

IF every independent paper, and every independent speaker in Nebraska will take up the exposures of corruption in our state institutions and keep them before the people from now till election day, the republican ticket will not get 50,000 votes.

"THE people of Nebraska are as prosperous as the people of any other state," says the Bee. Very likely, but that's not saying much. The people of all the agricultural states have suffered from the same unjust financial and fiscal legislation, and hence they are all in the same boat.

THE corporations know it is a hopeless task for them to undertake to elect either of the old party state tickets. Hence they will devote their attention mainly to the legislature and particularly the senate. Neither old party has the least hope of securing a majority in the legislature. Hence the effort will be made to elect corporation candidates on either ticket. Combinations will be made to elect corporation republicans in republican districts and corporation democrats in democratic districts. By this means, the corporations hope to elect men enough in both old parties to form a combination as they did two years ago, and thus prevent all reform legislation. This is the scheme that is being worked right now. Let no man be deceived. "Forewarned in fore-a-med." Let every independent in the state go to work with all his might to thwart this scheme.

From Indiana.

CANAAN, Ind. Sept 23, 1892.

EDITOR ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:

Dear Sir: Thinking that the people's party folks in Nebraska would like to hear from their friends in Indiana, and having been here in my old home in Jefferson county since the 15th of this month, I thought I would write you.

I have been holding, and expect to hold, public meetings here in this county every evening un'til I return to my home in Nebraska, which will be about the 11th of next month.

You can say to our people that old Indiana is coming all right. I am having large and enthusiastic meetings every where I go. The people are getting very much disgusted with the two old parties, and clamoring for something better than they have been getting. They hail with joy the doctrines of the people's party when those doctrines are explained to them, and are just as ready to censure the two old parties when they have their record explained to them and they see that record in its true light.

Say to our people in Nebraska to be of good cheer and their watch-word "on to victory." JOHN D. STORMS

Southern Alliance Farmer: Notwithstanding the fact that labor and its products are, and have been, on the decline for the past twenty years, the salaries of government officials, especially those near the top, are continually on the increase. There has not been a salary of this kind reduced this session, while many have been increased. There is never a session but some committee reports in favor of creating new offices at a high salary or recommends an increase in the pay of those already in official position. Wheat at 50 cents and an increase of an already sufficient salary do not exactly look well in the same list. Have the farmers noticed this, though?

A Bright Future.

"Cheer up, friend," said the parson to the editor, "you have a bright future before you."

"That's what's bothering me," gasped the editor. "I can see it blazing.—Atlanta Constitution.

Can Man Change the Climate?

The fact that man has been able to produce many great changes on the face of the earth is a tribute to his industry and ingenuity. But it is possible that he is bringing about effects of equal importance without intending them. This reflection is suggested by a recent article of Dr. J. E. Taylor on the question whether the British climate is changing.

It is only within the last ten years that the great part that dust plays in weather-making has come to be properly understood. The colors of sunrise and sunset are largely, perhaps mainly, due to the presence of invisible dust in the atmosphere. The wind and the temperature of the air are also affected by dust. The existence of clouds may be entirely dependent upon the presence of dust particles.

Dr. Taylor suggests that the immense quantity of dust discharged into the air by the innumerable fuel-consuming engines of this age of mechanical progress may increase the cloudiness of a country like England, and thereby lead to colder and gloomier seasons.

When we recall the minuteness of man in comparison with the great globe that he inhabits and the vast ocean of air that surrounds him, it appears very surprising that he should be able to bring about such effects.

But it must be remembered that he is dealing continually with giant powers of nature which are so delicately balanced that a mere touch, as it were, suffices sometimes to set them operating in a new way.

Ready for Business.

To be diligent in business is commendable, but surely one may err on the side of too great diligence by being ready for a trade at an unsuitable time. A map peddler, in pursuance of his vocation, chanced to stop at a hotel in a Long Island village. A friend, whom he had known elsewhere, seeing him at the hotel, invited him to a party which he was to give the same evening.

The map peddler came, and when received by his host at the door, was found with three maps in his hands.

"How do you do?" he said. "Got any nails? I thought as there was to be a good many folks here to-night, I'd hang up some of my maps here and let 'em look at 'em. Good chance for business. Maybe some of 'em would like to buy 'em, and I could explain 'em just as well as not."

