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It is feared that the South Omaba donation party will now come to a very abrupt end.

in South Omaha.

It is worthy of notice that Adlai Ste- for itself: venson has not said anything in public since the new year began.

We shall presently see how Colonel Ager and Major Murfin have distributed the chairmanships of legislative commit-

Omaha continues to pay the interest and principal of its bonded indebtedness promptly on the day that it is due. that Omaha's credit has secured.

The democrats of the lower house of congress hold a caucus today to determine whether the Carlisle currency bill shall be declared to be a party measure demanding party support. This is certain indication that the bill is in a precarious position.

If John M. Thurston should, after United States senator which the republican members of the state legislature have tendered him, what an interesting fight we would witness between the numerous and willing second choice candidates. But -

experienced cuckoos.

Perhaps some one will be able to inform us why a contract should be let by the State Board of Purchase and Supplies for furnishing "bulbs" to the Home for the Friendless at Lincoln. Do destitute children thrive on bulbs? Why should the state make a special contract no other state institution?

grants as attractive as the best.

The practice among state officers-elect of delaying the presentation of their offi- larger than it ought to be, and the credit cial bonds until within a few days of the of the state must suffer if it goes on intime when they expect to enter upon creasing. Perhaps nothing can be done their duties is one that should be dis- now to materially reduce it, but it is continued from now on. There is no certainly possible to provide against any reason why a candidate elected to office addition to it. This means that there in November should not have his bond will have to be a general cutting tailed. Its value lies in its strict enforceexecuted and presented within a month down of appropriations for state from the time that his success at the institutions, together with a loppolls is assured. The same thing applies ping off of all unnecessary officials and with equal force to public officers every- employes in such institutions, and it is where, state, county and municipal. The all official bonds be carefully examined found practicable, also, to reduce the down of the number of employes. With before they receive the approval of the salaries of those in the service of the the scale of wages adjusted to reduced at the last possible moment.

county tragedy was enacted and the affair appears to be more of a mystery taken only as a last resort, but it is patrolmen and in the number of fire than ever. Every one involved or in any probable that one of these institutions fighters. The fire and police commission way connected with the occurrence could be spared for a time without seriless contradictions, and no two stories tion. ought to furnish light to clear up much ple to meet the demand regardless of A similar standard of salaries ad. against Governor Hughes of appropriating

THE FAMINE IN NERRASKA.

Dakota missionary field, has taken it sible. upon himself to make an appeal on behalf of the famine sufferers of Nebraska through the New York Sun. The Dakota missionary takes The Bee to task for discrediting the sensational reports of deaths from freezing and starvation that have been set affoat through the press and declares that The Bee is simply contradicting these deplorable facts as the tool of real estate men. Now we do not know the Rev. Mr. Fisher nor do we care how much of a contribution All business lefters and remitances should be addressed to The Bee Publishing company. Omaha. Drafts, checks and postoffice orders to be made payable to the order of the company. THE BEE PUBLISHING COMPANY. to warn philanthropists east and west against imposture under whatever guise orge B. Tas buck, secretary of The Res Pub-ng company, being duly sworn, says that, it may come. This is not the first time the actual number of full and complete copies of the Daily Morning, Evening and sunday lies brinted during the month of November, 1894, was work. Back in the early 70s, when the Republican valley was ravaged by grasshoppers, several professionals made it their mission to gather supplies for the relief of starving homesteaders, although the state had made ample provisions for supplying clothing, food, fuel and seed grain for the destitute settlers. A few years later, when the redoubtable Rev. T. W. Tibbles was making appeals in New York and Brooklyn for the starving Poncas, while he was living sumptuously at the Fifth Avenue hotel, The Bee was also taken to task for discrediting the highly-colored stories of destitution and death among the abor-

It is passing strange, however, that the reverend missionary who parts his name in the middle does not confine his efforts to the relief of his own people in Stand in with the proper parties and South Dakota, where there is more desyou can run any kind of a skin game titution and less relief in sight than there is in Nebraska. The following letter, which has just been received, speaks

MADRID, Jan. 3 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Permit me to make a few statements in regard to the condition of the people in Perkins county. There have been many erroneous reports published concerning the destitution of our people. Two are now called to mind, one appearing in the Chicago Record and the other in the Denver Daily News, both of which should certainly be corrected. These reports seem to have been made by the same party, and originated in one fertile brain. The reckless statement This is the secret of the high standing is made that 600 families have applied for aid; that a Mrs. Burns and two children near Lisbon, in this county, have died from want and exposure.

