

KANSAS AGITATOR

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GENERAL COMMENTS.

THE Oregon hop crop will be short about 10,000 bales, owing to the hop louse.

PRESIDENT DIAZ was 61 years old Tuesday, and the Mexicans duly celebrated. The general made a fine appearance at the military review. He rode an American thoroughbred, and wore a major general's uniform. His troops made a fine array.

THE two largest driving belts ever made in the United States are now being manufactured in St. Louis for an electric power station. They are of three thicknesses of leather, each seventy-two inches wide and 150 feet long. They weigh about 1,800 pounds each, and each belt contains about 200 tanned hides.

C. H. BULLOCK of Northfield, Minn., last week obtained 1120 bushels of potatoes from one acre of land. This is said to be by far the largest yield ever known, 300 bushels being usually considered a big crop. That the 1120 bushes were all raised on one acre of ground is sworn to by a number of trustworthy people of the vicinity.

THE late Professor Henry C. Spencer, of Washington, was at the age of 12 thought the finest penman in the United States. He was one of five brothers, and his father was the author of the Spencerian System. When but 25 years old he became superintendent of the penmanship department of the business colleges of the United States, and it was through his efforts that a number of institutions were founded.

A new scientific instrument has been gotten up by Professor Bigelow, which is called the aurora-inclinometer. By extensive researches he has found that the same law which underlies the working of electricity and magnetism is operating on the sun, and that sunlight is a magnetic field in which the magnetized earth rotates as does the armature of a dynamo. The instrument will be sent to Alaska, where it will be used in the study of the aurora, as it is there seen in the best condition.

AT the recent meeting of the French Society of Hypnology in Paris Dr. Berillon astonished his hearers by stating that almost all children could be hypnotized except those who were idiotic or hysterical. The idea that there is any connection between hysteria and hypnosis was strongly disputed. One physician alleged that he had hypnotized sixty-nine patients out of seventy-two under his care for various diseases in a hospital, and said it was absurd to believe that so large a proportion could be hysterical.

THE census reports of Indiana is surprising, the State showing an increase in population of less than 11 per cent. The census bulletin puts the case with all the caution usually exercised by those who have little faith in the returns. It says: "In 1880 the population was 1,978,301; as returned in 1890 it was 2,192,404." Of the ninety-two counties in the State twenty-five show decreases, but in Indiana the urban population is increasing at the expense of the rural. Cities of 4,000 inhabitants and upward show an increase of nearly 55 per cent as compared with an increase for the whole State of less than 11.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Happenings of a Week

DOMESTIC.

Another circular has been issued to alliance farmers instructing them to hold their wheat for higher prices. They are informed that quotations are likely to advance to \$1.50 or \$2.00 a bushel.

Judge Beatty, in the United States circuit court at San Francisco, Monday, held that Chinese merchants could not be permitted to land in the United States without the certificates provided for in the Chinese restriction act of 1884.

The Hon. George B. Loring, formerly minister to Portugal and commissioner of agriculture, died at Salem, Mass., aged 74 years.

The five mercantile appraisers of Philadelphia, Messrs. Patton, Houseman, Crawford, Bell and Hunter, charged with dereliction in office, were held for appearance at court in bonds of \$2,500 each.

Saturday the visible supply of grain as compiled by the New York produce exchange was as follows: Wheat, 21,935,841 bushels; increase, 2,073,406 bushels; corn, 8,286,709 bushels; increase, 1,319,628 bushels.

Information received from ex-President Cleveland's cottage at Buzzard's Bay says that Mrs. Cleveland's family physician in New York has been in attendance upon her there in anticipation of an event which is expected to occur about October 1. The Madison avenue residence is now being put in order for the reception of the mistress of Gray Gables.

Mrs. Allen G. Thurmann is better and her physicians entertain hopes of her recovery.

The joint debate between Governor Campbell and Major McKinley will take place at Ada, Ohio, October 8th. Alfred Crandal was held up by four bandits at Kansas City, and robbed of his money, watch and a diamond pin.

Manuel I. Morales of San Salvador, is on his way to Washington to negotiate a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

George Jackson got lost in the Bad Lands in northern Montana, and was nine days without food or shelter, being almost dead when discovered.

The police of Bamberg, S. C., are very sure the suspect they have locked up is Tascott, the murderer of the Chicago millionaire. The man who revealed his supposed identity says he has followed him for two years.

Mrs. Helen M. Gougar opened the prohibition campaign in Ohio at Findlay.

Robert Bell, sexton of the Calvary church, New York, is under arrest for ruining six young girls.

