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CAPTURING THE JUDICIARY.

The resignation of Hon. George W. McCrary, judge of the United States circuit court, is an event which the people of this section have great reason to deplore.

McCrary has always discharged the most responsible of trusts with a rigid honesty which disarms suspicion and inspires unbounded confidence.

On various occasions, when bills were pending to restrict monopolies and check land-grabbing, Mr. McCrary was among their foremost champions and supporters.

McCrary has been the bulwark of the people against corporate aggression and greed. He was a judge who, in meeting out justice, hewed to the line, and let the chips fall where they might.

It is expected that the crank section will be fully represented at the annual board of trade meeting.

Those poetic contributions on "The Old and the New" are respectfully declined. The old is dead, and we'll let the dead rest.

It seems that the Omaha belt liners have been transferred to Grand Island, where they are indulging in their usual pastime of Sunday track-laying.

THE BURLINGTON.

The managers of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy do not appear alarmed over the grand combination that has been made by the Union Pacific in conjunction with the Iowa and Missouri roads.

The Burlington system is a grand combination within itself. It is not in the condition in which the Union Pacific finds itself since it has been cut off from a great part of the through traffic by the completion of other Pacific railroads.

The owners of the Burlington system have not been mere Wall street speculators, intent only upon immediate gain and indifferent to the future.

There is another view to take of this pool problem, which may influence the managers of the Burlington road.

It is also almost a foregone conclusion that the Burlington system will have its own outlet to the Pacific coast, whether it builds an independent trunk line, or goes into a close combination with the Central Pacific.

While we have no means of knowing what policy the Burlington will pursue with regard to Omaha, we would not be surprised if it should bring its eastern trains directly into this city by way of Plattsmouth.

There was a time when a high protective tariff was a good thing. It aided materially in developing and building up American industries, and in producing a much needed revenue.

THE FARMERS.

The Des Moines Register is taking the Chicago Tribune to task for its advocacy of a modified tariff. The Register, in order to show the inconsistency of that paper eighteen years old, which said "every time the country has tried protection it has enjoyed commercial prosperity and rapid growth in national wealth."

"The subsequent experience of eighteen years of high protection has forced the editor of the Tribune to revise that opinion. When the remarks were made the high protection system was in its early youth; it was then barely begun, and the country was feeling a stimulating, akin to that of a man with a big dream of whisky in him, the effect of which was mistaken for strength and prosperity.

Several state papers gravely assert that a man was killed at Odell while "trying to beat the Cannon Ball when it was moving." Several strange stories are told, but it is safe to say that the man was not there.

Lincoln county has five veterans of the Mexican war in the persons of G. T. A. Nixon, Second U. S. artillery, Joseph P. K. First Pennsylvania infantry; Lewis Baker Second Ohio infantry; Fred Brau, Second U. S. artillery, and Thomas Anderson, Second Illinois infantry. Three of the five also participated in the late war.

Registration for the county election has commenced. The election takes place next Tuesday.

Plattsmouth has an institution called the "Plattsmouth Five," composed of Messrs. J. B. Strada, Geo. S. Smith, F. E. White, A. W. McLaughlin and H. H. Livingston.

The new passenger depot is nearly completed. The Dramatic association are studying their "little piece" to speak again before the footlights.

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