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Empire State of the West.

Missouri has again maintained her place at the top of the column of American commonwealths in the showing made at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo. Referring to the awarding of prizes at that great exposition of the world's products and achievements the daily Buffalo News says:

"Missouri stands next to New York in honors awarded at the Pan-American Exposition.

"The empire state of the east and the empire state of the west stood in one-two order in medals awarded for exhibits. The only two gold medals awarded for school exhibits went to Buffalo and St. Louis.

"In her state exhibits Missouri received gold medals for corn, agricultural products and wool, and silver medals for grasses, cereals and butter.

"Through the exhibits of her citizens the state also carried off two gold medals for flour and one for educational methods. Silver medals for flour, one for flavored ciders, mineral exhibit, calcite, galena and blende crystals, pupils' work in the schools of Kansas City, books and publications, and pupils' work in the St. Louis Manual Training school; two bronze medals for flour, two for Tokay wine, bitters and wines, one for lead ores and concentrates, a collection of Missouri minerals, zinc concentrates, zinc furnace products, collective exhibit of minerals, Missouri lead and lead ores, exhibit of zinc and lead ores, granite, terra cotta work and students' work in the state university, and honorable mention for pancake flour, white wine vinegar, flour, collection of woods, specimens of curly pine, exhibit of mineral specimens, large calcite crystals, Missouri granite, sublimed lead, exhibit of zinc and lead ores, granite and publications.

"The aggregate showing is six gold medals, eleven silver medals, fourteen bronze medals and fourteen honorable mentions.

"To easterners accustomed to regard Missouri as a sort of theater built especially for the melodramas enacted by the James and Younger brothers, the record achieved by the state must seem a veritable revelation. But as one of the Missouri commissioners remarked: 'It all goes to show that those James and Youngers knew what they were about. Missouri is the one state west of the Mississippi where there are the most things worth stealing.'

"The commissioners whose efforts have been crowned with such gratifying results are: E. S. Garver, Grant City, Mo., president; John F. Beal, Edina, Mo., vice-president; Robert M. Yost, St. Louis, secretary and superintendent; Charles C. Bell, Boonville, Mo., treasurer; Fayette P. Graves, Doe Run, Mo., mines and mining."

The pilgrimage of the Jefferson club of St. Louis, accompanied by a number of prominent Missouri democrats to the tomb of Jefferson at Monticello was a notable event in the history of democracy in this state, showing that love for the great leader is still the ruling impulse among our people. The Missouri shaft that was planted at the tomb of the father of democracy on this pilgrimage will be an abiding attestation of the affections of the people of this commonwealth for the nation's greatest commoner and patriot.

The INTELLIGENCER is not thoroughly posted as to this "Macedonian Society" in Bulgaria of which we have lately heard so much talk, but we do know enough about it to suggest that a hempen necktie for every member of the pestiferous organization would be decidedly appropriate and in keeping with the progress of the civilized nations of the world. The government that submits to the existence of such an organization within its domain should be held responsible for the damnable workings of its members.

A Marshall paper cites the fact that a visit has been recently paid that town by the Hon. W. D. Steele, of Pettis county, and incidentally suggests that the ambitious young attorney may be a candidate for congress from this district in the fall of 1902. Mr. Steele has made the race for congress before and is well known to the people of the district.

"Reputable Business Men."

"To subject these gentlemen, who are reputable business men, to confinement in prison from September 11 until the return of a United States judge to the city who could accept bail, would be a hardship and unfair in view of the fact that there was no likelihood of their trying to evade answering the indictments."

The above paragraph contains the language of a United States assistant prosecuting attorney in giving reasons for the delay in arresting two of the officials who were indicted for wrecking the Seventh National bank of New York. "These gentlemen!" "Reputable citizens!" Great God of justice, what is the world coming to?

Here is an officer of the law sworn to do his duty bowing the knee of submission to and prostituting the position to which he has been appointed in the interest of men whose only recommendation to him can be that they are the possessors of wealth. Charged with crime they find protection in the money they have hoarded through the confidence and trust of those very people who are seeking to bring them to justice. A sorrowful day it is when commercialism invades our courts and makes of justice a mockery.

For years past, however, it has been observed that a tendency of the federal courts has been in the direction of favoring the wealthy corporations in their dealings with the masses of the people and so pronounced has this condition become that public criticism is not only excusable but demanded by justice and a love of those institutions dear to the heart of every American citizen.

When the democratic convention met at Chicago in 1896 and promulgated that platform which was in fact a second declaration of independence republican sheets charged the democratic party with treason simply because it fathered a plank in that platform denunciatory of government by injunction. The federal courts were held up to the people of this country by these time-serving sheets as filled to overflowing with that spirit of justice which should ever characterize the judiciary and those who criticized were denounced as anarchists. A more righteous plank was never embodied in a democratic platform and a declaration of principle more in keeping with the sacred rights of the American people was never before more justly made.

But as to this New York attorney. If a grand jury of his countrymen indicted these men for swindling can he call them "reputable business men" simply because they are bankers?

Are these men, when charged with crime, or at any other time for that matter, any better than the humblest citizen in the land?

