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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 3d day of January, 1894. (Seal.) N. P. FEIL, Notary Public. As the time for fixing the city tax levy approaches, the taxpayers' organ-

dence. Clan Gordon has celebrated the Robert Burns anniversary. But Police Judge Gordon did not officiate as master of ceremonies.

The lowe legislature anticipates a long session. It is greatly to be feared that the Hawkeye solons will wear their welcome out by persisting in staying too long.

Not being able to have its president more & Ohio railroad has elected a congressman to its presidency. There are always more ways than one to whip the devil round the stump.

Ex-Warden Beemer is at all events entitled to credit for turning back \$15.71 out of the \$2,000 advance on his illegal prison labor contract. He might have spent the whole \$2,000 and turned in a deficiency bill besides.

Ex-Councilman Daniel Hotchkiss Wheeler is still confident of securing the necessary ten votes to install him as councilman-at-large, in spite of the warm sessions and primary elections of the First warders. But-

The name of Judge Caldwell is now added to the list of populistic presidential possibilities. The trouble arises, however, that the Arkansas judge does not profess to be a populist. His candidacy would be like ice on the backs of the loudest of the middle-of-the-roads.

It is asserted by some members of the school board who ought to know what they are talking about that the Omaha schools can be maintained upon a good standard of excellence for \$350,000 a year. Some members even put the figures at \$300,000. To do this, however, the pruning knife must be applied without fear or tayor.

Senator Vest served notice on the democratic national committee that the democrats must carry Missouri next fall if they want to retain any vestige of their hold upon the south. But the chances of democratic success in Missouri are growing joyously less, and as for a solid south, why, not even the most hopeful democrat expects that.

With a reduced expense bill for lighting the city ball, the agitation in favor of the city putting in an electric plant in the basement of the city hall may be expected to cease. It would be a capital idea for Mayor Broatch to induce the electric light company to donate light needed in the city hall in consideration of the lucrative contract held for street are lights.

General Powell Clayton of Arkansas takes pains to inform the public that he does not want second place on the presidential ticket to be placed in nomination by the next republican national convention, but that he expects and will be glad to accept a cabinet position. This early announcement of intentions on the part of General Clayton cannot but afford a huge measure of relief to his many friends who were fearful he might conclude that he must have the of the convention of manufacturers presidency or nothing.

Secretary Laughland of the Associated Charities has after much effort compiled statistics of results of last year's consul general at Shanghai, in which garden patch enterprise in this city, it is shown at what relatively small His detailed report appears in another cost Chinese and Japanese labor procolumn. The measure of success at- duces the articles that are sent abroad. tained the first year is indeed gratify- The consul says that a Chinese laborer ing. Mr. Laughland and his associates will save money on wages that would are preparing to extend their efforts in hardly be sufficient to supply the absothe same line the coming season. The lute necessities of an American laborer, knowledge gained by the experience of This is made possible by the cheapness the first year will enable them to show of the vegetable diet on which the still better results this year.

cut down all needless expense in the him to inspect all fire insurance policies now in force, not only on the city hall. but on fire engine houses and other compute the total amount of money exloss by fire sustained by the city. If done to check the growing movement of public should deem it to be expedient, experience is a teacher the result of Oriental products to the American marsuch computation would certainly lead ket, which it seems is not producing a to the conclusion that money can be corresponding increase in the demand until those released on parole shall have saved in the item of insurance pre-

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce has under consideration the Nicaragua canal project, In regard to which it is said that a bill will be framed and reported to the house and probably passed at this session. Just what the character of this measure will be is not indicated and perhaps much will depend upon the report of the engineers sent to inspect and report upon the canal, the text of which has not yet been sent to congress, although it has been in the hands of the president for more than two months. The salient points of this report have been given to the public, but a great deal of its information is yet to be made known, the effect of which may have a more or less decided bearing upon the action of congress.

In a recent address Mr. Warner Miller of New York, who is prominently identified with the project, declared that if the present congress failed to give it support foreign capital would be sought for its construction. It is imply a threat or a serious statement of thing practical will have to be done soon in order to avert the enlistment of foreign capital, with all that may imply, in the enterprise. Nicaragua is 610.846 the canal, which would mean another international complication. It was recently reported that a judge of the suthat government referred the question whether or not she could annul her fzation should make itself more in evicontract with the Maritime Canal company, had advised that Nicaragua first demand prompt and full compliance as the only legal course that can be folasked of a judge of the supreme judicial tribunal shows that the Nicaraguan company and place it with another is no doubt of the right of that governmeat to do this, the only question being elected to a seat in congress, the Balti- whether any foreign company could be

> Manifestly this is a matter which congress ought to decide one way or the other with the least possible delay. It is not creditable to the country that question we appear to be no nearer a solution than at the outset. The pres-

VERY MUCH LIKE OMAHA.

