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RECKLESS EXTRAVAGANCE.

The legislature is making a bad record in voting away the people's money for objects which will not be approved by their constituents. It is no use to disguise the fact. There is an evident inclination on the part of members to hold their noses in the presence of rank jobs and then to declare that they can smell nothing.

The members of the legislature seem to forget that they are merely representatives of and trustees for the people. They are sent to Lincoln to guard the interests of their constituents by appropriate legislation and to block the schemes of jobbers and tricksters who inaugurate raids upon the state treasury at each successive session.

Already the appropriations voted upon at the present session have exceeded those of any previous legislature for years. The capital steel alone calls for \$450,000, every dollar of which will be a useless expenditure for some years to come.

The fact is that the same system of logrolling that is increasing tariff taxation at Washington is being employed at Lincoln to increase the taxes of the people of Nebraska. Votes are being swapped in order that every section of the state may have a grab at the treasury pile regardless of the fact that the taxes will fall upon the people of Nebraska wherever they may be located.

It is time to cry a halt upon this reckless extravagance. The senate should at once interpose its authority to check the indifference of the house to the wishes of their constituents and the interests of Nebraska taxpayers. There is such a thing as being "governed too much," and the present legislature is in a fair way to make our people know just what the phrase means.

THE NEW IMPERIAL ALLIANCE.

It is reported that the three emperors of Russia, Germany and Austria have reconstructed the Kaiserbund, or Imperial Alliance, and that the terms are highly satisfactory to all three. Nevertheless, it is a very different alliance, if all indications can be depended on, from the one into which they entered after the treaty of Berlin.

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THE MORMON METROPOLIS.

Sketches of Passing Events and the Shadows of Others. Innumerable Legal Contests Growing out of Polygamous Practices, and the Attempt of Congress to Regulate Morals and Creed.

Statistics of Last Year's Progress in Utah. Correspondence of THE BEE.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, February 10.--In these days of telegraphs the news of every important circumstance is "wired" far and wide over the continent for the immediate perusal of the vast host of newspaper readers, leaving to the ordinary correspondent only matters of detail, or the recital of affairs that do not come prominently to the front.

The proposed reservations are located in accordance with the wishes of the Indians, and are of such extent as to give ample territory for the present and future needs of their occupants. The consideration for the land ceded consists principally of cattle for the purpose of stock raising, for which the country reserved is especially adapted, and the raising of stock is the most natural and effective means by which the Indians can aid in their own support, and may also be made an instrument for elevating and improving their general condition.

The floods in the east continue and the loss of life and property is enormous. Ohio and Indiana are the greatest sufferers, the damage to property in Cincinnati alone being placed at \$2,000,000. Latest advices state that twenty millions will not cover the losses in the two states named and in Louisville. The Missouri valley is scarcely likely to escape when the snow on the mountains begins to melt and there is every prospect of a renewal of the scenes of two years ago in Omaha and its vicinity.

Mr. REYNOLDS wants every soldier who has served for three months and who is fifty years old placed on the pension list. Mr. Reynolds' idea of the capacity of the United States treasury appears to be as unlimited as his belief in the ability of our people to stand a \$400,000,000 tax yearly on the pension account.

Mint for the Bourbon Julep. Atlanta Constitution (Dem.). If the democratic leaders in the next congress will look after the real interests of the people, the people will take care to look after the real interests of the democratic party.

Gathering Them In. New York Morning Journal. Kilmainham jail promises to be a boisterous long a highly respectable parliamentary boarding school.

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INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

The millstone iron works with a capital of \$70,000, have established works at Dubuque. A flouring mill with a capacity of 250 barrels per day will be built at Ashton, D. T., in the spring.

The new mills at Fall River, Mass., now working, will require about 2,000 operatives, and those in New Bedford about 1,500.

The tonnage of vessels launched from Maine ship yards last year was 62,567 tons, while the vessels still in the stocks aggregated 23,017 tons.

The Southern Scale Company of Chattanooga, Tenn., now has its works in full operation. All kinds of scales of an excellent quality are made.

There was manufactured in St. Paul, Minn., last year 2,301,550 barrels of flour of which \$18,849,932, and \$3,500,000 worth of other mill stuff.

