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Just while we think about it—How about that paying plan? A few more yacht rides and the new secretary of the navy will have found his sea legs.

The man at the bottom of the well tried the fusion rope several times before with disastrous results and he is decidedly skittish about trying it again.

The County Democracy captures the Douglas county membership of the executive committee of the democratic state committee. This will be gall and wormwood to the Jacksonian kiddy.

Judge Parker is going to retire to the Catskills to take a rest. If he tires out this early in the game he is likely to be under the table before the last hand is dealt.

Great Britain has annexed another island in the neighborhood of the British West Indies. Trust Great Britain for gobbling up any ownerless territory that may be found wandering at large.

An unusual display of meteoric showers in the heavens is reported by the Washington observatory. It must have been some of the sparks flying from the succession of fights in the vicinity of Fort Arthur.

Some of the populist leaders are already advising their followers to vote only for the populist candidates on the fusion state ticket and to let the three lone democrats shift for themselves. This is co-operation.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson after a day trip through Nebraska declared that he never saw more fertile fields or more promising crops. Secretary Wilson knows what he is talking about when he talks about farming.

Speaking of one of the fusion nominees for congress, the World-Herald says that 'Mr. LaMaster is well known throughout the First district.' Mr. LaMaster is so well known that the World-Herald does not know how he spells his name.

The exposure of the bunco game which the water-logged statesman has tried to play upon the people of Omaha with his resolutions demanding the reduction of the water rates has brought forth a plan that lawyers would call 'a plain confession and avoidance.'

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Every Roosevelt prize winner getting a \$4,000 quarter section at \$4 an acre gets his profit at the Indians' loss. The original plan of the president for disposing of these lands at competitive public sale, so far as procuring bona fide settlers is concerned, and would have been much fairer to the Indians.

IMMIGRATION SUGGESTIONS.

It is stated that in his forthcoming report the commissioner general of immigration will renew several of the recommendations that were embraced in his report of a year ago. Perhaps the most important of these is the suggestion that a bureau of information be established at the more important immigrant stations through which immigrants could be informed as soon as they arrived as to localities where they will be most likely to obtain the kind of work for which they are best fitted.

Another suggestion that will be made is intended to reduce the number of rejections by the immigration officials at the several ports and to save the would-be immigrants time, expense and disappointment. For this purpose congress will be asked to authorize the sending of medical officers to the ports from which the largest number of immigrants sail, so that the required medical inspection can be made before the immigrants embark, instead of deferring it until their arrival in this country.

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ABOUT CINCH PRIMARIES.

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When the candidates for the legislature had been declared duly nominated Thomas Blackburn, Mercer's chief lieutenant, read off a list of county committeemen of his own choosing and rammed the entire list down the throats of the convention. In defiance of all precedent and common decency, the rights of the representatives of the various wards to name their own committeemen was trampled under foot, and South Omaha was not only disfranchised on the legislative ticket, but not a solitary member of the delegation elected from South Omaha was put on the county committee.

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UPON BRITISH INDUSTRIES.

At any rate the conditions that prevail in free trade England ought to make a very decided impression here favorable to the maintenance of the policy the value of which to our industrial development and the welfare of American labor has been so amply demonstrated.

Vice Presidential-Candidate Tibbles takes much satisfaction in the fact that the separate electoral tickets put up by the populists and democrats in Nebraska will enable the populists to ascertain for the first time since 1895 just how many votes a populist candidate can poll without democratic backing. There is great danger, however, that Tibbles' smile will disappear when the returns come in.

President Roosevelt will make no political speeches during the campaign and Judge Parker also proposes to eliminate politics as much as possible. If the two presidential candidates were to make the fight alone we might have a national campaign without any politics in it.

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Along Riverside drive, that beautiful stretch of New York's most fashionable residential territory, is one of the most remarkable sights the metropolis affords today—a mile of empty palaces. The New York Press says this mile of empty palaces stands in gloomy grandeur, frowning down upon one of the most charming pictures to be found in the western hemisphere.

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A stranger who went along the parapet in the park and after looking out upon the river and the hills, looked back at the frowning, gloomy palaces, asked a city man to explain the riddle of it all.

The International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen will hold its next convention in Omaha in 1908. This is a good year for a starter but we ought to have a few more big national meetings pulled off in our new Auditorium before 1906.

The public, Chicago Tribune. The public, Chicago Tribune. The public, Chicago Tribune.

TRIBUTES TO ROOSEVELT AND KNOX.

Judge Parker's correct opinion that the way of curbing the trusts is to enforce the laws looks like an endorsement of Roosevelt and Knox, as far as the record goes.

Leading the Procession. Chicago Record-Herald. America makes more beer than Germany, more caviare than Russia, is rapidly overhauling Italy in the spaghetti business, and as for Dutch cheese, Holland is nowhere in comparison with us.

Chafed by Red Tape. Cincinnati Enquirer. The new secretary of the navy doesn't fit the new requirements of the navy department. He has to get through long lines of red tape to get information from his subordinates. The longer Mr. Morton holds the navy portfolio the clearer will it be to him that our government, including the bungling civil service, is organized on the lines of the printer's shop.

Survival of the Fittest. Bill Barlow's Budget. You wonder, sometimes, how it is that someone is getting whatever he fears from the government and the leader of employment while others fret in the crowd. If on a payroll yourself, do you try to earn your salary twice over, or do you try to do as little as possible in return therefor? Do you watch the clock? There is a law of the survival of the fittest. It may not be a divine origin, but it is as real as anything in the world.

