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- The Bee's Platform 1. New Union Passenger Station. 2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska's Highways, including the pavement of Main Thoroughfares leading into Omaha with a Brick Surface.

LEGISLATIVE APPOINTMENT. One of the really important things the present legislature will be required to do is to re-adjust the legislative districts of the state.

Why Not Use the Wool? A Washington wool man says that 5,000,000 pounds of wool is held in storage in the northwest for which no market can be found.

Cuba at Boiling Point. Affairs in Cuba have reached such a stage of disturbance that the president has felt constrained to dispatch General Crowder with a view to bringing something like order into the life of the island.

Minneapolis and City Manager. Up in Minneapolis a movement is under way to improve the city government. There as elsewhere, and in Omaha particularly, too much passing the buck has aroused resentment of the citizens against the existing plan.

San Francisco lawyer is reported to have reduced his fees to enrich his client. This may be the exception that makes the rule.

Team work between the State and Labor departments at Washington is about up to the democratic standard. A "blind turkey" dinner was lately held in Denver. Omaha has the "blind pig" variety every day.

suffer nothing when it comes. Only the people probably will be more discriminating in making choice of servants, and very likely will scrutinize more carefully the fitness of the candidates.

An Answer to the "Protocols." The British government has just appointed Lord Reading, a Jew, to be viceroy of India. Here is a practical and what should be an effective reply to the "Protocols."

Dairy Cow the Solution. It is no new story Prof. Frandsen told the farmers at Lincoln. He has been dinging that information into them many years, with a patience that almost equals that of Job.

When I'm away from you The grass less verdant is the sky less blue. Less merrily the sunbeams dance along The bobbing waves; the breeze evening song.

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Letter Changed Meaning. Several months ago, when Dr. R. S. Hyer resigned as president of the Southern Methodist university at Dallas, Bishop Mouzon went up to Louisville to see if Dr. H. A. Boaz could be secured to take Dr. Hyer's place.

Could Not Happen Here. You never hear of any one in this country walking off and leaving a satchel with \$2,000,000 in it like the man did in Paris. In this country the owner of a satchel containing \$2,000,000 would be quite sure to put a flask in it so that he wouldn't walk away and forget it.—Detroit News.

A Line O' Type or Two How to the Line, let the quips fall where they may.

As down the world we hasten, As hasten, love, we must, The days that mar and chasten— They also star the dust;

And though our castles vanish, Our dreams of them abide; And none their grace can banish, Though all their glory hide.

A LIBRARIAN confides to us that she was visited by a young lady who wished to see a large map of France. She was writing a paper on the battlefields of France for a culture club, and she just couldn't find Flannes' Field, and No Man's Land on any of the maps in her books.

IN THE UNIVERSITY MARKET. "And I want some laundry starch, I've forgotten the name, but I think it begins with R."

REFERRING to Beethoven's anniversary, Ernest Newman remarks that "a truly civilized community would probably celebrate a centenary by prohibiting all performances of the master's works for three or five years, so that the public's deadening familiarity with them might wear off."

NEWMAN, by the way, is a piano-player, contending that when the principles of beautiful tone production are understood, mechanical means will probably come nearer to perfection than the human hand. Mr. Arthur Whiting, considering the horseless pianoforte some time ago, was also enthusiastic. The h. p. is entirely self-possessed, and has even more platform imperatibility than the applauded virtuoso.

PURR-R-R-R! Sir: The most useful thing I learned from the line was how to hiss such words as "crumbly," "fiddled" and "no." Will you now take up purring? Mr. Shackleton, in his Book of Chicago, says we speak reverently of the Skokie marsh. The word Skokie, he says, is derived softly. Please state the purpose.

Our Felicitous Law-Givers. Rule 4 (Rules and Resolutions for Charles River Reservation): "No person shall utter any profane, threatening, abusive, or indecent language or loud outcry; or do any obscene or indecent act; or lie down upon a bench or go to sleep thereon; except by written authority from said Metropolitan District Commission."

Revised Statutes of Illinois: "The Governor shall appoint five persons to be called the Board of Administration. One person shall be qualified to advise the board. One person shall be the president. The remaining three members of the board shall be reputable citizens. Ordinance, Village of Madison, Neb.: "Provided however, this ordinance shall not apply to dogs following their masters from the country, or temporarily in the village on business, or traveling through the village."

ONE of our lino operators, asked the raison d'etre of the stogy, replied: "Well, you see, the stogy is both cigar and holder, for the price of one cigar. I smoke half of it and throw the other half away."

When my choice stuff makes 'quaintance of the foot, I do no step my steadfast soul in sorrow. Instead, I keep on sending more and more; For B. L. T. means Better Luck, Tomorrow!

COMES complaint from San Diego that the weather is cold and rents are advancing. Why not hop on a bus and go to La Jolla? TO AN UNEXPERIENCED FRIEND. You blame me for these ways of mine, so still— My lack of sunshine glancing restlessly, My silent habit, you would censure me.

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How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation. Answers enclosed, addressed envelopes is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee. Copyright, 1920, by Dr. W. A. Evans.

FRIENDLY TORTURERS. "I read," Mrs. L. F. writes, "that an expectant mother writes of her husband throwing up a good dinner. I want to tell you that my husband did the same thing when I was pregnant and he has perfect health, thank God, and has not vomited since, and it has been 18 years since I had a child."

Let us use this as an introduction to the general subject of birthmarks. I sometimes wonder why some people are such vitriolic, enraptured, violent partisans of the theory that a woman can mark her baby. When we read the history of the subject and learn how much tradition, precedent, and history the theory has, you wonder no longer. As a matter of fact, it cannot be corrected overnight.

In those days pregnant women were often tried for stealing things which they longed for but could not honestly acquire and stole in order to keep from marking their babies. Elia finds that recent records of such transgressions are few.

These longings were a species of hysteria. The hysteria was more or less contagious. Husbands caught it occasionally. There never was any foundation in fact for the longings or for the theory that birthmarks resulted from either longings of fathers to have longings, or when who longed with great enthusiasm in their first pregnancies seemed to forget all about it in the later pregnancies, say after the fifth or tenth, and their babies were not marked.

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The Bee's Letter Box

Here's a Toes'n Sound. Omaha, Jan. 1.—To the Editor of The Bee: In view of the agitation by The Bee to do away with the present city commission and supplant it with a city manager plan, I feel that a warning should be sounded to the people.

This city manager plan, a form of one man rule, is claimed by your paper to be less expensive to the taxpayers and more efficient. It would, no doubt, be an efficient means of producing a lookout against public opinion, thereby defeating the right of the people for a voice in governmental affairs. It is safe to say it would be a far more expensive form of government to the taxpayers for the reason that the city manager would have the power to place in force rules and measures by coercion, without the consent of the people, thereby defeating the will of the people and thus compelling the individual to resort to the courts for relief and protection with a final result that the taxpayer would have to bear the cost of litigation for both the city and himself.

The promoters of this city manager plan seem to have lost all sight of the principle on which this government was founded, which is based on liberty and freedom; and it should be the duty of every citizen who believes in liberty, freedom and justice to remind them of this principle—a government "For the people, of the people and by the people," for which our forefathers fought and died "might not perish from earth," shall not now be discarded for the dictatorial form of government whether in the municipal, state or nation, nor should it ever be tolerated here.

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