Does it constitute more of crime for the rich man to steal than the poor man?

Referring to the paragraph under consideration W. J. Bryan says in his Commoner:

"What reason had this United States' attorney for assuming, that there is no likelihood of their trying to evade answering the indictment?"

"Was it because the evidence was not sufficient to convict? Then why did the grand jury indict?"

"Was it because these 'reputable business men' depended upon the good fortune of influential men accused of crime to escape responsibility for their lawlessness?"

"It is true that in many instances the authorities are altogether too solicitous lest a 'hardship' should be imposed upon influential wrong-doers but, do these wrong-doers ever stop to consider the hardships they might be imposing upon the men and women who trusted their savings to them?"

The Amendment Favored.

The INTELLIGENCER is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Mary James, of New York, speaking for the Interdenominational Council of Woman for Christian and Patriotic Service, asking the support of this paper for an anti-polygamy amendment to the constitution of the United States.

While the INTELLIGENCER is slow to act in any direction that tends to take from any of the states their sovereign rights and their power to control within themselves, we have no hesitancy in indorsing this movement on the ground that polygamy is a curse to humanity and under no circumstances should be allowed to exist in any section of our common country.

Any matter of public policy that effects the general public as does polygamy, should, figuratively speaking, be grasped by the throat and strangled by the immediate use of the strongest arm the law can bring into action, for its continuation is a curse

to morals and a blight upon society."

The greatest safeguard that underlies our magnificent system of government is the purity of our women and the sacredness of the family circle. Any move that tends to the belittlement of the American home or the lowering of American womanhood should be stamped out at once as a corroding, cancerous pest, inimical to those things dearest our hearts and in enmity to the world at large.

Such is polygamy.

While we have no fear of the general growth of polygamy throughout this country, basing that feeling of safety on the intellectual and moral culture of the people of the various states and the dearer-than-life virtue of their noble women, yet we can find no objection to urge to a general stroke that would effectively and at once put upon this hell-bred practice the ban of constitutional prohibition.

MISSOURI POLITICS.

Samuel North, five times mayor of Monroe City, has resigned and will go to farming. Mr. North is an exception to the rule. Most office holders never quit until it becomes compulsory. Once hung on to the public teat it takes a cyclonic shake to jar them loose.

Even at this early day candidates for county offices are springing up all over Missouri. Toot Ellis says in his Vandavia Mail and Express that the crop will be a bounteous one over in Audrain county. Alphabetically Audrain is one of the first counties in the state and it is a safe guess that the rule which applies there will reach on down the line.

The factional fight on Gov. Stone that is being made in Jackson county will go a long way in the direction of robbing that distinguished citizen in the official habiliments of the Hon. Geo. Graham Vest. The inspired assault in the columns of last week's Independent is so plainly ear-marked that a blind man could see its origin. Stone need fear nothing from such attacks. In fact the people of Missouri will love him the more for the enemies he has made.

In answer to the question as to who is the man to represent Pettis county in the next legislature the Sedalia Democrat says that he must be a personage above reproach and strong enough intellectually to impress his personality and along with it the importance of the state fair. The Democrat recognizes the necessity of holding on to that which it has. However, the Sedalia paper describes that type of man that every county in Missouri should send to the legislature.

The INTELLIGENCER will wager a coon skin that there was more politics on the train that conveyed the Jefferson club to Monticello to the square inch than was ever before sardined into that number of cars. Plans were laid, doubtless, that will begin to materialize later on in a manner indicative of the fact that they had never been thought of before.

However, the people of Missouri are "sum pumpkins" at guessing ear-marks, and this the shrewd politician should ever bear in mind.

The Vernon County Democrat is kicking because that county, the democratic stronghold of the congressional district in which it is situated, has no representative on the state central committee. The point is made that both Joplin and Carthage have had such representation and the Democrat editor adds "it is now time that Vernon county had something to say." It is insinuated in the Democrat's article that Jasper county is hogging the remainder of that congressional district in so far as the makeup of the state committee is concerned.

The Centralia Courier says of the three announced candidates for United States senator: "Wallace is the most eloquent, Clark the most courageous, and Stone the brainiest." The Missourian says: "We were under the impression that Champ Clark's chief recommendation was his distinguished ability as an orator, and certainly Mr. Wallace is entitled to praise for his courage in making the race in free silver Missouri when he makes no secret of his gold bug predilections. Mr. Stone's ability as an orator is a matter of record, while his courage is undeniable. The fact is, three better qualified or better matched men never entered upon a canvas in this state, and it only needs the eloquent and forceful DeArmond to make a quartet of candidates who would make the canvass one of the most memorable in the history of the state."

Thanks Acknowledged.

The Lexington INTELLIGENCER which has recently changed its form to a six-column, eight-page paper, is now one of our brightest and neatest exchanges.—Huntsville Herald.

The Ledger notes with pleasure the marked improvement in the Lexington INTELLIGENCER. It is now one of the ablest edited and best printed papers in Missouri.—Missouri Ledger.

