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years in succession, the Oxford crew is entitled to the rest that accrues with the Sabbatical year. Missouri democrats, like Nebraska democrats, won't be happy until they

Having defeated Cambridge seven

have sent two contesting delegations to the Chicago convention. Another installment of the Smyth-Martin free silver-administration demo-

cratic interchange of mutually recrimi-

nating epistles, is about overdue. It is to be noted that the new national fish commissioner had no hesitation to swallow the bait offered by his appointment, salary, hook, line and all.

What New York democrats are lamenting the most in connection with the enactment of the Raines liquor license law is the fatal blow it deals to free

Information wanted of one Coin Harvey, who a year ago was not only teaching everybody how the finances of the country should be conducted, but was also on the point of relieving the people of the difficult duty of selecting their next president.

The superintendent of the Labor in favor of all other candidates com-Temple holds the keys, the treasure and bined, including General Manderson. the lease of the rooms occupied by the labor unions and defies his enemies to dispossess him. Under the circum- erted solely with the view of enlisting stances the only thing to be done is to the good will and assistance of senators either buy him off or freeze him out.

cates of statehood for Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma have to deal with is the deeply grounded and widespread aversion to welcoming any more states that will have more representatives in the national senate than they will have in the house

The spring season is beginning most propitiously. There is already an excess of normal rainfall throughout the state and farmers are more hopeful than they have been for two years. Plenty of moisture now will put the soil in condition to endure a possible dry spell later in the season.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat remarks that Governor Morton would stand a better chance of getting the republican nomination for the presidency if he lived in a doubtful state The same thing might be said of Mc inley, Reed, Allison, Quay and, in fact, of all the presidential candidates.

Senator Brice has given public expression to the opinion that President Cleveland will accept another nomination if his party calls for him. The question resolves itself into, Does his party want him? It will be great consolution to the democrats to know that they have Mr. Cleveland to fall back on if it shall become necessary.

If the prohibition national convention follows the lines recommended by the prohibition national committee, it will come out openly and squarely for 16 to 1 free gold and silver coinage. If the silver men do not flock to the cold water standard, but persist in having a party all of their own, nothing will be able to prevent at least two silver tickets being presented to the voters.

There is some probability that work may soon be resumed on the new government building. The \$70,000 item in the congressional appropriation bill will doubtiess be available for the inside finishing work of the great edifice. There are manifold reasons why Omaha is interested in having the work resumed and pushed to completion. It is important that every mechanic be kept in employment.

There are a lot of fellows in politics this year who should have stuck to the peanut business and remained an honor to their sex -Chicago Inter Ocean.

This cannot refer to the fellows in Nebraska politics this year. Have we not been told that the politicians have been relegated to the rear? Are not the people constituting their own conventions and naming their own delegates to St. Louis?

That there is an increased demand for inside residence property is a matter of fact. At no time in the past fifteen years has there been better opportunity for the purchase of residence lots at reduced figures and the cost of building is much less than it was five years ago or will be five years hence. In short, now is the accepted time to acquire homes in Omaha and the fact is impressing itself upon men who have tired of paying tribute to landlords.

the newspapers of this city and the business men actively interested in the Transmississippi exposition with undertaking to trade off Nebraska presidential support for congressional support emphasized by the senator in the fol-

lowing insulting language: If these self-constituted traffickers in presidential support had kept entirely out of this matter, the exposition bill would have gone through congress with the greatest of ease, and without any opposition. I do not make this statement idly; I know whereof I speak, and I add, kindly but firmly, that if these game newspapers had devoted one-half of the effort in sustaining and upholding their senator that they have in attempting to discredit him before the country and congress, their exposition bill would have been much present conditions, which they have beedlessly and unnecessarily created.

These uncalled for and baseless aspersions have been supplemented with au open letter over the signature of John M. Thurston printed in the World-Herald, in which the senator disclaims any reference to that paper, but singles out The Bee for his reprimand as fol-6.578 lows:

The Omaha Bee is the only paper which has assumed to hold out presidential support in exchange for congressional and state support for our exposition.

