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After the recount, then what?

woman suffrage year in Nebraska. This is about the time that the legis-Inture ought to begin to appreciate the necessity of buckling down to work.

It does not look as if this were

In the interval the three supreme court drawing their salaries regularly as

Weyler must be surprising even him-Cuba.

It is worthy of note that Mexican free colunge has not yet caused any visible rise in the price of the white metal.

The criminal element in Des Moines cision. is about to combine against the police administration. Such a combination is have charged me with bossing the police not contemplated in Omaha.

The Omaha police know about as much now about the identity of the Hertz grave robber as they did before the robbery took place, and then they knew nothing at all.

Other states, which stand ready and willing to make generous appropriations selection of the first commission was longed discussion, it is to some degree police department is of no moment to the make pungent inquiries as to whether Nebraska is going to be in it or not.

Whoever may be made postmaster gen eral under the incoming administration he can strike a popular keynote and strengthen his own position by making the postal savings bank one of the foundation stones of his policy.

It takes money to run a fire department, but adequate fire protection is an absolute necessity in every large city and the taxpayers do not begrudge paying money for protection from fire so long as they get their money's worth.

Police Commissioner Foster's pastor says he does not know anything personally of the dens and dives and thugs discipline.

Those newly seated members of the of the contest.

A liberal appropriation by the legisfature in aid of the Transmississippi number of local subscriptions to stock, the fate of the enterprise itself hangs in the balance.

and leaves the government helpless to nished such particulars concerning the dent-elect, we do not know that he has enforce collection there must be some thing radically wrong.

An investigation into the state thorough inquiry. With a few more weeks to fix up the records all objecvestigation may be removed.

A local minister recommends fasting and prayer as a remedy for existing municipal ills. There is likely to be fasting enough, to say nothing of prayer, if the police department is not speedily purged of official corruption with which it is honeycombed.

The proposed legislation calling for the signatures of both husband and wife to chattel mortgages on household furniture ought to become a law. It should be made impossible for a man to sell or dispose of the bed from under his wife without 'ter knowledge and

The Bee is not opposed to ministers of the gospel "dabbling in politics" if they desire to do so. What it objects to is the tendency on their part to aswhich concern politics and which, by their own confession, they know very

THE POLICE CONTROVERSY.

controversy has arisen relative to the efficiency of the police and maintenance of law and order under the commission created by the Churchill-Russell appointing board. In the contention prethirty members of the local Ministerial union, doubtless inspired by parties interested in the retention of the existing police board and procured under false representations, the true state of affairs

has been made public by The Bee. Although I was over 1,000 miles away. an effort is being made to counteract the effect of the damaging disclosures of police corruption and impotency by deagging my name into the arena and scribing mercenary, personal and political motives to the protest of The Bee against bogus reform. On the one hand, ministers who are highly respected have from their pulpits sought to stigmatize me as an enemy of moral reform and good government, and on the other newspapers, both at Omaha and Lincoln, have charged that the opposition of The Bee to the present police commission law springs from my desire to re-establish a political dictatorship by control of the police department and collusion with the vicious and criminal classes. One of the eminent divines has gone so far as to intimate by innuendo, if not openly, that the former open gambling and what he calls licensed licentiousness had my support and seeks to convey the impression that I am actively engaged in an effort to assist the gamblers in reopening their resorts.

Assuming that all my critics and assailants are animated by an honest desire for good government, let me call attention to a few facts which they have overlooked or ignored. The metropolitan police department

was created in Omaha and placed in the control of a non-partisan police board at my instance through persistent agitation for a divorce of the police from politics. This change was made in the face of bitter opposition from the criminal classes. The subsequent transfer commissioners are losing little sleep and of the power to grant liquor licenses from the elective mayor, city clerk and president of the council to the police commission originated with me and was fought through by The Bee against self at the length of time he is holding strong opposition of the interested paronto the position of governor general of ties and ward heelers. When the attempt was made to starve the police and abolish the commission, my pen and voice were enlisted in defense of law and order and my purse placed at the disposal of its supporters to pay the police until the courts rendered a de-

