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A JUDICIAL BRUTE.

GREINA, Neb., July 27.—Mrs. W. S. Baker died at Greina early last Monday morning. She left four children, aged respectively 1, 3, 5 and 7 years.

This is the story of the pathetic ending of a piece of judicial brutality which is paralleled in the annals of the bench in any country.

On the 1st day of March last a paragraph appeared in an obscure weekly newspaper published at Greina, in Sarpy county, making allusion to a visit which the foreman of the grand jury that had been in session in Omaha had made to a resort located in the investigated district in pursuance of an investigation of the social evil then under way.

Instead of bringing this complaint before a magistrate of the county in which the paper was published, and in which the poor helpless defendant resided, Mr. Baker was dragged from his home to answer before an Omaha justice of the peace to an accusation of felony.

When you want a legal opinion as to a legal opinion go to the attorney general of Nebraska.

We presume the present Indian troubles will also soon be traced back to "the crime of '73."

When we come to the regime of the horseteal carriage, how can we continue to put the cart before the horse?

Brizadler General Peckles has achieved the pinnacle of fame. His portrait has appeared in several of the eastern papers.

If the newspaper correspondents only had charge of the conduct of operations against the Indians, what an infernal slaughter of red men we would have!

President Cleveland ought to issue a proclamation designating the day after the conclusion of the Harv-Harvey debate as a day of general fasting and thanksgiving.

Turkey is much like the Central American republics in this, that it would feel uncomfortable if it did not have a revolution or an insurrection constantly on its hands.

Holmes, the modern monster, seems to have had more than one Omaha connection. Omaha will, however, gladly forego any possible claim it may have to being instrumental in shaping his hideous career.

The State Relief commission should discharge its employees and shut up shop. The only people who are demanding state relief at this time are the stenographers and clerks in the commission's office.

The Missouri River commission has made a very elaborate report of its operations during the past year. In this report every detail of the work of the members is explicitly set forth except the onerous duty of drawing their pay.

REPUBLICANISM DENOUNCED.

Forty members participated in the annual outing of the Massachusetts club at Newport July 19. Ex-Governor William Claflin presided at the dinner at the New Cliff hotel and made the opening address in the speech-making which followed it.

When I read some of the utterances from the pulpit, and when I read some of the utterances of public speakers in my own state, made this year and last, when I see an endeavor made to excite the old religious prejudices of 200 years ago, to stir up old animosities against men of different races and creeds, it is time for the principal political club of Massachusetts to make a pilgrimage to the state of Roger Williams.

There is reason to believe that the nations of Europe that have possessions in this hemisphere are united in hostility to the Monroe doctrine. We may at any time be called upon to enforce that doctrine, and in such an emergency the arguments of diplomacy would not suffice.

WHAT CAN BE DONE? The question naturally suggests itself in connection with the Waller case, what can be done by the United States in the event of France refusing the request of the court martial to be furnished with the record of the proceedings of the court martial that related and completed the ex-consult? It is said that the late Secretary Gresham regarded this case as important, and this view of it is held by Secretary Olney.

A Nebraska girl is said to be crazy on the subject of bicycling. Only one?

REPEATING FOR THE FRAUD. Washington Star. The prospects which surround the coming congress are bright. The know-nothing land is fully entitled to all the recreation he can get now.

ABOUT THE SIZE OF IT. Chicago Chronicle. A Milwaukee visitor in New York City, who went out of the city to get a Sunday glass of beer, was surprised to find a sign here last Sunday on a boat excursion that one would discover in a month's tour of the world.

CHIEF WALLER'S STAND FOR DECEMY. Cleveland Case in Omaha Excelsior. I noted the reference in the Excelsior's New York letter to the Standard, a blaze of glory, which was published in a small form within a comparatively brief period.

MULTIPLYING MICHIGAN. Chicago Tribune. The latest use of the bicycle is to enable the riders to commit highway robbery. Sate people who go out of evenings in lonely neighborhoods, and who are not accompanied by their valuables at home.

HALF A YEAR'S DISASTERS. Chicago Tribune. The latest marine horror is the sinking of the Italian steamer Maria in the harbor of Genoa, involving the loss of 148 lives.

THE POOR NOT GROWING POORER. Justice H. B. Brown in the Forum. While it is entirely true that the business methods of the past thirty years have tended to increase the number of the poor, a few, and thus to widen the gulf between the very rich and the very poor, it is wholly untrue that the poor are becoming poorer absolutely or relatively poorer than before.

WESTERN COAST DEFENSES. General Schofield has recently returned from a tour of the western country, in which he inspected the defenses at San Francisco and other points.

CULTIVATING MEXICAN TRADE. The trade of the United States with Mexico, while it has been growing, has not attained the proportions it should have in view of the proximity of the two countries and their mutual interests as close neighbors.

A DIRECT WITHOUT PARALLEL. Brooklyn Eagle. There is no such record in the modern history of music as Patti's. Even the great Catalina, who does not seem from the critical accounts of her singing, which have been preserved, to have been nearly as great a vocal artist as Patti, ended her career some thirty-two years after her debut.

POINTED FLASHES. Galveston News: Man wants a scheme that will work while he plays.

Schofield Praises the Army. WASHINGTON, July 27.—General Schofield has returned to Washington from his tour of inspection of army posts in the west and northwest and his trip to Alaska.

WALLER IN HIS OWN DEFENSE.

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WASHINGTON, July 27.—Ex-Consul Waller has written a letter to his stepson, Paul Bray, enclosing a copy of the remarks which he had expected to make before the French court martial by which he was tried in Tamative, but which, it appears, he did not have an opportunity to deliver.

Whether a word from the accused will have very much weight with the jury, I do not know. I am charged with having violated the article of the penal code by corresponding with the enemy and advising him information as to the movements of the French troops in this place.

It will be found that I refer in the letter to my wife to certain wrongs done by certain soldiers, whom I did not name, because I was not permitted to do so. There has been nothing to do with the military operations of the army.

I don't think, he continued, that this movement is to be taken into account. I remember well the know-nothing man as many of you here can. It seemed then as if a wave of intolerance was going to sweep across the country.

I feel that it is time to arouse the political conscience and courage of the people in opposition to any sectarian movement which aims to injure a portion of our fellow citizens. Such a movement will be a grave and serious danger, because it is a menace to the American republic.

THIRD-TERM TALK. Globe Democrat: When George Washington put aside the temptation of a third term he settled the matter for all future presidents.

Mexico Declines to Recognize a United States Consul Agent. WASHINGTON, July 27.—Mexico declines to recognize a United States consul agent at the State department that James DeLong, whom the Mexican government is reported to have refused an exequatur, was really named as United States commercial agent at the small town of Paral, in the state of Chihuahua, and not as consul general.

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SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Dubuque Telegraph: Bishop Potter has crossed the Atlantic entering the slum in New York, where his paragon church has a mission house. He went there to spend three or four weeks in investigating the condition of the people, and, as he expressed it, to show an example to his flock.

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And yet she heeds them not—her thoughts have flown— To some far father garden than her own— Away in golden memory's charmed sphere, Where, through the perfumed aisles calling her, She hears the one loved voice her heart hath known.

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