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It was expected that Capt. Bridges, of Sedalia, would be appointed Consul General at the City of Mexico, but the President gave the place to Richard Guenther, of Wisconsin.

The Brazilians are studying the United States constitution, preparatory to making one of their own. The closer they copy that revered document in all its fundamental features, the better constitution will they have, and the more enduring will it be.

It is now estimated that the actual wealth of this country amounts to $61,420,000,000, while the assessed value, for purposes of taxation, is $23,750,000,000. The accumulation of our national wealth is greater than the wealth of the entire civilized world 150 years ago.

We do not know how accurate the New York World may be, but it puts the price of an Ohio Senatorship at a half million. It says:

"Calvin S. Brice has just paid—including his delinquency check for the campaign of 1888—the sum of $500,000 for a seat in the United States Senate."

At the last census the three largest cities in the United States and their populations were as follows: New York, 1,206,299; Philadelphia, 847,170; Brooklyn, 566,663. Since then Chicago, by the annexation of her suburbs, has placed herself next to New York in population, the estimate being about 1,200,000.

One third of the fools in the country think they can beat the lawyer in expounding the law. One half think they can beat the doctor in healing the sick. Two thirds of them think they can put the minister in the hole in preaching the gospel, and all of them think they can beat the editor in running a newspaper. Ex.

A bill has been introduced in the Massachusetts Senate which requires all towns and cities to display the national flag over all school houses. The movement in this direction has made remarkable strides recently, and the only objection we have as yet noticed comes from a leading Democratic paper in Ohio. If there is any objection it will surely come from that party.

Do you remember that some twenty years or more ago, the Democratic orators and press declared with one voice that the national debt never could and never would be paid—that we would rather eventually repudiate it, or turn it into a permanent burden for all time, like the debt of Great Britain? Yet now we are able to fix with a great degree of certainty the date of its final extinction, unless the people, in a sudden attack of political blindness, should put the free traders in power in the nation and render it impossible to raise the money to pay it.

A bill has been passed by the Mississippi Senate, requiring a citizen of Jackson to own real estate worth $300, or to be able to read and write, in order to vote for mayor. This is evidently intended to prevent the negroes from voting, but there are blacks in that city who own $300 worth of property and more, and who can neither read nor write. Does any one suppose that the whites will be debarred from voting, and that the negroes will be permitted to deposit their ballots? Not unless the Mississippi feelings change very materially. Law or no law, the negroes will not be allowed to vote.

Only two living ex-governors of Missouri are now in office. Ex-governor McClurg is register of the government land office at Springfield, and Governor Woodson is judge of the criminal court at St. Joseph. Governor Fletcher is practicing law in St. Louis. Governor Hardin is president of a bank at Mexico and has about retired from active life. Governor Crittenden is speculating in Kansas City real estate and is connected with a number of corporations. Governor Morehouse is engaged in the practice of law, in real estate and farming in Nodaway county, and lying low to get even with Vest and Frances for his defeat for the nomination of governor in 1888, and may come to the legislature for that purpose.

There are twenty-seven millionaires in the United States senate, of whom eight are democrats and nineteen are republicans. The republican senators have a higher average in their wealth, than the democrats, but the poverty of the democrats largely come from the fact that the southern states, where impoverished by the war, and we have no senators at present who own their negroes by the hundred. The richest democratic senator is Joe Brown of Georgia, who looks like a lock agent made out of a broken down preacher, but who has a head packed full of brains and who has a long slender-fingered right hand which can write a check for $5,000,000 and get it cashed. Beck of Kentucky is worth 1,000,000, much of it made in land speculation. Blodgett of New Jersey has a superfluity of cash equal to his paucity of hair, and he could plate his bald pate with diamonds if he chose. Eustis of Louisiana has inherited $1,000,000 and George Hearst has almost as much as Brown. Henry B. Payne, the millionaire, will be succeeded by Brice, another millionaire, and Gibson and German have enough to stuff their bed-ticks with greenbacks.

As to the republican senators, Stanford of California leads the list with $10,000,000. Squire of Washington is a millionaire. Stewart of Nevada is worth a dozen times his weight in gold, and Stockbridge of Michigan is a millionaire. Among the other millionaire republican senators are Casey of North Dakota, Evarts of New York, Farwell of Illinois, John Sherman of Ohio, Eugene Hale of Maine, Frank Hiscock of New York, John P. Jones of Nevada, James R. McMillan of Detroit, Preston B. Plumb of Kansas, Cameron of Pennsylvania, Edmunds of Vermont and Pettigrew of South Dakota.

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Missouri's Public Schools.

Few states have a better system of public schools than Missouri. The report of the state superintendent for the year ending June 30, 1889, will soon be printed. It contains much important information that will be of interest to the public. From advance sheets of the report we find that there are 12,948 white teachers employed in the state and 686 colored teachers. The average salary paid teachers is $42.31 per month. There are now in operation 9,178 white schools and 569 colored schools, making in all 9,687. The cost per day of teaching each pupil is .074c.

