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INCREASE IN COST OF LIVING.

The bulletin recently issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, showing the wholesale prices of commodities for a period of ten years, is instructive and interesting.

As the Wall Street Journal says, the great difference between times of prosperity and times of depression is measured by the number of people who are employed. In 1896 and 1897 there was certainly a larger percentage of unemployed in the country than there was in 1901 and 1902, or even in 1903.

THE LARGE GOLD SUPPLY. The record of exports and imports of gold shows how it has been accumulating in this country. With a production ranging from \$70,000,000 to \$80,000,000 a year, we have imported more than we have exported since 1896.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES TO BE SURE TO VOTE. The silence of Judge Parker may be caused by a desire to keep in harmony with the "doubtful" states.

THE SECOND ROUND IN THE BOUT OF THE CIVIC IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE AND THE SIDEWALK SIGN BOARD IS ABOUT DUE.

BUNYAN'S PILGRIM'S PROGRESS IS TO BE DRAMATIZED. At this rate the text books in the schools are not safe from the hands of the playwrights.

ST. LOUIS MAY NOW BE CONSIDERED A HAVEN OF REST AND REFUGE SINCE DOWIE has announced that he will not go to that city while the World's fair is in progress.

FOR A CHANNEL WHICH, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST RUSSIAN ADVICES ON THE SUBJECT, HAS NOT BEEN BLOCKED PORT ARTHUR IS requiring an excessive amount of dynamite on the derelicts in the harbor.

ANDREW JACKSON'S PICTURE IS SUPPOSED TO BE TURNED TO THE WALL WHILE DEMOCRATS search for specifications to back up their charges that President Roosevelt has exercised unwarranted authority in office.

THE UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION made a mistake as to the Jonah. Although C. M. Schwab was thrown out of the directorate several weeks ago, the common stock made a new low record yesterday.

THE COLORADO WAR IS ASSUMING INTERNATIONAL INTEREST. The British ambassador asks Governor Peabody to explain the killing of a British subject, and perhaps federal intervention may be necessary after all.

ANOTHER NEBRASKA MAN HAS BEEN OFFERED A JUDICIAL POSITION IN THE PHILIPPINES, but he hesitates to accept it. Philippine exile would put an end to the pleasure of participation in local bar association squabbles.

IN VIEW OF AN ACQUISITION OF TERRITORY AND NO CHANGE IN ITS RELATIONS TOWARD OTHER nations with which Japan is at peace. The most eminent of Japanese statesmen, Marquis Ito, recently said that "in fighting for our own interests we are at the same time fighting for the principle of fair competition all around in these new markets of the world."

THE NOTION THAT IF JAPAN SHOULD WIN she would create, in coalition with China, a great military power which would be a menace to the rest of the world, seems hardly worthy of serious consideration.

FINANCES AND THE WAR. How seriously Japan is overmatched from a financial viewpoint is plain enough to those who have marked the difference in the terms on which the Tokio and St. Petersburg governments are obtaining loans.

AN EMPIRE FOR A TRIFLE. If history furnish any example of better investment than that made by the United States in the purchase of Alaska, we do not recall it.

DEMAND FOR FARM LABORERS. There is no danger of the farmer passing from existence. He knows a good thing as well as his urban brother, and so does his boy.

TEACHING THIBETANS A LESSON. Those foolish Thibetans seem to learn nothing from experience. First they attacked the British "peaceful political mission" when the commander was in tiffin and were put to rout.

GOOD EXAMPLE IN IOWA. Move Among Lawyers to Check Evils of Technicalities. The statement comes over the wires that the Iowa State Bar association will, at its June meeting, petition the legislature to pass a law "compelling the supreme court to disregard technicalities entirely in its decisions where such technicalities have no substantial justice."

THE "YELLOW PERIL" FEAR. With the military progress of Japan European fear, real or fancied, of the so-called "yellow peril" appears to grow and there are pessimistic views as to what may happen should Japan be victorious and dominate Asia.

THE WORLD DOES NOT SEEM TO CARE MUCH if Brazil and Peru do fight, but if they do not intend to do so word should be sent without unreasonable delay to the soldiers on the frontier who are drawing off battles with the frequency of bellegers.

THIBETANS MIGHT AS WELL YIELD GRACEFULLY. Great Britain has formally announced its intention in the House of Commons of sending its expedition to Lhasa and Great Britain generally does what it says it will do under such circumstances.

THE CONTEST AT THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES today is a contest between the regular organization, to whose effective work every republican holding office in this city and county holds his place, and a secret factional clique that plots in the dark to avenge fancied grievances.

IF THE CAR REALLY GOES TO THE FRONT "after the manner of the Romanoffs," a special look-out will have to be kept for crazy Japanese policemen, one of whom anticipated the present hostilities by an assault upon the car, and wounded him several years ago.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS APPROACHING its annual election of teachers, but the establishment of the permanent teachers' list has put influence at a discount. The success attending the experience with permanent tenure for public school teachers is especially gratifying to The Bee because it is the result of The Bee's long continued advocacy.

