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THE INDUSTRIAL DRIFT.

Nearly three-fourths of the manufacturing industries of the United States are consolidated into the monopolistic form and the present indications are that the others will take on that form...

THE INTEREST RATE.

Up to twenty years ago the legal rate of interest in Nebraska was 12 per cent. In 1870 the rate was reduced by law to 10 per cent, where it remains today...

RESULTS OF AGRARIAN AGITATION.

Meat has become scarce in Germany and necessarily high in price. The restrictions on imports in compliance with the demands of the agrarians have brought this about...

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

St. Louis Republic: If a few more agents run away with the box office receipts for the lecture the venerable agnostic may be converted to the dogma of future punishment...

BLASTS FROM RAW'S HORN.

Nights of sorrow bring out the stars of promise. I am angry when he tells you to knock him early and you don't do it. "I don't see how I could be anything else under the circumstances. Haven't you heard that all the world loves a lover?"

STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.

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WANTED-A LIBRARIAN.

The desire for official position, so characteristic of our people, is now precipitating a horde of candidates on the president, all eager to succeed the late John Russell Young as librarian of the Congressional library...

THE FLAG'S BEST DEFENDERS.

The great glory of our flag is that it is the flag of the free. If we are to make it anywhere the flag of conquest and subjugation, every stripe something of its former luster, every stripe something of its brightness and beauty, it seems to us that the best defenders of the flag are those who protest against its prostitution to the purposes of imperialism.

DEWEY'S PLANS.

The Admiral's Guidance Ignored with Fatal Results. Buffalo Express: It was the plan of Admiral Dewey when he gave passage to Aguinaldo on a United States ship to treat him as a virtual ally...

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Who curses if Juan Luna is gone to shine on Agoncillo? Sixto Lopez is with us and the country is safe. A fleet of Spanish war ships is reported in the vicinity of Maritque. Did the Santiago submarine fleet get away?

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.

Richard Henry Stoddard. Chosen in large designs, he had the art of winning with his humor, and he went straight to his mark, which was the human heart. Wise, too, for what he could not break he bent.

THE Hired girl with a coal oil can will have to take a back seat temporarily as an ascension agent in favor of the range with a water back.

It is a little early to start reports of damage to the peach crop, but as it has to come every year it might as well be now as any other time.

According to Spanish reports the homeward trips of the repatriated soldiers have more fatal than all the numerous battles of the war.

The comparatively small death loss of the Americans at Manila is accounted for by the statement that Spanish gunners served the Filipino artillery during the engagement.

From the number of women being converted into angels by combustible celluloid combs, that institution bids fair to outdistance the deadly folding bed as a corpse-producer.

If anything were lacking to demonstrate that the Japanese have adopted the ways of civilization the charge of bribery made in the Diet, or legislative body, furnishes it.

The announcement that signs of early spring have been discovered on the New England coast is a hopeful indication that the sea serpent will soon make his annual appearance.

It was perfectly natural that the soldiers from prohibition Kansas should be the ones to capture the brewery at Manila. The eight must have been like the tempting view of a sack of oats held out to a weary plow horse.

Admiral Cervera will now have an opportunity to make good his threat to give the Spanish people inside information about the destruction of his fleet. But it will be before a court-martial and not the senate, as he had expected.

Lieutenant Hobson is said to have reached Kobe, Japan, where he received a great ovation, but as the reports say nothing of his kissing anybody their truthfulness is open to question until the arrival of further information.

Not even the cold weather can stop the upward movement of Omaha business. The bank clearances show an increase for the week of 31.9 per cent, with a total greater than such cities as Providence, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

Congressman Cannon's statement before the house of representatives does all hopes for relief from stamp taxes for the next two years at least, and incidentally it may be remarked that if imperialism becomes a condition and not a theory the stamp tax may be here to stay.

If any branch or age of the human family has escaped the grasp of the trusts it has not been observed. They reach out for the baby's cradle, the woman's corset and the corpse's coffin. No one has yet devised a scheme to get a corner on salvation, so this is probably safe until lawyers become more familiar with the subject.

The minister to Nicaragua had not completed his explanation of just how the late revolution in his country happened before another broke out. South and Central America is the finest field for the education of war correspondents yet discovered and the wonder is that more do not attend. These little disturbances afford constant practice and they are as harmless as a French duel.

Practical experience in Cuba has served to explode some theories previously held as to men best suited to service in the tropics. It had been generally supposed that men from the south would be less subject to the diseases peculiar to the tropics, but such is not the case. The soldiers from the north have suffered even less than the alleged immune regiments, from which so much was expected. It is the same old story, the hardy, vigorous constitutions of the colder climes will stand more of hardship and better resist the encroachment of disease than any other class, no matter where or when the trial comes.

Not satisfied with their experience in the war with Spain, Grizzly's Cowboys are desirous of again being mustered into the service, where they can see something more exciting than the mid-way at Lytle. It might not be a bad idea to trade them off for some of the volunteers who desire to return home.

Yellow fever is thus early making its appearance among our soldiers in Cuba is an ill omen that bodes no good for the future. It usually does not appear

before the latter part of March and in making its advent two months ahead of time would indicate that conditions for its contraction are favorable, notwithstanding all that we have done in the way of sanitation. The work necessary to stamp out this disease in the climate of Cuba will be a labor not of months, but years, and in the meantime there is little hope for the immunity of the soldiers that shall remain on the island.

The freedom of the press and bitwork of popular liberty is again menaced. With two Kentucky craftsmen sentenced to imprisonment for using the United States mints for the dissemination of immoral doctrines of love and marriage, the pursuit of the editorial profession in the Blue Grass region must lose half its charms.

