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A Western exchange says: "A dollar will buy more to-day than ever before." For instance it will buy nearly two bushels and a half of wheat.

"UNEASY lies the head of the man who want office." They are laying quite a little avalanche of uneasiness now, for their powers seem to be keeping their own counsel.

THERE is no denying it, the Legislature is in session this week. If you want to get rich, be happy or anything, send the legislature word. It is really for business.

THE average price of wheat in Dakota, Iowa and adjoining States is 50 to 60 cents. In California 70 cents. The difference is owing to the high freight charges of the "Big Four" railroad combine.

THE Farmers Alliance doesn't care a fig which political party engrafs its demands into law. It was organized to secure needed reforms, not to build up political parties, nor to put certain men in office. Says the Southern Mercury.

Those who believe the Farmers Alliance has been swallowed up by the people's party, or any other political party, need information upon the present condition of the order and the outlook from an Alliance standpoint. Says the Southern Mercury.

Mr. Orange Judd, editor of the Orange Judd Farmer, one of the oldest and most popular agricultural papers in the country, died at Evanston, Ill., a few days ago. He was widely known throughout the country.

You cannot hope to convince your brother in the Alliance, who differs with you politically, unless you are also open to conviction. You both must lay aside your prejudices before either can learn anything or be mutually helpful to each other.

THE pension business now runs up to one hundred and eighty-eight million dollars annually. The recent session of Congress, with its members elected pledged to pension reform, have just started the ball by increasing the Mexican pensions from \$8 to \$12 per month. Such reform as that is what the low is all about. Look out for equals in the future.

WHAT a commentary upon the culture and enlightenment of the best Government under the sun that it has become so corrupt and rotten that every state, county and neighborhood is seeking to invent a plan which will insure honest elections! How remarkable it is, too, that the most popular invention for that purpose comes from England's penal colony—Australia—and that there must be a demonstration of the necessary inventive capacity by a felon to curb the crimes upon the ballot!

THE fight for "spoils" is getting warm. "We want in" is the battle cry of those who supported the ticket in November. "We won't get out till we must" is the answering shout of those who have been enjoying such places for the past four years. To provide places for all the faithful is a more difficult problem to solve than either the tariff or the currency question and will give the President-elect greater annoyance. If the distribution of patronage could be divorced from the Presidential office and lodged somewhere else the Chief Magistrate of the nation would enjoy sounder sleep.

A Nashville, Tenn., dispatch says Mrs. H. Clay King and daughter are in that city "looking toward securing the absolute pardon of Col. King, who received a life term for the murder of David Poston in Memphis." Certainly, Pardon "Col." King by all means. If there is such a thing as justice in Tennessee or anywhere else in this country "Col." King should have stretched himself like any common criminal. But because he was a "colonel" his sentence was commuted to life-imprisonment.

and because he is still a "colonel" his folks want him absolutely pardoned. It has come to this: It is almost impossible to hang anybody in this country and of course a "colonel" must be passed by, and yet some people wonder why Judge Lynch holds court so often.

New York Herald: The Rev. Charles Force Dacus, a pastor of St. Vincent's Church, was well enough yesterday to leave his room and take dinner in the dining-room of the New York hotel, where he and Mrs. Dacus, Dr. Frank Dacus said that his father was not suffering from a stroke of paralysis, but was simply exhausted by his hard work.

THE INCOME TAX. The agitation about the income tax increases and is being taken up in all parts of the country. It is generally believed by the most thoughtful to be the simplest, fairest and best support of the government as the New York World puts it. To make it absolutely fair, however, it should reach far down in the scale and touch the man of small income as well as the man of large income. Otherwise the government will seem to attach a sort of penalty to success. There is no reason why the man with an income of \$50,000 a year should be taxed heavily and the man with an income of \$2,500 be taxed not at all. The equitable way will be for the tax to reach down and touch the small incomes. Every man ought to be willing to add his trifle to the vast aggregate necessary to run this government.

MONEY SHARES. The following from the Globe-Democrat affords one of the evidences of prosperity in the flourishing city of St. Louis:

"Could the record of the recorder of deeds' office speak, instead of being a silent receptacle of written documents what a startling tale of human misery would be unfolded, and what narratives of man's avarice and indifference would be told. It is there that the dead in human form, hidden from public gaze, flourishes in all his glory. St. Louis has its proportionate part of these fellows—men who prey upon the destination of fellow-men as the hawk does upon the weaker members of the feathered tribe, and almost as indifferent. The number is not a man of sentiment, and is as unmoved by tales of woe as he is to the forms of law. Money and interest is all he lives and cares for—it is his aim of existence; things else are as nothing to him.

