

# THE FRONTIER.

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THAT Chicago platform isn't in any danger from its friends, because it has none to speak of.

SENATOR VEST exactly described the condition of the democratic party when he said: "We are in a fog."

FOR a man who at one time pretended not to care what was done Claus Spreckles is having a good deal to say about Hawaii.

GOVERNOR BOIES can read the signs of the times; hence the announcement that he will retire from politics at the end of his present term.

REPUBLICAN land officials will have their heads cut off in a few days, so says Tobe Caeter. We wonder if Willy Mathews will hold his job.

THE western railroads have adopted administration ideas of how members of the G. A. R. ought to be treated. A bad example always has followers.

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THOSE gentlemen, not members of congress, who propose going to Washington to help congress legislate, might easily find more profitable employment.

THE Independent says THE FRONTIER is responsible for Rhody Hayes' failure to secure the office of treasurer after he was appointed by the board. Thanks.

TAXES are as high today with a valuation of \$3,144,580 as they were in 1884 with a valuation of only \$1,507,908. Oh, the supervisor system is a great thing!

"Stop the panic!" is heard on all sides, but the custodian of that "stopper," who must be as stubborn as a Kentucky mule, refuses to come out of his place of concealment.

WITH Tammany running the postoffice and anti-Tammany running the custom house, New York city politics will be near kin to the Kilkenny cats for some time to come.

EMPEROR WILLIAM would not object to seeing France attempt to puncture the inflated bladder which he recently declared England's boasted supremacy of the sea to be.

THE financial situation isn't worrying Secretary Herbert to any appreciable extent. He, with his daughter, is "doing" the Atlantic coast summer resorts in great style, and Uncle Sam—he pays the bills.

THE co-operative housekeeping scheme which was tried at Decatur, Ill., has collapsed, and for the same reason that so many husbands and wives fall in co-operative house keeping—failure to humor each one's whims.

TAXES were lower in Holt county under the commissioner system with an assessed valuation of \$1,507,908 than they are today under the supervisor system with an assessed valuation of over \$3,144,580. Pulverize the system.

WHAT are we paying nearly six per cent. taxes for?—Sun

THE FRONTIER respectfully cites the eclipsed luminary to the comparison of the supervisor and commissioner systems published elsewhere in this issue. There read the answer.

VOLUME 1 number 1 of the Quimby Quill, published at Quimby, Cherokee county, Ia., by George A Comstock, formerly editor of the Page Eye, came to our table this week marked X. We gladly place the Quill on our list, and wish you success in your new home George, as the first copy of the Quill is a daisy.

IN 1865 our national debt, less cash in the treasury, was \$2,074,815,856. After almost thirty years of republican protective administration this was reduced down to \$841,526,464, in 1892. This was a decrease from \$77 per capita of our population to only \$12.87 last year. Does this look as if protection had been hurtful to the American nation and to the American people?

THE number of idle working men, awaiting congressional action, increases every day. Even a democratic congress ought to be able to see and avoid the danger of adding to the existing distress by tinkering with the tariff. Governor Flower hit the bull's-eye of common sense when he said: "Let the tariff alone; this is no time for experiments."

ADMINISTERING, or attempting to administer, a castigation to Scott and THE FRONTIER, the Sun says:

AND THE FRONTIER upholds Scott and his methods of doing business in this manner.

In another place in the same issue it pours forth many vials of partisan wrath and says:

Read THE FRONTIER, and what defense does it make for Scott? None.

THE FRONTIER is somewhat at a loss to understand how these strange things can be. How can we uphold Scott without making a defense for him?

TOBE CAETER is after the republican postmasters throughout the state and their heads are falling fast. A change is expected in the O'Neill office in about a week, and consequently the applicants are on the anxious seat. Three of the land offices in the state are to be abolished and consolidated with the office nearest them. The Neligh office is to be discontinued and the work being done at that office will be done here.

COMPARING our exports for the first half of this year with the corresponding period in the three preceding years, we find that they were \$10,000,000 less than in 1890, \$31,000,000 less than in 1891, and nearly \$91,000,000 less than during the first half of 1892. Our imports, on the other hand, were \$65,000,000 more this year than during the first half of 1892, making an aggregate trade of \$156,000,000 less in our favor this year than last.