The Chicago papers do not mince words when they discuss the conduct of their boodle aldermen. Recently the bellwether of the Chicago council insolently declared that it is high time the council arises and teaches Mayor Swift that an alderman is more than a messenger. This piece of aldermanic pleasantry is dissected in the following fashion by the Sunday Tribune:

When have most of the aldermen been anything but messengers? It has been the duty and the pleasure of most of them to run errands for the disreputable of their constituents. When they have not been messengers for toughs who wanted to get out of the bridewell or the police station they | tioneering material for congressmen of have been at the beck and call of every man who wanted his sidewalk mended. They have run their legs off to get passes on street railroads for henchmen in their wards. Some of them have been the willing messengers for corporations. They are at the beck and call of the latter. There are two r three aldermen who are chief messengers, through whom these corporations, when coreern or individual, with a fair amount to run its or his errands.

Where is the Cadet Taylor of Chicago? Would it not be well for him to fetch out that plank which commands the people to believe no reports that reflect upon public officials until they facts for themselves?

OUR EASTERN COMPETITORS.

The competition in our home market of the products of the far eastern counthe recent national convention of mancalling upon the senate of the United States to appoint a commission or to and transmission through the mails of direct one of its own committees to in- worthless seeds for electioneering purquire respecting the alleged invasion of our market and the menace offered to American manufacturing industry by whether such an investment of money the products of cheap Oriental labor; also to determine what is the cause of this menace and what means should be adopted to avert the threatened injury to domestic producers. In this action there was indicated a serious feeling of concern regarding this competition.

The latest issue of consular reports

contains a report from the American small cost of house accommodations, Mayor Broatch avows an intention to for several families will subdivide one room of a house and live in contentcity government. It might be well for ment in it, and the low price paid for clothing, which is made of the coarsest cottons. In Japan labor is somewhat better paid than in China, but there property of the city. The greater the also it is far below the wages of Ameriefficiency of the fire department the can labor. The balance of trade beless is the call for insurance on engine tween the United States and China and houses. It would be interesting to Japan has been steadily against this ganized movement for reforms in the pended for fire insurance by the city that it will continue to be, increasing it is not difficult to understand that the during ten years, as against the total from year to year, unless something is authorities of the South African re-

serious consideration.

HIGH TIME TO ORGANIZE.

The heavy property owners and taxganized movement of the great body of our citizens. the taxpayers. There can be no permanent relief from extravagance and step the limits laid down by law.

takes money out of the public treasury. swear against them, How can this be brought about?

preme court of Nicaragua, to whom Surely, not by spasmodic whittling of during the past year, when the health lowed. The fact that an opinion was fund and police fund were recklessly squandered and the illegal deficits made up by appropriations from the general to be rid of the contract with the canal been absorbed by advancing money out of it to the other funds, and the credit company that will carry it out. There of the city has thus been endangered. These pernicious practices can be effectually stopped only by a taxpayers'

association employing a competent atinduced to take up the enterprise in torney to interpose such barriers as the view of the hostility which it would courts afford against infractions of the certaily encounter from the United law. What is everybody's business is

> CONGRESSIONAL GARDEN SASS. Time was when farmers' votes could be caught by the gift of package of squash and cabbage seeds or a half ounce of posy seeds sent free through the mails under the congressional trademark under pretext that they were foreign varieties for experiment and introduction on American soil. This polical garden saas supplied at the expense of the farmers through the commissioner of agriculture afforded the cheapest electhe Texas steer brand and was regarded by these great statesmen as a most indispensable perquisite of their

and defied.

high offices. For years past, however, the quantity of the congressional garden sass has been increasing and its quality deteriorating. Instead of rare orchids about to buy a franchise, communicate with and flower-bearing plants from the aldermanic messengers of lower degree. Any tropics and the orient the farmers have received morning glories and sunof money, can hire one of these messengers flowers. Instead of Egyptian corn and India wheat they have received army beans and Canadian thistles. In fact, the congressional garden sass became so common that a self-respecting western farmer considers it almost an insult to be officially notified of the arrival in shall have personally investigated the his postoffice of one of the musty befranked seed packages.

