COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass.
"Mr. Riley," 5-cent cigar.
Why not smoke the Why cigar?
Leffert, 236 Bdy., tests eyes free.
Gas fixtures and globes at Bixby's.
Fine A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel.
Dr. Stephenson, 101 Pearl St. Tel. 239.
Schmidt's photos, new and latest styles.
You get the best dinners at the Vienna.
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J. C. & W. Woodward, architects, 523 Bdy.
W. E. Lewis sells monuments, 301 B'way.
Lemp's beer, Soenke Boysen, sole agent.
Best beer, Budweiser. L. Rosenfeld, Agt.
Scientific optician at Woolman's, 409 B'way.

John H. Mithen is visiting friends in Colorado.

Campaign pictures and buttons. C. E. Alexander & Co., 233 Broadway.

Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. 'Phone 157.

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street. Telephones: Office, 97; residence, 33.

Robert Mitchell, mandolin and guitar instructor. Studio 234 Merriam block.

Miss Clarabel Greer of Greenville, Ill., is the guest of Miss Lulu Parsons.

Miss Bridenstein of Tenth avenue is home from a visit with friends at St. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Edmundson have as their guest Miss Ward of Malvern, Ia.

W. P. Graff, undertaker and licensed embalmer, 101 South Main street. 'Phone 506.

Miss Maude Tyler of Lincoln is the guest of Mrs. J. C. Small of Sixth avenue.

Miss Leonora Beehler is home from a three months' visit with relatives in California.

Miss Sylvia Messmore is home from a trip to Manitou, Colorado Springs and Denver.

Revs. R. and Albert Venting have returned from a visit with friends at Denison, Ia.

Miss Mary Fitzpatrick left yesterday for an extended trip to the Colorado mountain resorts.

Miss Pauline Kreidler of the city schools is home from a trip to Niagara Falls and other eastern points.

Mrs. Will Bilbuck and children of Kansas City are visiting at the home of Mrs. M. F. Dillon on High street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Beard of Colorado Springs are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Leach of Park avenue.

Lieutenant Governor J. C. Milliman was in the city yesterday evening on his way home to Logan from Des Moines.

The ball team of the Owl club went to Underwood yesterday, where it defeated the local team by a score of 9 to 7.

E. A. Wickham has gone to Chicago on a business trip, but expects to be back in time for the council meeting tomorrow evening.

The local Danish societies have decided to hold another picnic next Sunday at the Driving park, as the rain interfered so with the success of the last one.

About forty people went from this city yesterday to the Sunday school convention in the Congregational church on the Underwood farm, nine miles south of the city.

Twin Brothers encampment No. 42, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will meet this evening for work in the patriarchal degree, when all members are requested to be present.

Chairman Hess of the teachers' committee said yesterday that it was likely that the assignment of teachers for the ensuing year would not be ready to be made public by tomorrow night, when the Board of Education will hold its regular monthly meeting.

Deputy United States Marshal McNaught went to Villisca Saturday with a warrant for the arrest of an alleged bootlegger known as "Mollie" Johnson. When he reached Villisca, however, he found that the man had been killed the day before in a railroad wreck.

Thomas R. Drake, a well known local printer, has been appointed organizer for the International Typographical union for the Ninth district, comprising the states of Iowa, Missouri and Arkansas. The appointment has just been made at the Milwaukee convention of printers.

Mrs. Jack O'Hearn has served notice on her husband, a well known old-time Union Pacific switchman of this city, that she intends applying for a divorce at the September term of district court. She alleges cruel and inhuman treatment and will ask for $50 a month alimony, the surrender to her of all their property and the custody of their child, a boy 11 years of age.

Which piano house sells the bulk of the pianos in western Iowa? Why is the Bouricius music house selling so many pianos in Council Bluffs and western Iowa? Do they ever have any special or other humbug sales, or are they dealing straightforward? Is their location, 335 Broadway, favorable and easy to reach? Is the sign of the organ still "upon the building?"
N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

Two Houses Rifled.

