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Resurrection of Webster Davis has been indefinitely postponed.

Who says prosperity is not here when the ancient and honored game known as three-card monte produces dividends on its stock right in Omaha.

The price of yarns has gone up since election. This does not refer to those spun by democratic orators and editors.

A California association announces that it owns all the prunes in the country. Boarding house patrons are hoping the company will hold onto them.

Republicans throughout Nebraska are ratifying the result of the late election by enthusiastic demonstrations.

Republican Dubois is emphatically against democratic reorganization. Democratic reorganization might leave republican backsliders like Dubois hunting for a landing place.

Minnesota's jag cure law has been knocked out on the ground of unconstitutionality. The constitutional right to refuse a course of treatment for inebriety must not be infringed.

Women are generally credited with the privilege of changing their minds, but the Elmira woman who has made four different confessions in one day is working the privilege to the limit.

Governor-elect Dietrich is said to have gotten a rather chilly reception when he called to pay his respects to Governor Poynter. Some of our populist friends might take lessons from Mr. Bryan in political etiquette.

Bryan has been tendered a retainer to defend the Tammany political captives under arrest charged with coercion of voters. He should be more valuable as a witness, because, from the returns, he could readily testify that no one in New York was coerced into voting for him.

A check for \$150, representing the unexpended portion of the \$1,000 appropriation made by the last legislature for use as a hospital fund for Nebraska volunteers, has been turned back into the state treasury.

The parties handling this money are entitled to a good credit mark. Mighty few appropriations in Nebraska turn a surplus back to the taxpayers.

From the fact the fusion campaign fund is depleted with many bills still unpaid it is evident that the stories of lavish expenditure in the last days of the campaign were not exaggerations.

The managers saw defeat ahead and made a desperate effort at the finish. The creditors are not likely, however, to realize a heavy dividend on their claims now that the pie has been moved over to the other counter.

Local real estate men are laying plans to procure legislation designed to encourage investment by strengthening the collection laws and insuring titles.

Everything points to brisk activity in real estate during the coming years because capitalists see inviting opportunities for profit. If the real estate men will frame their bills on conservative lines they should have no trouble in securing endorsement by the legislature.

Another good reason for enforcing the penalty clause of the fourteenth amendment by reducing the congressional representation of the southern states that have disfranchised the negro is to be found in the fact that it alone promises to put a stop to further negro disfranchisement.

When the southern democrats find that taking the ballot away from the blacks takes away also the influence of their states in national politics they may come to the conclusion that they have made a mistake and remove some of the bars to negro suffrage that they have erected.

KEEP THE BARNAcles OFF.

The inevitable consequence of regaining control of the state government to the republicans is an avalanche of applications for appointive positions which has already begun to fall down upon the newly-elected state officers.

In the first place, our eyes must not be closed to the fact that much of the discredit brought upon the republicans of Nebraska previous to their loss of power is traceable directly to the dead wood and crooked timber placed on the state pay rolls by various appointive capacities.

In this, too, is a lesson for the republicans. The greatest troubles which beset the fusionists arose over the distribution of patronage and the scandals created in various state institutions by the judgment of professional spoils-hunters with neither the care nor the ability to meet the requirements of their positions.

The nomination of the successful candidates on the state ticket this year the republican convention displayed commendable discretion in honoring only men of good standing and clean records.

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We do not think this view well founded, for the reason that Spain is in no condition to enter into political alliances. What she wants now is commerce and as she can expect little from her former colonies lost in the war with this country, she is seeking to secure a share of the large and growing markets of the Spanish-American countries.

The military establishment will be one of the first matters to occupy the attention of congress at the approaching session. Its strength as fixed by law is 27,000 and it must be reduced to that number by July 1, 1901.

It has been reported that the president will, in his annual message, recommend that the regular army be made 100,000. General Miles is said to favor a slightly larger army.

Regarding the proposed legislation Senator Proctor has expressed the belief that it will not encounter any serious obstacles. "The people seem to desire the permanent retention of the Philippines," he said.

