# REPUBLICAN NEWSPAPERS VIGOROUSLY DENOUNCE BARTLEY PARDON

Where Bartley Was Lucky.

Fremont Tribune (rep.): Joe Bartley was mighty lucky to have so many participants penned up for a few months.

In his crime outside the state prison. There Bounce the governor. is where He "held the edge" over the common horse thief.

Tekamah Herald (rep.): The news of the pardon of ex-State Treasurer Bartley by governor Savage on New Year's eve was a great surprise to the people of Tekamah. It afforded the principal topic of conversation and the almost universal expression was against the action of the governor.

#### A Grave Mistake,

Kimball Observer (rep.): Governor Savage has pardoned J. S. Bartley, the embessling state treasurer, who was serving a twenty-year sentence in the penitentiary. The governor was no doubt actuated by the best of motives in granting the pardon. but we believe he made a grave mistake, even though 4,000 prominent citizens of the state petitioned for executive clemency.

#### Will Not Be Endorsed.

Albion News (rep.): Governor Savage pardoned Joe Bartley on Tuesday last, and he is now a free man. This action is in direct opposition to the wishes of the renublican party of the state, as emphatically expressed at the last state convention, and, therefore, must be considered as the perthis action on the part of the governor.

## Gives Governor Divine Notice.

day of the old year Bartley, the embezzler of a quarter of a million dollars of the state funds, was pardoned by Governor Savage and is now at liberty to live at case on the people's money which he stole. So far as and ignoring their wishes. the governor, regarding a renomination, is concerned, we are of the opinion that his excellency has put his foot in it. Should he receive a nomination, we pledge him now that he will not receive the support of this paper.

Traventy on Law. Wayne Herald (rep.): Ex-State Treasurer Joseph Bartley, who has been serving time in the state penitentiary, has been granted an unconditional pardon by Governor Savage. The governor's action in this direction will be condemned in no uncertain tones by the people of the state. His position thus taken is a travesty on justice and law. In spite of its expressed desire and protest against such proceedings, the republican party gets another dig, but it will quietly lay the governor away to rest.

## Unjustifiable Use of Prerogntive.

Hartington Herald (rep.): On the evening of the 31st inst. Governor Savage pardoned J. S. Bartley, who was serving a treasury. The governor deserves and undoubtedly will receive the condemnation of all who love justice for this unjustifiable of Bartley and his confederates are bold. indeed, when they fly in the face of the public sentiment, which, as shown by the last republican state convention, is almost just sentence.

# Foolhardy and Foolish.

Ord Cuiz (rep.): A year ago last summer he republicans nominated Ezra Savage for lieutenant governor because no better man would take the job and because no one supposed that the republicans would win. The feeling at the time was that it was an outrage to nominate such a man for the place, but no one cared much, for it did not seem possible that he would get into the position to do any real damage. His acts culminating in the pardon of Bartley ought at least to impress upon the mind of all republicans that it is foolish even the face of impending political defeat for a party to pominate sticks just to fill

Hardly an Error of Judgment.

Geneva Signal (rep.): On Tuesday Governor Savage issued a pardon to Joe Bartley. the state treasury defaulter, who had served but five years of his twenty-year seatence.

This was done notwithstanding the positive stand taken by the republicans of the conditional pardon for a New Year's presoverwhelming vote, and notwithstanding the the governor by the powers that be, was governor's declaration that he had no present thought of pardoning Bartley. governor has outraged his party and he he be kept in prison and the open expres-

of the year, when his first term expires. This act of the governor may be merely an error of judgment. It does not matter or a knave. The people of the state are before one-fourth of his time had been and it was supposed that the incident was

#### An Outrage on Justice.

Stanton Picket (rep.): Governor Sav-Universal Expressions of Disapproval. of the last republican state convention, the confidence of the people and loots the pubwishes of a very large majority of his lic treasury. party, the wishes of the public in general. He has disgraced bimself, the republican party and the state. When the republican canyention was held last July and demanded the prompt return of Joseph Bartley to the penitentiary it spoke in the tuterests of the party and justice. Joe Bartley as the voice of the republican rank and file tion held not six months ago. We believe is an arch-criminal and Governor Savage of this state was heard in the state conven- that republicans, with few exceptions, reknows it. His pardon is an cutrage on tion at Lincoln last July, when Governor justice and no amount of explaining on the Savage put Bartley out on parole, but was pardon is indefensible, unwarranted, inpart of the governor can satisfy the people compelled to return him to the penitent ary excusable. Bartley is now free to enjoy martyr. He was not being punished for adopted by the republican state convention. incarceration. some imaginary crime nor for a crime com- However, since then Governor Savage has mitted by others, but for crime committed seen fit to give Bartley his freedom and should pay the penalty of that crime.

