

When Congress Should Convene.

One of the most valuable articles in the March number of The North American Review is also the North American Review to the terse and effective contribution in which the Hon. J. F. Shafroth sets forth the inconveniences of the present Federal statute under which congress does not convene in regular session until thirteen months after the election of its members.

The reasons for the passage of such a measure are arranged by Mr. Shafroth under four heads. It is plain, in the first place, that the lower branch of congress ought, at the earliest practicable time, to embody in legislation the wishes expressed by the majority of the people in the election of the House of Representatives.

It will further be noted that, under the present law, the second regular session does not begin until after the election of a succeeding congress. This has not mattered much this winter, because the Republicans returned a majority to the House of Representatives in the Fifty-fifth congress.

Of course it will be said that, whenever the inconvenience of the existing law becomes obvious and grave, they may be remedied through the exercise of the president's constitutional authority to call an extra session.

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Wilson Law Deficiency.

Let it not be forgotten what the Wilson law has done for the revenue of this government. With the last day of February we completed a period of two and a half years of the Wilson law in operation.

At the end of the first two and a half years of the McKinley law the government had taken in as revenue \$295,000,000 more than it had regularized.

Under the Wilson law they were: Customs, \$392,731,000; internal revenue, \$315,188,000; total, \$707,919,000.

But the Wilson law, we are told by its fanatic supporters, is a success as a revenue producer, while the Dingley bill will surely cut down our income!

Marvelous Results. From a letter written by Rev. J. Gundersman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract:

From the St. Louis Star: A steady return to prosperity for this country is now so certain as it is that we approach a thing by going toward it.

It was promised that there would be no necessity for further bond sales. The gold reserve is now over \$111,000,000, and still growing.

There is, of course, room for some remedial legislation, and some such legislation will probably be proposed in the near future, but every such measure will be a friendly one and its object will be to help forward the onward movement.

The present scarcity of money among the working classes is the result of the drain upon them from the long stagnation, and could not be suddenly remedied by any means short of the actual free distribution of money.

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Scotland can no longer claim to possess the longest railway bridge in the world. The recently completed bridge over the Danube at Cernavoda obtains this distinction by nearly 1,000 feet.

The length of the new structure, exclusive of its approaches, is 13,325 feet, while its principle spans over the main channel of the river are 620 and 455 feet exclusively.

The Ideal Panacea. James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an ideal Panacea for Coughs, Cold and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions of other preparations."

Not only acute lung troubles, which may prove fatal in a few days, but old chronic coughs and throat troubles may receive immediate relief and be permanently cured by One Minute Cough Cure. Sold by T. S. Hinde.

Probably a Bluff.

One of two things is true. Either Germany's threat to retaliate on this country for the sugar duties proposed in the Dingley bill is merely bluster, or else Germany doesn't understand how this country is situated in regard to its sugar supply.

If we produced at home any considerable proportion of the sugar we consume, the case would be different. But the home production is insignificant.

The main supply of sugar abroad, and the only disadvantage Germany would suffer from a lessening consumption among American consumers if the price should go too high.

Germany, by the way, never hesitates to exclude any American product her interests or whims may dictate. She regulates her imports with the sole view of subserving her own convenience and good pleasure.

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A Queer Governor. "This law seems to me to be designed to permit gambling in certain places while prohibiting it in others. For this reason I doubt if the law will stand the test in the courts."

This is the statement of Gov. Lon V. Stephens in an authorized interview on the breeders' bill. And yet Gov. Stephens had just signed the bill.

The merits and demerits of the breeders' bill are still an open argument, but it is difficult to see what pretense of argument Gov. Stephens will justify such action as this.

Gov. Stephens' action is unprecedented and it is dangerous. Gov. Stephens practically says to the pool room: "I think you can beat this law against you which I have signed, if you will keep your places open and fight it."

Will Gov. Stephens pardon the man who will break the law and go to jail upon his advice?

Per Capita Consumption of Staple Crops. Fiscal year. Wheat, Corn, Cotton, year. Bushels, Bushels, Pounds.

1890.....6.09 32.09 18.50
1891.....5.91 31.73 18.58
1892.....5.91 30.33 24.03
1893.....4.85 29.06 17.07
1894.....3.41 22.76 15.91
1895.....4.54 24.54 16.88
1896.....4.78 14.73 18.40

Buy mills increase the demand for farm products and make good times both in city and country. This is evident from the above figures showing our per capita consumption of wheat, corn and cotton, which reached their highest points from 1890 to 1893, during the last Republican administration.

The present decline, under Democracy, has been a serious blow to farmers. The check to our industrial progress under the policy of protection has resulted in a loss to farmers through the decreased demand for upward of 100,000,000 bushels of wheat a year since 1893, a loss in 1895 and 1896 of demand for upward of half a billion bushels of corn, as compared with 1892, and a loss of demand for nearly 350,000,000 pounds of cotton each year since 1893 as compared with 1892.

By studying these figures farmers can appreciate the value of the home market, and will readily come to the conclusion that busy home labor at busy American mills is a far surer purchaser of farm products than visionary markets of the world that we don't possess.

Two years ago R. J. Warren, a druggist at Pleasant Brook, N. Y., bought a small supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sums up the result as follows: "At that time the goods were unknown in this section; to-day Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a household word. It is the same in hundreds of communities. Wherever the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy become known the people will have nothing else. For sale by Clark O. Proud."

Drainage 1896 the railroad construction in the country amounted to only 1802 miles, mostly in California and the south. The country appears to have about as many railroads as it needs, and new ones are not likely to be constructed very rapidly in view of the fact that the business pays nothing on over 70 per cent of its capital and 13 per cent of its bonded debt.

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A 13-Year-Old Child Paralyzed

It was Caused by a Nervous Affection, and Rendered One Arm Lifeless.

A happy family is that of Mr. James McKinney, of Hillsdale, Kansas, on whom a Times reporter recently called. His business with these people was to learn the facts for his paper of the cure of their thirteen-year-old daughter from a case of nervous prostration, and the facts were learned from Mrs. McKinney herself, who kindly told the following story: "The first perceptible result of her extreme nervousness was apparent in a halting of the child in her right limb," said the mother, "and a physician was called in to attend her. No apparent change coming, another doctor was called to attend her. She continued to grow worse, although we thought the doctors helped her, and she lost the use entirely of her right arm, which hung listless and apparently lifeless by her side."

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