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YELLOW JOURNALISM GONE MAD.

The hysterical crusade inaugurated by a local sensational contemporary against Chancellor Andrews of the State University...

There is absolutely no justification or excuse for the vile abuse and caricature to which Chancellor Andrews has been subjected...

On broad gauge lines it would be improper, and perhaps in violation of the unwritten compact between the government of the United States and the state of Nebraska to convert the university into a sectarian institution...

The new temple, proposed to be erected for the benefit of university students may or may not be a long felt want, but no rational or unprejudiced person will contend that there is anything immoral in accepting a contribution for its erection from John D. Rockefeller...

The crusade against the acceptance of a contribution from Rockefeller has no higher moral ground than have the fanatic and fantastic periodic crusades of prohibition agitators against educating children in the public schools with so-called blood money...

According to Life Young, reciprocity is to be the bait on the democratic hook to catch the republicans this year. There may be more truth than poetry in that remark.

The most enduring monument which can be erected to William McKinley will be the successful solution of the problems of government which originated in his administration.

The anti-Bryan wing of the Iowa democracy calls itself the "Anti-Revolutionists." They might as well call themselves "Revolutionists." That would be shorter and more to the point.

Governor Bailey of Kansas might have known that he would not have undisputed nomination for a second term when he failed to make good that promise to marry some Kansas girl during his last campaign.

The order of President Roosevelt, abolishing the dead line between Nebraska and South Dakota and restoring to the public domain a strip ten miles long and five miles wide, adjacent to the Pine Ridge agency, is a feather in Congressman Kinkaid's cap.

Recent action by the German Reichstag would indicate that the members desire to discover whether the assembly is a component part of the government or merely a vehicle to bring supplies to the throne. They have dared to express an opinion upon the almost sacred subject of the action of army officers.

Prof. Koch of Berlin has called attention to the danger of spreading infectious diseases from books loaned indiscriminately from libraries. Here is another opportunity for Mr. Carnegie to broaden his mission by reinforcing his library donation with gifts for the purchase of microbe murderers and library disinfectants.

Why did not Rev. John Williams write a more protracted epistle on the proposed plutocratic Rockefeller memorial with side remarks about the perished civilization and the ways of Babylon, Nineveh and Rome? Why didn't he furnish two solemn double shotted columns for the editorial page of Omaha's hypothesized rip-roarer instead of cutting it off with one-third of a broadside?

Are members of congress entitled to be paid mileage a second time when they are riding on passes all the time? That impertinent question has been sprung in the lower house of congress. The unsophisticated American taxpayer doubtless inclines to the opinion that this subject of inquiry is of more moment to him than the inquiry concerning the livery bills of cabinet officers and members of various bureaus.

ates of restriction, the report says it is so utterly opposed to the principles of a free republic, so contrary to the spirit of our institutions, that it is incredible that a large proportion of our people should favor its imposition...

We believe that a very large majority of the intelligent and unprejudiced people of the country will concur in the views expressed in this report. Almost all the sentiment favorable to imposing additional restrictions upon immigration is found in the eastern and middle states...

THE PASSING OF THE CATTLE BARONS.

Several large cattle companies in the northwest are either going out, or preparing to go out of business. The cause for this impending change is the contraction of the range and the invasion of the small cattlemen. The farmers have taken up the land along the streams where the water is found...

The passing of the cattle baron in the northwest marks the transition era from low grade to higher grade live stock, that is destined to revolutionize and revolutionize the cattle raising industry. The displacement of the cattle baron with a vast area of land devoted solely to the grazing and breeding of low grade cattle will give way to diversified farming...

The subdivision of the great cattle ranges into stock farms will be followed by a marked increase in substantial wealth and population, which will grow from year to year and cannot fail to give the highest development to the resources of the state.

LOSING SOUTH AMERICAN TRADE.

The statement of Minister Thompson that the United States is losing trade in South America is not new and will cause no surprise to those who have paid any attention to the statistics of our commerce with the southern countries. A short time ago the chief of the bureau of statistics at Washington presented the facts showing the decline of our trade with South America and the growth in that quarter of the commerce of Great Britain, Germany and France.

Nobody will defend or uphold the methods by which John D. Rockefeller became a multi-millionaire, but it is the height of demagoguery to denounce the diversion of part of his wealth into educational or religious channels.

DISCUSSING IMMIGRATION.

At a recent meeting of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation the committee on legislation of that body submitted majority and minority reports, that of the minority taking a decided position against any restrictions more than comprised in a just and thorough enforcement of existing laws. The comment of this report on proposed restrictions will certainly commend the approval of all liberal-minded and unprejudiced persons.