While political and personal enemies and dictating the commissioners, the truth is that I never named a police commissioner and have never sought to use the police for political purposes or personal ends. Governor Thayer, who appointed the first commission, had been a life long political associate and friend. but he will bear me out that I never knowledge of the members. Governor Boyd, in acknowledgment of my stand against his deposition in the memorable Thayer-Boyd contest, did invite me to suggest the name of one commissioner, but that courteous offer was peremptorily declined by me. Governor Crounse was under very many obligations to me, but he will not say that I ever sought to dictate or even suggest a single police commission appointment. The truth is that he appointed Virgil O. Strickler, the very man against whom I had entered protest as being unworthy of holding such a trust. It is equally untrue that the appointees of Governor Holcomb were dictated by me. The

ers, the record shows exactly the con-Exposition will be followed by a large judge of the criminal division of the discommission into effect, trict court sought to impress the ever which can never be secured so long as credulous public with the idea that he Gage expressed himself in favor of subcalled the grand jury which investi- mitting the question of currency reform gated the police two years ago, the fact to a commission and he may still think Nebraska's revenue laws certainly at my urgent request to Judges Hope he will change his opinion after he shall need some kind of revision. When the well, Duffie, Walton and Ferguson, who haw permits property owners to pay ordered the grand jury called. I ap and been brought into contact with taxes or not as they may find convenient peared before that grand jury and fur-Seavey regime as should have led to ever expressed himself on the subject, Pabbitt, I wrote for him that portion of congress favorable to a commission i treasurer's accounts cannot be pre- the report which declared that "cor- is highly improbable that he would Ilminary unless it is followed by a more rupt practices and downright black urge legislation creating such a body. mailing had been tolerated in the It is to be presumed that most of the police," and censured severely the fire present members of the house committions by interested parties to the in- and police commission that permitted tee on banking and currency will re-

> ruption and legalized lawlessness? cloth who have testified to the efficiency from those interested in the question of the police and asked the legislature of reforming the currency and the to retain the present law, which was committee has listened to views on the notoriously framed and passed as an subject, but its members undoubtedly insult to Governor Holcomb and out of believe themselves quite as competent personal spite to me, for political pure to deal with the question as any composes, that, had I been disposed to say mission would be, however constituted. the word and give assurance that The At any rate it seems to be pretty cer-Bee would remain silent, open gamb- tain that they will not consent to have ling would today be in full blast in this matter taken out of their hands Omaha. The proposition was made, not once, but several times, by parties who that Major McKinley will urge the comhad authority to make it. It was made mission plan or that congress will adopt a plea for stimulating business gener- it. ally; it was again made for making the The Indianapolis currency reform com-State fair pan out and it was made vention was composed of men presumed cess in a campaign in which I was earn- to consider. Many of the members of

candidates.

existing scandalous conditions displayed During my absence from the city a in the name of law and order. While gress and elsewhere and failed of acof their inexperience in public matters. others who are trying to revive the old cipitated by a petition signed by over to thank when they are shown up in of currency reform will be to let it rest their true colors. E. ROSEWATER.

RESUMING OPERATIONS.

is at hand. At the close of last week the great manufactoring establishments on the Monongabela and the great cenis taking on its former time animation. Yesterday the Case Threshing Machine factory, at Racine, Wis., resumed work after being shut down six months, giving employment to several hundred men. Announcement is made that the great Warwick cotton mills at Providence, preparations for starting up industries. showing that confidence in the future

among manufacturers is general. At the recent convention of the National Association of Manufacturers judicious tariff law the outlook for doprogress made in the preparation of the to prison and subject them to the gross tariff bill by the ways and means com- est humiliation. In this matter the the friends of the existing tariff and nished an object lesson in vindictive the free silverites in the senate do not brutality that will tell powerfully combine to defeat it. This is the uncertainty in the situation. In order to pass a tariff bill the republicans must be reinforced from other political elements in the senate. Can this reinforcement be se-