The Elizabeth pool mill at Taunton, Mass., has a new nap and cloth room about completed. It is 150x40 feet in area and one story and basement in height.

The manufacturing establishments in Dubuque, Iowa, are exempt from taxation for a series of years. The people there believe in inducing capital in that manner.

An agricultural implement manufactory is to be established at Enfield, Ala., with a capital of \$65,000, to be increased to \$100,000, as the growth of the business requires.

A new cottonseed oil mill is to be started at Forsyth, Ga., with a capacity of using 1,000 bales of cotton seed daily. The city will exempt the mill from taxation for ten years.

One of the largest and best equipped foundry and machine shops in the South is that of Lombard & Co., Augusta, Ga. The works have recently been enlarged and are very complete in all details.

The new Bourne mill at Fall River, Mass., has its card room machinery about all in, and its engine set up. The New Laurel mill in the same place is nearly ready to run.

The main building of the extensive tannery of the Milwaukee hide and leather company was destroyed by fire January 7th. The loss on the building and machinery was \$20,000.

The machinery for the 500-barrel flouring mill, now in the course of erection, at Salem, Oregon, was bought in Chicago. The freight bill on the machinery already received in Portland amounts up to date \$10,710.

Rockford, Illinois, with a population of about 17,000, has nearly \$7,741,640 invested in manufacturing interests, which employ 4,230 skilled workmen, and turned out last year over \$9,533,600 worth of manufactured goods.

As indicative of the growth of mechanical industries in Sioux City, Iowa, one of the local papers gives a list of thirty-four new buildings erected during the past year for manufacturing purposes, and three factory buildings enlarged, the whole costing \$70,150.

Ship building in Cleveland last year was active. Two iron vessels were launched--one of 2,164 tons, the other of 2,400 tons. Three propellers were launched, 1,924, 1,506 and 1,189 tons respectively. In addition to these, quite a fleet of schooners and tugs have been built at the yards.

The new mills at New Bedford, Mass., are all progressing rapidly towards completion. The Grinnell is entirely enclosed, and the machinery being put in; the Acushnet is even farther advanced; the Otisco woolen mill is well under way, and the yarn mill of the New Bedford manufacturing company is ready to start up.

The Vermont marble industry is in a flourishing condition. The number of workmen employed in the quarries and mills exceeds 2,200 who received over \$1,000,000 in wages last year. The aggregate product last year was 1,000,000 cubic feet valued at over \$2,000,000. Over 10,000 cars were required to transport the marble from the State.

There are now eleven large distilleries in Peoria, Ill., which have an aggregate capital of \$10,000,000, and which contributed to the revenue of the country last year \$13,277,088, which would make a product of 14,742,202 gallons. The value of the product of the distillery and brewery industries of Peoria last year was \$20,455,000.

The manufacturing business of Cleveland for last year is as follows: Iron and steel products, \$1,800,000; nuts and bolts, \$2,300,000; machinery, \$42,000,000; manufacturers of brass, \$850,000; crude petroleum refined into various products, 1,200,000 barrels; paints and varnishes, \$500,000; cooperage, 4,500,000 barrels; tobacco manufactured, 1,800,000 pounds; paper, 480,000 tons; 325,000 barrels clothing; \$4,500,000; cars and bridges, \$295,000.

The most successful dramatic author of the times, Mr. Bartley Campbell, on one occasion fell and sprained his ankle severely. A bottle of St. Jacobs Oil soon mended matters, however. New York Dramatic News.

A CHILD'S DEATH. Special Dispatch to The Bee. ATLANTIO, Iowa, February 13.--Yesterday morning Mrs. Woolsey placed some beans over the fire to cook for dinner, and then left her nine year old daughter to watch them while she ran across the street. The girl discovered that the beans were dry and needed water on them, and getting upon the stove hearth she began pouring water into the kettle, when a whiff from below set her clothes on fire. She first tried to put out the fire. Failing in this, she became frightened and ran into the street, where, after hard work and a severe burning, the mother succeeded in putting out the fire by rolling the child in the snow.

Dr. Graham was called, who soon learned that the child was, perhaps, fatally burned. This morning finds it a corpse.

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