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THE selection of General Leonard Wood as governor-general of Cuba is another wise action of the president.

GOVERNOR PONTNER doubtless did the wise thing, from a Populistic standpoint, in naming Ex-Senator Allen to fill the vacancy made by the sad and regrettable death of Senator Hayward.

THE action of the Republican majority in the House of Representatives in adopting the Reed rules shows that that majority means business, and that it intends to fulfill to the best of its ability the pledges of the party.

DUN'S REVIEW for December 2 says: "Business continues wonderfully large, prosperous, and healthy. In four weeks failures have been reported amounting to \$6,848,590, against \$8,110,475 in the same weeks of last year, \$11,610,195 in 1897, and over \$12,000,000 in 1896, and also in 1895. Yet the volume of solvent trade represented by exchanges at the principal clearing houses has been for the month 22.5 per cent greater than last year and 46 per cent greater than in 1892."

"THE future government of the Philippines rests with the government of the United States. Few graver responsibilities have ever been confided to us. If we accept them in a spirit worthy of our race and our traditions, a great opportunity comes with them. The islands lie under the shelter of our flag. They are ours by every title of law and equity. They cannot be abandoned. If we desert them we leave them at once to anarchy and finally to barbarism. We fling them, a golden apple of discord, among the rival powers, no one of which could permit another to seize them unquestioned." —President McKinley's Annual Message to Congress.

THE money in circulation in the United States has increased 33 per cent since Mr. Bryan and his deluded followers at Chicago and all over the country in 1896 announced that our money could never increase without the free and unlimited coinage of silver. On July 1, 1896, the money in circulation was \$1,509,725,200, and on December 1, 1899, it was \$1,985,930,964, with the prospect of crossing the \$2,000,000,000 mark by the end of the present month, while the gold coin and certificates increased from \$498,449,242 on July 1, 1896, to \$778,388,303, December 1, 1899, a gain of 31 1/2 per cent in total currency and 56 per cent in gold and gold certificates.

THE recent interview of the new Populist senator from Idaho, Henry Heitfield, in which he frankly admitted Republican prosperity in his state, is not calculated to please the Silver Republicans of Idaho who are now playing "for position." Senator Heitfield said: "The times are good in our state. Cattle, for instance, are selling for just three times what they were two or three years ago. Wool is in much better demand, and the gold and lead mines of the state are being worked with great profit." Other statesmen and citizens besides Mr. Heitfield have also awakened to the fact that "the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1" is not necessary to growth and material well-being.

PEOPLE who are exercised over the assertion that the extension of the tariff lines around the island of Porto Rico would prove disadvantageous to our sugar-producing interests, forget that the island itself is less than half the size of the state of Massachusetts and that the sugar-producing area is simply a fringe along the water's edge. Porto Rico's sugar exportation in her best years amounted to but about \$6,000,000, a very small percentage of the sugar which we are compelled to buy from foreign countries; while by eliminating the tariff lines and accepting her products which we require, we open to ourselves a market for \$15,000,000 annually of farm products and manufactures which the people of that island are compelled to import and would buy exclusively from us if our tariff lines were extended around the island.

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Municipal elections were held in seventeen cities of Massachusetts and in many of them important contests were to be settled. In most cases the main issues seemed to be the personality of various candidates for mayor and the liquor license question which ranked next to or ahead of that of the mayoralty. These seventeen cities have touched the right keynote for clean legislation, for a town or city without a mayor, whose heart is set in maintaining and protecting the virtues and welfare of its citizens, is unworthy of this most important position.

The leading temperance societies of England have been welded together and a big demonstration made. Twenty-two teetotal mayors from as many English cities took part in the exercises.

Every state in the Union but three has enacted laws requiring the scientific instructions of the effects of alcohol and narcotics in the public schools.

A North Dakota prohibition law makes all money received for liquor, within the state, usury, and a person may recover upon suit at law the entire amount paid.

The next world's convention of the W. C. T. U. and kindred organizations is fixed for Edinburgh, in 1900. It will take place the week following the World's Temperance Congress in London, the first week in June.