cured? The senator-elect from Louisi-Teller will support the new bill and the senator-elect from Idaho, Mr. Heitfeldt, is likely to do so. The democratic senator from California, Mr. White, has intimated that he will not vote against the republican measure, recognizing at once the necessity of providing more defenseless women. revenue and the responsibility of the republican party for tariff legislation. The California senator is reported as saying that both houses of congress should hasten to aid in the return of the prosperity which was promised by was elected. There is reason to betactics there will be a chance of reachit goes to the senate.

We believe that a tariff bill will be passed and while it may not be altogether satisfactory from the standpoint of republican policy, it will certainly be more favorable to the industries of the country than the present law. With this assurance the industrial resumption now taking place is entirely safe and may be expected to continue until the revival is general.

A CURRENCY COMMISSION

Douglas delegation must each have had trary. Personally and through The Bee Gage, will urge the passage at the placed within his reach. a batch of bills up his sleeve. In no I opposed the enactment of the so-called extra session of the Fifty-fifth congress other way can any one explain the gambling license ordinance. Not only of a bill authorizing the appointment celerity with which the introduction of that, but I exposed and denounced po- of a commission to investigate the shape and form. While the former to carry the recommendations of the

It is true that a year or two ago Mr. is that that grand jury was convened this desirable, but it is possible that have become secretary of the treasury members of congress. As to the presione or more indictments. What is and as he must be aware of the fact more, at the request of its foreman, Job that there is very little sentiment in such a state of affairs. Does this justify main on that committee in the next conthe outrageous slander that connects gress. It is understood that few if me with the upholding of police cor- any of them are favorable to a currency commission. The chairman of It may surprise the gentlemen of the the committee has invited suggestions

again in the interest of party suc to be experts on the subject they met sume to speak with authority on matters estly desirous to carry Nebraska for my that convention are practical bankers and business men. But they proposed What is most disgusting to me is the nothing new for the solution of the rank hypocrisy and dense ignorance of currency problem-nothing that had

not been repeatedly suggested in con some people may be excused by reason ceptance because impracticable or unpopular. What reason is there to be lieve that a commission would do any Rosewater howl to throw dust into the better? The true policy of the incomeyes of the people have only themselves ing administration toward the question until the national treasury has been supplied with sufficient revenue and the business of the country has revived. The resumption of industrial activity If it be said that these conditions are not attainable without reforming the currency, the answer is that we have had abundant revenue and the highest Prepare to attend by laying uside an occameasure of prosperity under the existing ter of industry in and around Pittsburg | currency system. The demand for a radical change in the system is doing revival of business.

SPANISH BRUTALITY. Accepting as truthful the statement of the incarceration of respectable and consisting of 330,000 spindles and 700 cultivated women in a loathsome jail in looms, the Ray cassimere mill at Frank- Havana, because they are suspected will furnish. We believe that every western lin, Mass., the Glendale woolen mill at of sympathy with the Cuban cause, it Woonsocket, R. I., and several other will bring upon the Spanish authorities extensive factories in New England, will there the reprobation of civilized manshortly resume operations. Advices kind. The story of the treatment of from other parts of the country report these unfortunate victims of Spanish malice must arouse in every person ment toward those guilty of the outrage and the fact that an American woman was one of the victims will intensify dislike of the American opinion that if the country were given a people for the representatives of Spanish power in Cuba. There can nestic industries and for an era of be no respect anywhere for a cause prosperity was most favorable. The whose defenders drag helpless women mittee gives assurance of such a law if | Spanish authorities in Cuba have fur-

against them in the public opinion of the civilized world. The American consul, General Lee, appears to have acted with most commendable promptitude and firmness in can woman. He secured her release ana, Mr. McEnery, is counted upon to so soon as possible after being informed vote for a protective measure that gives of her imprisonment, with a statement fair consideration to the sugar interest from General Ahumada that a mistake of that state. It is thought that Senator had been made, but it is possible that our government will not be satisfied with this. There would seem to be grounds for a demand for immediate reparation of a more substantial character than an apology. It is indeed a desperate cause that makes war on

