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TOPEKA elected a resubmissionist mayor. Topeka has hitherto been the pride of prohibitionists.

GOLD has been discovered in the Cherokee strip. Now nothing can preserve it from the white man.

THERE is something significant in the fact that a very large proportion of the brimstone used in this country comes from Sicily where the Mafia originated.

THE regularity with which the cable announces that one European nation or another is massing troops on the frontier is really tiresome. It is time to form them into hollow squares or execute some other military maneuver.

SIGNOR CRISPI is not the Italian premier, but he makes life more or less miserable for the man who enjoys that distinction. He is largely responsible for the great game of bluff Premier Rudini appears to be playing.

AN Iowa judge decides that freight originating in Iowa and destined for an Iowa point, but which passes through a portion of another state, is interstate traffic. In the eyes of that judge a technicality is far superior to either a precedent or a principle.

THE EXTRA SESSION. The constitution makes it the duty of every legislature elected after a national or state census has been taken to make an apportionment of the members of the two houses on the basis of the census enumeration. The last apportionment was made in 1887 on the basis of the state census of 1885. It was the imperative duty of the present legislature to reapportion the state into legislative districts upon the basis of the national census of 1890. The constitution not only commands the legislature that convenes after the taking of a census to make such an apportionment, but it expressly pro-

that reason.

governor's action.

spring elections.

REPUBLICAN VITALITY.

The New York Sun, reviewing the re-

hibits any other legislature from doing In defiance of this mandate the legis-

lature adjourned without discharging the duty devolving upon it, and which cannot be delegated to any of its sucaction. cessors. This action on the part of the legislature makes it incumbent upon the governor to reconvene the legislature by proclamation so that it may complete the work which the constitution has imposed upon it.

It would be a dangerous precedent to leave the state for the next five years without a reapportionment of its legislative representation. If the state is permitted in defiance of constitutional provisions to retain its distribution of representatives on the old census of 1885. what is to hinder the legislature that will convene after the census of 1895 shall have been taken and published from ignoring the constitution and leaving the state to its present representation for five years thereafter?

The fact that Douglas and Lancaster counties have outgrown some of the ults of the recent spring elections, finds ounties in the southwestern and central in them several facts not encouraging to portions of the state affords no valid exthe democratic party. One of these is cuse for retaining the old apportionthat "the republicans have shown a ment. But Douglas and Lancaster counmarked and surprising vitality in the great cities." It finds that in localities ties are not the only counties affected. Within the past five years more than a where the democrats have heretofore dozen new counties have been organized. been able to appeal with greater force and These counties should be given their confidence to the voters, and the demodue share of representation. The phecratic majority has steadily expanded, nomenal growth of several counties there are now many indications of in the north and northwest should renewed republican vitality and a correalso be given due recognition by insponding weakening of democratic lines, creased representation. To deny them and it suggests to democrats who prefer this privilege is as indefensible as to deny to do their studying of election figures Douglas and Lancaster counties their in April and not in December, that they due share of representation.

Coupled with the absolute necessity of legislative apportionment comes the failure of the legislature to pass any bill for the abolition of the railway pass system and reasonable reduction of freight tolls, at least on staple articles, and the omission of rebate provisions from several of the most important bills that were already pointed out that the more impassed hurriedly during the last hours of the session.

The duty of the governor, under the ans, showing as they do that the course circumstances, is clear. He has no alternative but to convene the legislature. The responsibility for the expense of the therefore temporary, reactions which extra session must rest with the logislature.

IS ITALY BLUFFING?

