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TODAY'S WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Forecast for Saturday: For Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Dakotas: Fair; rising temperature; westerly to southerly winds.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Washington, Feb. 26, 8:18 p. m. Local Time, 8 p. m. 75th Meridian Time.—Observations taken at the same time of day at all stations.

TEMPERATURES.

Table with 3 columns: Place, Temp., and Remarks. Includes locations like St. Paul, Duluth, Huron, etc.

DAILY MEANS.

Barometer, 30.70; thermometer, -12; relative humidity, 82; wind, southwest; weather, clear; maximum thermometer, 2; minimum thermometer, -22; daily range, 24; amount of melted snow in last twenty-four hours, 0. Note.—Barometer corrected for temperature and elevation. —P. F. Lyons, Observer.

BILLION DOLLAR STATES, TOO.

When the effect on the "money in circulation" of our billion dollar congresses is stated, but half the story is told. Nor is the case fully presented when it is shown that nearly a third of the money outside the treasury is taken out of the channels where exchanges are made and turned into those that lead to the federal treasury. It is impossible for the mind to grasp the situation when it is expressed in figures running into the hundred millions or into the billions. Light may be so strong as to blind the eyes. Let the effect of a billion dollar congress be put in simpler form, the proportions reduced to a scale within the comprehension of the ordinary mind. It is now conceded that the appropriations will exceed the billion dollar mark some forty millions of dollars. This will average \$520,000,000 a year. Assuming the population to be 72,000,000 this means that the appropriations are equivalent to \$7.36 for each man, woman and child in the country; that is, the per capita taxation is \$7.36.

"UPROARIOUS APPLAUSE."

It needed just such a scene as that in the house of representatives on Tuesday to supply the completest measure of the strength of popular opinion in a republic. The occasion was a provision in a bill relating to the government of territories permitting the governors to fill vacancies by appointment without the "advice and consent" of the territorial senate, as is the existing law. Harmless as this appears, it was the red flag shaken in the mad bull's face, the scarlet cloth that inflames the turkey gobbler's ire, the vent through which escaped the suppressed gases. Immediately the house resounded with the roaring oratory of those who love not the removal of the spoils of office from their dispensing hands. Grosvenor, the predictor of nominations and presidential policies, poured out upon it the full phials of his invective. Falling into his accustomed role of prophet he predicted that "the tide was rising that would sweep the law out of existence, and give the young men of the country a chance."

THE CAPITOL BILL.

The bill which has been introduced and reported favorably to provide funds for prosecuting the work upon the state capitol building is not open to objection or criticism on any side. It proposes simply to enable the capitol commission to have this building completed several years earlier than it otherwise would. To make it richer and more complete in every detail, and to give employment to labor in these distressing times without the expenditure of a single dollar more than was originally contemplated. It provides for the issue of \$500,000 of state certificates in series of \$100,000 each, maturing at the rate of \$100,000 per annum, from 1900 to 1904. These certificates bear 4 per cent interest and are to be disposed of at not less than par. This would give the commissioners at least half a million dollars, so that they could go ahead and let the principal contract and pay for the work as completed.

MARCH TERM OF COURT.

The calendar for the March term of the district court shows there are 121 jury cases to be heard. Of this number the street railway is defendant in seventeen and the city of St. Paul is defendant in ninety-four out of the twenty cases. The calendar for the March term of the county jail, having been brought there Thursday night by Patrolman G. A. Unterkirker, who had been on duty at the county jail, shows that the city and the state have invented, it is expressly stated in a separate section of the act that nothing which it contains shall be construed as authorizing any increase in the limit of cost for the capitol building in the original act.

THE ONLY COURSE.

We hope that, if put to it by a necessity which ought not to arise, the board of school inspectors will stand firmly by the policy announced at their meeting yesterday. This is, in case they are not allowed funds sufficient to support the public schools of St. Paul, to stand by the kindergartens and grade schools, and to close the high schools and manual training school, if

is, indeed, the only course remaining open to them. The reduction in the assessed valuation of city real estate has cut off \$140,000 from their resources. It was proposed to make up for this by such an increase in the tax rate as would restore revenue to its former figure. This did not contemplate, of course, increased total taxation, but only the collecting of the amount hitherto available and again allowed for the support of the schools. But to do this legislative sanction is required; and the bill for that purpose is hung up in committee. Not only have the representatives and citizens of St. Paul lent no help to push this through, but it has actually been opposed by certain individuals and criticized by the chamber of commerce. In these circumstances, the board of school inspectors find themselves confronted with a practical problem, which they can meet in but one way; if our people want to permit and compel that, they will have only themselves to blame for the consequences.

WAR OR NOTHING.

Representative Sulzer, of New York, is the first of all the congressional dabblers in international affairs to strike the note of manliness in action and honesty of purpose. He has introduced a resolution in the house declaring that war exists between the kingdom of Spain and the United States, and that the president is authorized to use the whole land and naval force of this country to carry the declaration of war into effect. This is business if we want to do anything at all, this is what we want to do. If we are not willing to do this, we ought to keep quiet.

It is a sad commentary upon honesty in public life that it required all these months of agitation and debate in congress and out of the press to bring us to the point where a man who means what he says and is ready to stand by what he means would have begun. We do not think that Mr. Sulzer is carried away by patriotism. He is not that sort of fellow. He probably brought in this resolution simply to go one step further than any of his predecessors. One congressman or senator offers "sympathy" to Cuba. The next man goes him one better by wanting to recognize "belligerency." His competitor raises the ante with a resolution to recognize "independence." There is nothing left for Sulzer, if he wants to stay in the game, except to declare war.

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ONE RECEIVER OUT.

HOT CONTEST IN COURT OVER A NORTH DAKOTA MILLING COMPANY CASE.

CHANGE IN ELECTION LAWS.

CONTEMPLATED BY THE NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATURE—DOINGS AT PIERRE.

BARRACKS FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Winona Generous to the New Organization—News of the Northwest.

FARGO, N. D., Feb. 26.—The first matter considered by Judge Amidon, on his return from Washington, was the petition of the Northwestern National bank, West Superior; State Trust and Savings bank, West Superior; and Butler Ryan, John Russell, Paul, for the removal of the directors of Valley City, and Arthur Miller, of West Superior, as receivers of the Russell-Miller Milling company, operating mills at West Superior, Jamestown, N. D., and Valley City, N. D.

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Thomas Westworth Higginson, in his "Cheerful Yenters" in the March Atlantic, tells how, after Shadrach's escape, precautions were taken by the authorities that no similar accident interrupt the judicial application of the fugitive slave law. The court house in Boston was filled with constables and marshals, and only authorized persons were permitted inside. "Chains were placed across the doors, and beneath these eyes the judges had to stoop." Was ever a condition so vividly and briefly sketched? Federal judges, entering the court house where the infamous fugitive slave act, forged by Congress, shackled free men with chains, had to stoop under the chains of entrance. Truly, they had stooped under a chain, had none of iron barred the doors.

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