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The scales of Justice have been knocked out of balance by the wind. This may be regarded as a favorable omen by the persons who have been indicted by the recent grand jury.

It seems that the fraudulent money changers are not all employed with Cole's circus. The same kind of robbing business is carried on by the employes of Doris' circus, which exhibited in Omaha the other day.

The Wabash ought to be one of the best dressed corporations in the country. It has about 550 summer suits on hand, amounting to over \$2,000,000.

The Aldrich family, which will soon hold a convention at Saratoga, includes Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island and three judges, respectively of California, Georgia and Massachusetts, with many men of considerable wealth.

The numerous signed petitions of the letter-carriers for an annual vacation, which were sent into the senate from every city in the United States, have had the desired effect.

At last the forfeiture of the Southern Pacific lands will soon be an accomplished fact, as the house committee on public lands has agreed to report a bill forfeiting such portions of lands along that part of the road which was completed since July 18, 1880.

The city council will sit as a board of equalization on Friday, and as usual will prove nothing more than a farce. Board of equalization, from the state board to the town board, are nothing but boards of discrimination instead of equalization.

The democratic national convention promises to be a sort of mardi-gras festival. Fifty Hoopers will appear at the picnic in a uniform of navy blue cheviot coats, white duck pantaloons, and helmets.

Under the recent act of congress providing for another bridge across the Missouri river at Leavenworth, a company has been organized in that city for the construction of the bridge, work upon which is to be commenced at an early day.

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It was a lucky thing for the Methodists of Denver and Colorado that Mrs. Iliif, the cattle queen, was captured by Bishop Warren. The influence of her eminent husband has induced her to give \$100,000 to Denver University for the purpose of establishing a theological department.

REMOVING A CAUSE OF DESERTION.

It has long been the custom in the regular army to employ the privates in various kinds of labor without giving them any extra compensation. This treatment has been one of the principal causes of the wholesale desertion that has prevailed for several years.

The senate has inserted a clause in the army appropriation bill providing that enlisted men detailed for extra duty as mechanics, clerks, laborers or teamsters shall be paid for such duty at the rate of 50 cents per day for mechanics, clerks and school-teachers, and 35 cents per day for laborers and teamsters.

NON-PARTISAN DISPATCHES.

GRACE charges are preferred against THE BEE by the self-constituted boss who happens at this time to edit the Republican. We are accused of opposing Blaine and Logan by the publication of dispatches conveying reports of bolters' meetings and unfavorable comments by leading papers and men.

First of all the BEE is a newspaper in the fullest sense of the word. We do not propose to garble our dispatches or to suppress facts telegraphed to the press even if they are not in accord with our political views. Among the 31,000 regular subscribers to the daily and weekly BEE there are people of all shades of political opinion.

Right here let us say that our special dispatches are made up at Chicago, not from dispatches received by the Times but from every medium which conveys interesting facts not embodied in the associated press dispatches.

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TOO MUCH WATER.

One by one the millionaires are going to the wall, and those who are yet considered solvent have had their wealth enormously reduced by the shrinkage in the values of stock. As a rule the millionaires who have failed are the ones who have for years been engaged in inflating values by injecting water into stocks.

The first notable failure among the great initiators was that of Henry Villard, who began life with nothing and failed for millions, but not without securing a "poor man's competency" for the rest of his days.

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WEST OF THE MISSOURI. The movements of the Union Pacific surveyors in Hamilton county, Neb., have mystified the country people as well as the inhabitants of towns through which lines have been run.

INDICTMENT AND IMPEACHMENT.

The position which the suspended mayor now occupies with relation to the courts and city council does not seem to be generally understood by the public. The indictment by the grand jury and the impending trial in the district court are proceedings entirely outside of the jurisdiction of the city council.

Judge Neville for technical reasons may set aside the indictment, or he may grant an extension of time, or when the case is put upon trial the jury may disagree or even acquit Champion S. Chase of the charge of bribery.