## Commonwealth is Dishonored.

man is a travesty on justice, a slap at the and that the circumstances under which republican party and an outrage against the the shortage occurred were such as to cause public, and in view of the fact that the him to come to the conclusion that no good its state convention declared against any governor seems to have relinquished all could come of the prisoner's further deten- miscarriage of justice in Bartley's case. hopes of further preferment, he will prob- tion and therefore he gave Bartley his and it can hardly be held responsible for sonal action of Governor Savage. We don't ably not refuse to anticipate such a result freedom. believe the people of the state will indorse and resign the position he has so freely and utterly debased.

Such action would unquestionably be endorsed by 90 per cent of the republican week of ex-State Treasurer Bartley will ity to defeat justice and condone crime. Weeping Water Republican: On the last party of Nebraska and a large majority of the people.

An outraged people and a dishonored commonwealth demand that he cease draw- review of the reasons that led to issuing ing a salary for abusing his constituents the pardon, but nothing new is added to the

## A Thief is Not a Benefactor.

Genoa Leader: Governor Savage made Joe Bartley a New Year's present of a pardon from the penitentiary on Wednesday evening. The governor says he thinks Joe Savage ever had political ambitions for has been sufficiently punished and attempts the future, they may be cast aside, for they to condone for his crime by claiming that a large portion of the shortage went to help sustain the financial institutions of the state during the hard times, thus saving many failures and much individual loss, making Bartley out a public benefactor. Great minds differ upon great questions, and the Leader and the governor differ radically upon this question. We think Bartley a blamed thief and that he should have been compelled to serve out his sent-

## Unwise, to Put it Mildly.

Ashland Gazette (rep.): Governor Savage has granted an unconditional pardon to Joseph S. Bartley, the defaulting state he should be given his liberty. When the treasurer, who was sentenced to a term of imprisonment in the penitentiary of historic resolution, the governor, piqued by twenty-year sentence for looting the state twenty years. While we have implicit it, rushed Bartley back to the pen, thereby confidence in the integrity of the gov- removing the opportunity for fulfilling ernor's motives, we greatly fear that he whatever requirements had been imposed. has permitted his sympathies to be wrought use of his executive prerogative. The tools upon by bad advisors and that the action the convention's resolution, remained firm is an unwise one. There are prominent in what he had already done and given features in the Bartley case that seem to Bartley every minute of the parole, we place it beyond the range of merited clem- could have more respect for his consistency. ency. The very thing has happened that Now he has given him an unconditional unanimous against commuting Bartley's the political enemies of Governor Savage pardon, and "requirements" have been most desired and that his friends most desired should not happen.

# Response to an Unknown Pull.

little doubt that the state money entrusted to Bartley's care was gambled away in New Year's day pardoned ex-State Treasness house that was held up by the treasconsidering the magnitude of his offense, the sentence of twenty years imposed upon him by the court, was none too much. The governor's attempt to pose Bartley as a or a response to some unknown pull which may, and should, relegate him to private life at the close of his present term as governor-by-accident of Nebraska.

# No Sympathy for Treasury Looters.

Wood River Interests (rep.): Governor Savage gave Bartley, the defaulter, an untoo great to be resisted and he yielded, in The the face of the demand of his party that should be turned out of office at the end sion of a large majority of the state press that Bartley be made to serve his sentence -a big sentence it is true-but a punish-

ury looting episode. If there is any offense which should receive thorough punish-

#### Not Chargeable to the Party.

Hastings Tribune (rep.): The pardening of ex-State Treasurer Bartley by Governor Savage should not affect the republian gang in the face of express orders to the party in Nebraska in any form whatsoever, contrary from a republican state conventhat he acted wisely. Bartley was not a in order to comply with a resolution the fruits of his stealing after five years' by himself, and it was only right that he stands ready to be applauded or denounced by the people of the state for the action he has taken in the matter. The governor says Savage is a clear violation of the trust Norfolk News (rep.): The pardon of this has been punished enough for the offense.

#### Charitable View of the Case.

scarcely meet the approval of the voters of the state, much less those of the republican party. The governor gives a lengthy history of the case, at least of an important character, and an analysis of the article, if the reader prefers to be charitable, will generally lead to the conclusion that the governor was suffering from a severe attack of hysterical elemency. If Governor will now never reach a realization.

