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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of April, 1899. H. I. PLUMB, Notary Public in and for Douglas County, Neb.

Just watch the record of local real estate transfers, which is rising faster than the Missouri river.

Omaha has a real live trust president now, but that does not make the trusts any more popular than before.

The natives over in Samoa have evidently been taken up with the idea of doing a little assimilating on their own account.

The epidemic of self-destruction that has struck Omaha would seem to support the theory that suicide is a contagious disease.

With Uncle Sam's lawn once more open to all comers the Spanish can come over and play on the grass just as though nothing had ever happened.

If the fad for sending messenger boys on long journeys takes hold of this country there will be a rush to secure places in the service only equalled by the strife for the privilege of carrying water to the circus elephant.

How fortunate that dry spell did not strike Lincoln before the legislature adjourned. The very thought of legislators and attendant lobbyists being denied the privilege of a night cap and an eye opener makes one shiver.

Ex-Governor Atgeld has notified the projectors of the dollar dinner in New York that he will be unable to attend.

A general overhauling of broken sidewalks has been ordered by the council, but it is also in order to put a stop to further construction of wooden sidewalks on streets that are to grade.

And still the public is waiting for the answer to the question why it is that Mr. Shields, while prosecuting gamblers that do not stand in with the Herdman gang, refuses to prosecute the protected lawbreakers against whom he admits he has convincing evidence.

Booker T. Washington, unconsciously, perhaps, hits the southern election judges in his recommendation to his colored brothers to settle the race question by voting the democratic ticket.

Colonel Bryan has kindly consented to allow the democrats who bolted in 1896 to vote the democratic ticket again if they will agree to apologize and make no effort to advance further than the rear row of seats.

Information is furnished gratis to County Attorney Shields that the Lincoln Journal has also reprinted verbatim the objectionable item whose publication in The Bee he says has damaged his reputation.

Reports from Manila, taken in conjunction with the steady movements of troops from this country, cast serious doubts on optimistic statements that the trouble there is nearing an end.

There can be no question of the ultimate outcome with the resources of men and money at the command of this government, but the policy of expansion is destined to be expensive.

JEFFERSON'S BIRTHDAY.

Today is the one hundred and fifty-sixth anniversary of the birthday of Thomas Jefferson. The memory of that illustrious statesman is reverently cherished by all Americans and the political principles he enunciated continue to be a vital force and an active influence.

This new democracy, however, audaciously claims to be Jeffersonian and in celebrating the memory of the great statesman its leaders will not hesitate to misrepresent, as they have been doing for the past three years, the principles of Thomas Jefferson.

When the bill appropriating \$25,000 for an executive mansion was before the legislature The Bee sounded a warning to the lawmakers against putting up a job for the benefit of speculators in second-hand residences.

Although the legislature has not been adjourned two weeks, proposals are already asked and sealed bids are to be opened for a governor's mansion May 12 by the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings.

Jefferson urged "the honest payment of our debts and sacred preservation of the public faith." The monetary policy of the new democracy means the repudiation in part of our honest debts and destruction of the public credit.

Those who claim that the Chicago platform represents the principles of Thomas Jefferson do a great wrong to the character and fame of that great statesman and patriot.

General Breckinridge, inspector general of the army, recently returned from a tour of inspection in Cuba and Porto Rico, regards the outlook in the former island as anything but favorable.

A good illustration of the effects of the formation of trusts is seen in the recent deal by which the Linedeal Oil trust purchased the Minneapolis oil mills.

The resolution of the council asking for information as to the number of arc lamps paid for by the city on viaducts for the benefit of the railroads is timely.

We decline to believe the rumor that County Attorney Shields proposes to contribute to the Jacksonian club kitty. This deputy was appointed at the dictation of the gamblers' gang and there are no signs that they have regretted their bargain.

Having kindly allowed the spring lambs to gambol on the green for some time, Wall street brokers will now proceed to cut their antics short with the wool shears.

THE IRON WORKERS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

There always was a certain incompatibility between industry and gambling, so that it is not at all surprising that the use of industrial securities for purely speculative purposes should result in a crash.

Whether a new party is to be formed at Independence Hall in Philadelphia on July 4, 1899, or not, the fallacy followers of the most marked type of American manhood, He was a lawyer who sought practices where laws did not exist and where he must join with others in making them, a judge who unflinchingly faced death in defense of justice.

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THE LATE JUDGE FIELD.

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SWAPPING BUCKING BRONCHOS.

Brooklyn Eagle: The British islands in the West Indies would be no fair exchange for the Philippines. It would be like swapping a four-story brown stone front for a one-story wooden house.

Brooklyn Times: The British West Indies would be worth nothing to us. They have no undeveloped resources and they have long ago gone to the wall in the competition for markets for such products as they possess.

Springfield Republican: The Jamaican movement for annexation to the United States is nothing but a sugar planter's effort to secure a market permanently free and profitable.

Chicago Record: "Louise, I could hardly all through the summer." "No, but your had looked so much like spring said that it made me hungry."

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