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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 21st day of March, 1906. (Seal) M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

Is it not about time for Omaha to demolish or abbreviate those unsightly and deadly billboards?

The sooner the city's asphalt repair plant is set in motion the better the people of Omaha will like it.

Rojestvensky is said to have cut the cable, but he will have to do more than that to rival George Dewey.

Chicago teamsters are again proving that it takes a different sort of ability to drive a bargain than to drive a horse.

Dr. Gladden has had the last word, and the church has received the cash, so the Rockefeller incident may be considered closed.

President Castro no doubt hopes that President Roosevelt will have fully satisfied his craving for excitement upon the bears before his return to the White House.

It is "up to" the officials of Iowa to show that New York construction methods do not "go" in that state, and the accident at Clarinda is a good place to start.

The brother of President Bigelow, who first unearthed his defalcation, will probably hold a family conference the next time he finds a paper he doesn't understand.

Young Mr. Hyde denies that he had anything to do with the shipbuilding concern. The fact that the \$80,000,000 is intact is prima facie evidence of the truth of his statement.

It is doubtless not so much fear of Secretary Taft's ability to sit on the lid as a desire to put something else under it that causes President Roosevelt to curtail his hunting trip.

Some day Chicago may pass through the spring months without a strike, but that time can never come until both employers and employees exercise more judgment than they now seem to possess.

It will probably take some time to convince the sultan of Turkey that Longfellow knew what he was talking about when he referred to Arabs quietly folding their tents and silently stealing away.

Advices from Chicago indicate that the bookmakers have finally killed the racing game at that place. Some day the horse may be divorced from the pool sellers and be permitted to run on its own merits.

The most gratifying proof of Omaha's substantial growth is that building operations this year are not confined to any single part of the city. They include grain elevators, business blocks, churches, schools, palatial residences and hundreds of dwellings of moderate pretensions.

The Loup river power canal is again seriously talked about by its promoters, who confidently expect to secure all the capital necessary to finance this great enterprise. If they succeed Omaha certainly will not be in their way.

It is altogether probable that before the end of the present administration there will be changes in the tariff law. They are very likely to be made by the next congress. But whatever changes may be made it can very confidently be predicted that protection to American industries and labor will be preserved. That is a principle which the republican party will never abandon.

Portland excursions will be the order of the day, beginning with May 1, and Omaha being the terminus of the direct overland line, will undoubtedly receive many visitors going to and returning from the Lewis and Clark exposition. This is another reason why Omaha's

A COMPLAINT FROM RUSSIA.

It appears that the Russian government has made complaint to our government because of the publication of news emanating from American sources regarding the movements of the Russian squadron now in the far east.

There is no longer any danger of this, the Russian squadron having passed, according to the latest information, far beyond any waters controlled by the United States, yet there is said to be unabated interest in Washington in the progress of the Russians.

While this is undoubtedly the proper course for the government, there yet appears to be no sound reason for the position taken by Russia that the giving out of news regarding the movements of its squadron is a violation of neutrality.

DEFICIT AND TARIFF.

The deficit in the federal treasury for the current fiscal year will be considerably larger than was estimated by the secretary of the treasury in his last annual report.

In the meantime attention is being given to the question of tariff readjustment as a means of doing away with the deficit. It seems probable that this is likely to receive attention from the next congress, but no one can confidently say what the result will be.

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It is now foreshadowed that the general assessment roll of the state will be increased by \$20,000,000 at the next session of the State Board of Equalization.

No Bottom There.

Even a bank president's purse is not so deep as the Chicago wheat pit.

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endeavor to present an attractive appearance should meet with cordial and efficient support not merely from its municipal officials, but from all classes of its citizens.

MISSOURI RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

According to the St. Louis Republic a movement is on foot among members of congress representing the interested districts in the states adjacent to the Missouri river to form an offensive and defensive alliance for better Missouri river legislation—legislation relating to work on the channel.

People who have lived in the Missouri valley for the last quarter of a century will continue to view with suspicion any movement for a large expenditure of money for straightening and deepening the channel of the Missouri river with a view to the enlargement of navigation and the reduction of railroad rates.

