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Now let's talk about lighting the streets. What do you say?

PLATTSMOUTH is good town to live in; it is a good town to trade in; it is a good town to boom, and this is the time to boom it.

ODELL is done for, and young Wadsworth is speaker of the New York assembly. Now let us see if there will be peace in the Republican Happy Family of New York.

EXTERMINATION by the chloroform process seems to please nobody but Dr. Osler and Professor Johnson. Wherefore it might be well for them to chloroform each other.

MCCALL repents and resigns, but it's not certain that he can pay back without borrowing from his wife. Since he claims to be a poor man, it is lucky he provided well for her.

THE present city administration has done lots of good work upon the streets the past year. Now let them do something on the light question. That's what we need most now—is more light.

THE goose-bone weather prophet who predicted the mildest of winters, hit off the season just right so far as this section is concerned. The Weather Bureau may forecast storms and blizzards as much as it pleases, but they do not get here, except as feeble efforts.

GOOD roads would enable the farmer to haul his grain farther to market and to carry a larger load. Good roads are essential to prosperity. But the great trouble with most farmers is that they do not begin to think about the roads until they become almost impassable.

WE want seed specials, farmers' institutes, chicken conventions and we want manufacturing enterprises. We want everything that will promote the interests of this town and community. The way to get them is to reach out after them. Plattsmouth has a right to the best going, but a little reaching will have to be done, and in the proper manner, too.

THE bill for regulating freight rates which has been introduced by Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, seems to be the favorite with the administration. The other regulation bills contain secret springs and legal ambiguity which renders them worthless. The Dolliver bill is said to be an administration measure. It gives full powers to the interstate commerce commission, and leaves its rulings open to review by the courts out to the ground of legality. The Elkins bill permits the courts to test the "reasonableness" of the commission's rulings.

PROF. W. L. TOMLINSON of Chicago is hopeful. He says that graft and all other material evils can be eliminated and the "inner conception of the higher life" be imparted at the very outset of life by the music taught the children from the cradle. Perhaps so but when we reflect that the most soulful chorister that our city has ever known spent long and enforced vacations in the reformatory and that while he was singing, "Lead, Kindly Light" or "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" with the expression of an angel and the tremolo accent that made you feel for your pocket hankerchief and long to float to realms of bliss right then and there, when we knew that even then that this white robed angel would be all the time kicking the boy next to or orally searching around for the boy's foot as a convenient standing place, while at the sound of the "grand amen" he would drop with such convulsive violence on his poor victim's lap as to force an ejaculation of pain from his lip—then we can't help wondering if the eminent professor in Chicago is correct in his statement that soulful music

will reform all small boys and lead them to a "higher life."

DON'T knock—but go soak your head and be quiet a little while.

A WAG at our elbow wants to know what has become of the glove factory.

IF the knocker swore off the day before New Year, he soon broke over. His knocking continues.

SO far we have not seen a single prediction that the world will come to an end this year. But the year is new yet and there is plenty of time for dire predictions.

GIVE kickers and knockers plenty of rope and they will hang themselves. There is no use getting up a petition to do it, it will work out its own destiny. There would be no trouble to get signers to such a petition.

PAPERS have been circulated in this county petitioning Senator Millard to vote against Roosevelt on his railroad rate proposition. But with what success no one seems to know. The man who lives in Nebraska and signs such a petition, don't know his own mind.

THE nomination by the democratic caucus of the Kentucky legislature of ex-Congressman Thomas H. Paynter to succeed Senator Joseph C. S. Blackburn, whose present term will expire on March 4, 1907, probably ends the long public career of one of the most picturesque figures in Kentucky politics.

TAMING football begins to look like a fact when sixty-eight important colleges take up the reform. The big eastern institutions will not have the courage to oppose same when they reflect that the fathers and mothers of football players will prefer the schools where the game is played politely, or entirely abandoned. If prize-fighting is considered brutal and illegal, football, as played in the present age, should be considered equally so.

DOWN in Pennsylvania, where the railroads have adopted the cash basis of advertising, and refuse editorial passes in exchange for space, the publishers have held a convention and passed resolutions retaliating. In the first place, they refuse to print anything, time-table or other matter, unless paid for at the full rate. Then they resolve that no mention shall be made of railroad movements, except to give accounts of wrecks and other disasters, and to warn the public against the criminal negligence of railroad officials. Nothing of a complimentary nature is to be admitted, and the short comings of the road are to be given full space. It is simply a case of "Tit-for-Tat."

