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## THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 1901.

Insugaral Ball and Some Interesting Features Attending It. WITH WASHINGTON CUSTOM BEGAN

Unpleasant Episodes in Connection with the Affair in Times Gone By, Especially the Grant Overcont Ball.

Once in four years Uncle Sam puts on his long-tailed coat and officially dances. This is at the Inaugural ball, the only really national dancing event that this country indulges in. This ball is the most purely American feature of the simple but dignified ceremonies which mark the great quadrennial occurrence in our nation's history, and, as belts a democratic country. any reputable person in a condition of reasorable sobriety may attend upon pur-chase of a ticket. The modest sum of \$5 is all that is necessary to open the enchanted portals which guard the light, music and splendor of the ball, and to enable any citizen to bear his part in dancing out the old and dancing in the new president. It costs him \$1 more to sample the catering of the nation at supper.

From the incoming of George Washington as president of the United States, in 1789, a bail has been a recognized feature of the inauguration ceremonies. On that occasion a "public ball" was given by the exclusive organization known as the New York assembly, but, owing to the pressure of other demands upon President Washfed in a reasonable time and many must go ington's time, it did not take place until home hungry from the hospitality of the Mrs. Washington had not yet greatest nation on earth. reached New York, but the president attended and danced a minuet and two cotil-Four years later a card was publions. lished in the Philadelphia newspapers, inviting the members of the senate and the house of representatives to a ball "on the its readers to a full page announcement in fourth of March, 1793, to be given by the dancing assembly in honor of the unanimous this issue, which will be of much interest election of George Washington, president of to all lovers of good books. We refer to the United States, and a parting leave with The Century Dictionary and Cyclopedia and Atlas, and to an arrangement which The the members of the present congress." Bee has for furnishing a limited edition

## Two Without Dances.

of this work at about half the regular prices There was no ball at the inauguration of and with the privilege of paying that half John Adams, nor at either of the inaugurain small monthly payments. It might octions of Jefferson. The first inaugural ball cur to some that this is an edition gotten in Washington was that of Madison in up in a cheaper style than the regular 1809. It was held at Long's, then the leadsubscription edition; but this is not the ing hotel of the new capital, and was concase. The Bee guarantees that each subsidered a most brilliant event, having numscriber will receive the latest edition of bered over 400 participants. President this work, and the same in every particular, Monroe's first administration was ushered paper, binding, printing, etc., that cost in with a splendid ball at Davis' hotel. double when ordered direct from the pub His second inauguration day was very inlishers. There is only one Century Die element, and the ball given that evening, at tionary and Cyclopedia and Atlas, and this Brown's hotel, was less brilliant than the is it.

regret is that it could not secure a larger John Quincy Adams' ball was held at edition. We wish to impress upon our Carusi's, which occupied the southeast readers the importance of investigating the corner of Eleventh street and Pennsylvania offer at once, av the edition is not a large evenue. So were Van Buren's and Polk's and Jackson's first inaugural. The second one and the offer will never be duplicated. The publishers are considering a plan that Jackson ball was held in Central Masonic will preclude the possibility of another hall, in Louisiana avenue. For the one effort of this kind. in honor of William Henry Harrison a theater, in the same thoroughfare, was purchased and completely refitted. At this inauguration there were two other dancing assemblages. One, known as the "People's Practical Suggestions About Food and the Tippecanoe inauguration ball," was held at Carusi's, and the other, the "Native American inauguration ball." was held in Masonic hail. There was also an opposition ball at the incoming of President Polk.

