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SUGAR-COATED BRIBES. Railroad corporations have not been as offensively dominant in New England as they have been in the states west of the Mississippi.

PROPOSED INHERITANCE TAX. The working of the law imposing an inheritance tax of 1 per cent on large estates has so pleased some of the officials of the state of New York that it is now proposed to make a tax rate of 1 per cent on all estates from \$100,000 to \$100,000, 2 per cent on all from \$100,000 to \$500,000, 3 per cent on those valued from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 and 5 per cent on those of more than \$1,000,000.

WINDSIDE WATCHMAN. We have watched with the highest degree of satisfaction the very favorable reception of Hon. G. E. Kellogg's address to the Legislature. The democratic press is very warm in its indorsement of Dr. Kellogg.

QUESTIONS OF QUARANTINE. Interesting Views of an Expert on the Subject. FOUNDED ON MIDDLE AGE SUPERSTITION. Dr. Irving C. Rose DeLana's Status and Regulations for the Improvement of the Present Service in the United States.

JERRY SIMPSON HAS COMMENCED HIS CAMPAIGN FOR THE KANSAS SENATORSHIP. Topeka, Kan., Dec. 26.—Jerry Simpson took his Christmas dinner in Topeka yesterday. He arrived on one of the noon trains and went at once to his hotel.

SWORN STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION STATE OF NEBRASKA. County of Douglas. I, George B. Tschuck, secretary of THE BEE Publishing Company, do solemnly swear that the actual circulation of THE DAILY BEE for the week ending December 24, 1902, was as follows:

IT IS NOW UNIVERSALLY CONCEDED THAT a railroad pass is a valuable thing given by railroads, in exchange for valuable service. When given to a public official under the pretense of courtesy is nothing more nor less than a sugar-coated bribe.

NOTHING could be more ridiculous than to cull upon Mr. Cleveland to publicly announce what his administration would do in a possible exigency for maintaining gold payments.

THE BLOOMFIELD JOURNAL has been leased by Wood & Oxford who have become its editors and publishers. Rev. Dr. J. D. Krum has retired from the rectory of the Episcopal church at Schuyler.

NOTA BENE. The adoption and control of quarantine by the general government is by no means a new thing. It is mentioned in an editorial in the New York Medical Record for March, 1873.

FIGHTING FOR A CROSSING. Two Railroad Companies in Missouri Having a Lively Time. NEVADA, Mo., Dec. 25.—The Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway and the Kansas City, Nevada & Fort Smith are engaged in a lively crossing war, which threatens to result seriously.

THE IDEAS THAT SPOKER CRISP WILL BE CALLED TO PLACE IN THE CABINET IS NOT for a moment entertained by the gentlemen who manage the New York Reform club. "WHAT ARE WE SAYING TAXES FOR?" Inquires the Chicago Herald.

THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC REMARKS THAT "the fake center is still along the Rio Grande." Our more or less esteemed contemporary down the street ought to feel slighted.

ANALYZING THE "VERDICT." In the state which was held in 1888 Mr. Cleveland received 3,550,704 this year, against 5,835,242 that year. In other words, his vote in 1892 was only 14,439 more than it was in 1888.

THE COLONEL DROPS A HINT. Canada should be careful how she builds and not dig her heels into the earth. A certain amount of this pastime is permissible, but the limit in her case was reached some time ago.

AMUSEMENTS. People are daily growing more fond of laughter and a large part of Omaha's laughing matter is being done at the Wonderland and Blon theater this week.

ARRESTED FOR BIGAMY. One of Portland, Ore., prominent citizens charged with having two wives. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 25.—Silas J. Jones, 78 years of age, is under arrest at Kokomo, charged with bigamy.

PAUL VANDERVOORT, the grand ruckmuck of the national occupation of men who toil with their jaws has at last returned to Nebraska. Next week he will reappear at the state capital in his old role of paid monopoly epider to the populist fly.

DRAS TIC RAILROAD LEGISLATION. A law has just been enacted in South Carolina for the regulation of the railroads in that state which is more radical than any previous legislation for this purpose adopted by any state.

THE WEST IN THE CABINET. A good deal is being published, wholly conjectural, of course, regarding the possible composition of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet. While the guessers are free with the names of prominent democrats in the eastern, southern and middle states, they take no notice of the cabinet talent west of the Mississippi.

WHERE DIAMONDS ARE TRUMPED. Philadelphia Record. Not content with producing silver ore worth \$400,000 a carload, Idaho has entered the diamond mines for its next conquest.

POST-FESTIVAL FUN. Aitchison Globe: By a "white lie" meant the kind you see on tombstones. Chicago Inter-Ocean: Fielding—Why do you think that he who writes the stupid jokes in the play tonight? Johnson—Because he's perfectly deaf.

MINERS INJURED. DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26.—A special to the Republican from Sallita, Colo., says: William Pelee and Fred J. Landauer were seriously injured this afternoon by an explosion in the

PHILADELPHIA is trying to abolish the smoke nuisance, or that portion of it which arises from the use of bituminous coal on railroads. Philadelphia is an anthracite city and tolerates the Reading combine with a patience that amounts almost to approval.

THE OCEAN RACE BETWEEN THE INMAN line steamer City of Paris and the Etruria of the Cunard line resulted in favor of the latter on account of the disabling of the machinery of her competitor. When is this dangerous and useless trans-Atlantic racing to be stopped?

THE CITY OF FREMONT has made a great record this year in public and private improvements. The total expenditures amount to more than \$300,000, which is an indication of great enterprise as well as a sign of growing prosperity.

SENIATORIAL POTPOURRI. Nebraska City Press (rep.): If by any chance slip of fortune's wheel McKeighan should be elected senator from Nebraska, Bieha's comet should reconsider its action and strike this earth of ours squarely on the Nebraska end.

JUST A PLAIN GIRL. The Itler. There were several girls in my schoolboy days who were noted for their beauty and grace.

WAS JOHN RANDOLPH OF ROANOKE? They say he was so much opposed to the tariff on wool that he would go 40 rods out of his road to kick a sheep.

THE PROPOSED UNMILITARY OF THE various organizations of railway employees for the purpose of preventing strikes during the period of the World's fair, is worthy of encouragement and commendation.

THE DECISION OF JUDGE SPOER OF THE United States court at Macon, Ga., that the fact of a man being a member of a labor organization is no reason for his discharge is a very important one to organized labor.

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BROWNING, KING & CO. Largest Manufacturers and Retailers of Clothing in the World. A Great Kicker. Was John Randolph of Roanoke? They say he was so much opposed to the tariff on wool that he would go 40 rods out of his road to kick a sheep.