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WHAT WILL BECOME OF THE COUNTRY IF THE PAYMATTERS ARE ABOLISHED?

MR. LAIRD'S HOME ORGAN clamors for a republican caucus. So does every railroad organ at Omaha and Lincoln.

LORD NAHIB, of Magdala, has been appointed a field marshal, but Marshal Angell of Omaha has no hope of promotion in or out of the field.

THE proposed action of the German government to prevent the importation of American pork has no visible effect upon the average Omaha.

WAYNE McVEAHER is organizing a new movement on the political chess board. He wants the poor red man to become as good as the rich white man.

THE Canadian telegraph operator who fell heir to three quarters of a million the other day, has had another wind fall. We shall soon hear of him watering his stocks.

THEY are already beginning to inquire who is to be mayor of Omaha next spring. We would rather let somebody else powder over that conundrum for a while.

VALENTINE is scouring the Elkhorn valley with a telescope after his senatorial boom. It will never be visible to the naked eye of the most keen sighted horse man.

THE cable announced the other day that the bishop of Metz has declined the honor of the Prussian iron cross, because he desires to keep out of politics.

THE illustrated Christmas number of the Sioux City Times reflects great credit upon the publishers, and it is an evidence of enterprise and industry that cannot fail to be appreciated.

IT was thought sometime ago that General Grant had lost his interest entirely in St. Louis. It now transpires that the general is one of the incorporators of the St. Louis elevated railway, which goes to show that the general still has some affection for the town where he used to haul wood to market in the good old days before the war.

IT must not be forgotten by the delegation from Douglas county that their constituents demand a material reduction in the number of justices of the peace. Twelve justices of the peace in Omaha are about nine too many.

THERE is to be a very warm fight over the U. S. senatorship in Illinois, and the forces of the principal contestants are already mustering for the fray at Springfield. The report that David Davis is to be the compromise candidate is flatly contradicted.

THE Milwaukee authorities have decided to begin a legal war on the druggists of that city on a charge of selling liquor without a license. The druggists have been driving a very lucrative trade in liquor as a medicine which was used as a beverage.

OUR city charter needs a number of important amendments, and among these none would be more important for the welfare of the city than a material advance in the pay of the city marshal. The present salary is \$1,000 a year. It ought to be \$2,000.

TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF

With the advent of the new year it is the custom of many people to turn over a new leaf. The late bird makes up his mind to catch the early worm by breaking off the habit of going to bed after midnight and rising at ten in the morning.

The baggage smasher who plays base ball with Saratoga trunks is struck with remorse and makes a solemn pledge that he will deal tenderly with traveling sample rooms after New Year's.

Nearly every year about this time there is commotion in the "best" social circles in favor of a new departure in the matter of New Years entertainments.

The New York Post thinks that tea and coffee will hardly fill the bill for the class of callers who insist on making an old-fashioned festival of the day.

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out of race prejudices, etc. The object was to prevent the enforcement of state laws made applicable to the civil rights of one class of citizens of the Union and not to those of another class.

This strained construction, we are told, will, if adopted by the supreme court, put an end to all state regulation of railroads, and wipe out most of the existing statutes which are, from the necessity of the case, applicable to corporations alone.

An incident that followed the close of the argument of this important case before the supreme court has created quite a scandal at the national capital, and cannot fail to awaken popular distrust in the integrity of our supreme tribunal.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. In the midst of universal peace there is a significant ripple in diplomatic circles of Europe.

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very unpopular with the natives, who generally favor Queen Emma, widow of Kamehameha IV.

The concessions England is willing to offer to France in her Egyptian provinces may flatter French self-love, but can certainly present no compensation for the advantages which France will lose.

Lord Derby's scheme of emigration for the Irish is being pushed by the British government with a good deal of vigor.

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Prince Krapotkin, arrested recently for complicity in revolutionary movements, is now about thirty-nine years of age.

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