A communication is printed in this ssue of The Bee from a colored man who takes exception to The Bee's description of a crap joint running in Omaha under the eyes of the police. the republican leaders if Mr. McKinley While not denying the existence of the gambling resort in question, the writer lieve that there are other democrats thinks the reference to it indicates the who take this view. Speaking for the hostility of the American press to the silver democrats Senator Jones of Ar- negro. It indicates nothing of the kind. kansas said a few days ago that the No gambling resort, whether frequented tariff bill will be debated in the regular by white men or negroes, should be way, but no obstruction will be put in its path. While this may mean a prois own responsibility and personal reassuring, since if the opposition to a negro shows that the writer cannot fully people, for they are as much interested ing a vote on it within sixty days after in good government as any other inhabitants of the city. The law-abiding negro discountenances negro prize fights and negro gambling and wants efficient police service, and the vast majority of the negroes in Omaha are law-abiding.

The Bee has been endeavoring to open the eyes of the preachers who were misled into testifying to the efficiency and discipline of the Omaha police department. They said over their own names that at no time in its history has the department been "so free from scandal Until the new administration gets into and repreach of every description," and governor made his own choice, but, as a working order and some authorita- The Bee has simply proved by mounand thieves of Omaha, yet he signed a matter of courtesy to me, asked me live statement of its policy can be ob- tains of conclusive evidence that they petition to the legislature endorsing the police department for its efficiency and properties. The preacher who appropriated to make an exhibit of the mineral, timber, questioningly the reports as to what interested parties. The preacher who agricultural and educational resources of the As to my alleged sympathy and col- it will propose or favor. It is said, for makes a mistake, above all others, lusion with the gamblers and dive keep- example, that Major McKinley and the ought to be thankful to have the error This was insufficient and in the present bill coming secretary of the treasury, Mr. pointed out and the full light of truth

Nothing succeeds like success and nothing reforms like reform. It is easy their pet measures followed the close lice protection of lawless resorts, the whole subject of currency reform and enough for Spain to tell what it prolevy of blackmall upon the vicious report to congress not later than Janu- poses to do in Cuba for the benefit of classes by police officers and the solici- ary 1 next the results of its delibera- the Cubans, but the concessions will tation and acceptance of gifts in every itons, accompanied with a bill designed look much better after they are put into actual operation.

A Desirable Reform.

A bill has been introduced in the Missour legislature "to terminate flirting with female presengers by railway conductors and brakemen." This is a prudent measure. All brakemen." This is a prudent measure. All railroads should be supplied with proper terminal facilities.

The senate has just passed one general cension bill against which protests from the public are not likely to be many. It increases the pensions of survivors of the war of 1812 from \$12 to \$30 a month. There are only twelve of these pensioners, and the youngest is 50 years old.

Finnneind Views of Mr. Gage.

Lyman J. Gage denies the alleged in-Lyman J. Gage denies the alleged in-terviews with him in which he is said to have elaborated a vast financial scheme. These fakes were built on some remarks which he made in 1894. He now days the conditions have affered, since that year, and his views, as a balacquence, have changed in some particulars. It will be well for the country to keeps the fact in mind that the function conditions are much better in 1897 financial conditions are much better in 1897 than they were in 1894, or even along to November 2, 1896. Mr. Gage is an accom-plished and biddent financier. His recom-mendations which and obtedly have weight with congress a But he is not going to ormulate any great plan of financial reform until he enters of the congress of the cong

Beet Sugar Inducements.

