

THE DAILY BEE.

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RECENT ARMY DECORATIONS.

A special recognition from the War Department for gallant and meritorious conduct on the field of battle or in military operations should mean something. A bronze medal should be a decoration which any soldier could wear with justifiable pride.

There will always be a difference of opinion among military men relative to the merits of the late Sioux campaign. Some of the bravest soldiers in America take direct issue with their commanding officer as to its necessity.

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WAR and rumors of war are two very distinct things. THE only way to restore Omaha's normal business activity is to push local enterprises, add tributary territory and invite new industries.

CHILL can hardly make a casus belli of the absence of Minister Grew from the inauguration ceremony. The South American republic should hit upon something bigger than Patrick Grew as an offset to the Baltimore difficulty.

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ENTERPRISING cities who were so anxious to secure the Shenandoah normal school or Prof. Cron, or both, are relieved from suspense.

ULTIMATELY the local factories of this section will produce only raw sugar. At some central point refineries will be established and that point will be the center of the beet sugar industry.

STRAINING at a gnat and swallowing a camel is exemplified by the Board of County Commissioners in its last great act of allowing \$1,200.74 each to two weekly newspapers for publishing the lists and rejecting the bill of \$40 for a special engine ordered by the corner for a wild, foolish midnight trip to Plattsmouth.

THE building inspector of South Omaha has completed his annual report and it shows that 324 permits were issued as against 201 last year.

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S refusal to pardon Harper, the former president of the Fidelity Savings bank of Cincinnati, who was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment for embezzlement in 1887, will meet with popular approval.

GOVERNOR-ELECT FLOWER has given directions that the ceremonies in connection with his inauguration, January 1, shall be as simple as possible.

BUSINESS methods in the management of our city and county affairs will do more to save money for taxpayers than spurs of false economy in the extension of public works.

Who will be the republican nominee for congress from the Omaha district? Premature Presidential Chicks. Chicago Herald.

CONVERTING CREDIT. Philadelphia Inquirer. The annexation sentiment is growing steadily in Canada. When it has become the dominant sentiment in that country, and takes shape in a formal request from the government, it will be time for this country to decide whether it will assent to the proposition.

COMING WITH THEIR CORN.

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Senator Palmer Sure the Administration Desires Peace. UNITY OF THE AMERICAN CONTINENT. This is the Policy as He Observes It - Nothing in the Situation to Apprehend Trouble - Olds and Ends.

CHICAGO BUREAU OF THE BEE. CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 29. Senator Palmer, who is spending the holidays at home in Springfield, in an interview regarding the Chilean matter, said: "The trouble with Chile, in my opinion, is not serious enough to warrant any prediction that there will be war between this country and the South American neighbor. It is my opinion that there will be no war. If the administration had regarded the situation as very serious, a congress would certainly have been asked in some way to remain in session, instead of adjourning for the holidays. From what I have been able to gather in Washington, I think it is the policy of the administration to avoid war between this country and Chile. This is in line with the general policy of the American continent, which no entertains and which is a good idea."

W. R. Goodall's Success. W. R. Goodall, formerly of Omaha and well known there, has just sold his play, "The About American Man," which he wrote while in Omaha, to London. The consideration named is \$10,000.

Alvin Jenkins, a farmer at Portal, shipped several tons of broom corn and received \$75 a ton. Jenkins has a fine farm near Portal.

McAulliff's dam on Lodge Pole creek near Chappell, went out the other day and flooded the bottom lands.

It is announced that a pontoon bridge across the Niobrara, connecting Boyd county with Afton, is being constructed.

The German citizens of Norfolk have organized a turnverein and the new society will start out by giving a grand ball January 11.

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While crossing the pontoon bridge near Stuart, Fred Cooper, a Kuya Pah county farmer, fell into the river with a load of wheat. He saved himself, but lost his wagon and grain.

A peculiar case is interesting the people of York in which Mr. Bartholomew, a prosperous farmer, is suing for a divorce. He has a son in Texas who has been married, and as the story goes, without getting a divorce, he remarried. The divorcee, whose name is Mrs. Bartholomew, came up from Texas about eight months ago to her father-in-law's. A compromise was fixed up whereby she entered a new divorce suit, and simply abandoning her claims. When the note became due the old gentleman discovered that she never had a divorce, and he had no cause for paying her and he refused to settle the note. She sued him and he filed a counter claim for her. The divorce suit is now in York and proposes to fight her claim, and Bartholomew swears he will not pay it, and as both have money at their command the case is good for a very interesting lawsuit.

There are 3,474 pupils enrolled in the Burlington schools. The new county house will be dedicated at the March term of the district court.

Patrick Sullivan and Frank Danu broke into Mrs. Cook's shoe store at Yavonport Christmas day and secured \$10 from the safe. They were arrested.

The Old Follies lodge at Atlantic is the largest in the state. It members number nearly 300. The lodge has about completed a new temple costing \$25,000.

Herbert Pico and John Houk became involved in a quarrel in a saloon near the corner of Davis' coal mine, northeast of Cedar, and while one was attempting to get a gun, which was lying near, it was discharged, injuring the other. The quarrel was continued, who was attempting to separate them.

Thomas Loughlin, a well known business man of Clarion, Pa., on Christmas day he went to Belmont on a railroad trip to meet Father Egan, a Catholic priest. When almost half way home he gave out. Father Egan went to his house a short distance away for help and when he returned Mr. Loughlin was dead.

Clarence Egan, who owns a valuable horse conceived the idea of testing human nature the other day. Accordingly he hung a piñata upon the horse, which was tied in front of a barn. If the piñata was broken the horse must be sold for \$50. Soon there was a procession of experts looking at the teeth of the poor horse and lifting his feet with the most knowing air, each one in turn announcing that the price was much too high. It was a great object lesson. The piñata was broken and \$500 worth was being offered for \$30 when the owner came out and drove away.

Jeff Davis' Bond, Given on the Charge of Treason, Lost. Richmond, Va., Dec. 29.—It has become known that the bond given to the United States government by Jefferson Davis to answer to the circuit court of this city for treason is missing from the court records.

This paper bears the signatures of Horace C. Clarke, Milton H. Smith, the Smiths and other prominent persons. The present clerk of the circuit court, M. F. Pleasant, who was chief clerk of the Department of Justice in Washington at the time of his appointment to his present position in 1870, found the bond in his possession when he arrived at Clarion as clerk, and ever since he has made diligent efforts to find it, but without success. He had many offers for the original or a facsimile of the paper, one of the most tempting being from a prominent magazine. He said that he had a suspicion as to the thief, but declined to say anything about him except that he was dead.

Had Year for Life Insurance. New York, Dec. 29.—The troubles of life insurance companies during the year 1891 have been as numerous as those of the fire insurance companies. Life insurance men do not deny that the year now closing has been the worst on record for the business. The result of so much bad business will probably cause the companies to consolidate with others. If the consolidation carries away many victims this winter the number of consolidations will be all the more numerous.

This Gun Was Loaded. John Wilson, a 14-year-old lad, residing at South Seventh street, near the tracks, was returning from hunting yesterday afternoon and while jumping a fence near the Fourth street viaduct his gun was discharged, wounding him in the right eye so badly that the limb had to be amputated.

Forgot to Cancel Stamps. The Hotel rollers were fined \$50 and costs, and one more, of the firm was remanded to the custody of the marshal for two days for assisting in the removal of logs in their basement with uncancelled stamps upon them.

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