'ANTIS' HAVE A NEW SLOGAN

Do Not Expect to Win Out for Their State D.I.igation. WILL BE HAPPY IF THEY BEAT ROSEWATER Preliminaries of Republican Primaries Indicate a Warm Contest at the Polls Brewing.

While the profuse circulation of campaign literature foreshadows a hot contest at the republican primaries today, the talk on the inside of the "anti" camp is that they are beaten in advance, but must make a hard fight to make a showing which centering all their efforts to defeat Edward Rosewater for delegate-at-large to the national convention and elect Harry Broms vice him.

Another strange thing that requires explanation is how so many of the noisiest "loyal" democrats heretofore happen to have been among the most noisy "disloyal" democrats when Bryan was running for the presidency the first time. Another example of the whirling of time.

ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT. Ex-President Cleveland is wasting breath trying to vindicate his last administration. The public has already shown its endurance and is willing to forgive and forget.

CHICAGO TRIBUNE. Friends of Judge Parker are recalling the fact that Thomas Jefferson was head. "Can he succeed where we have failed?" asked the Daily News to print a signed communication, which was at first accepted, and then later returned to him with the comment that "The News does not care to boost Rosewater."

THE REJECTED LETTER. OMAHA, May 12, 1904.—To the Editor of the Daily Bee: Your article of Tuesday, May 10, endorsing Mr. G. W. Watters for delegate to the national republican convention, and asking the people to vote for him because he is a public spirited citizen, admitting all you say in his behalf...

TO THE REPUBLICANS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY: I became a candidate for a seat in the next national republican convention by filing my name with the county central committee, because I desire to be a delegate to that convention.

SIXTH WARD VOTERS. Take notice that the voting place in this ward for the primaries to be held this afternoon will be at 394 Farnam street, instead of at the usual voting place, at Twenty-eighth and Farnam.

NO CHANCES FOR A MONEY SCARE. There will be no chance this year to get up a money scare on anything. The country's banks are well provided with cash. As there is not the faintest doubt as to the result of the election in November, enterprise will not be checked by the canvass.

FIND MANY BILLS NOT PAID. Members of Credit Bureau Get Names of One Thousand Delinquent Customers. The Omaha credit bureau has already received a few more than 1,000 names from its members of customers who have not paid their bills.

PERU REPULSES BRAZILIANS. Report of Fight on Border in Which Attacking Party is Forced to Withdraw. NEW YORK, May 12.—Reports have been received that another battle over the Acre dispute has been fought in the upper Purus valley, says a Herald dispatch from Rio Janeiro.

Fifty Years the Standard

WATERBURY'S BAKING POWDER. Improves the flavor and adds to the healthfulness of the food. PRICE BAKING POWDER CO., CHICAGO.

PERSONAL NOTES.

G. Simon of Munich, Germany, and Oscar Neumann of Brussels, Belgium, two European philanthropists, are visiting Chicago. They will investigate conditions in that city.

A committee has been formed in Dublin for the purpose of erecting a worthy monument to the poet Thomas Moore in the place of the mean and ugly statue which now stands in College street.

The Chicago Ice trust has announced that the price to the consumers will be high this summer. The winter was so hard that the ice was too thick and the ice harvesters had to wear an extra pair of mitts.

The British authorities seized a mysterious torpedo boat building on the Tyne the other day which was probably destined for one of the belligerent nations. Great Britain has learned a great deal about international law since our Alabama claims case came up.

Mrs. Arthur Bishop of Newark, N. J., has in her possession a copy, printed on white satin, of the famous proclamation of President Jackson to the people of the United States on December 10, 1822, known as the "edict as to nullification" drawn up by Andrew Calhoun.

Miss Helen Miller Gould secured the first automobile license issued by Mayor Wells of St. Louis in the new series for fair visitors. This new license costs but 50 cents, but a deposit of \$5 is required to secure the surrender of the license when the visitor leaves the city.

John O'Reilly of Jersey City has the honor of being the first known centenarian to cross the ocean. O'Reilly left Saturday for Liverpool on the Cunarder Luanania, taking with him his 78-year-old wife. They are going across to visit their old home in Ireland.

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That foot ball player was big and strong. With his husky drawn there was nothing wrong. When life came back to our porky friend he stuck himself at the other end. With the foot ball player beside him he still had pains where his ribs were bumped.

Cheers rose from all the street car crew. To see that the hog had received his due. (It's awful to spell such a pretty name. But truth is mighty and must prevail.) The real facts, as I must confess, are such as will fill you with dire distress. That foot ball player was not inspired. With motives high, when the hog was fired. He grabbed the piece like a hungry dog. Which proved him only the bigger hog.)

THE END-SEAT HOG.

S. W. Gilliam in Baltimore American. The end-seat hog had his usual place. There were corns on his knees and hats in his face. He had partly risen to let go. A man who rode on his feet for spite: A girl who had roared him good and right: The hog had a bump on a sudden log. He was the original end-seat hog.

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