THAT man Hamilton, who had the handling of the thousands of dollars paid by the insurance companies to control legislation, in his testimony said: "At the capital of every state we have either retained representatives for the companies or are in co-operation with someone who has retained representatives duly influential. It has been found advisable as a result of experience, to avoid, as far as possible, any exact public information as to who represents us." Can't some of the republicans who are running the state machinery at the capital tell us who received the money assigned to Nebraska, and how much was received? No doubt of it, if they felt so disposed.

THE Nebraska City News endorses the Journal's plan for raising a campaign fund, as follows: "The suggestion made by the Plattsmouth Journal that each democrat contribute a small sum in order that the central committee could have a fund with which to organize the party throughout the state, is a good one, and one that ought to commend itself to every democrat, and particularly should it appeal to every owner of real estate. As it now is the state is under the domination of the railroads, and as long as the republicans are in power the railroads will have such laws passed as they want and avoid the payment of taxes. By this we do not mean

that drastic measures should be adopted towards the roads but they should be compelled to bear their just proportion of the taxes."

"UNDER what arrangement and by what authority?" This will be a hard question for President Roosevelt to answer if the senate adopts the resolution asking him to explain the presence of his receivers in the Santo Domingo custom-houses.

GRANTING that Mrs. Morris was badly advised in insisting upon seeing the president, there seems to be no excuse for the outrageous brutality of her ejection from the executive offices of the White House. With a little tact the affair might have been much better managed.

SOME writer says: "Thank heaven, we have never had a bald-headed president." This may be true, but it can't be denied that John Quincy Adams had a brow on him that was a very near neighbor to the back of his neck. Grover Cleveland was so near bald-headed that he had to comb his hair over the big bare spot on his top-knot to hide the same.

IN discussing the tariff in the national house of representatives last Friday, Champ Clark, the pride of Missouri, cornered Grosvenor of Ohio with the question, "Are we going to have any river or harbor bill this year?" To which General Grosvenor frankly replied that he did not know. And Grosvenor is one of the republican Big Three of the house, Uncle Joe and Dalzell being the other two, according to Mr. Clark.

EVERY little while it is reported that Chancellor Andrews is likely to resign his position as head of the state university. So far as we are concerned we would have no regrets should the reports prove true, and we believe a great majority of the people of Nebraska feel likewise. The chancellor has the reputation of having high executive ability, and we presume he is well qualified educationally speaking, but the head of our great state institution of learning should not be a man who puts his foot in it every time he opens his mouth.

A WASHINGTON special to the Lincoln Journal says: "There need be no concern as to the position of Senator Burkett and Nebraska house members. They stand solidly for the president's program and will do all in their power to see that some bill is passed carrying out his recommendations on the rate question. Senator Millard is not with the president in his fight. He says a rate bill will pass congress, but does not state whether he will support or oppose it. The natural inference is to be drawn in the non-committal position he takes is plainly understood to be against any legislation of this kind."

"THE pitiful showing made last fall, when the state committee was able to raise only about \$300 for campaign purposes, and when, in consequence, the party, to all intents and purposes, was without a state organization, illustrates the need for early and vigorous action," says the World-Herald. Which also more fully illustrates that if the Journal's idea of raising funds—that of soliciting a small sum from every democrat in the state that feels so disposed—would be the proper caper. Such a procedure would not only result in raising plenty of campaign funds, but every man you solicit from is already lined up for battle—interested in his party's success. Now is the time to start the ball to rolling. Let Chairman Allen call his committee together immediately, adopt this plan by counties, and the desired results would follow.

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First came the unspeakable Dietrich, first as governor, and later as senator. It would not be right to print his name too often, because it is a name, the mention of which must bring to the cheeks of good men and pure women in Nebraska the hot blood of humiliation and shame.

And then came Ben Baker, and Judge Tucker, a pair so tough that the greasers of New Mexico and Arizona could not stand for them.

And then came Savage—but charity must stay the writing of the record. It would not be fair at this glad New Year season to lay too bare the shameful record of the "redeemers" in Nebraska—a redemption more the child of hell than heaven—a redemption which released Bartley from prison and his bondsmen from liability—a redemption which gave to the world a dozen federal officials now under criminal indictment, and in a time of prosperity increased the state debt to almost three million dollars.

God save Nebraska from another six years of republican salvation!

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