While we do not claim that there is no distress among the people of this county, for we are fully aware that there are a number of families which have applied for assistance, the statements of the above named papers are absolutely untrue. It would be impossible for 600 families to ask for aid, as there are but 350 families residing in Percounty, and moreover no person or persons have died from such causes.

The facts are that our county and its people have thus far been able to provide for those who have been more unfortunate than others in the loss of crops during the past

naturally assumed that ornithology can in good condition. In fact, cattle taken from be prosecuted under the present admin- the prairies and have not been fed a pound istration only by properly educated and of hay or grain make as fine beef as you Until his approval is endorsed upon the can find on the Omaha market. I trust that this will place our county fairly

before the people. D. D. DAYTON.

SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATURE. The legislature of South Dakota will convene tomorrow, and the people of that state are expecting the session to be one of uncommon interest. A United for bulbs for this one institution and for States senator is to be elected to succeed Senator Pettigrew, whose term expires March 4, and as there is considerable Senator Kyle on Friday presented to opposition to the senator a lively and inthe senate a remonstrance of the Job- teresting contest is looked for. But this bers' and Manufacturers' union of Sioux is not the most important of the matters Falls, S. D., against the Pacific funding which the lawmakers of South Dakota bill. Have the commercial organizations will have to deal with. In common with of Nebraska any opinions on this im- most other states, and particularly with portant question, or if they have, are the newest of them, South Dakota finds they afraid to give expression to them? it imperatively necessary to reduce ex-The jobbers and manufacturers of this penditures. There has been some exstate ought to wake up to the situation. travagance in the administration of the state government which has borne heav-Governor Stone of Missouri recom- ily upon the taxpayers, and they are no mends in his annual message the estab- longer able to bear the burden thus imlishment of agencies and means for ad- posed. However commendable the past vertising the resources of the state with efforts to build up the state by a genera view to inducing immigration. This ous policy in appropriations for the variis a subject which the Nebraska legisla- ous institutions and in promoting public ture may profitably consider. Nebraska improvements, the conditions now are ought not to be behind the surrounding such that this policy can no longer be states in inviting new settlers to make pursued and must give way to one of their homes within her borders. Ne- careful economy in all lines of public braska can offer inducements to immi- expenditure. The credit of the state as well as the welfare of the people makes this imperative.

> The debt of South Dakota is already not to be doubted that South Dakota has

present a recognizable resemblance to It is not an altogether easy or simple service and rank. They can readily reone another. The one fact that Barrett matter to make a radical change from a cruit any number of able-bodied men Scott has suddenly disappeared stands policy of generous, not to say extrava- for \$40 a month during the probation of out in unmistakable boldness. Whether gant, appropriations to one of rigid the first six months' service with \$5 a he is dead or alive, whether his abdue- economy. There is always vigorous op- month increase for every additional six tors were his friends or his enemies, position to such a course from people months until full pay of \$70 per month whether the abduction was with his con- who consider only their personal inter- is reached, at the end of three years' sent or against his protest, are questions ests, but who exert more or less political service. With such a scale the fire and that are yet to be determined. In the influence. When the general welfare police fund would be ample for the meantime the public interest continues clearly demands it, however, it is the number of then which the chief of almost unabated. The next few days duty of the representatives of the peopolice and fire chief deem indispensable.

fore the South Dakota legislators may ing to qualifications and length of serv The Rev. George R. G. Fisher, Mis- be difficult, but they should address ice would improve the efficiency of the donary American Sunday School union, themselves to it with a firm determinawho claims to be a laborer in the South tion to give the people all the relief pos-

THE FIRST THING IN ORDER.

