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Madame Blavatsky, the leading apostle of theosophy, is dead. And with her demise a peculiar organization has lost its leader, a woman of unusual intellect.

The man responsible for a resolution passed by the Omaha city council refusing to acknowledge General Thayer as governor during his stay in that city on the occasion of the president's visit, remarks in exchange, bears the intensely American name of Moriarty.

JOHN L. WEBSTER, Gen. Thayer's attorney, receives additional laurels since his theory of the gubernatorial contest has been held to be the correct one by the supreme court. Mr. Webster is probably the ablest lawyer in the state of Nebraska today, but he derives his chief distinction in the eyes of conscientious republicans all over the state, from the fact that while he resides in Omaha, his republicanism is of the courageous unflinching kind that refused in the face of local public opinion to wink at or in any way sanction the support of James B. Boyd. THE HERALD expects some day to see Nebraska honored by the selection of John L. Webster as United States senator.

SOME of the newspaper fraternity are explaining that as the governor is elected every "even year" according to the constitution, it necessarily follows that Governor Thayer holds over until January 1892. That is not the reason, for in case of a vacation the constitution provides the lieutenant governor shall act as governor until the close of the term. The statute provides that in the case of a vacancy in any state or county office occurring thirty days before a general election the vacancy shall be filled at the election. Now in this case the lieutenant governor is not in it, and there is no vacancy. So there is no way of changing the governor before the close of the term. In fact the statute in defining "vacancies" expressly excludes cases where, from the ineligibility of the officer elect he cannot qualify, and his predecessor holds over. So there is no vacancy to fill.—Ex.

TIN IN CALIFORNIA.

James H. Crossman, superintendent of the Gabilan gold mines, accompanied by his wife, came up from Temescal this morning. He brought several small bars of the first tin drawn from the furnace on Thursday evening last, beautiful specimens, with the word "Temescal" stamped on the top of each bar.

Mr. Crossman informs us that the new smelter works to perfection, is a grand success, and the tin ninety-nine per cent. pure metal, the purest tin ever run from any furnace in the world. About ten tons were cast, principally in 100 pound ingots, which will be sent as specimens to some of the principal manufacturing cities in all parts of the world.

Mr. Mathe, superintendent of the tin mines, is the fortunate inventor of a new reverbratory furnace for burning oil instead of coal, and Thursday was the first time the new method was put to a practical test. The result is a grand success, even beyond the inventor's expectations, and will revolutionize the smelting business all over the world. Mr. Mathe has a fortune in his invention, and we congratulate him upon his success. Heretofore coal has been absolutely necessary for smelting purposes, but Mr. Mathe has generated much greater heat with oil. Not only tin, but gold, silver and other metals can be smelted with oil by his process. The furnaces will be run constantly from now on, the supply of ore is simply inexhaustible, and the Temescal tin mines can furnish the world with tin.

Mr. Crossman is feeling highly elated over the prospects of the gold mines at Gabilan, belonging to the San Jacinto estate, and which he is developing. They have struck four large, strong veins of gold-bearing quartz, assaying "way up," the mill run of which will be

from \$30 to \$60 per ton, and as there are immense quantities, easily extracted, it is plain to see the "millions in it." Mr. Crossman says it would buy big if the ore only ran \$6. H. S. Harris of Cornwall, Eng., one of the large owners in the San Jacinto estate, is at present visiting the mines, and is greatly pleased with the outlook. Beyond all doubt the vast deposits of valuable mineral owned by this company constitute one of the biggest things on earth, and is bound to make Riverside county one of the richest, and most famous sections in the world. Press and Horticulturist, Riverside, Cal.

Each new success that crowns Mr. Blaine's policy of extending American trade stimulates him to renewed efforts in the same direction. Having opened up the Brazilian and Cuban markets he now turns his attention to other fields. A dispatch from Washington states that negotiations with San Domingo have been so far advanced that before many months a treaty of reciprocity will be negotiated with that island. The same dispatch adds that in all likelihood a similar treaty will be in force between the United States, Venezuela and Mexico before the end of the year.

Thus is Mr. Blaine's masterly policy bearing fruit more rapidly than even the most sanguine of his friends and admirers anticipated. Every new victory of this kind means so much added to the wealth and the prosperity of the country. Parliament itself is silenced in the contemplation of the magnificent success that has crowned Mr. Blaine's endeavors to extend American trade, which at the same time safeguarding American industries against injurious competition.—Irish World.

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