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THE SPRING TRADE OUTLOOK. The merchants of Omaha report a very perceptible increase in the trade of the past week, and while the movement of merchandise was hardly what was expected during January and February...

It is well known that he suffered from the exertion. Just as a president is to be inaugurated is an opportune time to suggest the abandonment of a practice which is both tyrannical and senseless. Why should the president and his wife be condemned to grasp the hand of every person who goes to the white house during a period of four years...

Reform in Montana. Now that Montana is about to become a state, it is pleasant to see a spirit of reform pervading that estimable community. Its legislature has just declared that chuck-and-duck, monte, stud poker and keno must be driven out, and that the only gambling games which shall hereafter be considered legal are faro and draw poker...

VOICE OF THE STATE PRESS. Although Badly Disfigured. Paul Vandervoort is said to be an applicant for chief of the railway mail service under the new administration. This old blip is eternally in the ring after some soft snap...

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL. All roads now lead to Washington. Political pilgrims from the state to the Rockies to the Potomac. A blind man could feel his way to the national Mecca...

Sworn Statement of Circulation. State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, J. S. Tschuck, Secretary of the Bee Publishing Company, does hereby swear that the actual circulation of the DAILY BEE for the week ending March 2, 1890, was as follows...

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While it cannot be said that the present year opened with a wholly promising outlook for a repetition of the satisfactory experience of the two preceding years, the surface indications are clearly for a very prosperous year. An anomaly in the situation is the fact that money has been so easy during the past sixty days and collections so poor and failures so numerous...

What It Is to Be. Dr. Horace Porter, in the Open Court, asks: "What makes people lie?" and says in answer: "In looking at the subjective face of mendacity we find at once a retrograde metamorphosis of the victim's hemispherical ganglia. The victim, however, supposed the case pretty bad, but he did not know before that the democratic 'hemispherical ganglia' was involved. It was a sad case."

When Found Make a Note On't. Counsel Elliott F. Shepard has sent some beautiful flowers to the wife of the president-elect. His well-known fondness for bible texts doubtless prompted him to send along with them the bit of scripture found in Isaiah, xviii. 5.

Howells Journal: Ex-Senator Van Wyck is said to stand a very good chance of securing reelection on the interstate commerce commission. If the president-elect should see fit to appoint Van Wyck to this important position, he would please the independent wing of the republican party in the west, as well as the public in general.

Nebraska's Modesty. St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Nebraska is becoming modest. Patrick Egan, of Lincoln, the president of the land league, appears as a petitioner for the mission to Mexico; Charles Mann, another citizen of Lincoln, has been named as a member of the committee of Ord and H. P. Maiden, of Valley county, are applicants respectively for the consularships at Chemnitz and Birmingham; George H. Wells, of Schuyler, closes the list with an application for the second auditorship.

There are times in men's lives when patience ceases to be a virtue. The season is ripe for the judges of the district court to set aside temporarily their dignity and self-respect and take to the streets of the city. A quart of the leather, vigorously applied, would have a beneficial effect. The public would certainly applaud a well-directed effort to suppress a nuisance.

OMAHA is allowing monopoly to bind it with wire. PIROTT was so thoroughly like Judas that he carried the imitation to the limit. THE hardest struggle in Mr. Cleveland's life has come at last. He is forced to part from his veto.

THE RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE. In the current number of Scribner's Magazine ex-Postmaster General James makes a plea for the divorcement of the railway mail service from politics. No man in the country is better informed regarding the character of this service and its requirements than Mr. James, and his opinion that it would be improved by freeing it wholly from politics, is entitled to thoughtful consideration.

He Was Used to It. The natural gas wells of Pittsburg could not have astonished General Harrison very much when he went through the city. The visiting delegations that were calling on him for weeks have made him familiar with the product.

It Sometimes Happens. Minneapolis Tribune: A Chicago newspaper announces that a Nebraska sheriff was surprised to find one of his prisoners hanging to a tree. The editor must be a new man in this country. No Nebraska sheriff is ever surprised at a little thing like that. The Nebraska jail-door is often found on a tree than in jail. It doesn't cost anything to feed a dead man.

MAKE YOUR MONEY. Rochester Post Express: It is the noble Kentuckian who never misses the water when the well runs dry. There is a lesson in the German language. No relation to Herr Most, for cider will work if not prevented.

BUZZINGS. "I notice that The Bee has been favoring the valued policy bill now before the legislature," said a heavy property owner to The Bee yesterday. "I am in full sympathy with the position taken on that question. It is a very simple matter to correct the abuse which now exist in the matter of insuring property. In my opinion the blame is not to be attached wholly to the companies, but in part to the advice of the average insurance solicitor who looks only to the commission on the face of the policy. If insurance companies were compelled by law to pay the face value of their policies they would require their solicitors to know before writing a policy just what was intended to be insured."

There is a man in Omaha who is immensely wealthy. He has lived here for twenty-eight years. His money is inherited partly from an uncle and partly from a real estate covered with old buildings whose rentals sustain him and pay the taxes of the unimproved realty. A man of less public spirit was never born. This man sat in a wholesale grocery house the other day and descended upon the advantages and disadvantages of Omaha. He arranged the Union Pacific route for his first flight with the city of Omaha in the matter of depot facilities, and he brandished a club in the face of the B. & M. railroad for the same reason. He said that they had treated the city of Omaha outrageously. One of the traveling men of the firm, who had listened quietly to the gentleman's harangue, spoke up and said that he had a great deal to say to a question he went on to say that the apert rivalry and petty jealousies which were being developed in the contest among the architects on the city hall plans were enough to disgust any high-minded man, and he added that he had a grand opportunity to compete under any consideration. He went up his spirit of denunciation with this significant question: "I wonder if the city council will require each competing architect to swear that his plans were made in his office without the aid or direction of castors' architects?"

