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MAX O'RELL is lecturing in Australia. That's near enough.

THE Mafia is in Cleveland. Well, Cleveland is a sort of charmed name these days.

THE next time the Newberry bill is up in the senate Taylor will be on hand to answer roll call.

A CITY like a man must either go forward in growth or it is bound to go backward. It cannot stand still for any length of time.

EX-SENATOR JOHN C. SPOONER has given up politics forever and will resume the practice of law in which he is a master. Sensible man.

THE local weather observer doubtless does his best to give Omaha a variety of weather, but it continues to be monotonously pleasant in spite of his predictions. But he will have his inning a little later.

THE death of Gould has knocked out | ting New Mexico and Arizona to statesome of the seventh sons of the seventh daughter. Nearly all these soothsayers and clairvoyants predicted that Gould of these territories are now in the hands would be blown to atoms or stabbed to of the senate, and if they are not passed death by some wild-eyed anarchist. But he died peacefully in his bed.

THE Sloux City people are rejoicing over the fact that they are to have another packing house. It is a peculiarity of the citizens of that town that they not only rejoice over the birth of every into effect its promises to the people. new enterprise but immediately go to "We can give no good pretext," says start another to keen it com-Mr. Springer, "for withholding the pany.

CONGRESS. The second session of the Fifty second this city have now reached the point congress begins today. As this is the when they can measure the extent of short session, coming to an end March 4 their obligations and plan definitely to next, it is not expected to develop much interesting. There will probably be no further tickering with the tariff, as the instead of down. democrats will desire to leave that work until they come into control of the government. Democratic senators will doubtless make an effort to pass the free raw material bills which are in the senate finance committee, but it is not at all likely that they will succeed in persuading republican senators that it is their duty to support these free trade measures. The passage of the free wool bill would cut off, it is estimated, \$25,000,000 of revenue, and in the present condition of the trensury such a loss would be disastrous. Mr. Springer,

chairman of the house ways and means

would be the result the safe plan is to

retain a sure source of revenue, and

this, doubtless, is what the republican

No currency legislation is to be ex-

pected. It, would be useless to pass a

free silver bill, granting that it could

be done, for the reason that it would en-

coupter the veto of the president.

Possibly an effort will be made to re-

peal the law requiring the secretary of

the treasury to purchase 4,500,000 ounces

of silver monthly, but it is doubtful

whether it would succeed, notwith-

standing the fact that the democratic

party is committed against it. The

probability is that the democrats in con-

gress will conclude to let the law re-

main until they are in full control of

that body. In the matter of appropri-

ations the democrats of the house will

endeavor to cut down everything to the

senators will decide to do.

meet them." In other words, the botthat will be important or particularly toin of the depression has been reached and the people have turned to look up All these things tend to the one conclusion. We shall see better times the coming year.

GIVE THEM A WIDE BERTH.

The old herdes of taxeaters and barnacles are getting ready for another descent upon the capital. When the legislature convenes they will be quartored at the principal hotels, log-rolling for soft berths and sinecures that will pay them \$3 to \$4 a day, besides perquisites for hanging around the committee rooms and doing nothing. The fact is there will be nothing for the committees to do during the first

committee, claims that the passage of three or four weeks of the session and the free wool bill, of which he is the there is no more use for this horde of author, would be followed by such an committee clorks than there is for a increase in the consumption of woolen lifth wheel to a wagon. goods as to greatly swell the importa-The legislature never does any active tious, thereby more than making up for committee work until after it has got the loss of revenue from wool, but us it cannot be certainly known that this through fighting over the election of a

