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PREMIER RUDINI'S fine Italian hand appears to be considerably disabled by the Blaine grip; but it feebly fans the wind and Rome howls.—EX.

FAIR COMMISSIONER M. H. DE YOUNG remarked in New York that he expected California will spend all told about \$1,000,000 on the fair. Part of this great outlay will be expended keeping her display of fruit and flowers fresh.

MR. BLAINE says we are not insuring the lives of foreigners against inevitable accidents or natural results. The macaroni eaters seem to think the treaty with Italy was a great insurance policy, and they want their money without delay.

THE HERALD'S theory that the alliance resolutions from Cottonwood, had too strong a democratic flavor and were put up by the democratic end of that machine, was proven true by the eagerness with which the democratic organ in this city printed the resolutions.

THE Plattsmouth Journal wants to have McKinley meet Bryan at the Commercial Congress in Kansas City, to receive from him a few points on the tariff. For once we are in accord with the Journal. A few lies have been exploded since the ranting of Mr. Bryan enthroned him as the apostle of unanswerable logic.—Weeping Water Republican.

SENATOR GORMAN declined an invitation to a reception in his honor by the Manhattan Club of New York in recognition of his work in defeating the federal election bill. Senator Gorman understands that the election bill is not a good issue for the democratic leaders to keep prominent until the election of 1892.—EX.

C. H. VAN WYCK and Frank P. Ireland are appointed World's Fair commissioners from this state. Two from one town is pretty good. The gang that runs with the machine here spends most of its time trying to prevent a Plattsmouth man from being appointed to anything. There is too much petty jealousy in this town and county for the good of the people.

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S trip through the South has been a continuous ovation; and his masterly addresses are in strong contrast to the pedantic cyclopedian cuttings which Mr. Cleveland afflicted the people with on a similar tour. The president shows clearer than ever, that he is a man of broad views, thoroughly familiar with the political history of the country, and capable of making a sound patriotic speech, exactly suitable to the occasion at all times without becoming dull, prosaic or common-place.

THE republican administration of national affairs has during its two years existence paid off \$200,000,000 of the public debt, thus stopping interest on a vast sum of money. The FOUR years of Cleveland did not reduce the debt half so much. The difference was, Cleveland loaned the money from the national treasury to favored banks without interest, while republican management pays off the debts and thus reduces taxation. There is a vast difference between democratic campaign promises and democratic methods of taking care of the people.

OUR friend Bryan's mouth got started at Kansas City the other day, and according to the World-Herald, it ran away with the entire convention. The W.-H. correspondent, whom we have reason to believe is none other than Bryan himself, says with much gusto, that the veteran protectionist, Chauncey I. Filley, of St. Louis, gave an hour's address, which Bryan so completely demolished in five minutes that the crowd refused to let him stop, and that the young Mr. Bryan talked eloquently for fifteen minutes, leaving Mr. Filley nothing to stand on. As a racy news item some one should read this W.-H. dispatch to the convention.

THE Globe-Democrat, speaking of the impending national organization of the alliance for the next Presidential campaign, says:

"Col. Polk, the national president of the alliance, has prepared an address, of which 1,000,000 copies are now being mailed to all parts of the country. Col. Polk is also a North Carolina democrat, but he is more of an alliance man than a democrat. In his address he says:

"We are told by presumptuous and arrogant partisans and self-constituted leaders that farmers and other laboring classes 'should not go into politics'; that we 'will ruin parties and ruin the country.' Who constitute parties in this country? To whom do political parties belong—to the people or to the few who arrogantly assume to control them? Who has a better right to go into politics than the farmers of this country? Do they not clothe and feed the world? Do they not pay from their hard earnings eighty cents of every dollar of the country? Of the \$1,000,000,000 expended by the last congress, did not \$800,000,000 of it come from their pockets?"

"Col. Polk will not go to the third party conference in Cincinnati, but his suggestive address will be in the hands of every sub-alliance in the country by the time the conference meets. Polk is an abler man than the country generally gives him credit of being. He knows how to put things to reach the masses.

