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INJUNCTION SUIT DISMISSED.

THE NEWS is glad to note that the litigation in the telephone injunction suit was amicably adjusted yesterday by the plaintiffs filing dismissal upon learning that the city fathers intended to protect their business places against the Nebraska Telephone company's placing their poles where they would prevent free access to the business houses. The plaintiffs—Messrs. Dovey, Wescott and Pearman—are to be commended for pursuing this course and thereby avoid friction with the city authorities when they are trying to make the city more presentable and attractive.

There is no doubt that Plattsmouth is going to grow and now is the time to adopt and enforce policies that will in the future insure "domestic tranquility" lend the appearance of a metropolitan city. THE NEWS has confidence in the mayor and city council and believes they will do what is wise in the matter.

The Plattsmouth Telephone company was denied the privilege of setting poles on Main street and foreign companies should certainly receive no better treatment.

WAN A GOOD SPEECH.

Senator Beveridge's speech on the Philippines yesterday was a hummer and at its close received most hearty and prolonged applause. He has been to the islands and made a careful study of the existing conditions and knows whereof he speaks. He says the natives are at present incapable of self-government and that, unquestionably, it is the duty of the United States government to retain the archipelago. Speaking of the responsibility of those opposing the president's policy he says: "Mr. President, reluctantly and only from a sense of duty, am I forced to say that American opposition to the war has been the chief factor in prolonging it in America, even in the American congress, even here in the senate, he and his cause were supported; had he not known that it was proclaimed on the stump and in the press of a faction in the United States that every shot his misguided followers fired into the breasts of American soldiers was like the volleys fired by Washington's men against the soldiers of King George, his insurrection would have dissolved before it entirely crystallized. The utterances of American opponents of the war are read to the ignorant soldiers of Aguinaldo, and repeated in exaggerated form among the common people. Arms and ammunition were shipped from Asiatic ports to the Filipinos by wretches claiming American citizenship; and these acts of infamy were couped by the Malays with American assaults on our government at home. The Filipinos do not understand free speech, and therefore our tolerance of American assaults on the American president and the American government, means to them that our president is in the minority or he would not permit what appears to them such treasonable criticism. It is believed and stated in Luzon, Panay and Cebu, that the Filipinos have only to fight, harass, retreat, break up into small parties, if necessary, as they are doing now, but by any means hold out until the next presidential election, and our forces will be withdrawn. All this has aided the enemy more than climate, arms and battle. Senators, I have heard these reports myself; I have talked with the people; I have seen our mangled boys in the hospital and field."

SENATOR THURSTON and Congressman Mercer have decided upon John W. McDonald, ex-sheriff of Douglas county, to supervise the taking of the census in the Second congressional district. His name will be sent to the senate tomorrow. The Washington correspondent makes the following statement relative to differences between Thurston and Mercer over making the appointment, will be of interest to NEWS readers: "It is said that the affair has completely alienated Senator Thurston from Mr. McKinley and that the Nebraskan is now ready to join any revolt that may be started against the president. The breach started several months ago, though just what was the cause nobody seems to know. Senator Thurston has not, it is said, paid a social call at the White house for a considerable length of time and gossips noted with some concern that at the last dinner at which Mr. McKinley entertained a party of senatorial friends the Nebraskan's name was omitted from the list of invited guests. Senator Thurston is not a candidate for re-election and therefore his political future is not involved in the dispute. At the expiration of his term he will resume his former position at the head of the legal department of the Union Pacific railroad. But in that position he can, if he so desires, wield quite as much influence in Nebraska politics as if he

were in the senate. Wherefore it is not regarded as altogether wise for an ambitious statesman to get at cross purposes with him."

THE Boers penetrate British lines at Ladysmith, but are finally driven back. Their losses exceed those of the British.

BARONESS SUTTNER, in the name of the Austrian Peace society asks President McKinley to offer his services to England as a peace arbitrator.

MAYOR CARTER H. HARRISON has announced that he will not be a candidate for governor next fall. He seems to feel that Chicago needs his services.

EX-GOVERNOR STONE is said to be an expansionist, and he is certainly considered a good democrat. The fusionists are going to be divided on that question more than on that of silver.

THE democrats insist, now, that "silver shall not be forgotten." That is all right. We should all remember the dates, at least, of important battles. "The first battle" shall be kept in mind.

FATAHER MCGLYNN of New York, referred to by the Times-Herald as a "famous priest," died Sunday. He was a strong believer in the "single tax" theories as advocated by the late Henry George.

A BILL has been introduced in the Ohio legislature providing for the printing and sale by the state commissioner of railroads of mileage books at 2 cents per mile—the books to be good on all roads in the state.

DISPATCHES from London state that cannibals of the Admiralty islands captured a British crew of fifteen men and at once prepared for themselves a royal feast, but three of the captured escaped. Had the United States control of these islands we should have to determine whether or not the natives were capable of self government.

