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Senator Burton acquitted by Missouri jury.

Russia claims the first victory on land.

Italy's decision to preserve the castle of Canossa is not one of the evidences of the cordial feeling between Rome and Berlin.

A change in the prize ring championship attracts a good deal less popular excitement in these days than a first-class horse race.

In spite of neutrality proclamations the United States will sympathize with Russia, as both have a canal problem to solve at the same time.

The Iowa state senate has turned a deaf ear to the appeals of rival locations to secure the removal of the School for the Deaf from Council Bluffs.

How lucky for the anarchists of Italy that the accident to the steamship Koenig Albert happened after the emperor of Germany had disembarked.

John Mitchell's advice to the Colorado miners is to refrain from work and from disorder.

Deposed "kings" on the board of trade can teach champion prize fighters one lesson.

If the public had been aware that Colonel Arthur Lynch intended to perpetrate a historical novel...

It will not hurt the party for South Dakota Democrats to endorse Hearst...

Are you planning for a visit to the St. Louis exposition this summer?

Russian diplomacy has at last come to an end and the czar now informs the public...

No danger for the present that the new guns which the British government is installing at Esquimaux...

It was to have been expected that the county commissioners would be surprised when officially informed...

Systematic co-ordination of all our local charities would soon smoke out the fake institutions...

PUBLICITY AND SUPERVISION.

The decision of the United States supreme court in the Northern Pacific merger case emphasized in broad terms the right and duty of the national government to exercise supervisory authority over corporations engaged in interstate commerce.

The imperative necessity of periodic publicity of corporate operations is now admitted even by the trust magnates, who feel the need of protection against each other as much as they do the restoration of public confidence in their securities.

According to the best information obtainable, the net earnings of the United States Steel corporation for the three years of operating amount to \$96,000,000, exclusive of the cash surplus of \$25,000,000 with which the company started business.

Those who advocate greater restriction than is already imposed, justify their contention by arguing that immigration is not only increasing in quantity but deteriorating in quality.

Of course, it would be ungenerous to suggest that Mr. Morgan, who controls the company and was at the head of the syndicate to raise the cash...

All this juggling with Steel trust funds could, however, have been prevented had the Department of Commerce been in position to make a searching inquiry and exercise such supervision as would protect stockholders and the public at large from the rapacity of the insidering trust that manipulates the Steel trust.

In the great conflict that is going on in the far east all the powers of the world are interested.

In the final settlement of that warfare the nations which are now incidentally concerned in the conflict will require the belligerents to consider more or less the obligations they owe the respective powers of Europe.

The time has certainly gone by when at the close of a war two important belligerent nations can be permitted to make a treaty of peace upon terms satisfactory and convenient to themselves in disregard of the interests of other nations.

When Russia was at the gates of Constantinople and in the treaty of San Stefano dictated terms altogether unacceptable to the powers...

What relation the United States will have in the final settlement of the conflict with the powers in Asia is a matter of future determination.

Our government has already placed itself in a very strong, positive position in respect to its rights and privileges in China.

The great proposition is as to what the attitude of the United States will be when the final settlement of the eastern war will come.

Mr. Dewey said that our policy must be to maintain as far as possible the integrity of China and her autonomy.

All rational and unprejudiced citizens who realize how much the country owes to the immigration of the past and are interested in a continuance of its progress and prosperity will certainly echo this hope.

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This is positively shocking, but it is lamentably true. It is an open secret that while open public gambling has decreased in our larger cities, the disappearance of semi-public gambling has been accompanied by a strange increase in gambling among people who move in the glit-ched society.

As a matter of fact the gambling spirit permeates all society and the temptation to play for stakes, large and small, appears to be irresistible, especially among the idle classes.

The money-making presses of the Philadelphia mint are running night and day under high pressure and turning out \$1,000,000 in gold coin every twenty-four hours.

Senator Hansbrough declares that the movement to secure the repeal of the desert land law, the timber and stone law and the commutation of the home act is due to the efforts of the lobby composed mainly of holders of large tracts bought from railroad companies.

Chicago ministers have decided to refrain from joining in the pulp attack upon Senator Reed Smoot as planned by the National League of Women's Organizations of America.

The bill granting the states police power over original packages of bottled malt and spirituous liquors has been reported favorably by the judiciary committee of the lower house of congress.

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SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Chicago Record-Herald: A Brooklyn preacher has been arrested for molesting his wife. But Brooklyn is heroically restraining itself. There is no talk of lynching.

Philadelphia Record: Bishop Merrill is afraid that the young men in the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal conference will crowd some of the veterans out of the more desirable assignments.

New York Tribune: "We shall not," said Bismarck, "go to Canossa." The strong boast was no doubt meant at the time, and the strong man who made it thought surely he would be able to keep it.

They Can't Miss It. Detroit Free Press. There is no use worrying over the whereabouts of the Vladivostok fleet.

The Retort Courteous. Washington Post. Prof. E. Benjamin Andrews expresses a regret that Lincoln was not more cultured and refined.

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DOMESTIC PLEASANTIES.

Miss Oldgirl—Will I marry the man of my choice? Fortune Teller—Yes! But make no mistake! The cards say you will have but one choice.—Puck.

Polly—I'm tired of work. I believe I'll answer one of these millionnaire husbands.

Lolly—Goodness; I suppose you got one with a long, strongly bearded or red whiskered—Indianapolis Journal.

Madge—Why don't you accept him if he offered to have his life insured in your favor? Dolly—Because if he was a good risk for the company he was a bad one for me.—Town Topics.

"We agreed to treat each other with perfect frankness." "How did that work?" "Oh, I could stand her frankness; but she wouldn't stand mine."—Detroit Free Press.

"Did young Mr. Ritchie refer to the subject of love and matrimony?" asked her confidential friend. "No," said the Vassar girl. "He had referred to it, but he should not have let him get away. He only alluded to it."—Chicago Tribune.

A PRAYER.

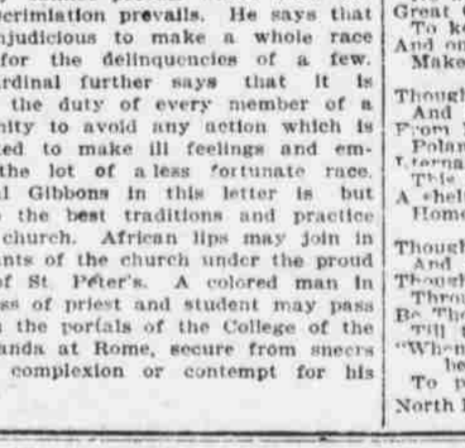
Though Jap and Russ shall meet in war, And shed their richest blood; Though greed and selfish passions mar The common brotherhood; Great God, by whose controlling hand, Let peace shine over this smiting land, Effulgent as the sun.

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They are our allies, our coadjutors, our best agents—they help build us up. There would not be room in The Bee to publish one-half of the letters that sing our praises. Listen, now, what one of our good friends for 20 years or more has to say:

S. A. McWhorter, Grain Commission, 215 Chamber of Commerce, Omaha, Neb. OMAHA, NEB., March 19, 1904. Mr. H. D. Neely, Manager, Equitable Life Assurance Society, Omaha, Nebraska.

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