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CHARLES C. ROSEWATER, Notary Public.

WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them.

Before circulating American race riots those Scotch editors should read again the history of the Macdonalds of Glencoe.

In place of wasting time trying to perfect a dirigible naval mine, France might try first to invent a submarine boat which will return to the surface.

Now that the Pennsylvania campaign has reached the libel suit stage, "reformers" will find it to their advantage to be exact rather than exuberant.

In approving "irregulars" in Colorado, Colonel Bryan is establishing a precedent which may cause trouble for him if Mr. Hearst's plans carry in New York.

If Premier Stolypin can disfranchise a few more Russians the next Duma may be to his liking, provided revolutionary sentiment doesn't travel faster than the czar's ukase.

The new pure food and drug regulations may be the occasion of a new form of insurance—one guaranteeing the purity of materials in the hands of retailers to save damage suits.

Omaha's bank clearings continue to show up well in the weekly comparative exhibit. Every index to business conditions indicates that our commercial institutions are forging steadily ahead.

Ute Indians are said to be in an ugly mood in Wyoming, but as Uncle Sam's military officers are diplomatic as well as warlike, a battle need not be expected until patience ceases to be a virtue.

President Diaz may decide that it is, after all, cheaper to have a free election than a revolution in Mexico, but he will find it difficult to pick a man who can "hold down the lid" as well as he has done.

Perhaps Mr. Clemenceau's activity in finding sinecures was what pointed him out as the proper man for premier; but if France is to strike tax-cutters along the whole line the new chief will find little opportunity to develop a foreign policy.

The Interstate Commerce commission promises to honor Omaha with its presence for an investigation of the relations of the railroads and the grain men in this section. Here is a chance for Tom Worrall to resurrect himself and tell how much he got for dropping his suits against the Grain Trust.

Candidate Shallenberger thinks we have enough laws now on the statute books to cover all the popular demands as to abolition of passes, regulation of freight rates and compulsion of railroads to pay their taxes. This is where Candidate Shallenberger and the railroad bosses are of one and the same opinion.

It is to be hoped the promise of a night train out of Omaha on the Union Pacific will materialize soon. Omaha used to have such a train, but it was abandoned some two years ago without any justification or excuse except that the railroad thought it could transfer the business to other trains and save a little money. The restoration of this train would be a great improvement to Omaha's train service and cannot come too soon.

THE MONEY OUTLOOK.

The advance of the Bank of England's discount rate to 6 per cent seems to be explainable on ordinary grounds of British conservatism and business prudence.

Under our treasury facilitating operations in April at the time of the San Francisco disaster and since early in September on account of crop movement, a total of over \$50,000,000 in gold has been drawn from the European hoards.

The United States is only one among many countries which resort to London for financing crops and other needs. The simple fact is that heavy drafts of this character are being made or are in prospect, in addition to those from New York British industry and credit, too, have been greatly expanded.

In short, we may assume that a stop has been put for the time to expansion of our currency by gold imports, for the Bank of England discount rate, if 6 per cent should prove insufficient, could and would be advanced to 7 per cent or even higher.

ESSENCE OF TRADE CONSPIRACY. The attorney general of Ohio in discussing the verdict against the Standard Oil company, particularly disclaims any desire to oust the company from doing business in the state or driving out its capital, business enterprise and industrial genius.

It was made clear in the progress of the trial, however, that the Standard Oil has been operating under the guise of six or eight separate corporations, some organized under the laws of Ohio, others under the laws of other states and one, at least, under the laws of a foreign nation.

It does not make a conspiracy against trade less harmful because it prostitutes the forms of law to its purpose to destroy competition and establish monopoly by unfair methods.

A PLACE FOR IMPROVEMENT. The Bee wants to let it be known in advance that irrespective whether the next county attorney is a republican or a democrat, it will advocate and urge a radical change in the appointment of his deputies.

The law governing the office of the county attorney provides for four deputies in Douglas county, but leaves to the judges of the district court the fixing of their salaries under a limitation of \$1,500 as a maximum.

We do not find anything in the law to prevent the district judges from grading the salaries of the deputies of the county attorney's office, giving the maximum salary of \$1,500 a year to one or two of them, while cutting down the compensation of the others to \$500 or \$600, which would be ample for young lawyers who are detailed to police court cases and who take the work chiefly for the experience

and practice it gives them. With two strong deputies for important cases and two others for less important details, the work of this important office could be made still more effective, whereas now the uniform salaries for all four deputies is a handicap rather than a help.

This is a matter of business and not of politics, and for this reason it is presented at this time, rather than deferred until after election.

PUBLIC OPINION BY TRANSPORTATION OFFENSES.

The comment of the attorney for the New York Central railroad on the verdict of guilty duly returned against the company and its chief freight officer, "You can't defend rebate cases in the present state of public opinion," is full of significance from the point of view of public interest.

