

The public debt of the United States increased \$9,209,591 during March. More bond issues imminent.

A NEW deal would be an improvement on the old "square" one, which has become rotten. Give us a new deal.

THE president is said to threaten a vote of the public buildings bill in order to force congress to provide for four new battleships.

WHY should anyone vote to pay tariff taxes for the benefit of the trusts, when the only real necessity for a tariff is to raise revenue?

WE may be on the verge of war with Venezuela, and there is a little war cloud in Manchuria involving this country with Russia and Japan.

THE right of the people peaceably to assemble does not include the right of persons to assemble with bombs in their pockets, ready to kill the police and bystanders.

JUDGE JUDSON HARMON of Ohio is the choice for the presidential nomination of his home county and the city of Cincinnati, and seems to be looked upon with favor all over the state.

As the Republicans claim they created prosperity, they cannot object to having the panic and the prolonged business depression charged up to them. Logically they can't escape the dilemma they have created by their boasting.

SECRETARY TAFT predicts a "gigantic struggle of labor and capital coming," which may be true if the Republican politicians continue to control legislation. But with the Democrats in power and with fair dealing to both these great interests there should be no strife.

THE bureau of insular affairs is struggling with the question whether a turtle is a reptile or an animal, but the customs officials should be able to settle it under the same rule by which they decided that frog legs are dressed chicken. The tariff certainly is "scientific."

JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS, the Democratic leader, was too much for Payne and Cannon who, he said, resembled "Falstaff" and "Old Man Afraid of his Horses." Mr. Williams declared the Democrats had been held up as a "filibuster," but he denied that was true. He described the "filibuster" as the man engaged in preventing legislation. "We," he said, amid Democratic applause, "are engaged in the business of trying to force legislation."

CONGRESSMAN BEALL in a speech arraigning the president for usurpation declared that "it is the house of representatives and the senate of the United States that are to blame, because they sit with folded hands, have abdicated the authority given to them by the constitution and sit supinely at the feet of the president of the United States."

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But then the Republicans like to be bossed as long as the boss has patronage or booty to distribute.

We hear a great deal about anarchy now-a-days; and most people think of it only as a doctrine justifying murder. But it is something more, it really includes socialism. Property rights, which the Socialists are seeking to destroy, are just as strongly guarded under our constitution as life itself. "Life, liberty, and property" are protected in the same sentence and under the same words. Anarchy consists in hostility to constituted authority, and Socialism consists in hostility to property.

### BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION.

Charges of bribery were made at the meeting of the committee on rules and permanent organization of the Indiana Republican convention. Chairman Hayes of the committee declared that a delegate he knew had been offered \$50 by one of the candidates for governor for his vote, and various other sums were "being paid." This is nothing new at Republican conventions, except the smallness of the price, but when the brethren get together at Chicago we may expect to hear of a much higher tariff.

But why should the Indiana platform declare that: "The Republican party notes with pleasure the growing determination to eradicate political corruption from whatever source the same originates," when the delegates and candidates were buying and selling their votes? Perhaps this plank against corruption was added to the platform to smother the exposure of the fact that some of the Indiana Republican leaders are rotten to the core, and that "the strumpet of corruption stalks in naked horror through the land."

### WORTH THINKING ABOUT.

Democrats before they elect delegates to the national convention can not afford to disregard political expediency in considering the nomination of any candidate. This, of course, only applies to those Democrats who desire to win, for to those who are so infatuated with any candidate as to desire his nomination, though it is certain he can not secure a majority of the electoral college, it is useless to urge the future welfare of the Democratic party. But those who desire the enactment of Democratic policies more than the temporary advantage of the nomination of their favorite candidate are, of course, patriotic enough to confer with their brother Democrats from the doubtful states that must be carried to achieve success. It is fortunate that the two-thirds rule in Democratic conventions is necessary to nominate a candidate, for this check on hasty action prevents the nomination of a candidate that may have all the necessary popularity in the

South and West and yet be entirely unable to carry such doubtful states as New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Kentucky, which are absolutely necessary to win.

### REVISING THE TARIFF.

If the Republicans win the coming election, the tariff will be revised, raised by its friends, of course and revised upward and downward as the needs and the avarice of the protected interests will dictate. There'll be a deal of fun when it is done. Ditzell will be there to see that there is a fair revision of duties on steel and iron products and glass. Allison will be there to see that there is a fair revision of the duties on cotton fabrics and a new clause to cover possible importations of oil from the Orient as well as from Russia. Depew will be there to see that there is a fair revision of duties on agricultural machinery, paper and wood pulp. Every great special interest will be represented there, but those who want lower duties will not be there. They will not be invited to the entertainment. No man who is not willing to protect the trusts will have the entrée to the festival. There'll be great sport, but everything will be respectable and uplifting. Every schedule will be uplifted, if the trusts think it desirable.

### JOHNSON A CANDIDATE.

On the 27th of March Governor Johnson made a public statement defining his position in reference to the Democratic presidential nomination. He does not believe that any man should be an active candidate for such an honor, but says that he would accept the nomination if tendered him, and would consider it a great honor. His friends say that his name will be presented to the Democratic convention at Denver July 7 as Minnesota's choice.

The achievements of this new leader are, therefore, matters of interest to the public everywhere. The most notable of these achievements was the peaceable settlement of the great strike in the Minnesota "iron range." His course in that affair has been approved by all parties to the controversy and by the whole American people.

