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make to the city council, and the exhortations they occasionally address to voters, have not much force upon the council or upon the people at large.

As a preacher Mr. Hewitt is scholarly and eloquent. Columbus, Ohio, is a college town and further east than Lincoln, but Mr. Hewitt can preach his Lincoln sermons and the Columbus men, women and students will not miss, from them the ripe culture to which they are probably accustomed.

The students of the state university are preparing a petition to the board of regents to allow them the use of the armory for dancing parties. There lacks a good reason why they should not have it. There are many why they should. The armory was built for the students. If the student body wish to use it in any healthful innocent way they should not be prevented. They themselves should be the judge of what is healthful and innocent. If 13,000 out of the 15,000 declare that they consider dancing a beneficial recreation, then dancing is good and not bad. Students are severe critics of themselves as well as of others. There are vicious ones among them, but there are not 13,000 vicious out of 15,000. The request of so large a majority is a righteous one.

It appears that Mr. Rosewater was in the east this week to secure the payment of a \$2000 claim for services rendered the National republican committee through the Omaha Bee in the campaign of 1892. This is reported on the authority of Mr. Annin, Washington correspondent of the State Journal, who has the merit of sometimes telling the truth. In all probability it is true, but it is a fact well known that Mr. Rosewater is not living this life and publishing the Bee simply for the fun of the thing. It is doubtful if in recent years, Mr. Rosewater has taken money, directly, for advocating or opposing measures or men; but the smoothness of this able journalist covers a number of artifices that may be said to beat the devil about the stump in a most effective manner. For instance Mr. Rosewater may take a few reefs in the Bee's main sheet for the sake of a \$10,000 annual rental fee from the department of the Platte. Or he may do certain things with the understanding that he is to be appointed special commissioner of the postal department of the government. He may promise to support the republican party in Nebraska in a certain campaign in consideration of the subsequent payment to him of \$2000 for "moneys expended upon the authorization of Chairman Carter." It is very like Mr. Rosewater to keep both eyes glued to the main chance. But if the editor of the Bee should get any money from the National republican committee for the Bee's support it would be obtaining money under false pretenses. In the campaign of 1892, as in the recent campaigns, Mr. Rosewater and the Bee opposed the republican ticket—republican candidates for congress. It is not probable that the "most influential man in Nebraska" will get his \$2000.

Mr. Annin said Senators Allen and Thurston made a striking appearance as they walked arm in arm to the vice-

president's desk at the opening of congress. "Each was clad in a new suit of black. Each wore gold spectacles and each held his disengaged hand behind his back as he walked up the center aisle. Each of them is over six feet tall."

Thurston must have grown some since he went to Washington to become a senator. Here in Nebraska, as a lawyer and an officer of the Union Pacific railroad company, he was not "over six feet tall." It may be that senatorial dignity adds inches to one's height. The Journal's correspondent found some points of similarity in the appearance of the two senators, points confined to their height, their gold spectacles and the clothes they wore.

Whatever may be their resemblance in these inconsequential details, there is little in common between these two men, both important figures in the sen-

ate of the United States. Allen is one of the foremost champions of a party in the last stage of its decadence. He is a large man with a good heart. He is patriotic, naturally, and he would like to be loyal to the interests of Nebraska. He joined the populist party without accepting all of its vagaries and he occupies as a populist senator a false position. He would like to do many things that he cannot do on account of his political affiliations. He does many things on account of his political affiliation that he does not like to do. Allen is made to play the role of an unwilling hypocrite. He has considerable influence in the senate and is shown some respect in Washington. Occasionally he drinks too much and smashes things.

Men have a habit of saying with their throats full of lumps, "this is the happiest and proudest moment of my life." When John M. Thurston took the oath of office as United States senator he did not say these words; but if any man was ever proud and happy he was at that moment. And Mrs. Thurston as she gazed on the scene—how she must have fluttered and cried with joy! Mr. Thurston is one of the most ambitious men in this country—certainly the most ambitious of all Nebraskans. For years he has looked forward to his election to the United States senate as something bound to come. He has regarded the senate, or rather his entry to it, as the threshold of a great political career, a career

that is to make the name of Thurston rank with that of Blaine and the foremost men of the republican party. The bitterest disappointment he ever experienced was when William Vincent Allen carried away the prize that had been almost within his grasp in 1893; when the treachery of a republican representative from Gage county took the senatorship from the republicans and gave it to the populists. At the session of '93 there was a vigorous contest for the nomination for senator by the republican caucus. The night Thurston was nominated it was thought the republicans would control the election. The caucus was held in the committee room of the Lincoln hotel and while it was in session Mr. Thurston was walking up and down in the lobby. He said to me: "I will be nominated before eleven o'clock, and I expect to be elected by the legislature. I went into this fight at this time against my own judgment, but I am glad now that I allowed my name to be used. There is a better chance for a republican to make a name in the senate now than there has been for years. The old party leaders are, many of them gone, and the fact that the democrats are in power is an additional reason why I want to be elected now." But fate and Representative Laidlow willed it otherwise. If there was a chance for an aggressive republican senator to make a name then there is a better chance now. Cleveland is still president. Pending domestic and foreign difficulties afforded a suitable opportunity for the exploitation of the sentiment of Americanism that Thurston knows so well how to express.

Mr. Thurston's ambition extends be-

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