This is a year for economy and retrenchment. When the legislature reconvenes this afternoon it should at once institute a searching inquiry into the unwarranted, unlawful and extravagant purchase of legislative supplies by Secretary of State Allen since the November election. Parties who are well informed assert that the bills for the furniture, merchandise and stationery delivered by Allen's orders at the state house will aggregate from \$15,000 to \$25,000. Most of these goods are piled up in the state house store rooms, and nobody except Allen and the favored dealers knows anything about their quantity, quality, market value or cost to the state. The high-back chairs that have been placed in the senate chamber and representative hall are said to have been bought at \$6.50 each, or \$950 for the job lot. The pertinent question is, what has become of the chairs that were in use during the last session? They were in fair condition and most of them could have done service for several more sessions. The proper thing for the legislature to do is to take an inventory of all the legislative supplies and trumpery which Allen bought contrary to law. retain only such as are absolutely needed for immediate use and make the dealers take back what is not needed. This should be done with the high-back and high-price chairs, and Secretary Piper should be directed to purchase in their stead chairs that will not exceed in price \$36 a dozen. Such chairs are good enough for congress and they ought to be good enough for the legisla-

LAW OF OFFICIAL BONDS.

The delay in the approval of the official bonds of one or two of the newly elected state officers makes the law on this subject of more than ordinary interest at this particular time. Outside of the inhibition of the constitution of Nebraska, that all state officers shall give official bond in a sum not less than \$50,000, nor less than double the amount of public money that may come into their hands, all the legal provisions governing the giving of official bonds are to be found in the law of 1881.

Official bonds of state officers must be in form joint and several and made payable to the state of Nebraska in such penalty and on such conditions as required by law. Such bonds must be filed in case of elective officers on or before the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January next succeeding the election, all of them to be recorded in the kins county. The parties who are said to office of the secretary of state, except all, decline to accept the nomination for have died from want never resided in this that of the secretary of state, which goes to the office of the auditor of public accounts. The bond must be executed by the principal, with at least three sureties, who shall be residents of the state worth in the aggregate the amount two years. We know of no person who has named in such bond over and above made application for aid from the proper their present indebtedness, and affida-The government of the United States officials who has been turned away. We vits of the sureties showing the value wants to secure an ornithologist for were just told by a justice of the peace, an of the property owned by each and subservice in the Department of Agricul- overseer of the poor, who has held the office ject to levy and sale upon execution in service in the Department of Agriculture, and for this purpose announces a for four years, that he had never been asked this state must be made and filed with gation becomes necessary. We shall the officer approving the bond. That officer, in the case of each elective state officer except himself, is the governor. bond it is impossible to have the latter filed and recorded. As to the penal sum in which the bonds must be made, the statute merely repeats the limitation of

filled by election or appointment as the law may direct in the event of vacancy in the same office. The person chosen for the vacancy must give bond in substance and form corresponding with that required of the original officer. In cases of re-election the officer must qualify and give bond anew, first accounting fully for all public funds and property in his possession, and when it is ascertained that an incumbent holds over by reason of the non-election or non-appointment of a successor or of the neglect or refusal of the successor to qualify, he must likewise qualify anew within ten days from the time at which

protection of the public demands that her share of these. It will doubtless be ment of salaries rather than a cutting proper authorities. This cannot well state, so as to effect in the aggregate a rents and prevailing cost of living we be had where the bonds are rushed in very considerable saving. It is said that should be able to increase the number it will be proposed to close one or more of employes in departments where addiof the five educational institutions of the tional help is needed, and still reduce A week has passed since the Holt state, but that this will meet with vigor- the aggregate of running expenses. We ous opposition. Such action should be want an increase in the number of can secure an increase in the number seems to be involved in a maze of hope- ous detriment to the cause of educa- of firemen and policemen by establishing a graduated scale based upon length of

various departments, and still enable the city to reduce expenses. It may not be practicable to reduce the clerical force in the offices of the treasurer, comptroller and clerk, but the salaries that there should be. should be readjusted to correspond with salaries paid to men and women of like capacity in the various banking and business houses of the city. In all those establishments there has been a re-

adjustment of salaries corresponding with existing conditions of trade and income, and the city is compelled to follow their example or incur deficits which the law does not permit.

