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A CORPORATE DICTATORSHIP.

The legislature has adjourned to next Tuesday. Do the people of Nebraska realize what this adjournment will cost them? Do they realize that this adjournment was brought about, if not absolutely dictated, by the corporate lobby...

Adjourned until next Tuesday! Adjourned without completing their organization; without giving the outgoing governor a chance to send in his message, and without giving the incoming governor a chance to deliver his inaugural address.

How much longer will the people of Nebraska submit tamely to such outrages? How can any decent man countenance or condone such an abject surrender on the part of the people's representatives of their sacred prerogative?

A HIGHER OIL TEST. Oil Inspector Heimrod makes some valuable suggestions in his interesting report to the governor concerning the conduct of his department the past year.

One reason and the chief reason why Omaha has been held back in her race for commercial supremacy has been the lack of concord and co-operation. Whenever any great enterprise is attempted our most influential business men have been pulling apart instead of pulling together as they do in Minneapolis, Denver and St. Louis.

IT DOES NOT PAY TO TEMPORIZE. The regular annual agitation in favor of the improvement of the Erie canal is now in progress in the state of New York. Governor Flower urged the importance of it in his recent message to the legislature and some of the newspapers, notably those which are not in favor of the ship canal idea, are calling upon the lawmaking power of the state to do something to make the canal useful.

ALONG with the wreck of William Tell's arrow and George Washington's hatchet goes the great desert of Sahara, which has been shown by recent explorations to be watered by rains and productive of luxuriant grasses. One by one the idols are being shattered and the old beliefs swept away.

GOVERNOR MCKINLEY has appointed three delegates to represent Ohio in the ship canal convention at Washington on January 12. This indicates that Ohio does not propose to be a passive witness of the effort that is being made in behalf of an enterprise in which she has a deep interest.

REPORTS from the various charitable institutions of the city show that during the holiday week the poor and helpless people of Omaha were abundantly provided for. The distribution of charity has become so systematized that there is no longer any excuse for the existence of the chronic tramp and beggar.

THE development of the country and the growth of the commerce of the lakes. It is useless to talk about the expense of an enterprise upon which such vast interests depend, for that expense must sooner or later be borne, and every year of delay will take money out of the pockets of the people for which they never can receive a return.

ORGANIZE A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. The decisive vote by which the new board of directors of the Omaha Board of Trade were elected last Monday is recognized on all hands as an emphatic endorsement of a radical change of policy on the part of the men at the helm of the board.

It is expected that the new directors will infuse vitality into the board and make it what it originally was designed to be—a mercantile association for the promotion of the interests of our jobbers and the establishment of a produce exchange. With these two objects steadily in view, and with the hearty and active co-operation of our wholesale merchants and grain dealers, the directors and officers of the Board of Trade will find a broad field for building up the commerce of Omaha.

Side by side with the Board of Trade, two other organizations are exerting a wholesome influence for the promotion of Omaha's growth. The Nebraska Manufacturers and Consumers association has within the past year created almost a revolution among Nebraskans in favor of patronizing home industry and production of mills and factories in Omaha and every other city in this state.

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nominal success, are in the main hard-worked and enthusiastic members of faculties and the professions. It is time that Nebraska had begun to show some interest in this method of extending popular education. This state has a well appointed university and there is no reason why it should not take up this work of university extension and give the people of this state an opportunity to avail themselves of it.

SOUTH DAKOTA'S DIVORCE LAWS. The state of South Dakota has won an unenviable notoriety by reason of the loose divorce laws of that commonwealth. For the last two years every husband or wife who desired to annul the marriage contract and could not present a satisfactory plea under the laws of the state in which they lived, or would be compelled to wait for a verdict longer than they wished to do, would remove their place of residence to South Dakota, where a brief habitation is sufficient to enable applicants for a release from the matrimonial ties to obtain their wish, without much regard to the character of their complaint.

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vania recognizes the importance of making every preparation to head off the cholera and confesses that the port, quarantine and health laws of Pennsylvania are confusing, but he carefully avoids any suggestion in favor of a national system of quarantine. The attitude of the governors of the two states having the principal seaports is thus shown to be in effect hostile to the proposal that the federal government shall assume the control and supervision of the quarantine system, and it is to be expected that this will have an important bearing upon the views and action of the partisans of these governors in congress. It is now pretty well understood that the democrats in opposition to national quarantine.