While the farmers of the country may not take kindly to some of Secretary Morton's views on live economic questions, his effort to abolish the abuse that tries was a subject of consideration at has grown out of the free distribution of seeds will meet with their approval. ufacturers, which adopted a resolution There is no good reason why the people should be taxed for the purchase poses. Even if these seeds were what they purport to be it is questionable taken out of the national treasury would be justifiable. Uncle Sam has just as much right to distribute foreign varieties of pigeons, pigs and puppies among the fanciers or to import Merino sheep, Angora goats, Peruvian Ilamas and Australian kangaroos for distribution among congressional constituents If there is any real reason for the maintenance of the Department of Agriculture it must be something higher and more beneficial to the agricultural interests of the country than the supply of political garden sass to members of con-

AMERICANS IN THE TRANSVAAL. It is gratifying information that the authorities of the South African repub lie have released on parole all the Amer leans that were arrested in connection Chinese laborer is content to live, the with the recent raid, with the single exception of Hammond, whose case appears to be regarded by the govern ment as of a more serious nature than that of the other Americans. The great anxiety manifested by Hammond and his friends may, indeed, be not unfairly regarded as a confession that his course was more indefensible than was the conduct of the other Americans who were identified with the orcountry and the indications seem to be interest of the foreigners. At any rate under the circumstances, to keep Hammond in custody for a time, perhaps

from those countries for our products. demonstrated that they are disposed to

The interest shown in this matter by relinquish all further attempts to bring

turers at Chicago last week was so consular agent expresses the opinion strong and carnest that it should command the attention of congress. There peril and says the Transvant govern- state officers. is presented in it a new phase of the ment has acked magnanimously, which policy of protection that merits very seems to be the case. The Americans will in due time be brought to trial, but there is no reason to apprehend that any of them will be very severely punished. In the meantime our governpayers of Omaha made a good begin- ment continues to interest itself in their ning by appointing committees to confer behalf, having snow direct intercourse with the city and county authorities for with the Transvaal government, and it the purpose of impressing them with is not to be doubted that its reprethe necessity for greater economy and sentations will have favorable results. reduced taxation. But the efforts of The Boer republic, it is to be presumed, these committees will come to nothing will not disregard any reasonable reunless they are followed up by an or- quest from the United States affecting mer.

It is stated that a large proportion lawless expenditures of public moneys of recent fires in this city were ununtil we have a permanent organization questionably of incendiary origin. Chief that will invoke the power of the courts | Redell said last year, in referring to the whenever an attempt is made to over- subject, that he knew of no city where as little effort is made to convict in-To dispense with a few needless cendiaries as is the case in Omaha. possible to say whether this was sim- clerks and consolidate some minor Why this should be true it is difficult to offices is at best only a start in the dithe intention of the canal company, rection of retrenchment. In fact, it tainly stringent enough to cover any but it is undoubtedly a fact that some- may turn out to be merely a deceptive case where evidence would warrant bility. makeshift to open the way for the ap- conviction. The opinion has been expointment of another batch of political pressed that the law officers do not on-hangers. The demand of the hour secure evidence upon which convictions is for a strict application of business can be based. Instances are cited becoming impatient and if this country methods today, temorrow, and every where men whose buildings have burned son it is the most expensive government under does not act she is very likely to look day in the year. That applies not solely have had to leave the city because of elsewhere for the means to construct to city, county and school board em- the strong popular belief that they comployes, but to every transaction that mitted arson, yet no one was willing to

A lengthy opinion composed by the the salary list nor by reducing the tax judge advocate general of the Nelevy, while all departments are creating braska National Guard, approved by overlaps and the money raised for one the adjutant general, the brigadier genpurpose is transferred into funds that eral and two colonels of the First and have been unlawfully overdrawn. We Second infantry regiments, and apbefore declaring the contrac annulled have had examples of this false economy proved and promulgated by the goverpor as commander-in-chief of land and naval forces, makes public the an nouncement that should the federal government require the assistance of government is dissatisfied and is ready fund. The entire sinking fund has the state militia to repel foreign invasion the militia of Nebraska would be subject to the call to military duty under the statutes. If any one of military age in Nebraska did not understand his legal liability before the array of names attached to this proclamation ought to at once remove all doubts from his mind.

