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Public Improvements must wait upon public funds. Omaha cannot afford to make any mistakes at this stage of her municipal growth.

A NEW poem is in print by an eastern poetess entitled "Only a Wing." The blushing damsel evidently got left on the carving of the Christmas turkey.

WHAT does the council propose to do about that railroad viaduct across lower Farnam street for which the city holds a contract with the Burlington managers.

A BRAVE soldier and an honest public man has passed away with the departure of John A. Logan. No breath of scandal ever sullied the plumes of the "Black Eagle of Illinois."

BOSTON papers are discussing the question, "How to do men to be honest." In view of recent defalcations in that city the suggestion to locate men in some other city than Boston would seem to be germane to the discussion.

IN questions of grading the prime point to be considered is whether the improvement is necessary and whether probable damage suits will make it too costly for the value received by the city.

IF any member of the Nebraska legislature has not been supplied with an annual pass the omission will be gladly corrected by sending in the name and address to the Burlington headquarters at Omaha.

THE Burlington road recently announced longer hours for their clerks in headquarters. There is no intimation that the change is to be attended with larger pay. The pay of the average B. & M. clerk is already screwed down to starvation wages.

PRIVATE rights are entitled to some consideration by the city when changes of grade are suggested by interested parties, who speak two words for themselves and one for the city. There are already more than 200 damage suits pending against the city, with the issue of offsetting benefits still unpassed upon by the supreme court.

GENERAL LOGAN fell a victim to exposure during the war. The acute rheumatic trouble which brought him to his death was contracted in the field. Congress will without doubt recognize their duty by the grant of a liberal pension to Mrs. Logan. The widow of our soldier who did more than any other public man to secure liberal pension legislation for his old comrades will not be allowed to suffer.

SENATOR LOGAN'S death will add new complications to the presidential canvass among the republicans. General Logan's position was a growing center of interest to ambitious politicians. His strength was positive and his influence was little respect to party, and was particularly marked in stalwart circles.

AMONG the bills which the people will have to pay as the penalty of stupidity, or something worse, in the department of justice, that for the expenses of the Pan-Electric litigation will not be the least. The committee on appropriations of the house had been informed before the holiday recess of attorneys' fees amounting to about \$20,000, and there are other charges of this character that have not been reported.

Another Man's Nest. The number of horrible discoveries which the opponents of Senator Van Wyck are making nowadays would fill several large sized volumes. One of these more's nests is no sooner exploded than another is promptly pointed out to fill its place.

The latest canard comes from Lincoln. The public is now informed that General Van Wyck lacks seventeen votes of a majority of the legislature and has finally decided to go into the open market and purchase a sufficient number to secure his election.

This is ingenious but wide from the truth. One fact to be noted is the entire card house. General Van Wyck will have no occasion to purchase any votes in the republican caucus, because his friends will refuse to enter the caucus.

The Senatorial Battle in New York. There is increasing interest and excitement among the republicans of New York over the senatorial contest. There are three prominent candidates—Senator Miller, who seeks re-election, Congressman Hiseock, and ex-Minister Morton.

The Shadow on the Continent. Two ministerial crises have lately been precipitated by the apprehension of coming war on the continent of Europe. The fall of DeFreycinet in France was largely due to a combination of political factions.

The Toughest Town. Sam Jones declared that St. Louis was the "toughest." The Salvation army tackled the police and the police tackled the Salvation army. They have lived away and left the town to its wickedness and terrible fate.

Save the Public Lands. Within the last few years there has been a reversion against the flagrant spoliation of the public domain. The people had such a stretch of unimproved plain and prairie, mountain side and valley—that there was carelessness as to the way it was gotten rid of.

American Silk. The progress of experiments at the agricultural department in Washington, with regard to the cultivation of the silk worm and the manufacture of silk in this country, is attracting a good deal of attention.

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PROMINENT PERSONS. Henry M. Stanley has arrived in London from New York. Henry George keeps a lively monkey in his house as a pet.

A Suggestion. General Logan died a poor man. No greater testimony could be borne to his sterling integrity in these days when high political performance is so often sought as the stepping stone to financial success.

There is a method by which General Logan's friends can show their admiration for the dead soldier. Shortly before his death Senator Logan issued his book, "The Great Conspiracy."

Earning an Honest Living. Uncle Rufus Hatch is writing articles for a New York paper, which seem to confirm the impression that the old man has decided to set about earning an honest living.

Preparing for Swelled Hats. There will be a tremendous "swell" reception at the White House New Year's and Washington hat-makers are already getting out a stock of hats several sizes larger than usual.

Prohibition in South Carolina. The present war is doing better in many parts of the state, and especially in the lower country. There is difficulty in detecting the illicit vendors of liquor, and when they are detected there is difficulty in convicting them.

They took with disdain on the poorer man, and say, as his race they have no sense. "Crowded out." They think they will enter the party gate, at Heaven's portals will not have to wait.

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How the South Has Grown. The figures that record the progress of the south within the last six years present a remarkable and instructive exhibit, and constitute an interesting and engrossing study for the student of physical and social evolutions.

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