LOCK a rabbit in a cage with a hound, and watch its struggles to escape certain death. Great sport, this! Better than a bull fight or even a terrier in a rat pit. THE self destruction of Richard Pigott, the principal character in the Parnell case, closes the last act in the most remarkable drama that has taken place on the stage of contemporaneous politics.

ART IN UTILITY. The interesting paper on "The inconsistencies of Modern Decorative Art," read before the Art Association of our city presents the subject of art in a light not often considered. In a general way, art is looked upon as a luxury, to be enjoyed only by the rich. It is not associated as it should be with the objects of common use, with one's dress, with one's house, with one's furniture, carpets, wall paper and even with the pots and pans, the cups and saucers of the pantry. With too many people a sharp line is drawn between utility and art. They fail to grasp the fact that any familiar article may combine usefulness with beauty. The tendency is to subordinate everything to utility. The beautiful is lost sight of and the sense of the aesthetic is blunted. This is manifestly a false conception. That article possesses the highest utility which not alone is the most serviceable for the purposes intended but combines beauty of workmanship or design. It is a mistake, therefore, to seat art among the clouds and to look upon it as something simply to be admired. Art should be brought down to the daily life and should be associated with the articles of every day use. The Greeks thoroughly understood this principle and engraved the beautiful into the commonest utensils of their household as well as in their statues, their pictures and their temples.

Carried the Proofs with Him. Two ex-confederate soldiers who applied for an allowance under the maimed-soldier act, yesterday, says the Atlanta Constitution, showed strong proof that they were badly hurt during the war. About 2 o'clock Mr. Lucius Maxwell walked in and taking from his pocket an old confederate passport slowly unfolded it and laid before Colonel J. H. Henson, six pieces of his skull. Mr. Maxwell was a member of the Forty-second Georgia regiment and received a terrible wound in the head in one of the battles around Atlanta in July, 1864. About 4 o'clock Mr. Joseph Riden came in and took from his pocketbook a piece of his own skull, which he had preserved all these years. Mr. Riden was a member of the Thirty-fourth Georgia regiment, and was shot in the top of the head at the battle of Jonesboro. To this day these unfortunate veterans still suffer from the effects of their dangerous wounds, and have never been able to do steady work since they were received. It is hardly necessary to add that the applications for both were promptly allowed.

Sued for Getting Married. The personal and real estate property of Leonard Robbins, of Harwich, Mass., was recently attached for \$25,000 on an action of contract by Caleb N. Allen. Some time ago Allen petitioned the proper authorities to have Robbins placed under guardianship. At a subsequent hearing before Judge Harrison of the probate court the case was continued, after which Robbins was induced to sign a bond for \$300,000 in which he agreed never to marry. He afterward consented to have a guardian appointed, provided he would be allowed to select him, which he was permitted to do, and George H. Snow, of Harwich, cashier of the First National bank, was appointed. Soon after a commission was duly selected to make an examination into the mental condition of Robbins. He was adjudged fully competent to conduct his own business, and upon this Mr. Snow resigned his position and the guardianship was abolished. At that time he was married and the action is brought on account of his wedding.

AIDS TO DIGESTION. Life: Don't be angry when the photographer tells you to grin and bear it. Puck: A great many girls say "no" at first; but like the photographer, they know how to retouch their negatives. Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph: The largest sums paid for short literary work in recent times are those expended by the London Times for the Parnell letters.

Still a Widow. Philadelphia Record: Two ladies from the west happened to scrape an acquaintance while waiting for connecting trains at the Grand street station yesterday. "How long has your husband been dead?" asked one. "About a year," was the reply. "And you are still a widow?" Yes. "His estate ain't settled yet."

Men may come and men may go, but Susan B. Anthony. The compositor respectfully declines to set up the remainder of this paragraph.

CONSTITUTION has seized Iowa. The railroads under their latest schedule of rates made no provisions for the transportation of whisky, beer, wine or any other kind of liquor. The railroad commissioners overlooked the omission. Not so the good people of Iowa who have been searching the schedule in vain for the low rate they expected would be made on their favorite brands.

FOUR years ago the central figure in the inaugural procession was Governor Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, who was mounted on a gray horse and clad in a general's uniform of cadet gray. Thus the confederacy was typified, and the nephew of the military leader of the confederacy was the cynosure of all eyes, and was enthusiastically greeted by admiring democrats all along the line of march. In to-morrow's procession, so it is announced, a prominent figure will be Governor Foraker, of Ohio, who will be mounted on a black horse and wear the uniform of a union general. Ohio's governor is a man of fine appearance, sits a horse splendidly, has a martial bearing, is famed for courage in war and in peace, and is in all respects the peer of Virginia's governor. If the programme as stated is carried out, undoubtedly the enthusiasm that will greet Foraker will quite equal, if it does not far surpass, that which was extended to Lee, and which was more in honor of his uncle than himself. It promises to be one of the distinctive features of to-morrow's great event.

We elsewhere print a history of the county seat wars in Kansas, which will be found very interesting. That state has been peculiarly distinguished for these conflicts, some of which have been of a quite desperate and serious character. Within a year there have been no fewer than fourteen of these wars, all resulting from the same cause, and our correspondent states that there are now six contests in progress. It is estimated that in the last four years this county seat conflicts have cost the state a million dollars, and of course this is not their only ill result. It is a serious reflection on the state administration that this sort of thing has been allowed to continue to such an extent, but the legislature appears to have finally concluded that something must be done, and a bill has passed the upper branch of that body authorizing the governor to designate the county seat of newly organized counties, the place so designated to remain the county seat for a term of not less than five

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