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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION of any Cass County Paper.

AN amendment to the sundry civil bill is pending before the senate committee on appropriations, appropriating \$250,000 to furnish supplies to the destitute people of Cuba. It is stated that it will probably be adopted.

REPUBLICANS and friends of good government in this city can easily elect F. M. Richey and others on that ticket if they will work together. Richey made one of the best officers the city ever had, to re-elect him is no experiment.

THE republican state league of Minnesota was reorganized at Minneapolis last night after the Iowa plan. Resolutions were adopted reaffirming party principles and warmly commending the administration for the wise and conservative course it is pursuing.

THOSE who have cried lustily for war are likely soon to witness the gratification of their wishes. If Spain alone is to be engaged the war will be a naval one and the land lubbers will only be called upon to help pay the bills. If other nations are drawn into the conflict we may all get a chance to carry a musket.

THE republican city central committee in charge of W. H. Newell, as chairman, is already at work and a big victory is sure. The republican ticket is without a flaw from top to bottom. The party is thoroughly united in the interests of reform and good government. There are no bickerings, no petty jealousies within the ranks and with solid front a change in municipal management is certain.

THE president of one of the English spinning associations, Mr. Ashton of Bradford appreciates apparently better than many Americans the practical working of the American protective tariff system. "If it were not for the protective tariff," he has recently said, "we would flood the United States with yarn." There are Americans who affect to believe that with the protective system broken down American industries would be better off. Englishmen know better.—Bee.

NEWS from Havana remains the same, speculation of correspondents, nothing more. The commission seems to be killing time and working away as leisurely as if they were members of a picnic party bent on having a good time. If a report from the commission is not sent in this week, it is said that congress will take a hand and give the brass collared flunkies a chance to do business or leave the investigation to more competent people who appreciate the gravity of the offense that has been committed by the Spanish brigands.

WHILE there is a general feeling against the incoming of the off-scourings of Europe no one will have a word to say against 605 steerage passengers who arrived last week on the Kaiser Wilhelm. Their average age was 25 years and they brought \$21,400 with them, had railroad tickets to their destination and knew exactly where they wanted to go. A third of them were Russian Mennonites, who are bound for the Dakotas and Washington, where so many of their countrymen are already settled and are developing that great agricultural territory. Such citizens as these would be welcome anywhere in the world.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

PLATINUM was worth \$16 per pound ten years ago, it is now only worth fifty cents per pound, and the crime of '73 never touched it. As a useful metal it is fast taking the place of silver and has had more to do with driving the price of silver down, than all the imaginary conspiracies of a century. It is generally conceded that silver will go much lower as a result of the cheapness of its new competitor, and the nation that tried to lift the price of silver to its old place would go bankrupt in the attempt. Any man who thinks and reasons, in possession of all the facts cannot longer uphold the exploded 16 to 1 theory unless he does so in an effort to mislead someone who does not think for himself.

THERE is at present before congress a bill, which, if it becomes a law, will abolish the "scalpers" of railroad tickets. The practice is fraught with evils and railroad companies have always been required to use precaution in the selling of tickets for excursions or selling reduced rate tickets to keep them out of the hands of scalpers. This has always necessitated considerable inconvenience on the part of the purchaser. Should the bill become a law the railroad companies can give better "special rates" and the purchaser of tickets will in no wise be inconvenienced. The bill also provides for the redeeming of all unused tickets at their face value.

SHERIFF MARTIN'S ACQUITTAL.

The acquittal of Sheriff Martin for the murder of strikers at Lattimer, Penn., last summer, is a simple triumph of justice. We are not sorry that an indictment was brought against him and that he was put on trial for his alleged crime, although we have believed from the first that he was only acting in pursuance of his duty as the chief peace officer of Luzerne county. It is undoubtedly a hard thing for a man who does a painful duty faithfully to be arraigned for it as though he were a criminal. Nevertheless the circumstances surrounding the event were such that there might have been some doubt in the minds of impartial men as to whether he was justified in what he did. No such doubt is now possible. The trial has been a long one. The able judge who presided gave wide latitude to the prosecution, and a great number of witnesses were examined. All that can be known about the shooting is made known by the testimony of over a hundred witnesses. The jury which heard it all agreed upon a verdict of acquittal without hesitation, and the sheriff is a free man.—The Independent.

