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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION. Total circulation for the month of March, 1904, was as follows: Daily Bee, 26,870; Sunday Bee, 26,870.

Net sales, \$19,987. Net average sales, \$20,789. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 1st day of April, A. D., 1904.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES.

Representative Hemenway of Indiana, chairman of the house committee on appropriations, in his statement regarding government expenditures, conclusively showed that the appropriations made by the first regular session of the Fifty-eighth congress were not excessive and were fully justified by the requirements of the public service.

The aggregate of appropriations for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, amount to over \$781,000,000, yet there has been no extravagance in any direction and in fact the demands of the several departments of the government were reduced wherever it was found practicable to do so without impairing the efficiency of the public service.

Large as are the expenditures of the federal government, it is yet an interesting fact that in proportion to population it is the most economically administered of any government in the civilized world.

Mr. Bonaparte, president of the National Municipal League, the immediate divorce of national from municipal politics would be inadvisable and possibly disastrous.

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spasmodic reform movements which rarely accomplish lasting improvement in municipal government. As a matter of fact, all the great and beneficent reforms that have been inaugurated in American municipal government within the past quarter of a century through state and city legislation have been brought about by agitation and whole some partisan respect for public opinion.

THE MONEY SUPPLY. A week ago it was stated that the associated banks of New York had deposits amounting, in round numbers, to \$1,110,000,000, or almost double what they were ten years ago.

It is due Secretary Taft to spread the fact that he refuses to have any more cavalry escorts. The proposal that a troop of United States cavalry be ordered out as his personal bodyguard at St. Louis next Saturday was promptly and flatly vetoed by the secretary.

Stanton Pickett, Congressman Kinkaid's section homestead bill in the arid western portion of this state and in Colorado is a big thing, but it is no bigger than Congressman Kinkaid.

Norfolk News: Charles H. Dietrich is credited with having rushed through the senate the Kinkaid bill increasing homesteads in western Nebraska to 640 acres under certain conditions.

Senator Dietrich was fully and completely vindicated of all charges against him by the senate committee appointed to investigate his conduct in connection with the appointment of Postmaster Fisher of Hastings and the renting of his building to the government for post-office purposes.

Mr. Harriman has made his visit of inspection of Union Pacific properties in Omaha, but he has failed as yet to tell whether we may expect a new headquarters building in the near future or the employees and records of that great railroad will continue to be housed in a building known to be unsafe and positively dangerous.

The official organ of the populists in this state declares that there is no longer any democratic party, but simply two distinct political parties, each claiming the old name.

The owner of Joslyn castle has announced his intention to dismantle that imposing edifice and have it transported to Saratoga on car wheels.

Big Returns for the Money. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The per capita of government expenditures in the United States, which is \$7.75, is the lowest in the world.

Is This a Land of the Free? Minneapolis Times. Some unreasonable grand jury down in Pennsylvania has indicted the directors of a savings bank because they insisted upon the deposits around in their pockets instead of sending a banking officer and buying a safe.

Bayard Transcript: The Big Sixth has a real representation in congress. Judge Kinkaid can wear his sombrero with white feather. His 640-acre homestead bill has passed the house and will doubtless become a law.

Bankman News: With western Nebraska offering 640-acre homesteads this summer and the government offering homesteads at minimum prices in southern South Dakota there is every reason to believe that there will be an immigration into that section of the country that cannot but prove to advantage to the state.

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GOSSIP ABOUT THE WAR.

People and Places Focusing the Attention of the world. A letter written by Tajiyo Ueno, an officer of the Japanese cruiser Tokiwa, is published in the Tokio newspaper.

Lieut. Masaki of a Japanese warship writes to his wife: "After all there is plenty of luck in battle and a fellow of good luck cannot be killed."

There is nothing incredible in the report that the Japanese had honor to the memory of Admiral Makarov. "All Oriental people who are fighters do this."

"There is some mistake," said the American. "I have infringed no man's right. These are my goods. I invented the article, and I designed the trade-mark myself, and coined the name."

"He was finally made to understand that the trade-mark and ownership of the goods were minor details. The Japanese complainant who owned no goods, had invented nothing, and had designed no trade name or mark, had been sufficiently alert to register the trade-mark, and was therefore entitled to the business."

"I've opened this little atelier," said a pretty Japanese student quoted by the New York Times, "just to sell Japanese dictionaries and teach the language."

"I'll give you \$10," said a Russian. "If you'll teach me how to call a Russian I know an old farmer."

Included in a peculiar double envelope, typically Japanese, every letter received in Louisville, Ky., from Miss Frederica Straffer, who is doing missionary work in Corea, bears the marks of the Japanese censor.

It is really two envelopes skillfully fastened into one, both sealed so that it is hard to get into it.

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way across the waters, arriving about two months after it was posted. Miss Straffer writes that for several months just before the war between Russia and Japan broke out she did not receive any letters, even from her relatives at home.

Since the war between Russia and Japan began a good deal has been heard of the Shimose powder, which, in the opinion of military experts, gives Japan a great advantage both on sea and land.

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LIGHT AND LIVELY.

Callers—Well, the nerve of that! Merchant—What? Caller—Didn't you hear that snip of a boy referring to you as "Bill"?

"I saw a ghost once," spoke up the passenger with the skull cap; "a real ghost." "Huh!" said the conductor, with the flashy watch chain.

Mr. Strange—Your father is in politics, isn't he? Tommy Lushman—Yes, but mom thinks he's a "piker" cured of it.

"So I hear you've taken a farm fifteen miles from the city. When did you retire from business?" "I've retired from business," said the man, "but I haven't retired from farming."

"What is the matter with your mouth? Why isn't it the longest?" "Why doesn't it stretch from 'C' to 'E'?" "Doesn't it stretch from 'C' to 'E'?" "Doesn't it stretch from 'C' to 'E'?"

SONG OF SPRING.

Ethel M. Kelly in Leslie's Monthly. Ecstasy's sting! Birth in the wildwood, and birds on the wing. Living cries out to you, Fragrance about you, What is all about you, --When it is spring!