakes that have been made, city ownership and operation of the street lighting system has proved a paying investment to the municipality. As one result of the experience, it is not unreasonable to expect that in the future the city will exhibit great capabilities of management, and will still further improve the service and reduce the expenses. When the plant was founded the lowest bid that had been received from a private company was for \$10 per light per month; and while there are no data beyond November, 1889, yet it is believed to be a near and safe approximation to assume that the cost per lamp did not exceed that for the thirty-eight months immediately following the date just mentioned, for which time we have already presented exact statements of cost. According to the table given, the cost per lamp per month from November, 1889, to January, 1893, was \$8.40, which leaves a difference of \$1.60 per lamp per month in favor of the city operation. The number of lamps at this time was 184, and on the assumption that the saving just mentioned was continuous from 1887 to 1893, there was a total saving to the city over what a contract for \$10 per light per month would have involved of \$21,186.80. And had the same rate of economy been prolonged up to the time of the rebuilding of the plant, the amount retained to the city would have been the large sum of \$33,561.60. When the building of the plant was under contemplation the Edison company endeavored to secure the street lighting, by representing a bid for the extremely low figure of \$6 per light, but even at this rate the city would have suffered a loss of \$7 cents per light per month, amounting for the year covered by this investigation, to \$2,693.52, in view of the economies effected by the new apparatus."—Nebraska Journal.

Alaska Growing Warmer.

Prospective visitors and gold-seekers in the Klondike region may extract some comfort from the discovery, made by the Harriman Alaska expedition, that most of the glaciers which abound in that territory are receding. The fact is an indication that the average weather there is growing warmer. If it were growing colder the glaciers would be advancing, while if it were about the same one year with another they would maintain the same general position, neither creeping nearer to the sea nor melting away from their terminal moraines. The rate of glacial recession is so slow, however, that fur overcoats and warm sleeping-bags are likely to remain as a part of the necessary equipment of Alaskan travel for some years to come. Nothing, it may be added, is slower than the movement of a glacier, except the settlement of the Alaskan boundary dispute.

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FAMOUS SET OF CHINA

Worth Thirty Thousand Dollars, and Yet Can Be Smashed in 10 Seconds. A magnificent set of china was recently purchased by Mrs. William Astor of New York for the princely sum of \$30,000. It is the most costly set of tableware in America. As the history of the celebration of the Chicago Tribune is well known, it is recalled that they were originally intended for a royal table. Mrs. Astor's set is another servant to her already large retinue, a woman whose sole duty is to care for these "valuable things." The china is rich cream white in tint, with a slightly scalloped edge. On the rim traced in gilt are the names of the famous star-scattered A. S. T. set. It is a band of gold, bordered by a brilliant red, bordered by a brilliant gold line, and bordered by a further down in the plate, the name of the crest, are the golden letters "A. S. T." (Caroline Astor) wrought into an artistic monogram. The pieces are large and deep-measuring, finished in diameter. The plates are slightly smaller in size. The plates are oblong in shape, and are quite different ends rather than round. The cornered dishes are all the same size. The china is not only remarkable for its fabulous cost, but for the simplicity of its design. The story of it is a story all of itself. None of the 212 pieces is ever allowed to leave the table, so brittle are these wonderfully costly plates. A china chest, especially built to hold the dish is always put in a room of its own.

Experiments with Wireless Telegraphy

Experiments are reported with wireless telegraphy during ten days between Chamonia and the Vallot Observatory, on Mont Blanc; the straight distance was seven and five one-hundredths miles and the difference in height two miles. After a description of the transmitting and receiving stations, the results are summed up as follows: The experiments were made every day during eleven hours. The signals were satisfactory only for a distance between the oscillator spheres equal to eight one-hundredths of an inch. The absence of water in liquid form did not interfere, neither did the intervention of clouds. Although atmospheric electricity actuated the apparatus several times, it did not make communication impossible.

A Homeopath.

From Judge: Mrs. Jones—Did Mr. Smith's son graduate as an allopath or a homeopath? Mrs. Brown—Homeopath, I think. He's been livin' at home ever since he took his degree.

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