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SARGENT is booked for a seat in the cabinet and George C. Gorham is happy.

CHICAGO has had about 1,500 cases of smallpox during the past year and 40 per cent of them have proved fatal.

PIERRE LORILLARD, of New York, is said to control The North American Review, owns the horse Parole, and is soon to marry Annie Louise Gray.

Votes on the pigeon holding of anti-monopoly petitions will be closely watched at the present session of congress.

THERE are some people whose only interest in a law is to study how it can be evaded without subjecting themselves to its penalties.

THE Boston Post thinks that "the president is the ablest politician in Washington to-day."

How Riddleberger will strut in the senate, which forced a deadlock to keep him from becoming sergeant-at-arms, but which will be compelled to recognize him, next year as a senator.

MASSACHUSETTS has furnished four justices of the United States supreme court—Cushing, Story, Curtis and Gray.

SECRETARY KIRKWOOD denies the story to the effect that Capt. Payne had entered the Indian territory at the head of a small band of followers.

NEXT to stock jobbing, a police captain in New York seems to be the readiest way of accumulating a fortune.

A STORY is going the rounds of the eastern press that after the nomination of Robertson, Senator Conkling demanded of Mr. James that he should at once quit the cabinet.

THE spirit of a barbarous chivalry is not yet dead in Virginia. The legislature by a two-thirds vote has resolved to relieve some forty persons, guilty of dueling, from their civil disabilities.

In 1869 Edwin Booth opened the finest theatre in America. It cost him a million of dollars, and was as perfect as money and art could make it.

LAW AND ORDER.

The citizens of Omaha are as a body emphatically in favor of the enforcement of the laws and the maintenance of order.

They have a right to expect that these men will perform their sworn duty. That sworn duty consists in seeing that not only the letter but also the spirit of the laws shall be enforced in this city.

The reputation which Omaha has in other parts of the country is largely due to the fact that there has been no systematic attempt made to purge the city of the dens of vice and low lives in which criminals are hatched and reared.

The time has come for the citizens of Omaha to insist that this community shall no longer live under the rule of threatening thugs and blood-thirsty bullies.

The time has come for the people of Omaha to make their sentiments known on this subject. Let all law-abiding citizens of this community, who are in favor of law and order, speak out.

A hearty and united remonstrance is all that is needed to accomplish this end.

THE Bee pitches into Omaha and the mayor of the city without regard to utility, decency or truth.

THE city of Omaha is a law-abiding and quiet city, as much so as any city of its size in America.

THE ordinance requiring all saloons to be closed at midnight was strictly and steadily enforced.

How many more "knock-down arguments" are Omaha saloons going to afford on behalf of the St. Louis law and its rigid enforcement?

AND what has caused this sudden change of note in The Omaha Republican? Has it discovered that our citizens are determined that a stop shall be put to the carnival of crime which has resulted from the non-enforcement of the laws in this city?

THE shameful system under which the majority of railroads in this country have been constructed has been largely responsible for the gross outrages which the producers of the United States have been compelled to suffer at their hands.

IN a truly rural district of Arkansas an old man was accused of stealing a pig. It was a clear case, but to the astonishment of everybody the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty.

OCCIDENTAL JOTTINGS.

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