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The Senate and Closure.

Closure for the Senate is an old proposition. It is advanced every few years, is debated for a few days, and then dropped.

Have not the enemies of reciprocity with Cuba played fast and loose with that proposition long enough? Is there any good reason why the treaty now before the Senate should go over until next winter?

There is much to be said on both sides of the question. Obstruction, pure and simple, when an important measure is being considered, is extremely annoying to those proceeding for action.

At any rate there is no demand for closure now in the interests of any measure about which the people have expressed themselves adversely at the polls and are demanding immediate action at the hands of Congress.

The Commerce Department Building. It is gratifying to find that Chairman Mercer of the House committee on public buildings and grounds has taken hold actively of the project to start work at once to secure a home for the new Department of Commerce.

Winter Fashions for Motormen. New York street car motormen, unprotected from the weather by vestibules or glass screens, have been generally adopting the use of veils during the last few days of biting winds and blinding snow.

Colonel Watterton wants to blow a canal a mile wide in the isthmus of Panama, and secure in his hands the business of all South American relations.

It looks as if the nobleman who comes to America in quest of funds were pretty sure to succeed in his endeavor to keep himself well advertised.

The news that the Georgia and Florida fruit crops have escaped injury leaves the work of putting up prices entirely with the promoters.

Mr. Chamberlain's surprise at finding that the Boers as a nation are not yet grateful for their defeat is rather pathetic.

The small governments may at least claim credit for being able to cause the most serious international troubles.

It would be interesting to know how many millionaires are being lost in the collection of indemnity funds.

Fire Dangers in Washington. Ill fortune furnished a most effective object lesson this morning to prove the danger of a rigidly economical policy on the part of Congress in appropriating for the fire department.

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honest and zealous, but the obstacles which he found in his way were so large and difficult of removal that they taxed his strength beyond endurance.

Judge Parker and the Trusts. Judge Parker is now referred to as the candidate of Wall Street. It is reported that the trusts are to show their support to him for the democratic nomination for President.

The Cuban Treaty. Haven't the enemies of reciprocity with Cuba played fast and loose with that proposition long enough? Is there any good reason why the treaty now before the Senate should go over until next winter?

Not Superstitious. "I am afraid you are superstitious." "Deed I isn't," said Mr. Erasmus Pinkley; some folks is a-sky-act of ghoses an' all kin' of critters; but as long as I has a rabbit's paw in my pocket I feels puffy safe.

Reflections. This world is like a looking glass. Wherein one of beholds his face; It frowns on those who grimly pass, But answers smiles with jovial grace.

The Progress of Philanthropy. These libraries delight the soul. Perhaps all we will soon reform And guarantee sufficient food. To keep these splendid buildings warm.

The Negro Problem. Remarks like those of John S. Wise that "some day there will be a great organized outbreak of blacks, murdering white men and women," do not seem to be the words of the south the rights of which the whites of that section have deprived them.

Chumps Would Break In. From the Chicago Inter Ocean. It is possible that if a get-rich-quick concern were protected with iron-barred doors and windows there would be some "investors" who would secure crowbars and somehow or other break in.

Presumptive Proof. From the Indianapolis Sentinel. The only slight evidence so far presented in support of the claim that the sultan is massing troops on the Turkish frontier is the fact that the sultan denies it.

Advertising Space. From the Philadelphia Record. A soap man who has had years of experience in advertising says: "The most striking changes in the size of advertisements run in newspapers are in the advertising columns. A double-column advertisement five inches deep will usually produce a certain amount of business, and a double-column advertisement three inches deep will produce less business."

Turkey. From the Baltimore American. Europe is going to try to make her sick man sicker.

Delaware. From the New York Mail and Express. Isn't it about time for Addicks to bring out the Delaware bill proposing post for those who oppose him?

The Horse and the Auto. Despite the inroads of the automobile and the electric trolley, the number of horses in the United States is estimated to have been 16,557,373 in 1902.

Bunco Victims. From the Chicago Record-Herald. Most of these city people who would probably laugh at a farmer who bought a gold brick.

A Beginning. From the Chicago Tribune. If the anti-trust legislation of this Congress shall go no further than the assertion of the right of the national government to investigate the conduct and management of the business of a company and to regulate it or other great trusts, of whose workings little or nothing is known, definite and gratifying progress will have been made.

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operate with the Cook! You can't expect the cook to turn out good bread and rolls unless you supply the best flour. The quality of flour has as much to do with good results in baking as ability. If you'd help the cook in her efforts to produce light, white, wholesome bread and rolls just order

"Ceres" Flour. Sold by all grocers. Refuse substitutes.

Wm. M. Galt & Co., Wholesalers of "Ceres" Flour, First St. and Ind. Ave.

Friday Bargain in Linen Etamines. We have secured another 4,000 yards Linen Etamine to sell at one-quarter the regular price.

Friday Bargain in Black Chevots. All-wool Black Chevot, 50 inches wide, excellent quality and the right weight for skirts, jackets and entire dresses.

Also these remnants in Black Goods: 8 yds. 48-inch Rough Canvas. Reduced from \$1.50 to 75c.

HARNESS -Of the Finest Sort at Clearance Prices. The SEMI-ANNUAL Clearance Sale is responsible for generous price reductions on the finest English and American-made harness.

Becker's, 1328 F St., America's Foremost Leather Goods Store.

The Newest Edition of Webster's Dictionary. We are selling the newest and best edition of WEBSTER'S INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY, indexed, for only \$9.25.

C. C. PURSELL, 418 9th St. NEW BOOKS, STATIONERY AND ENGRAVING.

Beauty. Of face and form is a precious gift—Facial blemishes and diseases are foreign to nature—and therefore science has made it a study to cure them.

Lamps and Globes and Fine Bronzes At 10% off! A splendid stock of many beautiful and artistic things, suitable for wedding presents.

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MEATS That Please The Exacting. The most critical buyers of fine meats invariably buy Keane's products to their liking.

T. T. KEANE, 24-51 Center Market—6 Wholesale Row, 24-13, 4th St.

BURCHELL'S "SPRING LEAF" TEA. Much liked for afternoon teas. Its fine flavor shows strength without bitterness.

Woodward & Lothrop, New York—WASHINGTON—Paris. Store will close at 5:30 until further notice.

Spring Opening of Baby Clothes, Presenting Paris and American Novelties. In Infants' and Little Children's Outfittings. Also Women's Paris Lingerie, Paris Corsets, Matinees, Matinee Suits, Tea Gowns, Kimonas, Kimona Jackets, Superb Paris Hand-Wrought Trousseau, etc.

Offering Rich Black Taffeta Silk Petticoats At \$7.50 Each. Regular Price, \$10.50. A final riddance of our winter stocks. This sale is comprehensive.

Suit Department. 20 pairs Brown Broadcloth Tailor-made Suit, long-sleeved, with prevailing-lined skirt; size 36. Reduced from \$25.00 to \$12.50.

Furniture Department. 2 Weathered Oak Jardiniere Stands, with lower shelf; strongly made. Reduced from \$1.50 to 75c.

Upholstery Department. 2 pairs Irish Point Lace Curtains. Reduced from \$2.75 to \$1.50.

Colored Dress Goods. 2 1/2 yds. 64-inch Black and White Chevot. Reduced from \$4.38 to \$2.19.

Picture Department. 1 Hand-colored Photograph, "Girl in Fancy Dress," in brown and gold frame. Reduced from \$1.00 to 50c.

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