Tom Reed and Senator Allison are both too bread and honorable to think of holding up our bill in congress because of any effort made by me or anyone else to secure delegates who would voice the sentiment of Nebraska republicans in favor of McKinley. The danger is, however, that The Bee and some of the exposition managers have held out unwarranted inducements to the friends of Allison and Reed and have been asserting that my opposition was all tha stood in the way of the favorite son plan in the success of which they were sup posed to have so much interest. I say again that this unwarranted attempt to ex change presidential support for exposition support is all that has endangered the expo sition bill.

The senator comes about as near the truth in these assertions as he did in his dramatic declamations railing at bosses, politicians and railroad magnates. If he knows whereof he speaks, as he says he does, let him produce his proofs or retract his charges. There has been no attempt whatever to barter away Nebraska's presidential vote. unless the rumor is true that a cabinet place is to be held in reserve for the man who delivers the Nebraska delegation to William McKinley. We challenge the senator to point to a line in The Bee to substantiate his allegation. The Bee has never said one word deregatory to McKinley. On the contrary, it has said more in his favor than

The efforts of The Bee and those of the exposition managers have been exand congressmen who are in position to expedite or retard the passage of The greatest obstacle which the advo- the exposition bill. Instead of holding out promises of presidential support rom Nebraska, as the senator alleger appeals for support have sought to dissipate expectation of political reciprocity. In proof of this, Senator Thurs ton's attention is invited to the follow ing response from Senator Chandler to a letter invoking his influence in behalf of the exposition with Chairman Dingley of the house committee on ways

WASHINGTON, March 20, 1896 .- Dear Sir: Your letter is at hand. I have not yet had ime to talk with-Mr. Dingley, but will do everything I can for the Transmississippi exposition, no matter who is president. believe a national, not international, exposition in the interior of the country will be very helpful in all respects. Truly yours WILLIAM E. CHANDLER.

To E. Rosewater, Esp. If Senator Thurston is to be believed he exposition bill would have passed long ago had it not been for the inter ference of The Bee and the Omaha busi ness men, who are laboring for its suc cess. While this is a very flattering imputation as to the influence of The Reat Washington, it is also a humiliating confession on the part of the senator. Had his open letter been dated from his post of duty at Washington instead of from political headquarters at Omaha it might have afforded some sort of excuse for the delay in securing senatorial action on the bill. The trouble with Senator Thurston is that he is tryng to shift the responsibility and appears to be totally oblivious of the relations to the public imposed upon him by his official position. He seems to have forgotten that the first duty of a senator is to the people of his state whose interests should not be sacrificed to personal ambition or political glory. The senator's maiden speech has been duly delivered, but his maiden bill is

vet to be passed. Fine words butter no parsnips. The substantial results to presidential rainbow chasing. They are asking themselves. What is Nebraska's only republican senator doing in Nebraska when are awaiting the action of congress in him when he says he trusts the peo- amount of circulation issued when the ple. But they cannot comprehend why has secured all the political honor that

does to be forced to use such plain lan- ure of accommodation to the commuguage or to be driven into a control nity as is compatible with entire safety versy which cannot but be annoying to to note holders. This is probably the all concerned. The blame must rest view of a majority of the republicans in where it belongs. There was no occa- the house, but if the bill allowing nasion for the arraignment of any paper or any man for laboring zealously to value of their bonds should pass the promote the Transmississippi exposition

project. It is not only possible, but probable, that China and Russia have, as rumored, concluded a secret treaty for their mutual advantage and aggrandizement of other neighboring powers. It ought to have more currency, but they is probable, because China and Russia are not willing that it should be sup-

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TRYING TO SHIFT HIS RESPONSIBILITY. have interests in common that would be When a man wants to pick a quarrel subserved by such an alliance. So far he seldom has any trouble in finding a as other nations are concerned, howprefext. In his peerless effort at self-lever, the existence of the alleged treaty landation, made last Thesday at the should not make much difference, be-

OMAHA MUST HELP ITSELF. Those who would be free themselves hope to raise the rallroad embargo and of the exposition bill. This charge was free itself from the domination of Chicago pools until it has a railroad outlet to the Great Lakes that is not under the control of the roads that have so long bottled up its commerce by discriminative rates.