The sheriff of Holt county is reported to have called upon the captain of the Bartley Guards for a loan of the arms and ammunition supplied by the state to its militia. The captain, it is further have said, promptly declined to honor the requisition. If this story be true the captain of the Bartley Guards only did what he was in duty bound to do. Since when has a sheriff been empowered to issue orders or make demands directly of the subordinate officers of the militia? The governor of Nebraska is commander of the Nebraska National Guard and all communications of this kind must be directed to him. We would soon witness every county were free to command the militia in his county and to make use of the state's military supplies quite at his own free will.

Have not the republicans of Nebraska had enough of Walt Seeley by this time? Why should he be put in position in either house of the legislature to resume the despicable role of go-between for poodle lobbyists and purchasable members? Even Tom Majors repudiated him during the late campaign and charged hat the wretched oil room roustabout was foisted on him by the populist senate in 1891, when he palmed off the fraudulent Taylor voucher upon him and the state auditor. It seems almost incredible that a fellow of his caliber should be allowed to set foot again upon the floor of the senate chamber or be given any opportunity to tamper with bills and public documents.

May we not suggest to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners that they have the officers of the fire department keep an accurate record of the use of the new hose which they have just purchased in order to ascertain by actual experience what make is most serviceable and most economical. Then, having settled which kind of fire hose stands the test best, why not confine future purchases to a single make and brand, at least until it is proved that some other is superior in point of quality and price. There is no reason why the board should be constantly experimenting with different kinds of fire

The work of the charter revision committee is completed so far as suggesting and formulating amendments to the law are concerned. The next step is to have the proposed amendments properly presented and pushed before the legislature. This is where the co-operation not have to wait very long to learn just where every member of that delegation stands with respect to the piece of legislation most vital to the local interests of their constituents.

statute merely repeats the limitation of the constitution, adding \$600,000 as the minimum for the state treasurer.

The law goes on to provide that "if any person elected or appointed to any office shall neglect to have his official bond executed and approved as provided by law and filed for record within the time limited by this act, his office shall thereupon ipso facto become vacant," which vacancy is to be immediately filled by election or appointment as the

Cities Governed by Gangs. Cedar Rapids (Ia.) Repub The majority of our cities are governed by gangs. The heads of departments in v nany of them would not be tolerated arou any business establishment that exercised anything like care in the selection of its employes. These gangs maintain their hold on the public purse and squander its contents by skillfully appealing to party prejudices. They reason that a large number of very decent men are so welded to party that they will vote their party ticket no matter who are the nominees. They also reason that very few of the solid business and professional men of a city will take the time and trouble to attend caucuses which nominate candidates, and if they can organize a small percentage of the population they count themselves masters of the situation. These gangs maintain their

An Eye to the Main Chance.

within ten days from the time at which his successor, if elected, should have qualified.

It is essential for the safeguard of the state and the property of the taxpayer that the various provisions of the statute governing official bonds should be scrupulously observed. It is true that the law declares that no official bond shall be rendered void by reason of any informality or irregularity in its execution or approval, but this is not to be regarded as an invitation to careless action. The law is comprehensive and detailed. Its value lies in its strict enforcement.

\*\*RETRENCHMENT AND EFFICIENCY\*\*. Any scheme of municipal retrenchment should have in view a readjustment of salaries rather than a cutting down of the number of employes. With

The New Diphtheria Remedy.

Chicago Herald.

