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THE END OF THE DOUGLAS COUNTY DELEGATION AT LINCOLN WILL PLEASE GRIP AND COME HOME.

"WE ARE PROMISED PARKS, BOULEVARDS AND A UNION DEPOT, BUT WE HAVE JEFFERSON SQUARE—LET US KEEP IT."

MINNESOTA IS ABOUT TO ENACT AN ANTI-PINKERTON LAW. STRANGE THAT SO MANY STATES NOWADAYS FOLLOW AFTER NEBRASKA.

IT MAY INTEREST A GREAT MANY PEOPLE TO LEARN THAT JUST THIRTY DAYS FROM DATE GENERAL HARRISON WILL STEP INTO THE PRESIDENCY.

THERE ARE FOUR PRODUCTS TO BUILD UP A GREAT COMMERCIAL COMUNITY. THEY ARE CORN, CATTLE, COTTON, WHEAT. OMAHA HAS TWO OF THEM.

NOW THAT THE WESTERN RAILROAD PRESIDENTS HAVE DECIDED TO AGREE, HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE BY THE WATERBURY WAY FOR THEM TO DISAGREE?

DAN LAMONT HAS GIVEN MR. CLEVELAND NOTICE THAT ON MARCH 5 HE CAN BE FOUND AT HIS BUSINESS OFFICE, NEW YORK CITY, OPEN FOR FURTHER ENGAGEMENT.

IF NEBRASKA IS THE GRANARY OF THE COUNTRY, OMAHA IS THE MARKET OF AMERICA. IT FURNISHES FRESH BEEF AND PORK, NOT ONLY TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK ON THE EAST, BUT TO MEMPHIS ON THE SOUTH AND DENVER ON THE WEST.

"DOCTOR" FRANK BILLINGS, DIRECTOR OF THE STATION FOR THE STUDY OF DISEASES OF ANIMALS, SPENT FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS IN THE PURCHASE OF A HORSE AND BEGGY. THAT HE ALSO HAD BEEN THE HORSE WHOSE SHOEING COST THE STATE FOUR DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS. IT IS NOT TO BE WONDERED THAT THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE EXPERIMENTAL FARM HAS MELTED LIKE BUTTER IN THE SUN.

A BILL IS NOW BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS TO COMPEL THE INSPECTION OF CATTLE ON THE HOOF AT THE PLACE OF SLAUGHTER. IT IS HARDLY EXPECTED THAT SUCH A FOOLISH MEASURE WILL BE ENTERTAINED BY THE LEGISLATORS THE MOMENT HIS FALLACIES ARE POINTED OUT. THE MEMBERS OF THE KANSAS LEGISLATURE CERTAINLY WILL NOT BE GUILTY OF BITING OF THEIR NOSE TO SPITE THEIR FACE.

EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO DISCOVER THE CAUSE OF THE LOW PRICE OF CATTLE TO THE GROWER. INDEFINITE CHARGES ARE MADE CONTINUALLY THAT THE DRESSED BEEF MEN ARE TO BLAME FOR IT. THERE MAY BE SOME TRUTH IN THIS, BUT IT CANNOT WHOLLY ACCOUNT FOR THE APPARENT CHEAPNESS OF CATTLE. THE MARKET FOR HOGS HAS BEEN REMARKABLY STIFF FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS.

THE HOG GROWER CANNOT COMPLAIN OF LOW PRICES IF HE DOES NOT STOP PACKING MONOPOLIES HOLD THE POWER TO DEPRESS THE PRICE OF LIVE STOCK AT WILL, WHY DO THEY NOT LOWER THE PRICE OF HOGS AS THEY DO OF CATTLE? THE TRUTH IS, THE LOW PRICE OF CATTLE IS DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE SUPPLY OUTRANS THE DEMAND. A GLANCE AT THE TABLE OF THE NUMBER OF CATTLE RETURNED FOR TAXATION WOULD PROVE THIS.

FOR THE YEAR 1911 THE REPORT SHOWS THAT SIX MILLIONS OF CATTLE WERE RETURNED FROM THE NINE WESTERN STATES AND TERRITORIES DEVOTED TO CATTLE RAISING. IN 1912 THE NUMBER RETURNED WAS NEARLY FOURTEEN MILLIONS. IF THE FIGURES FOR 1913 WERE PREPARED THEY WOULD NO DOUBT RUN INTO THE TWENTY MILLIONS. WHETHER THESE RETURNS BE CORRECT OR NOT IS IMMATERIAL. THEY ARE UNDOUBTEDLY UNDERESTIMATED. NEVERTHELESS THESE ESTIMATES PROVE THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN ENORMOUS INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CATTLE SINCE THE PALMY DAYS WHEN LIVE STOCK FETCHED HIGH PRICES.

FOR THAT REASON, IT IS TO THE INTEREST OF THE CATTLE GROWERS OF THE WEST TO EXTEND THEIR MARKET AND ENCOURAGE THE BEEF-PACKING INDUSTRY. THEY MUST FIND A MARKET TO DISPOSE OF TEMPORARY OVER-PRODUCTIONS. BUT THIS CAN NEVER BE ACCOMPLISHED BY A SHORT-SIGHTED POLICY TO RESTRICT THE FREE MOVEMENT OF CATTLE FROM ONE STATE TO ANOTHER BY UNWARRANTED HOSTILITY TO THE BEEF-PACKING INDUSTRY, THROUGH WHOSE ENERGIES THE WEST IS ABLE TO SUPPLY NOT ONLY AMERICA BUT EUROPE WITH CHEAP BEEF.

