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The half-trigger policeman must go. For good dollar diplomacy the need is good dollars and good diplomacy.

It might not hurt to inform J. Ham Lewis that the Panama presidency is open.

You may crown 'im when you're ready, Johnny Bull. Mistah Johnson has arrived.

Yama, Afiz, shows up with a temperature of 110. It must be having its winter now.

Uncle Sam has not yet officially recognized the Republic of Lower California, has he?

Because the victim of a police brute happens to be a poor man does not mitigate the outrage.

This peace propaganda seems to have allayed hostilities in Breathitt county, Kentucky, anyway.

Mr. Bryan says chasing rabbits was his hobby during boyhood. As a twig is bent, so the limb will grow.

The Boston Record observes that "The Boston ancients are 273 years old." Ought to be fairly good spirits then.

The democratic debate over free wool waxes warm, but unless we make our guess Mr. Bryan's part of it has just begun.

It remains to be seen whether "Fosches" Graham, the catcher Chicago got from Boston, will prove to be a Kling or not.

If Wall street is beginning eighteen months ahead to worry about the next presidential election it will not leave itself much time for cheer.

About every time the democrats do something that seems to them sensible they find they have displeased their three-time presidential candidate.

Troubles never come singly. Right after the supreme court decides the Standard Oil must be dissolved Mr. Rockefeller's Tarrytown taxes are increased.

A former ball player doomed to die in Nevada asked for the privilege of umpiring a game of ball before going to the gallows. Wanted to steady his nerve, no doubt.

Senator Brown announces his purpose of sitting on the fence as between candidates for the republican nomination for president. Yes, but suppose every one should sit on the fence.

If General Wood's plan of giving each cadet six months in actual military life before graduation is adopted the number of applicants to enter West Point may become less and less.

Havelock has followed Lincoln's lead in voting wet. Havelock will doubtless not be so self-sacrificing the next time if the pendulum swings the other way and Lincoln puts the lid on again.

The local democratic organ wants the republican state officials held to account for the mistake of locating the new Agricultural school at Curtis. But the people is and around Curtis do not think it is any mistake.

Twenty thousand school children in Omaha and South Omaha are winding up their year's work. A good sized army, this army of growing boys and girls—equal to nearly one-half of all the regular military forces of the nation.

Congressman Norris writes to the Progressive Republican leader of Nebraska that "we ought to make an attempt to nominate a real progressive for president."

All right. Who is he?—Omaha. Be. Surely the republican national committee for Nebraska ought to know. What is the matter with the Mr. Nebraska City News.

Nothing the matter with him that we know of.

Madero's Growing Strength.

The announcement by Provisional President de la Barra and General Reyes of their readiness to accept portfolios in a cabinet under Madero, should be a constitutional precedent of strength of the revolutionary leader and is easily the most remarkable official utterance that has emanated from Mexico City since Diaz tendered his resignation.

Madero has grown since Navarro surrendered Juarez to Garibaldi. That was the climax of his six-months old revolution, culminating in Diaz's resignation and bringing Madero to the pivotal point in his career. He must now advance or retreat; he cannot stand still and maintain his leadership. He has advanced—that is admitted. He took his first step forward when he refused to declare himself provisional president as the fruit of his victory, which would have been but following the ordinary custom in Latin republics.

Either De la Barra or Reyes would previously have been considered a stronger character than Madero, but the public must take a new measure of Madero in view of what he has accomplished and how he has accomplished it. The friends of Mexico will hope the new leader will avoid mistakes and continue to rise with his opportunities for large-brained and useful service to his country.

Prestige of the South.

A southern orator reminds the south that if it will fix its attentions upon business instead of politics it will soon regain its ante-bellum prestige, politically. He contends that greatest industrial development and population expansion are to be made in the south in the next few years, and that if the south makes the most of these opportunities it will soon find itself repossessed of great political power.

His theory is partially a good one. Whether it works out just that way, or whether it would gain by holding the balance of political power, it certainly stands to reason that the hope of the south lies not in devoting its energies to politics, but to business. And, judging from the tone of leading southern newspapers, that seems to be what the south realizes, and is, in a measure, doing.