United States senator. The money paid to needless committee clerks and more needless sergeants-at-arms, cloak room janitors and superintendents of cuspidors is a down right waste and a high-

handed robbery of the taxpayers. Worse than that even, most of these hangers-on are more cappers and caves droppers for the cil-room managers and lobby. They have access to the floors and cloak rooms while the legislature is in active session. They hear the members express their private views about candidates and bills and report to their corrupt employers. The result is the

state house is filled with spice paid out of the state treasury. With organized boodle combines, working members at the hotels and a gang of spics and conspirators operating upon them in the committee rooms and cloak rooms and on the very floor of the legislative halls, the weak-kneed and

lowest point practicable. This is the the yenal members are easily caught in determination of Mr. Holman, chairthe meshes of the Frantulas that fasten man of the appropriations committee, their polsoned fangs upon their victims and very likely he will be supported in and hold them fast to do their bidding. it by his party colleagues, who see If the coming legislature is to be a

trouble ahead in providing for the demands upon the treasury. The question of an extra session of the Fifty-third congress is being very earnestly discussed by the democrats, and they appear to be about equally divided on it. The decision of the quessome pretext. tion of course rests wholly with Mr.

Cleveland, and it has been understood that he did not favor it, but it is now said that he has been induced to take a different view of the matter by having shown to him the expediency of admithood in order to make sure of a democratic senate. Bills for the admission at this session it is thought that the Fifty-third congress will be called in extra session very soon after Mr. Cleveland becomes president. The adthan ever before. vocates of an extra session urge that it Thus, for the first time in many years. is the duty of the party elected to power to proceed as soon as possible to put

the general land-office is on current business. The vast accumulation at the date when the present administration came into power has been disposed

of an Omaha banker, "the people of ing for a settlement with the Pacific railroads.

> OMAHA has reached that stage of her growth that domands at the hands of her local capitalists concerted effort in the mauguration of enterprises that promise to increase her manufacturing facilities and extend her commerce. In other words, Omaha capitalists must exhibit by their own investments the confidence they profess in the future of this city. Many of our millionaires have acquired their wealth by the advance in corner lots and the conversion of cornfields into suburban residence property. This mode of accumulating wealth does not build up a city. Men who have made their fortunes by the spontaneous growth of Omaha and by the superhuman exertions of a handful of really live, wide-awake business men who have ventured into various enterprises should not be allowed to shirk their duty to contribute toward pushing the work which others have begun.

SEURETARY NOBLE assures the country in his annual report that the government directors of the Union Pacific railroad have unanimously endorsed the old Sidney Dillon plan of debt extension. We should have been very much surprised if the directors had not unanimously endorsed that or any other plan which the Union Pacific managers desired them to endorse. The Union Pacific government, directors have been unanimous ever since the days of Government Director Snow, who is said to have tried to hold up the road for the mere trifle of \$25,000 to satisfy his conscientious scruples. But since his day government directors have not been so particular about trifles.

THE pole nuisance is a thing to be condemned by all who object to the obstruction of the streets, but the anchor pole planted in the street at an angle, sometimes in the sidewalk, is simply hideous.

ABOUT the only thing the silver conference will agree upon is to disagree.

The Combination Runs Together. Chicago News.

The rumors of a beer trust will not be thoroughly relied upon until they are backed up by reports of bretzel, wienerwurst and kraut trusts.

A Ripening Revolution.

New York Herald. Cuba appears to be getting ready for another struggle against Spanish rule. The Cubans are rather poor talkers, but they are excellent shots

> Upward Tendency of Water. Chicago Mall.

The prohibitionists will fall about 670,000 votes short of the million they had hoped to cast at the national election. Still they made a gain of over \$0,000 as compared with four years ago.

Elections Fixed While You Walt. Philadelphia Times.

Stealing close states is one of the favorite political arts of ail parties in the west, and the complexion of several legislatures in the new pocket states won't be known until the game of theft is ended.

> Cause and Effect. Washington Post.

According to numerous democratic exchanges the republican party had become intoxicated on the protection idea, and according to numerous republican exchanges the democrats resorted to the British gold cure in order to disperse the jag.

Right to the Point. Philadelphia Ledger.

ture of a person, and he was asked to say who it was. The reply was, "Edward Ev-crett Halo, in Arab costume." It proved, however, that the photograph represented a real Arab, then living in Cairo. But the like-ness to Dr. Hale was very striking.