When the family of Thomas Ruby, living on West Broadway, near the approach to the motor bridge, awoke yesterday morning they discovered that they had been visited by a burglar during the night. This fact was made apparent by an open window in the kitchen, from which the screen had been removed. Investigation showed that the midnight visitor had carried away a shotgun, a revolver, an opera glass, three gold rings and a razor.

The residence of Charles Rain at 551 Mill street was also visited by thieves Saturday night, during the absence of the family. Entrance to the house was effected by removing a screen on a rear window. Search of the premises showed a gold watch, gold chain, stick pin and three diamond rings had been stolen. These the police recovered yesterday morning in a pawn shop on South Tenth street in Omaha, where they had evidently been pledged by the thief or thieves. At the same time an opera glass stolen from the Rain residence, but which the family had not missed, was recovered. The police are said to have a clew to the thief who robbed this residence and expect to effect his capture. Detective Weir is now working on the case.

Davis sells paint.

Lovejoy Owned the Horse.

George Lovejoy, proprietor of the Rink barn, rented a horse and buggy Saturday afternoon to two strangers, they agreeing to return the outfit by 9 o'clock that night. They failed to do so and Lovejoy reported the matter to the police. Yesterday it was learned that the horse had been discovered in Omaha where it had dropped dead after having evidently been driven to death. It was found hitched to a post at the corner of Pierce and Tenth streets, where people living near by said it had been tied about 7 o'clock Saturday evening. After hitching the horse, which was covered with foam, the men disappeared. The horse a few minutes later dropped dead. The men were strangers to Lovejoy, but he was able to give the authorities a good description of them.

Commonwealth 10-cent cigar.

EVERY PAIR OF HAMILTON'S $3.50 Shoes Are Warranted 412 Broadway

FARM LOANS
Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casady, Jr., 128 Main St., Council Bluffs.

MONEY TO LOAN On City Property
Savings Loan and Building Associat'n
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

CELEBRATION FOR LABOR DAY

Local Unions Make Plans for an Unusual Demonstration.

PROGRAM ALREADY OUTLINED SHOWS THIS

Field Sports and Speaking at the Driving Park Will Follow a Monster Parade Through the Streets.

The local unions are making elaborate preparations for the celebration of Labor day in this city on Monday, September 3. The present indications are that the local unions will be joined by all the unions of Omaha and South Omaha and that the day will be celebrated in a way that it has never before been in Council Bluffs.

The celebration will be held at the Union Driving park, but the main feature of the day will be an immense parade of all branches of organized labor. At the park there will be a program of addresses, followed by a number of races, ball games and other events. The program for the day has been partially arranged. The parade will start at 10:30 a. m. and Health Officer Phil Wareham has been selected as chief marshal. The formation and route of the parade will be announced later.

At the park Mayor Jennings will deliver the address of welcome to the visiting unions and among the other speakers will be Judge Walter I. Smith, republican candidate for congress from the Ninth district of Iowa; Hon. S. B. Wadsworth, democratic candidate for congress from the same district; Judge Edgar Howard, candidate for congress from the Second district of Nebraska. There will be two ball games, the printers, cigarmakers, Ganymedes of this city, bricklayers, barbers and the Swifts participating.

Among the field events will be the following: Five-mile handicap bicycle race for first-class woman's wheel. Half-mile amateur race, prizes amounting to $15. One-mile horse race—pacing by two of the local swifts. 100-yard race, 50-yard race, women's race, girls' race, boys' race, running high jump, standing broad jump and numerous other events, all for good prizes.

Delegations from the surrounding towns are expected to be in attendance and a prize of $50 will be offered for a band contest, the competition to be open only to country bands.

WAITERS' WAR ON MR. BALDUFF.

Fight Takes Form of Arrest and Counter Charges from Either Side.

The Waiters' union of Omaha yesterday caused the arrest of W. S. Balduff, proprietor of the cafe at Manawa park, and two of his waiters on the charge of selling intoxicating liquor contrary to the law. A warrant was also issued for the arrest of a third waiter named Tracy, but he took fright when the officers appeared upon the scene and without waiting to get his coat or hat fled and thus avoided arrest. Balduff furnished bail for himself and waiters in the sum of $50 each and the case will come up for hearing Monday, August 27.

