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At last accounts the "sting of ingratitude" was still in cold storage.

Omaha's present fire limits date from 1884. Omaha has been growing some since then.

It must be an awful feeling to win \$50,000 on a lottery ticket and then to lose the ticket.

The Spanish premier has appealed to his country to "Europeanize" itself. Why not tell it just to "Brace up?"

There is considerable speculation in Ohio about the floating vote along the Ohio river front. Whither is it drifting?

The most apt comment to be made on the Patten incident in Manchester is that the exchange thought it would do it first.

Now the flow of the campaign fund will disclose whether that \$50,000 sale of World-Herald real estate was for real money.

Clean up the city is to be Mayor "Jim's" next slogan. Never mind the slogan. Just clean up—beginning with the streets.

It is evident that young Mr. Knox is a "chip off the old block"—diplomatic as an ambassador—he will not admit that he is scared.

It is evident that the men in the box in Philadelphia have been "bunching the strikes," even though they may not have made a safe hit.

Has any scientific society made arrangements to inspect Theodore Roosevelt's records? A little matter like that should not be overlooked.

Flings under the Nebraska primary law do not close for more than three months yet. The final entry list may look very different from the present appearance.

Another expert is coming to Omaha to throw light on the cause of the prevailing typhoid. If we can only get two experts to agree, it will be smoother sailing.

The supreme court of Georgia holds that a woman may change her mind, but then it was not really necessary for any court to take the trouble to make such a decision.

It is by distinctly understood that Mr. Bryan reserves the right to decide for himself not only as between loyalty and disloyalty, but also as to the degrees of loyalty.

When the Navy department made the exhibit that food is as cheap as dirt in China, the Cleveland Leader immediately inquired, "What is the tariff on Chinese dirt?"

In Italy an official can fight five duels and come off with a scratch and yet have the honor of all concerned perfectly satisfied. Why cannot the Italian duels be made more exciting?

If we are to have a change in the management of the county hospital let us have a change for the better, and not for the worse. Still, almost any change would be for the better.

What hold has the bill board bunch on our city council? What is the use of talking about a city beautiful so long as the council is a willing party to the disfigurement of the city by the noisome bill boards?

Purpose of the Census.

In explanation of the purpose of the census to be taken this spring President Taft has issued a proclamation, asking all the citizens of the United States to answer questions frankly and without hesitancy, assuring them that nothing told the enumerator will be disclosed under penalty of law.

A source of wonderment to all is the amount of information gleaned during the taking of a census. The data thus gathered at this time, especially will be of untold value, covering as it will race, occupations and professions, incomes, property, agricultural and commercial conditions and everything, in fact, necessary to complete understanding of what America is and owns.

Many people do not like to tell about their business or private affairs, regardless who the questioner may be, and especially if he is an official of the law. The average person is tempted to twist things for the sake of appearances, to give one sort of a twist to the assessor, another to the census-taker and several original varieties of twists to the newspaper reporter.

While American consumers are finding fault with the price of meat in the United States, it is little consolation, although no relief, to know that the Englishman is from 4 to 6 cents a pound worse off. It matters little whether the meat is American refrigerated, South American frozen or British slaughtered, the general prices of any and all kinds are higher in England to the extent mentioned.

In America the brisket sells for 5 cents a pound, while in England the same piece sells for 10. Stewing beef sells for 11 cents here, as against 14 there; round, 14 here, as against 18 and 20 cents; rib roast, 14, as against 20; sirloin, 16, as against 20; "rump steak" (our porterhouse) sells for 20 cents here and 26 there.

A general sentiment prevails in England favoring domestic products of all kinds, and this is so noticeable in the meat markets that some shops make it a point to advertise "British beef only is sold here," and these shops get the major portion of the trade, even though imported beef is slightly cheaper and often better.

The cause for high prices in England is the same as that given here—the high cost of beef on the foot and of the feed necessary for fattening. The English people complain and have started investigations just as we have, which, very like those in America, have so far resulted chiefly in enlightenment, but not in lightening the load.

Western Ideas on Eastern Farms.

With the establishment of an agricultural department as an adjunct to the New York Central railroad a new idea is being introduced in the rural districts of the east. It is the application of western methods to eastern farms and to eastern conditions.

The idea obtains quite generally, although erroneously, throughout the east, that the soil there is run out and worthless and that the farmers of that section cannot compete with the more vigorous soil of the middle west. But the fact that the westerner is learning to renew the soil by scientific processes and make it capable of cultivation for an indefinite length of time has never occurred to them.

grown rank and tall and the buildings are in tumble-down condition. No one seems to care what happens to that magnificent country, and yet agricultural scientists say that with proper treatment and care those farms can be made to produce as much as they ever did. The present condition is attributed to the lack of proper methods and the trend of national immigration from the east to the west and to the cities. But that there is now to be an effort to change this is a matter of no small importance.