To Canovas, the great republican leader, who called during the recent illness of Spain's boy king and inquired, "How is Alfonsito?" the latter, after a moment's hesitation, replied, sedately; "To manuma I am Alfonsito (little Alfonse.) to these I am the king," He is now in the 7th year of his

By his family name the Earl of Dunraven who is expected to come over after the American supnext year, would be plain Mr Quin, but, in addition to the Dunarycen lifte, he is Earl of Mount Earl, Viscount Mount Earl, Viscount Adare, Baron Adare, Baron Kenry, and a baronet. His yacht will use other ballast besides.

Detroit boasts of the fact that no loss than fty actors and actresses claim that city as heir home, some of whom really know how pact. Owen Fawcett, W. H. Power and their home May Whittemore are the most notable of the number. Lawrence Barrett began his the atrical career in Detroit and the people claimed him as a Detroiter.

Ex.Senator Spooner of Wisconsin, who ran or the governorship this year on the repub-ican ticket, but was defeated, will continue in the practice of law, but will enter no part-nership. When he settles in Milwaukee, as he intends to do before long. he will open au office for himself, and make a place there for his sons, whom he wishes to train up in the legal profession.

Steele Mackave Is an absorbed student of reptile lore. At one time he kept a rattle-snake at large in his study. He would write with the creature colled up on his table, its head close beside his hand. The theory upon which he tamed this pet was that make is charmed by rhythmical m angerous when angered by a move ment that disturbs this symmetry of action.

HINTS FOR LEGISLATORS.

Fremont Flail: The legislator who will nterest himself in the subject of good cour try roads this winter will be in touch with the people. There is no question that is nearer the hearts of the people and nonthat more strictly concerns their financial and social welfare.

Plattsmouth Journal: With the balance f power in their hands the democrats in the Nebraska legislature will have a most excellent chance to secure a reduction of state ex-The United States senatorship DEDSES should not be allowed to overshadow the in-terests of the taxpayer. Nebraska has about the most expensive state government extant. The chance to do good is a great one.

Sioux County Journal: The road laws of Nebraska are likely to receive a good deal of attention at the hands of the coming legisla-ture. The subject is one in which politics or partisanship does not enter. To provide that all road tax be paid in money and a compe-tent road supervisor be provided to expend the same in the building of roads which will ermanent would save the farmers a deal each year in the wear, breakage of har ness and vehicles and also in horseffesh.

Nebraska City News: Some of the papers of the state are making their biennial sug-gestions to the members of the legislature in regard to the abominable system of assess-ing in vogue in this state. The people and the papers have pleaded loud and long for a change, but no attention has been paid to their complaints. To say that we have the worst system of assessing of any state in the union but faintly expresses it. Some counties assess at one-sixth, others at one-fourth, one-third and some at its cash value. The next legislature should pass a law making the assessments uniform all over the state.

Wayne Democrat: Both of the constitu tional amendments were defeated, more from a lack of interest than from any opposition on the part of the voters. Both were good measures and ought to have been adopted, but under the peculiar constitution of the state a proposed amendment stands a very slim show of being ratified by the people; and in order to secure inceded reforms in the constitution of the state it will be absolutely necessary to hold another constitutional convention, and this is one of the needed re-forms that ought to receive attlention at the hands of the solons who gather in Lincoln next-winter.

West Point Republican: For years the people of Nebraska have been demanding an elective railway commission and the very first opportunity they got they went to the polls and defeated a proposed amendment to the constitution looking to that end. The

FAVORS AN EXTRA SESSION Cleveland Said to Believe That it is Onite

Nocessary. HE NEEDS A LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT

Crisp, Whitney and Gorman Expected to Ascertain the Sentiment Among the Mem-

bers as to the Policy to Be Pursued. -

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE,) 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 4.