The school property of the state is valued at $10,972,161. Average tax levy for school purposes on $100 valuation is 43.5c.

The school funds are given as follows:

State school fund	$3,140,851 00
University fund	56,055 00
County school fund	3,621,095 26
Township school fund	3,317,969 91
Special school fund	45,272 86
Total	$10,025,835 11

Under the head of "statistics," reported by county commissioners the number of children enrolled in the public schools is given as follows:

	Boys.	Girls.	Total
White	297,935	282,538	579,473
Colored	16,010	16,158	32,168
Grand total			611,641

Under the head of "General Suggestions," the state superintendent says:

"A careful comparison of the statistics and general condition of the schools of the state for the school year herein reported with any previous year will show decided improvement. More teachers employed, and at better salaries; more fines were collected and placed to the credit of the permanent school fund; more good institutes were held, and more systematic and thorough work done than in any previous year."

Discussing the needs of the school law, the superintendent insists that it should fully set out the subjects to be taught in all the public schools of the state. Higher branches, he thinks, should be admitted only by order of the board or by a vote of the people.

Concerning the teaching of temperance ideas in the public schools, the superintendent says:

"The law on teaching the evil effects of alcoholic stimulants and narcotics upon the human system is a farce and a fraud. * * * The law as it stands is worthless, and should be repealed or amended."

In regard to teaching foreign languages in the public schools, the report says:

"The law should specify definitely in what language the instruction in our public schools is to be given. It is a shame and disgrace to American institutions to have the English language ruled out of our public schools and German substituted, as it is done wholly or in part in many districts in this state. The average legislator appears to quake when this matter is brought up for consideration. Right and justice are forgotten or sacrificed for the sake of the German vote."

The teaching of church creeds is most severely condemned, and the superintendent thinks that the legislature made a most serious mistake by not establishing county supervision.

In the matter of the education of colored children, Mr. Coleman says that "while fifteen colored children can be made the basis of a district school, yet it takes thirty white children to secure the same; so that in place of the law discriminating against the negro race, it actually discriminates against the white race." Discussing this matter at length, Mr. Coleman, among other things, say:

"The secret of the whole matter is, these negro agitators want to put the negro children in the white school. * *

There are some negro teachers who have little judgment enough to think that they can force the negro and white children into the same schools in Missouri. If such a law could be enacted and enforced, it would immediately send about 600 attic-bedied negro school teachers adrift to find employment elsewhere, for not one of them hope to be employed in our public schools any more than they can to be employed to teach a public school in Iowa, Illinois or Ohio. After twenty-five years' experience trying to educate the negro children of the state, very little has been accomplished outside of the cities and larger towns."—St. Joe. Herald.

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Emperor Wilhelm adheres strictly to the theory of government that his grandfather followed—not only to conquer peace by the sword, but to continue peace by the sword. He keeps up the same doctrine, that "Germany, in view of her geographical position, should not fail to maintain her military armaments in the highest state of efficiency, and to incessantly provide for the army and navy." But how long are the people of Germany to stand the financial burden thus imposed upon them, and which, buy the young Emperor's words, are to be rendered indefinitely continuous? It is nearly as onerous as it would be in actual war. It is no wonder that some Germans are declaring that as Germany is ready for war, it would be cheaper to precipitate the general European conflict which everybody believes must come, and get it over at once.

Washing the Buggy.

Lots of people will take a buggy, and worst of all a box buggy, take out carpet and cushions, and then souse the inside with water till the bottom is fairly afloat. The bottom boards will absorb some of the water, swell and break and crack, and sometimes start the corners of the sides. The right way to clean the inside of a buggy is to take out carpet and cushions, brush out dust with a whisk broom, and when wipe bottom and inside with a damp rag or moistened sponge. Water may be used freely on the outside, but the expert washer who cares for the looks of his carriage will use the hose freely and rub gently. For the dirt wants to be washed off, not rubbed off. Rubbing sears the varnish. After washing the sides by playing on them with the hose, you may rub with the sponge, but always rub one way. Don't rub back and forth and criss-cross. Then rub the same way with the chamois-skin.

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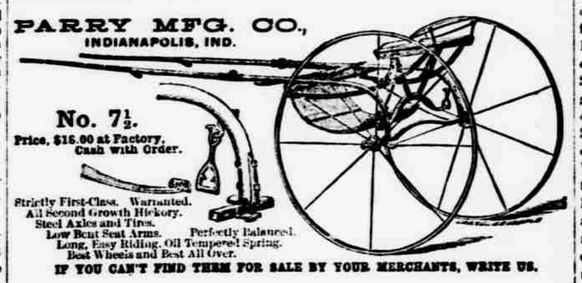

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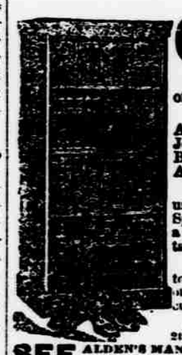

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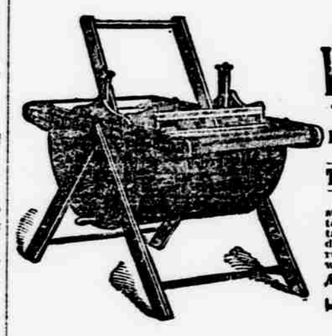

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We can easily follow our statistician, however, when he proceeds to show us what regions of the world make the largest use of their mail facilities in proportion to their population.

