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THE COST OF LIVING ISSUES.

Eight years ago the democrats urged that because of the low price of commodities the producers did not receive a fair return and the party demanded the free and unlimited coinage of silver...

Perhaps some commodities are higher than they ought to be, but this is a condition which will adjust itself in time. According to the bulletin of prices recently issued from the Department of Commerce and Labor...

When the democratic party was last in power the country had both low prices and low wages and doubtless would have been again in that party should be restored to power.

NEW ENGLAND AND RECIPROcity.

Agitation for reciprocity with Canada is being vigorously maintained in New England. Massachusetts leading in the movement. A few days ago the subject was discussed before the Middlesex club of Boston, Senator Lodge being one of the speakers and pointing out that reciprocity is a question of detail...

The Boston Transcript remarks that the establishment of reciprocity with Canada, once it is decided that it is desirable, is likely to be attended with patience-taxing difficulties. It thinks that the overtures for reciprocity must be made by this country.

THE COST TO COLORADO.

Colorado has already spent a large sum of money in the effort to restore order in the disturbed section of that state and undoubtedly a great deal more will be paid out for damages. The closing of the Portland mine was an arbitrary proceeding for which the state will probably have to pay.

The state authorities will find it extremely difficult to justify the policy of deportation. It has been very generally condemned and unless Colorado is completely under the domination of the mining corporations justice will be done the men who were taken from their homes and families and without being given a chance to speak in their own defense were shipped under military guard out of the state.

for damages under article xiv of the constitution, which declares that no state shall deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Undoubtedly the organization of which the deported miners are members will endeavor to obtain redress for these men and in this it will have the support and assistance of organized labor throughout the country, as well as a great deal of public sympathy.

RAILROAD VALUES IN DOUGLAS COUNTY.

In the assessment of the railroads for the year 1904 Douglas county does not fare as well as many other counties less favorably situated with regard to railroad facilities.

Table with columns: Road, Mileage, Assessment 1903, Assessment 1904. Includes Union Pacific, Omaha & Republican, Valley, etc.

The proportion to which Omaha will be entitled in the railroad assessment for 1904 is so ridiculously low that even the most conscientious railroad tax agent or lawyer will have to concede its rank injustice.

The fire and police board and city council are now facing the perplexing problem how to maintain the fire department at its greatest efficiency with the limited funds at their command.

Judge Gantt of the Missouri supreme court may, as a consistent democrat, support Attorney Folk for governor, but he cannot resist the temptation to show where the attorney has been too energetic in the prosecution of an alleged hoodler whose main defense is the statute of limitation.

to another with a purpose of shifting the burden of caring for the unfortunate victim. This reprehensible practice is becoming altogether too common and something should be done to stop it, and that soon.

Picking Flaws.

Premier Combes relates that he threatened to throw the man out of a window who offered him a bribe of \$200,000. But the public can't help observing that he didn't throw him out of the window.

Exhibition Bailed Up.

Who says that the day of classical erudition has passed at our great universities? Here is the whole undergraduate body at Cambridge plunged into deep dejection because Clarksons, their crack pitcher, was unable to decline bonus.

Veteran of Many Engagements.

A veteran who lately applied for a pension on the ground that he had been married ten times and divorced eight. Naturally it would be difficult to enumerate the engagements in which he has figured, though if he dies the department might be confronted with a Chinese puzzle in the matter of original widows.

High Priced Gratitudo.

A rare case is that of a New York woman who expressed no bitterness when her husband who had spent \$20,000 made his escape. She said she was willing to lose the money, as the fugitive had once saved her life by his skill as a physician.

Yellow Peril Fading Away.

We have now, we are told, a clear vision of the yellow peril. Here are men gifted with both strategy and courage, and if they come out of this war victorious the white races may well look to their laurels.

THE YEAR'S EXPORTS.

Heavy Balance of Trade Favorable to the United States. Chicago Record-Herald. The government bureau of statistics has just published figures for the May exports of breadstuffs, cattle, provisions, cotton and mineral oils, which makes it appear probable that the country's total exports of all kinds for the current fiscal year will exceed last year's figures, but fall somewhat short of the record year, 1903.

Comparison of exports with imports for the year, as far as the figures are yet available, for the year ending with the falling off of May in the five classes of goods mentioned above, which include more than half of the total exports, it seems probable that no new record can be established this year.

NOTED DIVINE AT WHITE HOUSE.

Doctor Lyman Abbott, Anti-Imperialist Leader, a Guest. Washington Dispatch to St. Louis Record. Rev. Lyman Abbott of Brooklyn, the famous preacher, author and editor, who is everywhere considered the strongest and most logical leader of the anti-imperialists, is in Washington, Dr. Abbott and the president have long been firm friends, but in the matter of the Philippines they have occupied positions far apart.