The warrants were issued from the court of Justice Vien, the information being filed by B. C. Dodd, representing the Waiters' union of Omaha, and a man named Bowman, who is reported to be a walking delegate of the union.

All day long the officers of the motor company expected to be served with the notice of proceedings in the district court to enjoin the sale of liquor at Manawa park, but nothing in this line materialized. Both Judge Smith of the district court and Judge Aylesworth of the superior court stated that no application had been made for any temporary writ of injunction. The belief is that the Waiters' union has abandoned the plan of proceeding in the district court and will confine its operations against Balduff to the local justice courts.

Caterer Balduff went before Justice Rier of Lewis township, in which Manawa park is situated, and swore out informations against B. C. Dodd, Hollis Tyler and Frank Norman, charging them with conspiracy. Warrants were at once issued for their arrest, but the officers failed to locate either of the defendants. It is believed they got wind of Balduff's intentions and hastened back across the river to Omaha before the warrants could be issued.

Howell's Anti-"Kawf" cures coughs, colds.

Sunday School Convention.

The Pottawattamie County Sunday School association will hold its annual convention Wednesday and Thursday of next week at Oakland and arrangements for a large gathering of workers in the good cause are being made. Members of the association residing in Oakland have generously offered to furnish entertainment for all the delegates attending. The gathering will be held in the Congregational church, the first session being Wednesday afternoon and the meeting Thursday evening bringing the convention to a close. The officers of the association are: President, P. H. Green; secretary, F. L. Evans; treasurer, Miss Marie Ferguson. The following comprise the executive committee: Alexander Tipton, Rev. Henry DeLong, H. B. Knowles and Rev. Alexander Litherland. These form the entertainment committee: Mrs. R. Hayes, chairman; Miss Sample, Mrs. Jennie Smith, Bessie Burnett, Bertha Crouch, Etta Zentmire.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 Broadway.

Mothers endorse it, children like it, old folks use it. We refer to One Minute Cough Cure. It will quickly cure all throat and lung troubles.

DRUMMERS ARE FOR M'KINLEY

(Continued from First Page.)

would know it was a presidential year. Everybody seems to have money and everything is prosperous. What effect this will have on the election is of course problematical. I don't know much about the game of politics, but it looks to me like a strong bet that McKinley will carry nearly everything.

"This talk about the downtrodden traveling man and all of this oppression and trust business is tommyrot. There are more men on the road today than there have been at any time since I have been traveling and I've got a few straggling gray hairs in the business, too. The traveling man is doing all right and needs no sympathy. As long as business conditions are as they are at this time we'll be in the 'doing well enough, thank you,' class, and I don't think many of the boys are going to lend any assistance toward a change, which at the best is mighty uncertain."

"Do I know any traveling men who will vote for Bryan? Well, I should say not. Traveling men know better. They know a good thing when they've got it and they're done chasing a will-o'-the-wisp like free silver," said M. D. Lovell, who travels in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Wisconsin for a Milwaukee hardware house. "I have heard all about this howl how the traveling men had all been thrown out of business by the trusts and would get even with the republicans by voting for Bryan, but it is a fact that I do not know a single traveler who expects to vote for Bryan. They know better than to want a change when conditions are better than they ever were before.

"And then the intelligent voters know that the republicans are not responsible for trusts and have an anti-trust plank in their platform which is as strong as that in the democratic platform. Bryan couldn't do any more with trusts than McKinley can and cannot hope to gain any votes on that issue. Furthermore, this agitation about trusts throwing traveling men out of employment is nothing but political capital. It all originated when a few men were laid off by the tobacco trust. Since then I have asked a number of tobacco salesmen about the effect of the trust and they all say that they have not felt the effects of the trust in the least. It is true that a few of the younger men were let out when the combination was effected, but there was no wholesale discharge of men and the American Tobacco company has practically as many men on the road today as were employed before the combination was brought about.

