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M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

WHEN OUT OF TOWN: Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

Is there any need of interstate railway regulation? Ask the Omaha Grain exchange.

Friends of Jim Dahlin are advertising him as "a man of cast-iron nerve." Some others think so, too.

In the first round in Iowa a "stand-patter" defeated a "tariff-ripper." Secretary Shaw is still on the map.

The only penalty inflicted on Pat Crowe was when he was summarily cut off from shaking hands with the jury after the verdict was rendered.

It is true that the democrats have agreed on Jim Dahlin and none other to run for mayor, why go through the costly farce of a nomination primary?

H. Clay Pierce has offered to testify in the Missouri oil hearing, showing that at least one man in the alleged "trust" has some respect for public opinion.

With mail trains running so fast that letters cannot be distributed between stations it would appear that transcontinental railway time is approaching its limit.

The yellow journals blame the travesty of justice in the Crowe case on everybody but themselves, but the general public traces the yellow journals to the yellow journals.

Irish home rulers who are making public Premier Campbell-Bannerman's record on Irish politics may find that the personal and official desires of the premier are things apart.

Omaha's clearing house exhibit for the past week, with 24 per cent increase over the corresponding period last winter, indicates that Omaha's commercial growth is by leaps and bounds.

Kansas has sued the state treasurer on his bond for a \$10,000 shortage. As there are 305 bondsmen to divide the loss among them, Kansas may be more fortunate than Nebraska in making the suit stick.

Suppose any of the Fontaine candidates should not accord fully with that post-prandial platform adopted after the fact? Would the governors be able to pry them loose and scratch their names off the slate?

Only two weeks more for aspiring patriots to offer their services as councilmen to the city by filing for the coming primaries. If it were yet two months we might have the entire population enrolled on the official ballot.

Omaha goes steadily forward as a grain market. Omaha is the natural distributing point for the richest grain and wheat country in the world, and nothing can prevent it from becoming one of the greatest grain markets in the world.

According to the World-Herald, the comptroller and building inspectorship are conceded to Lobek and Withnell, respectively, on account of the exceptional records they have made during the past terms. That depends entirely upon the point of view.

The county jail feeding graft at 25 cents per day for each person is the same graft, in smaller degree, as at 45 cents a day for each person. Prisoners in the city jail are being boarded at 16 cents a day, and there is no excuse nor reason for such disparity between the two boarding houses.

TARIFF WAR MAY BE AVERTED.

There appears to be still a possibility that the threatened tariff war between Germany and the United States may be averted. A recent report from Berlin stated that an arrangement for a provisional tariff with this country was practically assured and that it would be valid for one year and provide for the treatment of American imports according to the regulations of the draft of the new German tariff, while the United States will grant German imports certain facilities in the matter of custom house formalities.

Only ten days remain before the new tariff goes into effect, so that if any arrangement is to be made there is no time to lose. In order to avert a tariff war the Reichstag would have to authorize the government to arrange tariff relations with the United States for a specific limited period, which would be short enough to preserve its provisional character and long enough to negotiate a real treaty of commerce.

How it was possible to get twelve men to concur in a declaration of "not guilty" passes comprehension. The Italian government will establish in New York a labor exchange for the benefit of its people who come to this country. It is pointed out that at present the condition of the Italian immigrants is not wholly satisfactory.

FOR UNIFORM DIVORCE LAWS.

The convention to be held in Washington city to consider the subject of uniform divorce laws will be composed of delegates from all the states but two or three. Some of the state representatives are men prominent in ecclesiastical circles and there are others who are widely known from having taken an active part in the movement for uniform divorce laws.

The question is important to be very generally admitted. The facility with which divorce can be obtained in some of the states is a reproach and the consequent multiplicity of divorces is regarded by many as a stigma upon our people and a grave danger to society.

A REFORM LEGISLATURE.

When the Pennsylvania legislature was called in extra session last month to consider certain reforms urged by the people it was not generally expected to accomplish much. It had shown no disposition at the regular session to institute reforms and it was reasonably apprehended that the same men would show no change at the special session.

PROMISING TOO MUCH.

Senator Lodge proves that railroad rates are lower in this country than in countries where the rates are controlled by the government. That kind of argument is liable to make the railroads want government control.

SENATOR LODGE ENTPRAYS HIMSELF.

American and German Freight Rates Compared and Corrected. Springfield, Mass., Republic. Transportation conditions as between European and American railroads are so different in many particulars that comparisons of superficial facts and conclusions therefrom are to be made with great caution.

WAR'S HORRORS SHADOW PEACE.

Peace came none too soon for either belligerent. The Japanese famine has become so severe that the president has invited Americans to extend relief. Russia has not asked for foreign assistance, but there was a crop failure in several provinces and the harvest was hardly over when Russian papers declared that famine was stalking through the land.

NOT HIS STYLE.

Chicago News. President Roosevelt's announcement that he has not backed down on the railway rate proposition was superfluous. He is a poor hand at backing down.

THE SIMPLE LIFE.

Chicago Record-Herald. When one chooses the simple life for himself, it may or may not be cheap, but the Omaha school trustee who recommends it to the teachers forgets that in a manner of life that is forced on one can ever be felt as simple.