His host endeavored to persuade him that it would not be a suitable place to urge his business, much to the man's surprise.

"Now you don't understand," urged the peddler. "'Twould amuse and interest 'em, they'd be pleased, and besides that, bein' visitors, they'd feel sort of 'bliged to buy."

But he was then spoken to so plainly that he was forced to abandon—greatly to his surprise as well as his regret—his project of mingling business with entertainment.

Desirable Ignorance.

It is a very good thing to know how to swim, but a bad thing to be reckless as a result of the accomplishment. At a riverside picnic not long ago some young men asked a lady to go out with them in a boat.

"Come on!" they called. "There isn't a particle of danger."

"Well," the lady said, "I suppose you all know how to swim?"

The young men were compelled to confess that not one of them could swim.

"O well," said the lady, "in that case I will go with you. If none of you can swim, you will be careful."

She entered their boat, quite confident that they would not tip it, nor rock it, nor play any of the jokes which foolish boys sometimes play on the water, "because we can swim, you know."

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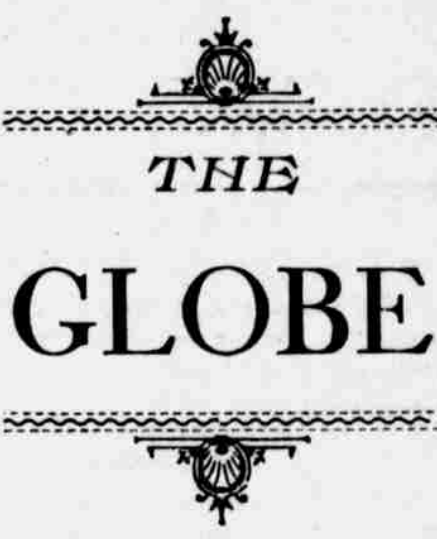
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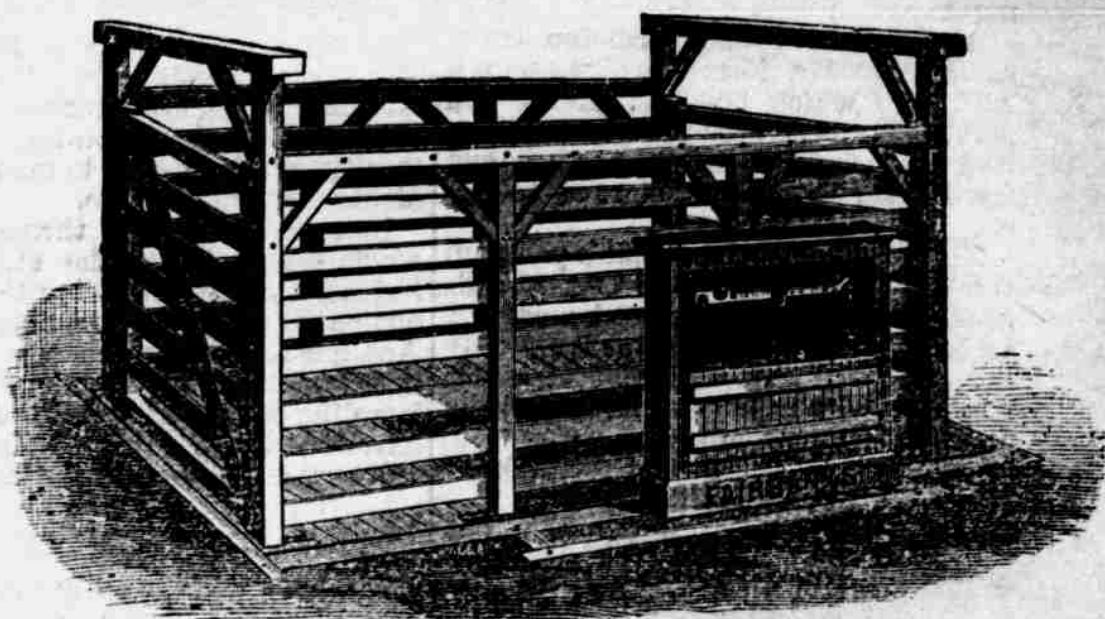
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