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Want to say again, there has not been a single solitary death in Columbus or its vicinity from any contagious disease, for several years.

We are quite an admirer of Senator Forsaker of Ohio. He is fearless and able, but he should be satisfied at this time with a re-election as United States senator.

The financial panic is considered practically over. Banks all over the country are paying out cash on all demands.

It seems that while the last Nebraska state legislature passed a state wide primary law, it made no provision for the paying of the expenses of it for this year.

The democrats are still trying to find an issue upon which they can make a fight at the next presidential election.

popular, and many want to go back as a last resort, to the tariff. As a republican newspaper, we shall welcome that issue.

ON PRESIDENTIAL FIRING LINE. Is there, naturally, any man more interested in the character and quality of the next president of the United States than Theodore Roosevelt?

The government of the United States does not dissolve at the end of every four years, to be rehabilitated during the next administration.

Mr. Roosevelt's policies have invited the unqualified endorsement of the people. It is recognized as a public fact that a continuance of those fundamental principles of government is essential to the welfare of the nation.

Mr. Roosevelt would not be the man that he is, he would not have secured the place in public estimation that he holds, if it were a matter of indifference to him whether his policies prevailed after he left the White House.

Jefferson, Madison and Jackson afforded a revered precedent for his course. But if no predecessor of President Roosevelt had ever done so, fidelity to public welfare would demand that a president of the caliber of the present occupant of the White House should labor to bring about the right choice of his successor.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Nebraska State Historical society and of the Nebraska Territorial Pioneers' Associations will be held at Lincoln, January 13-14.

On the evening of the 14th, the principal address will be by Judge Horace E. Deemer, of the Supreme Court of Iowa, and for many years identified with the Historical department of Iowa, at Des Moines.

The Territorial Pioneers' meeting will be held the afternoon of January 14th, in the Temple building.

A beautiful engraved membership certificate has been provided for both the State Historical Society and the Territorial Pioneers' Association.

Membership in the Territorial Pioneers' Association, a closely allied organization, is limited to those who have been residents of Nebraska, or whose parents became residents of Nebraska prior to March 1st, 1867.

The headquarters of both organizations for registration and the issuance of certificates, will be maintained at the rooms of the Historical Society in the Library building of the University, where all who come will be welcome.

LIBERTY OR DEATH

Physical Impression Declared to Have Been as Strong as the Intellectual—Stirred His Hearers to Madness.

The most overwhelming of Patrick Henry's great orations is that which he pronounced before the convention which met in St. John's church at Richmond, March 23, 1775.

"We must fight!" he said. "An appeal to arms and to the God of hosts is all that is left us!"

Curiously enough, even of this oration there is no authentic record. Certain sentences, certain stirring phrases, were remembered by many who were there; but the speech as we have it is almost surely a restoration by William Wirt, himself an eloquent and brilliant orator.

As in the case of all orators of the very first rank, the physical impression made by Henry was as strong as the intellectual. There exists a description of his appearance while delivering this last great speech—a description that came from one who was present at the time.

The wisest Ohio Met. "No more benches down for me," said the returning vacationer.

AS OTHERS NIGHT SEE US

A FOOTBALL GAME VIEWED BY A MARTIAN PROFESSOR BY S. E. KISER

The Martian astronomer stopped forward with an expectant thrill. He was about to take his first peep through the newly perfected telescope at the earth.

Trembling with expectancy Prof. Benjifitumba adjusted the wonderful instrument and looked. The scientists who had gathered about him held their breath and waited.

"Ah!" exclaimed the professor. "At last I am able to actually see the people who inhabit our sister planet. I am awed. They appear to be very near—so near that one plainly sees them moving about. They are—bless my soul—they are drawing nearer! It must be that my eyes are becoming accustomed to the instrument."

"What kind of looking people are they?" asked one of the excited scientists. "A most curious looking people. And their actions are very ridiculous. They have arms and legs, as we have, and they do not wear their heads upside down, as some of us have previously supposed."

The scientists looked at one another and shook their heads. A great disappointment had come to them. At first one of them, more hopeful than the rest, said:

"Perhaps it is unfair to judge the people of the earth by their appearance alone. What are they doing, professor? We must remember that actions better indicate the character of the people as well as of their animals than they."

"I am afraid," the astronomer replied as he continued his observations, "that little satisfaction is to be derived from a study of the actions of our earthly fellow men. I can see perhaps 20 of them. They are in an enclosure and appear to be engaged in a terrible battle. They are horribly dirty and are fiercely attacking one another, apparently to gain possession of a small oval object which must be something they desire to eat. There! One of them has just secured possession of it, and all the others are pouncing upon him, with the evident intention of tearing him to pieces. They are clawing and striking and kicking. It is awful. Blood is streaming down the fronts of two of them. They are all struggling in a conglomerate mass, and—oh! Horrible! Horrible! One of them has just torn the neck completely from another's face. It is too disgusting to be described. Gentlemen, look for yourselves if you care to. I have no desire to see more."

But his fellow scientists had no wish to behold the slaughter. Sad at heart, they turned away, and in the next number of the Scientific Martians Prof. Benjifitumba described in an interesting manner what he had seen through the wonderful new telescope, regretfully offering the opinion that men as they existed on earth had lapsed into a savage state and would in all probability continue to indulge in brutal warfare until extermination resulted.

Precious Stones and "Paste". Imitations Now Can Only Be Detected by Experts.

objection. The real value and quality of precious stones as compared with glass depends on their durability, their hardness, their resistance to scratching and "dulling" of face and edge.

Mr. Shackley's Slight Misunderstanding with His Physician.

Mr. Shackley, who had been ordered by his physician to lay aside all his business cares for three months and take a vacation, reluctantly complied.

Horn Long Imbedded in Tree. A ram's horn that was imbedded in a tree 152 years ago is a curiosity that James Elder, a former ranger living at Fairbury, Neb., has discovered.

Invention as a Business. Commenting on a recent article about writers' laments that more persons do not take up inventing as a regular business, the Electric Review (London) says: "We doubt whether inventing in the highest sense can be made a business to be learned by anybody."

Felt at Home. The former sexton had been arrogant, haughty and irreverent. To do the wrong thing at the wrong moment was his specialty.

James Russell Lowell on Reading. Have you ever rightly considered what the mere utility to read means? That it is the key that admits us to the whole world of thought and fancy and imagination; to the company of sage and saint, of the wisest and the wisest at their wisest and wisest moments?

Modern Progress. Grandmother in my day, women didn't fly around out of doors as they do now. They would sit at home and spin. Gladys—But now they go out and spin much better, if they have a good spin.

All Were Prime Ministers. An eminent surgeon was once sent for by Cardinal De Bois, prime minister of France, to perform a very serious operation upon him.

Worse and Worse. A convict in a German prison had been extremely refractory. One day another had been tried, but nothing could break his spirit.

Advertisement for Pollock & Co. Druggists. Features an illustration of a man sitting at a table with a large bottle, and text describing 'The Human Locomotive' and 'Remell Dyspepsia Tablets'.

Advertisement for 'Like Comic Opera'. Includes the text 'IS THE STORY OF THE DRUMMERS AND THE PLUG' and a detailed story about a man named Plug who is mistaken for a drummer.