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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of May, 1887. N. P. FREL, Notary Public.

The Tenth street railroad crossing is a bad advertisement for Omaha. Now turn attention to the proper observance of the Fourth of July.

GOVERNOR HILL's presidential boom had a short fuse and was lighted too soon. Even poor old Brownville, it is said, is slightly throbbing with an unbounded boom.

ST. LOUIS authorities are trying to get the spectral spooks out of the old town before Grover visits them.

DECORATION DAY was generally observed yesterday. The fallen heroes slept beneath a wilderness of flowers.

SOME of the base ball clubs of the state refused to violate the law again last Sunday, as the result of the games showed.

WHEN Captain Humphrey, the Pawnee blatherskite, is made chairman of the state central committee, the pigs will begin to fly.

THE Sultan of Turkey is the latest European ruler who is trying to get up sympathy by having unskilled men throw bombs at him.

If it had been one or two other certain newspaper correspondents instead of Major Poore who died, the country would have suffered no loss.

THE railroad commission, so-called, considered one complaint. The commission is like a faith cure doctor. Honest people are afraid of it.

At Findlay, Ohio, the board of trade will celebrate in June, the first anniversary of the big gas well, which has made the town double in population and more than treble its valuation of property.

MR. BLACKBURN was engaged in very small business when he marched a gang of ward bummers into the board of education rooms Saturday night to choke off the movement for the election of a non-partisan school board.

THE Reformed Episcopal church, at its general council in Philadelphia, have adopted the following resolution: "No minister of this church shall solemnize marriage when either of the persons to be married is divorced, unless the former consort was divorced for violation of the Seventh Commandment, or is either dead or married to another."

THE national drill closed yesterday, and the will doubtless be some difference of opinion as to whether it was in all respects a success. It showed that there is a fine body of citizen soldiery in the country, which, if required, would form an excellent nucleus for a volunteer army, but the demonstration of this was not necessary.

Situation of the Treasury.

A report of the situation of the national treasury brought down to the 20th of the current month, with comparative figures for the corresponding portion of the last fiscal year, and estimates based on these of the probable income and outgo for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1888, will have an interest for all business men. Such an exhibit ought to possess an interest for everybody, since there is not a man in the country whose earnings, whether obtained from the investments of capital or from his daily labor, have not contributed to the results which the exhibit sets forth.

It is evident that at the close of the present fiscal year, a month hence, the surplus in the treasury will amount to at least \$100,000,000. Up to the 20th of the current month the receipts were nearly \$327,000,000, and as they are flowing in at the rate of more than \$1,000,000 a day they will undoubtedly reach a total for the year of not less than \$750,000,000. The expenditures, the amount of which is determined, will be \$296,000,000, so that a surplus of at least \$454,000,000 is assured.

Having reached the end of the current fiscal year, with \$100,000,000 taken from the people and locked in the vaults of the treasury, what then will be the outlook? The same machinery by which the treasury has accumulated this needless horde will still be in operation, and the government must go on collecting from the people in excess of its requirements and adding to the surplus. If any legislation should be adopted by congress for reducing the revenues, the promise of which cannot be regarded as altogether reassuring, it is not probable it will be done in time to become operative before the 1st of April of next year.

Van Wyck on the Inter-State Law. At the present time there are widely varied and divergent opinions given regarding the inter-state law, its workings and ultimate results. After the law goes into operation under the ruling of an impartial tribunal, and all its provisions tested, there will then be ample time for those interested to insist that it is of no advantage to shippers or producers.

Senator Van Wyck, who is unquestionably well posted on railway discriminations and abuses, cordially indorses this view, and adds an illustration in point. He says: "The corporations are avoiding this law. The bill requires that the rates shall be reasonable, and that no greater charge shall be made for a short haul than for a long haul."

A Faded Hero.

Jeff Davis has accepted an invitation to deliver an oration, or make a speech at a southern college. His last effort had the desired effect. The petitioner of the collapsed confederacy has been trying very hard for many years to become prominent again in northern papers.

It certainly is a matter of total indifference to the union whether Mr. Davis is friendly or not. There have been thousands of better men than Mr. Davis, and many of them are forgotten. Because a childish old fraud should say that he is friendly, especially after his misdeeds have been routed and made throw up the sponge and acknowledge they were whipped, it is not of sufficient importance to evoke the columns of panegyric that such a remark from the ex-president has called forth.

China has a railroad now, the first in her history, at least for many years. A telephone company will soon be operated there, and the Chinamen yet has hopes of civilization. Decoration Day. Hark! 'tis a sad music, surely that I heard! All my pulses quickened; all my life-blood stirred!

Slow and sad, and solemn, comes a mighty throng, Moving like a balmy, powerful, grand, and true, Towards the lowly resting-places of our fallen best, Gallant sons of Freedom, dying at their post!

A Farmers' Convention. There is to be held at Atlanta, Ga., in August, an inter-state farmers' convention, and it promises to be a most important and interesting meeting. About four hundred delegates, representing the different southern states, will be in attendance, and the result will without doubt be beneficial to all tillers of the soil.

Case of Mistaken Identity.

Perhaps the Most Remarkable Case on Record. NEARLY HANGED FOR ANOTHER. An Interesting Story of the Early Days on the Pacific Coast Recalled by the Death of an Old-Time Judge.

The death of Gordon N. Mott in San Francisco a few days ago recalls an almost forgotten incident in which he figured in the days when the Caucasian was comparatively new in California. Mott went with the first tide of gold hunters in 1849, and settled at Auburn, where he engaged in mining operations.

The trial was the first of much importance in the state. Berdue was slightly defended, and the prosecuting attorney had two or three assistants. So far as direct testimony was concerned there was very little. The whole thing seemed to turn on the identity of the prisoner. If it was Jim Stewart, then he was guilty and must be hanged.

Other witnesses were equally positive, and for equally good reasons. It was thought that the testimony favorable to the prisoner was so strong that the jury could not convict, but in this the outsiders were mistaken. After a short deliberation the two other men stepped forward and announced that they had found the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree.

The duchess of Galliera and \$3,000 of her countrywomen have presented a petition to the municipality of Genoa asking for the restoration of the statue of the Madonna above the gates, in recognition of the preservation of the town during the recent earthquake.

State and Territory.

Nebraska Jottings. The new Masonic temple at Hastings will be dedicated June 24. Ulysses Cramery north sells readily in New York at fancy prices. The question of waterworks in Seward will be submitted to a vote of the people.

Decorated Day. Hark! 'tis a sad music, surely that I heard! All my pulses quickened; all my life-blood stirred! And my men by hasten'd, like a flash of light, To the land where red-hand had filled the field with blight.

Flowers! types of resurrection, from seed sown in earth! Flowers! emblems of the purity whence Freedom took her birth! Flowers! symbols of the beauty which liberty and justice's glory bring!

At the election last week the people of Fall River county voted bonds to the amount of \$10,000 to erect county buildings at Hot Springs and start a summer resort.

Postoffice Changes in Nebraska. During the week ending May 28, 1887, furnished by William VanVleet, of the postoffice department.

Fortune and Misfortune.

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