"My trade has been better this year than ever before. Crops are excellent in all the states I have traveled through this season. All the laboring men are employed at good wages. People have money and they are paying their debts and buying more freely than ever before. The sound financial policy of the McKinley administration has brought about a feeling of confidence. The gold standard is what people want and they will never elect a silver man who is wearing the mask of anti-imperialism and trying to avoid the chief issue.

"Presidential year is ordinarily a very dull one with wholesalers on account of the unsettled condition brought about by the approaching election. It was so four years ago, but things are different now. Merchants do not seem to feel that Bryan has any chance of election and feel confident that the McKinley policy will secure a continuation of the general prosperity.

"A story has been going the rounds of the democratic press that fifty traveling men happened upon the same train and that an inventory proved that forty-eight of the men were Bryanites. That story is made to order. I have been traveling considerably lately and have not found a single Bryan and Stevenson man among all the commercial men I have met. If they are so thick it is likely that I would happen upon some of them."

H. D. Curtis, who sells plumbers' supplies in the territory west of Omaha and makes his headquarters in Denver, says: "Commercial men who travel from Salt Lake and Denver have undergone a great change of political sentiment. Men who were rabid free silver howlers in 1896 have cooled down and are willing to try four years more of the McKinley administration. The great prosperity has encouraged all the merchants to buy liberally and commercial men are doing so well that they do not desire a change. Merchants in all the far western states have ceased to call for new financial legislation and have settled down to enjoy the benefits of the gold standard."

A Close Call.

Mr. Henry Phipps had an attack of colic that he says would certainly have proved fatal before a physician could have reached him. He was cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy before the doctor arrived. Mr. Phipps is a well known citizen of Beckley, W. Va.

DEATH RECORD.

Surgeon to Queen in Ireland.

DURBAN, Aug. 19.—Sir William Stokes, surgeon in ordinary to the queen in Ireland and consulting surgeon to the British forces in South Africa, died here today. He was born March 10, 1839.

Rock Island Bars Cigarettes.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 19.—The Rock Island Railroad company has followed the example of the Union Pacific by placing a ban on cigarettes. Notice has been served on the employes of the company in the Armourdale (Kan.) yards that those who are addicted to the use of cigarettes must give them up or lose their positions.

Clover Leaf System Reorganized.

TOLEDO, O., Aug. 19.—C. D. Whitney, general traffic manager of the Clover Leaf railroad, announced this evening that tomorrow C. W. Mordoff would assume the duties of assistant general passenger agent, with headquarters in this city. This, he announced, completes the reorganization of the system.

Will Raise Soft Coal Rate.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 19.—It is said to be the intention of some of the western roads to make a raise in the present rate of soft coal on the strength of the claim that eastern roads have determined to make an advance of 10 per cent.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Monday and Tuesday Will Be Generally Fair in Nebraska, with Variable Winds.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Forecast for Monday and Tuesday:

For Nebraska, North and South Dakota—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; variable winds.

For Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; light to fresh southwesterly winds.

For Kansas—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; southerly winds.

For Colorado—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; variable winds.

For Wyoming—Local rains in western, fair in eastern portions Monday; Tuesday, fair; variable winds.

For Montana — Local rains Monday; cooler in northern and eastern portions; Tuesday, fair; variable winds.

For Missouri, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Arkansas, New Mexico, Western Texas, Kentucky and Tennessee—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; southerly winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Aug. 19.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Maximum temperature	91	91	89	74
Minimum temperature	75	73	71	58
Average temperature	83	82	80	66
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00	.01

Record of precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1900:

Normal for the day	.74
Excess for the day	.9
Total excess since March 1	.43
Normal rainfall	.10 inch
Deficiency for the day	.10 inch
Total since March 1	19.31 inches
Deficiency since March 1	2.25 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1899	1.28 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	2.02 inches

Reports from Stations at 8 P. M.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature.	Rainfall.
Omaha, clear	87	91	.00
North Platte, clear	92	96	.00
Cheyenne, clear	74	82	.00
Salt Lake City, partly cloudy	78	84	.00
Rapid City, clear	84	88	.00
Huron, cloudy	84	90	.00
Chicago, partly cloudy	78	88	.38
St. Louis, clear	88	96	.00
St. Paul, clear	80	86	.00
Davenport, clear	90	94	.00
Kansas City, clear	80	94	.00
Helena, cloudy	68	74	.04
Havre, clear	80	82	.00
Bismarck, cloudy	84	90	.00
Galveston, partly cloudy	84	88	.00

L. A. WELSH,
Local Forecast Official.

IOWA STATE FAIR PROSPERS

Entries Already Exceed by Half the Highest Record of the Show.

