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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, 1904. M. B. HONGATE, Notary Public.

Old Omaha is still quite young. The June rise is coming on schedule time.

San Domingo looked at Colorado and then quit fighting. Former Acting Mayor Zimman is now in position to write a book entitled "Mayor for a Day."

The singularity of plurality is shown when Utah women organize a society for the propagation of polygamy.

Four inches of snow at Leadville would indicate that Colorado can keep cool under adverse circumstances.

We are glad to know that the assessment of that baronial castle was not the real cause of Mr. Joslyn's grievance.

What is puzzling the Jacksonian club now that the kitty has been scared away is how to raise the funds to pay the ice man.

On the blackboard of the school board the janitors' permanent list appears to be listed higher than the teachers' permanent list.

If President Stickney will bring that mammoth elevator along he will be welcome to participate in the old settlers' celebration.

Russian military experts say they are in doubt as to what General Kourapatkin will do, and they may know as much about it as the general himself.

The Nebraska semi-centennial celebration is a public celebration. No special invitations are required nor should any one interested stand on ceremony.

When Morocco accedes to all of the demands of Raisoul and thus puts a premium upon brigandage, France cannot begin its benevolent assimilation too soon.

Today belongs to the old settlers. Tomorrow belongs to the current generation which is to complete the work begun by the founders of Nebraska fifty years ago.

Adjutant General Bell of Colorado deprecates the wrecking of the Victor Record office, but it is noticeable that he sent no men with rifles after the perpetrators of the outrage.

Henry Watterson looks with dread to the time when the office of president may be sold to the highest bidder, but Colonel Watterson will have to admit that the first attempt in this direction has met with failure.

As a royal jolliter King Edward can hardly be called a success. His friendly words to the Irish called out a protest from the London Times and now the Spectator fears he will say too much when he meets the kaiser.

The grand jury has adjourned without finding any substantial grounds for those well defined rumors, but parties whose political stock in trade is made up chiefly of well defined rumors may be depended upon to continue to circulate them.

It is hard to part with some traditions. We are told, for example, by Uncle Bill Snowden, who claims to be the oldest inhabitant at this time, that the late A. D. Jones was not the first postmaster of Omaha, although he carried letters in his hat.

We have been asked to keep it strictly confidential that there is a 900-barrel a day flouring mill in sight of Omaha, but we divulge no secret when we say that its erection will be hailed with a good deal of satisfaction by every man and woman interested in the growth and prosperity of this city.

PROTESTING DEMOCRATS.

That there are many democrats in New York who are opposed to Parker has been made evident since the action of the Albany convention endorsing him and fresh testimony to this effect is furnished in the call for a state convention to be held June 18 for the purpose of sending a delegation to St. Louis to protest against nominating Parker.

The democrats identified with this movement, some of whom have long been prominent in Empire state politics, declare that Judge Parker could not carry New York if he were nominated with the present influence back of him. In their call they characterize the platform of the convention that instructed for Parker as meaningless and warn the national democracy "that a candidate who has no principles, or does not declare them, and stands on a platform of platitudes, cannot carry the state of New York and does not deserve success."

Even with a united and harmonious party behind him in his own state there would be no certainty of Judge Parker carrying it. Any serious defection, such as is now being manifested, would assure his defeat in New York. It is needless to say that this consideration will have great weight at St. Louis should the anti-Parker element in the Empire state carry out the purpose it has announced and which there is every reason to believe it will do.

ADVENT OF THE VOTING MACHINE. Polk county, Iowa, and the city of Des Moines, have decided to substitute voting machines for the paper ballots, and the contract has been let for fifty-one machines at an expense of \$25,000. While this may seem a very large sum, the investment cannot fail to effect a very large saving in the long run in the conduct of elections.

Most desirable of all would be the promptness in securing correct returns and the avoidance of frivolous and costly election contests on account of alleged ballot box stuffing and tally sheet padding. In case of the adoption of the Minnesota primary election law there would be a still greater saving effected by the use of machine voting in place of ballot voting.

