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IT IS VOIES THEY ARE FISHING FOR. At the recent meeting of the fusion reform state committees a sidelight was thrown upon the beef issue that is very suggestive.

senate committee. There appears to be a pretty general sentiment among republican senators in favor of modifying the house measure by striking out the conditions requiring the Cuban legislature to pass immigration and anti-alien contract laws similar to those of this country.

Money as a Ploster. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The new Morgan issues will start in with a cash backing of \$144,000,000, which will certainly entitle them to the distinction of being classed as topplers.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. The Belgian government has for the time suppressed the agitation for a rational reform of the electorate by applying the mailed hand.

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Competition beats combination, but combination manages to get away with competition.

The cry of beef, beef troubled George Washington in his camp at Valley Forge a good deal, and yet the continental army had never heard of a beef trust.

Another mountain of gold has been found in the state of Washington. That is not the first mountain of gold, however, that has been discovered on the Pacific coast.

The most lucrative nickel-in-the-slot machine is the 5-cent savings bank of Boston, which has \$25,000,000 in deposits and a surplus of \$2,225,000 to divide among its stockholders.

It is still a very pertinent question whether the School Book trust has sufficient influence in the Board of Education to extend the term of Superintendent Pearce "just one year more."

If the glorification of the veterans who wore the gray continues at the present rate the veterans who wore the blue will soon have to apologize for fighting to save the union under the Stars and Stripes.

Congressman Hopkins of Illinois will organize and run the republican state convention, but still Congressman Hopkins will have a good many obstacles to overcome on the road from the Illinois convention hall to the United States senate chamber.

A Chicago free-trade fair has raised the cry, "Let us have free meat." Why not? Why not also free bread? Why not start the cry for free board and lodging at once? That would be popular providing the grub was good and the lodging comfortable.

J. Sterling Morton, who can be sarcastic on occasions, refers to the ladies who are seeking matrimonial connections with Nebraska widowers and old bachelors as a job lot of shelf-worn females with matrimonial aspirations. Patronize home industry.

It never rains but it pours. The advance in the price of beef and butter is aggravating enough, but the 20 per cent increase in the carriage hire for Sunday funerals will compel people to die in the middle of the week in order to avoid the exactions of the livery trust.

There is nothing small about the Central American republics. They only want \$7,000,000 spot cash for a permit to allow the United States to spend several hundred millions in building an isthmian canal that would double or triple property values in those torrid and horrid countries.

It now looks as if the asset currency recommended by the committee on banks and currency in the lower house of congress would not be recognized as a long-felt want by the rank and file of republicans. The Indiana state convention fought shy of the scheme, although its endorsement was pressed very hard by eminent Indiana currency reformers.

Commenting on the Porter incident the popocratic organ of these parts says: "It is true there are a number of fusionists who are selling beef cattle these days, but there are a large number of people comprised of democrats, republicans, fusionists, prohibitionists and socialists who are not selling beef cattle these days, and many of them find it difficult to buy beef for food, and some of these are unable to use beef as food on account of the present high prices."

But will the fusionists who are selling beef on the hoof at 7 cents per pound continue to vote with any party that promises to knock down the price of beef? That is the question that must force itself upon the popocratic leaders who want to recapture Nebraska this fall.

It is not morals but votes they are fishing for, and they know there are 80,000 votes on the farm interested in high-priced beef, high-priced butter and high-priced eggs. This is evidently the view of the men who represent the Nebraska fusion reform forces in congress, who are reported to be a unit against the repeal or reduction of the tariff on cattle and meat products.

CUBAN SUGAR INVESTIGATION. The senate committee on relations with Cuba, to which was referred a resolution offered by Senator Teller directing an investigation as to the ownership of the present crop of Cuban sugar, has decided to comply with the resolution. It sets forth that according to report nearly the entire crop has been purchased and is held by the Sugar trust, which alone would benefit by any concession given to the raisers of cane sugar in Cuba.

The charge has repeatedly been made that nearly the entire crop of Cuban sugar is owned by the trust and although the statement has been contradicted by General Wood, there is a pretty general impression, quite justified by the efforts of the Sugar trust to secure tariff concessions, that the charge has a very substantial foundation. It is easy to understand that in such a matter the trust would take every precaution to keep its transactions secret, so that even General Wood could learn but little about them.

While all democrats agree that the republican plan for governing the Philippines is absolutely raw, the democratic leaders at Washington have as yet failed to formulate any policy on which all democrats could agree. The policy advocated by the democrats in the senate is to ask England, Germany, Russia and Japan to help us let go of the islands. The policy of the house committee is to keep the islands eight years and then let the islands go without the aid or consent of any nation on earth.

The battle for equitable taxation was not conducted on political party lines and the victory should not be transmuted into political capital for anybody. The political creed of the men at the head of the movement or that of the lawyers who conducted the prosecution in the courts should cut no more figure than their religious creed.

Three republican congressional conventions have already been called and two more will doubtless be called within the next week, but the call for the meeting of the congressional committee of the Second district convention will remain in Mr. Blackburn's capacious pocket for an indefinite period.

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THE BRITISH CORN DUTIES. The debate in the House of Commons a few days ago on the corn duties provided for in the budget was chiefly interesting from the fact that the defenders of the new policy made no attempt to deny that the tax on food would open the way for a widening area of indirect taxation through the adoption in time of a thoroughgoing tariff for revenue.

While there is no evidence yet that a popular agitation against the corn duties will be organized, that is very likely to happen unless the prediction of the chancellor of the exchequer, that the advance in the price of bread will recede so soon as the trade has adjusted itself to the new conditions, shall be realized.

According to calculations made by the Treasury Bureau of Statistics the consumption of sugar in the United States has grown from 3,272,426,342 pounds in 1870 to 13,875,840 pounds in 1901. The per capita consumption is now sixty-eight pounds, as compared with thirty-three pounds in 1870.

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Chicago Tribune: "Roast beef, corned beef," "Beef!" snorted the economical guest. "Beef!" I can't afford luxuries. Bring me some strawberry shortcake."

Philadelphia Press: Miss Passay-Mamma said she would call here today to buy the candies for my birthday cake. Did she?

Washington Star: "Oh, yes, he's a slave to habit," asserted the well-informed man. "Why, he's so accustomed to raising prices that he has sold out his coal business and bought a controlling interest in an ice company."

Norfolk Jacket Suits. The popular style for boys from 3 to 10 years, is a single-breasted Norfolk Jacket, with two plaits in back and front.

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