SCHOOL FOR OFFICERS OF THE GUARD

Colonel James Rush Lincoln Makes a Suggestion Which the Adjutant General Endorses as Excellent.

DES MOINES, Aug. 19.—(Special.)—The entries for exhibits at the coming state fair are larger in every department than they have ever been before and in the agricultural department they have already exceeded the highest record by 50 per cent. Enough exhibits have been entered to fill Agricultural hall and it is believed there will not be room for all if they keep pouring in. An especial feature in this department this year will be county exhibits, the state being divided into three districts and the counties in those districts competing with each other for first place. Seven counties have entered so far and more have promised. The fair opens next Friday and closes on September 1. The indications are that it will be the largest and best the state has ever held.

Colonel James Rush Lincoln of the Fifty-first Iowa has filed a report of the recent encampment of the state troops at Red Oak, in which he makes the suggestion that it would be well in the future to assemble the officers of the different regiment in the state for a two days' school of instruction three or four weeks before the different camps are held each year. The work of the encampment is always interfered with by the necessity of holding a school for the officers and he believes that this suggestion will bring about good results. Adjutant General Byers looks favorably upon the suggestion and it will likely be adopted.

Factories Need Reformation.

Labor Commissioner Wennerstrom, who has just returned from an inspection of factories at Burlington, says that he found wretched sanitary conditions in many places and also a scarcity of safeguards in the way of gates for elevators and guards for dangerous machinery. Fire escapes, too, he found far too scarce, but in most instances the proprietors received his suggestions kindly and promised to remedy the defects at once. He says he found considerable child labor employed in that city, but that he will make no report upon the subject until he has gone over the entire state and can make some recommendations that will be of value. Mr. Wennerstrom says there is far too much child labor employed in Iowa, but adds that in most cases it seems to be the fault of parents who want their children to work side by side with them in the factories.

Drake university of Des Moines will again take a prominent part in western football this year and has the material for a very strong eleven. Charles Best, the trainer, arrives Tuesday to commence work with the team. Among the games scheduled is one at Omaha on November 23 with the Omaha Medical college.

Seni Om Sed is Trembling.

A meeting of citizens will be held the first of the coming week to decide whether or not a Seni Om Sed carnival shall be held in Des Moines this fall. The carnival last year drew great crowds, but it was not a financial success and because of the midway resorts there were many protests from the churches. These two things will have a tendency to throw cold water on plans for this year.

A proposition has been made by those interested in the forthcoming international convention of locomotive firemen to be held in this city to run a special excursion one day during the meeting to the beautiful farm home of Hon. L. S. Coffin, Willowedge farm, near Ft. Dodge, the trip to be free to all the firemen, at least 2,000 of whom are expected to be here from all parts of this country and Canada. Mr. Coffin is very popular with the railroad men, he now being president of the Railroad Men's Home for the Aged. Mr. Coffin was prominent in securing the legislation requiring railroad companies to use safety appliances.

SOME HISTORY FOR THE BOYS

What the Democratic Party Has Done for the People of These United States.

PAPILLION, Neb., Aug. 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: I would like to gain the attention of the young voters of Nebraska to some facts of history that have come directly under my own observation. Every statement I shall make is verified by the history of the last half century. It is engraven there as it were on the eternal rocks, to stand forever.