PREACHES HIS OWN SERMON.

Philadelphia Press. There is something exceedingly pathetic in the fate of Mr. McCall, the late president of the New York Life Insurance company. As he lies at the point of death it is impossible not to feel the touch of sympathy, and it is at the same time impossible not to recognize the admonition. The swift fatality preaches its own sermon.

HUNTING FOR BEER MEAT.

Minneapolis Journal. Divine Right Beer, having learned that the Pennsylvania legislature was about to order an investigation of the ownership of coal mines by the Reading system, issued a statement accusing the members of ignorance of the constitution and general carelessness in doubting his eminent authority in the matter of fixing the price of coal.

LOOSE TALK OF ARMY OFFICERS.

San Francisco Chronicle. There is a good deal of loose talk indulged in by army officers respecting the attitude of the United States toward China, but its sincerity may well be called into question. It is absurd for any one to urge that it is our duty to preserve order in China, or to interfere in any manner with the political concerns of the Chinese.

UNCLE SAM'S STRONG BOX.

San Francisco Chronicle. The colossal holdings of Uncle Sam's strong box excite the interest and perhaps the envy of the rest of the world. Never before was there so great a quantity of the precious metals gathered in one spot and subject to a single control, as there is now in the treasury at Washington, which now holds the enormous sum of \$1,287,644,032 in gold and silver coin and bullion.

INCONSISTENT CRITICISMS.

Brooklyn Eagle. The impossibility of making others think the same as we do is illustrated by current American criticisms of the Spaniards for their conduct in the Spanish war. The Spaniards cannot understand why many Americans and Englishmen like prize fights, and why many more of them like foot ball. The attempt to strain one nation through the sensibilities of another can never be checked. It is part of the inextinguishable desire to mind other people's business, and of that form of egotism which is the basis of all our taste to others as an exercise of missionary activity.

CREATION OF WEALTH.

New York World. All the gold produced from all the mines of the Transvaal last year amounted to only \$104,000,000 in value. Its production cost the lives of kaffirs and coolies, together with the loss of parliamentary seats and much political chicanery in England.

MASSACHUSETTS TAKES A FALLOUT.

Judge Foscutt of the United States circuit court repeated in an address on corporation reform a day or two ago what he has previously said regarding the looseness of corporation charter laws as found in New Jersey and some other states.

ENCLE SAM SINKS MONEY, OTHER NATIONS MAKE A PROFIT.

Cincinnati Enquirer. According to the international post bureau, taking all the post offices of the world, the United States shows the bravest loss from the management of its postal affairs, and Great Britain the largest profit. Nineteen hundred and three is the last year for which figures for comparison are available, and for that year we ran behind \$23,000,000, while Great Britain showed a net profit of \$2,000,000, and Russia, Germany and France each about \$14,000,000.

GOVERNMENT'S POSTAL LOSS.

Washington Post. Senator Lodge proves that railroad rates are lower in this country than in countries where the rates are controlled by the government. That kind of argument is liable to make the railroads want government control.

DELICATE CHILDREN.

The children cannot possibly have good health unless the bowels are in proper condition. A sluggish liver gives a coated tongue, bad breath, constipated bowels. Correct all these by giving small doses of Ayer's Pills. Genuine liver pills, gently laxative.

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POLITICAL POINTERS.

Bankcroft Blade: Senator Millard has had his ear to the ground, but he is so far from the people that he failed to hear the rumbling until it was everlastingly too late.

Telegraph Journal: It begins to have the appearance that the editor of The Omaha Bee is not at all unfavorable to the idea of the senatorial toga being again dropped upon the shoulders of an Omaha citizen.

Albion News: The supreme court having decided that all our anti-trust laws are constitutional and enforceable, we hope to see the lumber, coal, insurance and other trusts brought to time.

Wayne Herald: The Herald does not want Nebraska's next United States senator to be the planter, the stock raiser, the man or corporation, neither does it want him to be a crank, an anti, one of those extremists who can see no good in organized capital or men pulling together for legitimate accomplishments.

Aurora Republican: The Republican believes with other of its contemporaries that if Nebraska Brown and Peter Mortensen desire to be considered as candidates for the office for which they have been mentioned they should get out from under cover and say so.

Chicago Tribune: "When we first got married my wife and I quarreled for a year about whether we should buy an automobile or a horse and buggy."

SUNSET ON THE RESERVATION.

Denver Republican. Red glows the night the smoke-browned top of the teepee.

Think ye, O strong, that the task ye set my kindred.

How can we travel, swift of foot and all unshod, on our paths unfamiliar, to your spur of the path and nay?

Years have we lived, as our ancestors have taught us.

Now we must change—we must live the white man's life.

Anger ye show—and there what harm is wrought by us?

If we leap not, full armed, in your world of stress and strife.

Years have we reined, as our fathers reined before us.

Now we must know your name of life, and must single truth from lies.

Sink we or swim—Ah, the end is not far distant!

Your race will not linger, nor lend ear unto our cries.

So bring out the drum—let it dance the sod-boys' jig.

Let it bring forth the dancers to the campfire in the United States sun.

Let it call upon the days of the hunt, and war and pillage.

If red men must die, let them die as red men should!

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