The council has simply neglected to take action heretofore in regard to the bad habits and mental disability of the mayor. Public opinion and the indictment by the grand jury have compelled the council to begin proceedings for his removal.

The approaching court martial of Judge Advocate General Swain is evidently weighing very heavily upon the mind of that officer, and it is now rumored that he is exhibiting signs of insanity.

The gross earnings for the year were \$5,515,284.94, and the net earnings \$1,891,458.27. The total stock of the company is \$29,333,166.64.

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Sons of great men all remind us that we can make our lives sublime. All that is necessary to acquire fame is to purchase pointer pups.

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Grand Island is not content to rest with the laurels won in securing the B. & M. extension. She reaches out for more railroads to conquer, and casts a longing eye toward the Chicago & Northwestern, which the Independent confidently believes will be extended down from Norfolk.

The Chicago, St. Paul, Minnesota & Omaha railroad company operates 1274 miles of road between Elroy, Wis., and this city. The annual report of the company for 1883, recently published, shows the company to be in a flourishing condition.

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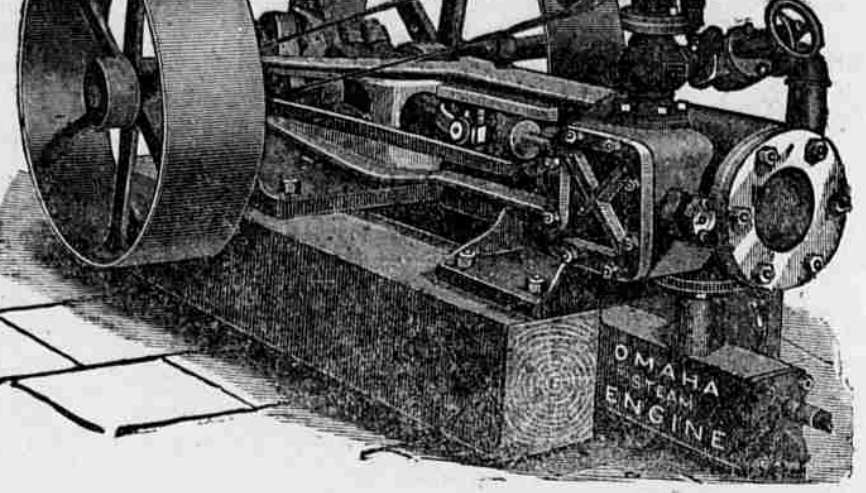
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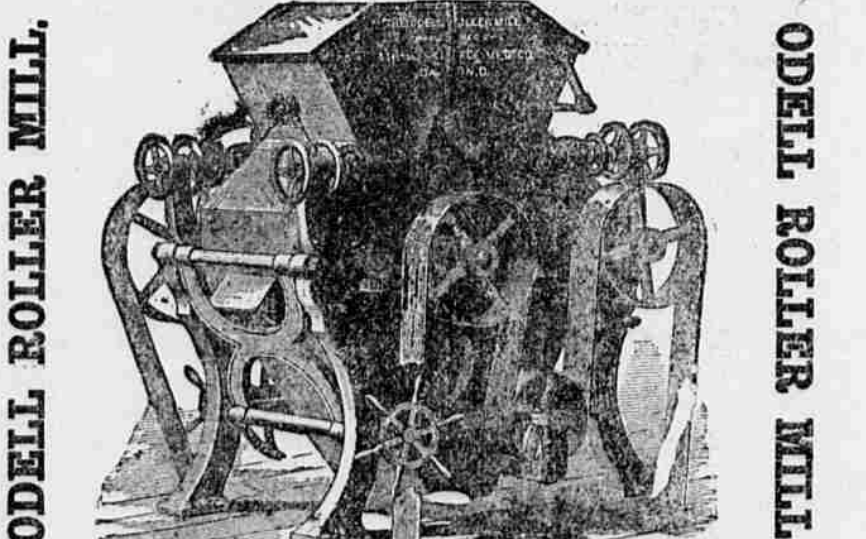
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