why this should be the case may not be If there is any authenticity in the realtogether obvious, but such has been port that comes from Rome that the the almost unvarying experience, Italian government has fixed a limit Last year's reaction was rather upon the time within which the governmore extreme than usual, ment of the United States must reply to haps quite unprecedented in extent, the last dispatch of the former in order but it does not necessarily follow from to avert the adoption of extreme measthis that its effect will be more proures, the conclusion must be that Italy longed than that of like, though less has determined to provoke hostilities or is playing a very bold game of bluff. general, reactions which preceded it. In fact it is already apparent that the check baggage to points on its lines. he demand that Secretary Blaine should respond to the communication of the Italian, premier on or before a with the sober second thought rapidly specified date would be a most extraorreturning to a sensible view of the situadinary proceeding and one very likely to be resented by any self-respecting Those people who leaped to the congovernment. There is no established or clusion after the elections of last fall recognized rule as to the time which one that the republican party was about at government may take in replying to the the end of its career will find most condiptomatic communications of another. vincing reasons for changing their opin-Courtesy requires that such correspondion if they will follow the advice of the ence shall receive as prompt attention Sun and make a careful scrutiny of the and acknowledgment as practicable, but returns of the spring elections. They it is the privilege of every government will find in the results ample evidence of to determine the time necessary to be republican vitality and vigor, and a resoccupied in order to make toration of popular confidence in the proper presentation of its case, party, in localities where it was hardly and it would be more than an to have been expected, that is most promimpertinence, it would be an insult, for ising for the future. There is good reaone government to dictate to another in son to believe that with thorough organthis matter. To make such a demand ization and judicious management every would clearly imply a hostile intent, state classed as republican in which an it would be distinctly in the nature of a election is to be held this year can be threat, and no government having a care carried by the republicans, and if that for its standing before the world and is done the way will be pretty clear to able to defend itself, would fail to prethe success of that party in the presisent such a demand. It is inevitable, dential election of next year. therefore, that the Italian government can have presented an ultimatum as the dispatch from Rome affirms, except upon TICKET COMMISSIONS. The greatest leak in the passenger the hypothesis that it desires war or believes that such a course will business of railway companies is that of coerce the United States government, commissions on coupon tickets. It has not well prepared for such a conflict as disrupted more pools and disturbed the would have to be carried on with Italy, comfort of more railroad presidents than into some sort of terms satisfactory to any other sort of competition. the Italian government. All railway officials recognize the evil and most of them have made more or It has been reported from Washington for several days that Secretary Blaine less effort to contribute to its correction. The presidents of the companies had prepared his answer to Premier planted their protest time and again Rudini, but there is no official information to this effect. Undoubtedly the presand have imperatively orlered its ident and secretary of state fully apprediscontinuance. Still the leak is not ciate the importance of giving this mat stopped. ter as prompt attention as possible, and Recently the agitation of the subject besides, it is not the habit of the govhas attracted wide attention in railway ernment, or at least has not been under circles. At the last session of congress this administration, to neglect diploa futile attempt was made to incorpormatic issues, whether pressing or not. It ate a prohibition of commission paying is not to be presumed, therefore, that in the interstate commerce law. The the grave question raised by the Italian ticket sellers of the country rose in their might against legislation which should government has failed to receive the consideration which its supreme importcut off their perquisites, and the interstate commerce bill escaped the amendance calls for, and if the delay in answering the last communication of Rudini ment. The public generally may not be has been greater than seems to the Italian government to be warrantable, it is familiar with the system. not to be doubted that there are valid is a subsidy paid to coupon ticket reasons for it. At any rate it can be agents by connecting lines for confidently asserted that our governpassenger business. Some times ment would not hesitate to resent as a a uniform rate is made by competing most serious affront dictation from the railways, but more generally each prom-Italian government as to the time inent local ticket agent has a private within which an answer should be given understanding whereby he pockets more to its diplomatic communications. than the pool rate per ticket. Some roads more thrifty than others pay com-WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH RAGAN? missions on tickets to all points, others When democrats fall out republicans pay only to competitive stations. In are always interested spectators of any one way or another, however, the smart muss they kick up. ticket agent manages to make some-John M. Ragan is a pale-haired demothing out of every passenger whom he eratic warhorse at Hastings. Not many tickets to a point beyond his own line. The years ago he was the attorney of the St. traveling passenger agent who cannot Joseph & Grand Island railway and so capture the ticket sellers of his district far as THE BEE knows continues to serve is not satisfactory to the management. in that capacity. Nobody has ever sus-The general passenger agent and pected Ragan of being anything better all his subordinates are in favor of libthan a democrat and a railroad attorney. eral subsidies to the men who control He has never figured conspicuously as a the, passenger traffic of the country, hoped for in Omaha. It is greatly

reformer. Of course he took his medihence the difficulty to secure and maintain a prohibitory agreement. cine last fall and swallowed McKeighan, but he is a democrat and a democrat