Miss Sallie Hargus, a famous belle of New York and Newport, was married to Mr. Duncan Elliott at Newport.

Robert H. M. Davidson has been appointed by Governor Fleming to succeed Wilkinson Call as Senator from Florida.

Jay Gould is said to have authorized an expenditure of \$1,000,000 for a Missouri Pacific display at the World's Fair.

Mrs. John A. Logan is visiting General Alger in Detroit in order to hasten the completion of General Logan's monument in Washington.

Hundreds of cattle are dying in the Indian Territory from the effects of poison thrown into the river by Indians for the purpose of capturing fish.

President Ignatius Donnelly of the Minnesota Alliance wishes it understood that that organization has nothing to do with the wheat circulars sent out from St. Paul.

Ex-President Kennedy and ex-Cashier Kennedy of the wrecked Spring Garden National Bank of Philadelphia were sentenced to ten years' imprisonment each for helping to loot the bank.

A conference began in Chicago for the purpose of discouraging the intense sectarian spirit now dominant in the Christian church.

Old soldiers of Wichita, Kas., would have given President Polk of the national alliance a coat of tar and feathers but for police interference.

Ex-Senator Tabor has gained possession through the Mexican courts, of the Santa Edwige's gold mine, worth several million dollars.

Dr. Feldman of New York, after having been bled of \$6,000 by a blackmailer, confessed to his wife and was forgiven, then had the bloodsuckers arrested.

Willie Truscum of New York, an 8-year-old boy, was beaten to death by a neighbor, with whose child he had quarreled.

Mrs. James G. Fair left nearly all of

her \$6,000,000 to her two daughters, the bequests to her two sons being comparatively small.

Massachusetts republicans nominated Charles H. Aiken for governor.

Judge Green decided the Cherokee Strip case against the Indians at Guthrie.

FOREIGN.

In the Volga province in Russia there is already great suffering from famine. It is stated that the credit foncier of Paris has taken up the new Russian loan.

The queen of Roumania, who has been critically ill, is now improving.

Henry M. Stanley is said to be planning a Congo expedition for King Leopold.

The demands of the trades union congress that members of parliament be paid salaries has caused a sensation in England.

An ultimatum has been sent to the Chinese government by the powers regarding recent outrages, and it will be backed by force if necessary.

John Dow, a Pennsylvanian, who tried to steal \$800,000 Balmaceda had concealed in Santiago, was shot dead by officers shortly afterwards.

An innocent picnic of British naval officers on the island of Mytilene, near the Dardanelles, was the foundation of a fairly well developed war scare which passed over Europe.

Two steamers, the one Greek the other Italian, collided in the bay of Gibraltar and both sank. Sixty-five lives were lost.

Dockers at London declined to unload the grain cargo of the steamer Lydian Monarch Sunday. The vessel owners are showing feverish haste to discharge the heavy cargoes of American grain arriving at all ports.

Russia has asked the European Danube Commission to allow cadets to learn to pilot the Danube river.

The Pope is considering the question of making mixed marriages between Catholics and Protestants more difficult.

Austria-Hungary is worked up over the alleged Russian plot to capture Constantinople.

Many people have been drowned and enormous damage done to property by floods and storms in Spain.

British troops have occupied Sigri on the island of Miteline within twenty-five miles of Hellepont.

ALLIANCE HOUSE PLANS.

Probable Course of the Farmer Congress men on Legislation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22.—At the farmers' alliance headquarters it is stated that the alliance will have fifty-five men who will vote with it on all measures that it may see fit to bring forward in the next congress. In the senate the party claims four senators—Peffer, Kyle, Irby and Vance.

At the next session the subtreasury bill, as it was introduced in the last congress, will not make its appearance. That measure has been repudiated by both houses of congress, and will for that reason, not be resurrected. A bill constructed, however, upon lines similar to it and embodying the same principles, will be introduced into both houses and pushed to a vote.

The Stanford land loan bill will not be touched by the alliance, but a bill bearing upon the same subject will be introduced.

Another measure which the alliance will demand is a free coinage bill.

These three measures are the ones in which the party takes the most interest, but other measures will be introduced and efforts to pass them will be made.

KANSAS PENSIONS.

A Few More Names Recently Added to the List.

Wesley Murray, Charles Town, John M. Carlton, William Chadborn, Joshua Richardson, Noah Surface, Emerson O. Place, John S. Durham, Walter M. Clark, Isaac N. Fisher, James Isaacs, Daniel VanWicklen, Thomas Holliday, Henry C. Dameroy, John Munson, Jonathan B. Parks, Daniel Danielson, Peyton Miller, James Standley, Naphtali W. Kenyon, John Kinney, Charles M. Lee, Wilford J. Ungles, William Rutter, Samuel Rich, Thaddeus Fox, Rufus Buxton, John S. Huddleston, Charles W. Tosier, James R. McFadden, William M. Wilcox, John J. Gardner, Walter Parmenter, Malthus Bray, Joseph Thompson, George S. Richardson, John Borrell, Thomas McKnight and Henry B. Vincent.