No Respect for Consistency. Beaver City Tribune (rep.): Governor Savage gave former state treasurer, J. S. Bartley, who was serving a twenty-year sentence in the state penitentiary, an unconditional pardon as a New Year's gift. Governor Savage has done this in the face of the emphatically expressed opposition of his party, and in so doing has digged for himself a deep and dismal political grave Last summer, when Bartley was given a sixty-day parole, the governor said that he had imposed some hard requirements upon Bartley and that if he fulfilled them republican state convention passed the now Had the governor, at that time, in spite of

#### thrown to the winds. Surprise, Chagrin, Disgust.

Emerson Enterprise (rep.): The people of llaway Courier (rep.): There is but Nebraska were greatly surprised and cha-Colorado mining ventures and the people urer Joseph Bartley. The governor gives have yet to hear of a single bank or busi- for his actions the extraordinary reasons urer's support. All the evidence goes to that he loaned the money to certain banks show that Bartley was as much of an em- to save them from financial ruin during the bezzler as any other thief who was ever hard times and that he has already suffered put in prison for stealing public funds, and enough. It is noticed that the governor does not now even hold out any hope that Bartley will restore any of the shortage Bartley may never have intended to do wrong, but he did wrong and people are could be located where it belongs. Bartley may have suffered, but he has not shown it. of Nebraska are disgusted with the action dolllars during his two terms of office. state in state convention last August by an 'ent. The influence brought to bear upon of Governor Savage. He has dug his own political grave by this action.

# Pardon is Indefensible.

Superior Journal (rep.): The Nebraska republican convention held last fall distinctly told Governor Savage that Bartley, in the penitentiary, was where the decent ment for a big steal. The governor gives a element of the party wanted him. Governor to the party whether the governor is a fool number of excuses for turning Bartley loose Savage promptly remanded him to prison.

upon Governor Savage? Whatever they were, they were powerful and moving; they impelled him to do the bidding of the pudiate Governor Savage's action. The

## Clear Violation of Trust.

South Omaha Independent (rep ): The pardoning of Joseph Bartley by Governor he is thoroughly convinced that Bartley placed in the governor by the citizens of Nebraska, and will prove a bar to any future espirations that gentleman may have in state politics. The republican party at the failure of the chief executive to carry out the wishes of the party that placed him in office, but it is that party's duty to Neligh Leader (rep.): The pardon this see that he will not have another opportun-

## Reflects No Credit on Governor.

Hooper Sentinel (rep.): Governor Savage issued an unconditional pardon to Joseph Bartley lost Tuesday. This is what has been expected ever since the governor issued the parole in July, when he said that he had imposed some pretty hard requirements upon Bartley. In August the parole was revoked upon demand of the party in convention assembled. The question is did Bartley perform any of the requirements then? Has he done anything since being returned to merit the pardon? If he has Governor Savage has not taken the public into his confidence and no one knows. It looks as though it was a deliberate slap at the party on the governor's part and reflects but little credit on him, especially as fermer executives, just as smart as is Governor Savage, positively refused to have anything to do with a pardon. But Savage evidently considers himself a Daniel come to judgment.

Shame! Shame! Shame! Ainsworth Journal (rep.): On New Year's day Governor Savage, who has proven a serious executive mistake not only to the republican party, but as well to every decent, honesty-loving citizen of the state. pardoned that prince of thieves, ex-Treasurer Joe Bartley, who was in the penitentiary for trying to steal the state blind. Never has there been a more shameful abuse of executive power than when Savage issued the pardon that made Bartley a free man. That act was an insult to the law-abiding people of Nebraska, with ut regard to politics. Savage should be made to go 'way back and sit down out of sight of the people he has disgraced and leave the high office he has dishonored for some honest man to fill. Savage should be requested by the republican state executive committee to hand in his resignation as chief execupetition for this result and, figuratively illy-advised act, which says in substance justification of his indefensible act, that speaking, kick him out of office and cut of that appropriating state money is not a the party he has stabbed to the heart, per- grievous crime when one's influential haps fatally, in Nebraska. Shame on such friends continually press a soft-hearted govan executive; shame on a law that puts ernor for elemency. such power into the hands of one man-Shame! Shame!! Shame!!!

# Against Every Principle of Decency.

pelled to bow their heads with humiliation whom were the beneficiaries, so the blame their political enemies were constantly using the plea against their party, that He has been bold and defiant and has not lican governor would liberate ex-Treasurer shown the penitent spirit that a convicted Joseph Bartley, a man who had robbed the criminal should exhibit. The republicans state treasury of several hundred thousand This prediction was denied by the rank and file of the party at that time, and in August of 1901 the republican state convention declared in no uncertain terms that it did not endorse the thievery of any public official, and demanded the immediate return to the penitentiary of Bartley, who at that time was enjoying his freedom on the governor, but on Tuesday of this week

cost the state of Nebraska a million dollars. pardon, which action he justifies in a statethe sentiments of his constituency.

#### A Disgrace to the State.

North Platte Tribune (rep.): Governor Savage on New Year's eve granted an unconditional pardon to ex-State Treasurer Joseph S. Bartley, who was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment, but had served less than six. In his action Governor Savage has committed an administrative error overlooked by nine-tenths of his party voters in the state, and so far as his politia dried herring. In our opinion the governor's act is indefensible; there is absolutely no good ground upon which he as though he had became a pliant tool of with the specific offense of stealing nearly He was tried before a jury of his peers and convicted. The case was a hard a weak man, a disappointment to his has another year to serve as governor.