It is stated upon the authority of a co gressman who got his information from Speaker Crisp that President-elect Cleveland really believes there should be an extra session of the Fifty-third congress and if the democrats of the country will only sustain him in doing so he will call an extra session. It is stated further that a lot of "feelers" are to be thrown out during the next few weeks by Crisp, Whitney, Gorman, and others with a view to securing an expression of sentiment upon the subject of an extra session. The opinion of democrats in congress upon the extra session problem is about evenly divided; but even those who oppose an extra session say it is their honest belief that a very large majority of the democrats of the country if not indeed of the en-

tire people, are in favor of an extra session This apparent feeling upon the part of the country is having a perceptible influence in winning over democrats to favor the proposition. If Mr. Cleveland gets the notion that an extra session should be held or that it is demanded by the people and he is inclined that way, he will call one, even though congress should be practically solid against it. The belief is growing that an extra session will be called for the early autumn.

Revival of Confederate Interests.

There is to be a genuine revival of confedwate interests in Washington. Since the dection of Mr. Cleveland a society has been formed here for the purpose of "brightening up" on confederate subjects, and the result an announcement today of a series of ectures under the auspices of the Confede Veterans' association, to be begun at the Universalist church, Thirteenth and \mathbf{Q} streets, on Wednesday night. This news is but a natural sequence of the announcement made during the past week that the pension roll would have to be cut down.

Census Bureau to Be Permanent.

An energetic effort is to be made the comig session of congress to make the census oureau a permanent organization. It is proposed to retain the superintendent, not necessarily the present one, for he is a re-publican, and probably a score of the principal chiefs, statisticians and clerks, who as soon as the eleventh census is out of the way shall begin the preliminary work upon the next census, to be taken in 1900. A great deal of time and money are lost every ten years in training the leading clerks in the office and beginning the preliminary work. It is believed that the work could be com-pleted in half the time at much less expense if a skeleton organization was maintained at the census bureau.

To Harmonize Warring Democrats.

Chairman Harrity of the democratic national committee has promised to come here this week and try to harmonize the warring democrats. There has for some days been a strife over the inauguration arrang bitter ments, and it began to look as though there might benething finally accomplished toward the usual demonstration which accompanies a presidential inauguration, when it was proposed to send for Chairman Harrity and let him say who should take charge of the ar-rangements and how they should be con-ducted. The democrats in the District of Columbia moment such but there are sen Columbia cannot vote, but they are constantly at loggerheads with each other, quarreling over some petty honor, and re-mind one of that body of 200 democrats in whom thinks he is not only the chosen leader on the floor, but was born to lead the house.

Merely a Question of Revenue.

Thomas N. Burke, James W. Morris, James M. Willfour, Walter Boune, Daniel Ford, crease Samuel O. Ca dow-Virginia A. Clark Carlton. Original

South Dakota: Additional—J. Schneider, David H. Hammond, Hugh J. Campbell, John E. Schneider. David_H.

Miscellaneous.

Captain H. K. Balley of the Fifth infantry and Mrs. Balley are visiting Colonel and Mrs. Wilkins, 1923 G street. Representative W. W. Dixon of Montana rrived last night from Butte. Mr. and

Mrs. Dixon will occupy their old apartments the Shoreham.

The announcement of the destinate today Elizabeth Perry of this city was made today as having occurred at Menominee, Wis, and as having occurred at Menominee, Wis., and was sud news to her many friends. Mrs. Perry and her two daughters, Kate and Saidle, have resided in this city at 1525 O street for several years, coming here from Keekuk, Ia, where they are well known. They left this city on'the season for their usual summer outing. They spent sev-eral weeks with friends in Menominee, and were about heaving for their did heaving in were about loaving for their old home in in lowa, when Mrs. Perry received a fall which resulted in the breaking of one of her leas, from which she died. She had many friends in western lowa. P. S. H.

HE STORMED THE SIERRAS.