IT looks now if Jim Dahlman had reconsidered his resolution to resign his \$2,000-a-year sinecure as do-nothing state railway commissioner to go into business, but has decided to take his commissionership into the commission business with him. If his cattle and hogs do not travel on free passes as well as himself the railroads will have to watch for a new freight tariff order.—Bee.

EVERY republican in the city should line up at the coming election and leave nothing undone, conscientiously and honestly, to roll up a majority for the whole city ticket, which will make the popocrats' "each individual hair stand on end like the quills of a porcupine." It is a clean ticket and tion of affairs for the next two years if elected. A warm campaign is on for next fall and the republicans should give the combined forces of fallacies and failures to understand that they must step down and out in state and county matters as well as municipal.

THE talk about merchants or business men interfering to keep shop men from running for office is the cheapest kind of rot. There is not a business man on the street who would lift a finger to shut out any shop man from such a privilege. It is of no interest to the business men one way or the other. Business men are seldom candidates themselves, never attend the primaries and take less interest in politics than they should do. The B. & M. folks themselves are alone interested in this matter and the effort to make capital by dragging others in will not go. So long as the democratic candidate for mayor who is foreman of a department is allowed to be a candidate there should be no complaint made against republicans of any class.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS. A long-haired crank is hitting the ties between Nebraska towns, and when he fetches up at the depot platform he announces himself as "Schradler, the divine healer." He is said to be a spurious Schradler. But that makes no difference, he's just as good as the genuine fraud.

An odd tombstone has been placed in a cemetery in Lincoln, Neb. It marks the grave of James Jacobs, a butcher, who died in 1891. The deceased was of a roving disposition, so his father had a valise modeled in marble and placed on the grave. The inscription, in addition to the name, date of birth and death, is "Here is Where He Stopped Last."

Engine No. 91 that was in the wreck in the B. & M. yards in this city on last Friday, is being temporarily repaired so as to be put in service again, while engine No. 88 which was the other engine in this wreck, will be sent to the shops to be rebuilt.—Nebraska City News.

W. W. Pool, manager of the Nebraska Land and Cattle company's ranch near Ravenna, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart yesterday morning about 5:30. Pool has been suffering with congestion of the brain and nervous irritation for several days. His body was found in the cemetery, lying across the graves of his children, with a bullet hole through his heart. He was an old settler in Buffalo county and was a very keen, intelligent and wide-awake business man. He and his brothers were for many years prominent in the oil business at Oil City, Pa. He leaves a wife and three daughters.

President William Neville of the trans-Mississippi directory has given certain concessions to himself as President William Neville of the trans-Mississippi Advertising company. He has taken in F. L. Mary of the governor's office as secretary and J. G. P. Hildebrand of Lincoln as vice president and general manager. The company proposes to do printing and advertising in the exposition grounds and elsewhere. The capital stock is \$25,000. Whether the company has exclusive rights or concessions is not set forth in the articles of incorporation filed yesterday with Secretary of State Porter.

Fish Returning to the Thames.

If we do not soon see salmon at London bridge, there is a fair prospect of our catching sea trout there before long. The main cause is the gradual cleansing of the Thames water, largely through the action of the county council in securing better treatment of the London sewage; while a minor contribution is made by the efforts of the Thames conservancy to make the Thames not only a navigable waterway, but a clean one. The sure and certain indexes of this improvement have been the successive reappearance of certain kinds of fish, creeping up annually higher and higher from the sea.

The writer has noted this process for some 11 years, with increasing satisfaction. The first indication conveyed to his mind that some change was taking place was the appearance of a couple of porpoises at Hammermith bridge early on the morning of the fatal day when Mr. Gladstone's home rule bill was rejected. Walking back to Chiswick, after witnessing the memorable scene in the lobby of the house of commons at 2:30 that morning, he saw the porpoises, and though Roman annalsists have entered this as an incident full of political omen—monstra maritima in Tiberi visa—he guessed that they had come up in pursuit of fish. So they had, for shortly after it was announced that the tubes of certain torpedo boats had been choked with whitelait on their way down to run the mile at Lower Hope. A few years later the whitelait and shrimps were swarming at Gravesend.—Cornhill Magazine.