NO EMPLOYMENT AT ST. LOUIS. Working men and working women, and people in quest of employment generally, should keep away from St. Louis unless they are prepared to meet with disappointment. Thousands of men and women who imagined that they would find lucrative employment in the exposition city are now stranded there and many of them are in dire distress.

poorer in pocket, but richer in experience. Many thousands are now seeking employment in Chicago, which, being the nearest and most promising of the larger cities, is generally the point of retreat. "When the disappointed come here," says the Chicago Inter Ocean, "they are willing and anxious to do anything, and the crowds that gather daily around the newspaper offices waiting for the editions to come from the press scan every line in the 'Help Wanted' columns. Especially is the number of women and girls who are searching for work unusual. They are storming the restaurants asking to act as waitresses, but willing to go into the kitchen if necessary to clean the pots and pans or scrub the floors."

There are, doubtless, many men and women in this section of the country who have been anxiously waiting to save up money enough to go to St. Louis in order to strike paying employment. To those a word of caution should be sufficient. Keep away from St. Louis.

PER CAPITA CIRCULATION. According to the treasury statement the volume of money in circulation continues to increase at the rate of from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000 a month, which may be taken as a fair indication of the increase in trade and commerce. At the beginning of the present month the per capita circulation was \$30.69, based on an estimated population of 81,752,000. This is a little less than the per capita circulation a month ago, the decline being due to the large withdrawal of gold during the last weeks of May.

With a circulation of over \$2,500,000,000, which is steadily increasing by additions to the gold supply and to the national bank currency, there is manifestly no reason for doubting that the supply of money is adequate for the legitimate business needs of the country. The Nebraska democratic platform says that democracy "would secure to the people a volume of standard money sufficient to keep pace with the demand for money." Can there be any question that we now have such a volume for every legitimate demand? It does not appear that anywhere the merchant or manufacturer who is entitled to credit cannot get what money he needs for his business and at reasonable rates. This money is "standard," every dollar of it worth one hundred cents and on an entirely sound and secure basis.

PAYING THE GOVERNMENT. The first payment on the loan of \$4,000,000 made by the government to the Louisiana Purchase exposition will become due June 15 and the management has been notified by the secretary of the treasury that it is expected the payments will be promptly met, otherwise he will take charge of the receipts and collection of tickets, as required by the terms of the loan. Secretary Shaw has also suggested to President Francis that something be done by the management to stimulate attendance at the fair, which thus far has not been so good as was reasonably expected.

It seems to be the quite general opinion that the weakest point in the management of the exposition has been the inadequate effort to attract public attention to it. An eastern paper observes that the chief defect is that the fair has lacked a competent bureau of publicity and that its merits, which ought to have been spread to the four corners of the globe for six months before it opened, are now known chiefly to the few people who have actually visited it. There was some advertising done, but it was not on a very liberal scale when the greatness of the enterprise is considered, and it was not persisted in as it should have been.

THE OFFICIAL CIRCULAR ISSUED BY THE Union Pacific railroad on June 2, 1904, embodies information that may be instructive and useful for the guidance of the State Board of Railroad Assessment. The gross receipts of the Union Pacific system, including the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company's lines, for the month of April aggregate \$4,150,027.25, as against \$4,092,305.39 for the same month in 1903, and the expenses for the month of April, 1904, were \$2,373,253.21, as against \$2,380,462.46. This shows an increase in gross receipts of more than 20 per cent over the same month of the preceding year.

Here is something that Cleveland democrats, and anti-Bryan democrats generally, who are going to the St. Louis convention as delegates will do well to paste in their hats. It contains more than one point that is extremely pertinent in connection with the past and the future of the party. In the first place, it audaciously declares the democrats who held Bryan from their familiar position as "traitors"—a position which no one has done more than Mr. Bryan to place them in—the lofty rank of citizens who "give to their country their best conscience and their best judgment at the time when action is required."

which are reputed to be earning a great deal less per mile than the Union Pacific proper, they clearly justify the assumption that the Union Pacific railroad has been earning a great deal more for the last year than during the preceding year and is, therefore, much more valuable as a going property than it ever has been.

