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The best gift that 1888 can bring is a

"Heart for any Fate."

THE PROGRESS OF THE CHEROKEES toward civilization is not slow. They now claim "No Man's Land" with all the assurance of a Black Hills' claim-jumper.

A CITY THAT HAS CONSTRUCTED OVER 2,500 BUILDINGS AT A COST OF OVER \$9,000,000, WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS, AND MADE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS DURING THE SAME PERIOD WHICH EXCEED \$3,000,000, ENJOYS A VERY HEALTHY BOOM THAT IS NOT LIKELY TO COLLAPSE.

THE YEAR 1887 SURPASSED ALL PREVIOUS YEARS IN THE EXTENT OF RAILROAD BUILDING. NEARLY THIRTEEN THOUSAND MILES OF NEW MAIN LINE TRACK WERE CONSTRUCTED. IN 1882, A YEAR OF EXTRAORDINARY RAILROAD ACTIVITY, ABOUT ELEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED MILES WERE BUILT.

THE BEE PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS OF THE NEW YEAR TO ITS THOUSANDS OF PATRONS THROUGH AN ILLUSTRATED REVIEW WHICH GRAPHICALLY TELLS THE STORY OF A YEAR'S GROWTH OF OMAHA. IT IS A RECORD OF MARVELOUS ENTERPRISE AND UNPARALLELED ACHIEVEMENT TO WHICH NOT ONLY OMAHA, BUT NEBRASKA, MAY WELL POINT WITH PRIDE.

THE STATE RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS OF MINNESOTA HAVE ORDERED THAT AFTER TODAY EACH UPPER BERTH IN ANY SLEEPING CAR RUN OR OPERATED UPON ANY RAILROAD IN THAT STATE SHALL BE AND REMAIN CLOSED, WHENEVER THE BERTH BECOMES THE SAME SHALL BE OCCUPIED BY A PASSENGER UNTIL SUCH UPPER BERTH SHALL BE NEEDED FOR ACTUAL OCCUPANCY BY SOME OTHER PASSENGER REQUIRING THE SAME. THE PROPERTY AND JUSTICE OF THIS ORDER WILL BE HEARTILY APPRECIATED BY THE PATRONS OF SLEEPING CARS, WHO WILL UNIVERSALLY VOTE THE MINNESOTA COMMISSIONERS A LEVEL-HEADED BODY. WHEN THE UPPER BERTH OF A SLEEPING CAR IS NOT TO BE OCCUPIED THERE IS NO GOOD REASON WHY IT SHOULD NOT REMAIN CLOSED FOR THE COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE OF THE PASSENGER WHO HAS THE LOWER BERTH. THE RULE SHOULD BECOME GENERAL.