#### A Betraval of the Party.

Alliance Times (rep.): Joseph Bart'ey's New Year's present was an unconditional pardon from the hands of Governor Savage. Nebraska's greatest public criminal is turned loose when a just jury had said he shall serve more than fourteen years' more time. This is done that we may start the new year as becomes (?) a "merciful and forgiving" people. It does not matter whether Bartley was the victim of designing friends; his affence and refusal to incriminate them but lends additional criminality. A convention of the republican party of this state expressed in plain and unequivocal terms last August the disapproval of the republican voters of the state of any don "right" with a majority of the people of Nebraska. The plea that greater criminals have suffered less is no excuse, and

# Cannot Be Upheld

Ponca Journal (ren.): Governor Savage celebrated the last day of the old year by Osceola Republican: The republican voters unconditionally pardoning Bartley, the deof Nebraska are for a second time com- faulting state treasurer, who was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment for defraudmartyr is an exhibition of poor judgment punished for what they do and not for what and shame at the action of a chief execu-ing the state out of a half million dollars they intended to do. If the money went to tive who was elected by their votes when and who had only served one-fourth of his certain banks the ex-treasurer should tell the state was in the doubtful column and term. We believe Governor Savage made a great mistake. Of course, there are no doubt extenuating circumstances in the conshould it win out at the polls the repub- duct of Bartley which should serve to lessen the enormity of his crime to a certain extent, but the masses of the people do not feel that his punishment, as yet, is adequate to the wrong done the state. The republican party will, in a large degree, be made to bear the burden of Governor Savage's action in this matter. The repubyears ago and virtually promised that this thing would not be done, while the opposition party insisted that it would. masses of the republican party were honest a parole granted by Governor Savage. The in believing it would not be done and the and that we must be humiliated for twelve mediately resign the high office he has dis mandate of the convention was obeyed by party will not stand by its governor, who months by his presence in the state house, graced.

united in opposition to pardoning criminals served, none of which, in our opinion, closed. Instead of that, the governor has be outraged every principle of common de- be has committed. Governor Savage had too much to hope that he will vacate the of the Bartley class after they have been justify his action. Instead of turning Bart- merely taken his time to write a marvelous cency and the expressed wishes of the great it in his power to do this and no power in office that he is unworthy to fill. ley loose it would have been better for the memorandum, "explaining" the uncondi- mass of his party and the people of the the state could prevent it, but the repubgovernor to exercise his enegies in ferret- tional and irrevokable pardon which he state by turning the notorious defaulter out lican party will repudiate the act. It is ing out the associates in that great treas- has given Bartley, whose misdeeds have of the penitentiary with an unconditional generally believed that there are others in the state who benefited by Bartley's de- thousands of honest citizens of Nebraska Governor Savage's explanation does not ment to the people which reads more like falcation as much or more than he did him- are today executing the name of Exra P. age has disregarded the expressed wishes ment it is the high roller who betrays the explain, and the motive that actuated Gov- a clever argument of some lawyer defend- self. Had he made a clean confession, his Savage. The news that he has commuted ernor Savage to release Bartley is now the ing a client he knows ought to die on the liberation would have then assumed a very the twenty-year sentence and given uncononly thing left to guess at. In short, what gallows than it does like a governor ex- different aspect, but without this the ditional freedom to the prince of emberstrings did Bartley and his friends have plaining why he has performed some act Journal cannot uphold Governor Savage's glers, Joseph S. Bartley, was the bitter pill which he knows to be in direct conflict with action for a moment. The Journal stands dealt out to Nebraskans on New Year's day for clean politics and cannot uphold those by the press dispatch. Such an outrage high in the councils of the party who do not stand by honest party pledges.