It declares that had such restrictions as are now being proposed been in force during the past fifty or sixty years "the parents of many of our best citizens of German or Irish descent would not have been allowed to land, the phenomenal material development of our country would have been very much retarded and the United States today would be a relatively feeble power."

In regard to the proposed educational test, so persistently urged by the ad-

that it would seem might have been done to obtain such share of the trade as should come to this country. It is a field which if properly cultivated ought to yield good profits. But manifestly in order to get the trade the particular requirements of the people must be met...

AGAINST AMERICAN COTTON.

In a recent report the consul general of the United States at Berlin states that foremost among the economic movements in Europe, which may have a serious meaning for important interests in America, is the present simultaneous effort of Great Britain, France and Germany to emancipate their textile industries from dependence upon American cotton.

Associations have been formed in England, France and Germany for the purpose of stimulating cotton production in the colonial possessions of those countries and according to the consular report the German association is especially active in the work of promoting a colonial cotton supply. As yet the movement is in its infancy, but it has been taken up with so much earnestness and zeal in the several countries that there is every reason to expect that it will be vigorously pushed.

The senate committee on interstate commerce, which was notoriously organized to sidetrack legislation calculated to enlarge the powers of the Interstate Commerce commission, has decided to lay all bills before it to subcommittees, and the subcommittees have indicated an intention to pigeonhole these bills until the house committee shall have reached definite conclusions concerning the merit of the various interstate commerce bills.

Dr. Thomas Darlington, president of the New York Board of Health, has appeared before the house committee on banking and currency and heartily endorsed the pending bill for clean money, by which we are to infer that the circulation of soiled paper money has become offensive to the health department of New York.

The United States Steel corporation profit-sharing plan is still in force. Last year 48,933 shares were taken by 27,379 employees at \$82.50 per share of \$100 par value. This year the subscription price of preferred shares is \$55, or just \$27.50 less than the price charged twelve months ago.

The report of Secretary Root concerning the equipage maintained at government expense by the secretary of war and the War department would indicate that the civilians in the war office will rate low as sports. They seem to have preferred old horses that jog slow and sure to the fiery steeds of youth and mettle.

Colombian statesmen are probably better acquainted with Panama than are the people of the United States. Their apparent greater willingness to accept \$10,000,000 for a quit claim deed to the isthmus, rather than \$20,000,000 for a partial waiver of sovereignty, may have in it wisdom greater than appears on the surface.

There are two reports from Constantinople. One is that the sultan is paying his debts and the other is that he is losing his mind. If the first report is true the other will be accepted without question.

The supreme court has no complaint in the matter of precedence at Washington. It is quite in the natural order of things that it should follow the diplomats. In the affairs of this world diplomacy usually takes precedence of justice.

The Chinese minister to Russia says that the talk of China going to war with any one is absurd. But this statement can hardly be regarded as partaking of the nature of news. Most people know that China got all that was coming to it in the way of war in that little affair with Japan some years ago.

INNOVATIONS IN INSURANCE.

Peculiarities of Policies Now on the Market. Denver News. Few people are aware of the extent of the field now covered by insurance. Almost any possible danger may be insured against. The latest innovation is the appendicitis policy, under which the companies insure against illness or death from appendicitis.

There are also companies that make a business of insuring against loss by burglars, elevator mishaps, robbery by servants, accidents of every degree and kind, whether self-contributory or otherwise, loss through delay in steamer and train transit, fraud by clerks and other employees and loss through legal actions. Many big express companies, dry goods stores, coal firms and trucking houses pay a sum every year as a protection against damaged suits by drivers and helpers who are hurt while in their employ.

Another policy guarantees the diva \$5,000 on the whole tour in the event of permanent and total loss of voice. It would seem that there is no conceivable limit to the matters which may be insured against.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

January cut some ice. Also some coal. Jack Frost is a stalwart republican. He stands pat. Tammany bosses hustled out of New York when Bryan appeared. Tammany hates competition in bosses.

Gold has been discovered in Tibet. A British punitive expedition is moving in that direction—in the interest of civilization, of course. Shrewd doctors have made the discovery that "the human stomach works better when only slightly stretched." The era of breakfast foods brings its own compensation.

The sultan of Morocco refused to take any stock in the St. Louis fair, but tossed a bunch of \$5,000 into the fair pot. That's something just as good. The fair needs the money.

