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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1893.


JAPAN has suffered great loss of life and property recently by floods.

OVER $300,000 worth of twine was burned in a recent fire at Kansas City.

MAYOR WEIR of Lincoln is talked of by the populists as their next candidate for governor of Nebraska.

GLADSTONE'S health and strength are said to be noticeably failing. He will be 84 years old next month.

DULUTH is considering direct railway connection with Omaha, in the interest of the commerce of both cities.

EIGHTY students and persons engaged in literary purpuits have been arrested at Warsaw on suspicion of being engaged in nihilistic plots.

ONE of the most curious farms in the country, and one of the most profitable is in Illinois, and on which they raise frogs as a business.

OUR respected Uncle Samuel has, in the new war ship, Columbia, the fastest ship afloat on any waters of the earth—quite an accession to our navy.

AN artesian well at Huron, South Dakota, throws a six-inch column of water seventy feet into the air, and attracts thousands of sight-seers.

THE journal of the Knights of Labor estimates that 800,000 men have lost situations since July 1, and that not over 30 per cent have been reinstated.

ED. COLLINS is confined in the murderers' cage of the Douglas county jail, charged with the shooting of Louis McPherson at Valley Saturday night week.

AT Wooster, Ohio, Monday night of last week, W. A. Mackay, an agricultural implement maker, was called to the door and shot in the head by an unknown man and mortally wounded. His life was insured for $10,000.

THE house of commons were debating last week a clause in the parish councils bill permitting all women who pay taxes to vote at all local elections. In some quarters it is regarded as a dangerous step toward giving women parliamentary franchise.

A PARCEL addressed to Chancellor von Caprivi, at Berlin, Monday, was received at the chancellorie, but a few grains of powder falling out when they began opening it, it was taken to a police station, soaked in water, and upon opening proved to be a veritable infernal machine.

THE new tariff measure outlining the democratic policy was made public Monday. Coal, wool, lumber, iron ore and many other kinds of raw material are placed on the free list. A revision of internal revenue taxes is reserved until the result of the new bill is shown in revenue receipts.

SOME of the finest photographs from a balloon have recently been made by a Philadelphia photographer, and it is thought from his success that aerial photography will hereafter play an important part in future wars, in providing accurate information in regard to fortifications, army movements, etc.

IT has been given out in certain quarters that John Peters, Brad. Slaughter, Tom Majors and A. E. Cady are looking towards the governor's chair via republican convention; that Church Howe would like to go to congress, and that Prof. Andrews will again be a candidate for congress.

MONDAY night of last week Frank Gustafson, at Ottumwa, Iowa, met two little 4-year-old girls, Mary Lewis and Sarah Sax, in the street, and with candy enticed the Sax child to his room, where he frightfully outraged her. The man was struck by a mob the next day and strangled to death. His victim is not expected to live.

IT is understood that Comptroller Eckels in his forthcoming report will recommend a system by which the national bank currency may take the place of all others, the purpose being to allow the national banks to deposit in addition to bonds, gold and silver and treasury notes and certificates, and to issue bank notes to the par value of all deposits in the treasury.

MRS. J. H. KRAFT living a mile and a half from New Albany, Indiana, being informed of a scheme to kidnap her only child, a daughter, 12 years old, hurriedly informed her husband, a merchant in the city. Kraft and his friends secreted themselves near the house, and when Stephen Whiteman, Charles Compton, Mason White and others appeared to capture the girl, Kraft shot into them and killed Stephen Whiteman. The others were arrested and jailed.

THE National grange was in session last week at Syracuse, N. Y., and adopted resolutions denouncing Secretary of Agriculture Morton for language used by him at Chicago, referring to the grange, and characterizing it as unbecoming a gentleman of high office and a member of the president's cabinet; that, so far as the grange is concerned, there is not a word of truth in it; that the president owes it to the farmers of the largest agricultural nation in the world to appoint a secretary of agriculture in sympathy with them. A committee was appointed to submit the report to President Cleveland.

