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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, A. D. 1904.

Since the hot weather began objection to the wearing apparel of the Igorrotes at St. Louis has given place to envy.

The impression is growing that more disintegration than reorganization was produced by the St. Louis convention.

The packing house magnates evidently had some curls up their sleeve when they proposed arbitration to their striking employees.

'Uncle Joe' Cannon has a hard task before him if he must live up to his Chicago record in the formal proceedings at Oyster Bay.

Although St. Paul has but one packing house involved in the present strike, it is making up in intensity for what it lacks in volume.

Those interurban and suburban electric railroads appear to be a long time coming. Some of them are composed principally of wind, and others of wind and water.

Henry Watterson may shout for Parker and Davis, but old-timers may question his sincerity until he finds a place in the campaign for the star-eyed goddess of reform.

Some way or other one cannot help feeling that if Mark Hanna had been spared to the country less would now be heard about strikes in the mines and in the packing houses.

Colonel Bryan is generous to Judge Parker. While he was only able to devise one paramount issue for each of his own campaigns, he has already found four for the impending conflict.

Bryan won't bolt no matter how much he distrusts Parker, but he will ask Nebraska republicans to bolt their state nominations to help him capture the state house as a personal vindication.

It is alleged that the packers and the strikers cannot reach a basis of arbitration, which is pretty good evidence of the necessity for arbitration, even if it must start at first principles.

Democratic leaders are holding conference in New York as to what they may do in the organization of their national committee and the conduct of the campaign. What they will do will be announced later from Esopus.

The old line Missouri democrats are willing to concede the nomination for governor to Atchey Folk, but they will do their best to show him that it is a matter of favor and not of right that he is to have it with little or no opposition.

For some unexplained but easily explainable reason the announcements in the World-Herald democratic defections from the Parker forces are not grouped in the "regret-to-report" class or decorated with any signs of mourning at the loss.

Great Britain is in a quandary again over the stopping of British ships and seizure of British mails by Russians.

If it protests too strongly it may debar itself from doing the same thing in case of war and if it does not protest strong enough the sanctity of the British flag will amount to little more than the name.

Lots of business is going through Omaha passenger stations these days only to emphasize the desirability of some more convenient way of transit from one station to the other.

A tunnel under the tracks separating the two stations would be hailed with delight by the traveling public and could easily be constructed if the railroad people would only get together.

THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE.

"One difference between the opposition and ourselves," said Senator Beveridge at the Chicago convention, "is this: They select their candidate for the people and the people select our candidate for us." Theodore Roosevelt was nominated because he was the unanimous choice of the rank and file of the republican party.

The democratic candidate for president, on the other hand, was not nominated in response to a popular call or demand. It was a handful of scheming and not over-ambitious politicians who made him the standard bearer of the democracy. The rank and file of the party knew nothing of him and he would not permit them to learn anything.

Placing himself in the hands of such tricky politicians as David B. Hill, Sheehan and others whom he could trust to play any sort of game that promised success, Mr. Parker kept silent while his scheming lieutenants worked and only spoke after the nomination was secure.

Even now the masses of the democratic party do not know anything about his opinions except as to the single question of the gold standard. It is to be inferred that he approves the platform, but he has given not the slightest intimation of this.

The contrast between the position of Roosevelt before the country and that of Parker is obvious. The republican candidate is the people's choice, the nominee of the party in obedience to the unanimous demand of its rank and file. The democratic candidate is the creation of a coterie of politicians who thrust him upon the voters of the party without letting them know anything regarding his views on national questions.

Russia appears to have little respect for the rights of neutrals and the operations of her cruisers in the West sea, if persisted in, can hardly fail to get her into serious trouble. The London Times a few days ago vigorously urged the British government to protest against the course which the Russians are taking with respect to neutrals.

The vessels of Russia that are operating in the Red sea came through the Dardanelles and it is a question whether in this Russia has not violated treaty obligations, but it is said to be the opinion among European diplomats that the powers will not make any objection on this score, though some of them may insist that henceforth volunteer vessels shall be considered as warships within the meaning of the treaty.