Some years ago this reform was undertakes poison if it will win the office. taken with the Pennsylvania company Hon. N. V. Harlan, with a life-long as the foremost enampion. At a secret record as an anti-monopolist and opmeeting in Chicago an agreement was ponent of railroad domination in polimade to abolish all commissions. Every tics, was defeated. Ragan helped to depassenger man in attendance agreement feat him, though he knew the railroads under pressure of his superiors to thearwere for his opponent, and perhaps for rangement and all promised to sign the

compact. All the general passen-Now comes this fresh champion of the ger agents complied with the agreement except one. He escaped rights of the common people, and inconjunction with a gentleman not so to his office and allowed the information well known, by the name of Lannine, to go to the country that his line was the mails a blank address to the democrats only western road which failed to bind of the state denouncing the democratic itself not to pay commissions. As a congovernor for signing the Newberry bill, sequence the through passenger business and calling for a meeting of democrats of this line enjoyed abnormal prosperity. at Hasting May 1 to emphasize the in-Competing lines were forced to "cap" his dignation of Ragan at the governor's rates and within 10 days after the Chi-

cago meeting the commissions reached A copy of the letter, bearing date of 331 per cent of the amount received for April 4, with blanks for signatures of certain classes of tickets.

two or more persons, fell into the hands This is merely an instance showof J. S. Lehew, chairman, and E. C. ing the strength of the sys-Balleu, a member of the state demotem and the power of the coupon ticket agent. Some ticket agencies cratic committee. These two gentlemen in those days were worth \$25,000 a year give the scheme publicity and expose the effort of the Hastings gentlemen to and in a few instances even more. A stir up strife in the ranks of their party, union ticket office like the transfer depot has in days gone by been rated at

while at the same time they endorse the about \$10,000 per annum. Immenso What can be the matter with Ragan? sums of money are annually paid out by Was there a judge to be appointed by railways in securing through passenger business. The presidents of the comthe governor in whom Mr. Ragan desired a proprietary interest? Or is Mr. panies have winked at violations of Ragan merèly a gosling demagogue, solemn written obligations to disconwhose pin feathers have not been started?

tinue the practice and an enterprising passenger agent who could not discount his competitor in offering subsidies saw the business leave him.

Another feature of the commission evil was the partnership entered into between the passenger departments and scalpers. A scalper is the embodiment of all that is evil minded to the railway

official who has nothing to do with passenger business, and the unsophisticated railway clerk goows into the full stature of a well paid general officer with the holiest of all horrors for a man who will buy and sell unused portions of through tickets. In spite of this very pronounced theory, the scalper is sought by the passenger agent and given the steaight commission

and often a do lar or so more to enable have much to learn from a careful him to undersell the company's own scrutiny of the returns of the recent agent in some instances and to compete

with the regular agent at foreign sta-The Sun's conclusions are correct, and tions. The ticket agent also takes him bearing in mind its unquestionable sointo his confidence and divides his comlicitude for the future success of the demomission with the scalper. Between the cratic party, its candor in statiag its contwo and the public the cut rate ticket clusions is commondable. THE BEE has office is a bonanza which makes the scalper a wealthy nabob sooner or

portant results of the spring elections are altogether encouraging to republic-. The present situation is interestng. The castern offices of nearly all the roads have undertaken the task of the elections last November was merely one of those spasmodic, and which general managers and traffic men have utter y failed to accomplish. They have again resorted to the boycott on have not been uncommon in our political history, and are to be expected in the commission paying roads. That is, they second year of an administration. Just notified the three recalcitrant corporations that their coupon tickets would be taken off sale if they further refused to come into the fold. One of the three dared not face this prospect of a per though still holding its ground, will probably give up the fight. The third is defiant, and 61 railways have salemnly refused to ticket passengers or

needed. The triangle on St. Mary's avenue is the place for it. Let the city make the improvements projected in that vicinity and utilize the tract indicated for market purposes. THE office of city prosecutor is one of

importance to the city and should be filled by the appointment of a gentleman, not a ward bummer; a lawyer, not a pettifogger; a man who will prosecute Move on Foot to Allow Saloons to offenders with vigor and ability.

A JANITOR of one of the schools of the city puts in a bill of \$2.25 for a gallon of whisky used in thawing out the steam pipes of his building. They must have

colon at least. THE tariff on garbage dipped in the Missouri river, for the benefit of a conscienceless ward striker and professional lobbyist is one dollar per cart load.

been frozen from the epiglottis to the

A GABBAGE crematory or dessicating factory is imperatively needed here and will soon have to be established for sanitary reasons.