No Filmsy Subterfuge Goes. Friend Telegraph (rep.): The governor has granted Joseph S. Bartley an unconditional pardon from the penitentiary. For some considerable time it has been evident that a united and terrible effort was being and a political mistake that will not be made to obtain Bartley's pardon, which was granted on the eve of the new year. The history of Bartley's crime is possibly facal future is concerned he is as dead as miliar to everyone in the state, and by which the people of the state are losers about a half million solid cash. What effect his pardon at this time and in the can excuse himself, and it certainly looks face of the fact that the first republican convention demanded his return to the pen corrupt influences. Bartley was charged from a parole which the governor had issued for sixty days remains to be seen. Unquestionably the people of this state are not in a mood to be triffed with in this fought one; every word of testimony fa- matter, and it is more than probable that vorable to the accused that could be se- this action in pardoning Mr. Bartley will cured was presented to the jury; the trial lose the state to the republicans in the was square, fair and the sentence not ex- next election if not for some considerable cessive. The defense of Governor Savage time, the great mass of the people having that Bartley had saved several banks from fairly considered that Bartley was not alone disaster is no palliation of the latter's in looting the treasury, but that the money offense; and none but a weak man would went somewhere and that they had a right consider such. Governor Savage has proven to know where it went, and who, if anyone, was connected with this shrinkage in cash, and his pardon of Bartley and they have demanded that Joseph S. is a disgrace to himself, his state and his Bartley at least give up this information. party. It is, indeed, unfortunate that he of course, the action of the governor has forever placed this information out of sight. Of course, the friends of Bartley have taken some advantage of some facts connected with The Omaha Bee to urge this pardon as a nag towards Rosewater, but the at the next election. time has passed when such flimsy subter- Governor's Resignation Should Follow fuges will go down with the common people of this state, or that any differences with any newspaper or man or set of men should age has demonstrated that he is wholly unbe offered as an excuse for pardoning any criminal whatsoever the crime might be.

## An Unavoidable Humiliation

Kearney Hub (rep.) The expected has urer, and that prince of Nebraska embezhappened. The pardon of ex-State Treas- ziers now enjoys his liberty. urer Joseph S. Bartley by Governor Savage, which occurred on New Year's eve, has been looked for almost daily for months by of the state during a panic, with the state's many people in this state. The pardon 's clemency in Bartley's favor. Governor unconditional and reduces Bartley's im-Savage's statement will not make the par- prisonment under his sentence from twenty when he pocketed the proceeds of the \$201. years to less than six years.

Governor Savage issues in connection sentenced to the penitentiary. with the pardon a three-column statement the long statement that the governor of the reasons which have impelled him to not pardon or condone this execrable action makes, considered at its best, does not the act. At the outset he takes up the of the governor. That he could have the justify such action. Some may say that action of the republican state convention hardihood to grant a pardon in view of so prominent men in other parties than the last August in demanding the termination recent and so vigorous an expression by the republican have signed the petition favoring of the Bartley parole, expressing himself state convention of disapproval of the grantpardon, but this will signify nothing with as "amazed at the intrusion upon the con- ing of even a parole to Bartley, can be acthe designing politician. The republican stitutional rights of the chief executive." counted for on but one theory, and that party in Nebraska has been betrayed by its But obeying that mandate, we all know theory is not to the advantage of the govhighest servant in the state, and if this how unwillingly, the governor says that he ernor. The delegates to that convention shall furnish the opposition with the issue set about to make further inquiry and voiced the honest sentiment of the people of they have sought to lead them back to finally satisfied himself that Bartley was this state, irrespective of party. They over-victory, Governor Savage will stand the entitled to a full and free pardon. \* \* \* whelmingly demanded that the governor self-convicted Judas of republicans. His The governor does a great deal more spe- put Bartley back in prison. And he d d it. chances for renomination for the governor- cial pleading and "extenuating," which do only to a little later give him perpetual tive and if he refuses the people should ship snother term have flown with this not extenuate. He assumes, for the better liberty. the clamor against the Bartley pardon and the action of the republican convention

were actuated by political motives. His arraignment of the mass of repubmatter of the Bartley parole is a weak ship. It is generally condemped. Republast August, not as republicans, but as citizens. The citizen has no opportunity to voice his desire except through the me-

dium of the convention of the party to which he belongs. placed Lieutenant Governor Savage in the executive office, for the least that can be a tool of corrupt influences can no longer lican ticket was last fall purged of a slight be depied. That he is himself corrupt or trace of it. lican party went before the people two has been corrupted many will believe. That Governor Savage has gone to Louisiana. he ought to resign the office that he has It would be a blessing to Nebraska if he disgraced is demanded by every considera- stayed there. The only thing he can now tion of decency and respectability. That he do that will in any degree appeare the has another year of his term yet to serve, wrath of the people will be for him to imis governor only by accident, in this act is both unfortunate and lamentable. It is

### An Everlasting Tarnish. Central City Nonparell (rep.): Tens of

upon justice and decency is incomprehensible, and no public man in Nebraska has ever sunk lower by a single act in the estimation of his fellowmen than did Governor Savage by granting an unconditional pardon , to the despoiler of the public treasury. By this act Governor Savage has not only placed an everlasting tarnish upon his own name, but he has struck a vital blow at the republican party in Nebraska, which elevated him to his present position of trust and honor. It is the constitutional right of the governor to pardon criminals as in his judgment he sees fit, but executive clemency was never intended to be exercised otherwise than in the furtherance of justice. Joseph Bartley's sentence was no greater than the magnitude of his crime demanded, and his pardon when less than one-fourth of that sentence has been served, is a grave and dangerous infraction of justice. The lame apology the governor makes for his act only adds insult to the injury he has done to his state and to his party His explanation is too weak to be worthy of comment. Bartley's crime caused the republicans to lose control in Nebraska; if they again go out of power in the state next year it will be due to Savage's outrageous action in pardoning the criminal. Governor Savage cannot plead ignorance as to the sentiment of his party on this question, after the positive stand taken by the last state convention in opposition to the granting of even a temporary parole to Bartley, but nevertheless the stigma of the act will rest to some extent upon the republican party and cause the loss of thousands of votes to the republican candidates

Fremont Tribune (rep.): Governor Savmindful of the political sentiment of his party and utterly oblivious to the moral obligations resting upon him.