The first inaugural ball held in Judiciary square, which now seems to be the permanent site for such affairs, was that of President Taylor. For this a temporary wooden building was erected in the rear

UNCLE SAM'S GREAT DANCE of the commissioner of pensions is cakes. The monotony of this off appetite On such occasions these rooms are entirely is sure to result. While the flavor of hotel divested of their official paraphernalia and cooking cannot be compared to that of good refurnished with fitting elegance. The homemade dishes, it gives one the adflowers used for decorating them include vantage of variety and choice, and one many rare and costly varieties of orchids is sure to find something in the long and varied list of dishes to tempt the palate and roses. It is customary for the president and his party to arrive about 10 and satisfy demands. o'clock. After a brief greeting to the few One scarcely realizes how much of the old and new friends permitted to enter enjoyment derived from partaking of a these rooms, the president and his wife, good breakfast is due to the taste and attended by their party, pass down the ennicety with which the table and dishes are tire length of the ball room, the vast arranged. The coffee may be delicious and concourse of people being massed, the steak done to a turn, but if the sense sometimes twenty deep, on either side of the room, the whole 300 of nicety and refinement be offended by soiled linen, dull silver and careless arfeet of its leugth. At Benjamin Harrison's rangement there is lack of good digestion ball fully 12,000 persons were so congregated. Supper for 6,000 to 7,000 is usually,

as well as appetite. On the other hand, if the table is arranged with taste and every provided and the president and his party thing delicately served, the appetite is are always the first to partake of it. They stimulated and one enjoys the most homely are served in rooms set apart for the purviands. pose and immediately afterward depart for Have Frequent Variations.

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the houshold for the work of the day, the For those who remain the festivities have chief aim must be to provide sufficient nourishment to meet the demands upon the only begun. Dancing is always an impossibility until after midnight. Despite the strength of mind or body. The refined home calls for frequent variations. When vast throng of humanity crowded into a one has unlimited and varied supplies at space much too small for it, there is rarely any accident, ill-feeling or disorder. Every their demand it would seem an easy matter to cater to the most pampered appecontingency is provided for by the admirable management of the executive commit- tite. Where resources are somewhat limited, then it is necessary to study frequent tee and its subcommittees. Even a hosvariations on the same thing, and depend pital, with a doctor and one or two nurses and cots, is provided, with a view to caring on little accessories in the form of crisp salad of lettuce and cress, a dish of fresh for the sudden illnesses which are liable to occur in a crush. The unfailing good humor garden radishes or whole tomatoes, peeled, characteristic of Washington crowds makes , chilled and served half hidden in the tenlight of the little mishaps and annoyances der green of lettuce. This give color and a suggestion of coolness that is most reincident to such a crush and even bears freshing and inviting on a close, sultry with becoming fortitude the pangs of morning hunger, for no means has yet been devised whereby that vast crowd can be adequately

Whenever it is possible have some bit of brightness from out of doors and let the flowers be freshly gathered, if from your own garden. Nothing wearies the eye more than flowers that have lost their freshness, especially when they greet you at the early morning meal. They hint too strongly of lassitude to promote cheer at a well-

As the early morning meal is to prepare

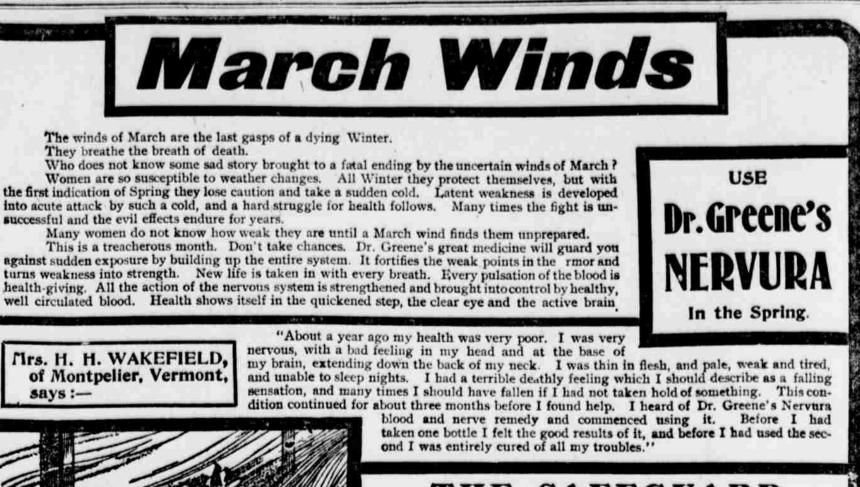
ordered breakfast table. The first essential is promptness. Haste and friction of any kind must be avoided if the meal is a success. The housekeeper who looks well after the ways of her household will not leave the choice and preparation of her breakfast dishes until morning and then, with a hasty survey of her resources, prepare "anything" that can be cooked hastily, to the destruction of her own peace of mind and the tempers of her family. But she will make a careful selection of materials and have everything in readiness on the night before. To the woman who manages well it is not a difficult task to serve a dainty home breakfast, even when the wage-earner must be 'on time'' for an early morning train.

