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Condition of Business.

The condition of business is a pendulum that has been swinging back and forth of late, according to natural and artificial influences that determine it.

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How Fickle is Fame.

Fame is fickle and yet in its fickleness is sometimes generous. This seems to be the case with Maitre Labori, the great French lawyer recently made chief of the "Order of Advocates."

Political Ambitions of a Pugilist.

Hon. John Lawrence Sullivan, a cabbage farmer of Abington, Mass., is being groomed by his friends and admirers for the legislature on the democratic ticket and he has inclined his ear unto the voice of the siren.

Holdup Men Occasionally Run Against a Fighter.

These are perilous times for the Deadwood Dicks who attempt to hold up passengers on the peaceful train or trolley car. These are equally perilous times for the trahmen who meet the dime novel heroes more than half way and put them to rout.

The Coming State Conventions.

Were it not for factional controversies the coming state conventions of the several political parties in Nebraska would have no significance.

Unbusinesslike.

The Water board continues to repeat that its members are pledged, if the \$8,250,000 of bonds now asked are voted, not to issue the \$3,000,000 water bonds voted in 1900 nor the \$6,500,000 water bonds voted in 1909.

Intensive Cotton Farming.

The government's export figures for the last fiscal year show a loss of 419,000,000 pounds in cotton shipment as compared with that of the year previous, yet the cotton exports for the last year brought more than \$100,000,000 in excess of what the sales for the year before brought.

Cotton prices, of course, are higher, but that alone does not account for this anomaly in trade, for there must be some way of accounting for the advance in price aside from the mere cause of speculation.

Twenty Years Ago.

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Bravery of Trainmen.

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People Talked About.

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Consumption of Liquor.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: In a recent editorial on liquor statistics you said that the increase in the consumption of liquors is to a great extent accounted for by the increase in population.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

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JULY 24.

Thirty Years Ago.

A "nice little party of gentlemen and ladies," left in the morning for a day in the woods near McArdle's mill. They took with them a bountiful supply of victuals and drinkables, and report having spent a pleasant time.

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The Bee's Letter Box

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Doctors' Wagon's Letter.

SILVER CREEK, Neb., July 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: In the World-Herald of this date appears a letter over my signature. But it is not the letter I wrote; it was garbled, and even emasculated, by the editor.

Mr. Poulson's Retirement.

LINCOLN, July 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Enclosed find statement for publication, if you so desire, signed by all of our headquarters committee who were at to-day's meeting.

DOC BRYAN'S CURE-ALLS.

A Remedy for Every Public Ill Always on Hand. Washington Post. If there is anything that old Dr. Bryan has no remedy for—if there is anything he cannot cure—an admiring world would like to know what it is.

Beer-Selling Druggists.

OMAHA, July 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Permit the correct contention of the Anti-Saloon League to appear in your paper, where there has appeared an incorrect statement of the league's position.

A Tip for the Senate.

The untutored mind of the Indian, or the savage, often appears strange to us, but there is sometimes reason in what at first sight seems eccentric.

Spotted on Sight.

When a strange face appears at a corporation's headquarters the office boy, without waiting for a card, announces "another of them investigators."

LA FOLLETTE'S ATTACK ON TAFT

Baltimore American: President Taft by nothing to fear from personal attack, and the kind of attack made by Senator La Follette is so obviously inspired for personal benefits as to merit no notice.

Chicago Post: Mr. Taft has gained rather than lost by the supreme effort of the man who intends to face him for the republican nomination.

Philadelphia Record: La Follette has no political chance whatever outside of his own state except as a republican, and there have been some indications that he was losing his grip on Wisconsin.

METHODIST "SOUL HOSPITAL."

Proposed Asylum for Men and Women Weary of Sin. St. Louis Republic. History repeats itself. The Methodists of Chicago, under the leadership of Bishop Manxman with "locks of the sun-kissed gold," Bishop Quayle, are contemplating the establishment of a "soul hospital," to which men and women weary of sin and desiring an asylum from the world's temptations and allurements may flee for safety.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

"How do you do, use a lawyer files the love letters in a breach of promise suit?" "I suppose he classes them as promissory notes."—Baltimore American.

QUIET.

Two deaf mules were married yesterday. There will be one quiet home.—New York Herald.

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