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The greatest danger of the French republic is that of being talked to death.

A week will decide whether the people or members of the legislature will derive the greater benefit from the adjournment.

The republicans are fighting shy of the liquor issue in Ohio and Indiana. Burnt children are said to dread the fire.

The silver-tongued syster from West Point got badly left this time. Two years ago he managed to pocket about \$800 out of the senatorial boom.

After the 1st of May, in Chicago, no person or corporation will be permitted to maintain or use any telegraph pole, telegraph wire or electric conductor in any street or alley of that city.

With the opening of spring, paving and sewerage will begin to divide the attention of the board of public works. An extension of our sewer system and a practical plan for the disposal of a portion of our surface water are imperatively demanded by the best interests of the city.

Only \$400,000 in yearly installments of \$100,000 for the next four years are demanded by the people of Lincoln for the completion of the state capital. We shall presently see what influence Mr. Gro and his State Journal has in passing the legislature with the necessity of levying the tax.

CLARENCE SELAH, who publishes a paper in the Ekhorn valley, used to be fond of charging that Rosewater sold a U. P. pass. We are pained to observe Selah's name on the Black List of the Western Passenger Agents' association.

PENNSYLVANIA is about to pass a law providing for boards of arbitration to settle differences between employers and employes in the iron, steel and coal trades.

The druggists have drafted a bill which has been introduced in the legislature, providing for the regulation of pharmacy, the examination of druggists and druggists' clerks, and restricting the sale of poisons.

ESTIMATES of the Texas cattle drive for the coming spring place it at 220,000 head. It is stated that not more than 120,000 will reach the open market.

PARTY HARMONY.

There is a loud call for party harmony now that the senatorial election has ended in the selection of General Manderson, and the republican anti-monopolists are requested in winning tones to join the "anti-monopoly republicans," which term we are informed by the leading railroad organ, embraces the entire republican party in Nebraska.

Now while it is a fact that 13,000 of the 17,000 voters who cast their ballots at the last election for anti-monopoly candidates have left the republican party either temporarily or permanently, it is equally true that they can never be won back into the fold by mere professions and promises.

The very first act of the majority in the legislature was the election of a speaker who has been the cat's-paw and tool of the corporations, and who has bent all his energies towards stifling investigation and throttling through packed committee any reasonable railroad regulation.

These certainly has been no move made by the republicans so far towards redeeming the pledges made by republican candidates and leaders before and since the late election.

Over thirty million dollars were paid in wages last year to the miners of bituminous coal in the United States. The production of coal is the great mining industry of the country.

An official note of the German government warns young men that Germany has too many lawyers. Omaha has no advantage over Germany in this respect.

A bill to create a board of immigration is now pending in the legislature, which is evidently gotten up in the interest of somebody who has an axe to grind.

All the legislature needs to do is to make appropriations for compiling, printing and translating the documents and salary of an additional clerk in the office of the secretary of state.

THE ORLEANS PRINCES

Paris dispatches bring intelligence that the Orleans princes have offered to resign their commissions in the army and quit France if the public peace and the stability of the republic seem to demand such a sacrifice.

The Orleans princes have long been the most popular of the descendants of the old regime. Since the abdication of their father Louis Philippe, the citizen king, they have resided in the French territory and as sample citizens of the republic have risen to high positions in the army and navy.

One reason for the prejudice against the princes just now is the grant of something like \$10,000,000 to the family since the formation of the present republic.

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Now that the senator is elected the Douglas delegation in the legislature should get down to business and give some laws for the relief of Omaha and the promotion of the general welfare of this city and state.

We want laws to reduce the number of justices of the peace, to simplify the system of registration and make it more effective by placing the appointing power in the hands of the mayor and council.

The proprietor of the Tremont house in Chicago has just done one thing to add to the security of his guests in case of fire.

wires with the battery in the office. A single touch will ring these bells simultaneously for any length of time required, and will, it is fully believed, prove the best, simplest, surest, and quickest way yet devised to warn sleeping guests of danger of fire.

It follows that draw seats in the legislature and thought they had struck a bonanza have come home sadly disappointed.

A Philosopher's Death. A New York letter to The Pioneer Press says that the death of Dr. George M. Beard is a loss to the country and the world.

Only three of my books have ever paid expenses, he said to me once, with a laugh, and those were the three poorest.

He was a most indefatigable investigator. As an original observer he was fair, persistent, irascible, dogmatic in his expression of opinion, but ready to confess an error.

Behold a prostrate philosopher! I am a dying man. Don't mind what the doctors say; I know better than they.

In his beliefs he was an Agnostic. That is he held that we could know nothing concerning God or a future world.

How a Pretty Widow Handled Her Treasurer. WINSTON, N. C., January 30.—Mrs. Inslow Lurrie is a pretty widow living in a neat cottage in the suburbs of this place.

Planting Black Walnuts. J. H. Joly gave to the Montreal horticultural society directors for planting black walnuts, of which the following is the substance:

PICTURES BY WIRE.

How the Lightning Will Be Flashed by the Postal Telegraph Company.

The Four Corners of the World to be Connected by Copper-Covered Wire.

Philadelphia Times. "In less than 30 days," said Lester A. Bartlett to a reporter, "we shall have in operation between New York and Chicago the most perfect telegraph line the world ever saw."

Mr. Bartlett has in charge the construction of the lines of the new postal telegraph, of which some account was given in The Times a few days ago.

It is now building a line between New York and Chicago and poles are up along the whole distance, with the exception of a few gaps, aggregating about fifty miles, when the contractors are rapidly filling.

It is promised that some marvelous results will be shown when these lines are finished. Not only will the wires be "worked" through New York to Chicago without repeating, a feat impossible with iron wires worked with the Morse or any other system.

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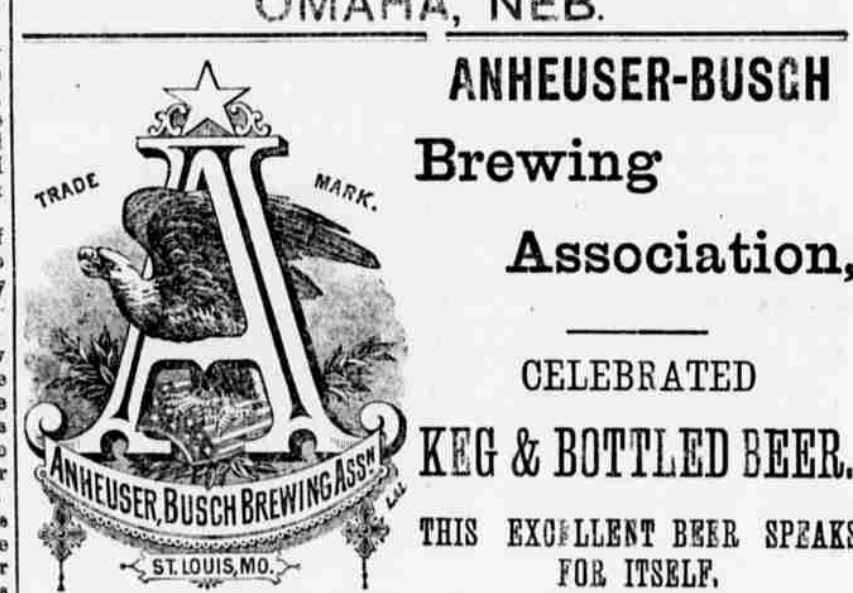
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