He has granted an unconditional parden to Joseph S. Bartley, defaulting state treas-

The governor's defense for his indefensible action is that in bolstering up the banks money, Bartley saved as many dollars to bank depositors as he stole from the people 000 state warrant, for which crime he was

The republican party of this state will

Every honest man in Nebraska ought to feel the shame which Governor Savage has brought upon the people. It is an outrage too gross and flagrant to be overlocked. It is entirely inexcusable on any ground. No licans in the state who protested in the man who knows the facts will believe the reasons given by the governor are the real effort to shift blame from the governor's ones upon which his action is based. They own shoulders. In the general condemna- are too flimsy to justify such a wanton disregard of decency.

Putting aside all imputations against the licans made a demand on Governor Savage governor, it may be safely assumed that prominent men who were in collusion with Bartley is the illegal use of the state's money have been the evil influence which has brought this shame upon the party and the people. Bartley was threatening ex-It is unfortunate for the people of Ne- posure. The governor has intervened to braska that the chance elevation of Gov- protect these men. But sooner or later the ernor Digirich to the United States senate people will find them out. When asking for public office they will have to come with a certificate exempting them from the leas: said is that he is a weak man. That he is taint of this treasury crime. The repub-

Most Significant.

Statistics of the Public Schools of the Empire State-Comparative Cost of College Life in the East and the West.

University of New York, in a review of the educational events of the last year for New York Herald, regards the immense gifts to education as the most important in the record of the United States. Chief of these gifts were Mrs. Stanford's transfer of \$30,000,000, and, next to that, Mr. Carnegie's gifts to Pittsburg for technical education and his proffer for educational work at the national capital, which to not at this writing accepted. After these come several million-dollar funds se-

The chancellor reports marked advance in "university care for pedagogy, especially in the New York, Chicago and Columbia universities. Medical research has been greatly promoted by John D. Rockefeller's gift, to be administered by a board of seven trustees, each of whom is a professor in one of five universities pamely, Harvard, Columbia, New York, Pennsylvania and Johns Hopkins. A great gift for medical work has been received by Harvard from Plerpont Morgan. The bicentesnial of Yale has marked a notable advance in that venerable university. The opening of the Hall of Fame by New York university is

important help by the college. Entrace examination board, which prescribes uniform gerous, inasmuch as it gives them ideas entrance examinations for the universities which unfit them for the ordinary duties of and colleges in New England and the mid- their class; that they become mere idlers dle states and Maryland. A pedagogic and dreamers or agitators and anarchists. crusade to the Philippines is proclaimed by the United States. Of nearly 1,000 Amer-dangerous thing, but this danger is the very mental discipline that are so thoroughly clothing, and \$202 to be liberal. Nebraska's ican teachers, which the plan calls for, be- thing which a higher education is intended approved by the backers of high education. statistician says \$160 is cheap, and that tween 100 and 200 have already gone. They to and will obviate. Mon must be taught

are mostly Jesuits, as well as in the ignorance and savagery of many Filipinos. Encouraging advance marks the work this Gifts to Higher Learning Considered the year in Puerto Rico under an American superintendent."

New York Public Schools

The annual report of the New York state superintendent of public instruction for the year ending July 31, 1901, gives the following statistics:

The value of school property in the state and \$70,375.726 for the cities, making a total for the state of \$87,292,414, showing an increase of \$5,523,919 over last year's estimate.

In the entire state there were 1,621,087 children of school age, 1.242.416 attending the public schools, with an average daily attendance of 873,157. The number attending private schools added to the number registered in the public schools gives a total registration of 1,420,444, out of a population of 1,621,087. The total cost of maintaining the public

schools of the state during the past year was \$7,678.120 in the towns and \$28,717.148 in the cities, making a total for the state of \$36,395,269, showing an increase in the towns of \$154,221 and in the cities of \$2,-\$19,556, or a total increase in the expenditures for the state of \$2,973,778. Of this amount \$22,845,358 was expended by the city of New York alone.

towns \$25.82; for the cities, \$49.88, an average for the state of \$41.68.

