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A VIGILANT AND RELENTLESS CRITIC.

There is reason to believe that he will not be without sympathizers among his democratic colleagues of the senate. The very blunt speech of Mr. Bland in the house, in which he declared that the democratic party had betrayed their promise made to the American people on the Erie and Alton, and up to the moment the people had been deceived in the last election, showed the determination of a large element of the party—as now appears a majority—not to permit Mr. Cleveland to dictate the course and policy of the party.

REPORT OF TRADE UNIONS SHOWS A MEMBERSHIP OF 871,000 ONLY.

According to the report of the American Federation of Labor, the membership of the trade unions in this country is not over 871,000. This is a small profit on a profit, and the unionist, as for protesting, Mr. Giffen would not discourage it, but declines to regard the system as the admirable device it is often represented, because there is a large loss of members.

GENEROUS DESIRES TO RAISE THE QUANTITY OF RESPONSIBILITY OF LAST YEAR'S DEFEAT.

But rather than to forget old differences and set all faces toward the success of the future, Mr. Clark-son charges more from his ability to make a malignant personal attack upon President Harrison. He has himself inter-posed to the extent of nearly a page of the Chicago Tribune, placing all responsibility for the defeat of November upon Mr. Har-ri-son, professing to show how much weaker he is than his party, and including the apt remark that the republicans have won easily not only with Mr. Blaine, but with Rusk or Alger as their candidate.

PAT POLITICAL FORECAST

Coming of the Populist Dark Horse Fore-shadowed Last November. Prediction Made in Washington Three Months Ago Concerning the Successor to Senator Padlock Now Am-ly Verified by the Result.

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IT APPEARS THAT SIOUX CITY DRAWS THE LINE AT PRIZE FIGHTS IN HER OWN HOUSE.

IF THE UNITED STATES SENATE CONTINUES TO AMEND THE CAR COUPLER BILL IT WILL SOON BE UNRECOGNIZABLE.

IF JUDGE GRESHAM GETS INTO THE CABINET General Weaver will probably be made governor general of the Sandwich Islands.

LOUISIANA HAS GONE EXTENSIVELY INTO THE BUSINESS OF RAISING RICE AND FINDS IT HIGHLY PROFITABLE. In the meantime Texas continues to raise the Old Harry, or another word to that effect.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT BY PUTTING SOFT COAL ON THE FREE LIST THE SOFT COAL TRUST COULD BE DESTROYED AND THIS WOULD SERIOUSLY INJURE THE ANTHRACITE COMBINE. It is an experiment worth trying under the circumstances.

OMAHA CLEARINGS FOR THE SECOND WEEK IN FEBRUARY SHOW THE STEADY INCREASE IN BUSINESS FOR WHICH THE GATE CITY IS NOTED. The figures for the week ending Thursday give an increase of 29.5 per cent, a total volume of more than a million a day.

AND NOW J. SLOTT FASSETT HAS JOINED J. S. CLARKSON IN DENOUNCING PRESIDENT HARRISON FOR APPOINTING JUDGE JACKSON TO THE SUPREME COURT. As the president has not yet withdrawn the nomination it is to be presumed that he has not heard of these criticisms.

NEBRASKA WAS ONLY SLIGHTLY TOUCHED BY THE TERRIBLE BLIZZARD THAT SWEEP OVER COLORADO ON THURSDAY, AND THERE WERE NO AVALANCHES WITHIN OUR BORDERS. Upon the whole the people of this state have reason to be pretty well satisfied with the way the winter has dealt with them thus far.

A CHICAGO NEWSPAPER OFFERS TO INVESTIGATE ANY CASE IN WHICH ANY PERSON HAS BEEN "SWINDLED, FRAUDULENT OR WRONGED BY ANY PERSON, FIRM, CORPORATION OR LAW," etc., without charging a cent for the service. Well, what is the matter with destroying a few trusts and combines to begin with?

THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE DECLARES THAT JOHN BULL IS NOT AFRAID OF HIS NAVY. Perhaps he is not afraid of it, for it must be acknowledged that he is not easily frightened, but it is strong enough to command his respect, and perhaps might serve to restrain him from becoming unnecessarily offensive.

THE OUTPUT OF THE NORTHWESTERN FLOUR MILLS WAS AGAIN INCREASED LAST WEEK AND AMOUNTED TO 192,255 BARRELS, AGAINST 163,055 BARRELS FOR THE CORRESPONDING WEEK OF 1892. The flour men are now encouraged by improved sales, but the stocks are nevertheless increasing and the foreign demand continues to be light.

IT IS NOW EVIDENT THAT THE EFFORT TO KEEP THE DOUGLAS COUNTY CONTEST BEFORE THE SENATE IS DESIGNED TO BLOCK LEGISLATION. The populists in the senate have evidently fallen into a corporation trap when they voted to keep the contest going. The fact that the casting vote of the lieutenant governor was against dropping the contest affords abundant proof that the corporations are not ready to drop it.

NOW THAT THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN IS ENTIRELY OVER AND FOREVER DONE AWAY WITH IT MAY BE ADMITTED BY A FEW CANDIDATE DEMOCRATS THAT THE TARIFF HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE DIFFICULTY AT HOMESTEAD. Nearly all of the members of the house judiciary committee who took part in the investigation of the affair are of that opinion. It is easy to convict a democratic campaigner of misrepresentation, but in this case he is convicted out of the mouths of members of his own party.

THE BURNING OF COUNTY INSANE ASYLUM IN NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE LOSS OF THE LIVES OF FORTY-FIVE INMATES WAS A SHOCKING TRAGEDY, AND IT WILL PROBABLY BE SHOWN BY INVESTIGATION THAT IT WAS A needless one. The confinement of about fifty unfortunate human beings in cells in a wooden fire trap, with no equipment for fighting fire, must be set down as little short of criminal. How could it be expected that the miserable wretches would escape being roasted alive sooner or later?

IT WAS ONLY A QUESTION OF TIME WHEN SUCH A BUILDING WOULD TAKE FIRE, AND OF COURSE THE INMATES OF THE CELLS COULD NOT BE RESCUED. It is a singular fact that prisons in which criminals are confined are very rarely burned, while the incarceration of insane asylum inmates is not an uncommon occurrence. This sickening holocaust should cause increased precautions against fire to be taken in all asylums for the insane.

A COMMERCIAL QUESTION.

A bill now pending before the New York legislature proposes the appropriation of \$250,000 for the improvement of the canals of that state. This amount is divided up into a great number of items, and the money that will be actually available for the deepening of the locks will not be sufficient to accomplish much in that direction. Thus it will be seen that even if the measure passes and is approved by Governor Flower—and this is by no means certain—the real benefit to that large portion of the commerce of the country which depends upon the Erie canal will not be very important.

SO FAR AS THE INTERESTS OF THE WESTERN GRAIN PRODUCING STATES ARE CONCERNED THE ONLY CANAL IN NEW YORK THAT IS OF ANY CONSEQUENCE IS THE ERIC CANAL. It has been hoped that the agitation in behalf of radical improvements in that waterway would produce some effect upon the legislature of the Empire state, but it does not appear to have had much influence. The amount named in the bill to which we have reference can very easily be spent, after the usual manner of spending canal funds, without producing any results of appreciable value to the commerce of the country.

WHAT IS THE INFLUENCE TO WHICH THIS reluctance to sustain the Erie canal is to be ascribed? The democratic party is in full control in the state of New York and would have the handling of the money appropriated for canal improvements, so there can be no political obstacle in the way. The influence that is working so powerfully against the canal is one that does not confine itself to any party nor hesitate to employ any agency that may enable it to compass its end. In previous articles upon this subject THE BEE has shown what the policy of the railroads is toward the canal and how great the gain would be to them if they would force the abandonment of that regulator of transportation rates to the rate which is now rapidly overtaking it.