Lessons of the Death Roll. Buffalo Express: The Filipino force which attacked the American troops is estimated to have numbered 20,000 and the lowest statement of their losses is 4,000. Few white armies would have remained on the field long enough to incur so great a proportionate loss as that. These men will not be subdued easily.

Taming a Cowgirl. Buffalo Express: A wild young cowgirl who came from the range to Denver but two months ago to be educated and refined is making remarkable progress. She can already step from a moving street car while facing in the wrong direction, and she can walk with her shell-like ear as gracefully as many of our gifted women do.

Catholic Schools and the Jews. Northwestern Catholic, Sioux City: The order of the mother general is so foreign to the spirit of American Catholicism as to excite astonishment and indignation. It is of course incompatible with the spirit of Catholic charity and must have found its inspiration in the anti-semitic rage that is now disturbing and disfiguring France. It will not work in the United States.

Burdensome Splendors. Kansas City Journal: Occasionally a voice cries out in the wilderness against the barbarous and unsanitary splendor of the palace sleeping cars. People do not use such heavy and expensive velvet upholstery in their houses, even when they are in the car because it is hot in summer and hard to keep clean at all times. But in public conveyances the plush and velvet fashion of upholstery is peculiarly unsuitable. Despite the utmost precautions such trimmings retain dust and disease germs and in summer they are a means of torture. It is another case in which splendor is made a burden to the flesh.

Studying American History. Kansas City Journal: The patriotic societies are doing a notable work in encouraging the boys and girls of the country to turn their attention to American history. The prizes and medals offered for essays bearing on colonial and revolutionary history will stimulate youthful interest in these epochs of our nation's career. For the institutions of our nation cannot be thoroughly appreciated until thorough knowledge is acquired of the means that brought about their establishment and of the sacrifices by which they were secured to us. No greater ambition could be roused in youthful students than one to master the national history.

That militia convention at Tampa was without doubt a pleasant occasion and it is equally certain that some grave and momentous subjects were discussed, but after looking over its proceedings one cannot help being impressed by the fact that results are somewhat shy. Giving to the militia a war efficiency is a big task and the chances are that no convention will ever devise methods to do it, unless the old and time-honored plan of daily drills, marches and encampments is prescribed. Still, as the members composing this convention represented nothing but the wishes of Governor Bloxam for a social gathering, no harm was done by its playing at militia organization, and this is more than can be said of most conventions, military or otherwise.

A Chicago inventor claims to have made a discovery that will revolutionize telegraphy and lead to undreamed-of results. The method will enable the operator of a typewriter to manipulate any number of machines on a given circuit, each one of which will give, automatically, a clear and exact copy of the original. The principle, it is claimed, is equally capable of application to the linotype machine, which would enable an operator in New York to do the composition of a hundred or more newspapers throughout the country. This would do away with the necessity of copy and printers and would be the most wonderful of all of the marvelous inventions of recent years. But it is not yet here.

A Berlin paper has issued a regular edition by setting the matter with typewriters, reducing to the proper size by photography, and making a matrix by an etching process, and an effort is now being made to perfect the plan to a point that will do away with typesetting altogether. Experiments are also being made with the X-ray process, by which it is claimed that an original can be multiplied a vast number of times and that when perfected there will be no further use for printing presses. By the time these inventions are perfected some enterprising genius will probably discover a method of dispensing with editors and reporters which will enable the newspaper to issue itself.

A Pacific coast people have revived in spirit the old cry of "Forty-Nine, forty, or fight." They have sent a vigorous protest against the Canadian-American commission conceding to our northern neighbors a foot of ground embraced in the contention of the United States regarding the Alaskan boundary. If the territory really belongs to the United States it can be better preserved by proving this than by a pronouncement that nothing less will be considered.

It was a fatal blunder thus to set aside the guidance of Admiral Dewey. His course, as described in this dispatch, was at least implied promise to the Filipinos that they should have tacit recognition, if nothing more. Dewey is not a man such as Miles, who permits himself to air his grievances while still in the going, and which he would imply promise to the Filipinos that they should have tacit recognition, if nothing more. Dewey is not a man such as Miles, who permits himself to air his grievances while still in the going, and which he would imply promise to the Filipinos that they should have tacit recognition, if nothing more. Dewey is not a man such as Miles, who permits himself to air his grievances while still in the going, and which he would imply promise to the Filipinos that they should have tacit recognition, if nothing more.

It is a great pity that courts deem it a duty to smash laws in which great chunks of human wisdom are embedded just because they do not like the way the constitution works. An Indiana town recently enacted a curfew law designed to rectify many of the social evils of the town, but a bumptious court set it aside. One clause of the ordinance read: "It is further provided that when a child comes home at the prescribed hour and finds its mother not present to hear its prayers and put it to bed it shall report such dereliction to the mayor of the city, whose duty it shall be to search for the absent mother until found, and if it should be shown that the mother was not on an errand of necessity or mercy it shall be the duty of the mayor to administer a reprimand to said mother, take her hand and place at the card table and proceed to finish the game." He gets upon the misbegotten function at the card table, win any favors the same shall go to the child giving the information.

There's always some excuse

For the fellow who insists on having his shirts made by the exclusive shirtier.

"Money to burn" fits his case.

The smoke of burning money has an unpleasant odor. Maybe when he gets a "whiff" he'll realize his folly. Our way of making shirts is remarkable for the scantiness of price.

Have you seen the lines we are offering at

\$1.00

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