The annual out put of the Milwaukee breweries is 2,348,798 barrels.

Bishop Charles B. Galloway, who has done more to throttle the liquor power in Mississippi than any other man says: "Every pulpit in the land should be a throne of thunder against this monstrous iniquity!"

Lady Henry Somerset is laboring to induce London and other English cities to employ matrons in police stations, after the fashion of the United States.

Election day has passed away, and Willie's won the tin; Some politicians smoked cigars, Some drank a little gin; Our customers drank water And claimed 'twas rather thin, But the tender, juicy meat we sell Caused them to loudly grin.

So everybody, great and small, Come in and see our goods this fall; Tho' we may fail, we'll surely try To merit confidence while you buy, For all our goods will stand the test; Game, beef, pork, mutton and the rest; And the poultry is the very best And the market of Marsh & Everist.

SOUTH SIDE.
Winter is here at last.
Florence Johnston is again filling the office of organist for the South Side Endeavor.

The Christmas entertainment will be held on Saturday evening instead of Monday.

Remember the preaching, next Sunday, in the Fitch school-house at 3 o'clock p. m. All are cordially invited.

Eurilla Fitch started on No. 3, last Saturday night, for a holiday visit at her grandparents in Goldfield, Colo.

William Thomas lost all of his alfalfa, last Tuesday night, by fire. Charles Wasson first noticed the stacks in flames and at once ran to notify Mr. Thomas, but it was too late to save the hay.

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EAST RED WILLOW.
Corn shucking is nearing the end.
W. D. Spencer will farm the Hereth place, next year.

Christ Jensen has moved to his own place on Coon creek.

Preaching at the Redwillow school-house, next Sunday afternoon at 3.

Lewis Longnecker has been on the sick-list for the past two weeks.

A good many improved the opportunity, and sowed rye and wheat after the rain.

C. J. Sutter of Red Cloud was in this vicinity, a few days ago, looking after his land interests here.

INDIANOLA.
W. O. Bond transacted business in the big west-end town, Monday.

Mrs. James I. Lee of McCook visited relatives and friends here, last Sunday.

J. W. Dolan and H. W. Keyes were business pilgrims to the county's capital city, Tuesday.

G. W. Short, H. M. Gilbert and W. H. Russell were among the visitors to the county seat, Monday, on business.

Art Crabtree had business in the west end metropolis, Saturday evening. It is understood that Art will be deputy under Sheriff Kinghorn.

J. H. Goodrich, formerly a resident of our city, and an early treasurer of the county, now on the road for a Lincoln wholesale house, was about on business, first of the week.

No Right to Ugliness.
The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at McConnell & Berry's.

BANKSVILLE.
Ray Gale been employed to teach the coming term of school.

John Rowland, who has been quite low with typhoid fever, is slowly recovering.

Considerable rye and wheat have been sown in this vicinity, since the rain.

The new school house is nearly completed and will soon be ready for the winter term.

J. H. Relf and family, Rev. J. E. Tirrill and Robert Kelley and sisters were visitors at Andrew Anderson's, Sunday.

Andrew Johnson, road overseer, has been rusting the poll taxes under his jurisdiction, and as a result the roads are greatly improved.

H. H. Benjamin was in this vicinity, Wednesday, after repairs for his pump, which has been giving him considerable trouble and annoyance lately.

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BARTLEY.
J. Fletcher was in McCook, this morning, on business.

Mrs. Wymore is seriously ill with erysipelas of the face.

Pap has recovered from the grip and is at work, this week.

E. R. Moore is down with an attack of neuralgia of the stomach.

The school entertainment is on the boards for this (Friday) evening.

George Theobald from Astor, Iowa, is here looking after his interests.

Elder Roberts is at Lexington, this week, attending the district Christian convention.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. will install officers, January 6th, 1900, and will have a big bean dinner.

Business in Bartley is fair to good. Hogs being on the boom a little helps both farmers and merchants.

The bridge over Dry creek in the west part of town should be replaced with a new one. "It's mighty shaky."

In the sensational trial of Hitchcock vs. Allen, the Popocratic jury stood 11 to 1 in favor of the defendant.

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