### It Has Passed the White House.

The new tariff bill has passed the White House, so the Washington correspondents say. In other words, Grover Cleveland has examined the several schedules, has invited a few of his intimate political friends to look over the work, and the announcement is now made that the bill in all its parts has been fashioned after the idea of the Chicago platform, and that the autocrat of the White House has pronounced it good, and he himself is well pleased.

Having passed the White House it will next go to the legislative branches of the government for approval, unless a sufficient number of independent Senators should be found to protest against this measure of destruction. The bill, as it stands approved by President Cleveland, is by all odds the most radical and most dangerous piece of legislation that has emanated from the Democratic party since the first attempt of Representative Morrison to make a horizontal reduction of the tariff. The effect of this bill will be far more disastrous to industry and labor than any of the former propositions, for two reasons. First, it is in itself more radical, and in the second place the present critical condition of our manufactures makes the passage of the bill at this time a wanton and reckless blow at the very foundation of our industrial progress. It will destroy thousands of industries and build up none. It will close half the mills and factories and workshops in several branches of manufacture and open none. It will throw hundreds of thousands of wage earners out of work, and reduce the wages of all. It will leave human misery and industrial wreckage where twelve months ago the Democratic party found human contentment and industrial prosperity.

Such is the measure that has passed the White House and is awaiting the signature of the House of Representatives.—[New York Press.

CONGRESSMEN Meiklejohn and Hainer of this state visited Richmond, Virginia, on election day and convinced themselves of the unfairness of that election, at least, so far as the negroes were concerned. This process of repressing votes is not so blood-curdling as that of the shot gun and the midnight ride, but it is just as effectual. Under the system in vogue for the negroes, only about six could vote in an hour. The number of congressmen to which a state is entitled is based upon the population, 193,000 being now the basis of representation for a district, and while in the northern states, the votes of a district may reach as high as 80,000, in the south it goes as low as 16,000—say, a disfranchisement of 64,000 to a district. As this occurs in a federal election, it is exceedingly proper that congress should pass a law and see to its enforcement, preventing this injustice to those entitled to vote, whether they be white or black men, north or south. The very life of our government by the people depends upon a full, free vote, honestly cast and fairly counted, and after this, of course, upon the accuracy with which officials selected by the people carry out their will, in the enactment and enforcement of laws. Autocrats and usurpers of authority, whether they be mobs of citizens, classes of society, or chief executives sitting in the chair of state, are not to be tolerated, because this is the boundary line where a government by the people ends, and something else takes its place.

"BUT restful economy does not mean mind and nerves strained to their highest tension," says Mildred McNeal, very wisely, in The New Peterson for December. "That is a great fault in the way many men work. They are in too much of a hurry, and work under too high pressure. We need to learn to keep cool, and do all our work, no matter how much or how hard, in as restful a way as possible. Every muscle should be relaxed just as far as the work in hand will allow. We have been almost thrown off our feet sometimes by finding that the bucket we lifted was not full of water, but empty. The muscular effort required and the effort used were not in harmony; and so, if we constantly spend more of our vital power than is necessary, the debit account will tell against us very soon. Just watch yourself for one day—see that you use no unnecessary muscle, and no muscle more than is necessary, and you will be surprised to find how much you have accomplished, and how easily."

NEBRASKA electors are learning how to vote under the Australian law. If the contest instituted here the other day will serve as an "object lesson," it will be well. We notice in Waterloo precinct, Douglas county, they are having a little discrepancy between the will of the voters and the result, because of writing a name on the ballot and not affixing the X opposite. It seems that the candidates named by caucus and petition for road overseers did not suit the electors, and on election day enough of them voted for another man to have him made overseer, had their ballots been counted. The truth is that every man should make the law a study.

ONE of Leon Barritt's cartoons in the New York Press represents the Hawaiian throne, upon which are seated Grover Cleveland and Liliuokalani in the attitude of very ardent lovers—the feather in Grover's crown is endorsed, "I am a plutocrat;" that in the queen's, "I am an autocrat." The words of the lover are set to the tune of "Annie Rooney:"

She's my "Lily,"
I'm her "Gro.,"
She's my sweetheart,
I'm her beau.

Soon we'll marry,
Never more to part,
Lili-oo-ka-la-ni
Is my sweetheart.