No Danger of Over-Education " Too much learning bath made the The same fear of education which prompted the criticism of the erudite apostle." says the Philadelphia North American. "seems to trouble the minds of some of the critics of Mr Carnegie's proposed gift to "Secondary schools are given this year the people of the United States. They urge that higher education for the people is dan-"It is true that 'a little learning is a

they learn in the schools, from books and newspapers. It is only by giving the people the opportunities to learn more that they can be made to think more correctly; to give facts and figures their proper value. Correct thinking can not be taught in one generation. The child of illiterate parents brought up among people who have hardly the ordinary common school education, has not the proper view point from which to judge of abstract questions of government is estimated at \$16,916,688 for the towns dividuals. With the increase of knowledge comes a wider view, a lessening of prejudices, a broader and consequently a safer mode of thought.

"In placing a higher education within reach of a greater number Mr. Carnegle will be doing a good work for the nation and help largely in reconciling the antagonism between capital and labor."

# Is Spelling a Lost Art?

"In the earlier day of education," says the spelling was much encouraged. It ranked liberal is \$829, or \$26 a week. well up with arithmetic, and was reckoned of 'spelling down' and other forms of rivalry in this line of work, and every effort was made to interest the pupils in the art of spelling correctly. But nowadays it The average cost per pupil for maintainnews items that carry out the impression ing the schools during the past year, based on an average daily attendance, was for the work submitted to the professors will be parison. judged by their spelling as well as by their it is stated, has caused a burried search ing and incidentals, while others do not. for old-fashioned spelling books and an Thus Harvard's maximum figures, \$1,035, unwonted absorption of their contents. Then embrace an item of \$200 for "sundries." the other day in Pennsylvania, a simple list Omitting this, the figure is reduced to \$835, of words to be spelled was submitted to which is considered the maximum. 355 school teachers and only nine spelled While Columbia and Harvard both exact all of them correctly.

> is a very common branch of education. It permits the attendance of state residents lacks in esthetic preparation, perhaps, and it fails to harmonize with those forms of \$131 a low cost of a year's life without And yet common though it be, and coarsely the average is \$200, which sum includes

fashioned tastes a good deal stronger than do the mental awakeners that seem to have crowded from the educational wall the old foundation stones of what was called a good common schooling.

The colleges of the east and the west are arrayed against each other on the question of the relative amount of student expenses. While some authorities hold that the cost of living at the western educational institutions is less than at those of the east, others contend that a student in the latter section may live more cheaply by reason of the competition in the big cities and because there are more opportunities for self-support.

The issue has been raised by a comparative table published by Columbia college. It is stated therein that a student may go through Columbia for \$387 for the academic year, which is about \$12 a week. An average estimate puts these figures at \$687, or Cleveland, Plain Dealer, "the practice of \$21 a week, while an allowance termed

These calculations embrace each actual a very necessary adjunct to satisfactory item of expense, including tuition fees. reading and writing. There was a good deal books, board, lodging, clothes and washing. Incidentals, a not insignificant detail, are not included.

In the majority of western universities -belonging to the commonwealth of the seems that spelling is neglected. At least various states—no tuition fee is charged we are forced to this conclusion by two and practically the only payment to the college by the student is a small sum for in quite an emphatic way. In Northwest- matriculation. As an average cost of tuiern university we are told that the flat has tion at the great eastern schools is nearly gone forth that the merit of the various \$150 a year, it will be seen that this differthemes and papers and other documentary ence is of importance in making a com-

Another point to be considered is the knowledge of the subject treated upon. This fact that some tables of costs include cloth-

tuition fees, West Virginia and Nebraska Of course it will be admitted that spelling are two of the several institutions which without charge. West Virginia considers

Advance sheets of Cornell university register for 1901-2 show a gain in attendance of 334, the total to date being 2,792, as against 2,458 at this time last year. The university now shows the largest registration ever reached in its history. The summary also shows the number coming from the different states and foreign countries New York leads with 1,679 students, Pennsylvania follows with 201, New Jersey, 120: Ohio, 112; Illinois, 104; Massachusetts, 53, etc. Forty-two states are this year rep resented, and sixteen foreign countries. namely: Canada, Russia, Mexico, Cuba, Ja-

China, England, Korea, Argentine Republic Peru, Austria, Turkey, etc. The faculty shows a corresponding in crease. It consists of 353 professors, etc., against 327 last year. The new professors are Profs. Sterrett, Fetter, Irvine, Durham, Norris, Mott, Chamot, Hartwell, Clark,

pan, Switzerland, Brazil, New Zealand

Coolidge and Winans. The arrangement of the register shows the component parts of the university and sets each by itself. The graduate department, the academic department (department of arts and sciences), the college of law, the medical college, the college of agriculture, the New York State Veterinary college, the New York State Veterinary college, the New York State College of Forestry, the College of Architecture, the College of Civil Engineering, the Sibley College of Machanian Francisco and Sibley College of Machanian Francisco and Sibley College of Mechanical Engineering and the

Mechanical Arts and the summer session. The library has a staff of sixteen librar ians, cataloguers, etc. The total number of books now in Cornell university library is shown to be 250,740, an increase of about 12,500 since last year. There are also 42,400

Kansas has a compulsory school law, but the state superintendent of public instruc-tion asserts that of the 400,000 children of school age in the state 120,000 do not attend

Previous practice of the fire drill enabled he teachers in a school in Cleveland, O., n which a fire broke out, to empty the building of 890 pupils in a minute and a

at Las Cruces.