The efficacy of anti-toxine, the new remedy for diphtheria, keems to have been established already by use in various American cities, as well as in the hospitals of Berlin and Paris. Favorable reports are made by those who have applied it, and there seems to be no reason to doubt that the discoverers of the serum have conferred a blessing upon the world by securing at least an antidote for one of the most serious aliments which afflict humanity. The one drawback to its use is the difficulty in securing it in ample quality for general application, and this fact, as well as its success, has led unprincipled parties in Europe to supply a fraudulent article. In view of this danger it has been aggregated that anti-toxine shall be prepared under official Chicago Herald. view of this danger it has been sugg sted that anti-toxine shall be prepared under official supervision, and that the temedy shall not be used until it has been tested by national, state, or municipal authorities. The suggestion is an excellent one. Every safeguard should be thrown around its preparation and use. The dangers of fraudulent points have already been illustrated in vaccination in more then one city, but here is a disease more to be dreaded than smallpox bicause its proxyess is so rapid. Every physician should be absolutely confident he has the pure remedy in treating a disease where a brief delay may prove fatal.

of the obscure circumstances of the case the clamor of self-seekers. The task bed justed under civil service rules accordate to himself the \$500 salary allowed for an

FATE OF BARRETT SCOTT.

Creighton Courier: Every member of the igilance committee should be captured and vigilance committee should be captured and pay the penalty of murder in the first degree. Seward Reporter: It is a disgraceful af-fair, and shows that there is not the regard

Wahoo New Era: While the lynching of Barrett Scott, the Holt county defaulter, is to be deplored in a certain sense, yet, in to be deplored in a certain sense, yet, in view of recent events, it may have a salutory

Ashland Gazette: While his crime was a heinous one, the crime of his murderers is infinitely more desperate. It is the duty of Governor Holcomb to do all in his power to bring these red-handed murderers to justice. Scribner News: If the lynching theory should prove true it would seem that the provocation was great enough to excuse them, as many of the taxpayers and their families are destitute while the man who robbed them was living on the fat of the land.

Madison Reporter: Scott got a sentence of five years for stealing \$70,000, Mosher is serva similar sentence for stealing \$200,000, and yet the judges who sentenced these men sentenced men to longer terms for stealing trifles. Scott was released on a bond, which, had he jumped it, would have left him richer by \$30,000. What wonder an outraged justice demands a victim now and The Reporter has no sympathy for Scott.

Plattsmouth Journal: Barrett Scott and his whereabouts seem to be the center of an immense sensation just now. For a man who has been a curse to the county which nored him one would think he deserved little. There is nothing conclusive of the fact that he was not taken away by his friends to be driven out of the county to avoid the necessity of going to the pen. a pretty state of affairs if the sheriff in Holt county has a pretty tough reputation,

Minden Courier: Barrett Scott, who robbed the treasury of Holt county, and has since piled up enormous costs on the county, has doubtless met a just fate. The manner in which it was done is deplorable and is a stigma upon any civilized community. It is bad for people to take law in their own hands. It is also bad to see a villain and a robber enjoying freedom and privileges upon stolen wealth that are withheld from many honest, law-abiding citizens.

Cedar Bluffs Standard: Whatever has become of Barrett Scott, the law-abiding citizens of Nebraska will condemn the action of the mob who had no consideration for an innocent wife and children, and if the guilt parties who committed this outrage could be clearly proven there would be no need of a court of justice to deal with them. and it is hoped that the authors of the crime prosperity and plenty again. may be traced to earth and punished as they

Blair Telegram: While no sympathy can looked upon as a lawless early Oklahoma, where might is right and the crack of the revolver has supplanted the crack of the whip. from intimidation and blood-curdling cruel-

PEOPLE AND THINGS.

The succession of brilliant state inaugurations produce a painful goneness in the democratic interior.

The New York syndicate of bond buyers are regarded in treasury circles as knights of the golden fleece.

Miss Alice Eikenbary, one of Plattsmouth's most promising young ladies, has just finished the writing of a story entitled "Sunny Sons of Sunny Side."

A department for the training of newspaper men will be established at the University of Missouri as soon as the finances of the institution will permit.

