

Thursday, April 3, 1890.

This is a republican year.

CONGRESS should not overlook the bankrupt bill.

REPUBLICANS intend to redeem Cole county this year.

High street should now be repaired and put in first-class condition.

REPUBLICANS should feel the necessity of standing up for the party.

The republicans should give the people a glance at the new tariff bill.

The republicans might hold their state convention in Jefferson City this year for a change.

The removal of the market house makes a wonderful change in the appearance of High street.

OWING to sickness a number of aggravating typographical errors appeared in last week's issue.

The people have had twenty years of democratic misrule in Missouri, and have decided to try a change.

A good candidate could be elected to the legislature by the republicans this year and that will help knock Vest out.

We must gaze upon the inside pages of the book; have been looking at the outside for the past 20 years.

The Grand Army Encampment will soon be with us. Everyone is doing his best to give the boys a warm welcome.

JAY GOULD is not so bad after all. He will give us the river route, and perhaps also build the branch to Nevada or Rich Hill.

This question that is now agitating the rural rooster is whether Francis wants Vests place or whether he is after St. Francis of the gardens.

GAZES at the outside cover of the books they appear all right, but it's time to give us a look at the inside. We will begin with a republican legislature.

SECRETARY BLAINE has made some very good suggestions in regard to the tariff, which the committee will do well to carefully consider.

The eye of the world is just now centered upon the young German emperor. Every move will be watched with the most discriminating carefulness.

The farmers have decided to have something to say in politics in Missouri. They will be heard from in Cole county also. This is going to be a bad year for democrats.

ONE of the interesting features in the city election was that every democratic candidate was forced to declare himself against the re-election of the present city clerk, Mr. George Winston.

SENATOR VEST carries all the gimblet hole politicians of Missouri in his pocket. Some of them expect to go to Vest when they die. It would be a great day for Missouri if they would hasten their demise.

MR. JEFFERSON CHANDLER was invited to deliver an address on the economic questions of the day and fixed April 1 for firing the first gun of the campaign. We would rather hear Judge Sherwood on St. Francis of the gardens.

GEN. HENDERSON has been in Washington so long he has forgotten all he once knew about Missouri politics. He has overlooked the fact that Francis is a minority governor. He has overlooked some other things indicating the disintegration of the democracy.

WITH the blotting out of the Indian territory, which is now a barrier to the building up of the southwest, Ft. Smith will be a rival of Kansas City. It is now a city of 20,000 population, a growth of 16,000 since 1883, when its population was 3,500.

MR. SILVER, the democratic central committeeman for this district, is credited with having said that it was much more important to the democratic party when the convention was held than where it was held. When a statesman gets such elevated ideas about party affairs as to forget his constituency, would it not be well for his constituency to relieve him of duty?

MARCH is entitled to the blue ribbon as the most successful winter month of the year. The snow storm on Sunday last would have done credit to the Minnesota climate.

M. K. McGRATH is quite a joker, in fact, he gets so funny occasionally that he finds himself kicked into the street. As Mack is the only man that enjoys his jokes it is a little difficult to see where the pleasure comes in.

The republicans are very well satisfied over the result of the city election. The democrats managed to divide the honors by calling and running "independent" candidates. Immediately after the election the "independent" is transformed into a moss back democrat, and the result is a great democratic victory. Ha, ha.

If Mr. Schulte was running against Gilliam for the short term was he not elected? It would seem that the race between Tanner and Brandenberger, being for the long term, it will have to be settled between them or by a new election, as to who was elected, Tanner was the nominee for the long term, and Schulte for the short term, and were voted for accordingly.

The cyclone that swept over Louisville, Ky., was one of the most destructive in years. It seemed that nothing had the strength to withstand its fury. The loss to property will run into the millions and the loss of life reaches into the hundreds.

The damages done in other parts of the country were also very great, and much suffering has been caused to the unfortunate people who were living on the line of its course.

The democratic party will probably try to make Ed. Noland bear the sins of the whole organization. It looks hard to hound an individual for the sins of the party. Ed. Noland is just as honest as his party, and they should be held responsible for having made it possible for him to play poker with the peoples money. Look at this list of democratic incompetency: Silcott, Maryland, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi and Kentucky. This ought to be enough to make a democrat sick.

The first experience of voting under the Australian system in Jefferson City was such a pleasant transformation of old time practices that no one will ever be willing to return to the old time style of voting. The business of the ward politician, political "worker" and ward "bummer" disappears under the new system like the snow under the noonday sun. No one ever imagined it possible to hold an election in this city without the aid of the "paid worker" and the presence of 50 other loafers and bulldozers around the election precinct, but that such is possible under the Australian system is no longer a question but a realized living fact, hailed with joy by every good self-respecting citizen.