But it seems to us the point of chief interest in this new outlook is—whether the southerners appreciate it or not—that with a rehabilitation of political prestige will come, by this route of industrial expansion, a commingling of political forces destructive in its tendency of the old exclusive domination, but constructive of a better system of politics, society and industry.

The New Superintendent.

Taking the bull by the horns, as it were, the Board of Education has promoted Principal E. U. Graf of the High school to succeed Dr. Davidson as superintendent of schools without waiting for other eligibles to make their appearance and without giving consideration to any other applicants. While we doubt the wisdom of precipitate action in so important a matter, we hope the choice of the board will prove to be a wise one and that Mr. Graf, who has made a favorable impression as High school principal, will measure up to the requirements of his new position.

Family Reaches for Pie, St. Louis Republic. Uncle Albert Madero is in a receptive frame of mind as regards the governmentship of the sovereign state of Chihuahua and some of the cousins are looking ex-

plicitly toward the post offices and deputy collectorships. Acquiring a Troublesome Habit. Pittsburg Dispatch. It will be most unfortunate if after shaking off the Diaz yoke the Mexicans should become so familiar with political conspiracies and insurrections as to make them a necessary of life. An Inspiring Optimist. Baltimore American. Justice Harlan, of the supreme court, says that the nation is in no danger, and that we are nearer the American ideal of government than ever before.

Still Building. James J. Hill is not allowing age to diminish his zeal, nor curtail his activities for railroad building. At 73 he is still reaching out for new conquests and his ambitions are entirely laudable, since they contemplate a larger heritage for the two countries he has served so well. For the Hill railroad enterprises bestow their benefits directly upon both sides of the Dominion line.

Washington Schools and Davidson. The new superintendent, William M. Davidson of Omaha, comes well recommended and will bring to bear on his new labors a goodly fund of experience gathered in other school fields. The need of the Washington schools is not only an educator of force and vitality, sagacity and accuracy of judgment, but a pacificator—a man who can bring harmony out of the discord that so long has disturbed the school system.

NEBRASKAN'S IDEAL SPURNED. Suggestion for "Good Citizenship" Day Rudely Turned Down. Chicago Inter-Ocean. A gentleman out in Nebraska who is trying to start a movement for the observance of a "good citizenship" day writes to ask if we have any suggestions to make.

An Inexcusable Police Outrage. The murder of an inoffensive bystander on a busy downtown thoroughfare by a reckless hair-trigger policeman is an outrage against which the whole community should rise up.

Such a brutal shooting by an officer of the law is even less excusable than it would be by a private citizen under similar circumstances, because the officer is sworn to protect life and property, and in duty bound to risk his own life, if need be, before exposing the lives of others.

Neither can we understand why a brutal policeman like Officer Woodridge committing an unprovoked murder, should have special consideration as a prisoner when placed under arrest. Why should he not have been suspended from the force at once? Why should he be treated like a star boarder in jail instead of like any other prisoner similarly accused?

One of the garbage contractors has finally come to the rescue to test the validity of the emergency garbage ordinance. It looks as if the principal emergency consisted of a notion on the part of the garbage contractors that they can get more money out of it by collecting from the city instead of from the householders.

The Nebraska State Postmasters' association meets this week in York, the convention having been taken away from Omaha, where it was originally voted, because the stock of Omaha's postmaster suffered a serious decline. We hope the postmasters will keep Omaha on the list for a future meeting.

And yet if a judge ascertained that during the progress of a trial one juror had been bribed he would scarcely wait to find out whether enough others had been bribed to secure a verdict; he would, if he were a fit man to sit on the bench, call a halt in proceedings right there.

A little Texas paper quotes W. F. Schwind of Lincoln as saying: "Mr. Bryan will come back and be the democratic presidential nominee in 1914." We do not doubt it. Mr. Bryan's chief strength has always asserted itself in the "off" years.

Judge Gary, Theodore N. Vall President Delano of the Wabash, all say public utility corporations and other big industries should be under government regulation. Chancellor Day says not. Now for arbitration.

Army Gossip. Matters of Interest on and Back of the Firing Line Gleaned from the Army and Navy Register. One of the most interesting bills which has lately been introduced in congress is one (H. R. 1118) presented by Representative Rucker of Colorado, providing for the abolishment of the military post at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., "the same," in the language of the measure, "having become undesirable for military purposes."