Base Ball Season Opening.

With the coming of the warm days the base ball germ has taken on life and is at present stretching itself for a season of great activity. On the vacant lots and in the streets of the city the game has already begun and the "kids" have started the fight on the umpire. Away off in California, down in southern Texas and along the gulf states the big league teams are practicing steadily and the sporting columns bulge with the dope on the coming season.

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Is This Another Forgery?

Among the collection of self-solicited testimonials which the latest democratic candidate for United States senator from Nebraska modestly prints in his own paper is the following, which raises suspicion of the same kind of forgery which the same paper tried recently to perpetrate on another distinguished Nebraskan:

T. W. Blackburn, active among local democrats, said: "I believe that the candidacy of Mr. Hitchcock will meet with the approval of the majority of Lancaster democrats. With his entrance into the race fresh blood has been injected into the coming fight. He will be an able representative of the state, and would not, even if 1,500 miles away, forget that Nebraska was his home and that he was primarily representing this state."

While this is printed under the head of Lincoln, everybody knows there is only one T. W. Blackburn in Nebraska and that he lives in Omaha and not in Lincoln, and that he registers as a republican and not as a democrat and that he said nothing of the kind. If our T. W. Blackburn has a double in Lancaster county, the sooner we know it the better, so that we can keep the republican and democratic twins separate and distinct. The real T. W. Blackburn would never have made the mistake of putting the hiding place in Europe, to which Mr. Hitchcock decamped when the vote on the tariff was impending, only 1,500 miles away.

Changing Preachers.

The changes in the personnel of the preachers occupying pulpits in Omaha churches seem this year to be more numerous than ever, and the movement in response to calls to larger fields or bigger salaries seems more active than usual.

As a rule we regret the loss of these departing preachers who stay with us an all too short time, and almost before they have become thoroughly identified with the community and get really in touch with our interests fly away like birds of passage to other climes. The preachers who are more permanently attached to their churches and who are with us and of us year after year, are generally steady-going, industrious and progressive workers for the upbuilding of Omaha along practical lines, while the new crop, even before they get rooted in the ground, want to turn things upside down, experiment with impractical theories, and accomplish in a day reforms that require years.

Our Birthday Book

March 16, 1910. Willis J. Abbott, the well known newspaper man and political writer, was born March 16, 1865, at New Haven. He ran the publicity department for Mr. Bryan's last campaign.

Dr. Robert S. Anglin, the oculist and oculist in the Karbach block, is 63 today. He is a Canadian by birth, and graduated in medicine at Queen's university at Kingston.

Louis D. Carrier, chief clerk of the general baggage office of the Union Pacific railway at Council Bluffs, was born March 16, 1862, at Geneseo, Ill. He has been continuously in railroad work since 1875.

Around New York

Ripples on the Current of Life as Seen in the Great American Metropolis from Day to Day.

While sentimental New Yorkers were shedding gobs of tears over the banishment of picturesque horse cars from local scenery, the callous-hearted push to the opposite extreme by introducing high power automobile hearse. They reason that a dead New Yorker ought to be put out of sight as quickly as social regulations permit. They consider the banishment of the horse car with slowly moving funerals a serious disturbance to business and a needless tax on the nerves of spectators.

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ROYAL Baking Powder. The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar. Absolutely PURE.

PERSONAL NOTES.

If Messrs. Shaw and Hobson insist upon having war with Japan, there is no reason why they should draw the country into their private concerns.

"Killed by joy," was the coroner's verdict in the case of Mrs. Mary E. Hendrick, who dropped dead at South Norfolk, just after she had been paid \$2,000 in cash for some property by Zenus C. Ruha.

Prof. Thomas Nixon Carver of Harvard university denies that the trusts have been more efficient than individual concerns in lowering the cost of production, but says that they have been able to lower the cost of distribution.

Hannah, the Missouri mule laid out by a Brooklyn car, managed to land a "good luck" souvenir on the shoulder of the motorman a moment before the crash came. It is characteristic of the Missouri mule to make an impression at home or abroad.

When Bryan Kallanphy of Joplin, Mo., died in 1881 he left one-third of his large fortune to be devoted to help immigrants passing through St. Louis "on their way to the west." The fund has grown to about \$1,000,000 and the trustees have nothing to do but draw their salaries. The supreme court has denied the right to divert the fund to other public purposes.