"Here is another paragraph worth quoting from his address: After speaking of the 'billion dollars' appropriated by the Fifty-first congress, which he says was a sum equal to \$77,000,000 per month; \$17,500,000 per week; \$2,500,000 per day; \$104,000 per hour; \$1,733 per minute, and \$28 per second, he said: "Let us bear steadily in mind that eighty cents of every dollar of this vast sum came from the agriculturists of this country. These suffering millions besieged the doors of the capitol during that time pleading for relief. They were turned away empty handed—their importunities disregarded, their entreaties ignored—and they were insolently admonished to 'keep out of politics,' to 'live closer and work harder.' The great masses of the industrial classes, north and south, democrats and republicans, without regard to sectional or geographical lines, with one purpose and with one heart, have locked their hands and shields in a common cause—the cause of a common country. They have solemnly resolved to turn their backs upon the past and make one mighty effort to rescue our government and institutions from impending peril."

"Col. Polk may not go to the Cincinnati conference, but there is little doubt where he stands with regard to third party."

..SECRETARY WINDOM'S LAST WORDS."

Our esteemed contemporary, the New York Herald, has been displaying on its editorial page precepts from Secretary Windom's last speech relating to banking and currency, which it says were his last words, but it does not give the last words. They were:

Give us direct and ample transportation facilities under the American flag, and controlled by American citizens; a currency sound in quality and adequate in quantity; an international bank to facilitate exchanges, and a system of reciprocity carefully adjusted within the lines of protection; and not only will our foreign commerce again invade every sea, but every American industry will be quickened and our whole people feel the impulse of a new and enduring prosperity.

Like the expert witness in the story, the Herald is not hired to testify on that side. Nor is it likely to quote the following statements found in the same speech:

They (the founders of our government) fully appreciated the value of the necessity of a strong and healthy merchant marine, and left on record no doubt of their purpose to protect the interests of the republic on the water as well as on the land. The second act passed by the First congress July 4, 1789 provided for the protection of American shipping by the imposition of a discriminating duty in favor of teas brought in American vessels, thereby signaling the first Fourth of July under the Constitution by a declaration of commercial independence as a supplement to the declaration of political independence made thirteen years before.

The third act of congress, passed sixteen days later, imposed tonnage duties as follows:

Table with 2 columns: CENTS, and description of vessels. American vessels, per ton .06; American-built vessels belonging to foreigners, per ton .30; All other vessels, per ton .50. On September 1, the same year, congress prohibited any but American vessels from carrying the American flag. By the tariff act of 1794 an additional discriminating duty of 10 per cent, was levied on all goods imported in vessels not of the United States. And in all changes of the tariff prior to the war of 1812 this discriminating duty of 10 per cent, was re-enacted. So great was the development of our shipbuilding and shipping interests under the fostering influence of these acts that we sold ships

amounting to hundreds of thousands of tons to foreigners, and soon took front rank among maritime nations.—American Economist.

UNCLE JERRY RUSK is in this administration and everybody's glad of it. Two years ago at a cabinet meeting, when the secretary of agriculture was, from the youth of the new office, rather fresh at the business, Uncle Jerry chipped in a remark from his end of the council table. Blaine smiled. Then Uncle Jerry flung back this: "That's all right, gentlemen; I may be the tail of the cabinet, but if I am I'll try to keep the flies off this administration.—Inter-Ocean.

THE alliance talk about our Senator Thomas promising to support their measures in the senate is pure bosh. How many voices did Senator Thomas receive at the hands of the alliance party in this county? Judging from the vote which Lemasters received, Thomas did not get a vote from the party that now wants to run him. Thomas would have been a chump to have done violence to his own convictions in order to help a party that did all in its power to defeat him at the polls.

WE have looked carefully through the columns of all the great western dailies and many of the more obscure ones for a mention of that great Bryan-Filley debate at Kansas City wherein the young man is reported in the W.-H., as having mopped up the earth, metaphorically speaking with the Missouri war horse, but not a line can we find except in the World-Herald, which leads us to remark that we are more firmly convinced than ever that the modest (?) young congressman from this district wrote the World-Herald report himself, and that the only foundation for it lay in the exuberant mind of the young man who feared the eyes of Nebraska's democracy might be cast in another direction rather than on her favorite son.

CHAUNCEY DEPEW, of New York, the noted lawyer and brilliant orator, was in Omaha yesterday, and during an interview with a newspaper reporter, who inquired what he thought of Mr. Blaine's letter to Rudini, replied as follows:

"I think that Mr. Blaine's contributions to the diplomatic literature of this country are the most brilliant productions of the age. The fine Italian hand at the other end of the business seems to care more for a little blue fire and thunder than for the actual merits of the case. Why, the mere idea of Italy going to war with the United States, on such an issue, or on any other issue, is enough to make the gods get up on their hind legs and laugh the stars out of their sockets."