According to the ukase of Kansas rallroads, the man must now seek the pass. This plan will save a great deal of railroad rustling, without diminishing the supply of

Who is there so heartless as to begrudge through the valley of the shadow deserves a sympathetic handout. The Missourian who broke two of his

wife's ribs while giving her an affectionate caress deserves a life sentence in Chicago, where a colony of bears have thrown up in disgust a similar job. It is said a pious disciple of Confucius in the interior of China, will not travel more than a mile in twenty-four hours, when on a pil-

grimage. Even this pace would outwind an Omaha postmaster commission The fool killer put in a few days' effective work in Burlington, Ia., recently. During his stay two verdant residents exchanged

\$1,500 in current coin for \$30,000 in green goods neatly packed in sawdust. Robert Louis Stevenson wrote to Dr. Doyle when the latter was about to sail for this

country: "When you come to America, call on me. My house is the second door on the left hand after leaving San Francisco Prof. Neumann of the University of Koenigsburg is 96 years of age and for sixty-six years has been lecturing continuously on

physics and mineralogy. He is the oldest professor in active work in Germany. Through the zealous efforts of Mme. Henri Schmal, editress of the organ of the French New Woman, a bill has been approved by a committee of the French Chamber giving women full control over the product of their

women full control over the product of their personal industry.

The late Mr. Two Sticks, when on the witness stand, thus explained his understanding of an oath: "If a man tells a lie, that moment he drops down dead." The claim that Mr. Two Sticks was a civilized person is a figment of the imagination.

Ex-Governor Simon Bolivar Buckner, who was the opponent of Grant in one of the campaigns of the rebellion, wants to be senator from Kentucky. He is one of the rich-est men in the state, has large holdings in Chicago, and his fortune is estimated at from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000

Governor Knute Nelson has leaped into he senatorial arena in Minnesota as a contestant for the east of Senator Washburn, The action of the governor tends to complicate the situation, but the senator's wheat temper is unruffled, and his 4x bar'l may be depended on to scatter the dust at the right moment.

The odd and ancient custom of placing two lamps in front of the mayor's residence is still in vogue in New York, and Mayor Strong proposes to follow it. A modification of the custom prevails among councilmen in the west, but they consider one gas lamp or an arch light sufficient illumination in front of their homes.

In his message to the legislature of Pennsylvania, Governor Pattison estimates that in the fifty-seven strikes of organized labor in that state in 1893 the workingmen lost \$1,395,432, while the actual cost to employers was only \$131,650. In 1894 strikes in Pennsylvania numbered twenty-seven, and only three were successful.

Colonel John T. Crisp of Missouri rode through Virginia not long ago. As the shades of night drew on, he turned to Governor Stone of Missouri, who was with him, and asked: "Is it possible we democrats of the west fought four years to keep the Yankees from taking possession of such a country as this? Why didn't we let them have it and be blanked.

The work of demolishing the old mansion on Lafayette square, where James G. Blaine died, and where the Seward assassination was attempted, has begun. Articles that were in the room in which Mr. Blaine died are being carefully removed. They will be appropriately displayed in rooms set apart for that purpose in the new theater that will be built on the site. Some of the rooms of the house are found to have mantels of rare and beautiful black marble, painted over. Reminiscences of the famous San Fran-

cisco Cliff House show that during the bonanza days it surpassed in festal orgies the best efforts of the old Romans. Every speculator who made a lucky turn blew him-self at the Cliff. Probably the most reckless waste of money ever seen at the place was made by an opium smuggler and dealer in PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 6.—The United After an expensive lunch he insisted on a against Governor Hughes of the charge champagus bath, and despite the protests of champagus bath, and despite the protests of his companions, he had 300 bottles of the best wine broken into a tub, and then disnorted in the costly bath

FOICE OF THE STATE PRESS.

The same old gang is Wahoo Era: The B. & M. is in the sad-

dle at Lincoln. Nobody particularly blames the B. & M. for riding if it can, but it's a devilish foolish people that will be unhorsed so easily.

Fullerton News: The naming of Dr. M. O. Ricketts, the colorel member from Douglas, as temporary speaker of the house was a well deserved compliment to an able man, and shows that another step has been taken toward blotting out the "color line," which is so carefully observed in some sections.

