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The second plaque contains portraits of all the notes and securities of the largest denomination now in use, from the one-cent piece to the one hundred dollar note.

PREDICTIONS OF DISASTER.

Origin of Some of the Pessimistic Prophecies Concerning the Administration.

To-night ends the gloomiest and most depressing week which the office-seekers in Washington have spent since March 4. In the first half of it the President was too busy to receive them, and during the remainder he has been absent from Washington, with all members of his Cabinet, except Secretary Blaine, who has been unable to attend to his official duties.

The pessimistic expressions, generally, if not carefully, elaborated, and neatly adorned with flowers of imagination, only appear in the columns of Democratic and Republican newspapers, and in the editorial dispatches, to which some persons outside of Washington may attach some importance.

"I've been listening to the talk in the hotel to-night," said the editor of the "Herald" and "I tell you there is a big fight coming unless Harrison does better. I heard a big man in there from New Jersey, who has been waiting here six weeks, say that he didn't get something this week, he'd go home Saturday night and tell Harrison slide. Then a tall man from Florida said he agreed with him, and two or three other fellows, who were short, thickset gentlemen from Texas all joined in, and wanted to know how Harrison expected to break up the solid South which he rejected by the election of the President. While they were all talking together a young man came up with a notebook and pencil and sympathized with them, and wrote down what they said, and he would write an article that would bring Ben Harrison to his senses, if anything would, and one of them gave him a cigar, and he went away looking as if he had a permanent resident of the city.

MINOR MATTERS.

The Chinese Minister Presents the Government with a Ring Over 3,500 Years Old.

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Indiana Pensions.

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General Black's Answer to a Damage Suit.

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Hartford City Special.

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Academy Murdered.

GALENA, May 5.—Prof. H. I. Matchett, principal of the academy at Hanover, in this county, was shot dead, this afternoon, by George Skene, son of Township Supervisor Skene. The murderer escaped, and has not been apprehended. The motive for the crime is said to have been a refusal on the part of the murdered man to permit his sister to receive attention from Skene.

Brief Mention.

Mt. Vernon is to have a new, fifteen-thousand-dollar school-house, on the site of the one destroyed by a cyclone.

Serious damage from recent frosts is reported from Litchfield, and wheat in that vicinity is said to be suffering from chinch bugs.

Carm's new City Council has, by a unanimous vote, adopted an ordinance providing for issuing saloon license at \$1,000 per year, for the tables, for windows or games of any kind are allowed.

Several State papers have reminded Governor Fifer that in fixing Arbor day he overlooked the fact that the State contains two counties, that of northern Illinois being at least two weeks earlier than that of northern Illinois.

The Farmers' Alliance at Macomb adopted resolutions endorsing the suggestion of utilizing the surplus of the manufacture of twine, but qualified their approval with the provision that the twine shall be furnished at cost.

DAILY WEATHER BULLETIN.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 5—3 P. M.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair, followed on Tuesday by rain; southerly winds; warmer in southern portions; stationary temperature in northern portions.

For Ohio—Fair; warmer; southerly winds.

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For Michigan and Wisconsin—Threatening weather and rain; warmer in western portion; stationary temperature in eastern portion; variable winds.

Local Weather Report.

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7 A. M. 30.02 55 43 Sweet Cloudless.

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Maximum thermometer, 76; minimum thermometer, 49.

Following is a comparative statement of the condition of temperature and precipitation on May 5, 1899:

Normal..... 53 0.14

Mean..... 4 - 0.14

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Plus..... -142 -6.12

General Observations.

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New York City, 60.02 72 80 Cloudless.

Buffalo, N. Y., 50.02 46 80 Pt. Cloudy.

Pittsburgh, Pa., 50.02 68 76 Cloudless.

Washington, D. C., 50.02 68 76 Cloudless.

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