One Born Every Minute.

We have been asked if in the water which flows in Wall street there are any fish ! There are -suckers, chieffy.

Wait for Me.

Do you suppose that the late Mr. Barnum had displayed upon the pearly gates of the celestial city the old familiar legend, "Wait for me, I am coming." Reciprocity Needed.

New York World,

Detective O'Malley solemnly declares that e did not bribe the New Orleans jury, and the jurymen do not understand the first principles of reciprocity if they fail to confirm his statement.

to the top of the dome of the state capitol building and dropped him to the pavement below. There was no "dull thud." It was simply a "sqush." The pavement is awful

three weddings, stayed to dinner in each case. walked twenty-five miles, and preached two ermons-all on Easter Sunday. This teaches the New York World that under the stimulus of a few square meals a country minister is a

The hardest blow Governor Hill has yet sustained was struck by a South Carolina editor the other day, who printed his portrait as a "before using" cut in a hair restorer ad vertisement. This is not dignified. If it had appeared as the portrait of a +\$3 shoe man it would not have been so bad, but to twist a man on his capillary shortcomings is not

The Burglar Said It.

One night recently the wife of a Congregational minister at Manchester, Eng., awoke and asked her husband : "What is the time?" The answer came: "Three o'clock." The purse and jewelry left on her dressing table had disappeared. Also many other valuables. The clergyman said: "Well, 1 slept like a log all night." "Didn't you teil me it was 3 o'clock?" "Not I; it was the bur-

GRIEF CAUSED HER DEATH. The Troubles of Attorney Zink's Wife Ended at Last. STATE UNIVERSITY'S NEW PROFESSORS.

Keep Open Until Midnight-Street Railway Improvements-Odds and Ends.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 12 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The last sad chapter in the troubles of Mrs. H. W. Zink ended with her death early this morning. She was a very attractive but delicate woman of about thirty, and it is reported had become insane through the actions of her husband, Attorney Zink. He is now in jail waiting trial on the charge of embezzlement. According to reports the arrest of her husband is a very small part of her trouble, as Zink had so mortgaged all of the household effects that she has been brought in constant contact with ruthless money grabbers, and their heartless and abusive treatment, added to the arrest of her husband on a criminal charge, drove her to insanity. Whether Zink had intended to desert his wife or not is not known, but during his incarceration in the county jail he has utterly ignored her, and has put in his time writing spoony letters to depraved females whose head-

quarters are on the bottoms. An aggrevating feature of the case is that Mrs. Zink was soon to become a mother. CRACKED A SAFE.

Sometime last night thieves effected an entrance into Brockelmeyer's saloon on the corner of Tenth and N streets and blew open the safe. They secured \$75 and a revolver as booty. These belonged to Mr. Brockeimeyer. The burglars overlooked a large roll of money wrapped up in a newspaper which belonged to the Eden Musee.

THE SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE. There is practically nothing new in the strike situation. A conference was held be-tween Third Vice Grand Master Newman tween Third Vice Grand States, Saturday and the trainmen at Bohanan's hall Saturday attaction but the meeting was secret. All afternoon, but the meeting was secret. All that could be learned of the proceedings was that the trainmen decided to send for Grand Master Wilkinson before any definite action was taken. The trainmen who attended the conference studiously rofused to divulge any-thing except that nothing had yet been de-cided upon. Mr. Clark, the head of the con-ductors' brotherhood, is expected in Lincoin

at an early day, VANT SALOONS OPEN AFTER THEATER HOURS. It is currently rumored that a petition is

eing circulated for presentation to the new excise board asking that suloon keep-ers be permitted to keep their saloons open from 5 o'clock in the morning until midnight. The petition is said to contain the names of nearly all the saloon keepers as well as a number of business men, ind its promoters are confident that it will be favorably considered by the board. Under e present regulations the saloons are closed at 10:30. The saloon men claim that by obey ng this regulation they lose the patronage of hose who attend the theaters and other places of amusement. A remonstrance will be presented against granting the privilege.