James Buchanan's administration, commencing March 4, 1857, had one of the grandest opportunities of the ages to achieve a great success, and the president should have been able to gain a fame and a name that would shine like an eternal light in our country's history. We cite the fact that his administration had been preceded by a series of events to bring prosperity such as this country had never before seen. First, it had been an era of great expansion. Texas had been annexed and our tilt with Mexico had brought us New Mexico, California and other vast territory. The spirit of new enterprises seized upon the people. Gold was discovered in California. The world was fairly awakened. Gold in an endless stream came flowing from every gulch and mountain side such as no people had ever dreamed of before. This conspired to set all the wheels of business in rapid motion. Very high prices of country produce were also much stimulated by the famine in Ireland in 1848 and 1849, and this followed by the Crimean war. Europe was calling for bread and meat and farmers in the state of New York were getting $2 per bushel for wheat, and other products at about the same rate. The western prairies were now awakened from the sleep of ages. The iron horse was making his tracks across the broad savannahs of Illinois—in fact, had crossed the Father of Waters. Hundreds of new cities were springing into life. The human step was quickened. It was truly a golden age. Such grand opportunities are given to but few people and but at long intervals.

The party in power certainly should be able to make a success. The whig party had tired of anti-expansion. The republican party was yet in its swaddling clothes and yet had no foothold. The democratic party just had full swing. All the machinery of government was in its hands. They had free trade to kill, and the sequel shows how well it did its work. British goods flowed in and were upon every merchant's shelf, to the exclusion of American wares. The furnace fires on the Allegheny and the Monongahela were smothered out, the wheels of industry ceased to turn. Strong men in all eastern cities were begging bread. The government had to borrow money at 12 per cent interest to pay running expenses in time of peace, while bushels of gold were coming from the mines and the granaries of the farm were bursting with the products of the soil. It took all the gold from California, all the grain, all the pork and beef from the farms to pay for foreign goods. All our good solid money took wings and flew away and all our circulating medium was irredeemable paper, much of it so worthless that it was a burlesque, such as the wildcat money that flooded Nebraska in 1857 to 1860. The balance of trade was fearfully against us. Soon a general collapse came, with all the dread consequences. In great anguish of spirit the president cried out: "What desolation in the midst of plenty."

Free trade, thou hateful beast,
What desolation thou hast wrought!

All business was paralyzed, property shrank in value until it was worthless or nearly so. Credit said goodbye to all the people. Confidence was lost, entirely lost, among all classes from president to peasant. Farms were lost by the thousand. Our cities went to decay. The treasury soon became bankrupt and our bonds went begging in the markets of the world at the extravagant interest offered.

And this was the condition things were in when in 1861 democracy turned the government over to the republicans. About all they could pass over was the great rebellion, which had hatched under its fostering care. March 4, 1861, we bade the old party goodbye and straightway set about righting matters. We had a big job on our hands fighting for the life of the nation and engineering great financial problems that should lift the people out of the terrible slough of despondency into which the democratic party had led them.

Now, boys, let me tell you what the grand old party has done for the country, what it has done for you and me. It saved us a home and a country and it kept Old Glory waving over land and sea. It brought order out of chaos. It started anew the wheels of industry and made it possible, boys, for you and I to live like white men. It gave to the people a free homestead bill. It said to the slave, "You are free." It built a Pacific railroad. It turned the balance of trade in our favor. It gave such wise and generous legislation that the people became prosperous and wealth increased as never before. A stimulus was given inventive genius and most wonderful progress was made in all that makes for the betterment of man's condition. Free schools are one of our party's gifts to the people. Under the stimulus of this better legislation confidence was restored, a good dollar was given the people, capital felt secure. A thousand cities sprang into an active life. One hundred and fifty thousand miles of railroad were built and right here let me say to you, boys, that for the thirty-two years that our party controlled the American people were the best paid, the best housed, the best clothed, the best fed and the best educated of any people of any country of any time since the world began.

Mr. Bryan is most cordially invited to answer that proposition if he can.

Boys, you never saw one of those worthless rag dollars that the democrats gave to the people, did you? I hope you never will have to take such for your labor. Well, boys, great numbers of people (some years ago) thought that a change would be a good thing. They thought the grass looked more green "over there." It proved that the greenness was not all in the grass. Twelve years ago Cleveland was elected, but was not able to do much harm, because congress was not in accord with him, but it was quite noticeable that a damper was thrown over all enterprises. But when his successor, Mr. Harrison, was elected things immediately brightened up and the country was prosperous. But in 1892 the curiosity seekers had their own way and they swallowed the free trade bait, hook, line and all. They got Cleveland, senate and house. They got the whole hog, including the Wilson bill and Billy Bryan, and they fixed things for us, boys, in great shape. They inaugurated soup houses, Coxey armies and gave us sixteen men for one job, a decline in all products of farm and factory.