The Nebraska Grand Army of the nobody's business. No single taxpayer Republic is asking for bids for the locacan afford either to stand up all the tion of its next annual reunion, which, year round against jobs and steals or among other things, must guarantee to incur the enmity of those who are the use of at least 240 acres suitable for engaged in despoiling the whole body a camp and the usual commissary supafter so prolonged a discussion of this of taxpayers. Nor is it rational to explies needed by a small army on the pect a half-dozen of the leading prop- march. This means that the intention erty owners to bear the whole burden, is to continue the barbarous campingent congress should take decisive action. An association representing thousands out system. The veterans of the war of voters would exercise a wholesome are entitled to all the conveniences and restraint upon public officers, while a comforts which the best accommodacorporal's guard would be often ignored tions in our larger cities can provide. Let the Nebraska Grand Army of the Republic make the start in abolishing the camp and in refusing to expose its aging members to the hardships of this needless outsdoor life.

The two new Utah senators have committed themselves in public interviews in favor of congressional recognition for the proposed Transmississippi exposition at Omaha. The representatives of other western states will doubtless be equally enthusiastic over its prospects as soon as the project is forced to their attention. If the prescet congress is to be persuaded to act there is no time to be lost in prosecut ing the work of explanation and education. The senators and congressmen who have expressed themselves favorably might become luke-warm in their support if the proposition is not pushed with energy by the people most vitally interested in it.

If sublime cheek and adamantine audacity were the only qualifies that gave a newspaper a commanding position in the political arena, the Omaha World-Herald would long ago have been the most potential factor in Ne braska state politics. A free silver democratic paper with a populist veneering over a monopoly body trying to set up candidates for the republican party to nominate presents a speciacle of conceit that would command admiration if it were not so supremely impertment.

Good Roads the Caper.

Governor Drake has widened his popularity In lowa by his positive declaration in favor of good roads and such legislation as will provide for making them. It is strange how elowly people accept the fact that invest ments made in this direction yield larger re turns than almost any other expenditure public moneys.

Wrangling Over a Shadow. Springfield Republica

We have been wrangling with Great Britain for half a century or more over the con trol of an isthmian canal, and the senate reolution puts new life into the wrangle. Th canal which the fuss is all about is yet to be constructed. We are apparently nearer to a war over the control of it when built than we are to the building of it. What children these nations bales

Falls to Stir His Boom.

Senator Davis' scheme to get in the Monro wagon by letting out the coupling pole an indefinite number of holes doesn't seem to meet with the unanimous approbation desira ble for a prasidential candidacy. The senato is in the condition of those literary gentle men whose best ideas having been antici pated seek to anake up by amplification for their slow-fire match of thought.

Inauspicious, for Dark Horses.

The entry of oxe-senator Manderson of Ne-braska as a prasidential candidate is not likely to create, much of a disturbance in the expectations of those who had previously een groomed for the race; and still Mande son has qualities that would admirably equip him for the office. The signs, though, are not auspicions for dark horses, and it would not be wise for General Manderson to build too much on the effort of his friends to crowd him into the presidential race.

One State Convention.

The newspapers over the state generally are new discussing the advisability of the republicans holding but one state convenion this year. The sentiment seems to favorable for several reasons, principally however, that one convention hold the first week in June will answer all purposes. There are nearly six months in which to prepare for the same and candidates will find this ample and afterwards they will have suffi clent time to become acquainted with the prople and the people with them.

An early convention must be called to se

lect representatives at large to the national convention which meets June 16 at St. Louis. As there are but four delegates to be chosen would be ridiculous to incur so great an ex-There will be plenty to do in the conventions to follow, called to congressmen, representatives and county offi-

The money and enthusiasm spent by holding a second state convention might be more judiciously expended in education of the masses on the issues before them. an educational campaign this year, the democratic object lesson of the present being sufficient to convince the most skeptical, yet wise six months' state campaign on presi dential year will afford plenty of time to discuss and adjust matters in such a manner that the victory will be overwhelming. believe that the republicans of this section of the state are desirous of but one state convention, and let's make that one a hum-

Make Them Flock Together,

Article vi of the constitution of this coun ry contains this emphatic declaration: "No eligious test shall ever be required as a are urging the adoption of a policy of pro-scription which aims at the very heart of religious liberty. All political parties should any man that he is not wanted as governor discourage the intrusion of this odious proscriptive element into their organization. The Central City Nonparell: In looking over to flock by themselves, and carry on their unamerican crusade on their own responsi-

A Government of Lawyers.

