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Another reason for boosting the tariff commission bill is that Senator Bailey is against it.

Terrapin has been selected as the main dish at the Baltimore democratic love feast.

Just imagine to yourself what might happen if Adams county, Ohio, ever went into the census-padding business.

Equilibrators may be fatal to shaky airships, but not to shaky banks, as Mr. Morgan has aptly and deftly shown us.

A Kansas City evangelist has undertaken to arouse San Francisco by a three months' revival.

At any rate, occupants of the city hall ought not to suffer from the cold so long as City Clerk Butler is over-protected under the collar.

This weather is bad on microbes and coal fires.—St. Louis Republic.

Yes, but you cannot get all the good things with one stroke.

Just to keep in practice, San Francisco and New Orleans will run a trial heat in their race for the Panama Canal exposition before the Nebraska legislature.

For a keen sense of the eternal fitness of things, commend us to the South Dakota legislature, which has referred the anti-hat pin bill to the committee on military affairs.

One of the papers that howled the loudest for Hallinger's investigation now declares "It cost \$14,000 and we could have got along without it."

Consistency, thou art a—Oh, what's the use?

Mr. Edison evidently thinks he has conquered the electrical world and should now seek new kingdoms for conquest, but his start as a prophet is not as brilliant as his record in achievement.

Senator LaFollette thinks that Wall Street has already selected the presidential candidates for 1912.—Chicago News.

Since Wall street selections have had so little success of late years it would seem to matter little what it has done.

Nebraska's two senators have withdrawn a recommendation for postmaster for Indian land frauds.

That is the right thing to do. But still it would be much better not to recommend any cronks for appointment to office in the first place.

Oregon Plan Obligations.

The question to what extent the so-called Oregon plan of electing United States senators imposes an obligation on members of the legislature to cast their ballots for the candidate for senator who received the highest popular vote in the election is now up at Lincoln.

In politics, as in business, there is only one safe rule to follow and that is to keep faith in all agreements entered into without force or fraud.

So far as members of the legislature are concerned who did not sign "Statement No. 1," a very different situation confronts them.

There certainly is no good reason why a republican member of the legislature elected by his constituents with full knowledge that he was not to be bound by the popular vote in the whole state, and especially if it were not the same as the popular vote in his district, should vote for a democrat.

This is the view of those obligations, which The Bee took four years ago on the eve of the election which resulted in making Norris Brown United States senator.

Some Needed Experiments. One democratic member of the legislature, disgusted with the squabbling over committee assignments, is publicly quoted as saying that while he was in favor of the house naming its own committees, he would next time, if there should be a next time, vote for the speaker to appoint.

But the changed method of appointing committees is not the only plank in the platform of proposed parliamentary reform.

For the second time in a year, the legislature has been asked to consider a bill in its possession and have it out then and there on the floor.

Another proposal advanced by the insurgents at Washington contemplates a public record of the proceedings of all committees.

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Give it a Fair Trial.

The measure providing for a limited parcels post on rural free delivery mail routes has been favorably reported to the senate.

Under the circumstances it would seem only reasonable for those interests and influences seeking to defeat this legislation to rest their case in the fate of a fair experiment.

Using All the Resources.

One of the wisest laws ever enacted in the interest of the country's development was that act of congress approved June 17, 1902, setting apart as a fund for the reclamation of arid land, money received from the sale of public land in western states and territories, except 5 per cent of the proceeds for educational and other specified purposes.

Now the president having approved the engineers' reports and recommendations of the distribution of this \$20,000,000, very wisely, we believe, recommends to congress the enactment of a law which will permit the disposition of any surplus stored water available from reclamation projects to persons, associations or corporations operating systems for the delivery of water to individual water users for the irrigation of arid lands.

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Around New York

Various explanations are given by New York papers for the use of Andrew Carnegie's name by the trust company.

In the romance of "high finance" in this country there are few careers more interesting than that of Joseph G. Robin.

Francis J. Heney, the San Francisco graft prosecutor, might never have been heard of in that role there but for one of San Francisco's newspapers that unearthed the seed of corruption.

Mr. Bryan's Commoner enters upon its eleventh year with an urgent appeal to the rank and file of democrats for further co-operation to help it fill its mission.

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NEBRASKA PRESS COMMENT.

O'Neill Frontier: Several Nebraska towns that thought they were expanding to city proportions are disappointed with the show-up.

Albion News: The Nebraska Telephone Company has purchased the Fullerton local exchange. Nearly every week the absorption of some local company by this big state concern is announced.

Scott's Bluff Star: Opposition to a parcels post law, which means a law permitting packages of merchandise to be sent through the mails at a reasonable rate of postage, is a hopeless opposition because it is a fight against progress.

Beatrice Sun: Beatrice made a pretty fair little gain of population in the last ten years, though the gain is not sufficient to justify our sitting down and letting the other towns leave us in the race.

Beatrice Express: A number of Beatrice business men are trying to figure out the value of a lawyer's time, but so far have failed to arrive at any satisfactory solution of the problem.

Baldheaded Husbands Vindicated by the Daughters of Eli. Cleveland Plain Dealer. The sons of Eli are well known throughout the length and breadth of the land.

How the Unexpected Happened. Kansas City Times. Although the mutineers in the Brazilian navy were granted amnesty by the government, the leader of the mutiny and forty-four of his associates have met "undesirable" death from "suicide."

People Talked About. Mary Coombe, the richest woman north of the Arctic circle, is a full-blooded Eskimo.

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MORE MILLIONS FOR PENSIONS.

New York Tribune: The passage by the house of representatives of the bill to amend the act of 1906 to provide for a more liberal pension law is a step toward the relief of the aged.

Springfield Republican: The publication of the pension roll must be insisted upon if the Sulloway bill should be enacted into law.

Indianapolis News: Representative Longworth of Ohio is to be commended for his vote and speech against it, his pointed out the large increase in pension appropriations which the bill would make necessary.

Hostile Criticism Turned Alas by Constructive Work. Harper's Weekly. It is not surprising that the first declaration for Taft in 1912 should come from a southern statesman.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS. "Do any perquisites come in your way at the office?" "Not much, they don't. We have a lousy janitor who throws them kind of folks out."—Baltimore American.

"I am sorry Mrs. Mainstay, to hear of the loss of your husband." "Don't be sorry for me, ma'am. Sure, it's no loss to get a thousand dollars insurance for a thirty-cent husband."—Baltimore American.

CACTUS CENTER'S JINGO. Denver Republican. A fellow blown across us from across the Texas way.

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