America, with a very much smaller population than the continent of Europe, sends more than half as many mail packages as the whole of Europe. The figures are little upward of 7,000,000,000 for Europe and almost 4,000,000,000 for America.

Asia sends a comparatively small number, and Africa a much smaller number still—less than one mail package in a year to every seven inhabitants of the continent.

How great a contrast is presented by the case of Australia, were twenty four letters, cards, papers and parcels are sent or an average to every inhabitant australia! Australia, indeed, makes the largest use of its mail facilities of any continent of the globe.

To circulate the world's mail matter no fewer than 500,000 persons are employed, and this matter is distributed from more than 150,000 postoffices, of which about one third are in the United States.

Vest Should Come West and Get Posted.

When Senator Vest stated in his speech before the Senate that the farmers of Missouri sold their wheat at 40 and 50 cents per bushel and paid 29 cents per bushel for coal he demonstrated the fact that a Democrat with nine inches of moss on his back cannot tell the truth when it would even be an advantage to him. He should come to Hamilton and post up a little on prices. Corn is bringing 20 cents or more per bushel and wheat is worth 70 cents, which we admit are not very high prices but are very fair when the prices of other articles are considered. The best coal ever taken from the mines can be bought for 8 and 10 cents per bushel in Hamilton. It is even admitted by Democratic sheets that Senator Vest is an antiquated moss grown specimen of Democracy but we did not believe he would stand up in the Senate of the United States and run down his own state in such a manner. Vest should be retired to some place in the backwoods where he belongs and a little young blood infused into the Senate from this state. The next senator may be a Republican and Vest will pull down his garment which bears his own name.—The Hamiltonian.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at King & Proud's Drug Store, large bottles 50c. and $1.00

When the Loss Occurs.

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Teach Boys Sense.

Let us stop teaching boys that their careers will be failures unless they become rich or famous, and that life consists of its miracles. There are higher positions in your square mile than the presidency of the United States. The best part of history is not written at all. Your father, on whose memory you love to dwell, was never known beyond the the farm; just nobody; that was all. Fidelity; it is the only true test, because it is the only one which can be universally applied. Perhaps it is not so much the parents as it is outsiders and the newspapers that infect our young people with these erroneous ideas. But however they get them, far too many have them. They jump at the "big prizes" and fail, where a lesser aim might be reached. But after all, it may be only in this way that the unduly ambitious can learn the lesson of life. All arts and all professions are alike in this, that if useful in themselves, and honestly pursued, they will afford a full and sufficient career for any man.

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Many of the handsome coats and jackets seen on the promenade have the line of the sleve and shoulder outlined in glittering passementerie.

Candle shades for dinner tables have apparently reached the acme of beauty. The variety is endless and new designs seem to be introduced weekly.

Castor gloves, for shopping, have a purse in the palm of the right one. The matinee glace kid glove is provided with a little pocket to hold a car ticket.

The colors of half-mourning violet gray and black are the favorites of the season for street and church by refined ladies of fashion who believe so firmly in the fitness of things.

Students of early spring fashions who are preparing to get out of the city or country may be interested to know that the tailor made suits will be smaller and severer and more English than ever before.

A band of progressive young ladies belonging to a very aristocratic athletic club in New York City have found a new use for the lorgnette. The mode of action consists in getting as convenient a position as possible against the door or under a hand strap, and, selecting a victim, gutting him under the fire of the lenses. If two girls are on board, two men, sitting side by side, are selected and scrutinized with all the thoroughness that so close a range will afford. Few men can withstand an ordeal of this sort for any length of time.

The Kendal coiffure is for the moment, a popular one. When Jennie June recently entertained the actress three or four women advanced for presentation with hair separated smoothly on the forehead and gathered back in broad waves like her own, showing the ears instead of covering them up with bangs. For a moment there was formed a group that might have come out of Godey's Lady Book along in the thirties, with its round waists, straight flounced skirts, and smooth, quaintly banded hair, making the faces look serene and sweet, though little bunches of cherries or flowers put above the ears were needed to complete in detail the old time similitude.

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"Drawing room Ethics" is the suggestive title of a paper which Christine Terhune Herrick will contribute to the number of Harper's Bazr to be published February 7th. The same number will contain a short story entitled "As Fair in Love as in War," by Louise Stockton.

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