They just knocked the bottom plumb out, boys. You can remember just how anxiously you looked into the empty dinner pail and empty coal bin. You remember, boys, just how earnestly you searched city and country for something to do at any price so that you might keep the wolf from the door. Yes, Bryan remembers when he had money to pay his way to Chicago in 1896.

Well, we all had change of that kind enough. We thought we saw in the hands of the soldier-statesman of Ohio the keys to unlock the doors of prosperity. Boys, we were not mistaken. Somehow it has happened that McKinley, a republican congress and general prosperity all came on the same train and if we are wise in our day and generation we will ask all these distinguished guests to abide with us.

Boys, this much you know: That under the Wilson law and democratic rule you did not have the pleasure of the acquaintance of "General Prosperity." Your labor was not sought. If you were fortunate enough to get a job the pay was poor. All the great business of the country was paralyzed. Values shrank to almost nothing. Railroads were mostly in hands of receivers. Business men driven to the wall by thousands. Grim want striking your wives and babies in the face and Bryan carrying Wilson on his shoulders through the aisles of the house of representatives in triumph of the cause of all our woes.

Now, boys, I will just give you this to think about. It is an unmistakeable fact of history that every democratic administration from the day of Jackson to Cleveland except that of Franklin Pierce have been times of depression, of financial disaster, of shrinkage of values, of deep distress to all classes and especially the laboring man. It would almost seem that God, the elements and human nature are arrayed against democratic rule.

Boys, ponder well before you vote. Remember that somehow it has come about that you and I today in this glad year enjoy more of the good things of life than it has ever been the lot of common people to enjoy in all the history of our race. This closing year of the wonderful century finds all the people of our land on a much higher plane than ever before. Let us all "rejoice and be exceeding glad." "Our light is come" and glory surrounds us if we can only realize it.

Boys, let us stick to the good old ship that has carried us so triumphantly through so many storms. Her timbers are yet sound, her sails are in perfect trim, her anchors are all right boys. Every plank in her decks will bear the closest scrutiny. On her prow is written in burning letters, "Progress," and old glory is right at home at the masthead and "General Prosperity" is her gallant commander and the good and safe pilot at the helm, William McKinley, aided by the hero of San Juan hill, she will make the harbor in safety, boys, if we all do our duty. Respectfully,

W. W. COX.

Millions will be spent in politics this year. We can't keep the campaign going without money any more than we can keep the body vigorous without food. Dyspeptics used to starve themselves. Now Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and allows you to eat all the good food you want. It radically cures stomach troubles.

Nichols Killed by Train.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 19.—Allen Nichols, 20 years of age of Nichols, N. Y., was almost instantly killed by a Big Four freight train in West Alton this morning. Young Nichols, while attempting to board a moving train, missed his footing and fell between the cars. His body was cut in two at the hips. Although fatally hurt, he lived long enough to give his name and the address of his parents, who are well-to-do and live in Nichols, N. Y.

Position of Latest Comet.

GENEVA, N. Y., Aug. 19.—An observation made last night by Dr. Brooks gave the following position in the northern heavens of the latest discovered comet:

Right ascension, 4 hours 12 minutes, declination, north, 70 degrees 21 minutes. It is now in Cameleopardis and is moving through that constellation toward Draco. On August 22 the comet will be only about 7 degrees from Polaris (the North star) and below that star.

Kriegerbund Convention Opens.

AKRON, O., Aug. 19.—The fifteenth annual convention of the North American Kriegerbund began here today. There are fifty-two lodges in the organization and it is expected all will be represented. There will be a big crowd at the parade tomorrow. Captain Herman Werner will be the chief marshal. Officers will be elected Tuesday. Business sessions will occur Tuesday and Monday and Wednesday will be devoted to sightseeing.