Former City Attorney Murdock of South Omaha has extended an invitation to all parties who have suitable city hall sites to make known at what price they are willing to part with them so that he may be able to ascertain the probable amount of city hall bonds to be issued. If Mr. Murdock would explain why he is so deeply interested in bond issues, or rather why he was so deeply interested in a former bond issue, he would disarm the suspicion of some South Omaha taxpayers that there is a deal on with bond speculators.

There is reason to believe that Jim Hill and his associates do not look with disfavor on the proposition to take Mr. Knox out of the attorney general's office and place him in the United States senate from Pennsylvania. They might fare no better at the hands of his successor in the cabinet, but they are sure they could fare no worse.

The Japanese minister to Corea says that Japan must rule the Hermit Kingdom while maintaining the fiction of Korean independence. Some people think Uncle Sam has a somewhat similar problem not far from the zone of the proposed interoceanic canal.

THE GREAT ENDORSED. Ex-President Cleveland has twice declared himself in favor of Judge Parker's nomination. Is it to be another case of three times and out?

THE WHITE MAN'S BURDEN. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The white man's burden in Tibet is estimated at \$1,500,000 a month, with a prospect of speedy increase. But Mr. Bull feels pretty solid again, now that the Rand yield of gold is nearing the old figures.

WHAT THE SHIPBUILDERS WANT. Philadelphia Ledger. From the hearings before the maritime commission it appears to the general public that the shipbuilders can think of but one way to build up the merchant marine, and that is to get the taxpayer to add to his taxes.

NOTHING THE MATTER WITH KANSAS. Chicago Record-Herald. For stealing \$300,000 a Kansas bank cashier has been sentenced to thirty-five years in the penitentiary.

BIPLANE Hours of Parkerman Silence. Pittsburg Dispatch. It was Oliver Wendell Holmes who alluded to that blessed succession: And silence, like a politics, comes to be the rule of the day.

BYRON ON PARTY LOYALTY. Recently a woman went to a station house and said to the sergeant: "My husband has not been home to his dinner, and everything is getting cold. I wish you would make him come home." Whereupon a detachment of coppers went out slouching for the recalcitrant husband, found him playing poker in a room over a tailor shop and sent him home double quick to his dinner.

"Placed on file" is the record made at the Navy department of a thousand and one suggestions received for improving the efficiency of the service. It is safe to say that these suggestions will be permitted to remain on file undisturbed until it is necessary to clear away the accumulation of useless material in the department, when they will be sent to the refuse heaps. The department is also full of suggestions from the same class of inventors, and one southern genius is represented in his claim for attention by an ex-secretary of the navy, who has asked that expert consideration be given to a monster balloon which shall be carried aloft by the occupants of the smokestacks, from which the balloon is to obtain its gases.

It was reported in the dispatches that one man in the boat was released by being fired from the torpedo tube, and it occurred to various inventors that some such thing might be done for all the occupants of a disabled submarine at the bottom of the sea, the difficulty being in getting the last man might get out of the boat and reach a place of safety. Naval officers say that if the means of escape existed for anyone on a submarine under such circumstances it would be a simple matter to have the last man escape in the same way as his companions. There are enough electrical appliances to make the project of that sort possible. The inventors who have written to the department appeared to think that the incident was surrounded with many difficulties. It is said in the navy that those who drown in the submarine probably realize that if anything happens to make return to the surface impossible their fate is sealed as tightly as the boat in which they are imprisoned.

Taking a Large Contract. Indianapolis Journal. They tell us the value of the year's farm products in the United States is approximately \$4,500,000,000. Thus the gentlemen who at sundry times dream of forming a great co-operative monopoly to control the production of the farm may make some estimate of the size of the job they are so fond of undertaking.

Keeping Up Its Reputation. Among those who were granted new trials by the Missouri supreme court yesterday by reason of legal technicalities were three St. Louis bootleggers, three of the Webb City "fakes" pot racers and a Kansas City man who cut his little child's throat.

BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched on the Spot. Lyman L. Kebler, chief of the drug laboratory of the Department of Agriculture, was conducting an inquiry into the government an inquiry into the adulteration of drugs.