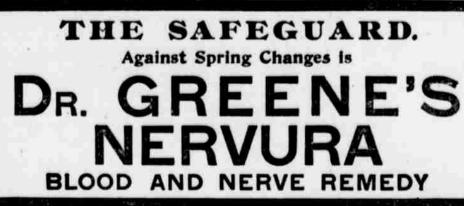
A Dainty Breakfast.

There is a peculiar pleasantness in the thought of a home breakfast of fresh fruit. fresh eggs daintily cooked and served, a juicy chop or bit of delicately broiled fish or ham, a baked potato that turns out like white, glistening snow, freshly-made coffee, with its delightful aroma, to surprise you at the table, and not tantalize your nostrils while still at your toilet. To most people, during hot weather, a well-cooked cereal, molded in individual shapes and served ice cold with rich cold cream is much more inviting and enjoyable than the hot mush served steaming from the fire. Even hot rolls, muffins and biscuit are not

impossible for an early breakfast, and are

often preferred by many, instead of a steady diet of hot meats. The use of eggs is generally acceptable to even delicate eaters, and can be prepared in so many tempting ways. They are found on the table all the year round. The long list of omelets give variety. Tomatoes and eggs make many delightful combinations that are not only appetizing





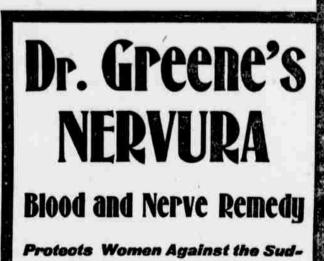
A practical instance of the curative power of Dr. Greene's Nervura is that of firs. William Fish, of So. flontrose, Pa., who writes the following letter:

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"I feel I can never say enough in praise of Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. It seems



of the court house, with which it was connected by covered passages. The decorations were gorgeous and the music was furnished by a celebrated Austrian band then touring the country. Two other inauguration balls were given the same night, and the new president found time to honor all three by his presence for a brief period.

The merry assemblage in honor of Pierce, the splendid event that marked the incoming of Buchanan, and the first Lincoln ball were all held in temporary buildings in Judiciary square. The last named was arranged on a magnificent scale, but the way spirit was already abroad in the land, and many persons socially and politically prominent failed to appear. The second Lincoln ball was held in the model room of the patent office, which was so crowded, and in all respects so unsuitable, that the affair was very unsatisfactory.

Spoiled by Lack of Room. Equalty inappropriate and inconvenient was the place chosen for the first Grant ball. It was held in the north wing of the Treasury building. The cash room, just then completed, was utilized as a dancing room. The crush of humanity in the corridors and on the stairways made dancing and promenading almost impossible. At the second inauguration of President Grant a temporary building 350x150 feet was erected in Judiciary square. The ball room, 30,00 square feet in extent, contained 2,500 gas burners, and several hundreds of canary birds in cages were a feature of the superb decorations, but the night was so cold that the dancers were compelled to wear their cloaks and overcoats, and hot drinks were at a premium

No ball followed the inauguration of President Hayes, as the decision of the electoral commission was rendered so late that there was no time for the necessary preparations. Garfield's inaugural ball was held in the National museum, which was then nearly completed. General Hancock, the defeated candidate, was one of the guests. In 1885 Judiciary square was cov ered by a colossal brick edifice for the use of the pension bureau. The Pension building in form resembles the great Italian palaces. It is of fine pressed brick, with terra cotta mouldings. Its ground floor is \$0,000 square feet in extent, and its walls are seventy-five feet in height. The walls surround an immense courtyard with a roof of iron and glass. There is a large foun tain in the center of the court, around which extends two tiers of galleries, giving access to the many rooms of the building It is the best building in the national capit tal for the nation's great ball. During one week every four years the enormous business of this office ceases, and the employes, numbering about 1,800, are temporarily re lieved from duty. Then desks, chairs, file cases, etc., are hurried out of sight, while the unadorned court, under the hands of artist decorators, becomes a veritable fairyland. It costs between \$50,000 and \$60,000 to make the transformation.

