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UNION LABEL

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19

THE Hay idea is about to be mowed.

THE merchant who has enterprise enough to advertise, has enterprise enough to keep a good stock of goods.

THERE'S no trick at finding the right thing and the right place to get it. The advertising columns of THE ARGUS cover it all.

WITH the British losing 1,000 men in three weeks' fighting it doesn't look like the Boers are very badly whipped at present.

NOW that the duke of Manchester has seen a Cincinnati cake walk he probably feels equal to writing of "American Society as I Have Found It."

BECAUSE the president is a good easy man, Benjamin Harrison does not lose sight of the fact that "government by absolute power is intolerable."

CONGRESSMAN R. R. HITT, who recently entered the contest for United States senator in Illinois, is said to be so disgusted with the turn of events in the struggle that he may withdraw. There is no danger of some of the others becoming so disgusted as to quit.

AT the coming session of the South Dakota legislature a bill will be introduced to set aside a sum for the collection of documents, relics, etc., bearing on the early history of the territory now embraced by that state, and to furnish suitable quarters for the preservation of the same. The first legislature of Dakota territory, which met in 1862, incorporated a historical society, which included among its members many prominent pioneers.

UNDER the Hopkins reapportionment bill in the national house, the basis of representation will be one member of congress for every 308,868 of population. This will leave the total membership of the house at 357. Illinois, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York and West Virginia will gain one congressman each, and Texas will gain two, while Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Nebraska, Ohio, South Carolina and Virginia will each lose one congressman.

HARRISON AND HANNA.

While Mr. Hanna was talking in the senate last week on the necessity of giving our merchant marine some "protection"—as though every foreign made article used in our shipyards was not already admitted free of duty and no foreign built ship admitted to American registry—Ex-President Harrison was out with a statement repudiating his alleged approval of Hanna's subsidy bill. Subsidy is not "protection," but something much less justifiable.

The great republican leaders of the pre-Hanna period, says the New York World, were all protectionists, like Mr. Harrison, but not subsidists, like Mr. Hanna. John Sherman, the great predecessor of Hanna, was for free ships, but never for subsidies. Senator Morrill, of Maine, said, "not a dollar for subsidies." Senator Chandler—the great Zach. of Michigan—said, "you will never restore your flag to the ocean by subsidies. I care not how great you make them." And Senator Edmunds truly characterized subsidy as nothing but a "favor to a set of men who wish to get some money out of the treasury."

But with the ascendancy of "commercialism in politics" the republican attitude has changed.

TRIBUNE IS SINCERE AGAIN.

The Chicago Tribune has begun its annual war on republican measures. It is vigorously opposing the ship subsidy bill, the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and the protective tariff which enables manufacturers to sell their products abroad cheaper than they will at home. It warns republican congressmen from the west that a vote for the subsidy bill means defeat for reelection. But republican congressmen will pay no attention to the Tribune's admonitions. They remember its position on the Porto Rican job and how quickly it climbed into the band wagon. The Tribune simply opposes partisan schemes long before election time, but always chimes in tone with party leaders just before election. Its conscientious opposition to a protective tariff has never altered its devotion to a republican platform at election time. It will give lots of advice for months to come, but when 1902 rolls around it will favor the election of every republican congressman who votes for the subsidy scheme or any other nefarious measure as long as it is republican.

But the Tribune's present observations are interesting, although they do not count for much. For instance on the ship subsidy bill:

"The men who vote for the pending subsidy bill will not hear the last of it for many years. Representatives, especially those from the middle west, who have been reelected, and who wish to remain in political life, should be cautious about committing themselves to a measure which their constituents do not favor. It is difficult to see how the middle west is to be benefited by this legislation which eastern shipbuilders and the owners of 'ocean greyhounds' are clamoring for.

"The mass of the people are unable to see how this proposed subsidy legislation is to benefit them, while they do see how it will benefit a small but favored class. The common people see that the intention is to tax them to aid men who already have large means. The people will not submit patiently to such an abuse of legislative power.

"This subsidy bill should not be thrust to the front at this session. It should be left to the consideration of the next congress and of new men, just from the people, and who may prefer to go before their constituents at the elections of 1902 with a better record than they will make by voting for a measure which contemplates taxing the many, who have little money, for the benefit of a few, who have much."