The Indians all knew the late Senator Quay as their friend a few months ago a pretty Indian girl from some western reservation journeyed to Washington to secure the kindly offices of Senator Quay in procuring a pardon for her brother. He had committed murder. Senator Quay listened to her story and then asked: "Why were you not shot?" "The circumstances connected with the shooting?" "Yes, my brother killed at 500 yards," said the maiden.

This brought a ray of hope to the senator. He thought that any man who could kill at 500 yards would appeal to the president. "Former General Knox was visited. Mr. Quay said: 'I have never asked you for anything since you have been in office. I now want something. I desire a pardon for this Indian.'"

The ornithologists of the Department of Agriculture were making an investigation of the economic value of the Bob White, a result of which it is now announced that that bird is "probably the most useful abundant species on the farms."

Field observations, experiments and examinations show that the Bob White consumes a large quantity of weed seeds and destroys many of the worst insect pests with which farmers contend, and yet it does not injure grain, fruit or any other crop.

It is calculated that from September 1 to April 30, annually, in Virginia alone, the total consumption of weed seed by Bob Whites amounts to 573 tons. Some of the pests which it habitually destroys, the report says, are the Mexican cotton boll weevil, which damages the cotton crop upward of \$15,000,000 a year; the potato beetle, which cuts off \$100,000,000 from the value of the potato crop; the cotton worm, which have been known to cause \$30,000,000 loss in a year; the cinch bug and the Rocky mountain locust, scourges which leave desolation in their path, and have caused loss to the extent of \$100,000,000 in some years.

The report urges measures to secure the preservation of the Bob Whites in this country.

The Washington police are most polite and obliging. They will hunt up and re-stitch missing husbands as well as children. Recently a woman went to a station house and said to the sergeant: "My husband has not been home to his dinner, and everything is getting cold. I wish you would make him come home."

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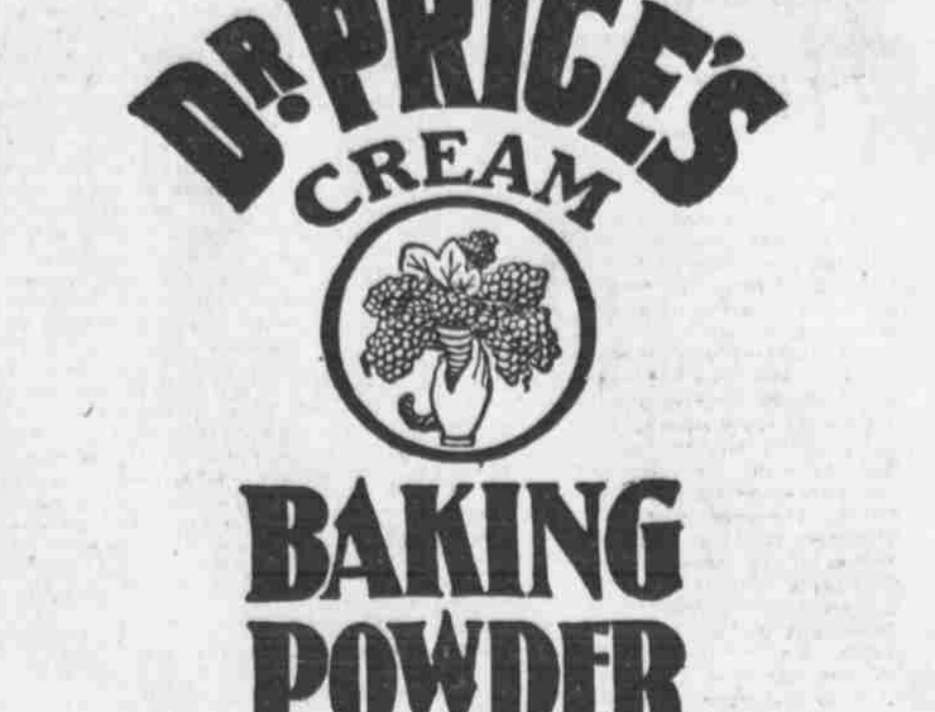
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Clothes as a Factor in Electing Presidents and Vice Presidents.