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In accordance with the liberalizing clause issued by the czar early last year the Russian council of state has approved the bills of M. von Plehve, minister of the interior, to repeal the law whereby Hebrews are forbidden to reside outside "the pale," or anywhere within thirty miles of the Russian frontier.

After all kinds of delays, inevitable in all negotiations with the Turk, a start seems to have been made at last toward the reorganization of the Macedonian gendarmerie.

Orsel Sockery. Chicago Chronicle. In the platform of the democratic party the Illinois democratic convention refer to themselves as "the untrammeled representative of the people." Quit laughing.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The tenacity of Japan in coping with a country possessing the military resources of Russia is no longer regarded by the Russian government with contempt. The czar is now reported as declaring that he is ready to sacrifice a million of his subjects to defeat Japan.

Stories of the general maladministration and speculation by which the Russian military power is paralyzed continue to flow in from all quarters. A correspondent writing from Kiev to a London journal quotes an invalid physician, recently arrived from Kharin, as saying that sickness is increasing at a fearful rate among the Russian troops in Manchuria, and that a great part of it is attributable to the bad food and other damaged foodstuffs furnished by dishonest contractors.

The report of the British Royal Commission, suggesting conscription as the best method of securing an adequate defensive army, has met with almost universal disapproval by the classes from which the conscripts would be drawn.

One of the latest grievances in Finland is the arbitrary transfer from the Finnish exchequer to the Russian exchequer of 8,000,000 Finnish marks (about \$1,500,000) on account of the contribution which Finland has to make to the military expenses of the empire.

It is rumored that Bourke Cockran will not remain a widower much longer. His name is being coupled with that of Mrs. Adolf Landenburg, the handsome widow of the banker, but then the gossip finds a sutler for Mrs. Landenburg every few months.

Smooth Work for Harmony.

The excellent tacticians at the head of the republic party are shrewd in deciding that the coming Chicago convention should not take sides in the factional warfare among the republicans of Wisconsin.

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DRICE BAKING POWDER CO. CHICAGO.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Like other wise men, Judge Parker believes that the great trouble with the democratic party is too much talk. Three men bearing the name of Mudd are running for congress in one Maryland district. Mudd alighting in that district is unavoidable.

Chicago speculators are asking \$50 each for spectators' seats in the republican convention. At the same rate, measured by the excitement, seats in the St. Louis convention ought to bring \$500 each.

Ex-Congressman Murray of South Carolina, who made quite a fortune as a non-resident, is now doing time in the penitentiary. His falling was writing the autobiography of other people on notes.

Tom Taggart of Indiana and Frank Lech, prospective chairman of the democratic national committee, declare "there are three rules of deportment which should be the guiding stars of all politicians: First, never a drink for fear of promoting intemperance; second, never refuse a drink for fear of making bad friends; third, never worry about what happens—unless it happens to you."

JIM BLUDSO, OF THE PRAIRIE BELLE

John Hay. "Well, no! I can't tell what he lives. Because he don't live, you see; he's dead. He's out of the habit of living, he's been in the hospital. What have you been for the last three years?"

He weren't no saint—but an engineer. As all pretty much alike. One wife in Natchez-under-the-hill. And another one her in Fike. A keener's heart and was Jim. And an awkward man in a row. But he never flunked and he never lied. I reckon he never knowed how.

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NOTE.—There are many imitations, made in imitation of baking powder, which the prudent will avoid. They are lower in price but they are made from alum, and are dangerous to use in food.

GLEEPFUL GAB.

"Zeb," said the colored man's employer, "I'm afraid you're getting a little laxy." "No, suh, was the earnest reply, "I ain't laxy. I kin do as much work as any two of these other minks, but I's tryin' to keep 'em showin' off."—Washington Star.

"He's killed his chances of election," said the first citizen. "That speech he made to you quered him." "He started off by saying, 'A word to the wise is sufficient,' and he gave us about 8,000 votes."—Chicago Tribune.

"Don't you sometimes feel that you are getting more salary from the government than you are actually worth?" "Sometimes," answered Senator Borghum. "Doesn't it annoy you?" "No. As a business man I'm rather proud of the margin of profit."—Washington Star.

Poor Richard was compiling his almanac. "But," they asked, "how will you predict the temperature?" "The weather," he replied, "I shall simply label each day: 'Did you ever see such weather?'"

Knowing they were always kickers, the shrewd judge of human nature fell to work.—New York Sun.

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