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ORDER OF YOUR NEWSDEALER. It is still an open question whether the next council will need a \$75 a month sergeant-at-arms. The caucus has voted to keep a man in this sinecure. The council, on second sober thought, may find it prudent to dispense with him. The council has no more need of a special paid sergeant-at-arms than a cat has for two tails...

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ORDER OF YOUR NEWSDEALER. Some of the people who were saying that the republicans would have no difficulty in promptly reorganizing the senate are doomed to disappointment. Here the holiday vacation is upon them and no reorganization yet. The most galling part of the situation is that good democrats continue to draw salaries as officers of a legislative body that has ceased to be controlled by a democratic majority...

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ORDER OF YOUR NEWSDEALER. Erastus Wiman, upon whose surprising fall in the financial world so much comment was expended, has been declared by the court of appeals of New York to have acted entirely within his legal rights when he signed checks for money which he was accused of embezzling. This is no doubt a gratifying decision for Mr. Wiman and his friends, sustaining as it does the assertions they made at the time the sensational arrest was made...

THE SENATE APPROVES

The senate unanimously adopted without modification the house resolution authorizing the president to appoint a commission to investigate and report as to the true divisional line between Venezuela and British Guiana. The reference of this resolution to the senate foreign relations committee and the speeches of Senators Sherman and Morgan warranted the expectation that the matter would be considered with that deliberation which its gravity demanded. The distinguished senators from Ohio and Alabama agreed that there was no necessity for haste, while endorsing the position of the president, but it would seem that they were overruled by the less conservative members. Of course it will be promptly approved by the president, who undoubtedly will lose no time in appointing the commission and instructing it in its duty. That he will select men with a view to having his conclusions sustained, as suggested by Senator Morgan, is altogether probable.

Our government having gone thus far in asserting its right to investigate the true divisional line between Venezuela and British Guiana and practically assuming the whole responsibility of passing upon the controversy—for as the Venezuelan minister said a few days ago his country is now little more than a spectator—it remains to be seen what course the British government will take. It has been suggested that Lord Salisbury would take no notice whatever of the commission, but it seems hardly possible that such will be the case. Had President Cleveland instituted an investigation on his own motion, as he might have done, the British government could have ignored it without any sacrifice of dignity or self-respect, but an investigation by a commission authorized by congress is a very different matter and we have no doubt will receive the attention of the British government, probably in the form of a protest or a notice that the commission will not be permitted to prosecute its investigation on British territory. The course of Lord Salisbury will be awaited with profound solicitude throughout the civilized world. European nations can no longer have any doubt regarding the unanimity and earnestness of the American people in their determination to uphold the Monroe doctrine.

A BOND ISSUE PROBABLE

The withdrawals of gold from the treasury this week have lowered the reserve pretty close to what the president is understood to regard as the danger point and it is reported that another issue of bonds is being seriously talked of. A Washington dispatch states that the president may shortly send a message to congress on the situation and asking legislation authorizing the secretary of the treasury to issue low rate bonds, and that if congress does not promptly comply with this bond will be issued under existing law, as were those which have been sold since the present administration came in. It is impossible to foretell what action congress would take on such a recommendation, but it is more than likely it would decide that there is no necessity for additional legislation. The fact is that under present conditions the government would probably find it difficult to dispose of bonds at a lower rate of interest than is named in the law of 1870, under which the last three issues were made, so that there would be no advantage in new legislation. There is every reason to expect that there will be a large drain on the treasury gold reserve within the next few weeks, so that there will not be much time in which to consider any new legislation. It would not be surprising if the treasury were forced to arrange for a bond issue before the beginning of the new year.

THE POOR TAXPAYERS

The confederated corporations will have absolute control of the next city council. Out of the sixteen members who are entitled to seats they own at least twelve. Inasmuch as they will also absolutely control the next mayor they will be in position to do just as they please. They will be able to vote themselves any privileges they want and to throttle any measure that would curtail their profits, increase their taxes or exact from them additional or better service for the public. Now, why can't the managers of these confederated corporations, who will own the next council soul, body and breeches, save the citizens of Omaha and themselves the needless expense of two extra councilmen? Why can't they agree to leave two seats in the council chamber vacant for the next year? If they have set apart a boodle fund for their retainers, would it not be more satisfactory all around to divide it among twelve men than among fourteen? In any event they would save free railroad transportation, free street railway passes, free gas, free telephones, free water, free electric lights, free telegraph privileges for two councilmen, besides other costly courtesies for their families and friends. In this instance, at least, it seems to us that the interests of the confederated corporations and the interests of all other taxpayers are identical. When men's interests are identical they ought to come to an understanding and act intelligently for their mutual protection.

PROPERTY OWNERS SHOULD ORGANIZE

It must be apparent to the taxpayers of Omaha that no relief can be secured from city councils unless they are forced to give relief. Before the recent city election the council enacted ordinances reducing the number of city hall employees and cutting down the salaries of such as were believed to be overpaid. Since the election the council has begun to retrace its steps in the direction of economy by ordinances to restore extravagant salaries, which are doubtless to be followed at an early day by other ordinances that will completely undo what was promised so freely a few months ago. This, too, in the face of a depleted treasury and the distressed state of the great body of the taxpayers. With the conditions that confront them Omaha property owners have but one course left and that is to take the matter into their own hands and force

municipal retrenchment by a policy that will bring their representatives in the various branches of local government to time. The first step should be an organization of property owners, and the next step the appointment of a retrenchment commission. This commission should be composed of men of business capacity who will institute a searching inquiry into all departments of local government with a view to ascertaining where the pruning knife can be applied without material injury to the public service and what economies can be inaugurated in the conduct of the public business. When this commission has completed its work its recommendations should be presented to the various authorities empowered to put them into effect. Backed by an overwhelming public sentiment the demands of the taxpayers will be irresistible. Should the council or any other branch of government dare to defy the popular demand, measures can then be taken to enforce compliance.