The country is above all things to be congratulated that a state of public opinion exists wherein successful defense raised by technicalities and hairsplitting distinctions in the courts in such rebate cases, the fact of guilt being clearly established, is impossible.

Another result of Mr. Root's trip. The president of Uruguay and the president of the United States have swapped photographs. The manager of an Ontario bank explains since the failure of the president of the United States had been of sending an automobile from Washington to his home on an express company frank, that he, a free pass. The mass of republicans will not stand for such grafting as is alleged in these cases, and a good deal of independent voting will be caused by it.

PERSONAL NOTES. Another result of Mr. Root's trip. The president of Uruguay and the president of the United States have swapped photographs.

Registration returns in Philadelphia under the new law show an astonishing falling off in the graveyard vote. Over 50,000 names were dropped, owing to the difficulty of getting the right ticket into the box.

Whether the treacherous Williams was or was not a candidate for railroad commissioner before he went to the state convention would not be material except as it forms a part of the judgment against him as a traitor to his constituents.

DEATH OF A GREAT FARMER. Tribute to the Man Who Farmed His Farms to Farmers. The death of William Scully closes the career of a remarkable man. He owned 50 western farms, and by the application of rigid business methods to their management accumulated vast amounts of money.

Jumping Party Fences. The Milwaukee democratic convention opened with a speech by Bryan and a Polkite. To follow the precedent of recent democratic conventions in the west, it should adjourn with an endorsement of Roosevelt.

Helpful in Seeing Things. St. Louis Republic. Surgeons employed by railroads join in recommending the use of spectacles by trainmen. The recommendation might also apply to owners and managers of railroads.

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county attorney, Mr. English, who is seeking re-election, and by a representative of Mr. Hitchcock's World-Herald. If the coal dealers have been violating the law against illegal combines, the eminent democrats who O. K'd the scheme must occupy the position of particeps criminis.

Charges of bad faith between President Fish of the Illinois Central and President Harriman of the Union Pacific concern chiefly the parties personally involved in the issue, but the people of Omaha are interested in the continuance of a progressive management for each of those roads, because each of them have terminals in this city and constitute large spokes in the railroad wheel that centers at this point.

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NEBRASKA PRESS COMMENT.

Central City Nonpareil: Joe Bartley announces that he cannot support Norris Brown, and the fusion press hails his support of their candidate with glad acclaim.

Kearney Hub: John A. Creighton, at three and a half acre, makes another gift of \$60,000 to endow the Creighton institutions in Omaha on which he has already expended a round \$1,000,000.

Emerson Enterprise: The Omaha Bee says the republican legislative candidates from Douglas county are in honor bound, if elected, to vote for Norris Brown for United States senator.

Hayes Center Times-Tribune: How are you going to vote on the proposed constitutional amendment? There is no sensible reason for opposing it and we think you will agree with us after investigating the proposed amendment.

Valentine Republican: The republicans of this state are somewhat handicapped in the present campaign by several unfortunate circumstances.

Butte Gazette: Referring to a recent editorial in The Bee in regard to the nomination of the nomination of Norris Brown is certainly commendable.

Deinstitution of the Government to Suppress Land-Grabbers. Springfield (Mass.) Republican. If anybody is puzzled over the apparently well-sustained popularity of President Roosevelt he may find some explanation in the history of the Holland case.

Holland has clung to his idea. When he gave up hope that he might be able to use it to free his native land he grasped the idea that some maritime nation, preferably the United States, would adopt it as an arm of naval offense and defense.

Jim Bludsoe Over Again. Chicago Chronicle. Up to the present time it has been supposed that the calling of a locomotive engineer demanded the greatest physical and furnished the best opportunities for hero display.

His Time to Laugh. Cleveland Leader. That American consul general whose transfer from Havana to another post was demanded by private letter in which he declared that the Cubans were incapable of governing themselves, probably indulges in an occasional chuckle these days.

Demand for the Lid Holder. Cincinnati Enquirer. It has been suggested that the neighborhood on the part of the United States would be to lend Secretary Taft to Russia for a while.

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SUBMARINE BOATS.

Origin of the Craft Recalled by the French Disaster. The disaster which befell the French submarine boat Latini, with its crew of fifteen men, is a fact constantly occurring every class of naval craft.

The idea of submarine boats was evolved by Jules Verne in his book "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea," and was given practical application by John P. Holland, an Irish-American of Connecticut vintage.

Reynolds pledged financial support and the man was begun. The construction of two boats of different sizes was undertaken in an unfrequented cove near New York City.

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RAILROAD DEVELOPMENT.

Efforts of Managers to Improve Agriculture Along Their Lines. New York Financial Chronicle. Railroads labor to increase development as well as to reduce transportation costs.

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