Some complaint has been made that the War department has imposed excessive requirements in determining the qualifications of expert riflemen and sharpshooters. The question of modification has been carefully considered by those who are interested in maintaining a high standard of accuracy in marksmanship in the military service.

The new edition of the manual of the army medical department will shortly be ready for distribution. It has been the subject of revision for about two years upon which work Major Charles Lynch of the army medical department has been engaged in connection with other duties.

A circular will be issued from the War department announcing that the term "typhoid" will not be hereafter used in the official designation of the treatment intended as a prevention of that disease.

Senator Warren of Wyoming has transmitted to the War department a complaint he has received from a local shoemaker at Cheyenne, who says he does not have a monopoly of business on the military reservation at Fort D. A. Russell as he expected would be the case when he received permission to establish a shoe shop as a feature of the Ninth cavalry exchange.

Steel Trest Hands a Hard One to the Railroads. Collier's Weekly. The prices of steel bars, steel billets, beams—every form of steel, except rails—are lower than at any other time during the last five years. Steel rails alone continue to sell at the same price that was fixed by the trust ten years ago.

Electrician T. L. Young of Topeka county, Pennsylvania, has invented a huckleberry picker; he says it will pick two huckleberries in as many as a woman of 50. A. D. Dotson, 25 years old, who sits but his longevity to his habit of eating beans, was married to Miss Rebecca Jane Galaway, 24 years old, in Muldrow, Okl., recently.

Mrs. Eliza Van Bramer of Pittsfield, Mass., celebrated her 8th birthday by working for two hours in her flower garden and reading the daily newspapers without停息. One walks through a case and is as sure as a woman of 50.

The mother of American women's clubs is dead in New Harmony, Md. She was Mrs. Constance Fawcetter Runcie. Known, if not personally, then by reputation, in almost every place in the United States where women have organized for the advancement of their interests, she was recognized and honored as their pioneer.



FREDERIC THOMPSON

Colony. Thompson was a party-giver for New York's millions when Frederic Thompson met the little Duke of Omaha created Luna Park and transformed the island into a wonderful amusement resort. Luna Park escaped the flames which recently destroyed the rival resort, "Dreamland," and Thompson is doing most of the business in consequence.

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Supervision of Marriage.

Chicago Inter-Ocean: George E. Howard, professor of sociology in the University of Nebraska, thinks we ought to have a drastic revision of all the laws governing marriage. In particular, he suggests the endorsement of motherhood, trained officials to perform marriages, a school of domestic relations to teach the problems of sex and parentage and thus prepare for marriage, and a more efficient administrative system.

Washington Herald: Prof. Howard would endow motherhood by the state, abolish common law marriages, require twenty days' public notice before a license is issued, and would limit marriage to those who are of age. Whether one or all of these suggestions are ever enacted into law or not, the fact remains that students of sociology can find no better field for the employment of their talents than in remedying the present conditions.

LAUGHING GAS. Lily—I've wine to a spruce party tonight, Miss Sally. What will you take for a present? Lily—Well, we don't calculate on taking no present. You see, we didn't want to spruce on too much. Philadelphia Ledger.

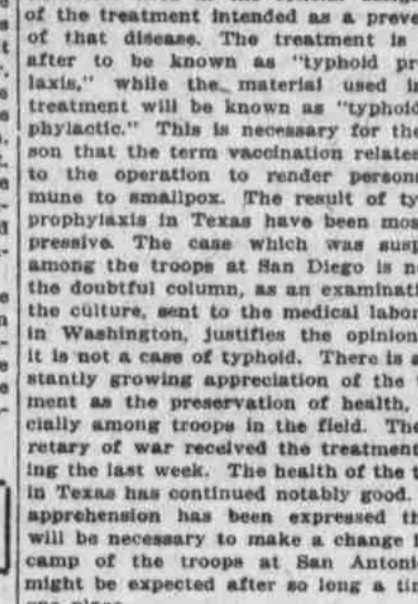
THE SPOONERS. Bohemian Magazine. Together we sat in a tea-table. The prettiest girl and I. The light was out and the hour was late. For the time you knew, while by: By Jove, How rapidly time will fly!

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People Talked About

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