Whatever hopes may have been built by the extension of the Omaha & St. of such a purchase would be to prevent footbold in Burlington territory.

one thing for Omaha to do and that is to emulate the examples set by Cincinnati, Kansas City, St. Paul and other commerce centers when they were in the same boat. In each of these cities relief was had only by the association of local capitalists for the construction of railroads that would be operated entirely in their interests. A railroad to connect Omaha with the Atlantic seaboard is not needed. The object in view can be accomplished fully as well by a line that will give Omaha direct connection with Lake Superior and incidentally will be able to effect traffic arrangements with great lines like the Illinois Central, Lackawanna and others that would be crossed by a road from Omaha to Duluth. In embarking in such an enterprise they will assume no of profitable local traffle, and when the to the Atlantic scaboard.

But the main achievement would be market and the conversion of Omaha nto the principal distributing point for the great corn belt of which it is the discriminating rates that make it so ment and the general welfare. difficult for it to compete with rival Missouri river cities. Omaha would forge sure for it 200,000 population before auother decade shall have passed.

Will Omaha capitalists and especially ts heavy property owners come to the front and put their shoulders to the wheel as they have done on previous occasions when Omaha's future was at

THE BANKING PROBLEM.

The problem in regard to a bank curency is reported to be receiving almost onstant consideration by the house ommittee on banking and curren y, and it is said that the consultations of the committee are leading up to a point where some sort of a compromise might e possible if Chairman Walker would abandon the fight for the enactment of is entire bill. This measure embodies step in the direction of banking on general assets, which, it is believed, is probably all that can be attained, even from the house, during the present congress. Another measure before the committee contemplates the increase of the secured circulation of the national oanks to the par value of the bonds, and he retirement of legal tender notes to just the amount of new bank notes ishe secured circulation and issuing a leposits and subject to a graduated tax. The bill prepared by Secretary Carlisle for the banking committee of the last congress has been introduced, but is

One of the best informed of Washing-

ton correspondents on these matters says that it would not be surprising, if there were any evidence in the banking committee of a desire to get together, if some modification of the Baltimore plan, permitting issues upon assets up to 50 per cent of the eapital, with a general safety fund, could be agreed upon. He states that the present temper of the committee is against a complete abandonment of the system of secured circulation, whatever steps they may be willing to take in a tentative way in the direction of a scientific and elastle bank note currency. In making a favorable report on the bill to allow national banks to circulate notes up to people of Omaha and Nebraska prefer the par value of their bonds, the house committee on currency and banking says that it might lead to an increase of the circulation by \$22,000,000, and without asserting that there will be this inreasures of state and national concern crease the committee says that it is of the opinion that if the bill becomes a session at Washington? They applaud law, there will be an increase in the demands of business require it. The he refuses to trust the people to select | report further says that it seems clear their own delegates to the national con- that when the banks find so little profit rention. Neither can they comprehend in their circulation, as now limited, that why he should loiter at home after he it scarcely pays to take it out, there ought to be an enlargement of their he demanded in his recent ultimatum. rights to issue notes, so as to afford an Nobody regrets more than The Bee inducement to furnish as large a meastional banks to issue notes to the par house, it is not at all probable that it could be passed in the senate, where it would encounter a nearly solid demoerntic opposition, together with the free silver republicans and

populists. The last two

the country

ments urge that

plied by the sanks through any concession by confress to those institutions. As the situation now looks it seems pretty safe to say that there will be no banking ortsother legislation affecting

Boyd theater McKinley rally, Senator cause they have always counted on Thurston went out of his way to charge those two countries acting together. republican house may pass some measare at the aban session, but nothing it may adopt will be acceptable to the silmust strike the blow. Omaha can never ver element, which dominates the sen-

