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GETTING THEIR EYETEEETH CUT.

In his valedictory to the populist party ex-Senator Peffer declares: The old sin-stained alliance man who left the republican party never was headed for the democracy, and he is not now.

Populism was, in its inception, as much a revolt against the democratic party as against the republican party. All the claptrap and jiggery of platforms that would deliver the populist rank and file to the keeping of democratic place-seekers and the corporations in league with the democratic machine...

The failure to assess the franchises of public carriers as required by the constitution and the disgraceful performance of the populist equalization boards in ignoring the increased value of railroad property cannot fail to discourage as well as disgust men who thought they had risen above party for the sake of emancipating Nebraska from corporate domination.

President McKinley has another peace jubilee celebration on his hands. This time the jubilation will take place at the national capital, so he will not have to go away from home to participate.

A populist editor vouches for Mr. Bryan to be as earnest a reformer as can be found in the ranks of the populist party. But he doesn't say that the silver column is any more of a populist now than he was in 1896.

The rapid increase in the world's gold supply has brought complete discomfiture to those who advocated free silver largely on the ground that there was not and could never be a sufficient quantity of gold to meet the demands and necessities of commerce.

The figures that are reaching the director of the mint of the gold production of 1898 indicate that it amounted to about \$200,000,000, while the advance figures for the present year show a probable increase of \$50,000,000, or a total production of \$340,000,000.

With a pretended shrinkage of 25 per cent, Omaha's clearings record for last week shows over \$4,000,000. The figures for the same week last year were over \$5,000,000, and a correct showing would have made them over \$6,000,000.

Norris Brown, having positively declined for business reasons to make the race again for congress in the Sixth district, it will behoove the republicans to find a candidate who will not only elicit the united support of his own party, but make a race that will draw strength from the opposing ranks.

In advertising proposed auctions for the lease of school lands in northwestern Nebraska the commissioner of public lands and buildings assures the public that "no more inviting field for the intelligent stockman and farmer can be found."

figures the gold coin and bullion in this country May 1 amounted to \$800,000,000.

It is stated that the Anglo-American commission may resume its labors and that the Alaskan boundary question will probably be withdrawn and negotiations in regard to it be carried on directly between the two governments.

It appears that very great interest is felt in England in the joint high commission and there is evidently a most earnest desire in British official circles that another meeting shall be held and a settlement of the matters in controversy be effected.

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called upon to bear their just share of the expense for construction and maintenance of the viaduct. If Denver can afford a \$900,000 viaduct Omaha surely ought not to have to beg the railroads for a viaduct costing only one-fourth that sum.

It is refreshing to read in the official state house organ that the former chairman of the populist state committee, who is likewise former state oil inspector, has given way in his official position to his successor as state committee chairman without registering any kick, "because he is a firm believer in the populist doctrine of frequent changes in office."

Celestial Galicy. Kansas City Star. China has a delegation at the disarmament conference. There is little hope for the man who can't see the humor in this.

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Property Firmly Rooted. Washington Post. The prosperity of the country is too firmly established to be rattled by a rise in the stock market or the ravings of the populist orators.

Ideal Feed of the Hub. Boston Transcript. Of course, a dinner at \$16.28 a plate is not to be sneezed at; but for a steady thing, what is the matter with frankfurters and a glass of beer?

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STATE PRESS ON STATE POLITICS.

Schuyler Sun (rep.): It takes a populist to hang on to an office. The newly appointed superintendent of the Institute for the Feeble Minded at Beatrice can't take his job because the other fellow refuses to let go.

Tekamah Herald (rep.): Constantine J. Smyth is demonstrating more and more every day his incapacity for his official duties. He rattles around in the attorney general's office like a marble in a quart jug.

York Times (rep.): The superintendent of the Nebraska Institute for the Feeble Minded seems disposed to hang onto his job and resigns no right of right of course, but the tenacity with which once he got hold is quite amusing and brings the party into disrepute.

Omaha Observer (rep.): The friends of ex-Judge Neville profess to believe that gentlemen will receive the nomination for congress in this district and will not have Governor Holcomb as a rival, as the latter wants a place on the supreme bench.

Harrington Herald (rep.): Another disgraceful rap is on in Nebraska over the present incumbent of one of our state institutions refusing to step out for his successor, lately appointed by Governor Poynter.