THE OPPOSITION OF THE RAILROADS, ALTHOUGH short-sighted and mistaken, is singularly effective, and must be vigorously combated. As a matter of fact, the canal, by attracting traffic to New York and contributing to the commercial supremacy of that port, serves to promote the interests of the railroads that center here, and they must be losers by a policy of neglect and false economy by which the canals are rendered inefficient. The railroads, however, recognizing in the canal their only competitor, and a power that compels low rates during the season of navigation, appear to be incapable of taking any other view than that the canals should be deprived of their efficiency and crippled and discriminated against in every possible manner. The railroads apparently argue that the canal system, having been superseded in many respects by one of greater efficiency, is to be no longer tolerated where it so happens to still afford the cheapest means of transportation.

IT IS NECESSARY TO POINT OUT THE VARIOUS methods by which the railroad corporations may bring their power to bear to prevent effective legislation in the interest of the Erie canal. Nobody doubts their power nor their fixed purpose to use it for their own advantage without regard to the injury inflicted upon commerce. The sure and permanent remedy to use it for their own advantage without regard to the injury inflicted upon commerce. The sure and permanent remedy to use it for their own advantage without regard to the injury inflicted upon commerce.

MR. CLEVELAND'S DISCOMFITURE. The political history of this country does not furnish a parallel to the position which Mr. Cleveland now occupies in relation to a majority of the representatives of his party in congress. There has been no other instance of a president-elect suffering such discomfiture at the hands of his political partisans in the national legislature as Mr. Cleveland has experienced during the present week, and it is likely to constitute for a long time an exceptional and memorable chapter in our political history.

MR. CLEVELAND INVITED SUCH A RESULT. Wholly apart from the question whether his views regarding silver are wise or unwise, the extraordinary method he adopted to bring democratic senators and representatives to the support of his demand for the repeal of the silver purchase law was certainly not judicious or proper. His dictatorial course could have no other effect than to give offense to self-respecting members of congress who have convictions of their own and a conscientious sense of duty to their constituents. The twenty democratic senators and the 107 democratic representatives who voted against the wishes of Mr. Cleveland are probably not all of them in favor of the existing law. Some of them, it is not to be doubted, would prefer different legislation. But they were not willing to abandon the law at the arrogant demand of the president-elect, and their refusal to do so is in the nature of a rebuke to his extraordinary interference in the attempt to direct the action of the people's representatives. Had he been content with simply expressing his opinion as to the expediency and of what ought to be done regarding it, there would have been no ground for resentment, but he was not satisfied to do this. He sent men to Washington to urge his demand, and when persuasion was found not to be effective, he sought to coerce assent by threatening an extra session of the Fifty-third congress as soon as it could practically be called after March 4. His arrogant course made certain the defeat of his demand and gave his enemies in the party a substantial advantage.

THE EVIDENCES OF DEMOCRATIC DISSENSION have been made very plain within the past few days. The distinctly manifested dissatisfaction of Senator Hill of New York leaves no doubt that the incoming administration will find in him

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

Reading between the lines of Mr. Gladstone's cautious statement in Parliament in reference to England's immediate or remote withdrawal from Egypt, it is plainly to be seen that he does not believe that the time has come for the abandonment of that country. It may also be noticed that in all the references to the subject by the English government or the press no mention has ever been made of the interest which the Sultan of Turkey has in Egypt, the feeling apparently being that the settlement of the question lies solely between England and France. The Sultan's hold upon Egypt before the British occupation was slight, and since that time he has been almost completely ignored. He has remained silent during all the protestations that have recently come from France, and the dictation which England has assumed over the actions of the Sultan has not called for any expression whatever. That a conflict over the possession of Egypt would endanger England's supremacy in the east is undoubted. It is equally apparent that the beginning of such a struggle would afford an opportunity for Russia to advance upon the Balkan peninsula. No one familiar with the history or policy of Russia can have any doubt that she is waiting for such a movement, although she has made no open declaration of such a purpose. If there had been no such purpose on the part of Russia there would have been no triple alliance nor Franco-Russian alliance; France and Germany would have been left to settle their territorial questions as best they might, and the rest of Europe would have nothing to fear from Russia, which would be left to her own devices. One evidence of this is the attitude of Mr. Mitchell to the United States senate from Wisconsin, a gentleman whose chief qualification for the position is his liberal ally with which he spends it for party purposes. Mr. Mitchell, like Calvin S. Brice of Ohio, is a shining example of the campaign which is being waged by the plutocrats against the lever which will be just as well for Mr. Mitchell to take a rear seat.