NEBRASKA FUSION AND FUSIONISTS. Columbus Telegram: National politics will be a quiet quantity in Nebraska this year. With three electoral tickets in the field the plurality for Roosevelt will be close to 60,000.

Fairbury Gazette: The republicans of Nebraska have nothing whatever to fear from the fusion state ticket. It is about the poorest excuse that has been put up in this state for a long time.

Gage County Democrat: The state convention may go outside of the democratic party for candidates, but the voters may vote for whom they like best. The day will be the open election day.

Freemont Tribune: We can't quite understand why the prohibitionists do not fuse with the fusionists in Nebraska. Or if that can't be done, why not the fusionists fuse with the prohibitionists. There are 5,000 votes that might come handy. Who cares for principles, when it is votes that are wanted?

REVEREND STORY OF MODERN INDUSTRY.

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The turbine is one of these. It is a machine that looks like a short section of cast-iron water pipe, with sundry knobs and attachments, and a small electric generator at one end. It is already a success.

PRINTERS AND THE MILITIA. Patriotic Action by the Convention of Representative Typographers. Kansas City Journal. For several years there has been a strong feeling of hostility on the part of many labor unions against the use of militia.

PERSONAL NOTES. The Springfield Republican recalls that Abraham Lincoln answered his notification by letter and the response took only about twenty newspaper lines. But we have expanded since those days.

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Daniel Deatur Emmett, the author of the famous war song "Dixie," who died recently in Ohio, was a soldier in the army, and was never in sympathy with the confederacy, though his war songs were written before the war when Emmett was serving in the garrison at Newport, Ky. He first enlisted about 1822.

JUDGE PARKER'S ACCEPTANCE.

Washington Post (Ind.): We feel sure that this deliverance will commend itself to all serious and responsible persons as candid, dignified, patriotic and statesmanlike.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat (rep.): The tamest and dullest speech of acceptance by a candidate of a great party which has been delivered in a generation is that which comes to the country from Kansas.

Washington Star (rep.): It is a disappointing speech, disappointing to all who hoped to hear Judge Parker assume a definite tone on the subjects of interest, whether they are republicans or democrats.

Minneapolis Journal (rep.): There is certainly a very conspicuous possibility between the Parker and the Roosevelt address of acceptance. Any fair man reading both must come to the conclusion that the republican candidate has something to say that he wants the people to hear.

Louisville Courier-Journal (dem.): It is the voice of a democrat, of a statesman, of a leader who, at a crisis when such services seemed most lacking and was most needed, has risen up to stay the worship of strange gods and to conduct the people back to the true altar of free government, the constitution.

Chicago Post (rep.): From first to last the democratic candidate does not give his party a single clearly defined, concrete political issue. He does not advance a single argument to convince the voters that his election and the success of his party this year would be for the benefit of the country.

St. Paul Pioneer-Press (rep.): Judge Parker is not entirely original in his assertion that he will not be a candidate for a second term if elected. It is not likely that we shall have a chance to see this disclaimer tested, but it is nevertheless timely to remark that we seem to have heard something of that sort before.

Indianapolis News (ind.): It is a calm, sober, moderate and dignified discussion, not so much of the issues of the campaign as of the principles underlying them. There is no attempt to "answer" any one, and no use of the speaker's party, and no spirit of fierce aggression toward the party of the second party—with which issue is joined on a platform that reads much like an agreement.

New York Tribune (rep.): It is not conservative, but negative. Making the most of the good opportunity, there is a superior devotion to law, and a spirit of fierce aggression toward the party of the second party—with which issue is joined on a platform that reads much like an agreement.

LAUGHING GAS. "The man who is anxious to see his name in print is usually the worst sort of a man. Not always. Sometimes he may be the sort of a wise man. He may be an advertiser. Philadelphia Ledger.

Stella—Her hands show the marks of toll. Stella—No indeed; six engagement rings. New York Sun.

Young Wife—Henry, I made that pie myself, from a recipe that has been in the family since the time of Noah. Does it remind you of old times? Young Husband (narrowing his eyes): Dear, it reminds me of the time when I was a boy and could eat anything. Chicago Tribune.

The Publisher—What was that story about the anti-happy? The anti-happy, my hero and heroine got married in the last chapter. The Publisher—You're kidding. I said, we wanted a story that ended happily. Philadelphia Record.

Stella—By hen! Josh Weatherby put the tattoo artist two dollars to sketch a turtleneck collar. He said, "now it's all washed off." Cyrus—Well, he should have known it was skin game. Chicago News.

LOWELL O. REESE IN LESLIE'S WEAKLY My daddy says that when he was a boy, he never cried. Never away from school to go. A swimmer; never failed. To cut a skin, never failed. To do as he pleased. (Well, maybe daddy didn't, then—but grandma says he did.)

My daddy brings a lot about the growth of the world when he says, "An' that's how they must have grown up." (Well, maybe daddy didn't, then—but grandma says he did.)

"I never cared for circuses." "An' brass bands an' such things." (An' brass bands an' such things.) "An' top an' devil signs." I never wanted after school to hick some other kid." (He says he never done those things—but grandma says he did.)

Say! but my grandma's mighty wise! She says she never seen a man who was a little runt an' says, "He was a terror then." He says he never got up nose. The times he was a kid, I know I ought to believe him, but my grandma says he did!

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