MONDAY, a circular on the school question, said to have been inspired by Mgr. Satolli, and issued by Catholic citizens under the direction of Cardinal Gibbons, was sent to members of the city council of Baltimore, Md., members of the legislature and other city and state officers, the purpose being to create a sentiment in favor of the apportionment of state school funds to Catholic schools on the lines of the policy favored by Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul, Minn.

R. A. SIMSON of Bloody Point Lights, S. C., suffered a heavy loss, of everything he owned, from a cyclone recently. Not a person on the island came near the family or offered a mouthful to eat although he had done them many favors

### Washington Letter.

[From our regular correspondent.]

A more disappointed crowd than the members of the administration it would be hard to find. So certain were they that Saturday's steamer from Hawaii would bring news of the restoration of the Queen that every employe of the State Department was compelled to take an oath of secrecy beforehand, in order to prevent any of the details contained in the dispatch from Minister Willis getting out prematurely. It was clear, however, from other dispatches that the infamous program had miscarried, and the belief here is that the monarchy will not be restored, and that Mr. Cleveland is at last beginning to realize that between the one-sided representations of Minister paramount Blount and Secretary Gresham's hatred of ex-President Harrison, he has been hoodwinked into taking a course that has been more generally and, perhaps, more harshly criticised than any single act of any American President.

The great question with the administration now is how it can best sneak out of its unpleasant predicament, although it is believed that positive assurances have been given to the British Ambassador and the Japanese Minister that the monarchy would be restored in Hawaii, it is not thought that any attempt will be made to do it, at least not openly or by force. In fact friends of the administration are now trying to deny what they were a few days ago positively asserting as to the nature of the instructions given to Minister Willis. Should it end in Mr. Cleveland's making Gresham the scapegoat and throwing him out of the cabinet there will be no tears shed by either republicans or democrats, as Gresham's course in this matter has caused him to lose the few friends his political somersault had left him.

Representative Bourke Cockran, the New York congressman who has been sat upon by Tammany because he objected to being a mere puppet of Crocker's, threw a bombshell among his democratic colleagues on the House Ways and Means committee who had in his absence decided that an income tax should be attached to the new tariff bill, when he informed them that an income tax imposed by a democratic administration and congress would result in making New York City, now the democratic Gibraltar, a republican stronghold; he also told them that this proposed tax was an attempt by certain would-be leaders of the democratic party to pander to the populists, and warned them that if it was carried into effect it would prove disastrous to the democratic party. Mr. Cockran's remarks created a momentary stampede among his fellow democrats on the committee, but will hardly result in getting the income tax dropped from the bill.

The administration having by its lack of foresight and of firmness when firmness would have proven beneficial brought the cash in the treasury down to the lowest point at which it has been since the Buchanan administration came so near to bankrupting the government, is now very diligently at work stopping the leak at the spigot while that of the bunghole is going right along all the time. Here are two instances that will illustrate the attitude of the spigot style of statesman: the Postmaster General in glancing over the list of supplies purchased for post offices discovered an item that deeply aroused his anger. He was thunderstruck, so to speak, when he saw that the U. S. government actually bought twine for the letter carriers to use for tying up bundles of mail. "Let them buy leather straps and use them," shouted this apostle of spigot economy, as he dictated an order that no more twine was to be bought for their use. The next great act of spigot economy also relates to the letter carriers. A lot of old cast off letter carriers' leather bags, which have been from time to time forwarded to Washington by postmasters who have made requisitions for new ones, have been at considerable expense patched up and as long as the supply holds out they will be sent to those postmasters who make requisitions for new ones. The letter carriers may feel thankful that they are not required to buy their own bags as well as straps.

The democrats acknowledge that they are afraid to submit their tariff bill to a democratic caucus. Those in charge of the bill say that it would certainly be cut all to pieces if it went before a caucus, and that they prefer to rely upon the power of Mr. Cleveland, whose ideas the bill fully represents, to force the bill through congress and silence the democratic opposition thereto. Much depends upon the character of the bill, which will presumably be made public this week or next, as to whether it can be forced through congress.