Norfolk Journal: One resolution that every pass upon them. Nebraskan should make for the new year is Philadelphia Le Nebraskan should make for the new year is that he will get out of debt as rapidly as toossible and stay out. With such a rule steadfastly adhered to, it would only take a few years for Nebraska to be absolutely independent of the money lenders of the east, about whom we have heard so much of late years.

Philadelphia Ledger: The life of ex-Senators in Fair of Nevada, who died in San Francisco was a romance. Coming from Ireland a poor boy, he made his way to California with the "49ers." Ills projects were highly successful, and he was already possessed of extensive wealth when, in 1867, he became years.

Geneva Journal: One of the large tions the legislatura will be compelled to the last countries of the passage of an adequate irrigation law. It is only within the last countries. He died a millionaire many times ple of years that particular attention has been drawn to irrigation matters and that the spread of irrigation ditches has made necessary the enactment of logislation that will skilled executive in his numerous operations. permit the proper operation of irrigation com-panies. Nebraska will have the experience of several other states to guide her in the en-actment of wise measures for the proper regulation of irrigation matters.

Kearney Standard: The Omaha Bee says that John M. Thurston "may surprise those who may expect nothing of him in the United States senate except subserviency to railroads and other corporate monopolies." The Bee is not in favor of Mr. Thurston for United States senator to the exclusion of other worthy men, but is not without hope that his manhood and independent spirit will lift him clear out from railroad influences with which he has been identified for twenty years. We shall see what he will do when he has oppor-tunity for action upon the Union Pacific extension matter.

Ponca Journal: With an overwhelming epublican majority in both branches of the republican majority in both branches of the legislature people may confidently expect to see work speedily done for the benefit of the state. Among the acts which will probably be passed will be one restoring the best sugar bounty, and thereby insure the building of more sugar factories. Sugar beets are the only sure crop that can be raised in the state. more sugar factories. Sugar beets are the only sure crop that can be raised in the state. Drouths do not hurt it and the business is a road to wealth. The crazy war which Nine-tenths of the people of Nebraska will denounce this outrage in the strongest terms, will without doubt do it. Then we shall see

an important matter of legislation in the combe expressed for the miserable wretch, it must be said that he was at least entitled to a fair trial. How much longer does the state government intend to submit to this outrage against law and decency? How long shall Nebraska's fair name be stained with such disgraceful doings? Shall she stand up as a civilized commonwealth with laws enforced in a spirit of fustice, or is she content to be stablished, as is the case in Colorado and be established, as is the case in Colorado and be established, as is the case in Colorado and law out think that was a content to be stable and reason.

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In spirit of fustice, or is she content to be stable and reason. be expressed for the miserable wretch, it must be said that he was at least entitled to a fair trial. How much longer does the state spirit of justice, or is she content to be oked upon as a lawless early Oklahoma, where might is right and the crack of the re-olver has supplanted the crack of the whip. And yet this is called a land of freedom or give us none. No jobs will go.

THE BEEF EMBARGO.

Indianapolis Journal: Mr. Morris estimatea the value of the American cattle and dressed beef trade at \$100,000,000 a year. Our forsign trade in bog products was as much more and our Cuban and Brazilian flour trade was very large and rapidly increasing. Two years of democratic blundering have ruined this trade, and the end is not yet.

Chicago Record: "But, sire," urged Marshall Murat, "If you take this step and it turns out disastrously for France, what can yet you say in vindication of yourself?"

"My vindication," said Napoleon, sternly, "can safely be left with the American newstrade, and the end is not yet. the value of the American cattle and dressed trade, and the end is not yet.

trade, and the end is not yet.

Baltimore Sun: As for the offensive discrimination of one-tenth of a cent a pound against European bounty-paid sugar, that feature of our tariff was first introduced in the McKinley act. The repeal of the sham reciprocity item of the act does not, therefore, affect the matter. As a matter of fact, the lower duties of the act of 1894 on nearly all manufactures is worth ten times more to the trade of Germany and the rest of the continent than all the favors of the reciprocity treaties.