STREET BAILWAY IMPROVEMENTS. A deal has been made between the Lincoln treet railway company and the Lincoln city electric company whereby the latter secures possession of the tracks on N street between Eleventh and Fourteenth, Workmen were engaged on N street vesterday laying a double track from Eleventh to Elighteenth street. The electric railway has also pur-chased the right of way on P street from the Burlington depot to Ninth street and cars

will be run over that line as soon as the N street track is built west to Ninth street and and north to a connection, with, the line at Ninth and P. The electric company has perfected its plans for the extension of the Fourteenth street line from its present terminus at the

South street barns to the penitentiary. The line will probably be finished by August 1. THE NEW UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS.

the action of the recents two new ors have been appointed to chairs in the university. They are Prof. Charles L. Ingersoli to the chair of agriculture and Prof. Frederick W. Taylor as adjunct professor of horticulture. Prof. Ingersol now president of the Colorado agricult ultural college. He is a graduate of the Michigan agricultural college and was regarded as a very strong man while yet a student. After his graduation he was assistant agriculturist of the Michigan college for several years. He afterwards accepted the chair of agriculture at Purdue university in In-diana, going from there to Colo-rado a few years ago. In electing him the regents have shown their intention of placing the department of agriculture on a firm basis. Mr. Ingersoll is a man of wide experience and was offered extra inducea public servant. ments in the way of salary in order to insure his acceptance. Prof. Taylor is a native of Nebraska. He received an academic education and entered immediately upon his life work of horticulture. He owns extensive horticultural grounds just outside of Omaha and has for ome time been president of the State Horticultural society, from which he received a strong endorsement for the position. He is not entirely unknow to the students, having telivered a couple of forestry lectures during the winter term. Mr. Taylor already has charge of the experimental sub-stations in

stock of goods to John Bonwit for \$3,425. The purchaser is a brother to Paul J. Bonwit, who was manager of the store before the seizure of the goods.

seizure of the goods. During the summer vacation the chemical laboratory at the state university will un-dergo extensive repairs, and the alterations will make it impossible for any laboratory work to be done in that building during the summer. This will be a great disappoint-ment to those that have been carrying on work during the summer months, but the work during the summer months, but the aboratories will be in much better condition at the opening of school next fail.

NEBRASKA NEWSPAPER NEWS.

The York Republican is fifteen years old. The Tecumsch Republican is eleven years

The Creighton News has been sold to a Mr. Nichols,

Editor Howard of the Schuyler Sun is also the owner of an \$15,000 hotel.

The Holdrege Progress has begun its fifth year with lots of friends and a growing sub-scription list.

Willis Caldwell has become associated with D. M. Amsberry in the publication of the Broken Bow Republican.

Editor Warner of the Homer Independent a now entitled to the title of judge. He has een appointed, a justice of the peace.

The new county of Boyd is already in the threes of a county or Boyd is already in the threes of a county seat war. The Reserva-tion News published at Mankato was moved up to Butte City one day last week under rather peculiar circumstances. The building in which the office was located was owned by a man in Butte City. He ordered the buildng vacated and upon the refusal of the shers to do so he hitched on to the building ad moved it to his own to an to the building and moved it to his own town.

George P. Marvin, editor of the Beatrice mocrat, succeeded in being elected to the city council last week. He was more fortu-nate than some of his brother editors who i shed into pelitics. Bushnell of the Lin Call was snowed under, D. P. Davis of the Columbus Telegram lacked three votes of being elected to the school board, and A. L. Bixby of the Columus Sentinel ran sixty-eight votes behind his competitor for the council.

MR. EDMUNDS' RESIGNATION.

New York Tribune: Senator Edmunds' resignation will awaken surprise and prothroughout the country. The vermont sena-tor's retirement will be a grave loss to the najority in the senate. His experience in the body extends over twenty-five years, and the body extends over twenty-five years, and he is the oldest member in continuous ser-vice. His long and honorable career, his ripe judgment and his varied experience will leave a gap that cannot be filled. Mr. Ed-munds has always been a true-hearted re-publican and a sturdy fighter for his party's principles, but he will carry into private life form the respect and esteem of friends and foes

