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Who said it was not late to plant fresh presidential timber? Arbor day is just heating in sight.

Wine or water as the christening beverage, the new battleship Iowa is bound to be worthy of the great name it bears.

Politicians and bosses to the rear! Thurston, Webster, Connell, Wheeler, Chaffee, Jim Allan and Pete Schwenk to the front!

Arbor day will be here next week. As the Tree Planters' state Nebraska should celebrate the occasion in an appropriate manner and maintain its claim to the new name which it has assumed.

Plant trees. Don't wait for Arbor day. A few trees and a presentable lawn in front of every citizen's house will contribute greatly to the general attractiveness of the city and the impression which it makes upon visitors.

John L. Webster has got himself endorsed by one of the republican ward clubs as a delegate-at-large to the St. Louis convention.

If not another street in the city is repaved this year the property owners along upper Farman street ought to have sufficient public spirit and pride in Omaha to put in their petitions for a new and slightly pavement along that thoroughfare.

It's a wise child that knows its own father. This explains many things that have been recently denied, including the denial of the Lincoln Journal that anybody connected with the Burlington road ever owned any interest in it or had any control over it.

Massachusetts republicans hold their state convention today. As Massachusetts is supposed to be representative of the whole of New England the deliberations and resolutions of this convention will be watched by the rest of the country with unusual interest.

According to Congressman Cannon of Illinois the average naval officer does not know any more about astronomy than the average member of congress.

Now let us see what use the Interstate Commerce commission makes of its power to require witnesses to give testimony recently affirmed by the federal supreme court.

Cuba is said to have cost Spain more in the last year than the whole island would sell for. But then it is the principle of revolution against which Spain is fighting and rather than set an example for subjects nearer home to follow Spain will doubtless spend all the money it can raise until its credit is exhausted.

It is perfectly proper for the British statesmen to bestow praise on Canadians for their loyalty to the imperial government. If any of Her Majesty's subjects were tempted by the examples of popular independence, Canada, so close to the United States and in daily communication with its people, would be under the spell.

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HOUSE CONFERS RESOLVE.

The house confers on the Cuban resolutions have agreed to the resolutions passed by the senate. It was made apparent by the discussion in the senate that the house resolutions could not pass that body, for while probably a majority of senators favored them the opposition was sufficiently strong and determined to prevent a vote by maintaining discussion.

The senate resolutions simply declare that a state of war exists between Spain and the government proclaimed, and for some time maintained by force of arms by the people of Cuba, and that the United States should maintain a strict neutrality between the contending powers, according to each belligerent's rights; also expressing the opinion that the president should offer the friendly offices of the United States to the Spanish government for the recognition of Cuban independence.

The senate resolutions being concurrent will not, if passed, go to the president. It is merely an expression of the opinion of congress, which in nowise commits the executive branch of the government. The president will be as free after its adoption as he is now to take whatever course he shall think proper or expedient.

NO TIME TO LOSE. Congress is almost certain to adjourn within less than six weeks. The first steps looking toward an agreement upon a day for adjournment have already been taken by the senate. It is simply a question whether the date shall be fixed for the first or second week of May.

While the Transmississippi exposition project has been enthusiastically received by the people of Iowa, Wyoming, Utah and Colorado, not to speak of Nebraska, everything now depends upon the action of congress. We are admonished by telegram from the delegation that is now on its way back from the west that every influence that can possibly be brought to bear upon congress should be exerted in behalf of the prompt passage of the exposition bill.

SOME TIMELY SUGGESTIONS. In a recent speech in the house Representative Grow of Pennsylvania indicated two points in a tariff which are pertinent to the collection of revenue. He said that, first, a tariff with reasonable protective duties is the best of any to raise revenue until the home market is supplied, or nearly so, by the protected article.

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001,215—\$26,000,000 less than in 1892. These figures demonstrate the superiority of the last republican tariff law as a revenue measure over the present law. With a difference in the valuation of importations of less than a million dollars, the former tariff law yielded an excess of revenue over the present law of \$26,000,000.

It is to be hoped the Real Estate exchange will not drop the subject of reform in real estate appraisements. Its inquiry so far has been confined only to the matter of uniformity in valuations placed upon property in a given district.

Intelligence that there will be little or no appropriation for river improvements passed by the present session of congress is only what might have been expected. Everybody knows the government has no money for such purposes, nor will it have as long as the existing order of things shall prevail.

City Attorney Council has pointed out the futility of an appeal of the viaduct cases to the federal supreme court. Chicago has compelled the railroads of that city to elevate their tracks and abolish grade crossings.

Once more the World-Herald flashes on the public what it said about Henry Bollen when he was a candidate for reelection as city treasurer, when no one questioned his integrity.

Is Vitality Restored? At last the interstate commerce law is to have a chance of being enforced. Evasion of its provisions has been the rule these many years.

Naval Supremacy in Peril. The people of Iowa want the war ship that that name christened with water instead of wine and it is thought that upon the decision of this grave question hangs the fate of naval supremacy in the future.

Started Out Well. Utah has done well in adopting the Australian ballot system at the outset of its career as a state.

week in a doublestar engagement. Why a man of this stamp should be given this great prominence as a representative republican is not explained in the bills. Why should the other members of the star combination that represented Douglas county in the last legislature, including those who migrated to other parts, be thus slighted?

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FAVORABLE TO THE TERRITORIES.

House Committee Will Reconsider Its Vote on Arizona and New Mexico. WASHINGTON, March 26.—The standstill bill for the admission of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico will be again passed upon by the house committee on territories at its meeting next Tuesday.

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POPULAR ELECTION OF SENATORS.

Chicago Tribune: While the committee has reported in favor of this constitutional amendment, it is doubtful whether the senate will concur. The resolution will go on the calendar. Every now and then some senator will call it up and make a set speech on it, but it is not likely that a vote will be taken.

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KEEP OFF THE GRASS. Signs of spring will soon appear, and when they do it's time for you to appear in a Spring Suit. We are already prepared. ARE YOU? If not take a look at our windows. Our spring and summer productions on exhibition there in endless variety. Spring opening Saturday and will continue till after Easter. Everybody invited to look them over. Browning, King & Co., Reliable Clothiers, Furnishers and Hatters, S. W. Cor. 15th and Douglas Sts.