Prof. Charles Emory Fellows, who was chosen this week as president of the University of Maine, is it years old. His special line of work in history, which he has been teaching in the University of Chicago, has been the study of the nineteenth century, particularly the period covered by the last twenty-five years.

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Missouri has nearly 500,000 pupils in its public schools. There are within a few thousand of 1,000,000 children of school age in the state and of this number one-half were in dally attendance last year, while 711,000 were enrolled. Nearly \$5,000,000 was apent for teachers' salaries, and for the public schools of the state the sum of \$7,80,000 was disbursed. Over 16,000 teachers are employed.

Cornell students themselves now seem to be determined to root out the evil of "cribing," which has grown up at Cornell university. Three weeks ago President Schurman in his annual report called attention to this evil and much discussion has followed. As a result of this the students met to the number of 1.500 and formally announced their determination to re-establish on a firm base the honor system.

# THE "MASTER CLOCK."

Observatory at Washington.

In the course of an article in St. Nicholas for January on "How We Set Our Watches by a Star," W. S. Harwood tells about the Master clock at Washington.

ed over eighteen different circuits to all points south. If you should happen to be in some large telegraph office at the moment the time signal is being sent out, it work again. Now I am entirely well."

THE OLD YEAR IN EDUCATION will find vast obstacles, especially in the to think. They must be taught to collate, fundamental, there is something wholesome everything, thus making the Nebraska in half, without one being injusted. The chil- is likely you would see the operators at former managers of education there, who arrange and understand the facts which about the acquirement that appeals to old- stitution perhaps the least expensive in the limit. seconds before the time is due, open them. Wyoming Agricultural college, and agriculturist and horticulturist of the experiment station of the University of Wyom g. has been chosen president of the New dexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts at Las Cruces.

put a tiny piece of tissue paper twisted into a thread between the spokes of one of the time of the spokes of one of the little wheels in their watches, holding back the movement to the instant the signal is given, then releasing the wheel to put a tiny piece of tissue paper twisted nal is given, then releasing the wheel to that the watch shall fall, into the exact beat of the Master clock in Washington. Of course the same care must be taken

OVER-EDUCATION

Henry M. MacCracken, chancellor of the cured by various universities.

exerting a marked educational influence.

Educational Notes

General H. W. Carpenter is the donor of \$100,000 for the foundation of a chair of Chinese language and literature at Columbia university. He has just returned from Sau Francisco and arrangements for the beginning of the work are about completed.

Cornell students themselves now

The great clock in the Naval Observators is called the Master clock. By means of the repeating apparatus the time is replatvarious parts of the country. New York City automatically repeats the time to all points east and north: Chicago and Cincinnati repeat to all points west and southwest; Richmond, Augusta and Atlanta to

instruments with a time ball or a control clock. The time ball is an interesting feature of the service. It is a round ball, large enough to be seen from the street where, supported by its appliances, it rests on the top of some building. It is attached by wire to the circuit from Washington in such a manner that, at the instant the Master clock in Washington ticks the stroke of welve, the delicately poised ball will fall, released by the same beat of the clock that announces the time to the rest of the country. Anyone who watches one of these time balls just before the stroke of 12, timepiece in hand, may easily determine whether

whether the operators are to connect their

his watch is slow, fast, or on time. Throughout the east these time balls are dropped every day at noon, save on Sundays, at New York City, Boston, Newport (Rhode Island), Woods Holl (Massachusetts), Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Hampton Roads, Savannah and Fortress Monroe. The tick of the Master clock that drops these time balls also releases others, some of them many hundreds, indeed thousands, of miles away. For instance, by cable arrangement, a time ball is dropped every day in the city of Havana, and another in San Francisco, 3,000 miles distant. So incomprehensibly swift is the speed of the electric current that, if the repeating instruments and the wires are in perfect condition, there is no appreciable difference in the time of the dropping of the ball in New York City and the dropping of the ball in San Francisco, each one released by the same tick of the Master clock in the Naval Observatory in Washing

Charles Replogle, Atwater, O., was in very bad shape. He says: "I suffered a great deal with my kidneys and was requested to try Foley's Kidney Cure. I did so and in four days I was able to go to