The Chicago cow persists in keeping its place in Chicago history. One of the local herd has transformed itself into an animated pin cushion, and butted into the O'Leary niche.

If you observe men walking energetically in the suburbs and emitting clouds of hot air, it is a safe guess that they are spellbinders preparing for the fray. Lungs work better when well trained.

A Chicago judge holds that the legislature of Illinois alone has the power to fix the price of gas in Chicago. The business interests of the city council are now so circumscribed that the job is no longer on a paying basis.

It is announced that the Ancient Order of Hibernians of New York City will dispense with the old style regalia at the coming St. Patrick's day parade and march in plain clothes. Whisper it not in Cork, ma bouchal; the days when Number Tandy took us by the hand are back-numbered.

Foreigners of eminence have visited the United States at various times and sketched national characteristics from many viewpoints. Yet the best and briefest picture of a national trait was traced at long range by a British schoolboy in an examination paper. Here is what he said: "In the United States people are put to death by execution."

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

College Boy (to his best girl)—Katie, I never asked you before, but can you cook? Katie—I can make the best chocolate fudge you ever tasted. College Boy—That's enough.—Chicago Tribune.

She—I am not the only girl you have ever kissed. He—How do you know that? She—Well, I've had some experience myself.—Detroit Free Press.

"Was it an elaborate wedding?" "Elaborate" exclaimed the fair divorcee, "I should think it was. Why, it was so elaborate that you'd think she never expected to have another."—Chicago Post.

"I suppose," said the timid suitor, "when you recall what a handsome man you're first husband was you wouldn't consider me for a minute." "Oh, yes I would," replied the pretty widow, "but I wouldn't consider you for a second."—Philadelphia Press.

Singleton—I say, old chap, what have you that string around your finger for? Weddery—To remind me of something I am to get. Singleton—What are you to get? Weddery—Why, I've forgotten what it was.—New Yorker.

"For what is Greenland noted?" asked the teacher. "For its old-fashioned winters," said the boy with the frosted nose.—Indianapolis Journal.

Young Husband—Still sitting up, dear? You shouldn't have waited for me. I was detained downtown by important business. Young Wife—Try some other excuse, George. That's the kind father used to make.—Chicago Tribune.

Doctor—Your wife must keep out of excitement. Mr. Brisque—She can't, doctor. She carries it around with her.—Indianapolis Journal.

Back of the gold hills the dying sun. And the light of day like a dream is done. Like a beautiful dream that we faint would hold. As merrily drift the dream of gold. But dreams drift past—Too bright to last; And night comes fast—and night comes fast.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Indianapolis Journal: Rev. Thomas Ewing Sherman, Catholic priest, and son of the late General W. T. Sherman, declares that socialism is opposed to the American idea of progress. "Socialism is individualism," he says. "Socialism is all negative and our position is all positive. The Catholic church is unalterably opposed to socialism."

Indianapolis News: Bishop Dudley, who died in New York on Friday last, was in many ways a remarkable man. He was one of the leaders of the church of which he had been for so many years an ornament, and no man in the house of bishops stood higher in the confidence and esteem of his associates. Bishop Dudley was a man of

power, having many of the qualities of the statesman. Eloquent, earnest, thoughtful and intensely human, he was a preacher to whom many were glad to listen, and from whom they got help and inspiration. His nature was sympathetic, and whether in the pulpit or out of it, he seemed to come into close touch with the people. He was cheerful and kindly, and had that charm of manner which all men admire, but which comparatively few possess. Milwaukee Sentinel: Dr. Parkhurst states that the freights theater horror was the direct work of God—that "the fire which burned those 600 persons was God's fire," etc. Parkhurst puffed more genuine and blasphemous profanity in that sermon than Bob Evans would utter if he were to live to the age of Methuselah and try to beat his own record every day.

"We Find the Dividend Much Larger Than Expected." Another tribute of praise for "The Strongest in the World." A word from one of Omaha's leading financiers—

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The Fit of Glasses. Is of the greatest importance—not only for comfort—but to avoid actual danger. The lenses must be accurately adjusted in every way and correctly centered.

??????? A PERTINENT QUESTION ? The beginning of the year is an appropriate time to ask yourself the question— "Are you carrying enough Life Assurance? Your house and other property is assured for its full value— How about your life? Is it assured for anything like its real value to your family— Sit down quietly and figure it out—or— write for the leaflet, "What Is Your Life Worth?" It will probably give you food for thought— The Equitable Life Assurance Society Strongest in the World. H. D. NEELY, Manager Merchants National Bank Bldg.