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LARGEST MORNING CIRCULATION IN KANSAS CITY. Indications. Washington, May 18.—For Oklahoma and Indian Territory, fair, except showers in western portions, easterly winds.

GOOD MORNING. Whenever Kansas City strikes a club with its many poor pitchers at Milwaukee carries it back to win games.

There is good reason to believe that the United States supreme court will shut the Chicago Tribune out this time.

People seldom kill themselves in the city of Brooklyn when they get tired of life they simply quit dating trolley cars.

At last accounts South Carolina was still in the Union and Governor John Gresham Evans was still in South Carolina.

More general satisfaction would be felt over Mr. Carnegie's raise of wages if he would accept the advance permanent.

The only result of the Sloan-Keshler report was to show that the gang tampered with the ballot boxes as well as stuffed them.

A good Sunday's rest will enable the Missouri legislature to start in another week of something very much refreshed and invigorated.

Something very extraordinary has happened in Illinois. Governor Altgeld has vetoed some bills which ought to have been vetoed.

The emperor of China gets up at 4 o'clock every morning. But he didn't get up early enough to get away with the emperor of Japan.

Kansas City's total bank clearings for the week just ended were \$10,822,482, an increase of 10 per cent. In this case 10 is not an unlikely number.

Ned Dow declares that prohibition has not been an injury to Maine. His statement is heartily endorsed by the Maine druggists and saloonkeepers.

We trust Secretary Hoke Smith will not feel called on to cut off an extra number of pensions by way of celebrating the arrival of that new girl baby.

An English vessel with family of 20 years old has worn out his arm grinding a hand organ. Here is a chance for some ambitious American hearse.

If South Carolina really wants to rebel it will never have a better opportunity. It can never expect to see a president less like Old Hickory in the White House.

It is a little singular that the newspaper which considers the silver movement in this country all wrong regard the silver movement in Germany as all right.

All the daily papers in Kansas of any consequence are for silver except one, and it is beginning to wish it was, Kansas is one of the whitest of white metal states.

It will be seen from the different newspaper accounts that the author of "Coney" and "Kiddie" is "truly" a lady who would rather be in their Chicago discussion.

Some people have no patience. Several of the firms which put prices at the verge of ruin in 1892 are complaining because the market has not yet ready for newness.

Newspaper's majority of 281 on the recent count is surprisingly small. The count could easily have given him ten or twenty times as much, and is precisely the same way.

The difference between the Kansas Populist scandals and the Kansas Republican scandals is that the former turn out to be something more than mere falsehoods.

A Topical dispatch mentions that Senator Borah is "truly" a lady who would rather be in their Chicago discussion.

Well, what of it? Mr. Householder has never doubted being a Populist that we ever heard of.

Just how much the people will get out of the present session of the legislature is uncertain, but Colonel Charles H. Jones, of St. Louis, is getting his full share in the steps of free advertising.

The ripe wheat, as usual, comes after the farmers have for the most part disposed of their surplus. The producers generally see the best profits on their products reaped by somebody else.

Major Bemis, of Omaha, is not backward about recognizing merit when he sees it. "I am not afraid to say," says Major Bemis, "that I have given this city the best administration it ever had."

ment of the fact. For some reason, however, the report is still current, and it is a pity that it is so widely believed. The town's business is being injured in consequence. The mayor and other municipal officials certify that there is no foundation there and hasn't been any for many weeks.

DEFEAT IN CRISIS. On the face of the record in the Sloan-Keshler case Keshler has an apparent majority of votes. On this apparent majority the governor will be asked to issue to Keshler a commission to the office of county marshal.

The governor should exercise the greatest care in this matter. The issuance of a commission at this time simply makes a finality of the case so far as Sloan is concerned and puts a premium on crime.

The recent showed most unmistakably that the ballot boxes had been tampered with after they were placed in the office of the recorder of voters, just as the tally sheets were changed after being filed in that office.

It is to be hoped that Governor Stone will not be misled by the special arguments of Keshler's attorneys, but will continue in his determination to await the judgment of the circuit court. Sloan was legally elected and no obstacle should be placed in the way of his getting the office.

