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If reports from Washington as to promised reduction of war revenue taxes are correct several of the internal revenue stamps can already see their finish.

Nebraska need not give up while there is hope. There is at least a chance for it to retain its six congressmen, if the ratio of appointment is not increased too much.

The movement in newspaper property in Nebraska seems to have been quickened by the election. But it is noticeable that the papers which are changing hands are all of the popocratic faith.

Congressman Allen of Mississippi says he does not regret his retirement from legislative life. Neither will the democratic party regret it. It has more use for an undertaker than a punster.

Governor Poynter will represent Nebraska by personally attending upon the irrigation congress at Chicago. The governor is entitled to the most of the few weeks remaining to his official career.

Official returns from the election in Kansas make the McKinley plurality there almost 26,000. And Kansas was another of the states which the Bryanites pretended to carry in their vest pockets.

The Cuban constitutional convention has not been guilty up to date of violating the eight-hour rule. At the present rate of progress the body may be able to formulate a constitution by Christmas, 1901.

Foot ball is dangerous enough when played according to the usual rules, but the railroad grader in Wyoming who substituted a stick of dynamite for a pigskin injected entirely too much action into the game.

The Peter Cooper club has been discussing the question of the future of fusion. With less than 500 populist votes registered in Douglas county the future of a populism in this balliwicket might be a more pertinent subject.

The popocratic papers of the state are all at sea on the question of fusion. What is bothering them most is what proportion of the assets of the bankrupt political firm will fall to each of the partners in case of dissolution of the copartnership.

Members of the German Relebstag have declared themselves in favor of having the emperor submit his speeches to the tender mercies of the blue pencils of the ministry before he delivers them to the public. Such a course would certainly save many explanations.

The crowd which has controlled the popocratic party during the past few years will soon know how the founders of populism felt when the pie brigade turned them down and appropriated all the fat offices. They reaped the fruits of the labor of others for a time and are now harvesting the crop sown by themselves.

General Fitzhugh Lee has arrived in New York on his return from Cuba and may be expected to take charge as commander of the Department of the Missouri at Omaha very shortly. The Bee ventures the suggestion that if he will only give an advance notice the people of Omaha, through their Commercial club or some other organization, will be glad to tender him a reception characteristic of their hospitality.

The advent of winter finds fewer people in Omaha dependent upon charity than for many years. Times are never so good or work so plentiful, however, that there are not some unfortunate and the fact that the city and its people are generally prosperous leaves less excuse for unrelieved want. Those in a position to distribute charity intelligently should be provided with the means to make the coming Thanksgiving worthy of the name to every soul in Omaha.

AMERICAN POSITION UNCHANGED.

The consideration given by the Washington cabinet on Tuesday to the Chinese situation showed that there has been no change in the position of this government and none is contemplated. There is no disposition on the part of the administration to join in demands upon China which the Chinese government cannot comply with, but it is the determination that not for this reason or any other will the United States permit itself to be isolated from the concert without the most satisfactory assurance of the powers that its rights and interests shall be respected.

THAT SHORTAGE OF VOTES.

Although the vote of Nebraska has not yet been officially canvassed the statement is made that it will show that over 15,000 voters failed to express themselves on governor and congressional and other candidates on the ticket. The inference conveyed by the comment on this condition is that it is an unusual anomaly due to defective election machinery. The fact is, however, that this deficiency of votes presents itself in every presidential election in a striking degree and in minor form in other elections. A presidential battle draws out more voters than any other political contest and many of the participants content themselves with voting only for presidential electors or other single section of the ticket.

KRUGER IN FRANCE.

The arrival in France of former President Kruger will give the French people an opportunity to strongly manifest their hearty hatred of the British. This feeling, rather than sympathy with the Boers as representatives of republican government, is what will prompt Frenchmen to make the visit of Kruger an ovation. In spite of the precautions that have been taken by the authorities of Marseilles to prevent any anti-English demonstrations, it is safe to say that they will be made.

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REASSURING THE CUBANS.

Secretary Root said in a speech at Santiago that his visit to Cuba is for the purpose of making an investigation of its inhabitants, particularly with reference to their ability to govern themselves. He stated that from newspaper reports he had come to imagine that the Cubans were only partially civilized and was agreeably surprised to find an enlightened people, adding: "I desire to renew assurances of the good faith of the United States government, which will fulfill its promises, and I expect soon to see a free, self-governing republic in Cuba." With a convention in session to frame a constitution for an independent Cuban government, it would seem unnecessary to reassure the people of the good faith of the United States, yet Secretary Root may have found a feeling of distrust there which he thought it desirable to correct.

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