FIXING RESPONSIBILITY It is not the fault of the republican majority in the house of representatives that no provision has been made for stopping the treasury deficit. As soon as practicable after the house was fully upon the prospect of a senboard con- organized the ways and means commitnection through the Baltimore & Ohio | tee formulated and reported a bill which it was estimated would supply Louis railroad seems about to be dissi- additional revenue to the amount of pated by the rumored absorption of from \$40,000,000 to \$45,000,000. This that road into the Burlington system. measure was promptly passed. It was It is not at all likely that the Burling- an emergency bill, intended to supply more certain of success than it is under the ton road would build any extension that the government with needed revenue. would divert part of its traffic from and while it provided for a general inits Chicago line. The manifest object crease in duties it could not fairly be regarded as protective, though its effect, the Baltimore & Ohio from gaining a had it become law, would probably have been to check importations and Under existing conditions there is but thereby help some American industries. notably wool and woolen, which are suffering depression under the present tariff. There can be no reasonable doubt that the enactment of the Dingley bill would have done much toward restoring financial and business confidence, which will not fully revive so long as the reveones of the national treasury are less than the expenditures.

This measure was sent to the senate endorsed not only by a large majority by the nearly unanimous sentiment of the republicans of the country. Not because it placed the tariff duties where most republicans believe they ought to be placed, but for the reason that it was the best that could be done at this time for stopping treasury deficits and very great risk. A Lake Superior road averting further additions to the public would open up a fertile and popular debt. This bill could have been passed section of lowa and Minnesota that in the senate with the support of a few would at the outset afford a guaranty democrats from the sound money states, but the democratic senators united with cond is once completed it will be in the free silver republicans to prevent position to secure through traffic in both the passage of this measure for the redirections. It would haul coal, iron lief of the treasury and were successful ore and lumber and building materials in doing so. A bargain was made by westward and grain, cattle and meat which the sliver senators and their products to the lakes for trans-shipment | allies were to vote against the Dingley bill, while some of the democratic senators were to aid them in getting a free the establishment in Omaha of a grain | coinage substitute adopted and the arrangement was carried out. Thus the democrats from the sound money states belped to kiff a measure urgently decenter. Liberated from the incubus of manded in the interest of the govern-

It is simple Justice to say that the responsibility for the failure of this ahead with an impetus that would in- legislation rests largely upon the northern democratic senators, who were willng to jeopardize in behalf of partisan policy, although litterly discredited by results, the credit of the government and the prosperity of the country. Nothing different was to have been expected from the free silver men, whose policy is one of rule or ruln, but there can be no justification for the course of sound money democratic senators.

The langer a man of intelligence studies he exposition project the larger and more important does it become in his view .-

Vorld-Herald. Right you are for once. That is what The Bee said at the very inception of this great enterprise when but few people had any conception of its magnitude and its stimulating influence upon the industrial development of the entire west. It is furthermore safe to predict that the exposition will grow upon the public mind and its importance will as sume greater proportions as its features are brought into view by discussion.

Constant improvement in the postal service is noticeable in the larger cities and Omaha keeps pace with them all. med. Still another bill contemplates a The recent order requiring carriers to comewhat similar scheme by retaining make six calls a day in the business portion of the city is about equivalent to supplementary circulation, based upon having a postoffice on every block. With such service as this the business men of Omaha can have no ground for complaint on account of delay in receipt or delivery of mail matter. All that is not expected to receive serious consider- lacking is an early morning fast mail to the west, which in time the department may be expected to provide.

The Real Estate Owners' association night with some profit take up the matter of brick building in this city. A city of brick is a thing of beauty and a joy forever. The better residences of Denver are mostly of pressed brick and they impress visitors with their beauty and durability. The material for brick making is abundant in and around Omaha and an increased demand for brick would give life and vitality to any industry which is struggling for existence.

Money Makes the Mare Go. There are some things that Hitchcock won't do, but Bods mot that he will refuse make an honest penny when Tom Majors Dublous Trent for Democrats.