And Crushed His Adversaries with an Avalanche of Winds

Now let Thurston. Estabrook and other enny-whistle orators make way for the man f the iron jaw. The Winnemmeen (Nev.) Silver State makes the following report of a recent campaign speech of Storm King Vandervoort:

"General Vandervoort was the first peaker. He is a large, portly gentleman of commanding presence and great magnetism. He spoke with telling effect and was fre-quently interrupted with rapturous applause, His style is forcible and most eloquent. It is argumentative, pathetic, sarcastic and flashing with wittleism and humor. His voice is deep, full and sonorous. As a speaker he must be heard to have a conception of his oratorical powers, as no pen can do him justice. We can conceive of no fitter illustration than to compare him while in the rostrum to the storm king of the plains along the valley of the Platte of his own tate. As he rises and surveys the audience there is the stillness of death's chamber throughout the multitude; not a move or rustle or the throubling of the heart dis-turbs the soleann silence, and his majestle appearance inspires awe and admiration, al betokening the coming hurricane, speaks; the low rumbling of his speaks; catches the car like the signal gun before catches the ear like the signal guilloci the shock of battle-now a flash lightning sweeps over the stillne clouds of cloquence, pathos and move and sway and heave with th outer edges crimsoned with the li-glare reflected from the boson of the stastillness tire the livid center; packs of artillery are moved to the right and to the left; the black veil of du-plicity behind which the old parties have been conceiling their maked deformity is rent in twain be a black followed by the deep-toned thunders as of cannon, reverberating through the frightful vault of party corruption, treachery and tyranny. Onward and forward the storm king moves with increased velocity. The whole canopy is illuminated by a pyrotechnic dis-plax of indescribable beauty, grandeur and arrol endbridge the dealer. awful sublimity; the floodgates are opened the panorama moves onward, changing its various scenes as it advances, leaving in its wake the refreshing and life-sustaining wat ers of heaven.

Paul Not a Working Apostle.

Friend Telegraph: Colonel Paul Vandervoort has got himself at the head of a new secret organization. Paul rustles for a lace in these organizations like a louse for he seam of a soldier's shirt.

Nance County Journal: Paul Vander-oort has organized another secret society. He was the mother of the Wemen's Relief Corps and is now the father of the Indus-trial Legion of the United States. If he ever did an honest day's work it was so long ago that he has forgotten it himself.

Osceola Record: A new political party was aunched upon the stream of time at Cincinnati last week, called the "Industrial union and Nebraska's own and only Paul Vander voort was chosen chief promulgator. We had been led to suppose by limited acquaintance with one, by a somewhat one, Noah Webster, and other authorities, that the word "industrial" conveyed the notion of some kind of work. But that must be a full-

grown mistake, for we never heard of Paul

real reform legislature it will give a wide, berth to the horde of political vagrants and rounders who atways infest the capital when the legislature convenes and pester members to death to get on the legislative payroll under

THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT. The annual report of the secretary of the interior is a comprehensive review of the multifarious work of that department, with important recommendations which should command the careful attention of congress. The department has been conducted on pusiness princi-

ples and the result is seen in important reforms and improvements. It has reached, under the present administration, its greatest expansion and it has been brought to a better working basis

THERE is one man who has not vet been mentioned as a candidate for United States senator, but we violate no confidence in assuring the memberselect that he would not decline the office. His name, let it be kept dark as long as possible, is Julius Hamlet Cooley.

ALL Omaha boys going to Chicago horenfter are warned not to "act suspiciously" or wear a black silk handkerchief around their necks. Chicago policemen who cannot arrest a crook and are ashamed of their inefficiency are ready to pounce upon such grave offenders.

IT IS a good sign to note the interest displayed by the manufacturers of Omaha in the proposed exposition building. Not only manufacturers, but every class of business men should help this enterprise by financial assistance. It will be bread cast upon the waters which will return before many days.

GOVERNOR OSBORNE of Wyoming, like many another ardent bourbon, seems to have gone off half-cocked. The state board of canvassers announce that they will proceed to canvass the vote and will issue the certificate to Osborne without delay. His undignified scramble and ridiculous antics were unnecessary.

HON. G. M. LAMBERTSON has been honored with the appointment to fill the vacant assistant secretaryship in the Treasury department for the period that will intervene between now and the 4th of March. Mr. Lambertson doubtless appreciates the compliment, but we doubt whether he would refuse to fill the seat in the United States senate after the 4th of March if the legislature should see fit to elect him.