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It is impossible to say how much longer the rebellion in the Philippines will continue, but undoubtedly as large a force as the government now has there will have to be maintained until pacification is fully accomplished.

It now appears that Don Dickinson doesn't want to reorganize the democratic party. Quite a number of former democratic party may solve the problem by taking up a permanent abode in the republican party.

The native orators of Honolulu who climbed telegraph poles from which they kept up their speeches after the speakers' platform was tipped over suggests the idea of doing a similar feat.

Accorded to the report of Rear Admiral Crowlinschild, chief of the navigation bureau, there is neither an adequate force of officers nor of men to man the fighting ships of the navy.

The newly elected members of the legislature are already scrambling for choice of seats in the legislative halls.

The enormous amount of sickness among our soldiers in the tropics, particularly in the Philippines, must have a cause of wonderment to many.

It has been shown, for instance, that sugar in various forms is an admirable food product for the tropics.

After the railway has invaded Palestine and trains are scheduled to and from Jerusalem, it is only a trifling invasion that it makes in climbing a grade of Mars Hill or establishing a flag station in the academic groves of Plato and Sophocles.

Nevertheless the Greek government is executing a railway project that looks toward making Athens a way station of an inter-continental line of travel between Europe, Asia and Africa.

The whole system is now under construction and it is intended to be used as part of the continental line to the far east, supplanting as the European seaport Brindisi, with Piraeus for the Mediterranean transit.

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For she was cast a vote, and she Was filled with angelic ecstasy!

She felt that men were common clay. An she, on that glorious woman's day!

That she was the equal before the law Of any old female she ever saw!

She could almost feel the dress of the hims In tubular form on her neck 1-2-3!

She dressed herself with unusual care. From her dainty feet to her fluffy hair!

In a party carriage she would not ride. She'd walk to the polls in her mannish pride!

She started forth with a dashing swing. As gay as a jaybird on the wing.

A milliner's window caught her eye. And you know she could never pass that by!

Stepped into the waiting spider's net To try on a hat; it was early yet.

Rhe spent an hour 'mid the fairy show. Then happened to think she would bet her bottom!

Some gowns in a window lay in wait. For girls who would bite at such a bait.

She glued her nose to the polished pane And studied the styles again and again.

She wondered how she would look if she Were dressed in such dream ofinery!

She entered the store and for half the day Inspected the goods in a crazy way!

As the day was waning she stood before The flashing gems in a jewelry store!

Passed on to a window filled with hosiery. And nightgowns and other sacred clothes!

Went into an ice cream joint to get A plate or two of the frozen wet!

She met a friend on the street, and they Swapped talk till an hour had passed away.

Then again she hastened in graceful flight To make a shy at her sacred right!

But alas! as you no doubt have supposed. She found that the mean old polls had closed!

They might have known, the condemned old set. Of men, that she hadn't voted yet!

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NO PEG IN SIGHT ON WHICH TO HANG A DEMOCRATIC HAT.

Most of former President Cleveland's cabinet officers and other prominent supporters of his administration are now identified either by public gossip or by their own declarations with a movement to reorganize the democratic party.

It is not enough to say that they once were democrats and have a fondness for the old party name. A political organization to be worthy of any respect must represent, not merely a name, but principles.

It is true that the democracy as a party of opposition need not necessarily express its views on the monetary question, for the republicans have done or proposed to do these things.

It is true that most of them supported the low-tariff doctrine in the old Cleveland campaign, but they are surely too sensible to wish to disturb the present prosperity with another tariff agitation?

They certainly cannot oppose the republican party on the monetary question, for the main feature of the reorganization they propose is to put the democracy on the same sound-money ground that the republican party occupies. It is hard to see where they can find basis for a consistent opposition in the trust question.

They are already cannoning an agitation against wealth itself, as Bryan did, and a temperate and proper regulation of trusts is what the republican party has promised and probably will have accomplished before another campaign opens.

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