Fourteen new variable stars have been scovered at the Harvard observatory, and be democrats wilf bee all of them in No-

Etheric Waxes of Chin Music. Wizards Edison and Tesla will pardon the suggestion that if they work a little more and talk cabout it a little less they will get there sponer.

If Ben Could Answer!

Minipared Tribune.

If old Ben Butler were alive to hear the discussion over giving him a statue his conemptuous indifference could hardly find ex-Whatever his faults, he was not inordinate vanity as to the of his services to the country would have been perfectly willing to let his record speak for itself. Perhaps it is just as well for his posthumous critics that the old man is not here to take part in the

General Casey's Ambition.

Would that there might be more of the

one expects the original estimate as to time of completion and cost of construction to stand. In case of nearly all national structures, especially large build'ogs and imp ments, the original appropriation is hardly ufficient. No higher proof of the honesty and intelligence of public officers, commissions and contractors can ever be given than that public buildings erected by them were built within the appropriation."

Well Water Swaddle.

According to the World-Herald and other state papers the water is coming up from below at a rapid rate, and if it continues to rise for the next week as it has for a few days past, the people in the lowlands will have to move out, or they will find themselves floating around in the water two feet deen. We don't know whether the papers publish such bosh to induce immigration or to encourage the natives, but the publication of such rol is childish if not silly. Plenty of moisture from above is what we want, and it will find its way below all right.

The Cuban Mess.

Of all wofully mismanaged affairs which lican nomination for governor. The indicators appeared before congress in recent tions are that his strength is rapidly inhave appeared before congress in recent Cuban discussion has been the creasing and his will certainly be one of the By passing the resolutions in the first place, smid a blaze of pyrotechnic ora-tory and apparently with the demagogic idea that they were tickling the popular ear, ing ess gave great and unnecessary offense to Spain. By now recommitting them, the friends of Cuba must naturally feel more offended and disgusted than they would if the matter had never been taken up. Experienced senators and representatives, who be repeated this year in Nebraska. wers old enough to know better, have acted like a crowd of school boys practicing in a

Crane's "Pulpit Editorials,"

The proposal of Dr. Crane, of the Trinity leaf out of the book of journalism and to his Sunday evening discourses with

If the preacher treats his subject from the point of view of ethics, well and good; if from that of politics, even though he soaks to avoid partisanship, the danger will be a'ready personed by his bearers and detract considerably from the wholesome respect felt by them for Sunday as a day of worship and for Trinity church as a place of wor-

The straightforward editorial treatment of a subj c is to be commended to the preacher; but not the elitorial subject itself, as a rule. pern overworked and never will be. The centry are mon who have kept strictly to line of pulpit effort, which has not led hem into the sanctum of the secular press. Dr. Crans's new departure will be studied with interest.

Property Losses in Cuba.

Kansas City Star The heavy claims of Americans for damages resulting from the Cuban insurrection, amounting, it is said, to \$30,000,000, oppears not to have received any consideraon from congress in the discussion of the proposition to acknowledge the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents. The United States will not be able to press these claims if this country assumes the position that a state of war exists in Cuha. On the other hand, as ong as the United States acknowledges the nsist on payment of these claims, and can bit, too, without appearing openly unriendly to Spain. Such a policy would be more embarrassing to Spain than acknowl-lging the belligerency of the Cubans. Spain s draining itself to carry on this war and would be glad to be freed from the necessity of paying these many millions of damages. On the other hand, constantly pressing them upon the attention of the government, as they go on accumulating, will have the effect of piling up the costs of the var so high that Spain may finally relin quish the conflict on account if its enormous cost. It may be that these claims will open the way for aiding the Cubans in a much more effective way than merely conceding to them the rights of belligerents.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE. When it comes to dealing with other

The gayety of the campaign is assured. The Hon. Hope Polehill is hustling for faor to sonshine in Georg'a. A daring highwayman attempted to hold he robber had sound legs, he managed