A BULLETIN recently issued by the census bureau concerning mortgage indebtedness in New Jersey, shows that in the east as well as in the west the greater portion of the mortgage indebtedness is upon city property rather than upon farms. The mortgage indebtedness on farms in New Jersey, as shown by the census report, was \$25,755,998, and on homes or other real estate \$68,029,088. It appears that 35 per cent of the farmers in that state own their farms without incumbrance. Compared with the west, however, the eastern states do not make a very good showing in this respect, for the eastern farms have had many years in which to pay for themselves and all improvements that have been placed on them, while those of the west have been and may be subject only just begun to yield returns.

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SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

New York Commercial: Are we to understand from Dr. McGlynn's re-assertion that poverty is now abolished officially? St. Louis Republic: With Dr. McGlynn and Dr. Briggs both testifying against the heavy hitters, it is hard on poor Dr. "Preserved" Smith to be thrust out among the lost. What is in a name anyhow? New York Sun: While Dr. McGlynn counts a great number of sympathizers among the Catholics, it is safe to say that the majority of those who have rejoiced at his restoration are enemies of the Roman Catholic church.

Chicago Times: Prof. Henry Preserved Smith was branded with heresy at the recent trial before the church authorities. Prof. Preserved's tribunal was lucky stars and the sentiment of the age that the new year's dawn didn't find him boiled or fried in oil as well as "Preserved." Minneapolis Times: Since the arch-bishop of Canterbury approved opening of museums and picture galleries on Sunday, part of the religious press of England only stops short of calling him a scoundrel, a knave, a traitor, only comfort we extract from this is the reflection that all the bigots are not in this country.

Good people never love bad company. A man with a prejudice is a man with a chain. The man who borrows trouble always has to pay big interest. There is no sweeter music in heaven than the song that goes up from a grateful heart. Labor troubles are often caused by men who are trying to make a living without work. If there is any of the hog in a man the bristles will soon begin to show when he travels. Whenever the preacher takes a square aim at every hypocrite in the church begins to dodge. Preaching experimental religion without experience is as easy to do as climbing pillars of smoke. A hog in a pen never tries to be anything else, but the one in a street car tries to pass himself off for a man. One reason why it takes so long to save the world is because so many of the preachers is aimed straight at the head.

TITILLATING TRIFLES.

When the corporations touch the collar button the Nebraska senate will do the rest. Philadelphia Record: Bessie—who were those singularly stupid young men you presented to me last night, dear Tessie—Oh, they are young members of the senate set. Browning, King & Co's Monthly: "Dun" well, good and faithful servant, or your work won't be well done, said the tailor as he started his collection. Texas Stripes: A western lecturer has been so successful in his efforts to subject often strikes a lecturer unfavorably. Washington Star: "Which do you like best, Uncle Silas, tragedy or comedy?" "Well, for the most part, I prefer the latter. I believe I prefer tragedy, for when the kills comes you feel that 'yer gettin' sorter square with the actors." Rochester Democrat: The reason the piano is such a sympathetic instrument is because it is greatly touched every time it is played. Philadelphia Times: The barber can hold another man's jaw, when he can't hold his own. Boston Transcript: Brown (reading)—Performances at the ancient Greek theaters began at 7 o'clock in the morning and lasted often fully twelve hours. Logg—With the usual intermissions, the ancient Greeks must have been pretty full by the time the green curtain was rung down. Concord Monitor: It has never yet been decided by competent authorities whether storing is vocal or instrumental music. Calling it "short music" doesn't settle the matter at all. Browning, King & Co's Monthly: "This is a temperance hotel, but it's a queer one, because I think it must be," was the reply. "I never know it to be full." Philadelphia Record: A recent novel says of one of the characters: "He was as gaudy as a red man with the blues." Athol Globe: There are so many things in the world that he never feels more than half well.

DEVELOPMENTS.

She was a wealthy Gotham girl, who recently was wedded. Into a supercilious lord. Long, lank and monkey-headed.

First-class she sailed away with this bright flower of the peerage. Though her gratitude of the over here a peasant in the steerage.

Ucle Sam's Great Snap. St. Paul Pioneer-Press. It is estimated that fires and accidents by flood and field have destroyed at least \$20,000,000 of Ucle Sam's paper liabilities. By that sum he is the richer. There is talk of having congress in the near future remove this amount from the statement of the public debt.

Dangers to be Guarded Against. Washington Star. That even the instruments of civilization are sometimes dangerous must be evident to any one who reads of subway explosions. That the conduit is the legitimate successor of the telegraph pole is an unquestionable fact, but by no means follows that the conduits should be sources of apprehension, or worse. The action of the gas in unconsumedly puffing bubbles so that its accumulated force might be released may be accepted by the companies controlling the conduits as an indication of what they ought to do once every week or so. Explosions would then be impossible.