In the Indian Territory—To Mek-Ho-Jap Kok in Oklahoma—To John G. Chapin, Michael Stockwell and John W. McCool.

Miss Kate Field is now on a visit to St. Louis, the home of her birth, in the interest of a national art congress, which she is endeavoring to start in Washington. Later she is looked to go to Sioux City, Ia., to tell her story about the "intemperance of prohibition," as she styles it.

FLOWER FOR GOVERNOR.

So Say The Democrats of New York State.

Roswell P. Flower is Nominated for Governor of New York on the First Ballot.—Governor Hill's Administration Endorsed.—The Ticket.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The New York state democratic convention met at Saratoga last Wednesday for the purpose of nominating a state ticket. The convention was called to order by George Raines of Rochester, who gave an address. When Mr. Raines referred to Governor Hill and the governor's utterance "I am a Democrat," the convention raised its first cheer, and it was a cheer of vigor and duration. The speaker during the course of his remarks paid a graceful and hearty tribute to Mr. Fassett's private life and domestic relations, and he was heartily applauded by the entire convention.

Among the many resolutions introduced and referred was one congratulating Arthur P. Gorman of Baltimore for his leadership of the opposition to the "force bill."

Resolutions were adopted congratulating the democracy of the state upon the election last fall of a democrat for United States senator, denouncing the "McKinley worse than war tariff," the "Blaine reciprocity humbug" and the "Billion dollar congress;" condemning the republicans for many crimes of commission and omission; reaffirming its pledge of home rule, low taxes, revision of the statute in relation to the sale of liquors, affirming the belief of local taxation; opposing sumptuary legislation; demanding the extension of electoral reform, while opposing any effort to hamper or restrict the privilege of manhood suffrage; approving the measure giving workmen two hours in which to vote on election days without loss of salary or pay; favoring a revision of the tax laws; opposing the employment of convict labor in competition with honest labor; favoring a liberal appropriation for a state exhibit at the world's fair; endorsing the administration of Governor David B. Hill as able and statesmanlike; The following, offered by Mr. Cantor of New York, was also adopted:

RESOLVED, That this convention views with gratification the growing friendly feeling toward the Democratic party of our colored fellow-citizens in this state; and they are welcomed to our ranks with the assurance that within our party discrimination on account of color is discontinued.

The financial plank is as follows:

We steadfastly adhere to the principles of sound finance. We are against the coinage of any dollar which is not of the intrinsic value of every other dollar of the United States. We therefore denounce the new Sherman silver law under which our gold has been exported and all our silver out-put is dammed up at home, as a false pretense but artful hindrance of return to free bi-metallic coinage and as tending only to produce a change from one kind of metalism to another. We therefore unite with the friends of honest money everywhere in stigmatizing the Sherman progressive silver basis law as no solution of the gold and silver question.

Mr. Gilroy of New York moved to proceed with the nominations, and placed the name of Roswell P. Flower in nomination for Governor. The nomination received several seconds.

Mayor Chapin of Brooklyn was put in nomination by Mr. Dewitt of the Kings county delegation.

Roswell P. Flower was nominated on the first ballot and his nomination was made unanimous upon motion of Mr. Adams, chairman of the Kings county delegation. Mr. Flower received 334 votes, Chapin 43.

Campbell was nominated for comptroller by acclamation.

Rice was renominated for secretary of state.

W. F. Sheehan for lieutenant governor, Frank Campbell for comptroller, Elliott F. Danforth for state treasurer, Simon Rosendale for attorney-general, and Martin Schenck for surveyor.

The ticket as nominated is as follows:

Governor.....Roswell P. Flower
Lieutenant-Governor.....W. F. Sheehan
Secretary of State.....Frank Rice
Comptroller.....Frank Campbell
Treasurer.....Elliott F. Danforth
Attorney General.....Simon Rosendale
Surveyor.....Martin Schenck

After his nomination this afternoon Mr. Flower mailed the following letter to the Secretary of the State, Albany:

Sir: I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Fifty-Second Congress from the Twelfth District of the State of New York, to take effect to-day. Very Respectfully,
ROSSELL P. FLOWER.

The Governor will issue a proclamation ordering the election at the general election in November of a successor to Mr. Flower.