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GEORGE B. TSCHUCK. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, A. D. 1903. M. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

PARTIES LEAVING THE CITY.

Parties leaving the city at any time may have The Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Business Office, in person or by mail.

Ak-Sar-Ben deserves better of the weather man. In the interval the Marine band is still piping peacefully away.

It seems that Bulgaria and Turkey are both eager to fight one another, but neither wants to begin. It is just beginning to be apparent that Joseph Chamberlain was the biggest part of the Balfour ministry.

Judge Vinsonhaler is a very plausible liar, but his memory is not good enough to make him a success in the art. Peter denied the Master and Judge Vinsonhaler denies his own signature.

The British flag has made its reappearance in Boston. But it comes as a flag of friendship instead of as a flag of oppression.

Whenever The Bee exposes a crook, an embezzler or a fraud, it is invariably charged up to personal malice and political persecution. Well, now, is young George B. McClellan with his Tammany brand enough of a democrat to elicit an endorsement from Colonel Bryan?

Tomorrow's Sunday Bee, dedicated to King Ak-Sar-Ben, will be a record-breaker in every way. Place your orders for extra copies early.

Prepare to keep open house next week for your out-of-town friends who are about to swoop down on Omaha for the autumn carnival festivities. It will take several Philadelphia lawyers to interpret the fine points of the new primary rules ordained by the republican county committee.

The shades of John Bright and Richard Cobden must be having a very quiet time of it, if the talk of the work-day world percolates into the celestial cabinet room. Sir Thomas Lipton declares he is not in the race for the vacancy in the position of British ambassador to the United States.

If he were just an ordinary gambler instead of one who disguises his profession, a man whose imagination could produce such a fine assassination story would be suspected merely of hitting the pipe. The question puzzling the politicians in New York is whether a candidate for office can be really nonpartisan if he accepts a place on the Tammany ticket and on the anti-Tammany ticket at one and the same time.

Omaha could unquestionably have better lighted streets at smaller outlay with a municipal lighting plant than under contract with private corporations. As long as it continues to deal with the private lighting corporations it must expect to be charged all the traffic will bear. Massachusetts democrats managed to condemn in their platform about everything and everybody on the calendar, even going so far as to set up a few straw men into the bargain to make a little cheap political capital against the republicans.

Nothing could illustrate better the death of the democracy for real issues to fight on.

IS THE TRUST ERA ENDED?

This is a question which cannot be definitely answered and yet conditions at present appear to justify the opinion that the era of the formation of great industrial combinations, commonly designated as trusts, has passed and that we are not likely to witness a renewal of this process for a very long time, perhaps not within a generation.

We recently noted the fact that forty-five corporations organized under the laws of New Jersey had gone into the hands of receivers, the aggregate capital of these corporations amounting to many millions of dollars, while their assets were comparatively small, in the case of some of them practically nothing.

Remarkable upon the stock situation the New York Evening Post says that the most obvious conclusion to be drawn from it is that the "syndicate plan," as conceived in the theories of 1901, has broken down completely.

Can it be safely assumed from the existing conditions, that the trust question is in a fair way to settle itself? That is the view of some sagacious financiers and there would certainly seem to be good ground for it.

LOV AND McCLELLAN. The battle for the majority of New York City will be between Seth Low, the present mayor, and George B. McClellan, now a representative in congress.

THE MAYOR AND THE GAS CONTRACT. Mayor Moore's approval of the resolution extending the contract of the gas company to the end of 1905, when the electric light contract also expires, is denounced by the junior afternoon sheet as a flagrant disregard of the rights and interests of the taxpayers to pay a political debt alleged to have been contracted at the last spring's election.

THE UPWARD STRUGGLE. Selfishness against selfishness, more for less for you—that is what all these strikes and industrial quarrels look like.

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damages. We have had injunctions and counter injunctions in the interest of paving contractors that have prevented the city from repairing its streets.

