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DYNAMITE promises to prove a more effective demolisher of trusts than all the anti-trust laws in the statute books.

The lot of the speculative county treasurer will not be a happy one after Senator Keiper's inquisitorial bill becomes a law.

It is painfully evident that the big tree of Illinois declined to embrace the Dakota reciprocity scheme.

The advance in the price of champagne will not reach Lincoln in time to diminish the flow of reciprocity which the Galveston oyster feast promises to evoke.

The rush to the ceded government lands in Indian territory has begun.

The vital statistics compiled by the city physician, establish the superiority of Omaha as a health resort.

There is altogether too much attention paid to the ornamental features of education, and too little to the practical.

The advance in Granger railroad shares, coupled with improved speculative activity, dissipates the gloomy predictions of railroad managers.

"No work no pay" is a good principle to apply to all departments of the city government.

MAVOLE CUSHING delights in surprises. His choice of the new member of the board of public works can only be explained on that ground.

SINCE the Cleveland street scandals nothing has so agitated the moral veneer of the English royalty as the discovery of the heir apparent in the role of gambler.

SECRETARY BLAINE'S friends are pushing him for the vacant United States judgeship in New Hampshire.

FOLLOWING the timely example of the Nebraska senate, the Kansas upper house proclaims its opposition to revolutionary or visionary laws.

It ought not to be necessary for the house to discuss at any great length the bill forbidding railroads to bribe legislators with passes.

By a majority of 75 the Tories defeated the motion to censure the Irish executive for the brutal conduct of subordinates at the opening of the Tipperary trials.

QUESTIONS OF TAXATION.

The lower house of the legislature engaged in an animated debate two successive days on the bill which proposes that "unimproved land lying adjacent to and adjoining improved lands shall be assessed at the same value as improved land."

As the bill now stands it presents a curious theory of taxation. It makes no distinction between city and farm property, and would assess the ground on which the finest building in Omaha stands at the same value as the vacant lot adjoining it, or the unimproved addition in the suburbs.

This would be a great advantage to the owners of expensive business blocks and palatial homes, but it would be a singular measure of injustice to the man who owns a little home in the suburbs, and to individuals or companies who have planted outside property.

It is design is to compel the large tracts of wild land held by railroads and speculators to pay the same rate of taxation as that assessed upon improved farms.

But even in that view of the case the bill would appear to proceed on the wrong principle. If it is not right to tax a citizen for his improvements, is it any more right to tax a land owner for improvements which he has not made?

House roll 97, however, represents a remedy that, in its present shape, would be worse than the disease.

A CITY'S RAILROAD EXPERIMENT.

The city of Toronto has undertaken an unique railroad experiment. It has released its street railways and will shortly begin to run them on its own account.

This has been done as the result of an agitation against a palpable injustice. The employees of the road were being worked sixteen hours a day for small pay.

Unfortunately the Toronto incident, even if it should realize all that is hoped for, will throw no light on the railroad problems in this country.

The difficulties that surround our railroad problem are of a peculiar and dubious sort.

REWARDING EFFICIENCY.

Postmaster General Wanamaker has introduced a plan for promoting efficiency in the railway mail service which promises to have excellent results.

It is a commendable idea, and the result was very marked upon the service. The postmaster general in announcing the awards said that the continuous improvement made in the work and character of the railway mail service during the past two years was very gratifying.

that they are desirable employees to retain in the service.

There is every reason to expect that the good effects of this plan of rewarding efficiency will continue to be shown, but perhaps a better way to promote efficiency would be to increase the pay of clerks in the railway mail service.

These labor demands quick eyes, quick hands and quick judgment, their hours of duty are long, their tasks are responsible, and their personal risks to life and to health, traveling as they do night and day upon the swiftest trains and in every sort of weather, are very great.

WHO IS THE PERCHER? The brack of bootleggers who run a blackmailing sheet at the state capital are trying to throw dust into the eyes of the toilers to whom they profess to be attached just now with a selfish devotion by loud and abusive denunciations.

THE TROUBLE WITH OUR SCHOOLS. There has been altogether too much favoritism both as to teachers and pupils in our public schools.

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THE DEAD GENERAL.

New York Herald: Death has bestowed upon him a double immortality. He will live forever in the "many names" of his hands, and live forever in the hearts of a grateful people.

Chicago News: The tears and acclaim of a reunited people follow General Sherman as obediently and fearlessly he has marched out unattended into the unknown country.

Washington Post: In the estimation of not a few authoritative critics, General Sherman was more prominent in the eyes of the north during the civil war than any other except that of Grant.

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COMMON SENSE MONEY.

PHOENIX, Neb., Feb. 15.—To the Editor of THE BEE: The present great financial question is: How can our government largely increase our money volume and not lay any heavier tax burden on the nation or unwise values?

There is a simple and perfect way; although the variety of methods proposed, some of them contradictory, would seem to indicate that the matter is difficult. The question is simple. It is briefly this: Let our government buy silver on time and pay for it in money coined from it and in silver certificates based dollar for dollar on the bullion in reserve.

DETROIT Free Press: The death of General Sherman revives from our mind a figure which was more prominent in the eyes of the north during the civil war than any other except that of Grant.

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BLEW OUT THE GAS.

ELBERT MILLIKAN Asphyxiated at the Ferris Hotel. The deadly gas has got in its work again and called another victim to the shroud.

Monday evening a young man, twenty-four years of age, went to the Ferris hotel, at Ninth and Farnam streets, and registered as Elbert Millikan.

Everything was on the hum drum order in the district court yesterday. The case of Ryan & Welch promises to occupy some ten days more time, and be productive of only a rehashing of the record of details.

MY MOTHER-IN-LAW. New York Herald. She is coming, she is coming, unhappy is my time, she and my wife's room were never known to wait.

Time, she and my wife's room were never known to wait. She is coming like a martinet, domestic peace must fly.

With all the tender graces that are absent when she's sigh. She will wash and scold the children and boss the servant girl.

Rin-saw my lamblike temper and set my nerves a-whirl: Talk volumes on economy, but all the time declare.

My wife's allowance is not half as much as I should spare. A perfect fool at bargaining, she'll sally out to buy.

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