READ IT CAREFULLY. We mean the discussion between W. H. Harvey and Professor Laurin in Chicago as reported in the Journal dispatches yesterday morning. We frankly confess that we thought the gold standard could have produced an argument at least plausible. There is not a single thing in it but assertion and ill-restrained passion. He simply asserts that gold is worth so much silver so much, and that free exchange would make a term of exchange for the 1870-1890. But he does give himself and his whole cause away unintentionally in the following statement: "The measure of value is in which prices are stated and debts are paid, provided the measure of value is also made a legal tender in any country."

The "gold tender" quality is all that makes money or value. It is the only thing that makes the war time abundantly proved and the "cash" piece of China has demonstrated for thousands of years.

We are astonished at the want of argument on the part of Professor Laurin and at the display of temper and demagoguery. He shakes the scarecrow of "silver monometallism" at us, and would result in the retirement from circulation of \$200,000,000 of gold coin, when he had just closed his argument that we don't need but little circulation of any kind. The best answer to all this is that for eighty years prior to 1870 free exchange of silver did drive out gold.

This is not very long ago that capital was giving Kansas a wide berth. No wonder the Populist party has been increased with the increase of the state that the great investing corporations began to draw the reins tighter, for they saw their legitimate investments threatened by iniquitous and irresponsible legislation. Laws were put upon the statute books of the state which declared in effect that the creditor had no right the debtor was bound to pay. Legislation all prohibitions were enacted in the face of it, and some suspicious, then timid and then precipitately from the state.

The return of the Republican party to power has brought about a change. Capital knows that it will be accorded fair treatment. It is the Populist doctrine that capital is the natural enemy of the people, whereas it is their friend, without which the people could not exist. How different now is the situation, when common sense is at the head of affairs and when the lawmaking power is in the hands of men who believe in the discharge of every obligation that has been incurred. So far from capital abandoning the state, it is coming back again, even from across the sea. Kansas leads in the production of cotton, and the cotton capital has been so long under Populist rule that it has no funds to sell. The short Populist program was not sufficient to add material to the state debt.

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THE LEGITIMATE FRUITS. It may be that the latest news from Hawaii is made unduly sensational, but there is abundant evidence that the attitude of the administration at Washington towards the insular republic is bearing its legitimate fruit in a number of ways. The British government has been given every encouragement to lay its plans for the future possession of the islands of at least their virtual control. The present operation there has had nothing but kicks, cuffs and ill-timed rebuffs from the United States, giving the natives and the subjects of Great Britain and other monarchies to understand that the republic could expect no support whatever from this direction.

It is in evidence that the Englishmen there have in the meantime been assiduously at work fomenting dissent, taking advantage of every act of the United States government to add to their indignation among the natives. That is not Mr. Thurston has become a champion of the "Princess" Kiliiani claim, there is every probability that England's interest in the islands could be greatly enhanced by such a course on the part of the members of the present Hawaiian government, provided they really think themselves powerless to maintain the republic.

It would take but a word from Washington to give the Bole government all the strength needed to maintain the peace against any efforts of British emissaries to breed dissent. That word should be given without delay. It is unnecessary to mention the Monroe doctrine in the connection. The only doc-

time necessary to be considered is the protection of American interests and that is a duty which we are bound to accept. There is little hope that steps will be taken in this direction under the present regime, but the time is not now so very distant when we will again have the government in the hands of an executive controlled by American spirit and American impulses, and if our interests in Hawaii are not completely sacrificed in the meantime the remedy of which we are now deprived will be speedily applied.

ORGANIZATION IS NECESSARY. Some days ago the Journal called attention to the necessity of those who are in favor of the proposed amendments to the city charter combining for the purpose of countering the opposition, which is being fostered by interested parties.

There is no doubt that a systematic effort is being made to defeat the amendments, and unless patriotic citizens organize the city will receive a blow which will throw it back. The enemies of improvement are active, some for interested motives and more from a mistaken idea of regarding the amendments and their enactment to the city.