Oliver Harriman, millionaire banker, president of the Westchester Horse Show association, has filed at Mount Vernon, N. Y., his oath of office and appointment as deputy sheriff of Westchester county, by Sheriff Scherff. Mr. Harriman has a mansion at Purchase, on the outskirts of White Plains. He is one of the staff of rich deputies Sheriff Scherff has appointed.

DEMOCRATIC FOLLY.

Policy of Negation Proves Party Underestimating Power. Minneapolis Journal. Some of the democrats think the degenerate senators were under no obligation to vote for the postal savings bank bill, which was a republican program measure. The platform had demanded it and the president had adopted it as part of his irreducible minimum of performance by his party at this session. This, it is claimed, made the bill a political issue and absolved the democrats from voting for it.

Of course, if the democratic senators can reason that way, and make their constituents feel that it is all right, they may have saved their own seats. But where have they landed the party with the large independent vote, which, it is acknowledged, sways the country, and which fills from one party to another, largely on the merits or demands of their records? Can the democrats satisfy this element by mere negation?

The attitude of the democrats in congress, ever since the Taft administration came in has been weak. It proposed nothing as an alternative for the Payne tariff bill. It did not even make a virtue protest against its adoption in the house, while in the senate the democrats divided and floundered, part of them supporting and part repudiating their own platform, which specifically demanded free lumber, free pulp wood and free iron ore.

The republicans have committed enough blunders to lose them the house in the coming elections, but their opponents have made enough mistakes to counterbalance them and leave the parties about where they stood at the beginning of the administration.

It is often said that the people hold the party in power responsible, and that they vote to rebuke it. If it forgets its pledges, this is, to a great extent, true, but it is also true that the discriminating independent voter of today asks himself what he is going to put in the place of the party he believes. When he looks at the record of the democrats lately, he is almost compelled to say that whatever the shortcomings of the republicans, the democrats have not deserved power.

CHEERY CHAFF.

Inebriated One—Shay's minister did you see the beat out that friend of mine? Stranger—I saw you running down the street, but I didn't know any competitor.

Inebriated One—You didn't? Why, I went by that lane back there if it was standing still—Puck.

First Physician—So you lost Rogers as a patient? Didn't he respond to your treatment? Second Physician—Yes, but not to my dunning letters.—Lippincott's Magazine.

"John," queried her husband's wife, "if some bold man were to kidnap me would you offer a reward?" "Sure thing," replied the wife's husband, "I always reward those who favor me."—Boston Courier.

"What do you think of this theory that the comet will sweep this earth with its tail?" "Good idea," replied the public-spirited man. "If the comet can be persuaded to give some of our street-wasps attention."—Washington Star.

Reporter—How was the operation, doctor? A success? Doctor—Perfect. We found things not before known to science. Reporter—Doctor, they tell me that the patient died. Doctor—(Impatiently)—That's just like your laymen, set's bury the subject.—Baltimore American.

Friend—What? You don't mean to say you saved the lives of those freezing men by mental treatment? Explorer—Yes, indeed. We persuaded them that they were watching one of the early season's ball games.—Puck.

"Hold man! What would you do?" "I would file," replied this bridge player. "But if you must, wait twenty minutes until I can send for my moving picture machine; this will make a corking film."—St. Paul Dispatch.

TELL ME NOT.

Tell me not in box-car numbers. Life is but an empty dream. If you're working for a railroad, how happy life may seem!

Life is business on a railroad. Where you have to do this right, Do just what the yardmaster tells you. Labor hard from morn till night.

Lives of railroad man remind us. We must never be idle. But when going leave behind us Garnishes upon our time.

Garnishes which perhaps some other Wandering on this stormy main—Some folks have to do this thing—Seeing shall pass of again.

When our working days are over, And our harvest days are spent, With our shoes all worn and dusty, With our backs all tired and bent.

We shall near the gates of heaven, But inside will never get. For St. Peter there will tell us, "We've no railroad men here yet."

Knowledge is Power. There is one kind of knowledge that is power and prestige in the hands of a woman. It is the knowledge of her own nature, her own physical make-up and the home-treatment of diseases peculiar to her sex. There is a great home medical book that teaches all this. It is Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, a book of 1008 pages and over 700 wood-cuts and colored plates. Over 2,300,000 American homes contain copies of this work. It used to cost \$1.50; now it is free. For a paper covered copy send 21 one-cent stamps, to cover mailing only, to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.; French cloth binding, 31 stamps. A new, revised up-to-date Edition, now ready.

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