"Ours is a lawyers' government." There Perhaps that is the reathe sun. Perhaps that is the reason it can't ment it has been necessary to borrow several millions of dollars within the past three years to pay the salaries of the lawyers and provide for oft-recurring deficits.

We do not wish to be understood as saying that the lawyer's government is a failure. These reflections are suggested by Dr. Depow's observations with reference to the predominating influence of the legal mind in governmental affairs. If the lawyers made the government, perhaps there is no reason why they should not run it to suit themsalves, and if the people won't pay the expenses it is really no fault of the lawyers.

Drawing the Long Bow.

Buffalo Express (rep.) The only paragraph of Senator Wolcott's speech which is worthy of comment is this:
"What advancement of progress for the
human race the centuries shall bring us must largely come, in my opinion, through the spread of the religion of Christ and the minance of the English speaking peoples, and wherever you find both, you find munities where freedom exists and law is

That is a flattering idea for us who speak he English language, but is it true? If we look into the history of races, do we not find that the freedom which exists where an English speaking people rules is for the English speaking people only, and is further limited to those who have white skins? Does Anglo-Saxon domination in parts of our own country bring freedom and the reign of law among the blacks? In the British province 2,000 men, most of whom were born in The remainder of the habitants are mostly negroes and East Indian cooles. They are practically serfs without political rights. Across the Orinoco in Venezuela the suffrage is extended practically to all classes of people, negroes and lian administration which Mr. Mell Indians, as well as white men. Is this an would give, but he would, without evidence that English domination brings

Senator Wolcott as a republican should take broader views. In our self-pride we are too apt to think that the dominance of a race gives us our freedom, rather than the dominance of a principle. But such an idea is unworthy of our great republic and especially unworthy of a representative of the republican party, which broke the line of color in establishing political rights under

· A TREASURY DRAIN.

Foreclose the Pacific Railroad Mortgage and Pocket the Loss. Chicago Record

on of the United States ury has stimulated a strong sentiment in favor of the government foreclosing its mort rages on the Union Pacific and Central Pa ific railroad properties. The outstanding principal of the Pacific railroads' bonds is \$64,623,512, and on these bonds the government has paid \$105,698,926, of which only about \$30,000,000 has been paid back by th railroad companies.

Mr. Coembs, one of the government direct tors of the reads, favors the purchase of the first mortgage bonds by the government, which would require about \$33,000,000 over and above the sinking fund, amounting now to nearly \$20,000,000. He believes the proprties would be ample and safe security for \$140,000,000 in 5 per cent bonds, and would provide for the payment of a part of the indebtedness due the government. But it is more than likely that some the whole issue of bonds and take the Reorganization and an entrance int

he roads in the east which desire a western line or connection to the Pacific would pu roads. earning capacity of the roads while reducing the expenses of management. So long as th arrangements exist between th roads and the government the latter is ge ing the worst of it, the indebtedness being cationary, while the government has pair \$12,000,000 in interest more than the amoun The government would better foreclose it mortgages and pocket its loss if it is obliged

o stop the constant drain on the tressur; in the payment of interest.

POSTAL SAVINGS.

System Encouraging Theift with the Best Security. San Francisco Call.

In past years whenever an attempt to pas a postal-savinge scheme through congress folled the cry was raised that the defeat represented the influence of the banks. W illed to any such opposition in the case of he postal-savings measures which have berecently introduced in congress. The case is antagonistic to any assumption of bank opposition, for the reason that as the interest proposed to be paid by the government is much smaller than that paid by savings banks a postal-saving account would more than likely be transferred to savings banks after it had reached a size sufficient for bank account purposes. As a rule economy and its extreme ex-ression, penuriousness, are the result of Californians scorned to use any necessity.

c in smaller than a 25-cent piece until op portunities for making a great fest of money with little effort became restricted same rule applies to small gavings hey are not likely to be made by prosper our persons. At the came time is teach children the importance of saving

and hence it is in the education of the young that a postal-saving institution would have one of its highest uses. The best plan in operation in Europe may be illustrated by using the names of Ameri-

can coine in describing it. A person may deposit a sum as small as a cent. An account is opened with him. For his cent he is given a card divided into ten compartments, each the size of a 1-c-at stam; a cent stamp which the postmaster affixes to the card. For 10 cents the entire card in thus filled, and in exchange for it the d partments, each designed to receive ten 10cent stamps. Upon surrendering his 1-cent card he is given a 10-cent card with one of the compariments filled with a 16-cent stamp. When this card is filled he surrenders it and receives another card divided into ten compartments, but each represents \$1, and one of the compartments is filled with a \$1 stamp in exchange for the filled 16-cent card which he has surrendered. The next card has \$10 compartments.