The one point in connection with Judge Parker's candidacy which seems to have defied all attempts at concealment is that he is well groomed. Whatever may be the effect of such an admission on the democratic heart and mind, it is conceded on all hands that the judge is the glass of fashion and the mold of form. It would be impossible, of course, to keep this fact a secret, since the managers of Judge Parker have insisted only on surrounding his views and principles with mystery, and have ventured no restrictions on his external manifestations.

Meanwhile the development of the boom of J. Lee Webster of Nebraska for the vice presidential nomination shows that the republicans are not disposed to neglect the factor of esthetics in the nomination of their ticket. With all due respect for the sterling and rugged qualities of Theodore Roosevelt his most ardent admirers would not think of claiming that he could compete with Judge Parker as a sartorial paragon.

PERSONAL NOTES. Already St. Louis has become the Mecca of 82 per cent of this summer's honeymoon couples. Senator Raines of New York is now the governor of the state, yet ten and for the next few days the Raines law ought to be enforced if it is ever going to be.

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BANK WRECKERS AND OTHERS.

Politte Hascally Finds a Court Equal to that of the Emergency.

J. E. Marcell was a Kansas bank cashier. He forged papers to the amount of \$300,000, thereby wrecking his institution. Being found guilty, he has been sentenced to thirty-five years' imprisonment. He must serve eighteen years of that time before he can even be released on parole. Already he has put on the convict stripes and begun to learn the tailoring trade as apprenticeship under an imprisoned outlaw and bank robber, Emma Dalton.

There has been a great development of public opinion in the last generation toward the sterner punishment of crimes of this kind. Nevertheless, there is plenty of room for a still further development. The offense of the promoter of a watered trust that collapses and thereby ruins the small stockholders, while the promoter is able to get safely away with his profits, is closely akin to that of the bank wrecker. In one case the innocent depositor suffers, in the other the innocent shareholder. In the course of time our criminal laws will take cognizance of this fact. If such a development of law had come earlier the sharper who operated in Wall street during the merry days of trust flotation that culminated in 1852 would have had shorter shirt and fewer victims.

POINTED REMARKS.

First Umbrella—Are you for protection? Second Umbrella—No, apparently I'm for first trade. Cholly Brokehead tells me his ancestors were the best of the best. Yes, he's right, Cholly isn't. I'm his ancestor. "What did that new arrival want?" asked the recording angel. "He asked me if I knew where he could get hold of four old hales," said St. Peter. "He says he will buy a new one and build an automobile." Philadelphia Press.

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "who kin tell you all about why de Russians is makin' de war on de Germans, but dey can't tell you no hand dat dey couldin' give an excuse for deir heave'n's sake."—Washington Star.

Patent—What is the matter with me, doctor? Tobacco heart? Physician—What's the matter? Not at all, sir. Cabbage heart.—Chicago Tribune.

Lady Caller—But I thought children were not tolerated in these apartments. Hostess—Ah, but you see, we named the baby after the janitor.—Town Topics.

Jane—I wonder what makes Mayme look so sour? Edythe—Her new lemon-colored shoes. I suppose they are probably too small.—Chicago News.

"I thought Richey Skinner was quite a popular citizen of your town." "Why, told you that?" said St. Peter. "Well, I was told he had won many marks of esteem from his fellow-citizens." "Yes, dollar-marks."—Philadelphia Press.

Victim—I've paid this debt twice over, and you know it. You're an enemy to me now, for heaven's sake! Loan Shark—Because I'm not in the business for heaven's sake.—Chicago Tribune.

"Why don't you do something to convince the table that you're an enemy to the trust?" "I'm afraid to go any further in that direction," answered Senator Borgburn. "For fear I'll convince the trusts of the same thing."—Washington Star.

HER GRADUATION DRESS.

Somerville Journal. When Ethel rose to speak her place on graduation day. She looked upon a gorgeous class of girls in glad array. And her young heart was filled with peace, because she knew they envied her her graduation dress. And so she made her little bow. And said her little say. The envy of the gorgeous class. Of girls in glad array. No girl in glad array. But, but even now, I guess. Those girls could tell you all about that graduation dress.

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