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Weather Report.

Northern California—Fair Thursday, with light frosts in the valleys Thursday morning; continued cool weather; light northerly winds.

A DISGRACED CITY.

New York City has suffered disgrace; disgrace for which there is no excuse to be accepted. Many thousands of children in that city at the recent opening of the school year were turned away because there was no room for them. Shame upon the chief American metropolis. It has been known for several years that more school houses should be provided, but the municipal fathers have put off and put off until at last they are face to face with a shame that will tarnish the good name of the city for a long time.

The wrong this neglect visits upon children is a most serious one. It is invested with all sorts of evil. Here are some thousands of children who ought to be under school discipline who will now roam the streets, and contract evil habits, perhaps, that cannot be eradicated. With them the very time when they should be under instruction is to be dissipated in ways that cannot be good, since idleness is evil.

The Legislature of New York should take hold of the matter the very first day of its assembling and compel the chief city of the nation to do its duty by the children who are its wards. If the city still shall neglect, after a month's time in which to rent rooms and fit up school quarters, let the State withdraw her school aid and herself take charge of the education of the children of the metropolis. Lawyerr say that it has the power to do this, and we do not doubt it.

Another case of sour grapes is that of the San Francisco "Examiner." In its issue of Wednesday, with inimitable sang froid, it declares that the Chicago Democracy was beaten before it nominated Mr. Bryan, and that at no time should he have had any hope of election. This is the unadroit way in which the "Examiner" puts the matter, to be brief: Clevelandism had made the party a hopeless wreck. It had no chance of carrying any Eastern State. To indorse Cleveland and nominate a man satisfactory to him meant giving the fight to the Republicans out of hand. In that strait the Chicago convention cut loose from Cleveland and adopted a new policy. It took no risks, for things could not be worse, and its chances of sucoess ocuild not be made more desperate. The "reorganization" was effected and the result was the election of McKinley. "But," says the "Examiner," "he would have been elected in any case." Here is a statement that for genuine cheek has no parallel. It is a sour-grape sniffle that excites mirth. True, the "Examiner" goes on and explains to its own satisfaction, doubtless, that there was no landslide anyhow; that what happened was the expected, and that it did not amount to much after all. But it will not do; it is sour grapes just the same. Really, the "Examiner" should have a guardian appointed for its mental wardroom. It is so apt to speak when it should be silent, and to tell mess tales, that it needs watching, or it will give the "new Democracy" entirely away.

A Nebraska court has divided the law between two contestants with an evenhandedness that inspires respect for the principles of justice as formulated in the law. A man who believed he had the right so to do went to work curing a lot of hay. When he had about finished the work another, who really owned the grass, came in and took possession. It appeared that he knew all the time what was going on, and had no objection to the curing. Thereupon the man who cured the hay brought an action in replevin for the property. The appellate court held that the man had acquired such title to the property as to enable him to sustain an action of replevin, as the value of the property by reason of his labor had been greatly increased; but he was liable to the true owner for the value of the hay at the time it was taken in charge by the curer, the time of the conversion.

What a figure a few words may cut in European politics. At the banquet given to the Czar at Breslau, Emperor William made one of his flowery and top-loftical speeches—and there is no ruler in the old world who can do that sort of thing better than William. In the course of his speech he eulogized the Czar, Russia and all its institutions, and concluded by toasting the Czar. Of course this brought the "Little Father" to his feet, and he replied in an icy tone, for he was not at all pleased with the advantage William had taken of his hostship to say, as he did, that if there came trouble to Europe he believed the Russian and German soldiery would be found fighting side by side. The Czar did not warm as he spoke; on the contrary, he grew more chilly and formal, and concluded his frosty speech by saying that "I am animated by the same traditional feelings towards your majesty as my father." This was, to use a slang phrase, "a burner," for the Czar's father hated the German Emperor, and out of his dislike for Germany grew the so-called Franco-Russian alliance, which, however, has had a rather undefined existence, and has not been made manifest in works. It would never do to allow such a speech as that to be published, so Emperor William had it revised by the press censors, and it went abroad in the official gazette in these words: "I am animated by the same traditional feelings as your majesty." This was pouring pepper on a sore, for it amounted to open declaration of hostility to France. The result was that the Czar was hopping mad when the papers came out, and the Russian Cabinet was turned upside down with indignation—and the end is not yet.

