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How do you do, Congress! The local postmaster situation is becoming decidedly interesting.

It is greatly to be feared that congress will prove a poor substitute for football as a topic of conversation.

Congress resumes business at the old stand with the firm conviction that it has not really been missed during the autumn adjournment.

There will be several disappointed democratic applicants for Major Clarkson's shoes before the senate shall have been in session many weeks.

It seems quite reasonable to expect Senator Hill to make a speech on the president's message, no matter what that document may contain.

The New York police can't see anything wrong in living pictures. Why should they when they couldn't see anything wrong in a great many much worse things?

If the federal grand jury is bent on going to the bottom of the Capital National bank wreck its members may make up their minds to a temporary residence in Omaha.

Congressional proceedings during the session just commencing will be one long series of political obituaries for the democratic members who look forward to the seclusion of private life after March 4 next.

That Turkish investigation of Armenian outrages has been in progress several weeks, but the prospect of redress for the injuries suffered by the Christian subjects of the sultan has not improved so far as the public is able to observe.

President Cleveland will not depart from the custom of sending his message to the two houses of congress by his executive messenger.

The county surveyor has been instructed to ascertain the depth of the macadam on the newly paved county roads at points not more distant than twenty rods for each mile of pavement.

While Japan is in the market buying warships and cruisers why can't the United States sell a few of its older vessels at a good profit and reinvest the proceeds in the construction of the newest ships?

The two men who have been employed as county agents to see that only worthy applicants for poor relief are assisted out of the public funds can earn their salaries if they will.

The colossal statue of William Penn that has for so many years stood in the court of the Philadelphia public buildings now surmounts the tower of that structure.

Two governors have taken the oath of office in Alabama without bloodshed or clashes of any kind between their followers.

Almost every city in the United States does something to encourage skating in the public parks during the winter time.

THE MEETING OF CONGRESS.

The second session of the Fifty-third congress will begin at noon today and end March 4 next.

The calendar of the session will be about nine weeks, and there is a large amount of already proposed legislation that will call for consideration during that brief period.

The most important measures on the senate calendar are the supplemental tariff bills, which it is understood to be the intention of some of the democrats of that body to press for action.

Senator Jones of Arkansas, a member of the finance committee, has given out that there will be an earnest effort made by the democratic senators to secure consideration for the "popcorn" bills.

The result of the late elections must have convinced the conservative democrats of the senate that the people do not want any more tucking with the tariff, and these with the republicans will be able to prevent consideration of the free raw material bills.

It is understood to be the intention of Senator Hill to immediately urge a change in the senate rules limiting debate.

Now the democrats seem to be well disposed toward a change and Mr. Hill expects it will also be supported by some republicans.

It would enable them to facilitate legislation when they are again in control of the senate.

Still it is very doubtful whether the proposed change will be made, for no republican will support it unless there is an understanding that the democrats shall let the tariff alone.

THE SUGAR TRUST.

The Bee hopes to see the day when at least \$500,000 of the \$200,000 spent annually by Omaha for flour shall go to Nebraska millers to help pay the wages of Nebraska mechanics and interest on capital invested in Nebraska property.

The great mills of the north have felt the influence of the movement in support of the producers of Nebraska flour.

Formerly they controlled the trade as thoroughly as does the Standard Oil company control the coal oil trade.

But their sales have shown a steady decline the past two years, until today the Minnesota millers are determined to break the force of appeals by loyal Nebraskans in advocacy of home manufactures.

They have found in many cases that jobbers and dealers must either be forced or bribed into handling their goods.

Their traveling men are scouring the state and resorting to every trick known to the trade to induce Nebraska merchants to handle their goods and engage in an open warfare with the millers of this state.

The Bee, in a recent issue, exposed the methods employed by the northern flour men, and showed conclusively that they cannot successfully compete with our state millers by fair and legitimate means.

We again appeal to loyal citizens in this city and state to stand by our home industries, and notify retail dealers that only Nebraska flour can be delivered at their homes, especially during the continuance of the reprehensible attempts of the northern millers to break down one of the great and growing industries of this state.

