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THE LEGISLATURE WILL DO ITS DUTY.
While the republican press of Nebraska is practically unanimous in favor of constitutional revision, apprehension is expressed in some quarters that the legislature if reconvened could not be convinced that an emergency exists for the revision of the constitution—in other words, that the legislature, if called together in extra session, could not be induced to submit a series of amendments to the constitution that would cure the defects in the organic law, which have so seriously embarrassed state administrations and rendered a strict enforcement of the constitution utterly impossible under existing conditions.

AS TO THE CARNEGIE DONATION.
At the organization meeting of the trustees for the Carnegie donation which is to be used to establish retirement pensions for superannuated college professors, it developed that the question of admitting state universities to share in the benefits is yet to be determined by the trustees of the foundation.

ELIMINATING BLANK BALLOTS.
The official canvass of the Nebraska election returns discloses one feature of the voting by machine in Douglas county, as compared with the voting by ballot in the remainder of the state, that has not attracted public attention. The total vote polled throughout Nebraska at the recent election is given at 192,152, but the total vote recorded for all the different candidates for supreme judge falls up only 177,541, leaving nearly 15,000 blank ballots cast by voters who indicated no preference for the head of the state ticket.

RUSSIA'S REVOLUTIONARY SPIRIT.
Philadelphia Ledger.
Americans in Russia can hardly expect the peasant on a vodka rampage to be nicely discriminating.

OPERATIVE REALISM.
Brooklyn Eagle.
This proposition to pipe opera into your house for 50 cents does not seem to be accepted with enthusiasm. Opera in New York is not music; it is clothes, diamonds, swells, cackle and conspiracy.

A FIGHT TO A FINISH.
Philadelphia Record.
Secretary Hitchcock evidently contemplates a long life as head of the Department of the Interior, since he is resolved never to quit it until the last land pirate of the west is put under lock and key.

MIDWAY CULTURE SAFE.
Indianapolis News.
It is not thought, however, that the transfer of E. Benjamin Andrews to Chicago university would in any appreciable measure lessen the somewhat bizarre reputation that its industrial professors have given it.

STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.
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C. C. Rosewater, secretary of The Bee Publishing Company, being duly sworn, deposes that the actual number of full and complete copies of The Daily, Morning, Evening and Sunday Bee printed during the month of November, 1905, was as follows:

UPON SECOND SOBER THOUGHT WE FEEL sure those who entertain such apprehension will change their views. The last legislature was a great disappointment to many people, as other legislatures have been before it, and will be hereafter, but legislatures are made up largely, if not wholly, of men with political ambitions. Many, if not a majority of its members, would like either to be re-elected or to climb higher. They aspire to state offices, seats in congress or positions on the district bench. Few of them are recklessly indifferent to popular approval and all who are conscious of having run counter to public sentiment will be only too glad of an opportunity to redeem themselves.

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THE SQUARE DEAL.
New York Mail.
The evil of American life among those that have as well as those that want is the passion to secure the opposite of what President Roosevelt calls "the square deal." The problem of American life, after the present tasks of fumigation are complete, will be to compel people to observe "the square deal" of the officer who "has saved our guns." The meaning of that remarkable claim on the results of a visit of friendship was that during the days when the flagship was hospitably open to public visits the social custom of petty larceny for obtaining souvenirs had so stripped the ship of portable articles that the great quantity of a matter of congratulation that they were able to get away with their heavy artillery still unstealer.

THE DRAMA AND THE CHURCH.
Effect of the Former in Shaping the Character of Men.
Boston Transcript.
Sir Henry Irving's death furnished an opportunity to note just how confirmed or altered the Christian church is in its attitude of hostility to the dramatic art when played by professionals and made a life calling, not a few churchmen and churches making a distinction between amateur and professional participation in plays on the stage, a distinction which is very obvious to the dispassionate critic. Comment on Sir Henry's death so far as it has come from the pulpits or the ecclesiastical organs, in the main has been appreciative of his attainments, of his character as a man, and more tolerant than formerly in discussion of the function which the drama plays in society's educational and recreative life. The act of the authorities of Westminster Abbey in giving his ashes a place there, however, has been struck; and in more journals there has been lack of hope for the future of the stage even where there has been approval of its aims.

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