And yet if Hanna gets his pet scheme through the Tribune will accept it, and when occasion offers, champion the author of it, as of old.

FACTS FROM FOSTER.

Foster, Dec. 19.—Miss Lanta Davis was a passenger from Muscatine to Adams Monday morning to spend the week with her brother and wife.

Members of Isaac Foster's family are having a siege with the measles.

George Platte and family departed Tuesday for their new home in central Tennessee.

Louis Hessman and Miss Bessie Kistler, of Buffalo Prairie, took dinner with their friend, Miss Lillie Workman, last Sunday.

The Woodmen camp here is meeting with fairly good success in securing means with which to build a hall. The camp expects to have a meeting soon for all stockholders, who are to decide on the building.

The Misses Bakey, of western Iowa, arrived here last Friday for a visit with their relatives.

ALL AROUND ANDALUSIA.

Andalusia, Dec. 19.—Mrs. George Burgoyne is ill of neuralgia.

The meetings at the Brethren church closed Saturday night.

Miss Blanche Roth is on the sick list.

Dick Robshaw, of Muscatine, was here Sunday.

Quite a number of our young people attended the Edgington dance last Friday night.

Mrs. William Mosher and daughter, Miss Doris, were in Rock Island Friday.

L. Habathur spent Sunday in Davenport.

Elec Erwin, who has been dangerously ill, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. Mary Stocum, of Rock Island, visited in our village Friday and Saturday.

The Black Hawk orchestra will give a dance at the Andalusia town hall Christmas night.

J. W. Simmons, of Grand Mound, Iowa, returned home Monday after a short visit with his parents.

There will be a Christmas entertainment at the Baptist church Christmas eve.

JOSLIN JOTTINGS.

Joslin, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Dave Adams spent Friday in Watertown and Moline.

Miss Amanda Nold is visiting friends and relatives in Rock Island.

A large crowd attended the dance at Joslin Friday evening last at the hall.

F. J. Whiteside returned home Saturday evening last after spending a week in Rock Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Filbert returned home after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Swank.

There will be an entertainment in connection with the Christmas tree at the United Brethren church at Joslin Christmas eve.

At the regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors last Friday afternoon the following officers were elected: Oracle, Mrs. Minnie Wainwright; vice oracle, Mrs. Ida Osborne; recorder, Mrs. Ella Wainwright; receiver, Mrs. Cynthia Adams; marshal, Miss Amanda Nold; chancellor, Miss Katie Fitzgibbons; inner sentinel, Mrs. Charlotte Leasure; outer sentinel, Mrs. Josephine Buckley; manager, Mrs. Kizzie Hanna.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Charles W. Negus, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the last will and testament of Charles W. Negus, late of the county of Rock Island, state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Rock Island county, at the county court room, in the city of Rock Island, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend, for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 4th day of December, A. D. 1900.
IDA M. NEGUS, Executrix.

Notice of Publication—Chancery

State of Illinois, } ss
County of Rock Island. }

In the circuit court, January term, A. D. 1901.

Abraham Glover vs. Fannie Glover. In chancery.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Fannie Glover, the defendant above named, having been filed in the office of the clerk of said circuit court of Rock Island county, notice is hereby given to the said non-resident defendant, that the complainant has filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, on the 12th day of November A. D. 1900, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against said defendant, returnable on the 7th day of January A. D. 1901, as is by law required.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said Fannie Glover, shall personally be and appear before the said circuit court of Rock Island county, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the court house in the city of Rock Island, in said county, on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1901, and plead, answer or demur to the said complainant's bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed, and a decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at my office in Rock Island, this 12th day of November, A. D. 1900.

GEORGE W. GAMBLE, Clerk.
S. R. KENWORTHY, Complainant's Solicitor
Nov. 12, A. D. 1900.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Miriam L. Hillier, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Miriam L. Hillier, late of the county of Rock Island, state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Rock Island county, at the county court room, in the city of Rock Island, at the January term, on the first Monday in January next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend, for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 15th day of November, A. D. 1900.
GEORGE F. ROTH, Administrator.
JACKSON & HURST, Attorneys.