IN ORGANIZING the next house we do not want any man of the Eider brand in the speaker's chair to appoint sifting committees at the behest of the junta of jobbers and bogus claimants. The people of Nebraska have a right to demand fair play for legislation that will promoto their interests and curtail the rapacity of spoilsmen and jobbers. They want a man who will not sift out the good bills and sift in the bad bills.

THE most amusing thing at this moment is the congratulations of the democratic organs of the country at large that the bottom has not fallen out of business, although three weeks have elapsed since the election of Grover Cleveland. What is there surprising in this? Harrison is still at the helm and the democratic congress is not likely to be in full session before the first Tuesday in December, 1893. There is time enough for a good deal of crockery to be smashed long before that date, and even if there isn't any smashup it will be because the country does not believe that the democrats mean to carry out their free trade and wildcat money planks.

benefits we have offered the people through a revision of the tariff. We have denounced the tariff as a robbery. It is now our duty to afford relief. This is the argument of the extra session advocates, and it must be confessed that it has force.

SIGNS OF RETTER TIMES.

Unless the signs of the times are wholly misleading, Omaha is on the eve of a marked improvement in her financtal situation. This city has pulled through this prolonged period of depression with unimpaired credit. The boom has left fewer scars in our material prosperity than in that of any city of like situation. The reaction has been severe enough to satisfy the most incorrigible possimist, but no such suffering in purse or progress has been experienced here as in neighboring cities, where the boom lasted longer and collapsed more completely. These facts are recognized in the money centers of the east, and hence Omaha public and private securities have taken high rank. A growing young city must depend upon outside capital largely to back the enterprise of her citizens. The Omaha brain must direct, but the eastern capitalist must furnish the means which shall produce results. The ease with which money can be obtained for investment in this city shows how strong the faith of the country at large is in

this young metropolls. In fact, investment agents in this city have long since discovered that eastern people have a more abiding and pronounced faith in the future of the city than many of our local capitalists. While regretting the indifference of our own people, we find in the confidence of others the grounds for anticipating a marked advance in material conditions in the coming year. Among the enterprises which are more or less certain to be carried through and which will certainly in-

vigorate the business pulse of the community are the East Omaha and Nebraska Central railway enterprises. The one will stimulate the other and thus push both the more rapidly. The iden so often canvassed of bringing the waters of the Platte or Elkhorn rivers to our doors for power for factories, electric light and street motors is taking definite shape. Some of our conservative capitalists are giving this undertaking their very cordial support, and it is stated that at least one firm of brokers has stated that there will be no

difficulty whatever in obtaining the funds to carry forward the scheme when it is once formulated and ready to be proposed to investors.

Then among the smaller and yet important projects for improvement are the manufacturers' exposition building, the new \$400,000 hotel, the union depot, the government building, the new Fort Omaha structures and a half dozen others all practically certain of realization. They will all employ labor and require an expenditure of capital. Our jobbing trade has never been so good and our manufacturers never felt so confident of the future. In the language action be taken in the matter of provid-

of, together with more than 300,000 cases since, and, as Secretary Noble says, "the condition of this bureau no longer carries any reproach against the government." It is an interesting fact that there has been issued under the present administration more than double the number of agricultural patents issued under the proceeding one, the excess in the acreage being 37,659, 840 acros. It is also noteworthy that the area of public lands surveyed under

the present administration is nearly four times greater than during the previous four years. The secretary says with regard to forest reserves that the policy adopted by this administration has been most beneficent and far-reacting in its results, and he recommends that these reservations receive protection. There are now five national parks, which are being well cared for and are regaining their natural beauty and attractiveness.

