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A raging blizzard in Kansas and a destructive cyclone in St. Louis appeared unannounced on Sunday last.

The world's fair committee sent to Washington from St. Louis, was composed of the very best citizens of Missouri.

What an improvement Gen. Raum is on Tanner! Raum is doing three times as much work, and a hundred times less talking.

This county should be well represented next month at the meeting of the Republican League clubs, to be held in Kansas City.

JEFFERSON CITY will accept a congressional appropriation for the improvement of the great "Osage River" rather than holding the World's fair.

We shall cease to daily in humorous tones with our late acquaintance, Col. LaGrippe. Indeed, we now feel a profound awe for that venerable Russian. We are unlike the American hog, we know when we have enough.

Gen. SHELBY sizes Vest up without any difficulty. He says Vest will be a candidate for the senate as long as he lives. As the next legislature will be republican, Mr. Vest being a candidate is the nearest he will get to the senate.

Some effort is being made to ascertain how the Egyptian mummy was made. The old way was by embalming, but the recent method that had the same effect on Cleveland, was to hide his encyclopaedia.

THE territories are fast disappearing. Like the buffalo, the wild west will soon be a thing of the past unless Gov. Hill can be induced to move out there. He and Altha might restore it to its past glory.

Is there any sincerity in the opposition to the "Trusts," why don't some one offer a short amendment to the Inter-State Commerce law. Congressmen and senators are waiting for Brice to make that move, probably.

Up to the last report the Hill and Cleveland factions were still at it. While we don't especially care about it, yet, if Cleveland is to be the next democratic candidate we would like to see him go into the canvass with his eyes, nose and ears left. If the fight goes on he will have neither, and the next picture will be all neck.

We are unlike some of our friends throughout the state, in respect to our second choice for the world's fair. If St. Louis can't get it let it go to Chicago. We want it held where Missouri will at least get an indirect benefit. Chicago being nearer to Missouri than New York, it will be better for Missouri to have it there than in New York.

THE Montana republicans and democrats have each elected United States senators. We hope the senate of the United States will send the whole outfit back to Montana with notice that they are expected to settle their own difficulties, and not inflict the whole government of the United States with their petty quarrel.

THE New York Sun asks: "Who is responsible for the gradual wasting away of Missouri's fair and reliable democratic majority?" The Kansas City News, an independent paper replies: "As near as we can make it out it is either mildew or dry rot that caused the calamity, and what's more the process shows few signs of abatement."

THE democratic press claims that Congressman Neidringhaus is in training for the governorship in 1892. We elsewhere print a sensational article regarding his intentions as given out by a democratic organ, the Republic. The republicans will carry Missouri in 1892 without the aid of boodle—in fact the boodle business is an exclusively democratic institution.

THE president, it is said, likes to look at a man before he appoints him to an important office. That is no doubt a great help to a good judge of human nature and Harrison's professional experience should have made him somewhat of an expert in sizing up a fellow. At least he has shown good judgment up to date in his selections. The knowing ones say Schuarts would have fared better if the president had not seen him.

THE howling country editor who has fed his constituency with bombastic epithets on the dangers of decay of the republic, owing to the election of a few republican plutocrats to the senate, is holding his breath for a brief moment, while the democrats of Ohio are electing that mushroom millionaire and political rainbow-chaser, Calvin stock jobber Brice, to the senate of the United States. The whole democratic procession stops when a democrat is found who possesses a quarter in his own right.

His Grace, the archbishop of Philadelphia, the Most Rev. P. G. Ryan, D. D., delivered a lecture at the exposition music hall in St. Louis on Sunday evening last to an audience of 4000 people. The lecture was one of those eloquent efforts which has long since caused him to be recognized as one of the most brilliant men of this age. His touching words on meeting his old friends in St. Louis were beautiful and heartfelt. The subject of the lecture was "Christianity the Preserver of Civilization."

BENJ. F. BUTLER has lost none of his accustomed tartness in the use of the English language. Bishop Potter and Ex-President Cleveland would probably call it his accustomed "roasting" ability. Some time ago Bishop Potter characterized Andrew Jackson as a "ruffian" which old Ben resents by saying it does not become a man who voted for an individual that made the spectacle of a mother in a mad house, a son in a poor house and a father in the White house, possible, to criticize old Hickory.

SENATOR GEO. G. VEST will certainly introduce a bill in the U. S. senate for an appropriation of at least five hundred thousand dollars for the improvement of the "Osage River," a stream reported navigable for boats by U. S. engineers the most of the year for over three hundred miles, and into the State of Kansas, this great river running through the central portion of the state and emptying into the Missouri river eight miles east of Jefferson City. The senator, we understand, has introduced a bill appropriating \$250,000 for the improvement of the Missouri river between St. Joseph and its mouth. Senator Vest knows that Hon. Waller Young is a power in Missouri as well as in the Osage valley.

THE Torrey bankrupt bill was introduced in the house of representatives on December 20th, by the Hon. Ezra B. Taylor, of Ohio, chairman of the judiciary committee, and in the senate on the 21st, by the Hon. Geo. F. Hoar, of Massachusetts. The author of this bill is Mr. Jay L. Torrey, an attorney of St. Louis, whose large mercantile practice peculiarly fitted him for the preparation of a measure fraught with so much importance to the mercantile interests of this country. A perusal of the measure shows that the task—for it was a task—is well done.

The necessity of a uniform bankrupt law is now conceded by the whole country and the Torrey bill should receive the prompt attention of congress and pass.

