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THE BEE ON TRAINS: All railroad newsboys are supplied with enough Bees to accommodate every passenger who wants to read a newspaper.

Chicago democrats have decided to experiment anew in son-of-his-father politics.

The man who calls on the president at this time "just to pay his respects" is justly looked on with suspicion.

Trust investigations have not prevented the Sugar trust from declaring its usual dividend on all its watered stock.

The New York meeting called in ratification of the arbitration treaty seems to have resulted in war rather than peace.

The split among the Woodmen of the World is natural enough. A man cannot be a woodman unless he can split his own wood.

The state senate is ready to investigate anything but itself. That is where every self-respecting legislative body draws the line.

No settlement with the water works company ought to be perfected which does not fix a definite basis of water supply for the exposition.

When the pugilists say they will not talk a word about the referee's announcement of rules, they mean they will not talk a million words.

The franchised corporations should all be treated alike in the charter. There is no reason why the legislature should make flesh of one and fish of another.

In connection with the exceeding popularity of the president among office seekers, it may have been noticed that many have called, but few are chosen.

If the flood indications are read aright, it is exceedingly likely that there will be a good deal of water "welling up" before long in the vicinity of the Missouri river.

It makes a pile of difference whose ox is gored. That explains the divergent attitudes of certain state senators to read the Omaha charter bill and the Lincoln charter bill.

In spite of turbulent north winds Omaha continues to be an ideal winter resort, especially when its weather statistics are compared with those of cities lying to the north.

J. Addison Porter, secretary to the president, may hold Secretary Thurber's job, but it will be a long time before he obtains Mr. Thurber's unpopularity in Washington circles.

WILL BE GIVEN FAIR HEARING.

According to one of the leading democrats in the new congress, it will be the policy of the democrats to interpose no obstructive opposition to the passage of the tariff law, but to insist on being accorded a fair hearing in the debate over the new bill.

There is nothing unreasonable in the fact that the democrats in the next house shall be permitted, if they desire, to consume time in discussing the measure and the principle for which it will stand. That is not necessary to a fair hearing of the opposition, whose views can be as well and as adequately expressed by half a dozen of its more prominent members as if the whole number talked.

Certainly there is no good reason why the republicans should not give the democrats a fair opportunity to discuss the policy embodied in the new tariff bill. It has been so splendidly vindicated in the past and the popular sentiment of the country is so strongly in favor of it, that it cannot be injured by such discussion.

But it is not to be apprehended that the democrats in either branch of congress will care to go to very great length in discussing this policy. Their efforts will be directed mainly to reducing the protection in the new tariff bill, in which it is safe to say they will have little success, so far as the house is concerned.

Comparison of the state of the treasury on the incoming of the present administration with the condition when the preceding administration took charge is apt to be misleading. It is true that the cash balance at the beginning of the current month was much larger than four years ago, including the gold reserve, which according to the latest treasury statement amounts to over \$151,000,000.

What will the charter be? What will the Omaha charter look like when it reaches the governor? If our experience with former charters is to be repeated it will be a patch-quilt which will require a Philadelphia lawyer to interpret.

Unfortunately the charter as it will come to the governor will embody all the political features intact, while the reform features are liable to be either cut out or revised until they are worthless. That much is indicated by the changes made in the senate.

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than Thomas F. Bayard. This in itself is enough to condemn him in the eyes of those who consider it to be an ambassador's chief functions to stir up strife and wave the American flag.

The attempt of certain Yale students to give the threatened prize fight an educational aspect meets with well merited condemnation. By all means let us have frugality in the schools, if need be, but the mainly art itself should be kept free from all contaminating influences.

The stock subscription list of the exposition association is still open for new names. There are a number of prominent property owners, remarkable chiefly for their absence, whose signatures would look well at the bottom of a liberal subscription blank.

Perhaps it might be well to establish a new set of state and federal courts for the express purpose of giving authoritative interpretations of that code of laws known as the Marquis of Queensberry's prize ring rules.

All the entrances to the white house are kept wide open, but unfortunately for the officers, the exits are in the same condition. The editor of the "Cretan" was knocked down by a legislator shortly after noon Monday.

The depreciation in South African mining shares is something stupendous. In the middle of the month of February the market made a compilation, showing a decline of 43 per cent in the leading issues, as compared with the prices a year previous.

It is plain now that the city will be compelled to fight for every cent it is to recover. It is manifest that the leniency shown by the council in allowing the bondsmen to go through the treasury books with their own special expert after they had been checked up by four experts paid by the city was only for the purpose of using the special expert's testimony against the city.

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Exposition Endorsements

City of Mexico Two Republics: The value to any country of expositions, or great fairs, hardly can be overestimated. They bring together large bodies of people from all sections of the country.

Peos Valley (N. M.) Argus: The Transmississippi and International Exposition, at Omaha, Neb., is a fair and complete exhibition of the resources and opportunities of the people of the United States.

San Francisco Call: The delegation from Omaha which has come to California for the purpose of promoting the interests of the Transmississippi Exposition will find public opinion in California predisposed in their favor.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

Kaiser Wilhelm believes in making hay while the sun shines and is striking for a big naval appropriation when his subjects are growing afraid that Germany may have to take part in a big international war.

The line of cleavage in the European concert is fast being clearly defined. The British government had assured Parliament after the Canea incident that not another British gun should be trained upon Christians in order to maintain the abominable rule of the Turk.

In the House of Commons the other day Mr. Darling wanted to know which power it was which in November, 1895, wanted to force the Dardanelles and depose the sultan, but all that Mr. Curzon, representing the foreign office, would say was that it was not Great Britain.

The probable action of the Balkan states in the event of an European international has formed a subject of much discussion. It was the prince of Montenegro who the late czar carried any further by Parliament.

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Rough Weather

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