### NEBRASKA.

O. A. Farley of Craig has secured a patent on a windmill governor.

Albert Wagner of Scribner, who was injured last June by a falling pane of glass, died last week from his injuries.

Mosher, the Lincoln bank wrecker, arrived at Sioux Falls, S. D., last Wednesday, and was duly incarcerated in the federal prison.

John Wallich of Grand Island, furniture dealer, once auditor of the state, has assigned for the benefit of his creditors, his debts amounting to $11,000.

Miss Fosler, teacher of chemistry in the Beatrice High school had her right arm amputated because of blood poisoning resulting from a "ring around" on her thumb.

An air line from Omaha to Duluth is a possibility of the future. All that is lacking is the money and the push necessary to perfect the enterprise. An enormous business awaits it.—[Bee.

The Omaha World-Herald says that when the canal scheme shall come before the voters of Omaha with the proper safeguards, it will be carried by a practically unanimous vote; but it must be a square-toed proposition without any frills or furbelows.

The fact that Nebraska beet sugar was awarded the first prize, a gold medal, at the World's Fair, is somewhat gratifying to state pride, especially as it was taken in an open competition with Germany, France, Russia, Austria and other countries.

H. C. Ackerman, a farmer living about fifteen miles southeast of McCook, committed suicide Sunday afternoon by shooting himself. A Swede hired man employed by Ackerman had taken the glanders from a horse he was doctoring for that disease. The Swede died from the terrible malady. This and the fear that other persons might take the fatal disease evidently prayed on Ackerman's mind and self-destruction was the result.

Says the Rushville Standard: Mrs. Heddick, a widow living on Wolf creek, was severely beaten by an Indian last Wednesday. The Indian was drunk, and was captured a few days afterward. It is thought that he was hired to do this villainous act. The lady was a witness on an important case that will come up in court. If it can be proved that he was hired by any one there will be lively times on Wolf creek in which Judge Lynch may take a part.

The success of the Kearney cotton mill has gone far beyond the expectations of those who established it. The operations of the last year have been entirely satisfactory to the eastern stockholders, and instructions have been given to run every department to its full capacity. The force of employes is to be increased from 200 to 300; steam has been added and a large output is assured for the coming year. The product of this will find ready sale, and Kearney is to be congratulated. If one cotton mill can make such a fine record, there is no reason why other cotton mills should not be in operation in other parts of the state. Such establishments will make Nebraska not only wealthy, but give us a population of producers in cotton goods as well as in agriculture.

At the trial of Louis P. Norberg, the bailiff who was convicted of tampering with a jury in a case in which the Omaha Street Railway Company was a party, the fact was developed that all of the bailiffs were enjoying the privilege of carrying annual passes issued by the street railway company in their pockets. When the entire bench met behind closed doors to determine what course the court should pursue in the Norberg case, the question of why the street railway company should furnish court bailiffs with annual passes was discussed. No valid reason could be discovered and it was agreed that the men should return their pasteboards or resign. Not wanting to resign the men have sent their passes back, while they now walk or pay fare. THE JOURNAL wonders how many of the judges had passes, and why they were issued to them.

THE general superintendent of the railway mail service, who has been connected with it almost since its organization, makes some recommendations in his annual report which, although not new, deserve the serious attention of congress. One of these is that some provision be made for the families of postal clerks killed in railway accidents. The work of these faithful servants of the government is more perilous than that of any other class of government employes. According to the last report of the postmaster general, during the preceding four years thirty-two were killed in accidents, 264 seriously injured and 289 slightly injured, a total of 585 casualties. This shows the perilous character of the service, and it would seem to be only just that a great and wealthy government should make reasonable provision for the families of these public servants who meet death at the post of duty. Another recommendation is that the salaries of postal clerks be increased. The work of this service is arduous and requires more than ordinary intelligence and the closest application. It ought to be well paid for, and the salaries are not now as liberal as they should be. The efficiency of the railway mail service was very much improved under the last administration by a generous policy for the encouragement of care and fidelity in the work. Nothing would so surely promote these conditions as salaries that would be a just return for the labor performed. —[Omaha Bee.

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