THE remark of THE FRONTIER two weeks ago to the effect that the settlement committee attempted to "fix" an expert, called forth three affidavits in the two alliance organs, the Sun and Independent, tending to prove that we were mistaken. Bethea and Smith made oath to their innocence, and Expert Stitt also testifies that he is honorable and acting in good faith. A great many people will be glad to learn that this is the case.

NEXT week we will drive another nail in THE FRONTIER lie mill coffin on its fool statement that the supervisor system was \$50,000 more expensive than was the commissioner system.—Independent.

We think it will be so nice when the Independent is able to make good the foregoing promise. If Mr. Kautzman will prudently turn to his files he will find where THE FRONTIER has twice run his journal to earth on this proposition and over-wheeled it with a preponderance of the testimony. But while he is preparing to "nail the lie" we will again produce those familiar figures and hold our breath for his disapproval. We take for our comparison the last four years of commissioner rule and the succeeding four years of supervisor rule:

TAX LEVIED IN 4 YEARS UNDER COMMISSIONER SYSTEM.	TAX LEVIED IN 4 YEARS UNDER SUPERVISOR SYSTEM.
1884.....\$69,779 88	1888.....\$148,268 70
1885.....67,867 63	1889.....140,370 20
1886.....75,232 97	1890.....136,489 45
1887.....134,676 88	1891.....145,029 17
Total.....\$340,677 39	Total.....\$570,137 62

According to these figures, which are absolutely correct, it will be seen that we have been yearly paying in taxes over \$50,000 more than we did under the commissioners.

THE poor old bald-headed Newberry bill has floundered around until it has finally hung itself in its own stall. Judge Dundy is now being admonished by the Chicago & Northwestern; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy; Union Pacific and Missouri Pacific to declare it a dead duck—unconstitutional and immaterial. They set up the following in substance as a cause of action: That it was very materially altered from the original, and after being passed by the body it was engrossed in such a manner that the engrossed bill was radically different from the one that passed the house. It went to the senate where it was again changed, and put upon its passage without having been read at large three times. After passing that body in altogether different form from what it had passed the house, it was enrolled, and in the enrolling room another series of changes were brought about. It went to the governor and was signed, but the bill signed was not the one that had passed either house. If this child of the demo-pop marriage should be held unconstitutional it will be their own fault, as some of them could read and the bill should have been read three times by all means.—Custer Leader.

COMPTROLLER ECKELS in North American Review: "The present financial depression differs materially from any that has heretofore occurred in our history. The strain has been of unprecedented length and great severity, but there has been nothing approaching a panic, such as characterized other years under similar circumstances. More significant is the fact that throughout it all there has been manifest no unusual excitement, despite the general distrust in the stability of our moneyed institutions evidenced in every portion of the country; the daily failure of banks, national, state and private; of great commercial enterprises, trust companies and corporations and manufacturing establishments. No stronger proof than this could be had of the vast resources of the country and the available wealth of the people. It demonstrates that no matter how bad the outlook there can be no general bankruptcy and distress as that of 1837, 1857 and 1873. In all the circumstances surrounding the present situation it is equally at variance with other periods of liquidation. It has developed at a time when there is an abundance of agricultural products and manufactured products on every hand. Ordinary business in mercantile lines is up to, and in some trades above, the standard of the same months in times of marked prosperity, while the actual amount of money in circulation per capita is as great as that of recent years. Not less worthy of note is it that, in a majority of the failures that have occurred in legitimate lines thus far, the assets reported of the failed concerns have been largely in excess of their liabilities and of such a character as to cause comment that institutions holding them should have been forced to suspend."



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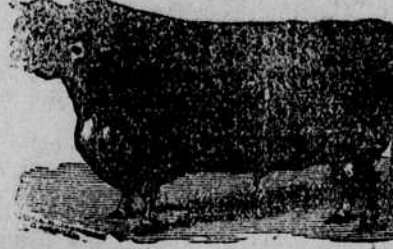
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