## Cleveland's Innugueal Ball.

At the first inauguration of President Cleveland the building was still unfinished, but it was roofed with wood and felt and a fine dancing floor was laid. The pillars were covered with white cloth and draped with chains of evergreens, from which hung pennants and flags. Deep crimson tapestry garlanded with vines, enclosed the balconies, and the ceilings were completely hidden by flags and banners, from which ran streamers in every direction. For the balls of 1889 and 1893 the building was furnished and was found to be well suited to the event. The decorations of the ball of 1897 exceeded in splendor those of any similar occasion in the past. White and gold formed the color scheme and there was a whisper of mingled humor and malice, that it commemorated the issues of the campaign of 1896. However, the white and gold were simply a novel feature of decoration, as well as a pleasing foil for the national colors, and bore no refer ence to either the victors or the vanguished The suite of rooms known as the private

MONDAY. BREAKFAST. BILeef. Hashed Potatoes, Heef. Coffee. Granose. Sliced Peaches. Cream Frizzled Dried Heef. Hashed Potato Toasted Muffins. Coffee. LUNCH. Clam Chowder. Deep Apple Pie. Whipped Cream. nourishing as well. DINNER. Goulash. Never overload the breakfast table at Escalloped Tomatoes. Egg Salad. Stewed Onions. Chilled Melon. any time, and least of all in hot weather. Make it a point to serve a few well-selected Coffee. TUESDAY. BREAKFAST. BREAKFAST. Sliced Bananas. Stowed Potatoes. Syrup. Cream Toast. Brolled White Fish. Waffles. Coffee. LUNCH. d. Sliced Tomatoes. d. Leed Tea. DINNER. Chilled Melon. Chilled Melon. Chilled Melon. Veal Salad. Rolls. Boiled Tongue. Baked Sweet Potatoes. Creamed Cauliflower. Creamed Cauliflower. Satad. books. Con. WEDNESDAY. BREAKFAST. Farina. Stewed Fruit. Grilled Tomatoes Coffee. Molded Farina. Mutton C Milk Biscutt

LUNCH. Cold Tongue, Sliced. Potato Salad. Thin Slices Bread and Butter. Load Toa DINNER. sion Fruit Soup. Smothered Chicken with Rice. Peas. Vegetable Soup. Junket with Whipped Cream. Co

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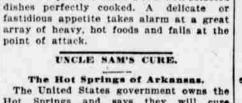
For professional men and all who are is my cousin and my father and a brother engaged in brain work the question of are in the seat back of us." breakfast is a very important one. The "Aw! Aw! I see," gasped the man, and standard American breakfast consists of the floor of the car suddenly became so redbeefsteak, potatoes, coffee and griddle- hot that he lit out without another word.



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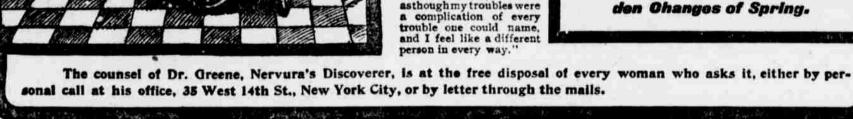
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Where He Got Off. Salt Lake Herald: As he entered the car he saw at a glance that there was one seat with a young lady in it, and he marched straight down the aisle, deposited his overcoat, sat down and familiarly observed: "I entirely forgot to ask your permis-"That's of no consequence," she replied

"Thanks. Just arrived in the city, I presume," he ventured to remark as he glanced at the bundles and grips on the foor near by. "Not exactly."

"You're all alone, ch?" "Almost, but not quite. My husband is

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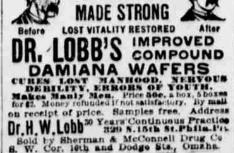


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