How is this? It was claimed all through the campaign that gold is so limited in quantity that there is not enough of it for common needs. But here we have gold poured out in all directions in abundance, until it promises to become more abundant than is necessary. The hoarders of gold are now seeking the banks in a vast crowd, struggling to load up these institutions with the yellow coin. The banks in turn are paying out gold until customers complain, as they prefer paper backed by gold to the weighty metal itself. Then, too, the interest rate has gone down, suspended investment has ceased, and active placing of money in industrial enterprises has been resumed. But what a difference there would have been next morning had the electors of the United States cast their ballots the other way.

It will not be fair to classify all the free silver men in the Senate, when President McKinley shall be face to face with it, as obstructionists, until they so announce themselves. There will be free silver Senators who believe that country is superior to party, and will not hold themselves bound to attempt the defeat of the Administration at the expenses of the general good, simply to advance the cause of the opposition. Men will be found in the Senate who opposed Mr. McKinley, who, nevertheless, will favor giving his administration full opportunity to try its policy. To defeat an opponent in politics by obstruction alone, does not demonstrate the rightfulness of the party that employs such means, and in all our history such methods have met with the rebuke of the people.

The United States and the English Government have concluded a treaty, ratifications of which will be speedily exchanged, by which the Venezuelan boundary controversy is to be arbitrated. The Lord Chief Justice of England and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States are each to name two arbitrators, and the treaty names the fifth, King Oscar of Sweden. This settlement of the difficulty is one that will go far toward inspiring in each country higher regard and greater respect for the other. It will serve as a precedent for interference by the United States in affairs of States of the South and Central American continents, involving issues between them and foreign powers as to possession of territory or any question of their sovereignty.

McKinley's first written words after the election are full of wisdom and teaching, and they should not be forgotten. He said: "The victory is not to party or section, but of and for the whole American people. Not the least of the triumphs of the election is the obliteration of sectional lines in the Republic." This, said in the very face of the late attempt to stiffen sectionalism, and array classes against classes, was bravely and well said, and may be taken to be significant of the spirit that will animate the new administration.

San Francisco proposes to do something that we do not believe is possible for her to accomplish—all the traditions and the habits of her municipal life are against it. The city actually proposes to begin and complete within one year a fine new municipal building for the courts. More than that, she proposes to complete it within the contract price. If these things are done, we will be inclined to think that the millennium has indeed set in.

As the Chicago "Record" well puts it, "let no one expect that prosperity is going to plump down upon us in a minute and that everybody is going to get rich or move into the business of much money making without the exercise of good judgment." Let us add, and great patience and indomitable industry. Prosperity is a result that is not the immediate outcome of law, but of opportunity, and the best law can do in inducing prosperity is to oil the hinges of the door of opportunity after it has opened it.

And still the refutation of the fallacy goes on, for wheat still goes up.

VOICE OF THE PRESS.

Extracts From Editorial Expression of Journals

Of the State and the Coast on Subjects of Living and News Interest.

San Jose Mercury: California farmers can now turn their attention to the growing of sugar beets with new encouragement and a certainty of success. More than one hundred million dollars' worth of sugar is imported into the United States every year, and California has the soil, the climate and the capital to enable it to produce a large proportion of the quantity consumed in this country.

BEST PROOF.

Los Angeles Times: The fact that the failures throughout the United States last week reached the lowest figures reported by the mercantile agencies for several months past is the best proof that McKinley's election was the best thing that could have happened to the country.

AFTER THE BATTLE.

Santa Ana Blade: A peculiarly pleasing feature of the campaign is the fact that in Santa Ana, and we presume elsewhere throughout the country, the Populist and Democratic voters almost without exception, submitted cheerfully and gracefully to the verdict of the people as recorded at the polls. Not a word of fault-finding was heard, but the people gracefully and cheerfully showed that they are subscribers to the doctrine Vox Populi Vox Dei. We are all Californians, all good loyal American citizens. The political fight is fought and won. Now for honest, hard work to advance every material interest of California and of Orange County.

CAMPAIGN EXTREMISM.

Stockton Independent: There is much complaint of the extremism and exaggeration in party newspapers during the campaign just closed. While the complaint is just, those who make it should remember that the unfair minority of newspapers make it unsafe for a candid writer. When an editor makes a candid admission that may seem to be against his party in ever so small an incident of the campaign, it is seized upon by the uncandid, wrenched from its context, and often distorted and misrepresented in such a manner as to appear as ammunition for the enemy. Even after great care has been observed, words, sentences and paragraphs are so quoted by the opposition as to appear to be what they are not and the ingenuity of mischief is exercised to turn them to damaging account. This dishonesty of the few drives those who would be fair and dispassionate to the adoption of extremism if not to unfairness in retaliation.

A NOMINATION.