Iron Workers' Scale.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Aug. 19.—James H. Nutt, superintendent of the labor bureau of the Republic Iron and Steel company, returned tonight from Detroit, where he was attending a wage scale conference. It was reported that the manufacturers were willing to sign the scale and had presented a proposition to that effect. Mr. Nutt says there is no foundation for such report.

Hotel Trust Goes to the Wall.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 19.—The three leading hotels of this city, the Chittenden, the Great Southern and the Neil, which have been operated for some time by the Columbus Hotel company, familiarly known as the Columbus hotel trust, were this evening placed in the hands of James M. Loren and Henry C. Pierrung as receivers.

Railroad Man is Injured.

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—J. D. Besler, general superintendent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, was injured today by an explosion of escaping gas in the company's building, caused by a lighted match. Mr. Besler was severely burned. He was able to go to his home in a carriage, where his burns on the hands and face were treated.

Geronimo About to Wed.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Aug. 19.—Geronimo, the noted Indian chief, recently reported to have been insane, is, it is now said, about to marry a young girl, with a bank account of $40,000. The old warrior is declared to be in his usual health.

Already Paying Taxes.

Chicago Post: "You say your wife is worth her weight in gold?"

"I do, sir."

"Are you willing to pay taxes on her at that valuation?"

This, of course, was bringing things down to an extremely practical basis, but it fazed the husband only for a minute.

"My dear sir," he replied, "I am already paying taxes on her at a higher valuation than that, and she makes the collections herself."

RELIGIOUS.

There are now in Manila three Methodist churches—an English church of fifty members, a Filipino church of 200 and a Chinese church with five members.

Baroness d'Anethan, wife of the Belgian minister at Tokio, Japan, has embraced the Catholic religion. The baroness is a sister to Rider Haggard, the novelist.

Until the last few months the bible has been a closed book to the people of the Philippines. Now 1,000 copies of the scriptures are sold monthly.

Ira D. Sankey, the evangelist, after taking part at the reopening of the Spurgeon Metropolitan temple in London next September, will visit Turkey as the guest of several Christian missions in that country.

The First Methodist Episcopal church of Alameda, Cal., no longer gives strawberry festivals to raise money for the Mite society. Two years ago it moved its edifice to one side of the lot and put up a business building which now pays all the church expenses and $2,000 a year toward its debt.

The British and Foreign Bible society is providing all Boer prisoners with bibles printed in Dutch, and the plan will be carried out within a few weeks. The society might save its money. It's a queer sort of Boer who doesn't carry a Dutch bible, and most of them, like Oom Paul, know much of it by heart.

Rev. Francis Xavier Dutton, who, after the consecration of Rev. Dr. Moeller as Roman Catholic bishop of Columbus next month, will become chancellor of the diocese of Cincinnati, was born in Utica, N. Y., in 1829. He studied philosophy at Nancy, France, and theology in Paris, Rome and New York. He was ordained in 1863.

One of the best known clergymen of the Methodist Episcopal church a generation ago was Rev. Dr. Mark Trafton, who this week celebrated his 90th birthday anniversary at Somerville, Mass. Few ministers of that denomination have had a larger number of friends than Dr. Trafton. An incident of the birthday celebration was receipt of a letter containing resolutions of respect from the church at Westfield, Mass., of which he was pastor for a term in the '70s. The venerable man bears his age remarkably well.

The Old Midway church, in Liberty county, Georgia, still standing, had for its pastor between 1785 and 1791 Dr. Abiel Holmes, the father of Oliver Wendell Holmes, and when President Washington paid his celebrated visit to Georgia in 1791, Dr. Holmes was made the chairman of the committee appointed by the congregation of Old Midway church to greet him. "Dr. Joseph Le Conte, professor of chemistry in the University of California," says a correspondent of the Boston Transcript, "is one of the products of Old Midway church. So also is United States Senator A. O. Bacon, and many people will be surprised to know that Governor Theodore Roosevelt of New York, the nominee of the republican party for vice president of the United States, is also of this same stock, deriving his connection with Old Midway church through his mother, who was born in Liberty county and whose progenitors were prominent and influential members of this church."

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