THERE IS TO BE A VERY STRONG EFFORT MADE TO INDUCE CONGRESS AT THE PRESENT SESSION TO REMOVE THE TARIFF OF 30 PER CENT ON FOREIGN WORKS OF ART. THE EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE WITH GREAT REGULARITY EVERY YEAR, BUT THE ADVOCATES OF THE REMOVAL ARE MORE HOPEFUL NOW OF ACCOMPLISHING SOMETHING. THE RETENTION OF THIS DUTY IS A STIGMA ON THE COUNTRY WHICH NO PERSONS ARE MORE ANXIOUS TO HAVE REMOVED THAN THE AMERICAN ARTISTS ABROAD. ONE OF THESE, MR. R. H. PARK, THE DISTINGUISHED SCULPTOR, IS NOW IN WASHINGTON TO ADVOCATE THE REMOVAL OF THE DUTY, AND REFERRED TO THE SUBJECT, HE SAYS: "THE ART SCHOOLS OF EUROPE TREAT THE AMERICAN ARTISTS GENEROUSLY; WHY SHOULD NOT OUR GOVERNMENT RECIPROCATE? IN EVERY CITY IN ITALY, THERE IS AN ART SCHOOL SUPPORTED BY THE GOVERNMENT WHERE AMERICAN STUDENTS ARE TAUGHT BY THE ABLEST PROFESSORS, FREE OF COST; TO THIS CONSIDERATION ADD THE OTHER THAT THE UNITED STATES IS THE ONLY CIVILIZED COUNTRY IN THE WORLD WHERE A TAX IS PLACED UPON THE IMPORT OF WORKS OF ART. ART IS AN EDUCATOR AND SHOULD BE FREE. THIS HARSH TREATMENT OF THE FOREIGN ARTISTS WHO ARE SO GENEROUS TO US IS SOMETHING WE ARE NOT PROUD OF. IN THE WORLD OF ART IT IS A STIGMA UPON OUR COUNTRY AND UPON US; IT IS A PROTECTION THAT WE DON'T WANT. TO THE LAST CONGRESS THERE WAS PRESENTED A PETITION SIGNED BY EVERY REPRESENTATIVE AMERICAN ARTIST WHETHER SCULPTOR OR PAINTER, WHETHER LOCATED AT HOME OR ABROAD, ASKING FOR THE REPEAL OF THAT TAX WHICH NOW OPERATES AGAINST OUR FOREIGN BROTHERS. IT IS A HINDRANCE TO AMERICAN CULTURE, AND THE GROWTH OF A HEALTHY ESTHETIC TASTE IN THE COUNTRY, AND IF AMERICAN ARTISTS DON'T WANT IT, SURELY AMERICAN BUYERS DON'T, AND I DON'T SEE ANY REASON WHY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SHOULD." IT WOULD SEEM THAT THE AVERAGE CONGRESSMAN, THOUGH HE KNOW NO MORE OF ART THAN A SIOUX BRAVE, MUST BE IMPRESSED BY THIS SORT OF ARGUMENT, WHILE TO THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE AN INTELLIGENT CONCEPTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCE OF ART IT SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO CALL THEIR ATTENTION TO THIS ANOMALOUS AND HUMILIATING POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES TO INDUCE THEM TO PROMPTLY GIVE THEIR INFLUENCE AND VOTE FOR THE REMOVAL OF THIS WHOLLY INEXCUSABLE DUTY THAT SCANDALIZES THE NATION.

## In a Nutshell.

Omaha has planted over 120,000,000 of brick in stores, bank buildings, packing houses and residences during the year just closed.

The sales of Omaha's jobbing houses for twelve months foot up over \$44,000,000.

The stock yards have handled 265,000 head of cattle and over 1,100,000 hogs.

The smelting works, breweries, oil mills, distilleries, shot factory, lead works, foundries and minor industrial concerns have turned out over \$20,000,000 of products.

The packing houses have slaughtered over 65,000 head of cattle, 875,000 hogs and 50,000 sheep, which were converted into meat products, at a cost of over \$13,000,000.

The sales of Omaha wholesale grocers aggregate over \$8,000,000 during the year.

One hundred and twenty-two passenger trains now run in and out of Omaha every twenty-four hours.

The national banks of Omaha have over \$12,000,000 on deposit, and the clearings of these banks last year were very nearly \$150,000,000.

Over 7,000 skilled and unskilled workers are employed in Omaha industrial establishments. In addition to these over 2,000 laborers were employed last season in the Omaha brick yards.

These are cold facts.

## A Pure Food Convention.

TO THE many who eat to live, rather than to the few that live to eat, the quality of food is a matter of vast importance to their bodily welfare. It seems to be one of the conditions of this age of deception and severe competition that pretty much every thing a man must take into his system to replace the waste thereof is more or less something else than what it is represented to be.

Time was inscrutable hash and impenetrable mince pie were about the only dishes in general use which were surrounded by a dark veil of mystery.

Science, however, has discovered that adulteration has placed its pernicious grasp on many kinds of food, and people who know this must eat their meals in the unpleasant conviction that chemical reaction or microscopic examination might find much that is far from nutritious in the dishes placed before them.

The voice of the eating world will be unanimous in declaring that this state of affairs must be remedied, and to do this is one of the objects, as we understand it, of the national pure food convention which is to be held in Washington this month. We have seen no statement of just what this convention proposes doing, but it is an easy and safe inference that it will be prepared to show sufficient reason for meeting in an array of instructive, if not startling, facts regarding the prevalence of impure food, and will urge national legislation for preventing and punishing food adulteration. The convention will fit its desire in respect to legislation already anticipated, at least in part.

