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SENATOR HALE is to be congratulated. He allows that there are places where liquor is sold down in Maine. He there tells the truth and shames prohibition.—Boston Herald.

THE only way in which the Republican majority can be secured for the next Congress is to pass a law making it a close corporation, with power to elect its own members.—Providence Journal.

UNDER Mr. Lodge's bill, it would cost the National Government about \$5,000,000 to conduct a National election. This would be considerably worse than throwing that amount away.—Boston Herald.

THE Farmers' Alliance in Tennessee will help the Democratic party. This rule applies generally, as the fall returns will show. When the farmers wake up, the Democratic vote always increases.—St. Louis Republic.

Now that the farms in the northwestern States are covered by mortgages, eastern capitalists are establishing loan offices all over the South. We hope southern farmers will keep their farms free from the grasp of these money sharks.

THE Indiana man who was elected President in 1888 says that, at the end of his term, he shall go back to Indianapolis and resume the practice of law. This is sent out as news. It is old. The country knew it long before Harrison found it out.—St. Louis Republic.

WE echo the sentiment expressed in the Carroll County Democrat of last week, in regard to holding a primary in this Congressional district. By all means let's have a primary, so that the best man will be sure to win. We are uncompromisingly opposed to any "dark horses," which are too frequently the fruits of a convention. The whole people, and not a few individuals, control primaries.—Linden Herald.

THE Senate Finance Committee has made of the McKinley bill "a thing of shreds and patches"—principally shreds. It taxes the people's tin-plate to create another monopoly, and restores the tax on tobacco to provide money for buying the "soldier vote." It taxes art as a sop to buncombe, and increases the duty on wool and other farm products to fool the farmers. Henry Clay would blush for such a body.—New York World.

THE Republicans are trying to steal Obion County offices, but the secret was revealed by one of their thoughtless bosses. There are several Democratic aspirants for each county office, and the Republicans intended stealing a march on them by placing a full ticket in the field a few days before the election. Their scheme was to run a white man for all the offices except register, which was to have been filled by a colored person.—Jackson Tribune and Sun.

THE pension bill recently passed by the Lower House of Congress, provides that pensions shall be paid to all dependent parents who had sons in the Union army and to all soldiers who served as long as ninety days, who have since the war been disabled from any cause which prevents them from earning a support. This bill will increase the army of pensioners by two hundred and fifty thousand names, making more than a million pensioners, and increase the annual drain on the National Treasury \$35,000,000.

GENERAL NEWS.

The new Brazilian minister has been received by President Carnot. Congressman Catchings, of Mississippi, has decided to be a candidate again.

The international Sunday school convention convened at Pittsburgh, Pa., Tuesday.

Atchison, Kan., is suffering from the experience of a water famine caused by a flood.

White Caps burned the house and barn of John Wesley, at Polk, Ind., Saturday night.

General Mahone is said to have forsaken politics for land speculation in West Virginia.

Rain-in-the-Face, the Sioux chieftain, has applied for a position on the police force of Bismarck, Dak.

A large-sized scandal in connection with the World's Fair has developed, and there is a big steal behind it.

Over seventeen hundred students are registered at the University of Michigan, of whom thirty-seven are Japanese.

Spokane, Wash., is growing so fast that the brick-yards are unable to supply the material for new buildings as fast as needed.

A horse kicking over a lantern caused the barn and contents, belonging to Frank Grimm, near Evansville, Ind., to be burned last week.

The storm of last week was especially severe at Moberly, Mo., where two houses were struck by lightning and several persons were shocked.

The interstate-commerce hearing on reduction of grain rates promises to be an interesting session, as some of the roads will not oppose the reduction.

The heaviest rain storm for ten years occurred in Minnesota last week, and many farms were washed of everything moveable, including fences and bridges.

John W. Lee, a Chinaman, was killed by a falling brick in New York.

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At Southport, Lancashire, Eng., Saturday, seven thousand miners paraded the streets and subsequently held a meeting at which resolutions were passed demanding an eight-hour day.

Prince Bismarck has decided to make Friedrichsruhe his future home, in preference to his other estates, and has ordered houses to be erected near the palace for his clerks and assistants.

Artesian wells are being put down in great numbers in the district of Riverside, Cal., and owing to them this district, which was previously uninhabited on account of the scarcity of drinking water, has now a population of 7,000.

The ladies of Pine Bluff, Ark., have formed an auxiliary society of the Confederate camps of veterans for the purpose of raising funds to build a Confederate soldiers' home at Little Rock.

While Mr. Albert Diller, a prominent member of the Farmers' Alliance, was addressing a secret meeting of that body at Clayton, Ga., last Friday evening, he suddenly reeled and fell dead on the floor.

In the United States Circuit Court at New Orleans, Judge Billings has overruled exceptions to the master's report in the famous Gaines case, and has given judgement for over \$500,000 against the city of New Orleans.

The British ship Algoma arrived at the Delaware breakwater Saturday, forty-four days from Rio de Janeiro. Several of the crew were reported to have had yellow fever at Rio de Janeiro, and she is now undergoing disinfection at the breakwater.

John Sabin and wife living on a farm near Wichita, Kan., left home to visit a neighbor Saturday, leaving two small children locked-up at their home. The house caught fire, and before they could get home, after being attracted by the smoke, both children were burned up.

About noon last Friday, while the sun was shining brightly and there was no sign of rain, Vicksburg, Miss., was shaken to the center by a crash of thunder. The residence of Isaac Gethelf was damaged slightly, the shock prostrating several members of the family, but fortunately with no fatal results.

