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The Times-Tribune of Norfolk got out a splendid edition as "A Happy New Year" number. Nothing equal to it has ever been published in any interior town in the west before.

The first two steps in the establishment of a humanitarian government in Hawaii have been taken, we have sent them a ship load of beer and abolished their savings banks.

The editors of Nebraska republican weeklies seem to be very short on ideas. A glance at their editorial columns shows that it usually takes less than half a column to print all that they can think up in a whole week.

"Some one left a baby on our door step and humanity demands that we provide for it" say the imperialists. If that is true, did humanity demand that we should hunt up the criminal parent and reward him with \$20,000,000?

If you pick up a piece of coal along the track, you are a thief and go to jail, but if you steal a whole railroad system, locomotives, track, bridges, shops and depots, you are a Napoleon of finance and go to congress or the senate.

The director of the mint announces that the gold output for the year is \$65,782,670. That has added to the circulation during the year more money than was put out under the operations of the Sherman act.

The only thing seriously troubling this nation is race troubles. The Swell Head Americans think that we haven't enough of that and propose to add to it by annexing half a dozen other races harder of assimilation than those that we already have within our borders.

Editor Chapelle evidently believes that when a pop writer is forced to go after a republican slandering that it is not good policy to let up as long as there is a square of hide left on him.

We bought something of Spain and paid \$20,000,000 for it. What was it? It begins to look as if we had purchased the right to carry on a war with the Filipinos.

This editor may be unduly suspicious, but it looks to him as though the Buffalo Times is going over to the goldbugs and will advocate the nomination of Roswell P. Flower for president in the next democratic national convention.

The INDEPENDENT has received from a corporation, whose principal place of business is in Omaha, which proposes to run some sort of a show there during the next summer, a large amount of advertising which it wants inserted free.

The thirteenth article of the constitution provides that "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as punishment for crime, whereof the party has been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

HOME OF THE FRIENDLESS.

The more one thinks of that home of the friendless part of the campaign, made by the republicans, the more disreputable does every one appear that had anything to do with it.

In the report of the commissioner of public lands and buildings, attention is called to the fact that the board of purchase and supplies and of public lands and buildings, adopted certain rules designated to apply to the business transactions of all institutions with which they have to deal.

It is proven by a republican governor that the managers of that institution have always been rebels to the state. They never were the disinterested patriots that they tried to make themselves out to be during the campaign.

ROBBING THE CUBANS.

Mc Kinley and his Swelled Heads are continually talking about "duty." If this government has an imperative duty to perform, it is to see that the Cuban soldiers who have been fighting for liberty for the last three years are paid.

SUPERSTITION.

When an imperialist wants to be especially forceful he talks about the "superstitions" of the Filipinos or the Cubans. It is very much to be doubted whether they are any more superstitious than the people of this country.

IT MUST BE DONE.

The private ownership of city franchises threatens not only the integrity of city councils but the courts as well. Recent investigations in Chicago have developed the fact that Yerkes and other street car magnates not only bribed legislators and the Chicago Aldermen, but that they have successfully worked for years a system of jury bribing that has been a priet success.

SOME TARIFF MAD.

It seems that both France and Germany have gone tariff crazy. How sensible men can entertain the economic vagaries that these states are attempting to make a tariff policy is beyond comprehension.

must consume his own products only, poverty will soon cover the face of the earth. Just as facility is given every man who is expert in his own line of work to exchange with others who are equally expert in other lines, will wealth increase.

LOWER CAR FARES.

There is growing up among heavy taxpayers a demand for the public ownership of municipal franchises. They demand in it the hope that it will result in transferring some of their taxes to the shoulders of those who ride on the street cars.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

It looks as though some of the populist papers are being taken in with the Mark Hanna printed matter that is sent to them concerning American shipping. Once America was well in the front in the number of ships that sailed the seas, but a decline set in.

The result of this foolish policy, which was to favor a few politicians who owned some ship yards, was to drive American capital into investment in foreign owned ships, and today ships owned by Americans are sailing the seas by scores under foreign flags.

THEY WON'T TELL.

The National Bimetallist remarks that: "All the banking schemes put forth by the so-called sound money men contemplate the securing of the bank notes by the government.

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Some of the Swell Head imperialistic editors are saying that the populists waited to hear from Bryan before they ventured to express themselves on an annexation. There is not a word of truth in it.

THAT RUSSIAN LOAN.

The goldbug fakers who run the great dailies got up a story that Russian agents were in this country negotiating a \$50,000,000 loan. Then they went into hysterics on that proposition and declared that we were no longer a debtor nation but were lending money to all the world.

FOR ANNEXATION.

The populists say to the imperialists who claim that Jefferson was one of their kind, if they will show up a country like the one that Jefferson annexed we will all go in for annexation. It must be in the temperate zone, rich in gold, silver, copper, coal and all other sort of minerals.