Crete Democrat (dem.): Saline county democrats blazed the way to fasten more than two years ago and have been ever faithful to the cause and have done more to keep down republican majorities than any other; yet it has been turned down by three successive administrations.

Fremont Tribune (rep.): The governor has been dragged into an agreement to let the democrats one-third of the state offices at his disposal, and the bosses are now duly certifying up to him the proper democrats for appointment.

North Platte Tribune (rep.): The withdrawal of W. D. Oldham from the fight for the fusion nomination for congress practically narrows the fight down to Messrs. Harrington and Neville of this city.

Nebraska Standard: Colonel Victor Viquin, commander of the Third Nebraska, tendered the services of that regiment to President McKinley to take the place of the First now in the Philippines.

Bloomington Echo: Colonel Viquin of the Third regiment proceeded to Manila after the discharge to Washington and tendered the services of his regiment to take the place of the First on the firing line at Manila.

Stanton Pickett: Yes, the Third Nebraska boys are coming home, most of them in fact are already at home. They come bringing with them an honorable discharge and what is better still, a consciousness of duty faithfully performed.

Washington Letter in Pittsburg Dispatch: It is the opinion of not a few, judging from the remarks one hears on every side, that the "Dewey business" is being just a bit overdone.

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ECHOES OF THE WAR.

The world enjoys with more or less gaiety the story of the Roman emperor who, during his few sober and lucid intervals, turned himself a genuine sportsman, and worked off his verses on the defenseless creatures. So great was his love for the muses that he could not restrain himself while the town was burning.

Among the five men who swam the Rio Grande river with the colonel, the only one of the Twentieth Kansas the other day was Captain Boltwood of Ottawa. Captain Boltwood is the man whose appointment caused a quarrel between Secretary Alger and Governor Leedy of Kansas.

A correspondent of the New York Evening Post relates many instances of firing line bravery, from which the following is taken. It happened during the charge on Malabon: "On the extreme left an officer with two lieutenants advanced up a ridge covered by heavy fire from the front.

Chicago Tribune: "It's remarkable," said Uncle Allen Spaulding, "that the Chinese do not, when one enters, how much they run to Lung's."

Chicago Record: "When Dewey gets back here he will have to fight harder than he did in Manila."

Chicago Post: "What makes you so sure that the natives are becoming really civilized? They are beginning to understand how to throw a bomb."

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"If I were rich," the poor man thought, "I'd give my all for the poor's support; I'd open my door and I'd open my heart, And goodness and love would never part, If I were rich."

And lo! if all these ifs came true, The woman a man, the man a youth, The poor man rich, then in all truth This world would be, when we got through, Just as it is!

nothing had been done for silver, except the adding of \$4,500,000 to the coinage of silver dollars monthly. Well, they met and found that silver was not what they were anxious about, rather it was the spoils wholly. What have they done since the election of 1897? They have stamped upon Dubois, Manite, Hartman, Cannon and Towne. That is not all. In their craze to push rich and incompetent men to the front, men whom the rank and file could plunder—they have ignored or fought the sterling men of their own party.

Members of a Boston club composed of girls have adopted resolutions protesting against the placing of electric lights in the immediate vicinity of park benches.

Anglomaniacs in this country will be reassured to have the personal word of Hon. Tod Sloan that "My friend, the prince, is not less than all the world. He would be popular in America if he had no title."

Anthony Nicholas Brady, who has been mentioned as the probable successor of Roosevelt as director of the numerous Flower properties and enterprises, is reported to be worth \$15,000,000.

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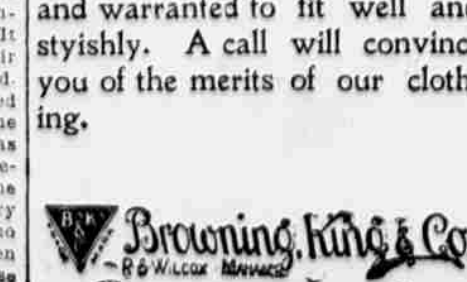
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AS FRAGRANT AS FLOWERS. Are honors nobly won—and a reputation for trustworthiness and valour is better than great riches.

As to ourselves—Our desire to win the confidence of our customers is as great as our desire to do business with them. We believe in our goods because we manufacture them. We mean that you shall believe in them.

NOW, as to spring suits we have an unusually handsome line of patterns, of the best materials, thoroughly well tailored and warranted to fit well and stylishly. A call will convince you of the merits of our clothing.



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