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A CONCERTED SWASHBUCKLER. St. Paul Pioneer-Press. Careful observers in the political field may have noticed during the national campaign a tendency on the part of Mr. J. S. Clarkson to make himself too numerous. He appeared prior to the Minneapolis convention as the invaluable mentor of the republican party, and in that body as the one person who knew better than all others combined just what it ought to do. No sooner was the convention adjourned, having nominated Harrison in spite of the gloomy forebodings of Mr. Clarkson, than the press dispatches were simply burdened with daily speculations as to whether Mr. Clarkson could or could not be induced to retain the chairmanship of the republican national committee. It was perfectly evident to every one that these conjectures originated with Mr. Clarkson himself, and were inspired by his fear of being lost to the public eye. No one less concentrated in self would have considered propriety or possibility of electing himself as chairman of a committee that was to conduct a national campaign a gentleman who had been one of the bitterest opponents of the candidate's nomination. But the advertising served Mr. Clarkson's purpose, and he finally was obliged to resign his place by a final ultimatum of Clarkson's own making. The diversion of trade into new channels. His statements on the subject of trades unions are rather surprising. He says that there are in England some 4,000,000 workpeople, by which expression he apparently means artisans of one kind or another—and 7,000,000 adult male laborers, "while the fullest

ASPIRATIONS SWAMPED.

Washington News. The west is now liberally supplied with middle-of-the-road statesmen.

THE FOUR MAN'S FRIENDS. Kansas City Herald. In California, Wisconsin and Kansas the populists have elected wealthy democrats to the United States senate, with several other close states to hear from. The plutocrats must go to Washington.

ANOTHER KANSAS EPIDEMIC. Chicago Dispatch. A new religious sect out in Kansas claims to cure all diseases by the laying on of hands. If they ever attempt to cure the Kansas political ills they will get along much better if they will try laying on of clubs.

WHY THIS DODGING? Denver News. The democratic national platform demanded protection for the life and limb of railroad employees. It is interesting to notice where the opposition to the uniform car coupler bill comes from in the senate. It is the same old platform have again been used, like molasses, "to catch flies."

HAWAII AND REPROBITY. New York Tribune. Let it be conceded that the reciprocity convention with Hawaii has built up American interests there and involved a necessity for annexation after a transition period of commercial dependence. What follows? The reciprocity policy is shown to be a powerful lever in dealing with foreign countries which are brought within the commercial orbit of the United States. There is Cuba, for example, which is even more necessary to Hawaii in order to perfect the military defenses of the American union, and long as the reciprocity policy is maintained the United States will have complete control of the island. If the policy is abandoned the lever will be broken and the State department will no longer hold the destiny of Cuba in the hollow of its hand.

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DEFECT IN THE ELECTORAL MACHINERY. Globe-Democrat. The Globe-Democrat has frequently alluded to the very singular fact that the president of the United States is not the chief officer of the government who receives neither a commission nor an official notification of his election. The result of the election of last November was officially declared in joint session at Washington yesterday, but there was no legal provision for informing Mr. Cleveland of his election. Nor is there any provision by which the chief justice is informed that the man whom he will swear into the presidency next March is the rightful incumbent of the office. Some other body should ask the chief justice on the 4th of March how he knows that Grover Cleveland is the man who has just been elected, and who has been administered, what would he say? He would have to reply that he read about it in the newspapers.