A Wisconsin county, while favoring the oposed state bounty on best sugar, has edded not to walt for it, but has veted to se'll to a best sugar company 25,000 seres of county land at 50 cents an acre on condition that it will erect a beet augar factors

Exposition Endorsements

BY THE TRANSMISSISSIPPI PRESS.

only to the great Columbian exposition. sional dollar for that purpose.

Eureka (Utah) Minor: The Transmississippi Exposition which will be held in Omaha
from June to November, 1898, will be a
western institution for the benefit of western
industries and every western state should
lend its influence and assistance in making
the exposition a success. There is no doubt

SNAP SHOTS AT THE LEGISLATORS.

The electors of the

Dawner Penultican: The electors of the

Supplementary of Cuba. as much as anything else to retard the from June to November, 1888, will be a state will take advantage of it to push its
own interests to the fore and we trust Utah
will not be a laggard. The exhibit from
Utah ought to be one of the most extensive
at the exposition, for no state in the west has
the advantages for investment and settlement which we have. We trust that the
legislature will sea to it that the ment which we have. legislature will see to it that this matter is not overlooked in the list of appropriations.

Ellensburg (Wash.) Capital: Active prepa-Ellensburg (Wash.) Capital: Active preparations are being made in Omaha for the Transmississippi and International Exposition, which is to be held there in 1898. The idea is one that appeals especially to the people of the great west, and no doubt their best energies will be thrown into it.

Ft. Smith (Ark.) News-Record: The News-Record has, from time to time, re-ferred to the Transmississippi Exposition which is to be held in Omaha in 1898.

The indications now are that this expo-sition, which is to show the resources of the region west of the Mississippi river, the region west of the Mississippi river, will be a great success. Already a hearty response is being sent from every section of the country invited to participate, and there is every reason to believe that the affairs will be in all respects worthy of the closing years of a remarkable century. From the golden wheat fields of the north to the cotton fields of the south the terri-tory to be embraced in the exhibits is one incomparable richness in every element region, an exposition of the character pro-jected cannot but be of tremendous im-

The people of Omaha, with their characteristic push and enterprise, have risen to the occasion and subscribed something no small magnitude in times such as these A bill is now pending in the Nebraska legislature providing for the appropriation of \$350,000 more, and we have no doubt that if necessities demand it the people of Omaha and Nebraska will do still more. With the memories of the splendid results flowing from our exhibit at the World's fair to spur them on the Arkansas legisla-tors should not fall to provide an appropriation of sufficient magnitude to give Arkansas an exhibit at the Omaha exposition worthy of the imperial resources of

What state in the union can show to the world timber, fruit, cotton, wheat, lead, coal, gold, silver, zinc, copper, Iron, manganese, marble, granite, novaculite, petroieum and a score of other equally important prod-

oppropriating a certain amount for exhibition purposes at both the Nashville and Omaha expesitions ample provision should Omaha expesitions ample provision should be made for bringing out the features and excellences of our public school system.

There is no longer any question of Arkansas' mineral, timber, agricultural and horticultural resources, but it is in evidence that not enough is known of our excellent and successful public school system to be come an inducement for strangers to settle in the state. and successful public school system to be-

An amendment to the bill should be introduced setting apart a certain amount that would in reason cover the expense Western Borrowers. becessary to a creditable exhibit of the public school work of the state; and the quarters at Hartford, Conn., went to money so appropriated should be assigned to wall a few weeks ago, and its failure will be a second to the public school will be a second to the quarters at Hartford, Conn. the control of the state superintendent of public instruction, whose experience and position make him the best judge of what

was heard of our public schools at the Atlanta exposition. Inquiry at Superintend-ent Jordan's office brings out the reason. It state the commissioner set apart only \$500 for the use of the department of education. ample provisions should be made for this department.

