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For Congress—Fourth Congressional District:

Hon. N. C. BLANCHARD,  
OF CADDO.

—THE Journal of Madison Parish has suspended. It was one of the oldest country papers in the State.

—WITHIN the next few months orators will show that the country is fast going to pieces. After the election the government will brace up again and go on as usual.

—IN the Saratoga Convention, when the name of Samuel J. Tilden, Jr., was read as a delegate, the assemblage rose to its feet and cheered enthusiastically for full ten minutes.

—A MINNESOTA physician, who has had considerable experience in cases of diphtheria, terms the disease the result of "crowd poison," meaning the overcrowding and bad ventilation of dwelling rooms.

—THE New York Cremation Co., limited, has bought fourteen lots in East Williamsburg, L. I., upon which it will build a \$50,000 stone crematory. The grounds will be handsomely ornamented and the cost of cremating bodies will be from \$20 to \$25.

—"MY daughter has taken the medicine faithfully, according to directions, and her health and spirits are now perfect. The humor is all gone from her face. I wish every anxious mother might know what a blessing Ayer's Sarsaparilla is in such cases."

—DRINKING to excess by women seems to be getting more common in some parts of this country. A married woman, who was a few years ago one of the reigning belles of Brooklyn, was on Thursday last sentenced to thirty days imprisonment in the penitentiary for drunkenness.—[Exchange.

—SENATOR Thomas F. Bayard is the fourth member of the family of Bayards to serve in the United States Senate. James Asheton Bayard, grandfather of Thomas F., was elected from Delaware to Senate in 1805 as a Federalist, and served until 1814. His son and namesake, the father of Thomas F., was elected Senator in 1851, and served until 1863. Richard H. Bayard, the uncle of Thomas F., served nine years in the Senate, from 1836 to 1845. Thomas F. Bayard has been a Senator continuously since 1869.

—THE New York Times (Republican) thus speaks of one of the prominent candidates for the Presidential nomination: "The Democrats of New York have in the person of Gov. Cleveland a man who represents the cause of reform as no other prominent Democrat in the country does. He represents it in his opinions and professions, and he represents it with still more force in his practical action. As a candidate he would be sure of the electoral vote of this great State, and there is every probability that he would also secure that of Massachusetts as well as that of nearly every State rated as doubtful."

MR. WELLS, OF RICHLAND.—The Madison Times, edited by Mr. Richard Weightman, wants Representative Wells, of Richland, to resign. That paper says he opposed the bill appropriating \$30,000 for the overflowed sufferers. The gentleman above referred to is wealthy, and lives in a very nice house south of Delhi, on the "Macon Hills," above overflow, where, as that paper says, "he can doubtless serenely contemplate the sufferings of his constituents." Mr. Wells is of a pious disposition, and raises a howl in the Legislature whenever the Lottery question is mentioned. Listen to the Times:

No wonder religion is sneered at. No wonder the pious man is suspected. Two wrongs have never yet been held by any denomination to make one right. No evil can be suppressed by increasing it, and two Lotteries cannot be better to have than one. Mr. Wells is not the man to deal with subtle questions. He is too guileless—too easily led astray. He should never have left the quiet of his domestic hearth and mingled with the crafty sucker-hunting legislator who seeks respectable support in his attempted black mail on the Lottery. Call him back home. Do not let him be contaminated by the lobbyists and wicked brother legislators.—His enemies must have concocted the scheme to elect him to the Legislature. His friends should see that their lamb is removed from among the wolves. Ask him to resign, and see that he does resign.

—THE memorial from Rapides Parish to make the poll tax receipt of the voter his registration certificate, presented by Mr. Hunter to the legislature for consideration, has several good points in it. One is, if much political interest is felt, the school fund will be greatly increased; another is, it would give the campaign managers a starting point and somewhat of a certitude, on which they could base a calculation of election expenses; and, still better, it would enable them to accomplish good through evil means, by diverting their corruption fund from the pockets of the hired voters to the coffers of the treasury for the use of the public schools. This, of course, on the hypothesis of the politicians being too much engrossed with patriotic zeal for their country's good, to permit them to stand by and see impecunious sovereigns virtually disfranchised on account of poverty.—[Catahoula News.

—MR. Walter Phelps, who has promised to put up \$100,000 for the Blaine campaign, gave a little dinner party a few days after the Chicago convention, and after the wine had flowed quite freely, explained to his guests "how it was done," as follows: "We had to pay the expenses of the colored delegates both ways, and that averaged about \$40. Then we had to pay the hotel bills in Chicago, and that cost more, for the colored delegates came early and staid late, and nothing was too good for them. And finally we had to buy each one a suit of clothes." Mr. Phelps did not see fit to say how much more "soap" was required to win the affections of the colored delegates.—Ex.

—A LEADING English statistician estimates that the daily increase of wealth in the United is upward of \$2,500,000, or about \$338,000,000 per annum, which is one-third as much as the entire increase in wealth of the whole of the rest of the world. England, whose increase in wealth is next to our own, makes only a profit on all her business of \$300,000,000 a year, or but little more than a third of our own.

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