The system is so simple that any child can understand it, our decimal system making peculiarly applicable to this country hether or not any of the bills before con-Whether or not any of the bills before c.n. gress embody this plan we are not informed, but if not it should be presented, and the measure could find no more sulfable advomore suitable advocates than the great labor organizations of

Genoa Leader (rep.): If the Leader can read the signs of the times right, the re-publican party of Nebraska has got a suf-ficiency of internal quarrels and is looking for candidates who will unite the party and

to announce himself as a candidate for governor. The party might suffer defeat with a much inferior man as its candidate.

Schuyler Herald (dem.): There seems to be

a scheme on foot to nominate Cady for con-gress in order to get him out of Meiklejohn's way in the centest for the governorship. able to get Cady to accept their tempting

Tecumseh Chieftain (rep.): Hon T. Majors' candidacy for the governorship is not favorably received by the great majority of republican papers throughout the state. We are forced to this conclusion by a careful survey of the editorial columns of our "No exchanges.

religious test shall ever be required as a Aurora Sun (rep.); They say Majors has qualification to any office or trust under the announced himself a candidate for governor United States." And yet a class of citizens again on the republican ticket. He has more sand than sense. To fall in a republican land-slide like that of last year ought to satisfy

> Central City Nonparell: In looking over the list of aspirants for the republican nomination for governor Eugene. Moore does not want to be lost sight of. He will probably make a strong fight for the nomination and the republicans might do far worse than to nominate him.

Fullerton News (rep.): If the republican editors of this state had the nomination of a candidate for governor in their hands, George D. Meiklejohn would be their choice by a manimous vote. The editors are next to the unanimous vote. The editors are next to people and know what they want and they know that the people are for Melklejohn for governor.

Kearney New Era: On the quiet, in smooth, oily way, Tom Majors' principal backers two years ago are laying big blocks of ice on his aspirations. Tom's enthusiasm and the heating influence of his bickory shirt and dangerous smile may melt away many objections prior to the holding of the republican state convention. Minden Gazette (rep.): The Gazette would

like to suggest to the republicans of the Fifth district that as available a man and as good a man as it could rally around and support is Captain C. E. Adams of Superfor. He is a clean, strong man, and would not only make an ideal candidate, but when elected would make an able, popular gov-

Red Cloud Golden Belt (rep.): T. J. Majore is unfortunate in his ambitions. Like some local candidates he made a race with the odds in his favor and lost, and that should be enough. We were for him once, and we still espect him for various good traits, but can didacy before the next convention simply means another disappointment for him, and we want to see him keep out.

Wayne Republican: Tom Majors is said to have an eye on the nomination for gov-ernor in this state next fall. Don't you do it, Tom. A lot of us fellows stayed two years ago and we found it awful hard You're ringboned, spavined and, from the sounds that emanated from the stump believe you've heaves; at any rate you're no good in a race f that kind.

Winside Tribune (rep.): Without doubt the republicans in this portion of the great com-monwealth of Nebraska would be eminently pleased with the selection of Hon. Eugene Moore for the republican nomination for gov-ernor. He would not, perhaps, give the brilgive what the people of Nebraska are longing for, a thorough-going business-like administration. Broken Bow Beacon (pop.): We do no

know what Governor Holcomb's aspirations are or whether he has any. It may be that he would like to go to congress, and it may be he would like to be a candidate for president. Porsibly he would not object to renominated for governor. But while t Beacon has a very high regard for the go ernor, and would be very glad to respect his wishes, yet in view of the splendid record he has made as governor, it is almost certain that the delegates to the state convention will insist on his renomination for the exalted pocause the demand is imperative for o again be the standard hearer of populism in Nebraska.