THE ISSUE WITH PANAMA. The tariff plan devised at Washington for application to the Panama canal zone has brought on an issue between our government and that of the republic of Panama.

shall be constructed all parts of the isthmus are under the direct jurisdiction of Panama.

It is reported that all political parties are with the government in its attitude. Unquestionably there are substantial grounds for the position in this matter of the government and people of Panama and it is safe to say that they will receive proper and fair consideration at Washington.

The abolition of the western division of the rural free delivery service which has its headquarters in this city is regarded as a loss to the commercial interests of Omaha, and the transfer of its efficient superintendent, S. B. Rathbone, to the southern division, which has its headquarters at St. Louis, will be regretted by all his subordinates in the postal service.

IMPERIALISM AS A BORE. Talk about imperialism bores us. The subject is important, no doubt, but the talk lacks interest. This may be lamentable, but it is true.

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Clubbing the Innocent.

In the meat strike, the public gets the worst of it by a large majority. Owners of meats are making money out of the strike.

Where the Octopus Comes In. Considering that Uncle Henry Davis is worth \$40,000,000, is president of two railroads and is a director in four banks, his nomination can, after all, hardly be regarded as the almost deserted shrine of the enemies of the octopus.

Hour of the Vegetarian. This is the hour of the vegetarian's opportunity. If his crusade is successful he will solve for all time the trust problem, so far at least as the beef trust is concerned, and that is an honor worth seeking.

Happy Host for Gumbahoe Bill. Our old friend, the Hon. William Joel Stone, a senator in congress from Missouri and more tenderly known as Gum Shoe Bill, is faithful among the faithless found.

The Hon. Moses Cincinnatus Wetmore of St. Louis is burning anti-trust cigars at the White House. He is a member of the senate, will not lack adherents and worshippers.

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Celebrating Dictators. With a candidate who waited until it was too late to nominate anybody else and then made out his own platform and refused to run on any other, the democratic

ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON.

Current Events Gleaned from the Army and Navy Register.

There remains some twenty vacancies in the position of post quartermaster sergeant in the army, thirty of those places having recently been filled from the list of eligibles.

The general order publishing certain changes in the regulations prescribing the uniform of the army is still pending in the first division of the general staff.

Captain Adelbert Cronkite of the quartermaster's department has gone to Manassas, Va., to make the preliminary arrangements for the army and militia maneuvers.

There have been additional vacancies created by the promotions and retirements in the army during the week. There are now twenty vacancies in the grade of second lieutenant in the artillery corps.

The War department has received all but one of the reports of army inspections of so-called military colleges, where are on the part of the military instruction.

Modern Thought Modifies the Temperature of the Future State. Chicago Tribune. One has but to compare the sermons of twenty years ago with those of the present to realize that the old-fashioned hell has been superseded by a new hell much different in character and in population from the old one.

NOT IS BAD AS PAINTED. I have no sympathy with indiscriminate and often unjust and unfair tax on corporations. I believe in the principle of "live and let live," but no one can fairly deny that corporations are responsible to some degree for the violent attacks made upon them.

The Finish of Highball. Cleveland Plain Dealer. The race horse Highball, who broke his leg and had to be shot, was a valuable animal. His owner claimed he was worth \$50,000, and had refused \$25,000 for him.

Annoyances of Kodak Friends. Cleveland Leader. The sympathies of the American at large will go out to Judge Parker and his family in their present position of unpleasant publicity.

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INFLATION OF RAILROAD CAPITAL.

Methods by Which Patrons and Stockholders Are Held Up. "Jasper" in Leslie's Weekly.

A reader has sent me several clippings referring to the disclosures regarding the manner in which the earnings of the Pere Marquette railroad ever manipulated in Michigan to get the better of the tax collector. An officer of the railroad, according to his own statement, shifted items from the operating expense account in 1903, 1904 and 1905 so as to make an average net showing of earnings of \$1,000,000 a year.

INTERMITTENT DIVORCE. Novel Decree of Limited Separation Granted by a Court. Chicago Inter Ocean.

A divorce decree recently granted by Supreme Court Justice Dickey of Brooklyn has been described as "amazing and unusual." And yet the action of the justice appears to warrant commendation.

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