Some of the members of the Board of Education profess to be bothered by the question whether a new contract should be made with an attorney for legal services for a year or only for the period intervening to the close of the fiscal year next June.

POLITICAL AND OTHERWISE.

Although the gubernatorial contest has been declared off and matters in that line have quieted down perceptibly, there are still contents galore on the tapis, and Nebraska's reputation as a neutral political state will not be allowed to suffer.

The suggestion of Judge Sanborn that the salaries of the three Union Pacific receivers who are supposed to represent more particularly the interests of the United States government should be paid out of the earnings of those lines only over which the government lien extends must strike the general public as a most questionable proposition.

The idea which the judge doubtless tried to give expression to is that those receivers would not be necessary were it not for the fact that the government requires protection for its claim by some one participating in the conduct of the road.

He therefore intimates that the expense should be borne practically by the government alone. Under such a rule, while the subsidiary lines would be contributing toward the salaries of two receivers only, the bonded line would be contributing not only its share of the salaries of these two receivers, but also the entire salaries of three more receivers.

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POINTERS FOR LEGISLATORS.

Central City Nonpareil: Under the present law Nebraska is the dumping ground for the Standard Oil company.

McCook Tribune: The next state legislature will render the newspaper fraternity a worthy and profitable service.

Superior Journal: The question of freight rates is one which the incoming legislature will be called upon to meet and try to solve.

Hardy Herald: The incoming Nebraska legislature should improve the present ballot, provide for hourly counting of the votes and get our election laws in such shape that it will be possible to hold an election and ascertain the result in a reasonable time.

Red Cloud Chief: Just now a bill is in course of preparation to be presented in the next session of the state legislature.

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PEOPLE AND THINGS.

It things do not come your way, the best policy is to get out and hustle them.

The world's pickle crop is said to be short, notwithstanding the testimony taken by its foot march longer it is feared he will cancel that kick he has coming.

The cable announces that the muffs of Mosh has been decorated. The name of his base ball club is withheld.

The eternal fitness of things foot ball is shown in Philadelphia. A surgical school and hospital is just across the street from the grounds.

One of the points involved in a libel suit in Brooklyn is the exact meaning of the word "buccoo."

The stenographers of the United States who write the system of shorthand invented by the late Andrew D. Cook are preparing to erect a memorial to his memory.

Mr. T. J. Ellinwood, twenty-eight years official stenographer of Henry Ward Beecher, Mr. E. N. Miner, editor of the Photographic Weekly, New York, and Mr. William Anderson, official stenographer of the court of general sessions, that city.

Syracuse Post: Mrs. Parvono—And what does your husband do?

Buffalo Courier: Wiggs—Poor Rasher. He received man a telegram while he was alive.

Harper's Bazar: Employer—How did you break that vase? Office Boy—I had it in my hand when I heard your bell ring and dropped it because you told me yesterday to drop everything and answer your bell whenever you rang.

SMILING TEXTS.

New York Press: Husband—You can't cook like mother could. Wife—No, nor I can. But I can do as well as she.

First Convict—De governor ain't kep'in' de promise he made for election. Second Convict—Which promise?

First Convict—Why, to turn de rascals out!

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Indians Journal: "Here, Bill," gasped the man on the ground to the man who was jumping on the ground with a pair of heavy boots.

Indians Journal: "There is quite a degree of sympathy between the eyes of the professor."

When my smashes man on the most approved plan, When eyes are knocked out in a sickening way, When noses are broken by just the same token, And teeth are sent flying, and each man is trying, To hit his opponent till senseless or dying, To lay and to order is this a defiance? Oh, no, this is boxing reduced to a science!

When boy meets with boy, or say, hobbles, And they kick and they fight in a perfect delight, With striking and swearing and each other tearing, A terrible strife, for it's war to the knife, And some of the youths are disabled for life, Would you call it a game, this free fight of the giants? Oh, yes, that is foot ball reduced to a science.

Advertisement for 'Two of 'Em' clothing. Features an illustration of a man in a suit and text describing the quality and variety of the garments.

Advertisement for Absolut Vodka. Features the text 'Highest of all in Leavening Power' and 'Latest U.S. Gov't Report'.