THE fact that there are three distinct divisions of the democratic party on the tariff question, and the fact that there are free traders in the republican party shows the necessity of a readjustment of either of the parties, are the main principals that each are contending for. In the democratic party they have the Mills and Waterson free trade faction; the Randall tariff faction and the "tariff for revenue only" faction. It would seem to be impossible to conciliate and keep these factions in the old parties, and it is beginning to look as if the democrat that cannot swallow the "free trade" plank will have to seek congenial company in some other party. As for the free trade republican, we will reduce the tariff and make it as comfortable for him as possible under existing circumstances.

MR. S. H. H. CLARK general manager of the Missouri Pacific railway, says in the New York Star: "In all my railroad experience I've never seen anything to compare with the traffic strain under which the railroads are now staggering. The crops in the agricultural states are unusually bountiful, so heavy, in fact, that all the railroad facilities have proved inadequate. We have begged, borrowed and leased from eastern lines all the cars that could be obtained, and still we are short several thousand. Graineries are overflowing, and for hundreds of miles along the tracks of the Missouri Pacific system corn and other cereals are stacked unbeltered waiting for cars. In the past six months railroad earnings have increased enormously, and I consider railroad earnings the best business barometer. I believe the new year will be marked by a continuance of this prosperity and a further development of the resources of the west."

The beginning of the new year finds Uncle Sam's cash account in pretty good shape. His indebtedness has been cut down over \$80,000,000 in a year, and instead of being \$2,500,000,000 as it was 25 years ago, is now a round billion. Better than this, the interest bearing debt, which, in 1865, was \$2,381,530,294, is now below \$850,000,000. Still better than that, the interest charge which, in 1865, was \$150,000,000 a year, is now only \$30,000,000 annually. The debt reduction of the year has been a little over \$81,000,000. This amount has been used in purchase of bonds, and, although a high figure has been paid on these bonds by reason of the fact that they have several years yet to run, a very large amount of prospective interest have been saved by this transaction. There now remain but \$124,000,000 of the 4 1/2 per cent. bonds outstanding. These are not redeemable at par until September 1, 1891. When these are out of the way the only interest bearing debt worth mentioning will be one lot of 4 per cent. bonds, redeemable in 1907. These amount to \$640,000,000.—Ex.

It will probably interest Missourians to know that the statesman and patriot Neidringhaus is full of the belief that he is ordained by Providence and the grace of his fellow countrymen to succeed David R. Francis as governor of Missouri. Neidringhaus, according to the reports that have reached here during the past three or four days, is now squarely in the field. It is understood that Filley has promised him the next republican nomination for governor and that he is going into the fight with his purse open and his sleeves rolled up. Neidringhaus believes that money can perform anything in politics. He boasts with a good deal of pride that for the moderate expenditure of \$68,000 he carried the city of St. Louis and elected three republican congressmen in the fall of 1888. He is rich and ambitious. He has plenty of money to spend, and he believes that the honor of being governor of Missouri is worth \$250,000. He is willing to invest that amount in the enterprise. No matter whether Filley gets the postmaster-ship or not, it is his intention to keep his grip on the republican machine. With his grip on the machine he can name the next republican candidate for governor, and it is understood that Neidringhaus and himself have already made an arrangement to the effect that Neidringhaus is to be the candidate.

It is argued that Neidringhaus is enough of a prohibitionist to satisfy the truly good brethren in the country, and that the German brewers and saloon-keepers in the cities as a matter of national pride will support him solidly. A member of his family telegraphed here within a few days past that he was already dubbed the Bismarck of Missouri, and that this indicated much. Of course, if Mr. Filley is made postmaster the machine will be strengthened, but in any contingency Neidringhaus expects that he can capture the nomination.

Farmer Wade will be a candidate on a truly pious platform, and it is understood that Maj. Warner has entered into an offensive and defensive alliance with Noble, the basis of which is that Warner is to be the candidate for governor and Noble is to make the race for senator against Mr. Vest.

Hints have been received here of an alliance between the Clan-na-Gael and Der Liga Personlichen Freiheit. This means, of course, a combine between Neidringhaus and Kernes. The star-route statesman may be expected to swing the Clan-na-Gael all right, while Neidringhaus will take care of the German Personal Liberty League. The basis for this arrangement has not yet been announced here, and the faithful are anxious as to its details, Kernes and Filley being now engaged in the apparently agreeable pastime of throttling each other. Of course, Neidringhaus is completely under Filley's wing, and is faithful to Filley's interests; consequently the report that Der Liga and the Clan-na-Gael had pooled issues created surprise, and some people doubt the possibility of its consummation. There is no knowing, however, how deals can be arranged and trades consummated, and in consequence nearly all the practical politicians from Missouri now in Washington believe that

an alliance between Neidringhaus and Kernes, on the basis of the senator for one and the governorship for the other, is the most proper and natural thing imaginable.

That Neidringhaus wants to be governor there is no doubt; that he is willing to "put up" for it is equally certain. It is understood that he has already signified to Filley his intention of putting \$250,000 in the jackpot if assurances can be extended to him that the cards are all right. If Farmer Wade has a senatorial running mate the fact has not yet been developed, but that Warner and Noble will run together, and that the scheme is to put Kernes and Neidringhaus in the same cart, is becoming more evident daily. It is almost certain that there will be some fun in the next Missouri campaign, and that the statesman and patriot Neidringhaus is booked for an important part in beyond question.

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