

BLAINE WITHDRAWS HIS NAME.

He Says He Will Not Be a Presidential Candidate.

BRIGHT HOPES FOR THE PARTY.

The Maine Statesman Dwells Upon the Conditions Which Make Certain a Republican Triumph This Year.

Declines to Run.

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—The Commercial-Gazette will publish the following to-morrow: Mr. E. J. Jones, chairman of the national republican committee, has received a letter from Mr. Blaine declining to allow his name to be presented to the national republican convention as a candidate for the presidency.

Following is Mr. Blaine's letter in full: FLORENCE, Italy, Jan. 25, 1888.—B. J. Jones, Esq., Chairman of the Republican National Committee:—Sir: I wish, through you, to state to the republican party that my name will not be presented to the national convention called to assemble in Chicago in June next.

THE CLEARANCE RECORD.

The Financial Transactions of the Past Week.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 12.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—The following table compiled from dispatches to the Post from the managers of the leading clearing-houses of the United States, shows the gross exchanges for the week ended February 11, 1888, with the rate per cent of increase or decrease as compared with the amounts for the corresponding week last year:

Table with columns: CITIES, CLEARINGS, and Increase/Decrease. Lists cities like New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, etc., with their respective clearing amounts and percentage changes.

Total, \$74,430,771.12, 2.2% increase over last year.

Duluth and Topeka not included in totals.

AFTER THE OTHERS.

The Accomplish of Gould and Sage to Be Prosecuted Also.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—Parties representing the Kansas Pacific landholders in the criminal action against Gould and Sage are evidently not satisfied with their attack on these two magnates. For several days mysterious whispering has been heard of further contemplated steps in connection with the releasing of \$1,000,000 of Denver Pacific stock from the lien of the Kansas Pacific consolidated mortgage and its appropriation by the two trustees, Gould and Sage.

SICK OF IT.

Maine Citizens Preparing to Revolt Against the Prohibitory Law.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 12.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—A movement is on foot in this state to overthrow the prohibitory policy. For over thirty years the radical temperance people have given all the legislation they have asked for to suppress the liquor traffic.

MURDER BY MOONSHINERS.

Ghastly Find of Two Arkansas Hunters in the Boston Mountains.

HARRISON, Ark., Feb. 12.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—T. J. Patterson and Rich McMahon, while hunting in the Boston mountains yesterday, found the body of an unknown man, bareheaded and in shirt sleeves, heavily armed.

Weather Indications.

For Nebraska: Fair, followed by rain or snow in northern portion, warmer followed by slightly colder, light to fresh westerly shifting to northwesterly winds.

Fatalities at a Fire.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Fire occurred early this morning in a fashionable boarding house in Brooklyn Heights.

Members of R. R. Society.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12.—The members of the office, at Carthage, Paola county, Texas, was robbed Friday night and County Treasurer Bill killed.

Steamship Arrivals.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—Arrived—La Gasconne, from Havre; the Moravia, from Hamburg; the Lykos, from Mediterranean ports; the Newport, from Aspinwall.

WAITING FOR THE TARIFF BILL.

Dullness in Congress Pending the Measure's Presentation.

SUGAR A VERY HARD SUBJECT.

A Southern Senator Gives His Opinion on the Growing Unpopularity of Cleveland—Colored Soldiers Stirred.

A Dull Week in Prospect.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE. } 513 FOURTEENTH STREET. } WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—Among the representatives in congress who strongly favor government ownership of the telegraph is Senator Sherman of Wisconsin. He would not have the government own and operate telegraphs or railroads, for that would involve the necessity of maintaining thousands of officials, with all the evils which can easily be foreseen, and the work would not be done as efficiently or cheaply as it can be performed by private enterprise.

THE BEAR BILL.

About Wednesday the senate intends voting on the Blair educational bill, which has been the regular order in the upper branch of congress for two months past.

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As stated a few weeks ago in the BEE, special, there is every prospect that North Carolina will go republican this fall on the internal revenue issue.

CLEVELAND GROWING UNPOPULAR.

President Cleveland's unpopularity is not confined to the democracy of the District of Columbia and New York. It is becoming widespread in the north.

This Week of Congress.

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