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It is charged that the securities even of some of the irrigation corporations have been watered.

King Alfonso has a new ministry on his hands. But not for long if Spanish precedent holds good.

The boycott we have always with us. It would be a cold day without somebody on the unfair list.

The paramount "Iowa idea" is the one that was so successfully exemplified at the Chicago live stock exposition.

Friends of prisoners in the Nebraska state penitentiary whom they wish pardoned out by Governor Savage should get busy.

If the number of South Omaha councilmen is to be doubled by the next legislature the number of Omaha councilmen would have to be quadrupled.

North Platte is to be accommodated and pacified with an accommodation train that will remove the bitter taste created by the Baldwin incident.

Chicago republicans propose to discuss live issues for the spring election before the nominations are made.

The two younger sisters, Arizona and New Mexico, still insist that they ought not to be kept in short dresses if Oklahoma is big enough to be politically full-robed.

If the French government really wishes to abolish dueling, it should compel duelists to have it out in a football game.

J. J. Hill's position on the steamship subsidy is very simple and clear. If there is to be a subsidy he wants a piece of it himself.

Nebraska woman suffragists evidently already have an eye to the prospect of a constitutional convention to revise our organic law.

Meetings of the Denver city council will hereafter be held in jail and the mayor's proclamations will be issued from behind barred windows.

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PROPOSED PHILIPPINE LEGISLATION.

Two propositions in regard to the Philippines will be considered and perhaps acted upon at the present session of congress.

The currency situation in the islands is most injurious to business and if allowed to continue must prove disastrous. This is strongly presented in the report of the secretary of war...

As to the proposed reduction of duties, it is urged that a low tariff will greatly stimulate trade between the Philippines and the United States.

It is evident, however, that there is pressing need of early legislation for the betterment of financial and commercial conditions in the Philippines.

THE DENVER CONTEMPT CASE.

There is one important direction in which all good citizens are agreed as to the righteousness of government by injunction.

The franchise pending before the city council of Denver for a traction company had assumed the proportions of a scandal.

There appears to be no promise of a settlement of the controversy through negotiations between the operators and the miners.

The annual pension bill falls little short of a total of \$140,000,000. The surrender at Appomattox took place more than thirty-seven years ago.

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possible to overestimate the value of this to the country.

The completion of this great work, which has been going on for years, is at once highly creditable to British policy and notable evidence of British skill and persistence.

AN IMPUDENT BLUFF CALLED.

About eight years ago the publisher of the World-Herald sought to play a high-handed confidence game on Omaha merchants by bogus circulation claims.

The confidence game attempted to be played upon advertising patrons in general and applicants for liquor license in particular by bogus claims and fake affidavits.

The offer made by The Bee Publishing company is made in good faith and without mental reservation or evasion of any kind.

At the recent convention of the League of American Municipalities the dangers from escaping gas were a subject of serious discussion.

The citizens' educational commission appointed by the Civic Federation of Chicago has formulated a bill for the reorganization of the Chicago public school system.

Prosperity must certainly have struck Nebraska strong when the country weeklies have to crowd out all their editorial comment and run supplements to boot.

The failure of the packers' trust merger is charged up by New York papers to Michael and Edward Cudahy.

A Nation's Gratitude. The annual pension bill falls little short of a total of \$140,000,000.

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Pierpont Morgan, that it would support Cleveland if nominated, is regarded as significant in connection with many other recent happenings.

There is no doubt that many of the controlling spirits in the great financial and industrial manipulations view with profound apprehension the positive and courageous attitude of President Roosevelt toward trusts.

According to the Chicago Record-Herald, there is great suffering in Omaha owing to scarcity of coal.

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No woman, no matter how poor she may be, who lives within the confines of a certain territory in New York City, need be without help in her household duties.

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ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Hipples on the Current of Life in the Metropolis.

New Yorkers are such gracious experts in handling "gold bricks" to innocents from "the provinces" that when a resident is taken in by the game the fact is worth recording.

The diverse figures of buying and selling came clear together. One day a couple of surveyors appeared and began to run lines all around the place.

