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THE BEER BONNET makes its appearance this time with April's day, but gentle spring still lingers near the lap of winter.

So FAR as Mayor Brantch is acting within the letter of the law in dealing with the liquor interest of Omaha, he will be supported by citizens and the courts.

SENATOR VANCE of North Carolina believes in revenue reform because his toddy comes too high. By careful calculation he finds that the whisky he drinks is taxed 400 per cent, the sugar 70 per cent, while the nutmeg comes in free.

In paving, as in everything else, the best, in the long run, is the cheapest. Ten yearly installments paid for durable paving material will relieve property owners from all further paving taxes.

AMERICAN workmen who are threatened with Chinese and other poorer labor can sympathize with the condition of the French artisan who is compelled to compete with poor, cheap Italian labor.

THE Women's International Council, in session at Washington during the past week, will come to an end to-day. It has been a notable gathering whose deliberations have attracted a good deal of attention and comment.

A CENSUS of people who live in tenement houses in New York City shows that 1,016,885 individuals live in 31,634 tenements, an average of thirty-two persons to every house.

SUNDAY observance can be carried by religious enthusiasts to a state bordering on fanaticism. The latest instance comes from New York city, where Judge Bookstaver refused the injunction asked for by Elliott F. Shepard.

Some Plain Talk. The city treasurer has been acting stake holder for the liquor dealers who pay their license in installments. The law expressly provides that license shall only be granted upon the payment of one thousand dollars.

The fact that city treasurers have been allowed to act as stake holders for saloon keepers does not make their acts lawful, any more than the fact that the city clerk has charged and pocketed illegal fees for making out applications for license makes his conduct lawful.

The mayor is simply complying with the law which his predecessors have violated and refused to execute. The liquor dealers have had ample notice of his intention to enforce the law, and they have now only an excess of \$300 to raise over the quarterly payment.

The Next Chief Justice. Chief Justice Waite having been laid to rest, the problem of choosing a successor now devolves upon the chief executive.

All the indications are that Mr. Cleveland will take his time before announcing his choice. He has already intimated that the successor to the late chief justice will hardly be named before the closing days of congress.

It is to be presumed that no republican will be appointed. Six of the justices at present on the bench were formerly affiliated with the republican party, and however strong might be the claims of a republican jurist for the position, on the ground of experience and ability, it is not likely that Mr. Cleveland would see his way clear to consider them.

Speaker Carlisle has been suggested in certain quarters, but he is not seriously thought of. Allen G. Thurman, "the noblest Roman of them all," is set aside, it is said, on account of his age.

The suggestions of Secretary Vilas and Postmaster General Dickinson are made from a purely political standpoint. Neither of these officials have any national reputation as lawyers or jurists, and Mr. Cleveland is hardly likely to make the serious mistake of elevating them to the chair once occupied by Oliver Ellsworth and John Marshall.

Minister Phelps, who is urged by a portion of New England, it can be said that few able theoretical lawyers could be found in the country. The bias of his mind and the fact that during the war he was one of the most rancorous of northern copperheads will undoubtedly operate, as they should, to prevent favorable consideration of his name by the president.

Another French Crisis. The resignation of the French cabinet, which was promptly accepted by the president, is portentous of another crisis in French affairs that may prove serious.

to be able to reflect with deliberation, before proceeding with so important a work as that of constitutional revision. The argument was made that the passage of the bill would be an approval of the manifesto of Boulanger and a great satisfaction to that general.

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THE house having passed by large majorities the bills granting to Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Blair a pension of two thousand dollars a year each, both measures will undoubtedly be promptly passed by the senate.

The Auburn Post, in speaking of Judge Appleget, says it seems "that at last we have the right man in the right place."

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