Very naturally Mayor Moore anticipated another restraining order and an interminable legal contention in the courts over the public lighting. That he was correct in his anticipations was shown by the fact that almost at the opening of the city hall doors the day following the passage of the gas contract resolution a restraining order, procured by an employe of the electric lighting company, was served upon the mayor, not in the interest of the city or gas consumers, but in the interest of a corporation that has exerted all its influence and power to secure a monopoly of public lighting.

MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM TARIFF. Referring to a recent editorial in this paper, in which it was urged that in view of tariff conditions abroad it is important to carefully consider whether it would be the part of wisdom to make any great departure from our tariff policy, the Philadelphia Press suggests that the safe course would be to follow the other countries and adopt maximum and minimum rates.

GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS. Those Iowa republicans with an assured majority of something less than a hundred thousand, actually believe they are having a campaign.

KNOW WHEN TO LET GO. The present rapid decline in some of the big stock republics, but we do not see them now going about the streets in tears.

EPOCH IN IRISH HISTORY. The first sale of land, a great part of the domain of the duke of Leinster, has been made under the Irish land act.

SECURITIES OF TWO NATIONS. About the weakest spot in the London stock market has been the bonds of the British government. Nothing of that sort has taken place in New York.

PLAYING CUTLIFISH. Whenever the searchlight of publicity is turned on a public official who has farmed out public funds for private gain or pocketed money he is required to pay over into the public treasury he almost invariably tries to belaud the issue by playing cutliffish.

SMASHING WORLD'S RECORDS. Spirit of Progress Manifested in Feats of Speed. Saturday Evening Post. In a year of extraordinary interest nothing has better shown the spirit of progress than the feats of speed.

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Why should not all the books in his office be open to the public, and especially to representatives of the press? If these books are correctly kept, why should there be any mystery about the funds entrusted in the judge's keeping?

Keep it before the people that Judge Barnes, the republican candidate for supreme judge, was twice appointed supreme court commissioner by unanimous vote of the present judges of the court, in which Judge Sullivan, the opposing fusion candidate, concurred.

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POLITICAL DRIFT.

Former Senator Wolcott insists on harmony among Colorado republicans. Considerable physical exertion was necessary to banish discord.

Political affairs in Hawaii are taking on the real American tone. A grand jury is investigating charges of crooked work by members of the territorial legislature.

Washington dispatches assert that the republican national convention will go to Chicago instead of St. Louis. It is also announced that the convention will be held not later than the middle of May.

The constitution of Tennessee provides that, whereas ministers of the gospel are by their profession dedicated to God and the care of souls and ought not to be diverted from the great duties of their function, therefore no minister of the gospel or priest of any denomination whatever shall be eligible to a seat in either house of the legislature.

James M. Cameron, non-in-law of ex-Senator Don Cameron of Pennsylvania, has gone into politics in Harrisburg and will do what he can to smash the machine which at present dominates the republican party in Dauphin county.

In Brookline, famed as the "City of Churches," there was held a republican convention, the other day, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for district attorney. The apostle of the Sunset West, Timothy C. Woodruff, united with those labor candidates who were defeated and the man nominated was carried out of the hall unconscious.

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PRESIDENT AND THE OPEN SHOP. Chicago Chronicle: To the president as well as to the strike commission is due credit for enunciating and practically upholding the just and righteous laws of the land.

MEXICANS SHOW A STRENUOUS PACE IN INDUSTRIAL PURSUITS. Philadelphia Record. The Mexicans have an exalted opinion of American business enterprise, and it is their ambition to achieve the hustling habits and boundless daring of their northern neighbors.

AWAY WITH THE DOLLAR. New York Sun. "The democratic party," says Mr. Bryan, "must either be going toward plutocracy or away from it."

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I TRADE. With BROWNING, KING & CO., at home, and it seems so good to see the name again. Hardly a day passes but that some such remark is made by visitors.

Esterbrook advertisement featuring an illustration of a fountain pen and the text: 'THE NAME IS EVERYTHING' Esterbrook on a pen is an absolute guarantee of its excellence.