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log costing a certain amount, which they had in their treasury. He did so, but only figured on the bare building, without even any windows.

Millions Spent in Subduing and Controlling the Noble Reds. Chicago Tribune. The commissioner of Indian affairs says that from the founding of the government down to 1890 \$44,000,000 was spent in subduing and controlling the Indians.

Philadelphia Press: "I think I know," said the amateur gunner, after his fifth straight miss, "what same animal by all accounts."

Yonkers Statesman: Church—Do you think he is a well proportioned man? Gotham Editor: His lungs are away out of proportion to his brain.

Baltimore Herald: Beryl—Why, Sibyl, you keep on talking 'foot ball' just as if the season wasn't over!

Philadelphia Press: "O yes," he said boastfully, "I used to be an old flame of hers."

Detroit Free Press: Tom—At San Juan little President Roosevelt said, "Come on, boys!"

A BIRD AND A HOPE. A bird of beautiful plumage, glistening with its wings, bright plumes upon a sturdy tree.

Frederick K. Landis, the newly elected member of the Eleventh Indiana district, will be the youngest member of the next house.

Representative Lanham of Texas, who has been elected governor of his state, will resign his seat in the house early in January.

President Roosevelt very properly insists that officers in the army shall not wear the derby hat and tan shoes with the army blouse.

On Christmas, 1900, Peter Carroll gave 500 turkeys to the poor of Cleveland; in 1901 Sheriff Barry contributed an additional 500, and this year Congressman Belding having joined the other two, 1,500 turkeys will be distributed.

W. L. Ray, a grandson of Greenwood Leasure, the Choctaw chief who negotiated for the treaty by which the tribe ceded its lands in Mississippi, will present a portrait of the chief to the gallery of portraits in the Mississippi state capitol.

"Man's inhumanity to man" has long been a theme for countless tongues, but all the eloquence of ages do not equal the brevity and vigor of the words which spring from the heart of the man who suddenly sits down on a slippery sidewalk.

Samuel W. Penypacker, governor elect of Pennsylvania, has a valuable library, in some respects the most curious in the world.

In August last a corporation was organized under the name "The Church Construction Company" and that corporation proposes to begin after the architect is through and not to stop until it hands over the complete church, woodwork, carpets, organs and all of the accessories, except the preacher.

"Our ideas were not the result of accident or of sudden conviction," said one of the officers of the company last week. "All our men are specialists and have spent most of their business life in some branch of ecclesiastical construction."

"One of these men became known to the building trade as an expert church builder and he was frequently asked by other builders to take charge of their work for them. He became convinced that a company organized to construct churches and kindred buildings would succeed and last August we began."

"In the three months that have followed we have obtained more than \$200,000 worth of business and have 200 men employed."

"One thing in our favor is that the ordinary builder, accustomed to the building of tier upon tier of beams and of providing for office construction, finds himself in a strange land and he must guess at a great many things he does not actually know. The arched, self-supporting roofs and the building of galleries are all things that he must figure on in a hit-or-miss fashion and necessarily his estimate is higher than that of an expert."

"When we first started operations we intended to build only the walls and then to leave the rest of the work to some one else. We found, however, that the architect who drew the plans had done just that same thing, with disastrous results. The congregation was one not very well off in this world's goods and they had instructed their architect to prepare plans for a build-

Advertisement for Grain-O. Text: "GRAIN-O THE PURE GRAIN COFFEE. The coffee habit is quickly overcome by those who take Grain-O take its place. If properly made it tastes like the best of coffee. No grain coffee compares with it in flavor or healthfulness. TRY IT TO-DAY. At grocers everywhere; 15c. and 25c. per package."

Advertisement for Browning-King & Co. Text: "Do Your Holiday Shopping Early and avoid the late confusion— Here is What the Boy Needs for school and all out-door amusements— a nice, warm, high collar Reefe, \$3.50 up; lined gloves or Mittens 25c up; stocking or pull down Caps 50c up; canvas, corduroy, Jersey or leather Leggings 50c up, and the best 23c Hosiery in town. B & K BROWNING-KING & CO. R. S. Wilcox, Mgr."