THE legislative committee of the national grange called upon First Assistant Postmaster General Heath recently to urge a measure which will be presented to congress for an appropriation of \$15,000,000 for rural free delivery. It seems to be only a question of time when the farmers will have their mail left at their door.

SENATOR DEPEW of New York, on behalf of 70,000 American citizens, the majority of whom were children, presented to Admiral Dewey yesterday a silver cup six feet in height, made from dimes that had been contributed by his admirers. In accepting, it the admiral said, that to him the most pleasant thing about it was, and the one that would make him cherish it all the more, was the fact that the children of the country were so largely represented in the giving.

INFORMATION AND OPINION.

A young married couple in Belfast, Me., received a startling shock. They carried their baby to a photographer for a picture. In due time the proof came around, but the parents at first failed to recognize it. The baby's features were there all right, and so were the pretty dress and all the other accessories, but the child had apparently grown a full beard while before the camera. The artist had used by mistake a plate on which an imperfect picture of an old man had been taken, and the two exposures coincided so well that he saved the plate as a curiosity.

A very curious theory lately revived is that the sap of a living tree ebbs and flows in some way in sympathy with the tides of the ocean. This idea comes from Italy, where a grower of vines says that no tree should be tapped or pruned except during the hours of ebbs.

The Chicago Anti-Cruelty society has instituted a movement to have all the carriage horses in that city shod with rubber shoes to prevent them from slipping. One horse was attired in a brand new set of rubber boots during the recent snow storm, and got along so well that others are to be equipped in a like manner.

A runaway horse in New York, with vehicle attached, was stopped by a wooden Indian, with uplifted arm holding a bunch of wooden cigars, was doing duty in front of a cigar store. The horse took to the sidewalk, and the lines became entangled with the Indian arm. The image being chained to the premises, the horse was brought to a sudden stop.

News comes from Honolulu that Coconut island, the most famous and picturesque bit of sea beach and palm grove in all Hawaii, has been seized by C. D. Pringle, an ice cream merchant of Hilo, and claimed by him upon squatter's rights. The Hawaiian government lays claim to the island as having been set aside by the old monarchy as the site for a quarantine station for Hilo harbor. Minister Young has notified Pringle to depart, but instead of doing so, the ice cream man has thrown up fortifications within the coconut grove, and is prepared to defend his claim by force of arms. Pringle will appeal his case to Washington, and attempt there to find some law that will sustain him as a squatter.

The American Steel and Wire company, the largest employer of labor in the country, notified its workmen on Friday of advance of 7 1/2 per cent in

wages. It has 30,000 employes. It also announces a gift to the relief fund equivalent to 2 1/2 per cent of the wages paid.—State Journal.

Details of the fighting on the Tonkin frontier in China in which the Chinese crossed the Tonkin border and by a brisk movement drove the French from their position, show that the Chinese used breech-loading jingals with much success. The jingal was adopted last year for the Chinese army and is being turned out by thousands at five Chinese arsenals. The use centre-fire cartridge two half-ounce slug and carry further than French magazine rifles. It takes two Chinese soldiers to operate each gun.

DOINGS AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Nebraska people who are searching for figures regarding the finances of the nation may find some information in the following, which are taken from the monthly statement of the public debt, issued December 30:

On that day the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$1,134,300,007, a decrease for the month of \$5,791,824. This decrease is largely accounted for by the purchase of bonds during the month.

The interest-bearing debt is \$1,026,772,320. Debts on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,208,500. Total bearing interest, \$89,914,640. Total, \$1,417,895,460. This amount, however, does not include \$686,979,405 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding, which are offset by an equal amount of cash on hand.

The cash in the treasury is classified as follows: Gold, \$398,032,027; silver, \$492,200,739; paper, \$64,588,670. Deposits in national bank depositaries, disbursing officers' balances, etc., \$88,184,635. Total, \$1,048,006,041, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$724,410,508, which leaves a net cash balance on hand of \$283,595,433.

This debt statement is a pretty good showing, and the reduction of the debt during December especially commends itself to the public. In reading the figures, however, it surely occurs to the minds of certain Nebraska statesmen that it would be a good thing for the government to print and issue \$1,134,300,007 in irredeemable paper currency, pay off the public debt with it and start a new page in the ledger. This is a good out to crack for the D-wison county financiers who believe in legislating value into irredeemable money.

The Louisville Courier-Journal has no use for the Vanlandingham of the present decade, and in a recent issue prints the following editorial, which should come straight home to some Nebraskans: "The noisy ants are now declaring that the blood of the late General Lawton is upon the hands of the expansionists. General Lawton, who was an out and out expansionist, left his own opinion to a different effect: 'If, he wrote shortly before his death, the so-called anti-imperialists would honestly ascertain the truth on the ground and not in distant America, they, whom I believe to be honest men misinformed, would be convinced of the error of their statement and conclusions and of the unfortunate effect of their publications here. If I am shot by a Filipino bullet it might as well come from one of my own men, because I know from observations, confirmed by captured prisoners, that the continuance of fighting is chiefly due to the reports that are sent out from America.'"