The Lexington INTELLIGENCER under the management of Isaac G. Neale is rapidly forging its way to the front as one of Missouri's neatest and best edited country weeklies.—Richmond Conservator.

The Lexington INTELLIGENCER has been greatly improved lately. It is now an eight page, six column paper, well printed, ably edited and enjoying a good patronage. It has quit the old nine column, four page style, and the improvement is very marked.—Mexico Intelligencer.

The editor of the Democrat, while in Lexington last Saturday, visited the INTELLIGENCER office for a short time. There we met Isaac Neale, publisher of the paper, and "Bob" Womack, one of Missouri's gifted writers and all-around good fellow. Messrs. Neal and Womack are making the INTELLIGENCER one of the best papers in Missouri.—Richmond Democrat.

Compliance with Law

Judge John E. Ryland submits to the INTELLIGENCER the appended article with these words: "Some years ago while trying to enforce the law and to secure the observance thereof I came across the enclosed clipping that met my hearty assent then and I believe that the dissemination of such sentiment at this time would do good."—Ed. INTELLIGENCER.

The selection referred to by Judge Ryland follows:

"Compliance with all just law never fails to give to man the highest freedom he can know. Obedience is the heart and soul of liberty. The freest man is always the most obedient man. To unreflecting minds this is a mystery—with them law and liberty—obedience and freedom, too often stand for opposites and even contradictions. By liberty they mean license. And yet history everywhere teaches the freest communities have always been those in which all laws are most completely obeyed; and the most enslaved have been those in which lawlessness has prevailed. The truth is the direst tyranny, whether in communities or in individuals, is the tyranny of anarchy. To civil anarchy despotism always in due time succeeds, and it is hailed as a welcome relief, because obedience though enforced by the sword brings release from the dominion of the lawless. The individual in whom appetite and passion have rioted is sure, sooner or later, to cry out for the relief of even an enforced obedience. The control of iron-handed law is preferred to the trampling hoof of passion."

It would seem that ex-Governor Stephens had been employed to furnish editorial matter for the republican Kansas City Journal. Immediately following the weekly issuance of "Sharps and Flats" in the Boonville Advertiser the Journal's editorial page is well filled with Stephens' paragraphs denunciatory of Missouri democrats, not excepting the governor of the state. If Mr. Stephens' name is not on the Journal's pay roll he should see that it is at once placed there. "The laborer is worthy of his hire."

Thomas M. Spofford has handed in his resignation as president of the upper house of the Kansas City council for the main reason that he was continuously tantalized by men who wanted office and assumed the privilege of nagging him under the guise of friendship. Mrs. Spofford is to be congratulated on rescuing her husband from the clutches of that band of political wolves.

The sheriff of Johnson county has sent out circulars descriptive of "Bossie" Francis, the murderer, and offering a reward of \$1500 for his capture. The sheriff says that Francis might pass for a woman and intimates that he may be found in petticoats.

When is the first capitalist to move in the direction of building more residence houses for Lexington? No better plan could be adopted for the upbuilding of the town and the investment would be a money-making one.

The national government is arranging to send troops to the Indian country to eject squatters. The staying qualities of the American people can only be effected by the prick of the soldier's bayonet.

GOOD THINGS

Best. Calicoes, blues, grays, reds, blacks and whites and fancies in Steppens, Americans and Merimacs at.....
All the best brands of Comfort Calicoes at.....
Good 1/2 yard wide brown cotton at 4c; a better grade at.....
Choice 1/2 yard wide bleached muslin at.....
First class bleached sheeting 24 yards wide for.....
A Strong Union Cashmere for.....
Flannels at 5c, 6c, and 10c; Plaid and striped all wool flannels at.....
Beautiful cotton battings 5c, 6c, 10c, 15c and.....
Cotton blankets 30c, 40c, 60c, 75c, 95c, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Wool blankets \$1.25 up to.....
Bed Comforts 60c, 75c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and.....
Beautiful patterns in Granite and Sultana Carpets at.....
Best extra super Union Ingrain Carpets at.....
Extra super cotton chain all wool filling best grades at.....
Brussels Carpets 65c, 75c, 85c, and \$1.00. Axminster Carpets at \$1.00 and.....
White and Colored Carpet Warp on spools, 5 pounds for.....
2 colored Silk waists, last years goods, worth \$3.00 for.....
2 colored Silk waists, last years goods, worth \$5.00.....
3 colored Satteen Waists, last years goods, worth \$2.50 for.....
3 cakes Royal Cuticle Soap 10c or 12 cakes for.....
Beginning on October 14 and ending October 19th, we will offer 15 nice small Rugs for.....
5 all wool rugs 27 x 36 for 50c. 7 all wool rugs 30 x 72 for \$1.25. 16 beautiful Rugs 30 x 60 for \$1.19. 3 Axminster Ingrain, 30 inch, for \$1.88. 5 30 inch Axminster, 4 mohawk, same, 30 inch, for \$2.27. 6 30 inch Axminster, same, for \$2.36. 7 30 inch Axminster, same, for \$2.45. 5 utopia velvets for \$3.99. 7 of our own make of Brussels worth \$1.25 to \$1.50, for 99c.
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