Washington Post: Senator Edmunds of Vermont has decided to retire from public life. Intimations to this effect were current some time since, but were not generally cred-ited, partly because they lacked confirmation and largely because of the general hope and belief that the distinguished senator, except-ing for some extraordinary cause, would not surrender a position with which his state de-lighted to honor him, and which he had filled for a quarter of a century with such consist-out and consultance children. ent and conspicuous ability. Hence the announcement that his resigna-

tion is determined upon, and will become an accomplished fact on November 1 next, --will be received with unfeigned regret, not only by his own party, but by the coun-try at large, with all the more regret that considerations of ill health, his own as well as that of his daoghter, should be the im-pelling causes. Unless, therefore, some oc-casion arises for convening an extra session of congress, which is extremely improbable, the considerations of ill health, his own place in the senate that has known him so ng will know him no more. It cannot readbe filled with a man of the same high qualities of statesmanship and profound par-

Springfield Republican : Senator Edmunds'

iamentary knowledge.

resignation is an unfortunate turn not only for his party and state but, for the whole country. We had hoped that the rumor of this event promulgated a few weeks ago was without foundation, but it seems that his health is so far broken as to domand retire ment from public life for the time being at least, and Vermont will be obliged to choose another senator before next December. No public man of this generation has done more than he to give to the urper branch of the law-mr law-making body that dignity and weight in le ation which the founders of the governm legis designed that it should exercise. He has been in the highest sense a statesman, not a politician, a man of positive character and breadth of view, and not one of catchy expedients-one who in his present move fits in with Milton's portrait :--* * and in his rising seem'd A pillar of state. And the more so as so few are left behind in the senate of his stamp. Vermont will be obliged to look very far to find a successor who will give to the state the power in congress exercised through Senator Edmunds, or who will give to the country as able an expenset of the fundamental law or as usoful New York Times: The resignation by Mr. Edmunds of his seat in the senate, which was announced to the governor of Vermont yesterday, will be a matter of deep regret to the best citizens of all parties throughout the union. Mr. Edmands is by no means an old man, being but sixty-three. He has been a member of the senate for twenty-five years, and had proviously been a member of the Vermont legislature for six years, during which time he was three years speaker of the assembly and two years president of the senate. This is a very remarkable record, nearly, if not quite, unprecedented in the length of continuous service, In in the tength of continuous service. In his long experience Senator Edmunds has become one of the most eminent as well as one of the most valuable members of the senate, and he has amply justified the un-shaken confidence reposed in him by his state. If, of late years, it has been our misfortune to be forced to disagree with him on ome important matters, we have never been compelled to withhold from him the most hearty respect for his motives and admiration for his fidelity to a very high standard of in-tegrity in public life. With the personal reasons that induced him to retire from the senate now the public can have no concern, but this state cannot at once replace him and the whole country will suffer in losing him.

What a Fall Was There. The Farmers' Allian dirty.

very capable person.

Atlanta Constitutio

New York Sun

loss of business and weakened lady continued her slumbers. When she at the last minute. Another, rose at 8 o'clock she found that the watches,

Governor Boyd took young Mr. Hitchcock The 'timulus of a Meal.

A minister of Scottsburg, Ind., officiated at

David's Bald Head.

decent.

glar.

E. DICKINSON having resigned his position as general superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio lines west of the Ohio river, his friends here may naturally expect him to take charge of the operating department of the Union Pacific, though no official hint of that fact is given.

SENATOR JOHN SHERMAN visited Columbus the other day and looked in upon the legislature. The painful contrast between him and Calvin S. Brice, whom that legislature selected as his colleague. is said to have brought crimson blushes of shame to the faces of every democrat in both houses.

KING HUMBERT Is mad because American caricaturists picture him as a monkey instead of the impressario in a hand organ rendition of Italian opera. He should remember that in this country the monkey is far more popular than either the hand organ or the dago who turns the crank.

THE emperor of Germany greeted the return of his royal mother from England with a filial kiss, and now the coldblooded diplomatists of Europe declare he did it merely to emphasize his indignation toward France for the want of courtesy shown the empress on her recent visit to that country.

WHAT is the matter with J. M. Ragan, the democratic warhorse of Hastings and attorney of the St. Joseph & Grand Island railroad? Did Governor Boyd disappoint him in some appointment? If not, why should he want the democrats of the Second district to gather on May 1 at Hastings?

THE Trans-Missouri Railway Passenger association will meet in Kansas City Tuesday of this week. Among the 52 subjects of discussion is that of "harvest excursions." It is hoped the railways will perceive the importance of providing low rates for harvest excursions to Nebraska and Kansas points. The question is of vital interest to the states and to the roads.