On the first day of April Judge Stampff took charge of the postoffice and it is to be hoped that the Judge will remain at the helm at least eight years. Indeed, the probabilities are that for at least the next eight years the national government will be in republican hands. The four years of democratic rule demonstrated the utter incapacity of that party to conduct national affairs, and the people will not forget it so quickly as to return them to power within eight years, and possibly not for twenty-five years. Judge Stampff has always been strong with the party, and we believe that his efficient management of the postoffice will make him still stronger with the people. His appointments are good and will meet with the general approval of the patrons of the office and the party.

THE REPUBLICAN has been doing all in its power to pull Mr. Fred Bulute into a good place, but the evil effects of the support given him by the Tribune seems to have neutralized all efforts in his behalf. Fred says he is unaware of any sin committed that should have cursed his declining days with the support of the Tribune and the rest of his life will be devoted to purging himself of the night mare of its support. He has fought and bled on the battlefield; he was for three days unaware that he was in this mundane sphere, and he has suffered the torments of a thousand deaths, but all of that was as nothing compared with this serpents sting. Why it should select him, an honest, inoffensive soldier, for its target, he does not know.

GEO. WAGNER has again found that the democrats have nothing to give him. For the past 12 years he has been treated the same way. It's the old story, the German is good enough to help pull the ticket through but not good enough for an office, when an American can be found that wants it, and it goes without saying that there are always a half dozen for every vacant place. The Germans are ignored by the democratic party

whenever they think they can get along without them. Not one can be found holding even a clerkship at the Capital. Not one can be found among Gov. Francis' appointees. Perhaps the German democrat may conclude about election time that he has no use for the democratic party.

The treasurer of Maryland has been added to the noble army of democratic defaulting state treasurers. The pyramid grows larger and larger. It now stands as follows:

- Silcott,
- Maryland,
- Kentucky,
- Missouri,
- Tennessee,
- Louisiana,
- Mississippi,
- Arkansas,
- Alabama.

What stronger argument could be made against the continuation of democratic supremacy in Missouri? What stronger proof do you want of democratic incapacity? It should be sufficient to satisfy every voter in Missouri that a change is absolutely necessary for the good of the people who pay taxes to support the state government.

Noland's Accomplishes.

The arrest of Noland puts one official delinquent in the hands of the law to be punished for a high crime. Nobody dares to ask that anything less than the full penalty of the law shall be meted out to him according to the degree of his guilt.

But it must be set down to his credit that he voluntarily paused in his criminal career, and that he voluntarily made known the amount of his embezzlement to a governor and auditor who had been criminally negligent of their duties, and who, but for the warning he gave them, might have continued to disregard their sworn duty until he had completely "gutted" the treasury.

On the 18th day of April, 1889, Gov. Francis carefully considered and approved a statute with an emergency clause putting it in force from the moment he approved it, and which made it his duty to carefully compare monthly reports from the auditor, the treasurer and the various depositories of state money, showing the amounts received, the amounts paid out, the warrants issued by the auditor, etc. Heavy penalties were imposed on the depositories, the treasurer and the auditor for failing to transmit these reports in writing, verified by oath to the governor, and the law commanded him to compare them and ascertain without delay whether the treasurer had deposited the money coming into his keeping at the proper dates, and whether he had drawn or paid out only such sums as were equivalent to warrants signed by the auditor. The law further made it the duty of the governor to suspend either the auditor, or treasurer and take possession of his office on his failing to make these reports on or before the 5th day of every month.

Yet from April to March the governor ignored this new law bearing his own signature, and the auditor and treasurer and depositories all disobeyed it with his consent, while rumors were current that Noland was carrying as treasurer a shortage of \$9,000 in his accounts as first clerk under Seibert.

Is it fair under these circumstances to make Noland the scapegoat of two other delinquent officials and to punish him alone for the delinquencies of all three? Should a just public opinion give the governor the whole credit of timely discovery and prompt action in the matter of this defalcation, when he should have discovered a deficit ten months earlier if he had only done his sworn duty? The fact is that month after month he had wilfully failed to perform an official duty which no faithful governor and good business man would have neglected. When Noland got tired of trying to get even at poker he had to send his attorney to hunt up the governor in New York and to tell him there about a deficit which the governor would have discovered last May if he had not wilfully made a dead letter of a law he had just signed.—Post-Dispatch, (Dem.)

Senator Vest better be working a little on the congressional appropriation of \$250,000 for the improvement of the Osage river (the Hudson of the west) than telling his old story of the man who asked the Siamese twins if they were brothers.

The democratic press of the state is greatly elated because Gen. Henderson remarked to a reportorial Egyptian in Washington the other day that Missouri democracy was as difficult to melt away as "the iceberg's of Greenland." Yes, but those icebergs are being melted away, and they float down into congenial seas and are lost. Bourbonism is following the iceberg.—Ex.

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