Schulenburg (Tex.) Sticker: The managers of the Transmississippi Exposition to be necticut and borrower on the western held at Omaha in the year 1898 are at this farm. The other was a band guaranteed, early day doing a great deal of work. They claim that it will be the greatest advertisecarly day doing a great deal of work. They claim that it will be the greatest advertisement for the states in the Mississippi valley and of the west that has ever been attempted. The intention is to show what by the western borrower on the first desired at the company had been using money paid over by the western borrower on the first desired states are capable of manufacturing and

great Transmississippi Exposition to be held necticut owner of course was ignorant in Omaha from June to November, 1898, will the payment of the loan, and under the i in Omaha from June to November, 1898, will excel, if anything, the World's fair at Chicago. The government has recognized it and will give financial support to the project. Foreign countries will have representatives and exhibits on a large scale. The silver palace will be one of the greatest attractions, where the mineral wealth of the world will have a representative display. Being so near Colorado it can almost be considered a home enterprise. The Colorado legislature will probably be called upon to contribute to have Colorado and her wonderful resources well represented. This should be done not scantily or grudgingly, but liberally, for every dollar contributed to this enterprise will return to the state one hundredfold.

Hetclicut owner of course was ignorant of the payment of the loan, and under the impression that the mortgage had been defaulted he was presented with a proposition from the company to settle the claim at a heavy discount. Only through communication with the borrower directly did he learn the truth. And so, it is said, of others.

"But what of those directors, strong business men of Hartford, Sinsbury and localities men of these practices they ordered a halt—when the horse had gone they rushed out and slammed the barn doors with all righteous fury. But where were they when the stealing was in progress? Where most directors of such concerns are—lending their names, perhaps selling them, for the use of unknown adventurers in entrapping the

Creston (Ia.) Advertiser: A very strong and commendable effort is being put forward by Omaha to work up enthusiasm in the Transmississippi and International Exposition, set for dates from June to November, 1898, in the city of Omaha, the coming western metropoits. This exposition is one which can be made of untold benefit to the entire west and the great dissission! welley which can be made of untold benefit to the entire west and the great Mississippi valley in particular, and is worthy of the encouragement of the citizens of Iowa. Union county, the home of the great fliue Grass palace movement, which did so much for southwest Iowa, cannot afford to be behind in this movement, but should make all preparations to be in it. The Board of Supervisors should take the subject no appoint a committee to take the subject up, appoint a committee to arrange a display from this county and ap-propriate a sum to properly advertise the advantages of the county at that exposition.

Searcy (Ark.) Citizen: In conformity with to cost not less than \$150,000.

This is a practical way to get at it. We presume there are counties in Minnesota where, if there is no county land, private donations of land could be secured as a bonus for starting a beet sugar factory. Of course the donors abould make certain that the proposed manufacturing company is trustworthy and responsible. The donation of a site and the state bounty ought to be sufficient to induce capital to engage in this enterprise at any favorable point. With reviving business next fall we expect to see some beginning is the inauguration of the beet sugar industry in Minnesota.

Searcy (Ark.) Citizen: In conformity with the recommendation of ex-Governor Ciarke, a bill has been introduced in the Arkansas legislature appropriating \$25,000 for an exhibit of the resources and productive industries of Arkansas at the Transminsissippi and International Exposition of 1898 at Ornaha. Iowa has already made a preliminary appropriation for the purpose, and will increase it later on. A bill is pending before the Illinois legislature providing for an appropriation of \$100.

With reviving business next fall we expect to see some beginning in the inauguration of the beet sugar industry in Minnesota.

Frederick (S. D.) Free Press: The Trans-1 Utah and many other western states Frederick (S. D.) Free Press: The Transmissalssippi Exposition to be held at Omaha in interest are now considering appropriation June to November, 1898, will be second in the prediction is that every state west of the is that every state west of the Misalesippi will participate in the great ex-Trepare to attend by laying aside an occational dollar for that purpose.