LET HER COME. Washington Star. Come, gentle rain; thy soft caress, Thy many kisses warm, Will wake the wood to loveliness, And bring the spring-time charm.

COME, GENTLE RAIN; WE'LL HAVE THE SIGHT OF EYEBROW TAMBORING.

COME THAT THE PIPES NOW FROZEN THING AND SAVE THE GENTLE'S BILL.

BIRTH OF "GENTLE SPRING."

By Marc. The blizzard led the south wind And swore to make her his, But she would not be won, because, she said, He gave her the rheumatiz.

BUT FAST ON HER BEELS HE FOLLOWED AND PUFFED LIKE A WHEEZY STEER.

THE BLIZZARD LIED AND FLATTERED AND KISSED AND CALLED HER HIS.

AND KISSED AND CALLED HER HIS, AND SAID THE DAY HAD PASSED AWAY AND HE CALLED HER "DEAR OLD BIRD."

AND OUT OF THIS MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTION OF VERSES, A NEW SET OF VERSES WAS SWORN AND CURSED THE "GENTLE SPRING."

AN AGITATED MOUTH.

New York Commercial. We respectfully ask for a suspension of comments in the case of General Clarkson until his tongue is free from coating and his pulse temporarily keeps time to more.

WASHINGTON NEWS: It is the low-down, ward-politics, rule-or-ruin policy, persisted in by General Clarkson and men of his caliber that has brought the republican party into its present unenviable plight.

ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS: A very general tendency to invite Mr. Clarkson to sit down and take a half-Nelson hitch in his jaw is discernible in the editorial columns of those who casually read republican newspapers.

BALTIMORE AMERICAN: The man who throws out dynamite is being heard from. There is generally but one report.

ROCHESTER DEMOCRAT: A violinist to be succeeded by a pianist. That if he should always have something new of the string.

WASHINGTON STAR: "Never play poker with a doctor and Mr. Koring." Why not? "Too easy for him to draw and fill."

INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL: "Who is that fellow leaning against the bar? Isn't he a pugilist?" "That is what he calls himself, but, strictly speaking, he is an orator."

LIFE: Lady (at large dry goods store) to floorwalker—I wish to exchange something I bought yesterday. Floorwalker—Yes, madam. Do you remember whether you were attended to by the gentleman with the dark mustache or by the gentleman with the light beard? Lady—Oh, neither! It was the nobleman with the bald head.

KATE FIELD'S WASHINGTON: Dennis—I see they played base ball in the time of ancient Rome. Mike—How so?

DENNIS—I was down at a book stall yesterday and I saw a book called "Rise and Fall of de Gossain's Empire."

TRUTH: "Doctor," said the solicitor, "I wish you would do some advertising with our paper." "Couldn't think of it, sir. The idea is a good one, but it's against the ethics of our profession. By the way, here's an item about the populists in the senatorial contest. Local matters would actuate a few of those democrats and might lead to the selection of a conservative republican. Mr. Rosewater is inclined to think, however, that the end will be that a senator will be chosen in the person of some one not mentioned, a man who will be favorable to some of the views of the populists, but who is not a pronounced democrat."

AN EXTRA SESSION PROBABLE. Boston Globe. By a very decisive vote the United States senate, which at present has a republican majority, refused to adopt Mr. Hill's proposal to take up the measure for the repeal of the Sherman silver act.

THE REPEAL OF THE SHERMAN ACT, unless, indeed, the senate should recede from its attitude, which is scarcely likely that Mr. Cleveland will summon the next congress to extra session.

All signs seem to indicate, however, that this session will not be called earlier than the middle of September next, so that the new administration will be well under way and its financial and economic policy clearly indicated before the newly chosen lawmakers of the nation take up their important and most responsible duties.

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