"According to the records of the recorder of deeds' office, the number of chattel mortgages filed average about 12,000 per year. Some of these go over from year to year, and it is estimated that there are now filed 18,000 chattel mortgages on personal property. Of the 18,000, 14,000 are on household effects, such as furniture, carpets, cooking utensils. Of the 14,000, 10,000 are held by well-known money sharks, who draw on an average 10 per cent per month from their victims, although the law is very emphatic and explicit on the subject of money.

"There have been numerous cases in the courts where it was established that the lender had collected from the borrower in interest alone more than 100 per cent in excess of the money borrowed. In fact, a case was tried before Judge Dillon not long since, where it appeared that a well known 'shark' had made \$20,000 in one transaction in connection with the Ward Furniture Company, which failed about three years ago, and was then suing to recover \$1,500 additional. Nearly all of these mortgages are made by people whom you would not necessarily force to take such methods to prevent starvation. When they are once in the hands of the shark, they are unable to extricate themselves and remain there ready cash is extorted from them. Then the shark walks in, takes possession, and turns their effects over to a second-hand dealer.

RAILWAY FACTS. The recent report of the interstate Commerce Committee give important information regarding the railway service of the United States.

On the 30 of June, 1891, there were 108,402 miles of single track road in the United States. Adding the double track, the total mileage was 210,147. This makes over five and a half miles of single track for every hundred square miles of territory, and twenty-nine and a quarter miles for every ten thousand inhabitants. New Jersey has the greatest number of miles to its extent of territory, nearly 28 miles to the 100 square miles of territory. Massachusetts follows with 23 miles, Pennsylvania with nearly 23, Connecticut with nearly 21, Ohio with 20,

Illinois with 18, and so on. Very few countries in Europe have more than 11 miles of road to the 100 square miles of territory. The increase of mileage during the year was 4,905.89.

The number of railway corporations in the United States at the date above given was 1,785, of which 880 are classed as independent companies and 747 as subsidiary companies, the remainder being private lines. Sixteen roads have been abandoned during the year, and 92 roads, embracing a mileage of 10,116.25 have disappeared by consolidation. This shows how rapidly the transportation lines are consolidating. Forty-two companies control nearly half of the entire mileage of the country.

Eight railway companies have each a gross revenue of more than three million dollars, and these control nearly 70 per cent of the total mileage of the country, receive 82 per cent of the amount paid for railway service, and do nearly 84 per cent of the passenger service, and nearly 83 per cent of the freight service. This shows an alarming concentration of railway control and points to an ultimate monopoly in the carrying trade, if present conditions continue.

The increase in the number of locomotives during the year was 1,069, making the total number in use 32,130. The increase in cars was 45,944, making the total number of cars 1,215,611.

The number of men employed on the railroads of the United States during the year, was 784,255, an increase over the previous year of 34,084. The number of men employed per 100 miles of road was 486. The number of railway employes in proportion to inhabitants is on the increase.

The total capitalization of the railroads of the United States is \$9,820,475,015, or \$90,942 per mile. A significant fact is that the changes in capital outstanding shows that income bonds have made the enormous increase from \$76,993,818 to \$324,288,690. This shows that the capital invested in railroads is rapidly partaking of the nature of a double investment—a railroad investment and a bonded investment, on each of which the traffic must yield an income which must naturally be drawn from the productive industries.

The gross earnings of the railroads for the year under consideration were \$1,099,771,395, or \$6,801 per mile of line. The operating expenses were \$731,857,898, or \$4,533 per mile of line, leaving the net earnings from operation \$367,913,497, or \$2,268.948 per mile of line.

The casualties during the year ending June 30, 1891, are greater than during any previous years covered by a report of the commission. The number killed during the year, was 7,929, and the number injured was 23,881. Of these casualties the greater number were employes of the roads, the passengers killed being only 293, injured 2,972.

A Few Books.

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As we all admit, 1892 is gone! One time more we have celebrated the birth of Jesus Christ, who started his earthly career in a cow stable, and clad in clothes far inferior to many that are now seen in hotels. Some of us have fittingly celebrated this returning anniversary of a glorious event that loosened the shackles that bound the human family in terrible chains and made it possible for the realization of a universal brotherhood; some have not; some could not—they have not yet heard of Him who died that we and they might live.

The book is closed—the big book is laid away with the records of goodness and records of meanness, of honor and of crime, of all that we men and women have done to rust. The records will rust, but the influences exist to gladden us or to sadden us, or perhaps it will be a mixture like side meat—a streak of one and a layer of the other.

We can't stop here to discuss whether the world is better. The good are better, and probably not; the bad are worse and probably not. If the law makers have the fear of God and legislate against real wrongs and crimes, then we are worse as a state. But judge us by the code and laws of ten years ago, we are better. There has been lots of arrests and convictions for stealing old barn roosters, and lots of it ought not to have been done.

But let 1892 go, for she's (Leap Year) gone a glimmering. 1893 is here, and let us make him (not a Leap Year) put up a record that will put to shame that of his sister that has just died.

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