Mississippi will participate in the great exposition of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will raise the amount to \$1,000,000. Congress ministrative authority is polluted and until tase the amount to \$1,000,000. Congress ministrative authority is polluted and until has pledged \$200,000 and Senator Alien says it is purified nothing that flows from it is purified nothing that flows from its proposed and the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will raise the amount to \$1,000,000. Congress ministrative authority is polluted and until it is purified nothing that flows from its proposed and the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the position of 1838. The people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,000 in stock and will propose the people of Omaha have subscribed over \$400,00

state, irrespective of party predilection, ex-pect the legislature to remove the crudities of the present Australian ballot system. If our lawmakers understand the law of simpli-fication they will impart some of it to the present law.

large, julcy offices at the disposal of his excellency are nearly all filled and poor old Otoe is indeed unfortunate. Tecumseh Journal: By actual count there

are now thirteen persons from Richardson county drawing salaries from the state of Nebraska, while many counties of the state have not a single representative at the pie counter. We are proud of Richardson county. She has men in public place who have an eye to benefiting their home people. Cedar Bluffs Standard: The proposition to reduce county and state salaries to a price commensurate with the price of other labor and labor's products is entirely com-mendable. With all other prices falling— the merchant selling his goods, many of them, below cost, the farmer selling below cost, labor idle or working at starvation wages—why not bring the public servant to a level with the common people, of which he is a part? Under such onditions public office might be construed

Nebraska City Press: Speaker Gaffin has introduced a bill which provides for the punishment of foot ball players. On conviction the penalty is not less than \$20, nor more than \$100, and imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten days nor more than three months. One-half of the fine goes to the informer. Pass a law now prohibiting social parties, base ball, dancing croquet, lawn tennis and skating, make an appropriation to build a wall around the state, preventing coming and going, and the ancient days of barbarism wil be restored. Deprive the young people of pleasures by legislation, and the result is easily foretold. What will the demo-pop legislature do

O'Neill Beacon Light: The roar that is going over the state from the true populis press, expressing disgust at the macfilne work of selecting wire-pulling democrats to important positions to the exclusion of populists who built up the party, bids fair to show that the masses propose to take the Arkansas—Arkansas alone. And it is to show that the masses propose to take the only her just due that all the world should buil by the horns and give machine men and slate makers a set-back. The question presents itself thus: Have true populis West Union (Ia.) Gazette: The Transmississippi and International Exposition will be held in Omaha in 1898. The work is in good hands, and cannot be otherwise than a success. It will undoubtedly prove a big thing for Omaha and the entire middle west.

Little Rock (Ark.) Gazette: In the bill appropriating a certain amount for exhibiting the control of the purpose of having the officers-elect turn around and "fortify" democracy by do ing out places to men who have fought the people's party ever since its first inception? Suppose the Nebraska administration were reversed and all these long years to be used to be officers were democrated and all these long years to be used to be officers were democrated and all these long years to be used to be officers and places to men who have fought the people's party ever since its first inception? Suppose the Nebraska administration were reversed and all these long years to be used to be except one; does any sensible populist believe they would be so generous as to divide up appointments even with populists? Nay, appointments even with populists? Nay, verlly! Populists would not be in it at all. Then what is the reform press and the old alliance guard working for? Are they to be slaves all their lives to see the rewards of their toil thrown away to men who never entertained a reform idea us the people's party made success possible?

CROOKED DEALS IN CONNECTICUT.

The Iowa Mortgage company, with headcharged up to western repudiation of debts public instruction, whose experience and position make him the best judge of what is required to make a successful school exhibit.

Surprise has been expressed that nothing was heard of our public schools at the Atlanta exposition. Inquiry at Superintend-the proves that the company, which paraded Atlanta exposition. Inquiry at Superintend-the proves that the company, which paraded the provest that the company, which paraded the provest that the company, which paraded the provest that the company is the provest that the company to we stern reputation of debts. the names of prominent business men in its directory, was an organized swindle, and out was without foundation. The Springfield (Mass.) Republican gives the true in wardness, of it:

wardness, of it:

"The company sold two kinds of mortgages," relates the Republican. "One was
an ordinary loan negotiated by the company and sold to the investor without guaranty of any kind, the company merely act-ing as an agent between investor in Consaid states are capable of manufacturing and producing, and in that way bring capital and labor from the north and east. The managers say that millions of people will visit the exposition and come for the purpose of home-seeking and to invest their spare capital. We earnestly hope that the exposition will be a complete success.