Red Bluff News: The Red Bluff News does not expect to have much influence with the McKinley Administration, but it will say, by way of advice, anyhow, that if President McKinley concludes to honor California with a Cabinet position, he could not do better than select General Chipman. No man in the State has done his party greater service with less reward than he, and in point of ability and fitness he is the peer of any Republican in the State.

A CUBAN SCHEME.

Los Angeles Herald: There may and there may not be truth in the report that this Government is trying to secure the independence of Cuba on the basis of the purchase of the island by the insurgents, they issuing bonds therefor, with the United States as the indorser. General Grant favored such a scheme when he was President, but Spain positively refused to entertain the proposition, and it is not at all likely that the Madrid Government would be more favorable to such a bargain now than it was then. But, anyway, it is not the business nor the mission of this nation to guarantee the payment of the debts of other countries. If recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cubans would enable them to secure their independence, the United States should not hesitate to do it, but it is quite another thing to obligate this country to pay hundreds of millions of dollars to establish a republic in Cuba.

WHEAT PRICES.

Stockton Independent: Liverpool does not govern prices when there is a deficiency in the world's supply of grain. Now that buyers are seeking wheat holders control. When a surplus is seeking buyers the latter control. The man who holds wheat can control it because the demand is greater than the known supply and fear that the unknown may not be equal to the demand causes those who want it to bid high for it. The competition is between buyers now while it was between sellers only a short time ago.

THAT REGISTRATION LAW.

Santa Rosa Democrat: When, by merely changing his place of residence from one block to another, a native-born American is deprived of the Constitution-given right of voting, the best brains of the State should be set at work for the purpose of devising an election law which will give to Americans an opportunity to express a choice in the affairs of the Government that governs them.

THE AGENT OF PROSPERITY.

Calaveras Prospect: The claim of the Republicans that McKinley was the advance agent of prosperity was evidently well founded. Now that the election is settled, there is a great feeling of relief in all departments of business. Even those who supported Mr. Bryan feel no alarm over the election of the Republican standard-bearer, for there was no thought of financial panic behind his success. It is evidently true that the reported conditional contracts were made as the Republicans claimed, and that these contracts are now about to be fulfilled. It can be no election dodge now that large corporations are increasing their operations and putting more men at work.

A BRAVE FIGHT.

Stockton Record: It was a campaign that the Republicans of the State have reason to be proud of. In no State was a braver fight made against big odds. The silver Republicans that went over to the enemy went with sounding trumpets and beating drums. They made much noise. There was every surface sign of a great Democratic tidal wave on this coast. But through it all the Republican papers and the Republican speakers kept hope raised aloft and were unswerving and undismayed by the clatter of the enemy's forces. They half relied on the silent vote and yet half suspected it. The political meetings on both sides were ominous. All the enthusiasm was forced. Voters were greedy for instruction. They listened, read, pondered and kept their own counsel.

FROST PROTECTION.

Riverside Press: Now that the excitement of election is over and the time of possible cold nights is approaching, it is to be hoped that some systematic steps will be taken in the matter of frost protection. It has been demonstrated beyond question that several orchardists have saved their crops by fires confined to a very small area. The natural inference from this is that if some general plan were adopted, covering the whole valley, it would be possible to raise the temperature above the danger line on the two or three nights of the year when the thermometer goes down to the freezing point.

REACTION.

Pasadena Star: Inquiry at the Pasadena banks develops the fact that a considerable amount of money withdrawn from deposit during the campaign and put in special deposit boxes or otherwise hoarded has come back into the regular bank accounts. The movement is distinct and extensive enough to be particularly noticed, and it is one of the signs of the healthful reaction that has followed the victory for sound money.

THE FARMER.

Fresno Expositor: To be prosperous, the farmer must of all men be the one who is out of debt. If he is not he is handicapped at every turn. He must buy in the highest and sell in the lowest market, and not in the mode or manner of his own choosing. This may mean a great reduction of acreage, but a hundred acres well tilled may mean comfort and independence, when a thousand acres with the mortgage means ultimate disaster. How many farmers profited by the recent rise in wheat? Not many who carry a mortgage. Yet they are the ones who need it most.

A FORECAST.

Stockton Mail: The people can rest assured of one thing, the McKinley bill will not be re-enacted, nor will anything approaching it be able to pass the Senate. Duties will not go higher. "Harper's Weekly," the "Sun," the "World" and the "Evening Post," the New York papers that made the goldbug fight, all promise that no effort shall be made to increase duties. It will thus be seen that "protection did not cut any figure in the campaign." It was a mere party slogan, wherewith to capture "sucker" votes.

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