Having regulated to their satisfaction the ize of feminine headgear at theaters, memers of the Ohio legislature propose to check he tendency of poultry men to egg on their pirds at this season,

The roll of great names waxeth rich and uminous. The Hon. Samuel States holds lown a public office in the bustling town of conxectawney, Jefferson county, Pa., and his first born, christened United, is now fullgrown and teaches school. William E. Gladstone recently remarked

that he was proud of the fact that he had over been addicted to tobacco, wine or any other stimulant. He scknowledged, how-ever, that he had been, under stress of work, es tempted to give nature an arti-Sol Smith Russell thirty years ago was

ficial ally. ember of a barnstorming troupe, sleeping where he could and eating when there was anything to be had; today he is the owner a big business block in Minneapolis and has money enough to make any deal in the

theatrical market. It is reported from Washington that Presdent Cleveland's tailor announces that he charged the executive \$75 for his latest sul of clothes on account of the amount of cloth required. The sartorial artist vouchsafed the urther information that he could afford t make a similar suit for a man of ordinary

gize for \$50. Sunget Cox while alive bore with modesty but without challenge the title of father of the life saving service. The senate of New Jersey has resolved that ex-Governor Wil-liam A. Newell was the originator of the service, his claim to priority as a member of congress dating back to 1848. This may be entirely warranted, but Mr. Cox had all he hard work of the insisting, urging, fathering and providing for the infant which forever must do honor to his name by the relation he bore to it in life.

VITALIZING THE LAW.

Springfield Republican: Railroad men in New York are said to be well satisfied with he United States supreme court's decision n the Brown case. They are as much opposed to secret rate making as anybody, they say, and would be glad to see the agents of the weaker roads, which make most of the brought to book.

Philadelphia Record: The amendment se curing witnesses against prosecution for of-fenses against the law admitted in court has been declared valid. Witnesses who shall refuse to answer questions as to violation of law by transportation companies will be punished for contempt. This decision give life to the interstate commerce act by make ng it possible to expose unfair discriminaions in freight rates.

Indianapolis News: The court has saved the interstate commerce law, given effect to the statute of 1893, and has kept within that the law of 1893 would not save a wit ness from prosecution in the state Justice Brown replies that "the statutes are the supreme law of the land and apply in the state, as well as in the federal courts."

Chicago Chronicle: The decision draws a marked difference between Brown, who was the auditor of the railway company merely charged with keeping its accounts, and the officers of the company responsible for granting rebates and drawbacks in violation of the It is said that the language relating o privileged witnesses would be strained applied to him, and that he would not even be disgraced by such inculpating testimony as he might furnish. This leaves still an opeo suddenly at Washington recently, in the portunity for conjecture. When the officers new national library, of the construction of of the railway corporation who made the unso suddenly at Washington recently, in the new national library, of the construction of which he had charge. His ambition was to complete the great building within the time fixed and without exceeding the estimate and the appropriation. Bid any one ever hear of any other man charged with the construction of a national building pospessed of such an ambition? Usually, no IN THE GUBERNATORIAL FIELD.

Geneva Journal (rep.): There will be plenty time to take up the selection of governo after we have harvested the presidential hay

Filley Republican (rep.): While watching come and beomiets of various kinds just seep your eyes muchlaged upon the boom

of Hon. Elijah Filley for governor. Grand Island Independent (rep.): Wherever there is a convention these days you will find Jack McColl and his gubernatorial boom.

And both seem to be welcomed everywhere Grand Island Independent (rep.); Any one who imagines that Eugene Moore as a gubernatorial candidatas will not have a host of friends in the state convention reckons without his host. The present auditor is a quiet but persistent rustier. Minden Gazette (rep.): Of all the names

orial nomination Captain Adams is still the Some Broatch literature has received in Minden the past week, but it is a waste of stationery and stamps, Tecumseh Journal (rep.): Hon, Jack Mc-

entioned in connection with the guberna-

strongest of the names mentioned in the state convention. Kearney Hub (rep.): Jack MacColl's good staying qualities are liable yet to land him in the gubernatorial chair unless he has a

Gretna Reporter (rep.): Captain C. E. Adams of Superior is the latest acquisition to the long list of republican aspirants for gubernatorial bonors. But it will be ample time to discuss these state matters when we have once adjusted ourselves firmly on the national Issue. "One thing at a time and that done well, is a very good rule, as many can tell."