Senator Farwell, of Illinois, has introduced in the senate a bill relating to adulterations of food, which seems to be so comprehensive and complete that its approval by the pure food convention, as well as by congress, ought to be assured.

The aim of this measure is to secure truthful labels on all food products and drinks that are sold. Such labels shall state the proportions of the genuine products and of the other articles composing the mixture. The bill fixes a fine of \$500 for its violation, one-half to go to the informer and one-half to the prosecuting attorney, a sum sufficient to secure zeal and vigilance in prosecuting offenders.

IT MAY BE WELL BEFORE DISMISSING THIS SUBJECT TO REMARK THAT WHILE ALL EFFORTS TO PREVENT ADULTERATIONS AND SECURE PURE FOOD ARE TO BE COMMENDED, THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE CAUTIONED AGAINST EXAGGERATED NOTIONS REGARDING THE PREVALENCE OF IMPURE FOODS.

AS A MATTER OF FACT IT IS FAR LESS GENERAL AND SERIOUS THAN IS COMMONLY SUSPECTED. A VERY CAREFUL AND EXTENDED EXAMINATION MADE AMONG THE RETAIL DEALERS OF NEW YORK WITHIN A FEW MONTHS DISCLOSED A MUCH SMALLER PERCENTAGE OF ADULTERATION THAN HAD BEEN BELIEVED TO EXIST, AND IT IS VERY LIKELY THE DEALERS OF THE REST OF THE COUNTRY ARE NOT LESS HONEST.

FURTHERMORE ALL ADULTERATIONS ARE NOT NECESSARILY HARMFUL, AND WHERE A NOT UNWHOLESOOME MIXTURE IS PRODUCED THE OBJECTION IS THAT IT IS IMPURE, BUT THAT IT IS A FAULT.

STILL, EVERYBODY MUST COMMAND THE PURPOSE OF THE PURE FOOD ADVOCATES AND WITH THEM SEEM TO AGREE.

THE FIERCE FIGHT BETWEEN THE DEMOCRATIC FACTIONS IN LOUISIANA IS BRINGING OUT A GREAT MANY INTERESTING THOUGH HARDLY CREDIBLE FACTS ABOUT POLITICS IN THAT STATE.

MASSACHUSETTS NEWSPAPERS SHOW THAT IF THE IMPORT DUTIES ON COAL WERE REMOVED NEW ENGLAND WOULD BE FREED FROM THE WORST EXACERBATIONS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COAL RINGS.

THE FRIENDS OF DIVISION IN DAKOTA ARE CLAIMING THAT THE CAPITAL RING STUFFED THE BOXES IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE TERRITORY. IT IS TRUE THAT A SUSPICIOUSLY LARGE VOTE WAS POLLED IN BOTH DIVISIONS.

SENATOR FARWELL IS AS FIRM IN THE BELIEF THAT COUPLES OF DIVISION IN THE COUNTRY ARE NOT ONLY THE INTERNAL REVENUE TAX ON COCAINE AND CIGARS, BUT ALSO THE IMPORT DUTIES ON THE SAME.

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THE ATTITUDE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS NOT MISUNDERSTOOD. THAT PARTY HAS A CONSISTENT PROTECTION RECORD BOTH IN ITS LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND IN ITS PLATFORM DECLARATIONS.

RECENT EXPRESSION ON THIS SUBJECT HAS BEEN FEAR AND STRONGER THAN EVER, MADE SO BY THE MORE RADICAL POSITION TAKEN BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY THROUGH ITS OFFICIAL HEAD.

THE ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH (DEM.) WANTS THE MEETING OF CONGRESS CHANGED TO OCTOBER, OR NOVEMBER 1 AT THE LATEST AND SAYS: "IT SEEMS ABSURD TO CONTINUE AN ARRANGEMENT OF SESSIONS WHICH CROWDS OUT THE WORK OF BOTH SESSIONS INTO THE LAST YEAR OF THE TERM FOR WHICH THE MEMBERS WERE ELECTED, AND VERY OFTEN MAKES A MISERABLE ABORTION OF THE SHORT SESSIONS."