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AVOCA ITEMS.

Julius Langhorne of Elmwood was in town last Thursday.

Mrs. Anna Nelson returned from an extensive trip in Kansas last Thursday.

Walker Bates of Nehawka was transacting business in Avoca one day last week.

Four Indians from near Falls City passed through here, enroute to Louisville last Monday.

Mrs. Slate of Palmyra is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Will Hollenberger, this week.

What has become of the village marshal? He hasn't been seen on the streets since last Friday.

Jake Conrad has returned from Bertrand, Neb., where he was looking after his interests in land.

B. C. Marquardt & Co. have added another improvement on their store building by placing a storm door in front.

Henry Ruhge and Joe Schneider started for Oklahoma last week to look up a location. If suitable they will buy a farm there.

E. Nutzman of this place and Charles Braudt of Nehawka made a trip to Bertrand last week. Ask Charlie how many jack rabbits he killed.

Weiler & Bvriels, the butchers, are putting up ice this week. The ice is about nine inches thick. It is loaded on cars at Weeping Water and shipped here.

Lewis Dennis, Salem, Ind., says, "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure did me more good than anything I ever took." It digests what you eat and cannot help but cure dyspepsia and stomach troubles.—F. G. Fricke & Co.

William Gilmore has a few Clever's Model, Woodburn Medium and Wilk's Poland China hogs for sale.

GREENWOOD ITEMS.

Mrs. J. S. Foster is down with the grippe.

C. E. Shaw returned last Tuesday evening from Pella, Ia.

Miss Blanche Meaker was unable to return to school in Lincoln Monday on account of a grippe.

Andrew Toland still lies dangerously ill at the home of his brother, Isaac, southeast of town.

Rev. George L. Hosford will deliver a lecture, "Way Down in Dixie," at the M. E. church Friday night. The G. A. R. post has been invited to be present in a body.

The installation of the G. A. R. and Ladies Circle Saturday night was well attended, and after the exercises all adjourned to Lemon's hall, where a fine supper was served.

A reception was given in honor of Rev. Wiles at the Christian church on Monday evening. The people gathered at the church and then sent for Rev. Wiles and wife to come and practice singing. After a short song service Prof. Olliver made a speech, presenting the pastor with a handsome rocking chair. Mrs. Wiles will shortly be presented with one also.

The Woodmen installation and supper last Thursday night was a grand success. As a result there will be about twelve additions to the camp. After the ceremonies a very nice program was rendered, consisting of recitations, songs by the Boys' quartet and music by the string band. About three hundred Woodmen, their families and guests sat down to an excellent oyster supper. Before winter is over they expect to have ninety members, the camp now numbering sixty-eight.

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HOPE FOR BETTER THINGS.

Arrival of General Roberts Revives British Spirit.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—During the interlude of apparent military inactivity and official secrecy, Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener have arrived at the seat of war. It is assumed that their clear vision, supported by 30,000 fresh men, who are due to arrive in South Africa within thirty days, will alter the situation, and that the fourth month of the campaign will witness the beginning of victories for British arms. They are not, however, expected to produce definite results for some days, but their mere presence will restore the shaken confidence of the men at the front in their generals. Lord Roberts finds 120,000 men on the defensive or watching for an opening. Lord Methuen's health according to the Daily Mail, has "broken down" and the field marshal may relieve him. Possibly some others will be relieved of important commands.

There is an uneasy suspicion that when the Ladysmith casualties are announced they will be disheartening and will partly destroy the patriotic glow produced by General White's "victory." The list of victims of disease issued by the war office gives twenty-two deaths from enteric fever and dysentery in Ladysmith in four days, revealing the fact that the besieged are existing amid bad sanitary conditions.

The Standard summarizes the general situation thus: "Well, the campaign has lasted three months. We have something like 120,000 troops in South Africa. With this huge army distributed over the country we are still powerless to relieve three garrisons from investment. We have still to see large portions of both colonies in the hands of the enemy. We have driven the invaders back at no single point. We are actually further from hostile frontiers than we were on the day that the ultimatum was delivered. The work which ministers believed could be effectually performed with 25,000 men has not been done, has not even been begun, by four or five times that number. Can anyone fail to admit that this is evidence of a grave miscalculation of forces and facts?"

The war office has authorized a special yeomanry corps. Every trooper joining will pay for his own kit and mount, for transport and for all other expenses until his arrival in South Africa, and will then give his services to his country and pay for the privilege into the fund for widows and orphans the amount he would receive as a trooper. Several influential gentlemen have already enrolled. The authorities have the committee of the yeomanry hospital fund to provide for 520 instead of 150 beds, and the committee is appealing for at least \$50,000 more.

The Times, in an editorial criticizing at great length the governments conduct of the war, alluded to the "stupid and perverse mistakes," that have been made and demands that the "practice of the non-revelation of facts" be abandoned. It insists strongly upon knowing "the truth and the whole truth about the situation," and finds fault with Mr. Balfour's defense piecemeal.

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