The report shows that irrigation is making steady progress with most beneficial results. Regarding educational work among the Indians it has greatly increased and improved in efficiency. Nearly 20,000 Indian children are enrolled in the schools, the increase during the last three years amounting to 13 per cent. The interest that has been manifested by the present administration in the welfare and advancement of the Indian has resulted. says the secretary of the interior, "in

lifting him still nearer to eivilization from the burbarism in which he was found upon this continent. His physical condition has been improved by either supplying him with better food, clothing, and shelter, or encouraging him to labor to meliorate his own condition." Twenty-six million acres of land have been restored to the public domain through agreements negotiated with Indian tribes, and 10,000,000 more acres are embraced in agreements awaiting ratification. The number of Indians who have become citizens by taking allotments of land is 5,900. The work of allotting lands is in progress among all tribes qualified to receive lands in severalty and thus acquire citizenship. The public forests continue to be preved upon by trespassers, the value of timber lost in this way during the year amounting to nearly \$500,000. The forests are receiving better protection than formerly, but it would seem that the government could very well afford to still further improve it. The forest commissioner recommends a general

law defining the conditions under which timber may be taken from the public lands and what shall constitute unlawful taking of the public timber, but it is to little purpose to make laws if the power is not provided to enforce them. Referring to the debts of the Pacific railroads to the government the secretary says that contrary to the impression of the public the roads are not in default to the government; they have paid yearly all that the law as defined by the supreme court of the United States requires them to pay. The secretary urges that some early legislative

A speaker at a political gathering in Toronto the other evening vehemently declared that Canada would never annex itself with the United States-it would fight first this country was anxious for annexation this declaration would perhaps be discouraging news, but as there is no evidence of this being the case, the premature refusal is a forcible reminder of the concluding lines of a certain well known old English song: " 'Then I'll not marry you, my pretty maid,' 'Nobody axed you, sir,' she said."

Maintaining the Court's Dignity.

Davenport Democrat. Judge Ryan, of the Sixth Iowa district, as made a departure which is attracting attention. He has prohibited smoking in his ourt and ordered that lawyers keep their feet off the table while examining witnesses. In most court rooms smoking is prohibited during the sessions of court. But when it s to compelling a lawyer to keep his feet on the floor and his hands out of his pockets that is quite another thing. It savors strong of the blue laws. Judge Ryan has started revolution. He is in danger of being waylaid the lawyers of his court and called a ezar or something worse.

About Eminent Nebraskans.

Judge Crounse, elected governor of Ne-braska on the republican ticket, is a gentle-man of the old school, beloved by young and old. His eldest daughter, one of the most beautiful and highly cultured women in the country, is the wife of G. M. Hitchcock, son and heir of the late Senator Hitchcock and editor of the greatest democratic paper in the state. His campaign against the judge the state. is decidedly lacking in vigor.-New York Herald

This is complimentary to Judge Crounse very complimentary to his daughter, less complimentary to his son-in-law and decidedly uncomplimentary to his democratic paper.

> A Long-Felt Want. Fremont Leader

A desirable person to fill the position of United States senator from Nebraska. He must be a man of good parts, strong and healthy, able to do a good day's work for the people, and fight, if need for them. He must be free from the national disease of consumption, known by its sign of its heetic flush of corruption, so that the servant of the people, when the appears in the uniaria the district of Washington, will have strength to throw off all the invasions of the disease. A great many per-sons have already applied for the dangerous position probably because they are patriotic and wish to serve their country are patriotic and wish to serve their country by becoming markins to the disease. Others have applied for the position, not knowing the character of the place they so much covet and how the disease that infeats the capital of the nation would make life buy-densone to them are would make life buy-densone to them are muddled head. To all such necessarily would be a kindness if their such persons it would be a kindness if their ds advised them to withdraw their entions. These having corporation applications These flaving corporation disease, high protective symptoms that lead to trasts, and other putrifactions of busi-ness need not apply. None wanted but those who are clean, healthy and honest and faithful to the interests of the people while in a corruption poluted neighborhood.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Governor Russell of Massachusetts, de-clined to approve a bill fixing his official compensation at \$5,000 per annum, but signed it when it was made to provide the higher salary for his successor. He is now about to become an \$5,000 per annum of the higher to become an \$8,000 governor, as his own necessor

A statue of the celebrated physician, J. Marion Sina, wrought by Muller of Munich, will be placed in one of the New York parks as soon as the park board give their permis-sion and assig, s the site. The statue is the result of a subscription among the medical profession in many countries.

