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The French say that the Chinese must go.

JOHN CHINAMAN will fight it out as long as his fire crackers last.

GREEN KENDALL'S successor should be a man of unswerving integrity.

The roll will soon be called. When the candidates will all answer "here!" the battle will begin.

POSSIBLY Mr. Dawes will not have a walk-away after all. Several dark horses are about to be trotted out from the stable.

WE now have stockyards, and shall soon have a stock market. The next thing we ought to have is an open board of trade.

If Mr. Pusey imagines that he can carry the Ninth Iowa district this year, he is very much mistaken. This is an off year for democratic aristocrats.

If there is any proof wanted to show that Omaha is getting to be a metropolis, it is furnished by the fact that she had fourteen burglaries in two nights, and no arrests.

OLEOMARGARINE has proved stronger than the law in New York. Notwithstanding the law prohibiting its manufacture and sale, it continues to be sold as much as ever.

ROSEWATER was opposed to Weaver, which accounts for his nomination by acclamation. Liberty Journal.

Now let the shouters for Weaver proceed to elect him by acclamation.

MR. PAT. O. HAWES has returned to Nebraska to take the stump for Mr. Laird, who looms head and shoulders above the rest of the delegation, if we can believe Mr. Hawes.

BUTLER has issued his blanket-sheet address, and now we would like to hear from Mr. West. And when Mr. West gets through, we would like to hear what Susan B. Anthony has to say.

By re-nominating Dawes the republican party may lose 8,000 or 10,000 votes, but we will retain John M. Thurston, and his gentle voice will be heard wherever a corporation capper is in danger of being beaten.

DAVE BUTLER was impeached for borrowing and appropriating \$17,000 of school moneys. Governor Dawes asks to be endorsed for conniving at the theft of several hundred thousands of acres of school lands. Times have changed.

THE position of sheriff of Kings county, in which New York city is located, is a prize worth striving for. It is supposed to be worth from \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year. Since 1860 only two incumbents of the office have retired from it without having acquired a comfortable fortune. Of course there is no lack of candidates for such a bonanza office.

GENERAL PLEASANTON, of blue-grass fame, has again been heard from. He still sticks to his blue-grass theory, and at the Pennsylvania state fair he proposes to have a special exhibit to illustrate the revivifying influence of associated blue and plain transparent glass in the treatment and development of farm stock, including colts, heifers, pigs and poultry.

THE department of state will send from Washington to the World's Exposition at New Orleans, a set of pictures showing the different breeds of cattle of the world. It is the intention of the department to issue a publication of the cattle industries of the world, and the work is now in the hands of the printer. The material was obtained from the reports of the United States consuls in different countries, who have taken great interest in the success of the great International World's Fair.

THE Mexican Central railway, which was constructed largely by American capital, is evidently not such a paying enterprise as was expected by the investors. The trouble is that Mexicans are an entirely different people from those of the United States. They are lazy and shiftless, and cling to their old time notions. They do not appreciate nor patronize the railway, but prefer to carry their freight on donkeys. No new towns have been built along the line of the Mexican Central, nor has the country been developed to any noticeable degree by the railroad, and consequently the business of the road will not be materially increased for many years.

IN AND OUT OF POLITICS

Are the railroads of Nebraska really out of politics? Do they imagine they can hoodwink the people into the belief that they are out of politics, when in reality they are in deeper than ever? Last Wednesday James Laird was re-nominated for congress in the second district in spite of the determined opposition of the masses of the republicans of the district. How did he manage to overcome such opposition? The office-holding faction alone could never have carried the day for him had it not been for the efforts of Captain Phillips, the political boss of the Burlington road. While the managers of the Burlington road have assured the people time and again that they were out of politics, the chief political bull-dozer was very busily engaged all along the line in pushing the canvass for Laird. All the peculiar methods, which are so effective in rallying the company's employees and dependents at the primaries were used without reserve. Section houses, station-agents, gravel-trains and pass-books were at Laird's disposal to coerce the republican voters to his support. The results just what might have been expected. The voice of the party has been overridden and republicans who refuse to abide by the dictates of the corporation boss will now be denounced as bolters, communists and drunks.

