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Sworn Statement of Circulation. State of Nebraska, I, J. S. HICKS, County of Douglas, do hereby certify that the actual circulation of THE DAILY BEE for the week ending December 22, 1888, was as follows:

THE Haytian affair has turned out to be a tempest in a teapot.

THE cabinet straws somehow have a flattened appearance nowadays.

WESTERN railroad presidents have met in New York to talk over their grievances. It will now be in order for Commissioner Cooley to read them another chapter of the riot act.

THE appalling loss of life on the river steamboats near Memphis and Plaquemine brings vividly to mind that such disasters, though common twenty years ago, are now of rare occurrence.

THE official organ of the national prohibition party invites the democratic party to disband and come over to the prohibition camp.

CHANCEY M. DEWEY, of the New York Central, has found that the steam heating of railroads has proven a success, and has equipped almost the entire passenger rolling stock of that railroad with steam heating apparatus.

THE press of the country continues to make cabinet slates for Mr. Harrison, who is quietly awaiting his turn to try a hand at the business himself.

THE professional lobbyists are now engaged in going over the senate and house bills of late sessions of the legislature, picking out bills whose only purpose was to bleed some business enterprise or helpless industry which would be compelled in self-protection to fight them.

IT appears from a statement made by one of the officers of the Grand Order of Railway Conductors at a recent meeting at Providence, R. I., that there are twenty-eight thousand conductors in the country and about fourteen thousand of them are members of the order.

THERE are thirty-seven different sites proposed for New Fort Omaha. Among these proposed sites are several located on the east side of the Missouri, either within the limits of Council Bluffs or in close proximity.

THE investigation of the Alaskan outrages has been taken in hand by the board recently convened for that purpose at Washington. The examination so far into the reported outrages has come from unofficial sources, and the testimony has been more or less conflicting.

THE RAILROAD PROBLEM.

The first year's experience in the working of the inter-state commerce law has, as might have been expected, shown some defects that must be remedied by additional legislation.

That something is radically wrong in the situation nobody denies, but to point to the inter-state law and make it responsible for the present situation is absurd.

A striking instance of this reckless method of inflation is exhibited in the suit just brought against the Missouri Pacific construction company by Fitzgerald and Malloy.

Now, why should the Missouri Pacific or any other railroad build and equip its lines through construction companies, when it could do its own grading, track laying and bridge building at perhaps one-fourth the amount allowed?

The hue and cry against reasonable restriction and regulation comes with bad grace from those who have brought disaster upon themselves and incidentally upon the investors in railway securities.

The wrecking of railroads is not due to over-rigid inter-state regulation, but to the unscrupulous over-reaching manipulators of railway construction and their allies, the railway stock gamblers.

It is inevitable that the day of reckoning should come sooner or later. The enormous strain of inflated stocks, representing over-capitalization could not be kept up forever.

THE problem that confronts railroad investors and managers must be met as Judge Cooley intimated by ringing out the water. This operation may involve financial disaster in some quarters, but the roads will not be worth one cent less when the water is squeezed out than they are now.

STOCKMANS. STOCKMAN, Neb., Dec. 24.—To the Editor of THE BEE: Would it not be a good thing for the state if the coming session of the legislature should pass a law, similar to that in force in Kansas, establishing state and county depositories for public money?

THE BEE fully approves this proposed reform in the revenue law. It will of course meet with considerable opposition from county and city treasurers, who are now indirectly interested in the deposits of public funds.

deposit are the principal bondsmen of the respective treasurers. Under the depository system the bank would give its bond directly to the county or city and cheerfully pay into their treasuries the interest that is now paid to treasurers.

While this is manifest to every intelligent member of the legislature we doubt whether any such bill can be passed in face of the pressure of interested parties.

THE senate will have considerable to say about Leon O. Bailey for United States attorney for Indiana when his name comes up for confirmation.

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The Condition in Omaha. Chicago Tribune. A man in Omaha whipped a policeman who tried to arrest him one day last week and was fined \$25.

Don't Be in a Hurry About Canada. Boston Journal. In the minds of the great majority of American citizens it is by no means clear that it is worth while to purchase immunity from vexatious international disputes with Canada at the price of annexation.

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An Arctic Oasis. San Francisco Examiner: J.T. Dowell, of Pennsylvania, who for two years past has been mining in Colorado and Alaska, is down from Prince William's sound, Alaska, where he has been for many months past.

Dowell and eight companions have been prospecting about Cook's inlet ever since they first went north. He said: "On the west side of Kenai Peninsula, and on the east side of Cook's inlet, is a strip of country about one hundred miles long and fifty miles wide, and a sight to see. For five months in the year it is covered with a luxuriant red top that adds to the beauty of the frowning mountains beyond."

It is to be seen as fine agricultural land as I ever saw, and looks like a great river basin. There are thousands of acres of this red top. I brought some of it down with me, and all who have seen it speak of it with wonder.

"On this peninsula, too, are large areas of hundreds of acres each of huckleberries, cranberries and red and black currants. The berries are finer by far than I ever saw anywhere else. I brought some of it down with me, and all who have seen it speak of it with wonder.

"The peninsula would make a lovely cattle range. The stock could be grazed for five months, and on the red top for the rest of the year. It is also a good mineral region. We found plenty of gold and silver indications, enough to show us it was a very rich country, but we were looking for coal, and consequently paid little attention to other minerals."

"I hear the Alaska Commercial company and the cannery men talking down that country, but I think I have some experience in the Lead and Carbonate mines, and I think that Alaska is the greatest mineral region there is. I think the Alaska company and the cannery men don't want outsiders to go in. They want to hold the country for themselves."

A Singular Pair. Boston Advertiser: A singular looking pair could be seen in the big promenade on Pennsylvania avenue Monday, says Massey in his Washington Dispatch. One was a male about six feet four inches tall, with broad shoulders, massive head and smoothly shaven face.

The other was an old-looking little man, the top of whose rather rusty like hair was just above the giant's shoulders. He sported a bright white moustache, and wore long white hair touching his coat collar. As his big companion strode along he almost trotted to keep alongside, and his look up to his friend's face was only a few points off from the perpendicular. He had an umbrella under his arm, though the sun was shining with Washingtonian brilliancy and a little rain could have lowered the tone of his hair very much. He was an elderly pair attracted much attention, and people nudged each other and smiled.

The big man was Justice Harlan, and the little man was the chief justice of the supreme court of the United States.

His Taming Passion. Pittsburg Dispatch: "When a man once gets into the habit of trading horses he keeps it up as long as he lives," remarked an old citizen to a reporter. One who was a good deal of a dying man, who had been a dealer in horses all his life, and listened to his last words. The clergyman was talking to the dying man, but the latter was in his mind, and intimated that he wished to speak to you. Oh, the son approached the bedside.

"How did you succeed?" asked the father, faintly. "First rate, I think," was the reply; "I saw your horse, a fine one, about six feet high and got \$15 to boot."

"You did? John, I'm proud of you; keep the horse and the money. That's a son worth having," he said, gazing with a pleased smile from one to another of the anxious faces about him. Those were the last words he ever uttered. A half minute later the old man was dead."

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THE PARIS EXPOSITION. There is now no doubt of the success of the Paris exposition, says the American Architect. The buildings and grounds will be in readiness by May 5, he opening day. Applications have been received for most of the enormous space available, and many official exhibits will be made. The German exhibit is almost the only one which has declined to take part, but we understand it does not forbid its subjects to show their goods so that its own participation will not be much missed. One very interesting feature will be the exhibits from the South American states. As there is almost no commercial communication between this country and

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