GOVERNOR FRANCIS of Missouri is believed to be looking forward to 1892 with the expectation that he can succeed Senator Cockrell. They are both democrats dyed butternut in the wool, and republicans have little interest in the outcome, but it will be no easy matter to take Cockrell out of the senate. He is a stronger man than Vest, and a more valuable man to Missouri than either Vest or Francis.

OUR friends, the enemy, are determined upon a grand organization of democratic clubs which shall reach every precinct in the United States and be directed from Washington. This is a scheme of national bossism which the people will repudiate. The idea that the voting population of the country shall be placed under the domination of a single Washington politician is contrary to the theory of this government.

popular judgment, misled by influences | The general passenger agent holds out it would not be difficult to enumerate, is | for commissions and threatens to cut rates to all competitive points reached by his lines if the boycott is insisted apon.

> The present movement has taken a radical form. Nearly all the eastern lines abolished commissions two or three years ago. Those who were continuing the practice now come in and agree to be reformers. They have a'l united in a demand that the western lines shall discontinue the practice of paying commissions to their agents and have prohibited such agents from receiving the perquisites directly or indirectly. The western lines make no further agree ment, but will continue to pay ticket agents of their immediate connections at Chicago and west of that city. If the eastern agreement is maintained, ultimately all remaining lines will accept the situation and do likewise. The outcome of the fight is watched

with interest in railway circles and wagers are about even on the result. The people generally have no concern directly in the success or failure of the movement. If the abolition of commis-

sions would give the public rates reduced proportionately, the aid of congress might eventually be invoked. Under existing conditions it means merely a transfer of the amounts hitherto paid out as subsidies to the treasuries of the company.

If the railway companies succeed in cutting off the commissions to ticket agents the war upon the scalpers will be short, sharp but decisive. By placing closer limits upon coupon tickets the profits of the ticket brokers will be practically destroyed. Until the agents are do-

prived of the inducements to divide with the brokers and the companies are relieved of this form of competition, even strict local laws prohibiting ticket scalping, such as are in force in Colorado, will not afford much satisfaction.

For the past two years the general and office has been one of the best administered bureaus under the government. Ex-Commissioner Groff introduced needed reforms which brought the office up to a high standard of efficiency and left it in better condition than it had been in before for many years. His succossor, Commissioner Carter, promises to emulate his excellent example, and having a far less difficult task than Judge Groff assumed when he took charge of the office, the new commissioner will undoubtedly be able to maintain the high standard that has been established, and possibly even improve upon it. The great number of people who are interested in an efficient administration of the general land office will be glad to know that Commissioner Carter is alive to their welfare.

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THE weekly bank statement shows the reserve has decreased \$770,000. The banks now hold \$5,633,000 in excess of legal requirements.

A CENTRAL market has long been

PASSING JESTS.

Harpers' Bazar: Cumso-Are you cutting he sensational articles out of that paper be ore taking it home to your wife and daugh-Banks (hundling the shears)-No; I'm cut-

ing out the millinery advertisements. New York Herald: Mr. Uglyinug-1 am

ehind ti Miss Pertly-Well, it is no wonder people say that time flies

THE PARMER'S TRIALS.

New York Herald. The farmer, when he began to plough, Hitched up his mule with his Alderney cough. But the mule displayed some grudge,

And declined at all to budge, While the cough ran off and kicked up rough.

Joaquin Miller is putting in his time be ween shooting at hunters who trespass on his grounds back of Oakland, Cal. and writing a life of Christ in rhyme.

New York World: During the present strained relations no one who love should give the monkey a hot penuy. loves peac

Washington Star: Noah and his family vere the only persons who were not in th wim during the flood.

Oh, for the lonely mountains, Where the earth and the air are still! Oh, for the mountains as high---As high as the hotel bill.

Washington Star: "What's that noise up

"It's Mary singing, 'I Want to be an Angel.' " "Well stop her pretty quick, or she'll ruin

One man strikes for the right and another

vrites for the strike. Teacher-Johnnie, you may explain what causes the earth to move around the sun. Johnnie-Cos it's cheaper to move than pay

Sun : Thespis-I have the shrewdest manger in New York. Ranter - In what way! Thespis-Weil, he has connected the seats with wires under the floor, and turns on a big current of electricity during the heavy

parts. The

Ariadne-Well, Penelope, dia you go over

utely no attention was paid to the circum flexes by the players, and as for the rates, they were wofully misplaced, How ever, what could you expect? New Have is not Cambridge.