On the day which witnessed the nomination of Laird, at Hastings, Mr. A. J. Weaver was re-nominated at Beatrice. The event is announced in a country weekly in the following significant paragraph: At the congressional convention held at Beatrice last Wednesday A. J. Weaver was nominated by acclamation. J. M. Thurston, of Omaha, addressed the convention at some length, and his speech was well received. This was eminently in accord with the eternal fitness of things. John M. Thurston was not a delegate to the congressional convention. The Union Pacific had no case in court at Beatrice last Wednesday which John M. Thurston was required to attend. But the political attorney-in-chief of the great corporation was there to give Weaver the nomination, and place him under obligations. Mr. Thurston draws a lucrative salary from the Union Pacific railroad, but the greater part of his time is given to the packing of primaries, running of conventions, and corrupting of legislatures. Now the question naturally arises, has the republican party become a mere prostitute for the base use of political libertines like John M. Thurston? Has the party grown so wretchedly poor in men of brains and character that John M. Thurston is the only man who can address its conventions, who can represent it on the electoral ticket, and act as its delegate to national and state conventions, and monopolize all functions which in common decency should be exercised by men whose patriotism and devotion to principles entitle them to the respect and confidence of their fellow men.

Are the railroads really out of politics as long as Thurston and Captain Phillips pack conventions and nominate our congressmen by a shameless use of railroad patronage?

THE scheme of the Frewen brothers to make British provinces out of Wyoming and Montana by inducing the Canadian government to allow cattle from those territories to be shipped through Canada on their way to England, has met with a strong opposition in the Dominion, and the result is that the proposed shipment has been prohibited. The premier, Mr. John McDonald, says that the scheme, if allowed, would be prejudicial to the interests of Canadian farmers, as it would give stock-raisers of another country facilities to compete with them abroad. He wants the Canadian stock-raisers to have the benefit of the English cattle trade, as they will soon be able to supply the whole British market with beef and mutton. He can, therefore, see no good reason for allowing Wyoming ranchmen to cross Canadian territory to do the trade that Canadians are prepared to do themselves. Sir John McDonald also opposes any concession whatever, for fear that disease will break out among American cattle during transit, in which event the British government would schedule the whole continent, Canada included, as a pestiferous Canadian Pacific railway magnates who expected to get the long haul of American cattle, were on hand to make an effort to push the scheme through, but they did not succeed in influencing the Canadian cabinet, whose fiat is final. This settles the Frewen plan forever, and American railways, which would have lost the transportation of a great number of cattle if it could have been carried into effect, can now rest easy. Even had the Canadian government permitted the Frewens to proceed with their proposed scheme it is not likely that our government would have permitted it to go on unnoticed.

COMMENTING on the business outlook, the Chicago Tribune indulges in the following pertinent remarks: Of a few things that make for an improvement in trade we are now sure. Prices have generally approached very closely to the cost of production, and in some instances they have passed it. The supply of goods per head of population has greatly fallen off--to such an extent in some cases that it is not easy for buyers to obtain assortments. The creation of unnecessary railroads has been suspended, and the public have arrived at more rational views of the value of railroad securities. A stronger and more healthful sentiment in regard to monopolies and corporate abuses has grown up. Fortunes amassed by robbery have been swept away, and men who have accumulated their little hoards honestly no longer stand before the

Garrisons and Seneca like pigmies in the presence of a giant. The course of economic events has relatively enriched the masses of the people, with whom the restoration of activity must begin. The decline in prices and the terrible ordeal of rottenness and rascality, which flow more and more destructive of life than that is best in our American life the longer it remained in concealment. That is a weak spot with us yet, and we can well afford to suffer from depression of business till the big bank thieves are all turned out and disgraced. None of the facts here outlined imply an immediate revival of trade, but they do mark progress, and they afford the promise that when the revival does come it will be a healthy one.

SANITATION TACTICS. When it was proposed to pave Ninth street with Colorado sandstone, and a majority of the property petitioned the council for that material the Bee made no objection. In view of the fact that the greater portion of lower Ninth street belongs to the Union Pacific, which company is interested in introducing sandstone as its own expense, the opponents of sandstone as a paving material gave silent consent to the experiment even though the city does pay one-third of the cost. But when it is attempted to foist sandstone upon other streets under false pretenses, it becomes our duty to expose the imposture. We are informed that Councilman Woodworth, who is acting as agent and solicitor for Colorado sandstone, has sought to procure and in fact did procure a petition for paving St. Mary's Avenue, above Twentieth, with that material by representing that the cost of sandstone pavement is \$1.30 less per yard than Sioux Falls granite. This is a bare-faced imposition. The cost of paving Ninth with Colorado sandstone on a foundation of broken rock was \$3.49 per square yard. The cost of paving Farnam street with Sioux Falls granite on broken stone foundation, the city giving the contractors the stone from the macadam pavement, was \$3.44 per square yard. The cost of taking up the old material and cleaning and crushing it was very nearly as much as the expense of purchasing crushed limestone, so that the actual cost of paving with Sioux Falls granite on Farnam was no greater than paving Ninth street with sandstone. The contract for paving Thirteenth street with Sioux Falls granite on a sand foundation six inches deep was at \$3.19 per square yard, or 30 cents less than Colorado sandstone on crushed rock. If we mistake not the contract for paving lower St. Mary's avenue with granite on a sand foundation is only \$2.98 per square yard. Now every intelligent person knows that Sioux Falls granite is more durable than sandstone and therefore preferable as a paving material. Every taxpayer in Omaha contributes his share towards paying the cost of paving the intersections, and therefore it is the public interest to have the best material chosen by the property owners, unless indeed the difference in cost should be an object for choosing the inferior material. When Mr. Woodworth represented to Mrs. Robert H. Clarkson that the cost of Sioux Falls granite would be \$1.30 more per square yard than Colorado sandstone he committed almost as grave an offense as he does by acting as the agent and solicitor for the Colorado sandstone.