Grand Island Independent (rep.): It is brief addresses, a la editorial, on current stated that Judge Hayward of Nebraska events, may prove a wise one—and it may City will be brought out as a candidate for governor by the veterans of Nebraska and about his being a clean candidate with a splendid record as an old soldier and civilian there is no doubt. He has all the qualifications to make a most excellent governor, and that he will add little to the information if nominated, will be elected beyond doubt. Fairfield News (rep.): In the lull of state politics, caused by the extreme interest in the national situation, the aspirants for office have not been entirely idle. Neither have the candidate-makers been entirely idle. New aspirants are being groomed. The gubernatorial situation has become more In the north part of the state Melklejohn and McColl will be the leading contestants, but they will find a strong competitor from the south country in the person of C. L. Richards.

Nebraska City Press (rep.): Hon. John Watson is not a candidate for governor. but endorses Hon. M. L. Hayward for that office. Speaking of him to a Press representative recently, Mr. Watson said: onsider Judge Hayward the peer of any who have been mentioned as candidates for the high honor. We all know his ability both as an executive and on the judicial ench. If the judge will accept the nomina-ion I believe the republicans will name bench. him. At least, he can have my earnest support,'

Blair Pilot (rep.): Mayor W. J. Broatch of Omaha is sending out broadcast a letter which reads as follows: "I am indebted to a mutual friend for your name as a republican of prominence and influence in your locality, and I write to announce that I am a candidate for governor, and trust that my name as a stalwart republican is not unknown to you. Any support you may give me will be greatly appreciated." Just how many suckers this letter will catch remains o be seen, but probably not many. s too well known as a political manipulator, whose methods are not always the cleanest, to be or become a very formidable gubernatorial candidate outside of Douglas county.

> Crop Prospects in Nebraska. Chicago Tribune.

A newspaper devoted to western interests the Corn Belt, contains news of the most cheering character in regard to crop prospects n Nebraska. Snow fell March 14 all over the state, the depth in the places where it was most needed being eighteen to twenty le's affairs congress is an enthusiastic unit. Inches, and two days later there was another visitation of the same kind. As a result of this the farmers are rejoicing over the assurance of plenty of moisture for the crops of the coming summer and autumn which is p a member of the Ohio legislature. As all the more welcome, as it follows closely on period of severe drouth. The farmers say he ground was never in better condit to make up for the short crops of 1894 and 1895. The even distribution of the snow makes the material benefit to agricultural interests much greater than otherwise could be expected. Stock of all kinds has come out of winter quarters in excellent condition, the mild weather of the last three mouth: having permitted the animals to keep fat with little more feed than that afforded by the range. To the better outlook for this year is added the hope of several good crops to follow the last two years of drouth, as Prof. Moore, chief of the National Weather bureau, has decided, after long and careful observation, that the drouth period comes once in every nine to fifteen years, laste one or two years when it comes, and is always succeeded by several years of hormal

cisture and an era of bounteous crops.

AFTER THE STATE OFFICES.

Blair Pilot (rep.): Looks, from the favor-ile comments of the state papers, as if C. McNish of Wisner is several lengths ahead of all competitors in the race for state

treasurer. Calloway Courier (rep.): has two aspirants for state offices: L. H. Jewett, who wants to be treasurer, and J. Chapman, who would be satisfied with

the auditorship. Kearney Hub (rep.): George A. Brooks of Bazile Mills is being whooped up in eastern Nebraska for the republican nomination for state treasurer, and if half of what is said about him is true he is one of the best equipped men in the state for the post-

Niobrara Tribune (rep.): The boom for Hon. George A. Brooks for state treasurer still grows. Like the boom for McKinley his strength is not confined to metes and bounds. He is the choice of the people and the people must be heard in Nebraska this year, while the politicians take a back seat in the gallery.

