

WORDS OF WISDOM.

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provision be made for the appointment of a commission to agree upon and report a plan for dealing with this debt.

The Census Bureau.

The work of the census bureau is now far advanced and the great bulk of the enormous labor involved completed. It will be more strictly a statistical exhibit and less encumbered by essays than its immediate predecessors.

Irrigation Discussed.

The report of the secretary exhibits, with interesting fulness, the condition of the territories. They have shared with the states the great increase in farm products and are bringing yearly large areas into cultivation by extending their irrigating canals.

Polygamy and Statehood.

The legislation of congress for the repression of polygamy has, after years of resistance on the part of the Mormons, at last brought them to the conclusion that resistance is unprofitable and that they must accept the power of congress over this subject should not be surrendered until we have satisfactory evidence that the people of the state to be created would exercise the exclusive power of the state over this subject in the same way.

Town Government in Alaska.

I recommend that provision be made for the organization of a simple form of town government in Alaska. Such a government will regulate such matters as are usually in the states under municipal control.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Its Labors Attended With Greatest Success—Meat Inspection.

If the establishment of the department of agriculture is regarded by anyone as a mere concession to the unenlightened demand of a worthy class of people, that impression has been most effectually removed by the great results already attained. Its influence has been very great in the domain of agricultural and horticultural information.

Effects of Meat Inspection.

The inspection of this department of cattle and pork products intended for shipment abroad has been the basis of the success which has attended our efforts to secure the removal of the restrictions maintained by the European governments.

Increased Crops and Prices.

The grain crop of this year was the largest in our history, 50 per cent greater than that of last year, and yet the market that has opened and the larger demand resulting from short crops in Europe, have sustained prices to such an extent that the enormous surplus of meats and breadstuffs will be marketed at good prices, bringing relief and prosperity to an industry that was much depressed.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Its Work Has Resulted in Much Good.

The report of the civil service commission should receive the careful attention of the opponents as well as the friends of the reform. The commission invites a personal inspection by senators and representatives of its records and methods, and every fair critic will feel that such an examination should precede a judgment of condemnation, either of the system, or its administration.

Protection for Railroad Men.

I have twice before urged the attention of congress to the necessity of legislation for the protection of the lives of railroad employes, but nothing has yet been done. During the year ending June 30, 1890, 369 brakemen were killed and 7,841 maimed while engaged in coupling cars.

nearly \$1,000,000 annually to save the lives of shipwrecked seamen. Every steam vessel is rigidly inspected and required to adopt the most approved safety appliances.

IMPROVED ELECTION METHODS.

Appointment of a Non-Partisan Commission Recommended.

The method of appointment by the states of electors for president and vice president has recently attracted renewed interest by reason of a departure by the state of Michigan from the methods which had become uniform in all the states.

Evils of the "Gerrymander."

These "gerrymanders" for congressional purposes are in most cases buttressed by a "gerrymander" of the legislative districts, thus making it impossible for a majority of the legal voters of the state to correct the appointment and equalize the congressional districts.

Free and Fair Ballot Demanded.

An election implies a body of electors having prescribed qualifications, each one of whom has an equal value and influence in determining the result. So when the constitution provides that "each state shall appoint (elect) in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct, a number of electors," an unrestricted power was not given to the legislatures in the selection of the methods to be used.

Our Chief National Danger.

If I were called upon to declare wherein our chief national danger lies, I should say without hesitation in the overthrow of majority control by the suppression or the perversion of the popular suffrage. That there is a real danger here all must agree.

Rheumatism

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unfailing test of sincerity in election reform will be found in a willingness to confer as to remedies and to put in force such measures as will most effectively preserve the rights of the people to free and equal representation.

Non-Partisan Election Commission.

I believe it would be possible to constitute a commission, non-partisan in its membership and composed of patriotic, wise and impartial men to whom a consideration of the question of the evils connected with our election system and methods might be committed with a good prospect of securing unanimity in some plan for removing or mitigating them.

While the policies of the general government upon the tariff, upon the restoration of our merchant marine, upon the river and harbor improvements, and other such matters to be turned this way or that by the whims of congressional elections and administrative policies, sometimes involving issues that tend to peace or war, to be turned this way or that by the whims of congressional elections, there is a rightful interest in all the states and every congressional district that will not be deceived or silenced by the audacious pretense that the question of the right of any body of legal voters in any state, or in any congressional district, to give their suffrages upon these general questions, is a matter of local concern or control.

To the consideration of these very grave questions I invite the attention of our congress, but that of all patriotic citizens.

Executive Mansion, Dec. 9, 1891.

Benjamin Harrison.

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