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

Last call for your Washington's birthday shopping.

The Panama canal will be finished by digging in it, not at it.

A Gobblers' club has been formed in Washington. It should be stuffed.

As a traveler, young King Alfonso appears to be the W. H. Taft of Europe.

Any offices occupied by republicans overlooked in the round-up for the gubernatorial pte counter?

Mr. Bryan also forgot to mention among the bills to be killed the bill to repeal the terminal tax.

Mr. Knox is the only man on record who does not feel complimented because his salary has been reduced.

The law allows a man to sign as many primary petitions as he pleases and then also to vote as he pleases.

The new postoffice appropriation bill makes no provision allowing Senator Tillman to frank a typewriter through the mails.

Perhaps it would be just as well to send a hero medal to that man who asked Mrs. Hetty Green for her daughter's hand.

A southern court rules that a mule has no rights, in face of abundant testimony that that mule has both rights and lefts.

Manufacturers of corkscrews report an unusual demand from the south. Draw has always been a popular game in the south.

Thanks to Mr. Taft, the Panama canal may be added to the list of things that the people may quit worrying about.

There seems to be danger that the United States senate may degenerate to the level of the Nebraska legislature.

The jewelers will be the next organization to taste of Omaha's hospitality, and they will find it all that has been advertised.

A Mississippi jury has returned a verdict against the unwritten law. The solid south is showing signs of disintegration, all right.

The next theatrical attraction—"A California Divorce," presented by Daniel Frohman, with Margaret Livingston in the stellar role.

There is no occasion for this criticism of Mr. Carnegie's advice on the tariff. It is perfectly harmless so long as congress does not take it.

That the cost of municipal government per capita is highest in Boston and lowest in Milwaukee indicates a triumph of beer over beans.

Members of the Turkish cabinet are resigning. The sultan can get a nice supply of left-over material by applying to Mr. Taft after March 4.

"The stage is as good as the society of this city," says a New York bishop and the actors and actresses have been too busy to resent the statement.

Grover Cleveland's picture is to be placed on a new issue of postage stamps. Mr. Bryan will probably lay 'is an extra stock of the old kind.

FORGETFUL OR NEGLECTFUL.

In his address to the legislature, Mr. Bryan undertook to tell the democratic lawmakers of his own state what legislation pending before them should be passed, what rejected and what should yet be introduced.

Not a word did Mr. Bryan say in advocacy of a law abolishing the power of our state courts to issue restraining orders and injunctions in labor disputes that would not issue if no labor dispute were involved.

None of these laws are now on the Nebraska statute books and the democratic majority of the legislature has ample power to enact them.

Neither can it be said in excuse for Mr. Bryan that this labor legislation is not promised in the platform on which the democrats won out in Nebraska, even though he urged some things that were covered in no platform.

Is Mr. Bryan after election forgetful of his former labor allies, or is he merely neglectful of them?

A CHANCE FOR TRADE BOOMERS.

The esteemed American Wool and Cotton Reporter of Boston, with a thrifty idea common with New Englanders, refuses to see any cause for pert comment or coarse jest in the bill introduced by Representative Sink in the Nebraska legislature calling for sheets nine feet long on all hotel beds within the state.

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The prisoner is charged with a revolting crime, but had not been convicted. The sheriff had reason to believe that the man was innocent, and for four hours he kept the mob at a distance by threatening to kill the first man who made a move toward the jail, until law-abiding citizens came to his relief and secured the consignment of the prisoner to jail until he has a fair trial.

Some credit will have to be given the Council Bluffs man who shot himself instead of his wife while in a jealous rage. This is a noteworthy variation of the usual program, and deserves the attention of emotional persons, who feel they must shoot in order to express the ardent love they feel.

When one member of the Douglas delegation at Lincoln tells another member of the Douglas delegation: "You don't know nothing about it," he unquestionably tells a great truth, in which all who know any of them will concur.

It will be something of a novelty for the next president to send a Venezuelan message to congress without regretting to report that the difficulties between the United States and Venezuela are still far from being settled.

And, to think that it is not a year ago that Mr. Bryan, smiling, posed for his photograph with that terrible monster, Andrew Carnegie, and still managed to escape alive and unscathed.

Membership in the Commercial club is not absolutely essential to happiness, but an Omaha business man ought to feel a great deal better if his name is on the roll of boosters.

It has happened more than once that our charter tinkers have made fat berths for themselves to be in and later found them occupied by some one else.

"Is it winter or summer?" asks a New England paper. Depends upon whether you are referring to the morning or the afternoon of the average day.

Perhaps the purpose of the elective police commission promoters is to put the policemen and firemen and saloon keepers and resort keepers back into politics.

A Washington doctor is said to have grafted a whole leg onto a man. That operation is much rarer in Washington than grafting a whole leg off a man.

A minister in New York is telling about a man who had a spider trained to answer his whistle and could make

the bankers generally have refused to take advantage of the law.

As the situation stands, the Aldrich-Vreeland law is inoperative and the financiers in congress are radically divided as to the best method of amending the existing currency laws.

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