Next in importance to this was the suggestion and successful management of the conference of state governors, which met at Chicago in 1905 for the consideration of the subject of insurance, a matter for which he was highly commended by President Roosevelt in a message to congress April 13, 1906. The recommendations of this conference were subsequently put into the law of Minnesota upon his suggestion.

Gov. Johnson has been successful in many reforms. He secured the passage of the "reciprocal demurrage act," obliging railroads to pay shippers as much for failure to furnish cars on demand as the shippers had been obliged to pay the railroads for retaining cars. He secured an act obliging sleeping-car companies doing business in his state to bear a fair proportion of the burden of taxation. He secured an act authorizing municipalities to own and operate public utilities. He caused the iron ore lands of his state to be withdrawn from corporations which had leased them for mining purposes, now the state receives payment of a royalty on every ton of ore mined, so that the state gets a fair deal. He secured the establishment of a free-labor-employment bureau, and the abolition of the "fellow-servant" law in suits for damages for injuries to workingmen. He secured a revision of the law taxing mortgages, and an act establishing a permanent tax commission. He crippled the binding twine trust in Minnesota, so



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that the farmers buy twine of the state at cost. He abolished the free pass evil in his state. He forced the railroads to reduce freight rates 13 cents, and passenger fares to two cents a mile.

These are some of the results of Johnson's constructive statesmanship. But the governor's chief glory is that he has enforced the law impartially and sternly. As an executive officer he has no superior. And this is mainly the reason why the Democrats of the nation are considering the advisability of placing him in the White house.

### JUDSON HARMON OF OHIO.

The situation in Ohio is extremely interesting. One Republican congressman has declined to stand for re-election on the ground that the factional fight among the members of his party makes it useless for a Republican to seek election in his district. If Harmon were the Democratic candidate for the presidency, Ohio would undoubtedly land in the Democratic column in November.

When he was appointed attorney-general of the United States in June, 1895, the bar association of Cincinnati tendered him a banquet at which the toast-maker said:

"When the head of the supreme court asks Harmon, 'What business is there before this court?' we know that there will respond a man whose broad and liberal mind, splendid intellect and vigorous grasp of legal principles will represent the best of all that has been handed down to us by the traditions of the bar. Born and brought up in that community, taught by his parents that everything in this country was in the reach of the man who would honestly strive after it, of vigorous mind and body, even temper, good digestion, the softest

and the stoutest heart, Judson Harmon has moved onward and upward with no man to grudge him a single honor which he has won."

This prophecy was amply verified by the sequel. Harmon always had business on his hands. He prepared and argued the first case in which the Sherman anti-trust act was applied to railroads (U. S. V. Trans Missouri Freight association.) He also prepared and argued the cases against the Freight Traffic association and the Addyson Pipe Co., which were of the same nature, and won them all.

He enforced the payment of the government's second lien on the Union Pacific railroad. He was the president's advisor in the famous controversy with England over the application of the Monroe doctrine in the case of Venezuela. He served only two years as attorney-general, but during that brief service he accomplished more than has ever been accomplished by any of his successors, besides inaugurating much work for which his successors have received credit for accomplishing.

Though a Democrat, President Roosevelt employed him as special counsel to investigate and report upon the Santa Fe rebate case. His report was adverse to the railroad, and when Mr. Roosevelt declined, upon the advice of Paul Morton, one of the parties implicated in the violations of the law, to act upon Harmon's suggestions, the latter withdrew from the case.

There is no doubt that Judge Harmon is one of the brainiest, most energetic and most scrupulous lawyers in this country; or that in case of his election to the presidency he would give the people the best administration they have had since Jackson's time. His availability is unquestionable under present circumstances.

### Chariton's Representatives

The official manual, compiled by Secretary of State John Swanger, gives the list of Chariton county's representatives in the lower house of the legislature from 1820 to 1907 as follows:

- 1820 Green Duff, (Howard.)
- 1822 George Burckhardt.
- 1824 George Burckhardt.
- 1826 George Burckhardt.
- 1828 Daniel Ashby.
- 1830 Daniel Ashby.
- 1832 Daniel Ashby.
- 1834 Not given.
- 1836 Sterling Price.
- 1838 Thomas Watson.
- 1840 Sterling Price.
- 1842 Sterling Price.
- 1844 Benj. F. Stringfellow.
- 1846 Joseph Combs.
- 1848 Daniel Sanders.
- 1850 ——— Moore.
- 1852 Jacob McDonaldson, (die)
- 1854 Wm. Haysford.
- 1856 Stark Mauzey.
- 1858 Robertson Moore.
- 1860 Not given.
- 1862 Lucius Salisbury.
- 1864 Albert Griffin.
- 1867 Albert Griffin.
- 1869 Lucius Salisbury.
- 1871 Peter R. Dolman.
- 1873 Stephen E. Lay.
- 1875 Wm. G. Bowman.
- 1877 Charles Hammond.
- 1879 David H. Hammons.
- 1881 Wm. Heryford.
- 1883 L. D. Isabell.
- 1885 Lucius Salisbury.
- 1887 Lucius Salisbury.
- 1889 Wm. Heryford.
- 1891 Wm. E. Perkinson.
- 1893 M. R. Williams.
- 1895 T. P. Schoder.
- 1897 J. W. Davis.
- 1899 T. H. Carakadon.
- 1901 J. N. Gipson.
- 1903 J. N. Gipson.
- 1905 A. W. Johnson.
- 1907 A. W. Johnson.

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