Wymore Arbor State (rep.): Tom Majors i ne of the most peralstent politicians in Na braska. He is said to be quictly working his friends and the public for a renomination governor of Nebraska, and from the way he babs up at every important gathering intends the people shall not forget he is still living. There are a large class of professional politicians in Nebraska who have outlived their usefulness, if they ever had any. They are in politics for what there s in it, and to them the people are indebted for some of the most pernicious laws on the statute books, for the excessive taxes and waste of public money. The people of Ne braska are long suffering and have endurethe purely professional politician with calm 200 and fortitude, but the time has arrived for the very distressing and pectacle to cease and the retiring, per-namently and for all time, this undesirable nd upprofitable class of citizens,

Blair Courier (dem.): Now that the an nouncement made so early in the day by Congressman Meiklejohn has brought out a core of republican candidates for governor could it not be well for democracy to un'to ad present a solid front to the enemy? ight among the many republican aspirants vill be fierce and bitter and increase the upture already made between the Majors and Rosewater factions. In view of this it chooves the two wings to unite and agree upon serve man to make the race for gov-ernor. The candidate of democracy should be a man who has the confidence of his party. who has always striven for the puccess the party, who is known all over the state and who can take republican votes from that party in Onesha. That man is Hon. James E. Boyd. Add to the qualifications already enumerated the fact that he successfully E. Boyd. served one term as governor, being elected in a republican stronghold, and we can see he is the most available man in the democratic party.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Mark Twain writes to a friend in Hartford that he went away in debt and will come back in a first cabin. Ambassador Bayard confesses that his managing editor was off on a vacation when ne delivered those speeches.

Speaker Reed, Senator Frye, chairman pro em of the senate, and Chief Justice Fuller are graduates of Bowdoin college. By the time the statesmen finish formulat-

ing the Monroe doctrine, it is to be feared, President Monoroe would not recognize it. Poor Prince Battenberg! He left England eccape the pafts of ridicule. He courted prowess in Africa's swamps and achieved teath. The senate may be slow as a body, but

members are catching on to the benefits of advertising their bargains in advance of he day of delivery. The latest sea sernent heard from was

on the sunny side of a rock off Cape inket. The report is worthy of Opoukhinkot. credence because the locality is something of a summer report in winter. As the spring election approaches in Phil-

adelphis keen observers note that the office is not seeking the man. The fact is the office could not cross the threshold, so great is the jam of patriots seeking the office. The poet laureate of England to entitled to back pay from the date of the death of Tennyson in 1892. If quantity is the deration, Austin is making a grand stand play for the "puns and shillin's

General Bourbaki of France is now nearly 80 years of age and in precarious health. He was born at Pau the year following the battle of Waterloo. Bourbaki, while retreating before Manteuffel's army towa Switzerland, tried to blow out his brains, a for weeks hovered between life and death.

A Washington correspondent is authority for the statement that Jose Maceo, the Cuban general, when he was a mountain bandit, "plotted the capture of John Sherman, while that gentleman was making a tour through Cuba some years ago. It was intended to

the national convention of manufact about desired perores by force. Our and a state central committee named, it IN THE GUBERNATORIAL FIELD. selze him, carry him off into the mountains and hold bim and hold him for ransom, with the ex-States would pay a large sum of money for

During a recent windy push in north Misfor candidates who will unite the party and none others need apply.

Tecumseh Journal (dem.): Judge Hayward, an old settler and one of the best republicans in Otoc county, is being urged by friends

momentous event. Apart from the customary arrogance, the holding of the convention hardly think our republican friends will be at the national capital is a proclamation of defiance hurled at New York, Senior Senator Hill expressed himself in favor of deporting every woman in Washington. They retort by rallying the veterans of countless hot calcric battles and ordering a metaphoric charge on his "lean and hungry" loc Verily these are perllous days for David.

ETCHINGS OF LIFE.

Chicago Tribune: "I will thank you not to use that quotation again, Miss Philler," coldly observed the editor of the New Woman, pointing out a sentence in an editorial article that had been submitted to her ap-

proval.

Miss Philler understood. She took the manuscript back to her own room and changed "No man is a hero to his valet" room and to "No woman is a heroine to her maid.

Washington Star: "Josfar," said Mrs. Corntossel, as her husband came in from feeding the pigs, "what is the Monroe dectrine? "The Monroe doctrine, Mandy," he replied

after a moment's thought, "is a principle which lays down that jes' because we don't put both feet in the trough ourselves is sign that we're goin' to incourage others to do it."

