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FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

I shall be a candidate for renomination, for a second term, to the office of Circuit Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.
LEWIS O. BROCKWAY.

A report made by the dean of the faculty of arts and sciences of Harvard university shows that out of 172 students who received the bachelor's degree with honors at Harvard last commencement 84 were prepared for college in the public schools, as against 76 from private schools of all kinds. This is convincing evidence of the high character of instruction to be had in the public schools, especially in view of the fact that the academies and other private fitting schools exist chiefly for the purpose of preparing boys for college, while in the public high schools this is merely an incident.

Lieut. Gen. Young, the retiring chief of staff of the army, sent a package to Gen. Chaffee, his successor, with this note: "Private Young, company K, Twelfth Pennsylvania volunteer infantry, presents his compliments to Private Chaffee, troop K, Sixth United States cavalry, and asks him to accept this pair of lieutenant general's shoulder straps." There never was a more significant illustration of the opportunities enjoyed by young men in this country than is given by this note to the new chief of staff from his predecessor.

It is easy to see that the mere existence of a serious war between two nations stimulates the war fever in the other countries that are mere spectators of the struggle. Thus a war tends to demoralize the whole world. The papers inevitably are full of war news and discussion; the people think about military affairs and have their minds concen-

SENATORS FROM KANSAS.

Hoodoo Which Seems to Attach to Line of "Fated Succession"—Bad Luck Follows Them.

John T. Ingalls' "fated succession" is vividly recalled to mind by the present trouble in which Senator Burton finds himself. The brilliant Atchison statesman so designated the line of Kansas United States senators that started out with Gen. James H. Lane.

Those in the "fated succession," says the Topeka Capital, were James H. Lane, Edward G. Ross, Robert Crozier, Alexander Caldwell, James M. Harvey, Preston B. Plumb, Bishop K. Perkins, John Martin, Lucien Baker and the present Senator J. Ralph Burton. Lane committed suicide. Ross committed political suicide by voting against the impeachment of Andrew Johnson, and was driven out of his party. Crozier, who served about a year by appointment, died without leaving a single mark by which his brief senatorial career can be remembered. Caldwell resigned after two years' service to escape investigation.

Harvey, although he had been governor of his state and had made a fairly good reputation as such, made a very insignificant senator, and was, after three years' service, defeated for reelection and dropped out of political life. Plumb died in office at Washington. Perkins served a brief term by appointment and is scarcely remembered as a senator. Martin served two years, and left the senate poorer in purse and with less prestige than he possessed when he went in. Baker was almost a total failure, and his crushing defeat for reelection at the hands of Burton is still warm in the memory of the people of Kansas.

DISEASE NEEDS WATCHING.

Whooping Cough Not Simple Little Affair Many Suppose—Nearly as Fatal as Scarlet Fever.

Eliza H. Root calls attention, says the Woman's Medical Journal, to the fact that this disease is too little dreaded by the medical profession and that it is by no means the simple affair that many seem to suppose.

From the United States census of 1900 we find that 663 died in New York from whooping cough and 549 from scarlet fever. In Chicago 141 died from whooping cough and 373 from scarlet fever; Philadelphia, 179 from whooping cough, 182 from scarlet fever, and so on in the different cities. Death from whooping cough occurs most frequently from pneumonia as a complication that induces heart failure, or a bronchitis may occur that ends in suffocation. Asphyxia or marasmus due to the continued ejection of the food or loss of appetite may cause death.

Even when death does not occur, severe disturbance of the nervous system may remain, as weakness of the intellect and memory, imbecility. Visual defects, strabismus, blindness and deafness, partial or complete, and even deaf-mutism may remain. Whooping cough, it is evident, should be under the control of health authorities, subject to quarantine and other preventive measures as much as scarlet fever.

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