MODERN DEMOCRACY.

The Baltimore Sun published the other day a dispatch from Little Rock, Arkansas, under the caption, "Jefferson Davis Displaces Washington." The dispatch states that a life-sized portrait of Jefferson Davis, which the clerk of the Arkansas house of representatives had been authorized to have painted, had been received and placed over the speaker's desk. "It took the place," the dispatch adds, "of the portrait of George Washington that had been hanging in the hall for twenty years." The Arkansas legislators are reported as greeting the portrait of Jefferson Davis with great cheering.

Substituting the picture of Davis for that of Washington's would have been a strange proceeding even if it had taken place when the southern states were in arms against the Union. That it should have taken place a quarter of a century after the last army of the Confederacy had surrendered seems almost incredible. To say that the Arkansas legislature displayed execrable bad taste in this matter is surely not waving the "bloody shirt."

WASHBURNE IS MAYOR.

The official canvass of the election returns in Chicago was completed last night, and Hempstead Washburne is shown to have been elected, notwithstanding the democratic frauds, by a plurality of 389. Van-Cleve, the republican candidate for city clerk, has a plurality of over 5,000.

Mayor Cregier, in an interview with a representative of a local democratic paper last evening, when asked what he is going to be, said: "I am going to be, first and above all things, a democrat. For the next two years I am going to saw wood to help save the state for the democracy in 1892. A great and the only difficulty is the deadly work of traitors to the party."

BETWEEN dodging Judge Haines and Alvin Jenkins, the Journal arabat was kept quite busy, though each succeeded in getting a correction in last evening's Journal.

HOW TO PLAY BALL. The popular "Buck" Ewing, captain of the New York's, has written an article for the Boy's Department of the Ladies' Home Journal for June, on the "Ins and Outs of Baseball," in which the famous catcher will tell how to play the game; how to form a nine; the hardest positions and how to fill them; how to throw a ball, etc. This is Ewing's first article and it is said to be the best which has ever been written for boys on the great national game.

THE WAR IS OVER. The Italian premier in remarks to his supporters in the Italian chamber of deputies yesterday showed very clearly that war was one of the things that could not occur with this country. He expressed himself as being confident of the ultimate settlement of the whole matter in a manner favorable to the rights of Italy and of those of all civilized governments, all of whom were with Italy on the points at issue. If it were proved to be impossible to obtain a favorable solution of the problem, grave complications would not arise, but he would deem it a matter of profound regret that the people of the United States, so advanced in civilization, should show themselves as far removed from the principles of right and justice, universally proclaimed and scrupulously observed in Europe. From his remarks, quite a tumble is noticed from the heights where the premier had but so recently lodged when he called his minister home. His better judgement has caused his temper to cool, and the utility of attacking this country by force of arms has evidently suggested itself to the Italian statesman.

SINCE the adjournment of the legislature and the supreme court our alien governor is allowed to pursue the even tenor of his way untrammelled. But isn't he to slow about those appointments? We only have a democratic oil inspector to show for the three months of democratic rule. It is said that Lancaster county is to have the warden of the penitentiary if Pat Ford don't want it; a Plattsmouth man is to be steward at the asylum, but Colonel Sherman, after setting his heart on the brass buttons and epaulets of the governor's staff, with a real title, we are told will be disappointed. This is sad for one so young to be so grievously disappointed, it is very disappointing, and then you see the old man wouldn't have turned that somersault and played the sycophant, making laughing stock of himself, if he had known the governor was going to look coldly upon his demands for place and power. 'T would be very cruel of the governor if he failed to recognize the merits (?) of the "aunt-monopoly" organ of Plattsmouth ringsters.

SECRETARY BLAINE'S answer to the letter of the Italian Premier appears in the associated press dispatches this morning. It is the same calm dispassionate, clear and concise statement for which Mr. Blaine is justly famous. It is large ly a reiteration of Mr. Blaine's former letter somewhat elaborated upon the question of our duties as to punishing the slayers of the mafia at New Orleans. The democratic press which had predicted a back down on the part of our secretary of state, in the face of the war-like threats of Rudini, is compelled to admit again that Blaine is master of the situation, and that the firm tone of his letter bears no hint of a back down rather on the contrary he is more firm and explicit than in his previous note. The London newspapers are compelled to speak in high terms of the ability of the papers from the American premier and criticize the Italians for being too hasty.

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