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PUBLIC LAND LEGISLATION.

In his last annual message President Roosevelt directed the attention of congress to the public land laws...

This senate bill would remedy and it is also claimed for it that it would save the country from deforestation. It provides that only the right to cut timber be hereafter sold...

ministration, but it was conducted in a perfunctory way and there was but a single success achieved in a case brought during that administration...

The democratic record in regard to the industrial combinations to which the anti-trust law applies is not one upon which that party can make a fair claim to popular confidence and support.

The Bee has been asked for advice by a number of republicans who are being importuned to join the "Fontanelle club" under the assurance that it is what its bylaws profess...

It is intimated that the enactment of the scavenger law with the prospective salvage on delinquent taxes may make it unnecessary to vote the proposed bond issue to fund outstanding Douglas county warrants.

The World-Herald repudiates the three democratic members of the United States supreme court who filed dissenting opinions in the merger case and denies that they are democrats.

The consensus of public opinion is that our next school superintendent should be an experienced educator rather than a mere vote-pulling politician.

Chicago Record-Herald. Uncle Joe Cannon's boom was a joke, and it is to Uncle Joseph's credit that he was one of the first to see it.

Denver Post. President Smith enjoys a rare advantage that is denied we monogamous fellows.

Atlanta Constitution. Prof. McGhee, an eminent philologist, says that the head of the Japanese "has a tendency to brachycephaly in the gross types and dolichocephaly in the fine types."

TALK ABOUT THE WAR.

Captain Edmund Morgan of Kokomo, Ind., is a veteran of the siege of Sebastopol, having participated in that historic conflict as a sailor in the British navy.

The captain is of the opinion that the Russian army will demonstrate a reputation of the fine engineering feats displayed by General Todleben in the Crimean conflict.

He said the Japanese, like the English, would have a perilous feat to perform. "Many a night we would creep past the land batteries in a single one of which seventy-two guns were belching out shell after shell."

Three tiers of guns trained from massive masonry, the whole roofed with earth and capped with iron armor plate. The front was protected with railroad iron.

Rice, the chief food of the Japanese, is the most important crop, and in 1900 265,000 bushels were produced. Rice land is worth nearly three times other arable land.

The climate of Manchuria may be regarded as good. The heat of the summer is quite bearable and the bright, crisp weather throughout the long winter is most healthy and agreeable.

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The Kentucky legislature has appropriated \$20,000 for a statue to the late William Goebel. Once more justice roots itself into the affection of mankind.

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER. THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR IT. IT IS A MATTER OF HEALTH. Absolutely Pure.

ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON.

Matters of Interest Gleaned from the Army and Navy Register. Captain Grothe Hutchison, Sixth cavalry, who has been on duty at Governor's island, reported for duty to General Chaffee on Wednesday and has been assigned to the office of the chief-of-staff as the aid of that officer.

The paymaster general of the army has issued orders to the effect that check books of paymasters should be kept in condition for inspection by an inspector general, chief paymaster or other authorized inspector, at any moment.

There are twenty vacancies in the junior grade of the army medical department and candidates for the places will be examined beginning April 18. A second class of candidates will be examined on May 2.

The army hospital corps men who have been at Yale university taking part in the nutritional experiments at that institution will be relieved from duty on April 5.

The quartermaster general of the army has approved the recommendation to devote \$5 per month to each army band. This sum will be expended in the purchase of music and ought to furnish the organizations for whose benefit the allotment is made an appreciable quantity of new compositions.

The general order giving detailed instructions to inspectors general and to acting inspectors general of the army has been delayed in issue, owing to some minor changes which have been agreed upon in a conference between General A. R. Chaffee, chief of staff, and Inspector General Burdett. Previous instructions of this kind were issued as long ago as 1886.

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record who were retired under special act of congress include three captains of the mounted class, four captains of the dismounted class and one second lieutenant. The list of retired officers below the grade of brigadier general who had civil war service prior to April 9, 1865, exclusive of those who received an advance of grade or delay retirement and of those retired under special act of congress embraces 103 colonels, fifty-two lieutenant colonels, seventy-eight majors, thirty-seven captains, mounted; seventy-seven captains, not mounted; fifteen chaplains, ten first lieutenants, mounted; thirty-one first lieutenants, not mounted, and six second lieutenants.

TRouble AT HOME. Crumbs of Comfort for the Opponent of Bryanism. Chicago Chronicle. William "Bennett" Bryan seems to be having trouble with the democrats of Nebraska as well as with the last wills and testaments of deceased silver enthusiasts in Connecticut.

When the Nebraska democratic committee met the other day Mr. Bryan's followers had orders to call the convention for Lincoln in April. An early convention dominated by the peerless and incorruptible spokesman for the silver trust could not fail to strike terror to the hearts of plutocracy everywhere.

It appears that Mr. Bryan's henchmen did not control. Instead of calling the convention for April it was called for June when the standard-bearer in bloom no one will care much what Mr. Bryan's retainers in Omaha and Lincoln want to do. There is a vigorous brand of democracy in Nebraska. Mr. Bryan managed to suppress it for a time but if it shall appear at the St. Louis convention with regular credentials, or as a protesting and boasting delegation, it should be welcomed with open arms.

FLASHES OF FUN. "You get a free pass over the railroad, don't you?" his wife asked him. "Why-him—I thought it was free who it was the railroad with \$500 and am now worth millions. If that isn't doing good, I don't know what is."—Washington Star.

The professor, while crossing the muddy street, slipped and fell. "Whereupon the woman just behind him with the bundles in her arms, uttered piercing little shriek." "Thank you, madam," said the professor, "I don't know what is."—Chicago Tribune.

"What do you think about this scheme to divide the year into thirteen months of twenty-eight days each?" "It's all right, increases the number of pay days, doesn't it?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Aha," exclaimed the villain on the stage. "Hugh!" granted the disgusted Mr. Sarah Kastle, in the audience, "I'll bet you could cook it with your eyes."—Philadelphia Press.

"It beats all," said Uncle Eben, "how much no' mon' mon' knows about how much mon' dey does 'bout be Bible and preaching of de United States."—Washington Star.

LOVE SONNETS OF A NORMAN. William F. Kirk in Milwaukee Sentinel. My darlings, when I gaze into your eyes, and feel the pressure of your little hand, I am reminded of the days of Solomon, the wise. Who had some better halves about you?

I see your wedding rings—eight, golden bands. And you say that if my creditors' demands become too urgent, I can pawn such ties. Come, pretious helpmates—throw your diamonds at me!

I wrote a pretty epigram today. Something like this, my little ones: "I've worked your love in two, my darlings, wives." "Ain't it just swell? I like it, anyway. I'm engaged to sixteen more. Ho, ho, I know we shall be happy all our lives. About a year, nearly broke from buying lives."—And now I need another twelve-hour shift.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla. If you feel run down, are easily tired, if your nerves are weak and your blood is thin, then begin at once to take the good old standard family medicine—Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It invigorates, strengthens, refreshes. Ask your doctor all about this. He knows. Trust him.