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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION. For the week ending May 15, 1897. Total number of copies of this paper printed during the week, 107,062.

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

INSIST ON HAVING THE BEE. The Greeks may be sadder, but they are certainly wiser men.

Crete has not had an opportunity to come into the Turko-Grecian case even as an intervener.

A city council without a lawyer among its members is the latest novelty in Omaha's experience.

New York has a new beet sugar bounty law and it is going to try to head off Nebraska if it can as the best sugar state.

Changes in railway official circles seem to be coming nearly as fast as changes in the roster of the United States army.

The final decision of the supreme court in the Bohn case, although long delayed, inspires new confidence in the integrity of purpose of our courts.

The color of the man in the woodpile at the South Omaha civil service investigation is beginning to be apparent even without the aid of a microscope.

South Dakota has as yet no official state flower, but it manages to hold its own with its sister states pretty well notwithstanding this great defect.

In a contest of endurance between a special session of congress and a rising thermometer, the latter-named machine is apt to be backed by all lovers of true sport.

The exposition is the subject of the first inquiry of every out-of-town visitor who strikes Omaha. Omaha advertises the exposition and the exposition advertises Omaha.

The power of Spain in Cuba, long weakened by various causes, is expected to go down into swift and irrevocable ruin before the forensic assaults of Nebraska's junior senator.

Secretary of State Sherman has just given official notice to the British ambassador of the failure of the arbitration treaty. The British ambassador should read the newspapers.

The European press is said to be remarkably harmonious on the subject of peace negotiations between Greece and Turkey. In a word, the European press has recognized its cue and last no time to take it.

MUST PAY THE PENALTY. By the decision of the highest appellate court of Nebraska Henry Bohn must pay the prescribed penalty for his betrayal of public trust as city treasurer of Omaha.

The penalty of Henry Bohn will stand as one of the most remarkable in the annals of Nebraska criminal jurisprudence. Extending as it has over a period of within a month of two years, the accused has had every advantage for his defense that the constitution and the laws allow.

While it is to be deplored that Henry Bohn should by his own acts have brought down upon himself so heavily the strong arm of the law, the courts cannot but have strengthened themselves in the public estimation by the impartial administration of justice.

THE HOUSE RESPONDS. The house of representatives unanimously passed the resolution appropriating \$50,000 for the suffering Americans in Cuba. There was an attempt on the part of the democrats, as had been previously announced, to force consideration of the Morgan resolution pending in the senate.

OUR LOCAL TRAIN SERVICE. Omaha retailers have a right to enter respectful remonstrance with the management of the Missouri Pacific against the proposed abandonment of the Nebraska local train which that road has for years been operating for the benefit of the Nebraska towns upon its line.

AFTER THE TRUSTS. The attorney general of New York is preparing to proceed vigorously against the trusts and combinations, under the new anti-trust law of that state. He has summoned the presidents of the anthracite coal carrying railroads to Albany and will compel them to give testimony upon which to base a prosecution of the combinations of which they are members.

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they find so much toleration as in the national metropolis. Moreover they could not find elsewhere such advantages for the successful prosecution of their business as they have there. It is not only in the Empire state, however, that the trusts are being pursued.

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Wrong Reasoning. An Iowa senator refuses to take his salary because he was absent most of the time and does not think he earned it. This is wrong reasoning. The more a senator is absent the more money the state can afford to pay him.

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Probing the Coal Combine. In order to test the efficacy of the new anti-trust law of New York the attorney general has instituted proceedings against six coal-carrying railroads doing business in that state.

Supremacy in the Iron Trade. The Carnegie company sold the materials for the great Montreal bridge at 90 cents per ton, but in New York the price of iron in this country has been \$1.55 per ton. Does not this look as though there are possibilities of a heavy undercurrent in the iron and steel manufacturing of the United States?

The Deeper Sugar Trust. Made desperate by the clear prospect that the general public would not be written in the tariff bill, the trust is now resorting to a species of blackmail to beat down the opposition.

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Globe-Democrat: The powers must now address themselves to the task of making terms with the combatants, which will produce a free crop of difficulties. As a main result of the war Turkey has been strengthened, and more than ever is an element dangerous to the peace of Europe.

Philadelphia Record: The most shameful aspect of the situation is the reversal of the relative positions of the powers of civilization and barbarism who reign at Constantinople. It is the Turk who now has assumed the making of conditions, and the powers find themselves reduced to the making of protests, resolutions and requests for leniency on the part of their antagonist.

Chicago Times-Herald: Mr. McKinley's decision to hasten the inevitable evacuation of the island by means that are not certain to anger Spain beyond endurance and jeopard the peace of this country to the barbarity of the Spanish Republic; but while it is a good thing to relieve the miserable victims of Spanish barbarity, this great nation ought to have the courage to adopt an effective method of putting an end to the barbarity.

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Philadelphia Times: Whatever action may follow this appropriation need make no complications in the country which is being undertaken under the direction of the secretary of state and through the official representatives of the United States in Cuba, and simply provides the means for that relief that consular officers are often called upon to extend to their countrymen, though not usually on so large a scale. This does not constitute interference, and it is as well that it be kept separate from any discussion of general policy toward Cuba.

New York Tribune: The most noteworthy feature of the present Cuban message is its absolute lack of mention of the fact that it declares on the strength of official information that many American citizens in Cuba are in distress, that the war has caused their food, whether war or pestilence, fire or flood. There is not the slightest reference to the war which has been raging for more than two years, or to the more recent orders of General Weyler, which have directly caused the destitution of the Cuban people.