The utter uselessness of the Associated Press as a purveyor of news was demonstrated again last week. All the people of the whole northwest was anxious to learn what was done at that extra session of the Kansas legislature.

It is about time we had another chapter of political economy of that peculiar kind dispensed by the Chicago University through Prof. Laurence Laughlin. The last chapter was on the propriety of turning over the control of the volume of paper money to a syndicate of bankers.

The INDEPENDENT wants Father Snyder to come to Lincoln right away and hold a consultation. It wants to find out what is the proper thing to say when the type setters will make you say things you never thought of.

"Hardy's Column" will be found on the eighth page this week by those who may look for it here.

NO MORE FREE PASSES.

Editor Independent: There is a ray of hope and no faint ray either. It comes from our honored chief executive of this great state. It is currently reported that Governor Poynter and his private secretary Hon. Fred Jewell, are returning all free passes sent them with thanks.

Very respectfully, SAMUEL LINLEY, Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 11, 1899. If there is a new deal in this pass business let it be universal.

News of the Week.

Schemes and schemers in the legislature—Imperialism a hard road to travel—Trouble in the Philippines—Gomez threatens to fight if the American policy is not changed—Wants his soldiers paid—Gen. Wood and Gen. Henry have no trouble—A grateful people—Meiklejohn's last fib.

The first official act of Governor Poynter was to remove Mr. Hoxie, superintendent of the reform school at Kearney, and the appointment of Mr. Sprecker, who until recently was editor of the Schuyler Quill to succeed him.

General Henry is keeping up his record in Porto Rico as a reformer and civilizer of the first quality. He has called a convention of the Porto Ricans to deliberate upon the affairs of the island and specified that it shall be composed equally of members of both parties.

Mr. Meiklejohn has been caught fibbing again. It was stated last week by Meiklejohn that the First regiment was to be sent home immediately.

But little information is given out at Washington about the troubles that have arisen in the Philippines. Everything goes to show however that matters grow worse instead of better.

One of the first things that the republican caucus did was to resolve that they would create a new committee, employ another clerk and investigate populist deficiencies.

Parties who have long resided in Lincoln and who have attended many receptions of incoming governors and state officers say that there was a larger attendance at the reception given to Governor Poynter last Thursday night than at any previous one in the whole history of the state.

According to the Washington correspondents of the great dailies so much of the time of the cabinet is taken with matters concerning Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines that the affairs of this nation of 70,000,000 of people have to take a back seat.

The statistical annuals are just coming out and they tell some very strange tales. The prices of the Napoleonic coins are often said in the plutocratic press. Some of the work they have done is recorded in the statistics of railroads.

It appears that during the last 23 years 408 railroads have gone into bankruptcy, having a mileage of 111,691 miles and debts of \$9,258,251,000. Bankruptcy is the chief aim of the Napoleons.

Croker has become very pious of late. He says that Tammany is by imperialism because it will enable our mission-aries to work among the heathens of the Philippines and still be under the old

flag. His only desire is to convert the heathen and he thinks that the democratic party ought to devote itself to missionary work and drop free silver and 16 to 1. It appears to an outsider that if Tammany wants to go into missionary work it could find a field with uncounted numbers of heathen right in New York city.

When the republicans get to scrapping among themselves, they employ the same kind of tactics that they do in a campaign against the populists. Falsehood, bribery and intimidation are their chief weapons.

Meervee has given a bond with a guarantee company instead of one signed by personal bondsmen. That is the right thing to do. When a state treasurer has to go over the state hunting up bondsmen who will qualify in whole, up to one million dollars, it puts him in a very embarrassing position.

The old line insurance companies seem to be in it as far as the organization of the house is concerned. Two of the men on the insurance committee have a record that runs away back as fighters against the home mutuals and as the pliant tools of the foreign corporations who have taken so many millions out of this state in premiums that they have never returned.

Clark, the speaker of the house, is going to adopt the tom Reed plan and have a committee on rules that is always in session and can report a new rule any time—even in the middle of a speech—which he proposes to command the situation at any and all times.

We have three races in this country—the white man, the Negro and the Indian. There is an official report on file in the archives at Washington giving the expenses of the wars with the Indians. It shows that it has cost this government over \$1,000,000 to kill an Indian every time we have tried it.

It appears that there are to be some exceptions to Gov. Poynter's rule against third terms. General Barry who has been adjutant general for two terms, has been appointed for third term. General Barry seems to be exceptionally qualified for the office.

The Thompsonites are schemers who know how to scheme to some purpose. Their scheme to get the organization of both houses in their own hands worked like a charm. Now they have another that is worth two of that.

The gold bug press has been filled with articles declaring that the election of the populist governor in South Dakota

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