The conditions of the match between Tenny and Salvator, the winner of the Suburban, is as follows: The match is for \$5,000 a side, half forfeit, the association to add \$5,000 provided the horses start; to be run on Wednesday, June 25, if the stewards decide the track is good. This race will be one of the greatest equine contests of modern times.

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Harry Winters, a prominent citizen of Mount Carroll, Ills., has been deluged with White Cap letters of late, threatening him with death if he did not leave the place. Great excitement prevails, and as Winters has declared his determination not to be driven away, fears are entertained that blood will be shed before the matter is ended. The trouble grew out of the melancholy suicide of a young lady of the place with whom Winters had long kept company and whom he jilted for an unknown reason.

Look at the Credentials!

The Republican caucus at Washington has sanctioned a bill to place elections for Representatives in Congress wholly under the control of federal agents.

The purpose of the bill is to carry out Speaker Reed's edict: "We must do our own registration, our own counting, and our own certification." To accomplish this the rights of the States, sanctioned by a century of usage, are set aside. The election methods of a free republic are to be superseded by a centralized direction copied from the plebiscite of the third empire of France.

The excuse for this revolutionary plan to perpetuate a partisan dynasty is, that it is necessary to secure "free and honest elections."

When a man presents himself as a reformer, it is customary to ascertain his character and to examine his credentials. Is not the same course prudent with a party? The World presents to-day some historic facts calculated to throw light upon the character and qualifications of the Republican party managers as national reformers of elections. It invites public attention and the attention of Congress to this record and to these documents.

Their relevancy is heightened by the fact that the Republican politicians who have been most conspicuous in corrupting the elections are still prominent in the party management. The new federal judges required to put the proposed law in execution would be appointed by a President who made Swayne a judge in Florida and who sustained Woods in shielding Dudley in Indiana. The Republican National Committee, to which the application of the law would be intrusted, still has Quay as chairman and Dudley as its executive chief.

Are these men fit to be intrusted with a supervision of elections which extends, by the terms of the bill to "inspecting all ballots as they are being cast and counted," and to furnishing certificates of the election of Representatives which shall supersede the certificates of Governors and be binding upon the Clerk of the House?

To ask this question is to condemn the bill.

But The World goes further. The power given by this bill is not such as should be bestowed upon any administration or any party. Through its use any party could perpetuate its control of Congress, irrespective of the popular will. It is an undemocratic, unrepresentative, revolutionary, and a dangerous measure.

Are the Republican leaders mad?

Pension Appropriations.

One hundred and sixty-seven millions, four hundred and nineteen thousand, seven hundred and thirty-one dollars!

This is the sum which Representative Henderson, of the Pension Committee, boastfully reports as "the amount of the appropriations made by the present House for the benefit of the soldier."

This is \$68,000,000 in excess of the estimate of the Secretary of the Treasury. It is nearly three times the total cost of the Federal Government in the year before the war. It exceeds by more than \$100,000,000 the cost of pensions in 1885, twenty years after the close of the war. It surpasses by \$24,000,000

the highest annual interest charge on the National debt. It is equal to the combined annual cost of the standing armies of Great Britain and Germany. It is nearly 60 per cent. of the National expenditures. And it is a permanent charge—going on for a generation.

The tax-payers evidently have no rights which surplus-spenders feel bound to respect.

In Debt to Cameron.

The Courier-Journal figures it out that the Republican party is under lasting obligations to Senator Don Cameron, of Pennsylvania, and should nominate him for President to show its gratitude.

The train of facts which has led to this conclusion is these: Mr. Matthew Stanley Quay, because of his theft from the Pennsylvania Treasury, was in despair and about to make a McGinty of himself "deep in the flowing Susquehanna," when Don Cameron came to his rescue.

Don not only saved him from the penitentiary, but absolutely saved his life.

It is a universally conceded fact that Quay made Harrison President and saved the Republican party from defeat in the last campaign. So the conclusion is inevitable that the Republican party owes Don Cameron a debt of gratitude. His great service to the party was in a manner indirect, but none the less valuable for that matter.

The Cotton Crop.

It is rather early to form estimates of the cotton crop. There are many perils of drought and disaster that it may incur before the picking season is over. But from all sections the report of the growing crop is most satisfactory. The prices for cotton have ruled higher this year than for some years previous, and there is every indication that they will continue good until the present crop has been marketed. All of this gives a comforting assurance of good times to come. With a good cotton crop selling at good prices the South will prosper and be happy.

THE women of the Oskaloosa, Kan., city council retired from office leaving the city with improved streets, better walks, better Sunday observance, a prohibition of offensive stock exhibitions and a full treasury instead of an empty one. Their administration has been much above the average.

"ISN'T an American consumer as valuable to us as a foreign consumer?" asks Mr. McKinley. Aye; and more valuable. The self-sacrificing American consumer stands the burden of the tariff tax in order that the foreign consumer may get his wages at free-trade prices.—Philadelphia Record.

INGALLS is a two-faced sneak. That has been known to a great many people for a long while, but he gave a convincing proof that such is the case when, after voting for free coinage in the Senate, he lobbied against it in the House.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

THE murder of Miles Fawcett, at Carlin, Nev., in 1888, was avenged last Friday when Joseph Potts and his wife, Elizabeth, were "hanged by the neck till they were dead" at Elko, Nev.

WE have not noticed that any Republican organ has denounced Mr. Blaine as a free trader.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.