THE SUBMISSION BLUNDER.

The attitude of THE BEE regarding the submission, in whatever form presented, has been fully and clearly defined. We have deprecated all reference to the subject from a profound conviction that the effect of prohibition could not fail to be harmful to the material interests and prosperity of the state. Its agitation, and the uncertainty regarding the result, must inevitably retard enterprise, check the inflow of capital and population, and prove in every way an obstacle to our growth.

Under the existing high license and local option law Nebraska has moved steadily forward in the path of prosperity. While the states that have adopted prohibition have remained almost stationary, their towns falling into decay, their lands declining in value, and their industries leaving them, this state has had the fortunate experience of a steady growth in population and a steady increase in wealth and prosperity almost unparalleled. To strike a blow now at these most favorable conditions, holding out the promise of a greater progress in the future than in the past, is one of those mistakes which are worse than crimes, and in the face of all the evidence that proclaims its folly is the very rashness and recklessness of a blind and heedless fanaticism.

With regard to the dual propositions of the submission bill, the presentation of the question to the people in that form is perhaps preferable to the submission of a single prohibitory amendment. It is a reasonable view that had the prohibition advocates carried their submission as they desired, and their proposition should be defeated by the people, the agitation would be renewed at once.

The submission of the two propositions together will give the people an opportunity to determine which principle—prohibition or high license—they will permanently embody in the fundamental law, and there ought to be some advantage to the cause of high license in this. The two policies must be discussed side by side, and in such a controversy the supporters of high license should have little to fear if they are active and earnest.

THE WEST IN THE TREASURY. It is not from a sectional spirit, as that is ordinarily understood, that the west desires to be represented in the head of the national treasury under the next administration. The people of the west have no reactionary financial theories or policy which they wish to promote through a representative of this section in control of the fiscal affairs of the nation.

Practical John Sherman. Senator Sherman has no more romance in him than a rail fence. Just as we are getting ready to turn loose on Germany the Ohio senator arises with an Everts frugality and informs the country that there will be no fight and that the Klein suits and figure in the row. Has Senator Sherman any antipathy toward Mr. Klein because he hails from Chicago?

A Trifle Too Broad. A Plumber announced in the Omaha police court the other day that all reporters are liars. This plumber was undoubtedly sulky and mad at old Horses, or he would never have made such an unqualified statement as "all reporters are liars."

Will Make It Interesting. When Blaine is secretary of state here, Herbert Bismarck chancellor in Germany, Crispien controlling Italy, and Boulanger minister of war in France, there should be plenty of news for everybody who likes news.

THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1913.

It is obvious that under a political system like ours so extreme a change as the radical reformers would effect at once is out of the question. Civil service reform has been on trial for more than twelve years, and yet it is undoubtedly true that not more than half the people of the country are absolutely in favor of it.

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STATE AND TERRITORY.

of filtered rays of a most deliriant opinion. It is worse than drink—it is consummate rot. Very nearly the first province of the amateur seer to be a fulmination on the part of a newspaper.

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DEFENSE OF GOVERNOR BUTLER.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 3.—To the Editor of THE BEE: After examining the bill now pending before the committee on claims of the house, for the relief of ex-Governor David Butler, I have concluded that it should amend.

I was in Lincoln at the time the alleged high crimes and misdemeanors with which the governor was charged occurred, and am somewhat familiar with the facts, all the details of which, after so long a time, I cannot now recall.

The conduct of the governor after the impeachment should be sufficient to convince any man of his honesty and integrity, and a violation of law intended. After the senate, sitting as a high court of impeachment, had found the governor guilty of high crime, he was deprived of his office, without any suit or force he paid every cent to the state that was due, and holds a quiescent for the same.

Now if there seems to be a growing disposition on the part of the average business man to agitate anything like a reform, it is not the reporter, it is the public. It may be traced unerringly to the causes set forth above. It is within the record of the fact that the reporter is a man of high character.

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OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC IN NOTED PERSONS. And it is only the views of important men on important subjects which are worth reporting.

AN OBITUARY ITEM. Although this was the 19th funeral we have officiated at alone, says the Nevada Enterprise, besides more than fifty in company with others, we think it is the largest funeral ever held in Reno.

YOUNG LADIES SETTLE AN ELECTION BET. A presidential election wager has just been settled by three pretty and plucky young ladies of North Billerica, Mass., who have bet on the election of Woodrow Wilson.

THE MOST SEVERE COLD WILL SOON YIELD TO Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It does not suppress a cold but loosens and relieves it.

TO-MORROW'S ELECTION.

What is to Be Voted Upon and Where It is to Be Done. To-morrow has been set aside for the holding of a special election, at which the people will be called upon to vote upon the following propositions:

Shall a city hall for this city be erected to cost not to exceed \$500,000. Shall the proposed hall be located on the site known as Jefferson square or on lots 5 and 6 in block 110, the site at the corner of Eleventh and Farnam streets, originally selected, and on which the foundation of the proposed hall now stands.

Shall bonds of this city in the sum of \$300,000, to become due in twenty years, and bear interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, be used for any other purpose than for defraying the cost of construction of the proposed hall, be issued.

Shall \$75,000 in bonds be issued to pay for paving the thoroughfares, including the intersections of streets and alleys, to run not more than twenty years.

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