Washington Star: President McKinley's message to congress urging the adoption of measures for the relief of distressed Americans in Cuba is confined to the topic immediately in hand and does not attempt to bring other issues relating to the island into the situation. Thus the message which some seem to have expected, which might seriously complicate matters and hinder the effort to relieve the suffering citizens of the East States, it is evidently the president's intention to postpone any further demonstrations of policy until Mr. Calhoun's report has been received, or such information has been obtained from him as will point unmistakably to the need of intervention. A less conservative course at this particular time might readily set the country into a ferment.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE. The mills of justice grind slowly, but they get there occasionally. Speaking of the truce, Nicholas touched the button, Abdul did the rest.

President David Starr Jordan of Stanford university has succeeded in raising the funds required to establish a zoological garden in San Francisco.

Twenty thousand hands are employed by the strawberry farmers of Missouri. The Missouri strawberry, by the way, is the one variety offering that sustains neighborly respect for the state.

A section of Missouri is alarmed over the antics of a supposed wild man, who is prancing about a small town, pursued by a score of deputy sheriffs. It is supposed to be an aggravated case of sixteen-ton.

The higher the court the lower is its opinion of contempt cases. The supreme court of Ohio, in passing upon the appeal of an editor sentenced for contempt by an inferior court, remarked that contempt of a judge does not constitute contempt of court.

The secretary of the state senate of Montana, who hypothesized a bill to prevent its passage, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment. The period of enforced privacy will enable him to appreciate the folly of borrowing trouble for the benefit of somebody else.

The eagles that were sent to Major McKinley in the course of the campaign last summer are to be set free. Of course they were a nuisance to Mr. McKinley, and he gave them to Canton for the park. The Chicago Herald has disclosed that the law of Ohio prohibits the keeping of an eagle in captivity, and will set them free.

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Better wearing shoes than these we never had. SHOES SHINED FREE. Cor. 16th and Douglas Sts.

COSTA RICA IS VERY PROSPEROUS. Financially Able to Meet its Obligations Without Borrowing. WASHINGTON, May 20.—A copy of the message of the president of the republic of Costa Rica to the national congress of that country, which opened its regular session on the 1st inst., has been received by Senator Calvo, the minister of Costa Rica in Washington. It speaks of the encouragement which have characterized the year and of the largely satisfactory settlement of the questions engaging the government's attention.

The president says that public order has not suffered the slightest change, and since Costa Rica has entered upon the fullness of its sovereignty at no time has the status of its international relations appeared in every sense more satisfactory than at present. The message speaks of the establishment of the Greater Republic of Central America, composed of the states of Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua, and says it constitutes an act of sufficient significance in the political history of Central America.

Reference is made to the Central American convention policy, which has killed not only Costa Rica but Guatemala, and which Costa Rica has also received the idea proposed by Guatemala to organize in that republic a central American union system and of a law for public instruction.

The hope is expressed for a satisfactory solution to both Nicaragua and Costa Rica in the hands of the arbitral tribunal of two countries. A joint commission is about to make a survey. The president felicitously refers to the negotiation of the arbitration treaty with Colombia for the settlement of the boundary line question with that country. This treaty has been ratified by the congresses of both countries and ratifications will soon be exchanged in Washington by the legations of both republics.

National economy is one of the subjects to which the executive devotes special attention, and after a study of the conditions of the country issued a decree adopting in place of the gold standard, which is now the money of Costa Rica.

The arrangements for the settlement of the foreign debt having been effected, the government has deposited the proceeds of the loan when due, the interest on the first coupon. This has been accomplished without establishing new imports or resorting to the public credit.

REPEALS THE MATTER TO CONGRESS. Reasons for Delaying Work on the San Pedro Harbor. WASHINGTON, May 20.—Secretary Alger has made response to the senate resolution calling for a statement as to what has been or is about to be done with reference to making contracts for the improvement of San Pedro harbor, California.

Alger has the honor to say that the whole subject of congress for further instructions as to its purpose—whether to create simply a harbor committee or to refer the matter to the secretary of the treasury. The secretary cites the action of the Walker board in deciding to expend all of the appropriation of \$2,500,000 upon a breakwater, and some \$500,000 for the construction of a harbor for commerce will, according to the engineers, require upward of \$5,000,000.

Starts in Temporary Roof Over the East Approach. ALBANY, N. Y., May 20.—A temporary roofing over the eastern approach to the capitol caught fire at 1 o'clock today. A stiff wind was blowing and in five minutes the entire capitol was filled with stifling smoke. Great excitement was occasioned throughout the departments. The structure which is burning is directly in front of the private offices of the judges of the court of appeals, which are filled with valuable law libraries and documents.

BRIGHT AND BREEZY. Philadelphia Record: Beggar—Can you help a poor man? Pedestrian—I think you've touched me before. Beggar—Possibly, sir; possibly. You see I'm a stranded photographer, and the old habit of retouching clings, sir.

Up to Date: Marie (the maid)—You look charming. Miss Pendleton:—I wish that that as well as the glass. Women were made before mirrors, you know. Pendleton:—Yes, and they have been before them ever since.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Look up, dearheart," he murmured, and his voice was tender as a spring rain. "I believe you are 'No, Edgah,'" she murmured. "I will not look up. I've had that kiss-with-every-air-blow 243 worked on me too many times."

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