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It is quite evident that the belligerents are not all located in Cuba. Some of them are to be found not far from the vicinity of Congress.

The truth of the kindly criticisms of the Bee upon the disposition of certain labor leaders to involve the fortunes of Labor Temple with those of local political factions are already realized.

Senator Tillman has been unburdened upon the press his views and opinions of Wall street and its inhabitants. The street knows what the denizens of Wall street think of Mr. Tillman without having the opinion reduced to writing.

If congress wants to reform the classification of mail matter in the interest of economy why not begin with the class that is known as free matter and is identified by the presence of a congressman's frank on the envelope or wrapper?

If the Greater New York legislation becomes enacted into law, New York politicians will be in a greater quandary than ever. They will be more than ever unable to decide which presents the greater attractions—the field of municipal or the field of national politics.

Just now it is California that is threatened with an invasion of the professional woman suffrage agitators. The poor disfranchised women of California don't know what precious rights they are being deprived of and so their sisters in the far east are going to cross the entire continent to tell them all about it.

One or two of the perennial candidates for state office in Nebraska can take their booms to Lincoln without the slightest fear that they will be inconvenienced by the curfew ordinance in force there. Every one in the state knows that their candidacies are old enough to be out at night without the assistance of a chaperon.

South Omaha has a woman candidate for the school board who is very highly spoken of. The trouble with women candidates for the school board, as shown by the experience of Omaha on several different occasions, is that they do not get the support of the women voters even where the men are disposed to give them the preference. The average female school teacher does not seem to take kindly to the female school director.

It is intimated that Li Hung Chang, the great Chinese statesman, who has signified his intention to represent his country at the forthcoming coronation of the czar, may make the homeward journey through the United States. Li Hung Chang acted the host for General Grant when he was on his famous tour around the world, and the people of this country will no doubt be pleased to reciprocate the many favors he has shown to their fellow citizen.

William C. Whitney is the latest democrat to inform his friends that he does not want a presidential nomination this year from the democratic national convention. Nobody will feel inclined to dispute with Mr. Whitney on this point. If he does not want this empty honor he need not have it. There are other rich men in the democratic party who would be willing to sacrifice some of their worldly goods just for glory and to help the cause along.

According to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, \$10,000,000 is a low estimate of the actual expenditure of money involved in a presidential campaign. Of this vast sum, very little, it is insisted, is illegitimately or corruptly used, and in its opinion the results achieved by a great political contest of this magnitude and scope are usually well worth the outlay required for them. There is food for reflection in the suggestion in addition to room for an honest difference of opinion.

If the city government shall carry out the behests of the people all contract work will hereafter be performed by Omaha workmen and mechanics. If this rule be sometimes impracticable the policy pursued should be invariably to insist that preference be given resident mechanics in all work of a public or private nature. The presumption is that Omaha mechanics are quite as skillful as any others. If they cannot demonstrate the fact, then, of course, no objection will be raised to contractors going elsewhere for men.

THE HOUSE ACTS. By a vote of 215 to 116 the house of representatives adopted the resolutions relating to Cuba which were reported some days ago from its foreign relations committee...

The house resolutions do not contemplate any action on the part of our government looking to Cuban independence, as does the senate resolution, and undoubtedly the omission will be approved by the intelligent judgment of the country.

A SUGGESTION WORTH CONSIDERING. A good and indifferent plan has at times been suggested for enlarging the court house to meet the growing demands of court and county business. The necessity for better quarters cannot be gainsaid.

THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION. Not much is heard of the Venezuelan boundary commission, but it is prosecuting its very important task, in the result of which are grave possibilities, with due diligence and making progress.

AN IRREPRESSIBLE CONFLICT. The advent of spring and the approach of the municipal elections has very naturally revived the irrepresible conflict between the taxpayers and the taxgatherers.

BY PRESIDENT OR CONGRESS. The question whether to the president or to congress belongs the authority to accord belligerent rights constituted a most interesting feature of the discussion of the Cuban resolution in the senate.

An Abandoned Parade. The abandonment of the joint parade of union and confederate veterans which it was proposed to hold in New York on the Fourth of July is a matter of little consequence.

Poor Pere Marquette. Illinois American Protective association has taken a fall out of Pere Marquette. It has protested against the acceptance of Wisconsin's status of that worthy pioneer by the United States government.

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which the government must proceed in any case where its foreign relations are concerned, is in the sole possession of the executive, that being inevitable under the diplomatic powers vested in the executive by the constitution.

This is a new question, the power of the president in respect to the declaration of belligerence between two foreign powers having never undergone conclusive judicial investigation.

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IMPROVING THE ARMY. Reforms Proposed by the Secretary of War. Harrow's Weekly. If it is worth the while of the United States to maintain an army, it is worth while to make it efficient.

These are certainly caustic truths, which only emphasize the necessity for radical changes in our methods of municipal government and the importance of constant vigilance on the part of the taxpayers and citizens.

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DOES NOT SEEK A THIRD TERM. Information Said to Come from a Member of the Cabinet. CLEVELAND SAID TO FAVOR J. G. CARLISLE. Interesting Hint of Political Gossip from the National Capital Regarding the Democratic Presidential Succession.

NEW YORK, March 2.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: A member of the cabinet who talked with the president a few days ago makes the following statement: "President Cleveland would not accept another nomination for the presidency, even if it were possible for him to have an absolute guaranty of his election."

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The senate committee on privileges and elections, by a strict party vote, decided today to report a substitute for the resolution introduced by Senator Allen, asking for an investigation into the election methods in Alabama.

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IN THE HANDS OF THEIR FRIENDS. Crete Herald: J. N. Van Durn is talked of for the office of state auditor, but is not, as he believes, an avowed candidate.

Gandy Pioneer: C. A. McCloud of York has been mentioned as a candidate for the nomination for state auditor on the republican ticket.

Chicago Tribune: "What's that long piece of writing, papa? Is it poetry?" "Hardly replacing it in its empty pocket-book," said the old man, "it is an award, to your mother's milliner."

Indiana Journal: "I took out \$10.00 insurance on my life today," said the meek man. "I suppose you will live for sixty or seventy years now," said his wife, in an aggressive tone.

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