At the very best the Missouri river would not be navigable above Kansas City more than three to four months in a year, even if its channels were deepened and straightened, and the bulk of the exportable products of the Missouri valley does not move southward until late in the fall, not until the river has been completely frozen over.

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The Limit.

The scene following Mrs. Norman McLean's election as president general of the D. A. R. has not been surpassed in emotion since the year 1896.

Back to First Principles.

We must not let our eyes be dazzled by the love of excessive luxury and the eagerness to get rich quick and get back to these simple and fundamental virtues.

Touched a Tender Spot.

Perhaps the inference may be unjust, but there will be people who will maintain that the shriek emitted by his grace of Manchester when Andrew Carnegie spoke of worthless dukes who marry American women for their money indicates whose toes were trodden upon.

A Nebraska Woman's Specialty.

The postoffice inspectors are considering the case of a young woman out in Nebraska who has been making a specialty of collecting engagement rings.

Susan on Her Hobby.

If ex-President Cleveland were disposed to be captious, he might reply to Susan B. Anthony's deprecatory observations by inquiring why women desire to extend woman suffrage when they do not exercise the right where they already enjoy it.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The Belgian government is planning to make Antwerp the largest port in the world by extending its docks, at an estimated cost of \$40,000,000.

All the preliminary arrangements have been completed for the visit which the prince and princess of Wales are to pay to India next winter.

The farewell speech of Lord Milner in South Africa was optimistic. He said that self-government would not of itself bring every blessing.

The people of Crete, through their elected representatives, demand annexation to Greece. They allege that the present local government of which the king is the head, is unsatisfactory.

THINNING THE SENATE'S RANKS.

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POLITICAL DRIFT.

Mayor Tom Johnson of Cleveland thinks he has reached the goal of three fares on street railways.

The governor of Pennsylvania is receiving an unusual number of editorial bonanzas for the variety and versatility of his vetoes.

Party policies and principles are influencing home life. In a strong republican school district of Minneapolis there are fourteen pairs of twins attending the same school.

The lower house of the Michigan legislature passed unanimously the most sweeping anti-trust bill ever drafted in that state.

The New York Sun retracts a number of charges made last fall against Tom Taggart, chairman of the democratic national committee.

Chicago News: Mr. Cleveland is right in saying that a woman's natural sphere is her home and that her highest duty lies there.

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W. B. DICK'S BAKING POWDER. Made from pure cream of tartar derived from grapes. Fifty Years the Standard.

the exception of Quay's successor, who is an exceptionally able man. It is customary to say things of those who have been suddenly injected into high places, which fairly startle the public.

FLASHES OF FUN.

"Are you bothering me about that bill again?" said Ardup, frowning at the caller. "I've told you half a dozen times I couldn't pay it this month."

"I wonder," said the editor, "whether that new compositor is just a blunderer or a philosopher."

"Now, professor," said Miss Kay, "you know something of the average man of intelligence, don't you?"

Mrs. Jinks—Miss Browning is quite a cultured girl, isn't she? Mrs. Swallow—Oh, no. Very bad form. Mrs. Jinks—I heard she was extremely fond of music.

"Better lemme get a little practice first, meanin' by cuttin' de befeatek," Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"I don't believe in suicide—" "I should hope not!" "No, of course, but every time I meet a man who brags of being self-made I can't help wishing he'd finish himself."

"Sunday," remarked the tired-looking passenger, "is no day of rest for me."

"Ball player," queried the other passenger—leader of a church choir.—Chicago Tribune.

"The Fortunate Isles, they are not so far. They lie within reach of the lowest door; You can see them gleam by the twilight star."

Nay, never look back! Those leveled grave-stones They were landing steps, they were steps Unto thrones Of glory for souls that have sailed before. And far set white feet on the fortunate shore.

And what are the names of the Fortunate Isles? Why Duty and Love and a large Content; Lo, these are the isles of the watery miles That God let down from the firmament.

Lo, Duty and Love and a true man's Trust; Your forehead to God, though your feet in the dust; Lo, Duty and Love and a sweet babe's smiles; And these, O friend, are the Fortunate Isles.

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