Chicago Tribune: The National Live Stock exchange has issued a letter to be sent to every stock exchange in the west urging the importance of prompt, vigorous action in the matter of embargoes laid by

Senator Hill a seat at the white house ban-quet board! Surely one who is wandering action in the matter of embargoes laid by foreign countries against our meat food products. It states that Congressman Wilson has taken the initiatory step by the introduction of a bill to repeal the discriminating duty of one-tenth of a cent per pound on bounty sugar levied under the Gorman-Wil on tariff, and that probably this bill will be considered immediately.

Kansas City Star: Of course it is to b egretted that the few people interested in this small continental trade in meats should suffer loss. But it is not an affair for the whole nation to fly into a frenzy over. The entre trade does not amount to as much a the tax which the United States government collects on the sugar which the discriminat ing nations ship to this country. Yet a good many partisan papers and some live stock men are demanding that the United Stater government remit the discriminating duty on sugar imported from those countries which are restricting the free entry of American cattle into their ports.

Public Ownership of the Canal. Araphoe Pioneer.

The Omaha Bee is right in its advocacy of the public ownership by the city of the proposed Omaha canal.

THE RONANGA PAIR

New York World: The death of ex-Senator Bloomington Echo: The same old gang is now in Lincoln looking for a chance to get a pull at the public teat. If the party wants to gain a point it will repudiate them. principal proprietors of California. In pro-cess of time their death and the removal of their heirs to New York and Europe may restore to the state a considerable measure of

self-government. Globe-Democrat: The late Mr. Fair's fortune was first estimated at \$40,000,000. now it is being put at \$20,000,000, with the probability that it will finally turn out to be still less. It is usually so with big for-tunes. They are exaggerated by public imtunes. They are exaggerated by public imagination far beyond their real dimensions, and shrivel terribly when the probate courts

Philadelphia Ledger: The life of ex-Senaone of the noted quartet of gold and silver princes-Fair, Mackay, Flood and O'Brien. ough of Nevada was but an incident in his career. He died a millionaire many times It is true that luck favored him, and

Dunny Left Seattle with Money. SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 6.-Theodore J. Dupuy, who was found dead at the Golden West hotel in San Francisco Friday under West hotel in San Francisco Friday under circumstances that indicated he had been sandbagged by highwaymen, had been a resident of Seattle for four years. He came here from Los Angeles. During his career he was on the New York bench, it is said, and also on the bench of Chicago. He was a southerner. When he left this city for New York by way of San Francisco he had considerable money and a gold watch,

THE COMICAL CREW.

Galveston News: Experience is merely a sother to most people.

Philadelphia Record: Because a man lives over his store it doesn't signify that he is above his business. Lowell Courier: If you don't believe the wind had a strong pull last night look at the traces it left behind.

Atchison Globe: There is no cheerfulness in the world that equals that of an amateur in responding to an encore.

road to wealth. The crazy war which the last legislature waged against it by repealing the bounty law did incalculable damage, but it can be cured, and the present legislature will without doubt do it. Then we shall see prosperity and plenty again.

McCook Tribune: It seems to be generally expected and admitted that irrigation will be an important matter of legislation in the com-

Indianapolis Journal: "What do you think of this country?" asked the interviewer.
"My deah fellow," replied the eminent foreigner, "I have only been here ten minutes."
"That is just what I want to get at. I want to find out what you think, not what you know."

taken by the bitter pill of adversity. TOO GOOD TO LIVE.

Chicago Record. Don't let your anger rise, Whate'er betideth you; To do so is unwise, And in good people's eyes, 'Tis counted wicked, too.

So, if you're called a liar

By this man, that or t'other,
Repress your rising ire—
Restrain the mad desire
To yell back, "You're anoth

Don't let your anger rise; Man's worst offense condone E'en though he ups and tries His best to black your eyes-Don't try to black his own. Be not to anger prone;
Man robs you of your wife
And files to parts unknown;
E'en this foul wrong condone—
Don't yearn to take his life.

Whate'er betideth you, Don't let your anger rise; And if you never do. Then earth's no place for you— Your home is in the skies.

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