New Orleans Times: A wild-eyed man, with his mouth out of Joint, was found leaning against a lamp post on Fulton street "What's the matter with him?" yelled the crowd as it ran up. "Give him air." replied the policeman; "he's

a stranger, and he tried to say Tchoupitoulas Detroit Tribune: "Back, I say," commanded The villain paused with gleaming knife

"Back," she repeated. "Dare not to kill me. I have still thirteen other dresses."
Under the inexorable laws of the new drama he was of necessity baffled for the time

DOCTRINE OF THE JOKERS Chicago Record: "They say the earth loses

time every day."
"I don't care; the lazy old thing isn't on my pay roll."

Cincinnati Enquirer: "Your uncle died of a complication of diseases, did he not?" "Either that, or a complication of doctors, I am not sure which."

Boston Herald: The man who says he loves his fellow man and then neglects to sprinkle ashes on his slippery sidewalk is either very inconsistent or very forgetful. Indianapolis Journal: He looked at his watch, which had stopped, reproachfully. "Here," he raid, "where I expected to see the glad hands, ticking off the seconds, I find you give me the dead face."

Life: He-I'm afraid I couldn't make you happy, darling, on only \$2,000 a year. She-Oh, it's plenty! With economy I can dress on \$1.500 a year, and just think, dear, we can have all the rest for household ex-

Yonkers Statesman: Yeast—Who is that richly dressed lady coming out of that fash-lonable restaurant? Crimsonbeak—She's an artist's model. "And this seedy looking fel-low coming out of the free lunch saloon?" "Oh, he's the artist."

Washington Star: Let dogs delight to bark and bite; to do so is their fate. They can't be turned; they never learned, you see, to arbitrate. Boston Transcriot: Street Urchin-Mister, give me a match? Cilizen-Sorry, bub, but I haven't a match about me. Street Urchin (exhibiting the package he has held behind him)—Then you want to buy a box. Only 1 cent. Thank you sir.

Insist on his renomination for the exalted position which he now holds. There is not a stronger man in the state today than Holcomb, and if at the close of his term as governor, he is not called higher, it will be the amount of time it saves me. Why, I

never have to step to ask the price of any-thing I wish to purchase! Somerville Journal: He-Well, darling, I

She-Why Algernon, it is only 10 o'clock, He-Yes, I know, but I have to be at the store at 7 in the morning, you know, and I must be away from here sure by half past New York Herald.

When asked why she rejected me, Her reasons were most frank; She weighed me in the balance—and I had none at the bank.

CHET GOLDER AND HIS WHALE,

New York Sun. thet Golder told to every man Chet Golder told to every man
The strange, miraculous tale,
How he, one time, off Yucatan,
Was swallowed by a whale.
'Our ship,' said Chet, 'was in a gale,
An' sich a wind wuz blown,
I, in the wide mouth of a whale,
Plumb off the deck was thrown,
But the terbacker which I chew
The whale give sich a pain
That on the deck from which I blew
He threw me up again,"

for forty years did Chet maintain This story strange and grim, This story strange and grim,
Until young Lawyer Simon Lane
Applied the screws to film.
"Now, Uncle Chet," young Lane said he,
"How long in that whale's power,
In his interior, might you be?"
Chet answered, "Half an hour."
"And did the whale then swim away?"
Chet answered. "He stood still."
"The wind was blowing then, you say?"
Chet answered, "Fit to kill."

"And so your ship stood motionless In that wild hurricane Until the whale in his distress Should throw you up again?" "Why, no, yer big fool," answered Chet "In sich a fearful blow A ship would drift, as you can bet, A dozen miles or so." "So when the whale your form upthrew On that eventful day, He aimed and hit the ship with you, Some dozen miles away?"

"Wall, how so fur I could be thrown,"
Chet said, "I hardly see
And can't explain, as I'll be blown,
How sich a thing could be."
"Now, Uncle Chet, just look at me,
And answer plain and slow;
Now, did you ever go to sea?"
And Chet he answered. "No!"
"But how about this lifelong tale
You've told to every man
Of deglulition by a whale
Down there off Yucatan?"

Down there off Yucatan? Then Chet he scratched and scratched his Then Chet he scratched and scratched, head, And slow he made reply, And slow he made reply, And with a puzzled look he said: "It must have been a lie. But it has been a comfort, Si, I've told it from my youth, Until I thought, myself, this lie. Wuz nothin' but the truth. This unbelievin' age, you see, So loves to poke an' pry, "Twon't let a poor ol' man like me Believe in his own lie."

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