Niebrara Tribune (rep.): From the Fulerton Journal we glean the fact that Louis Helmer of Valparaiso is to be a candidate for state treasurer. By the time Mr. Hel-mer gets to the state convention be will the ground pretty nearly all occupied by Hon, George A. Brooks of Knox. But then, there is nothing like giving the matter

Ashland Gazette (rep.): Mr. Louis Helmer of Valparaiso was in the city Friday. He is a very pleasant appearing gentleman. He has sorved the people of Lancaster county in the capacity of treasurer, and made, we are informed, a capable official. He is an rant for the position of mate treasurer on the republican ticket and is strongly commended by those who are acquainted with him.

Seward Reporter (rep.): H. B. Irey of Omaha sends us a card bearing his picture and announcing that he is a candidate for the republican nomination for state treas-urer. Mr. Irey appears to be a good looking man and he has the recommendation of Douglas county for four years. He will find plenty of competition for the numination he weeks, as candidates for the place are

MIRTHFUL FANCIES.

Chicago Record: "Papa, what is a 'walk in life?" "It is that procession, my boy, in which everybody has to run like mad, or get

Indianapolis Journal: "The democratic cutlook for '96—" began the hopeful one. "I fear there will be nothing but an in-look." said the experienced one. "Got to be on the inside to have an outlook."

Chicago Tribune: "What has become of Plodder, who used to be one of the assistant superintendents of the street department?" "He was fired for incompetence, or something of that kind. They found out that whenever he took up a street he replaced the paving stones exactly as they were before. A man with a record like that couldn't hold his job in this town."

Puck: "What on earth are you doing?" demanded the indignant dining car conductor of the novice walter; "scrving soup on a straight track? Why don't you wait til; we strike a curve? You don't know the first principles of railroading."

Cincinnati Enquirer: "Eph, the colored boy who does the rough work in the kitchen, is just too happy." said Mrs. Hammond. "He won over \$100 in some way or another esterday."
"They will have him at the Zoo next, I suppose," said Asbury Peppers.
"Really! Why?"

"Isn't he a buck with a little dough?" AN EASTER SHOCK. New York Press

There was a pretty maiden, And she saw a little bonnet, With ribbons and some roses, And nothing else upon it. And the pretty maid pronounced it A millinery rhyme.

This pretty Easter maiden
Put this bonnet on her head;
And the bill for sixty dellars
Knocked her portly poppa dead, ONE ROOM MORE.

Tom Masson in Truth.

Some years ago there lived on high,
In solitary state,
A bachelor; in sooth, 'twas I
Pursuing thus my fate.

And, as in sadness I gazed 'round And paced that lonely floor,
I longed, not for the solid ground,
But for one room more. I longed, not for the But for one room more,

'Twas then, or not long after that, My wish came more than true;
I moved into a modest flat,
Where I supported two—
That is to say, until a third
Came down through heaven's door;
And then my wife and I averred
We'd like just one room more.

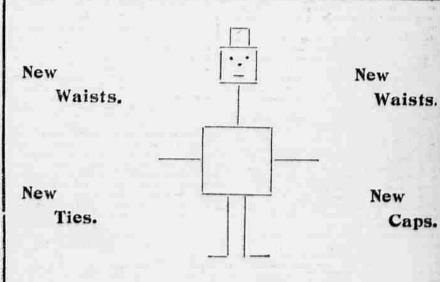
Today, in deep felicity,
Within a house we dwell
With number one and two and three,
And four and five as well!
We thought 'twas ample when we came,
Yet, as I think it o'er,
I find our 'plaint is just the same—
We need but one room more.

Perchance, kind stranger, as you read

This dity that I sing.

A tear bedims your eye—you need,
With me, the self-same thing.

Then let us join our hands and pray
That some time, when we soar Up to our mansions, far away, We'll have that one room more



Children -

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