"Dressed Up to the Nines." I beg to offer a pure guess as to this expression. Perhaps others will guess something better. I think that it is merely a variety of the phrase "dressed up to the eyes." This is a well known expression. The "H. E. D." gives an example of "mortgaged up to the eyes." We frequently find the plural eye. In fact, it occurs in Shakespeare and Spenser. We also find eye for eye. I give a quotation for eyes (i. e., eyes) in "A Student's Pastime," page 21. The "H. E. D." gives the plural eye (i. e., eyne), but without a reference. Halliwell gives a still more extraordinary plural form—viz, nyonon, with a reference to the "Chronicon Vileidunense."

The form nyone arose from the use of my nyone or thy nyone instead of my eye or thy eye. The latter sense is lost, and the addition of "s" becomes necessary for suggesting the plural of the numeral nine, for the populace always insists on an etymology and prefers an obvious one, even if it gives no sense.—Walter W. Skeat in Notes and Queries.

United States Mail Protectors. The United States government is sometimes served for years by valuable servants who are not even boarded at the expense of the government. These servants are cats. Cats are one of the persistent dangers that threaten the United States mail. They destroy the bags and the mail matter. The postoffice building in New York city is a large building and now many years old. It is said that there are 60 cats in the building cared for by the clerks. Some of the cats have never lived anywhere else; others have come in from the neighborhood. The cats who have known only this home are very shy of strangers and will come only to the clerks in the building. So you see that the government is served without pay by these faithful servants who prevent the destruction by rats of valuable property, and all that is given them is shelter.—Outlook.

Changed His Occupation. There's a young man newly come to town as a congressman's clerk who began his career as a traveling salesman for a Boston firm. His first trip was into Maine, a state he had never before visited. His employers did not hear from him for so long a time that they began to be worried. Finally a letter came from the young drummer. "I have been somewhat unfortunate on this trip," the letter ran. "The salesman of another house having preceded me, I have been unable to make any sales. As business is so dull I took a sail today from Bangor down the Penobscot, and I must say, gentlemen, the scenery is magnificent." By return mail he received an answer from the house. "Come home," was all it said, and that first trip was his last.—Washington Post.

The Chinese Painter. A story, which if not true is not badly told, runs to the effect that while the bark Cape City was at Hongkong a Chinaman was engaged to paint the necessary name on each bow. He produced on one bow the legend "Cape City," without a space between the two words. Then he noted that the "C" was nearest to the ship's stern, and remembering this fact, he afforded an excellent example of how severely logical his race can be, for in a little while he had painted on the other bow the striking permutation "Ytcepac," to his own delight and the crew's amazement.—Chambers' Journal.

The Prime Consideration. De Palmer—What did Mrs. Lakeside say when Jumbleton proposed to her? Van Pullman—She said she wanted time to consider. De Palmer—Time to consider what? Van Pullman—How much alimony he could stand, I suppose.—New York World.

A Scotch Term. In Scotland the last day of the year, or New Year's eve, is called Hogmanay.—Atlanta Constitution.

Mark, you look simply ridiculous with that tremendous ostrich feather in your hat—as elderly a woman as you are. "I know it, John. I borrowed it from the big hat you wear when you go out marching with the Resplendent Knights of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Fuzzy Goggles."—Chicago Tribune.

Hearty Enjoyment. "Are your children fond of reading?" "I should say so. There isn't a book in the house that has a back on it."—Chicago Record.

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Plattsmouth Turn Verein. The following are the hours of instruction of the Plattsmouth Turn Verein classes: BOYS CLASSES. Boys Class—12 to 14 years, Tuesday 4:30 to 6 p. m. and Friday 4:30 to 6 p. m. Boys Class—8 to 12 years, Monday 4:30 to 6 p. m. and Thursday 4:30 to 6 p. m. GIRLS CLASS. Girls Class—12 to 15 years, 10:30 to 12 a. m., Saturday. Girls Class—8 to 12 years, Wednesday 4:30 to 6 p. m. Saturday 9 to 10:30 a. m. LADIES CLASSES. Ladies Class—Wednesday 8 to 9:30 p. m.—English. Friday 8 to 9:30 p. m.—German. MEN'S CLASSES. Active class (18 to 30 years old) Tuesday 8 to 10 p. m. and Thursday 8 to 10 p. m. Senior class (30 years and over) Monday 8:30 to 10 p. m. Fencing, boxing and wrestling class, Sunday 10 to 12 a. m. Applications for admittance will be received at the gymnasium during class hours by Instructor O. F. Ernst.

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