The National Water Works Company, of course, will endeavor to defeat the water works bond amendment, for that company has no good thing to give it up without a struggle. The danger here lies not so much in the sentiment of the people against the amendment as in the lack of interest on the part of those who really desire municipal ownership of the water works.

The danger to the park and boulevard amendment lies in the demagoguery of the non-progressive citizen that it will materially increase the taxes of every property holder in the city. It must be remembered that this tax is comparatively small in that the time of payment is extended over several years, and while the property is taxed to make the improvement the value of the property taxed is increased many fold above the tax.

If Kansas City is to become a free and progressive city her citizens must see to it that improvement and progress are part of her water work. Let every man who believes in advancement of the municipality take upon himself to work from now until election day for the amendments. In so doing he will be doing his duty as a citizen and will at the same time place himself in the ranks of the progressive and patriotic men who are working for the municipality as a whole.

Committees should be organized in every ward in the city by those who are interested in the success of the amendments.

DR. JAMES W. BOWMAN. The Republicans of the Seventh ward have placed in nomination a man on whom every good citizen can unite with the feeling that in his election the ward will have a representative in the lower house of the council who will be a credit to the community and will look after the interests of the whole city as well as the ward of which he is the direct representative. Dr. James W. Bowman is well known, and it needs but the mention of his name to show that the Republicans have put a man in the field against whom nothing can be said. A staunch Republican and a good business man, he will add materially to the strength of the better house and be an aid to the administration.

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SEALERS SURVEIL!

THE KICKAPOO RESERVATION TO BE THROWN OPEN AT LAST.

TEDIOUS DELAY WILL SOON END.

EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND ACRES OF RICH LAND AWAITING THE RUSH.

THE PROCLAMATION ISSUED.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND FINES MAY 19 AS THE DAY AND SOON THE HOUR.

Full text of the Proclamation Together With the Correct Numbers of the Land That Can Be Entered and Other Facts of Interest Are Given Below.

Washington, May 18.—(Special.) The Kickapoo reservation in Oklahoma is to be opened to settlement at noon, standard time, on Thursday next, May 23, 1905.

The proclamation was signed by the president about noon today. The opening is to be of the old-fashioned kind, the business divided between the Guthrie and Oklahoma land offices and the dividing line being given in the proclamation.

The Journal's account of the opening gives the list of land to be opened to settlement. It is generally much more intelligent way to present the information to the settlers. The 700 allotments are taken out of the reservation besides the indemnity school lands, and this leaves the reservation subject to settlement.

By taking a township map and marking the land on it left for settlers anyone can readily see where the land is to be opened to settlement. This comprehensive condensation of the information desired makes it very easy to learn where it is possible to locate a claim.

Those having business in the interior department and familiar with the doings of the secretary of the interior in opposing the opening of the reservation are very much amused over the turn of affairs. It is generally conceded that the secretary was suddenly forced to change his mind by the president. Mr. Cleveland was induced to this action by a document received from the settlers calling his attention to the fact that the reservation should have been opened to settlement two years ago, and in addition to this another communication received from the settlers, which said something to the effect that the secretary was leasing over a million acres of land in Oklahoma for 6 cents an acre, and that the settlers were being driven out of the reservation by the leasing of the land.

The proclamation is as follows: Whereas, by a written agreement, made on the 10th day of September, 1892, between the United States and the Kickapoo Indians, the territory of Oklahoma, ceded, conveyed, transferred and relinquished forever and absolutely, without any reservation, to the United States, and the United States of every kind and character in and to the lands particularly described in an article of the agreement, as follows: "The territory of Oklahoma, ceded, conveyed, transferred and relinquished forever and absolutely, without any reservation, to the United States, and the United States of every kind and character in and to the lands particularly described in an article of the agreement, as follows: "The territory of Oklahoma, ceded, conveyed, transferred and relinquished forever and absolutely, without any reservation, to the United States, and the United States of every kind and character in and to the lands particularly described in an article of the agreement, as 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