A man at Gate City, Wash., has been an rested for stealing a sawmill and carting it a distance of twenty miles.

Chicago Times: Mrs. Giggle-I don't un derstand why you are egging your poor hus-band on to run for congress. The poor man is on the brink of the grave, and life at Washington would kill him. Mrs. Wiggle-It's because I tove him, and as he cannot live long in his present state of

I want him to have a funeral that' worthy of him.

The dandelion plants so shy Put forth their yellow speckles, And good old Mother Earth said: "I Believe I'm getting freekles."

Washington Post: She came from Great Britain and the young man who was with her was a little startled to hear her declare that he was the hugliest man she ever did 866.

Washington Post: "I hear that the edito of the Daily Bimzee has joined the church." "Yes; but he can't get over one ruling passion. If you'll notice, when he quotes passion. If you'll notice, when he quotes scripture he never gives any credit."

norticulture.

COUNTY JAIL PRISONERS. At present there are nineteen persons confined in the county jail. They are Mrs. Sheedy and Monday McFarland, charged with murder; Attorney H. W. Zink, embez-dement; Wilber White, burglary; Louis Wagoner, burglary; George McCoy sen tenced for forgery; William and Henry Bowers, Ed Lucher, Henry Ernest, John Vet, John Albertine, George Gill, Mike Morsey, G. W. Wilson and Thomas Brown, cery; Thomas McCarty, destruction of larcenv; property; Charles Golle, seiling liquor with out license; Winston Taylor, sending ob-scene matter through the mails. The jail was riginally planned for only twelve persons and is therefore greatly crowded.

WANTS & POLICEMAN'S PAY.

The case of ex-Policeman Botts vs the city of Lincoln was heard in Justice Foxworthy's ourt yesterday afternoon. Botts claims hat he was employed by Mayor Graham as driver of the patrol wagon at a salary of \$45 per month, but instead of being allowed to drive the wagon he was detailed to a beat as a regular policeman and did regular patrol duty. He therefore domands a policeman's pay, namely, \$75 per month. Foxworthy has taken the case under advisement.

ODDS AND ENDS.

The high school contest in oratory will be aeld in the state univerity chapel next Saturday evening. There will be six contestants and an excellent programme. There will be no admission fee and all are invited. The remains of Mr. J. R. Richards were

emetery at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The burial services were conducted by Rev Stein of St. Paul's church. He was assisted by Rev. Britt of Hastings. The funeral was rgely attended The Burlington company Saturday com-nenced the sale of all unclaimed bargage at

the depot. The baggage consisted of hun-dreds of trunks, values and all kinds of packages, which contained a varied assort-

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FEED FOR HORSES.

Government Contracts for Forage Awarded Saturday.

Contracts for supplying hay, grain and fuel for the United States array at several western posts were awarded Saturday in Colonel Hughes' office as follows :

At Fort McKinney James Tobban got the contract for 250 cords of wood, at \$5.50 per ord, 230 tons of baled hay 312 per ton, fifty tons of h n stack at \$6.90 per ton; 15.0 813 hav 15,000 Foundation of bran, at \$1.50 per 100. Robert Foot got the contract for 600 tons of coal at \$5.55 per ton; 50,000 pounds of oats at \$1.29 per 100. James H. Pratt got the contract for 25,000 pounds of barlow is 20 Tons 100

per 100. James H. Pratt got the contract for 28,000 pounds of barley at \$2,75 per 100, At Fort Niobrara J. T. Keeley will farmish 16,000 pounds of corn at \$1.45 per 100; 50,000 pounds of oats at \$1.86 per 100; 50,000 pounds of oats at \$1.91 per 100; 50,000 pounds of bran at \$1.33 per 100. Asel Kyes got the contract for 50,000 pounds of bran at \$1.86 per 100. If the point of the p \$1.46 per 100. L. L. Davis will supply 115 tons of baled hay at \$15.59 per ton. At Fort Russell G. H. Taylor got the con-

ackages, which contained a varied assort-ent of personal property. Sheriff McClay Saturday sold the Bazar nish 15,000 pounds of corn at \$2 per 100.

The audience mistakes the electricit

to the Greek play at New Haven! Penelope-Yes. It was horrible.