It is a grave misdemeanor for any councilman to be a contractor with the city or to be interested in any city contract. We respectfully call Mr. Woodworth's attention to section 105 of the city charter.

"Any officer of the city or member of the city council who shall by himself or agent become a party to or in any way interested in any contract, work or letting under the authority and by the action of the city council, or who shall directly or indirectly, by himself or other party, accept or receive any valuable consideration for his influence or vote" shall be fined in any sum not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000.

It is self evident that Mr. Woodworth cannot be a contractor for the city or accept a commission for procuring contracts directly or indirectly, without being subject to the penalty of the law for every offense. There are other improprieties in this connection which would not be tolerated under a well regulated city government. If the men who make the laws and ordinances of the city can violate the laws with impunity and enter into contracts with the city in which they are personally interested, they become a corrupting element in our city government that will sooner or later result in a Tweed ring.

GENERAL HOWARD has been heard from. He is in attendance at the world's convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, now in session at Berlin.

THERE has been a rise in wash-tubs since the Tallapoosa went down with the sailor suit of that jolly old tar, Bill Chandler.

THE reform in Union Pacific politics as promised us by Charles Francis Adams is still in the dim and uncertain future.

A FEW more funerals are wanted in Omaha before we can catch up with Kansas City, St. Paul and Minneapolis.

It may be that Lamb will have to be sacrificed on the altar as a peace-offering.

NOT one word from Jim Brisbin in three days, and the world still revolves.

THE BURROW'S ESTATE. ROBERTSON, August 25.--The schedule of the Burrow's estate at Albia as it existed in 1879, the date of Burrow's death, shows an estate of one and three quarters millions. The safe of the bank was opened to-day. Examiner Williams refuses to reveal its contents.

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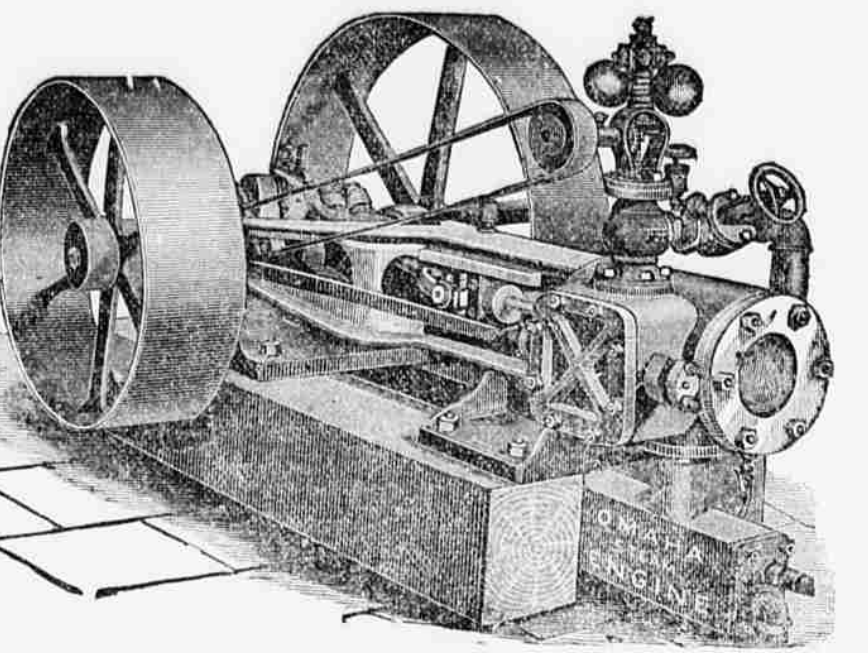
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