When Edward Everett Hale wrote story of "My Double and How Hie Undid Me," he was probably unaware of the strong resemblance existing between himself and resemblance existing between ministrand an another man, who, fortunately, never had a chance to compromise the good doctor by any personation of bim. To a Boston man, traveling in Europe, was once shown a pic-

next legislature should not actourn without making provision for a constitutional conven-tion for the state of Nebraska. Under the present ballot law it is almost impossible to arry a constitutional amendment, no matter now badly the people want it. Under our present system of voting and manner of inting ballots, it defeats any amendment or the simple reason that a majority of the voters will not take the trouble to properly mark their ballots.

mark their onnots. Howells Journal: One thing that should receive attention at the hands of the legis-lature this winter is the passage of a law regulating the assessment of real and per-sonal property. As it is at present there is sonal property. As it is at present there is no uniform method of assessing property in the various counties. In some localities property is assessed at one-third its value. others at one-fourth, and there stances where property is not assed at more than one-sixth of its value. There is some-thing radically wrong in this mode of doing ousiness, as some counties pay much more than their just share of taxation for tate purposes, while others pay much less. This should, in some way, be equalized. In our opinion the only proper way to remedy this matter is to pass a law that shall provide for the assessment of all property at its actual cash value. This would place every taxpayer on an even footing. Under this mode of doing business the levies would not have to be so high, and every dollar's worth of property high, and every dollar's worth of property would bear its proportion of taxation. Of course such a change in the law would be looked upon with favor by railroad com-panies and other large corporations, but that fact should not deter our members in the legislature from doing their duty by the people. We believe that there are enough fair-minded, justice-loving members elected to the next beginature to secure the massage

TICKLISH TAKE-OFFS.

SACHIFICED ALL.

But now no tints about him lurk, On different plans he's built; Ains! his best girl's hard at work Upon a crazy quilt.

It is stated that a great many department erks who are not fully protected by v th ivil service law are making every effort to

withdraw their republican endorsement from the files in order to make "fair weather" with the incoming administration and secure themselves in their present positions. Many of them held offices under Cleveland four years ago and got republican papers in order to solidify themselves with this administra-Their indecent haste to turn face has tion. ao disgusted republicans that it is being sug-rested that there might be a betterment of the service by the creation of some vacan-The movement has turned many service reformers from their advocacy of the present system, as they hold that as it is the law is but a cloak under the circumstances to hide the hypocrisy of turncoats.

Western Pensions.

The following western pensions granted are reported by The BEE and Examiner Sureau of Claims ebraska: Original—Augustus Freder-James G. Cox, Milon Kinney, Adam R. Nebraska: ick, James G. Cox, Milon Kinney, Adam R., Milholland, Thomas Day, Maxwell G. Mur-ray, Augustus Rosellus, John W. North, Additional-William T. Adams, John W. Harkins, Nathan Smith, William J. Wilson, Restoration, re-issue and increase-Calvin.

Re-issue-Stephen R. Hogan, Marianne Rood Iowa: Original-James R. Summers, hold him.



sees and knows the advantages that would follow a union between the democrats and the independents in organizing the legislature. In no state but Nebraska would anything else be expected, or even possible. In Kansas a majority of one is taken for granted to be ample to beat the republicans, but in Nebraska plans to hoodwink or buy a suffi-cient number of the opposition to carry out republican designs are discussed as coolly as the purchase of as many coolly as the purchase of as many cattle. The chances of success are guessed at and bet upon as though it were a per-fectly legitimate and natural transaction. But let it be well understood by every mem ber of the legislature not a republican that the people will stand no treachery. guilty democrat can expect future recor-nition or affiliation with his party. Any in-dependent lending himself to republican republican schemes better make a sale of it, like Taylor and rake off enough cash to take him out o istate that will thereafter be too hot to



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