NEEDS NO PROTECTIVE TARIFF.

PHILADELPHIA RECORD.

AS "INFANTRY INDUSTRY" AGE CANNOT WITH IT, AND CUSTOMS ISLE ST. INFLUENCE IS THE FAIRY TALE.

WOULD MAKE A VERY SMALL BANQUET.

NEW ORLEANS PIONEER.

IT IS CUSTOMARY NOW TO PUT WHITE FLOWERS ON THE DESKS OF CONGRESSMEN WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED WITHOUT FRAUD.

INFORMATION WANTED.

LOUISVILLE COURIER-JOURNAL.

THE GOVERNOR OF DELAWARE OWNS ELEVEN FARMS IN THAT STATE. THE NAME OF THE OWNER OF THE OTHER IS NOT GIVEN.

NOT IN VOGUE.

MINNEAPOLIS TRIBUNE.

A LARGE-SIZED, FULL-DEVELOPED COAL-TRUST IS IN NEED IN THIS SECTION OF THE COUNTRY. THAT IS TO SAY, A CORPORATION THAT WILL TRUST THE CONSUMER WITH FULL WEIGHT IS GIVEN.

THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFE-TIME.

NEW YORK PRESS.

IF SOME LEADER OF FEMALE FASHION WILL SIT IN THE THEATER WITH HER HAT OFF, UNTIL SHE SEES THE OTHER WOMEN DO LIKEWISE, THE MEN WILL SEE THAT SHE GETS A STATUS AS COLOSSAL AS LIBERTY OR LIBERTY ITSELF.

CHEAP AND CONVENIENT.

SAN FRANCISCO HERALD.

IN THE WORK DONE ON THE PANAMA CANAL ALREADY 40,000 LIVES HAVE BEEN SACRIFICED. BY WAY OF CONTRAST, BEHOLD THE HEALTHY HEMISPHERE CANAL, ON WHICH NOTHING HAS BEEN SACRIFICED.

THE APOTOCLES OF DAKOTA HAS AT PRESENT 90 MIRES, 150 CHURCHES, 100 SCHOOLS, WITHOUT CHURCHES, 20 DIACONIES, STUDENTS, 24 PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS, 4 CONVENTS, 3 ACADEMIES, 10 INDIAN SCHOOLS, 1 HOSPITAL AND A CATHOLIC POPULATION OF 50,000.

MR. D. L. MOODY, THE FAMOUS THEATRICAL IMPERATOR, HAS JUST CLOSED A SERIES OF VARIOUS MEETINGS AT PITTSBURGH, AND IS PREPARED TO SPEND A MONTH IN LOUISIANA, WHERE A TERRIBLE SEATING OF 5,000 PEOPLE IS BEING HELD FOR HIS USE, AND WILL AFTERWARD VISIT THE PACIFIC COAST.

IN SWEDEN THERE ARE 460 CHURCHES, A GAIN OF 26 IN THE LAST YEAR, 488 PREACHERS, AND 31,064 MEMBERS.

IN GERMANY THERE ARE MORE MEMBERS (30,000), BUT FEWER CHURCHES AND MINISTERS.

THE LATTER NUMBER 450, OF WHOM 350 ARE UNORDAINED, AND THE CHURCHES COUNT UP TO 108 ONLY.

JUST ABOUT.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL.

IT IS ABOUT AS FAIR TO ACCUSE THE MAN WHO DESIRES AN INTELLIGENT AND JUDICIOUS REVISION OF THE TARIFF OF BEING A FREE-TRADER AS THE MAN WHO BURNS THE RUBBISH IN HIS BACKYARD OF BEING AN INCENDIARY.

INDEPENDENCE IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO NEWS.

WITH LAKE MICHIGAN FULL OF NATURAL GAS AND PORTIONS OF THE RIVER CAPABLE OF BEING SET ON

THE MASSACHU