Scribed mortgage to pay on connecticut investor had lent \$300 to a western farmer through this company, the company merely acting as agent and looking after collection of interest and payment of principal when due. The borrower had paid off the loan, but instead of transmitting the money to the Connecticut owner the company Alamosa (Colo.) Independent-Journal: The turned the fund to its own uses. The Con-

of unknown adventurers in entrapping unwary, and exercising no more control inspection over the concern's affairs than if they had never been mentioned in co-nection with it."



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REFORMS IN CURA.

New York Sun: It Spain wants to pacify Cuba she ought to begin by putting a stop to the wanton slaughter of unoffending and defenseless Cubaus.

forms to Cuba means supervision from Mad-rid, and it would probably prove a meaner and more grinding form of government than the present despotism.

Milwaukee Wissentham

Milwaukee Wisconsin: The Cuban leaders will undoubtedly reject Spain's offer and brace themselves for fresh attacks upon the Spaniards, with the object of capturing Havana. Should they succeed in even placing that city in a state of seige the end of the war will be very close at hand. New York Mail and Express; Spanish rewrongs of Cuba.

Springfield Republican: There would be a livelier interest in the "reforms" about to be granted to Cuba if there was the slightest prospect that they would have any effect upon the war. That they can be applied in n present law.

Auburn Granger: When public officials have the courage to refuse free passes the millennium will be here. The member of the legislature who said he hopes to live to see the day when no public official will accept such gifts must expect to attain an age much greater than Methuselah.

Nebraska City Press: Governor Holcomb has promulgated the appointment of his official and personal staff. Otoe county, one of the banner demo-pop strongholds in the last election, as usual got left. The large, juicy offices at the disposal of his excellence are nearly as the last election, as usual got left. The large, juicy offices at the disposal of his excellence are nearly as the last election.

Detroit Free Press: "I hear, Mrs. Derby, nat your husband has two revolvers and a Vinchester for any burglars who may "He had, but they came the other night and got them."

Richmond Dispatch: Judge-What is the charge against this man, Mr. Officer?
Officer-Creating a disturbance, your

Washington Star: "Dear me!" exclaimed Maud. "How people do change around from one subject to another."
"Yes," replied Mamie. "Now all you hear anybody talking about is the inauguration treaty. And a little while ago it was all about Trilby at 16 to 1, and Silver and Little Billie."

Detroit Journal: The snade of King Midas inclined its head in acknowledgment of the compliment. "Yes," it rejeined, "If I may be pardoned the remark, I could touch quite effectively." "There are others," sneered the wraith of the great artist who never got a cent less than 5 for an orchestra chair.

Cleveland Lender: Bookkeeper-What's all this fuss about, anyway? Do you suppose the old man suspects me of any crooked work?
Chief Clerk-Oh, no; he isn't to blame for it. Count Skeesicks has made arrangements to marry Miss Araminta, and is having experts go through the books to see that there have been no misrepresentations regarding her father's wealth. That's all.

THE MODERN DRAMA.

Harold MacGrath The hero is accused of crimes be never did The hero is accused of crimes he never did at all.

The heroine does nothing else from that time on but hawl.

The villain sull sand ays, "Ha, ha! they're in meh pow'r at last;"

Adventuress smokes cigarettes and thinks it deuced fast.

You never see a lawyer who is young and the playwright thinks that ninety-eight is plenty young enough!

Accomplices are always tough and looking for the swag;

The maid's in love with loudly checked-and-watch-chain-wearing wag.

He always scorns the villain's gold, but borrows from the maid. Who serves her mistress just for fun and cares not to be baid. swept with squalls; The handcuffed villain hisses and away in rage,
Are And everything ends happily when works
the out on the stage.



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