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After the recount, then what? It does not look as if this were a woman suffrage year in Nebraska.

This is about the time that the legislature ought to begin to appreciate the necessity of bucking down to work.

In the interval the three supreme court commissioners are losing little sleep and drawing their salaries regularly as ever.

Weyler must be surprising even himself at the length of time he is holding out the position of governor general of Cuba.

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

The criminal element in Des Moines is about to combine against the police administration. Such a combination is 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.

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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 assume to speak with authority on matters which concern politics and which, by their own confession, they know very little about.

THE POLICE CONTROVERSY.

During my absence from the city a controversy has arisen relative to the efficiency of the police and maintenance of law and order under the commission created by the Church-Russell appointing board.

Although I was over 1,000 miles away, an effort is being made to contract the effect of the damaging disclosures of police corruption and impotency by dragging my name into the arena and ascribing mercenary, personal and political motives to the protest of The Bee against bogus reform.

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.

While political and personal enemies have charged me with bossing the police 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.

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existing scandalous conditions displayed in the name of law and order. While some people may be excused by reason of their inexperience in public matters, others who are trying to revive the old Rosewater howl to throw dust into the eyes of the people have only themselves to thank when they are shown up in their true colors.

RESUMING OPERATIONS.

The resumption of industrial activity is at hand. At the close of last week thousands of men were put at work in the great manufacturing establishments on the Monongahela and the great center of industry in and around Pittsburgh is taking on its former time animation.

Accepting as truthful the statement of the incarceration of respectable and cultivated women in a bathhouse jail in Havana, because they are suspected of sympathy with the Cuban cause, it will bring upon the Spanish authorities there the reprobation of civilized mankind.

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A CURRENCY COMMISSION.

Until the new administration gets into working order and some authoritative statement of its policy can be obtained it will be well not to accept unquestioningly the reports as to what it will propose or favor.

A Desirable Reform.

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not been repeatedly suggested in congress and elsewhere, and failed of acceptance because impracticable or unpopular. What reason is there to believe that a commission would do any better? The true policy of the incoming administration toward the question of currency reform will be let it rest until the national treasury has been supplied with sufficient revenue and the business of the country has revived.

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This is a practical way to get at it. We present a bill to the Wisconsin legislature. Of course the demand should make certain that if there is no county land, private donations of land could be secured as a bonus for starting a best sugar factory.

Frederick (S. D.) Free Press: The Transmississippi Exposition to be held at Omaha in 1898, will be the greatest since only to the great Columbian exposition. Prepare to attend by laying aside an occasional dollar for that purpose.

Exposition Endorsements BY THE TRANSMISSISSIPPI PRESS.

Utah and many other western states in interest in the Transmississippi Exposition bills, and the prediction is that every state west of the Mississippi will participate in the great exposition 1898.

Eureka (Utah) Miner: 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.

Elkinsburg (Wash.) Capital: Active preparations are being made in Omaha for the Transmississippi and International Exposition, which is to be held there in 1898.

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

West Union (Ia.) Gazette: The Transmississippi and International Exposition will be held in Omaha in 1898. The work is in good progress and the city is preparing to receive the exposition.

Little Rock (Ark.) Gazette: In the bill appropriating a certain amount for exhibition purposes to both the Nashville and Little Rock expositions, the provisions should be made for bringing out the features and excellences of our public school system.

Schulenburg (Tex.) Slicker: The managers of the Transmississippi Exposition to be held at Omaha in the year 1898 are at this early day doing a great deal of work.

Alamosa (Colo.) Independent-Journal: The great Transmississippi Exposition to be held in Omaha from June to November, 1898, will excel, if anything, the World's fair at Chicago.

Creighton (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.

Barney (Ark.) Citizen: In conformity with the recommendation of ex-governor Clarke, 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 Transmississippi and International Exposition to be held at Omaha, Iowa.

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Thoughtful Study.

BRINGS YOU NEXT TO OUR UNDERWEAR—WILL YOU GET INTO THEM WITHOUT TURNING UP THE LEGS AND SLEEVES? SOME DEALERS LOOK NO FURTHER THAN THE CHEST AND WAIST MEASUREMENTS. WHAT ARE YOU LONG-LEGGED, LONG-ARMED, SHORT-LEGGED, SHORT-ARMED MEN GOING TO DO? COME HERE, MOST LIKELY, IF YOU WANT TO BE FITTED PROPERLY IN THE PROPER SIZES AND QUALITY. SOME WOOL, SOME COTTON, SOME BOTH. THEY COMMENCE AT 50 CENTS A GARMENT. THEY END AT \$3.00 A GARMENT. OUR WINDOWS ARE FAIR EXAMPLES OF OUR UNDERWEAR VALUES. BUT AN EXAMINATION WILL THOROUGHLY CONVINCING YOU OF THEIR EXTREME GOODNESS.

