



the politics of Maryland and West Vir difference between tweedl-dum and ginia.

way company. It has been the great- thing that savors of gag rule. est factor in the material upbuilding of the state. There is no desire or intention to make any attack in your occasion for another breaking out of columns, on this railway company, but I McKinley enthusiasm; and it is doubthonestly believe, and I am not by any ful if Mr. Manderson's cause was means alone in that belief, that the strengthened any. Burlington railway company would be infinitely better off today if it had kept its hands out of politics. It is a dangerous thing for a great corporation to play at politics.

Populism in Nebraska is in a critical stage. This year it may dissolve until it will lose potency as a political factor. It may be strengthened and sgain place in jeopardy the republican state ticket. Presidectial politics is inextricably mingled with state politics. Should Mc-Kinley carry Nebraska and be made the nominee for president there will be injected into the political situation in this state an enthusiasm that will carry thousands of populists into the republican camp. On the other hand if the Manderson McKinley fight continues, and particularly if Manderson should be successful in dividing the delegation from Nebraska the antagouism to the railroads that will be aroused will add to populist strength. If the railroad issue should be emphasized and if Bryan should be made the demo-pop candidate for governor, the republican party would have a rocky road before it. And this year there is a legislature and state officers to elect. It may be remarked that now is a good time to stand up for Nebraska."

There is much wisdom in this view. The republican party in this state is threatened as it has not been threatened for years. Already there is a strong feeling between the two factions, and this feeling is fast merging into bitterness. General Manderson is undoubtedly sincere and honest in his candidacy. He believes he has a chance of receiving the nomination, and certainly any man has a right to aspire for the presidency. As has been said before ey are the Iri of Manderson, and it is to be regretted that it is not possible to harmonize the two factions of the party.

tweedledee. In finding it he disap Nebraska owes much of its wealth pointed his friends, who had regarded and importance to the Burlington rail- him as an unflinching antagonist of any-

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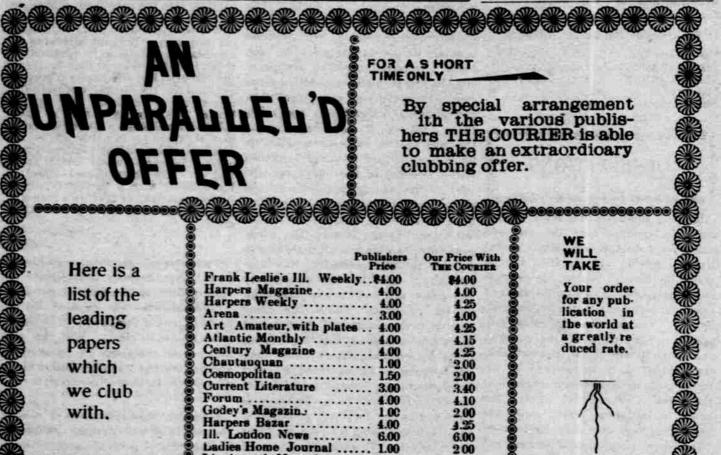
THE STATE AND THE PRESS. Rose Hammond's Tribune says: "State Auditor Moore, in pursuance of his usual policy of looking carefully after wink the other eye at the outrage. Now Over in Alton, Iowa, things have come the interests of the people as a part of do not the officers elected by the people to such a pass that a man named his official duty, has gone after the get more for their services than they Brunsman publishes the following Omaha Fire Insurance and will compel are really worth, why should they have significant card in the Democrat: the receiver of that defunct concern to any help whatever only what is abeo re-insure its policy holders in other com. lutely necessary. There are a thousand it may concern that I will not subm t panies. It has about \$30,000 of uncarned and one things that they, as our ser- much longer to the falsehoods that are premiums to account for."

writes a setter to the Firth Graphic, this city, is the reputed owner of the which i rapidly tecoming celebrated, Firth Graphic. The idea will occur to and lays down the proposition that "our some people that Lindsay is preju_icing county officers should do their own his chances for a republican delegatejanitor work." I. M. H. continues: "We ship by his newspaper course. the tax ridden people have observed hosts of hangerson at county head. Dan Freeman, of Gage county, the quarters, simply putting in their time at man who entered the first homestead our expense. Some handling an old in the United States, says: "We have while our lords and masters from the crop of all kinds this year. These little so much waste and extravagance. They never seen a winter like this but was the commissioners and trustees need followed by a wet spring and big crops not allow waste. From the state house Nebraska is all right." down to the justice court is one line of flagrant extravagance. Judges giving Norfolk is not the only place where vants can uo themselves and they circulated about me. I have always atshould be made to do it. It would stop tended strictly to my own business, paid

perforated hose sprinkling a lonely plowed every month in the year so far, bluegrass sprout here and there. Others and I am much encouraged over the handling spittoons, while others were farming eutlook. Wheat is all right emptying waste baskets, etc., etc. Now and I think we are going to have a big district judges down to our road over- flurries if snow are all right and the seers never heed, nor care for the best ground takes them all in, too. It is not interests of them who gave their con- just the time yet for rain, but we will sent that they might enjoy their present get it this spring when we need it. I positions. Yet our county commission- may be off in my calculations but I'll be ers and trustees are greatly to blame for seventy years old in April, and I have

one horse lawyers large sums for de- there is scandal and tearing down of fending petty criminals while the com. character, though the Lord knows missioners and trustees of the people there is altogether too much of it here.

I take this occasion to notify all whom Somebody signing h imself "1. M. H." a thousand leaks." L. L. Lindsay, of my debts, and would recommend that



There was no good reason why the city central committee should have refused to give the republican voters of the city an opportunity to express their preference for president. An overwhelming majority of the party demanded it. The situation was precisely the same as it was three weeks ago. A majority of the party demanded that the committee give the party a chance to try the new system of voting. The committee, after some heaitation, obeyed the demand. Mr. E P. Brown, who was one of the prime movers for the adoption of the Lincoln system, maintained from the stage of the Funke opera house that the majority of the party was greater than any committee and had a right to dictate. He said republicans d a right to express themselves on any subject. Later, as a member of the city central committee, he took an exactly contrary position on the same general question, and was one of the prin ers is denying republican voters the right to express their preference for resident. Mr. Brown has found the

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