The National Pay Roll. San Francisco Chronicle. The salaries paid to persons in the civil service of the United States amount to \$90,000,000 annually. This seems like a tremendous amount, but when it is borne in mind that this sum pays the wages of 180,000 persons it need not appear any more. The average is only \$500 a year. The number of public offices has been increased 20,000 during the past ten years, but the additions were chiefly appointive, and some of them receiving insignificant amounts. It would be added that a large proportion of the \$90,000 are not actually employed by the government, but only put in a part of their time.

DON'T LOOK FOR THE FLAWS. Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Don't look for the flaws as you go through life. And even when you find them. It is wise and kind to be somewhat blind. And look for the virtue behind them. For the cloudiest night has a hint of light somewhere in its dusky hiding. It is better by far to look for a star than the spots on the sun's shining. The current of life runs ever away. To the bosom of God's great ocean; were set your faces against the river's course. And think to alter its motion. Don't waste a curse on the universe. The world will never adjust itself. Don't butt at the storm with your puny form—But bend and let it go over you. The world will never adjust itself. To suit your whims to the letter; Some things must go wrong your whole life long.

And the sooner you know it the better. It is folly to fight with the inmates of a cage. And go under at last in the wrestle. The wisest man shapes into God's plan. As the water shapes into a vessel.

SENATORIAL POTPOURRI.

Harrisburg Early Day (rep.): When they came to "Choose for United States senator" the republicans here voted almost solid for A. S. Paddock. They realize that he made the state a good representative and his re-election would be highly satisfactory to them. Nebraska City Press (rep.): The outcome of the senatorial contest in Nebraska is bound to have a great deal of influence upon the legislation of the nation. Nebraska's senator may even be the decisive power in shaping the balance of power in the senate. Should republicans be able to hold the higher house they would exert influence the nation very largely. But it is doubtful whether republicans wish to do this.

Patition Times (dem.): The name of Senator Paddock's successor will be Bryan or McKelhan. It begins to look like Bryan is the only democrat who could possibly win independent support, and McKelhan is the one independent for whom democratic legislators would vote, and since a democratic independent candidate is never more than probable, we may suppose to address him as Senator Bryan or Senator McKelhan.

Grand old Independent (rep.): If the republicans subject McKelhan to a railroad race, insulating on the candidacy of Tom Majors or on that of Lorenza Crombie, whose election would make Majors governor of Nebraska, a fusion of democrats and independents will certainly come and defeat the republicans. But if the republicans respect the will of the people, they will see that they wanted Crombie for governor, and have sense enough to propose a popular, liberal minded and able man for senator, they undoubtedly will see that they would not elect him. If they refuse such sensible action they undoubtedly will sedit and deserve defeat.

York Times (rep.): There is no reason for our opposition to Senator Paddock except that he voted against the republican party in the three most important party measures that came before the senate in 1892. Ever since he cast those votes it has been our opinion that it was not best to re-elect him. The Times has more than from the moment those votes were reported. The republican party of this state cannot afford to endorse the position of Senator Paddock. Mr. Paddock has no more to do with us than we have with him. If he endorses it by returning Mr. Paddock it is a surrender of every republican principle. It does not matter that Mr. Paddock has no more to do with us than we have with him. If he endorses it by returning Mr. Paddock it is a surrender of every republican principle. It does not matter that Mr. Paddock has no more to do with us than we have with him.

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SOME MEN OF NOTE.

Governor Hogg of Texas is 39 years old and a good man, weighing 350 pounds. His income of \$25,000 a year as president of a Philadelphia business concern. Allsup, the brewer, is now Baron Hindlip. The original lord of that title is doubt exceeded in back talk. The heaviest man in congress is John W. Rife of Pennsylvania. A special chair has been provided for him. Congressman Curtis of New York is six feet six inches tall, when he isn't trying to reach up to the height of debate. C. James McVeigh of Waycross, Ga., is 57 years old, has twenty-three children living, and has never been in a hospital in his life. Franklin W. Smith of Boston is still agitating the establishment of a national gallery of history and art in Washington, to cost \$10,000,000. General Kearney of Texas is a striking example of fame suddenly acquired by seizing a favorable opportunity to make a few remarks about one's own horse. Senator Stewart of Nevada says that if the republicans do not hurry up and pass a free coinage bill they won't carry a single state west of the Rockies in 1896. Three British brewers have been raised to the peerage by Queen Victoria. Edward Murphy will sooner or later realize the mistake he made in not being a politician. The first novel of the late T. Adolphus Trollope was written in twenty-four days, in order to obtain the money to give his wife a change of air, only he is now a doctor. The historic chateau at Chrey, France, where Voltaire once lived has been sold to a wealthy French manufacturer for \$500,000.

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