THE FINANCIAL EFFECTS

Whoever has failed to consider the probable effect upon financial affairs of the possibility of war between the United States and Great Britain has ignored one of the most serious phases of the very grave issue. This must now be considered and its dispassionate and intelligent consideration can hardly fail to exert great influence in the direction of averting the threatened conflict. When the great financial and commercial interests of the two countries, so intimately connected, shall have been heard there can be no doubt that they will be found united in the demand that the peace shall not be disturbed and the governments will be bound to give heed to the demand.

Already there is furnished a striking, though by no means surprising, object lesson of what is to be expected in the event of danger of war between the United States and Great Britain increasing. The message of the president was not immediately followed by any very marked financial effects. It did little more than cause a feeling of uneasiness and of itself would probably not have produced any serious disturbance, but when it was found that congress, and war-making power in the government, was in accord with the president and prepared to go to any length in carrying out the course he urged, uneasiness developed into apprehension, how deep and strong the course of the stock markets yesterday plainly attests. American securities were thrown upon the market in great volume and the shrinkage in values—in part speculative, it is true, but none the less a loss to holders—aggregated an enormous amount. Not only British holders of American securities, but holders in other parts of Europe, were eager to unload them. There was practically a panic on the New York Stock exchange. Money on call rose to 200 percent. There were several failures of brokers who, being unexpectedly pressed, could not meet their engagements. So alarming did the situation become that a meeting of the cabinet in Washington was hastily called to consider it.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS

More important than Russia's process of assimilation in Central Asia is the belief that for many years she has had a number of shrewd and skillful emissaries at work among the Mohammedan subjects of the Chinese empire creating discontent and dissensions. How well she has succeeded is shown by the fact that there is a revolt of the followers of the prophet in Eastern Turkestan and Kan Su which is rapidly spreading, the authorities at Peking being unable to cope with it. Russia's territories bound these parts of the Celestial empire on one side, and, therefore, Russia has been asked to send an army to suppress the rebellion and if she does so and succeeds in restoring order she is likely, as a reward, to obtain a large addition to her territory. But there is another phase to the matter which cannot be looked upon with equanimity, especially at this juncture, when there seems to be a danger of a Moslem uprising in Turkey. Might not a revolt in that country so inflame the Mohammedans the world over that they would unite in a war of extermination of the Christians in Anatolia and Armenia, and of that there are so many followers of the prophet in China, and that while there are 16,000,000 Mohammedans in the Turkish empire, there are 60,000,000 Mohammedans under the rule of Queen Victoria in India, and 3,000,000 of them in Persia. What would a rising of Islam mean to the world?

THE SECRETARY OF THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

is calling for special contributions of provisions, clothing, fuel, etc. for the holiday season. The demand for clothing just at this time is said to be great. There are, no doubt, tons of second hand clothing cumbering the closets of many well-to-do homes. It is suggested that householders take an inventory of discarded wearing apparel and telephone the secretary that he may send for it and put it to further good use.

Economy Threatens a Drouth

Chicago Inter Ocean. Chicago brewers are economizing, and will close up 1700 breweries which they are running to retail their schooners.

Too Good to Be Bothered

Chicago Tribune. Utah's constitution provides that juries shall consist of eight men instead of twelve. There is still a feeling in Utah that men are too scarce to be wasted.

A Merciful Change

Chicago Post. A populist asserts that this Venezuelan discussion has been started for the purpose of driving the natives and crews of our families, as well as for attempts to hinder slaves from procuring their freedom. Repetition of these offenses will involve double penalties. The captain and crew of a vessel carrying slaves will be liable to fine and imprisonment, as also the owner, if he is an accomplice, and his vessel and cargo may be confiscated. The same measures are to be applied in the case of vessels which are merely equipped for the transport of slaves.

Time and rotten eggs

Chicago Democrat. Time and rotten eggs were wasted on a fellow like Alhwardt, the Jew biter. The thing to do with him is to let him go and take no notice of him. He can do no harm in the empty halls which would greet him everywhere.

Statistics Change with the Season

Indianapolis Journal. One year ago the census assured the country in his annual report that the deficit for the fiscal year of 1895 would not exceed \$20,000,000, yet it was nearly \$70,000,000. He also predicted that the country was now in a surplus instead of a deficit, yet there is a deficit of \$42,000,000. In the light of these facts what faith can be placed in Mr. Carter's financial predictions?

A Bullly Among the Weak

Chicago Democrat. Despite all her boasted civilization and enlightenment England is as brutal as Persia was in its worst days. She has always been a bully among weak nations, as she was with Nicaragua, recently, and as she is with Venezuela now. She respects nothing but force. A Yorktown was needed to teach her to pay some regard to the rights of the people. Her government has been a colonialist in the latter part of the century. When she forgot that lesson a New Orleans early in the present century she felt on the water now she has put herself in the way of learning this lesson over again.

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