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THE Congress of the United States is composed of two branches—the Senate and Reed.—Atchison Globe.

REED, McKinley, or some other good protectionist, should call Mr. Blaine to one side and whisper to him that he is making sad havoc with the "home-market argument."

WHATEVER a man's personal follies may be, he never succeeds in showing the depths of idiocy to which he can descend until he tries to run the universe for other people.—Exchange.

It is announced that President Harrison has subscribed \$2 to the Grant monument fund. That is \$1.95 more than any man will ever subscribe to a monument for Harrison.—Memphis Avalanche.

It is said one of the \$25,000 notes given by Quay to cover the treasury steal of 1880 remains unpaid and is in the hands of a citizen of Pittsburgh. It would be worth the lieutenant-governorship to retire that obligation.—Pittsburgh Post.

The Federal election bill is merely an act to keep the ins in and the outs out. Unscrupulously exerted, the powers it confers would convert the republic into a leasehold for the Quays, the Dudleys, and the Reeds.—Kansas City Times.

WHILE Secretary Blaine's efforts to inaugurate a universal system of free trade throughout the Western Continent can not be too highly commended, it may be suggested that he has chosen the wrong political party for the accomplishment of his purpose.—Philadelphia Record.

THE St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that "the Democratic scheme to split the Republican party will not succeed." We do not see why there should be any such scheme as long as Mr. Blaine is willing to denounce the McKinley tariff bill as "an infamous measure."—Atlanta Constitution.

"THE gentleman from Tennessee," better known as Gus Enloe, got in his work again Friday night as usual. The private pension-grabbers bill came up when Enloe objected on the ground of "no quorum." The pension thieves howled, but Enloe was firm, and the "kawkus" adjourned.—Jackson Times.

QUAY'S convention in Pennsylvania makes a clean job of it. The history of American politics furnishes no parallel for this performance—the absolute control of a great party in one of the chief States of the union by a thief, who actually compels the party to endorse him as a patriot and statesman.—New York Post.

THE laborer is not the primary cause of strikes. It is the millionaire manufacturer. The manufacturer demands protection through a tariff on foreign made goods, and when he gets the protection he wants, then he cuts down the wages of his workmen to a point of starvation, and hence a strike follows. The manufacturer makes a racket for protection that he may grow richer, and then the working man makes a racket for wages sufficient to keep himself and family from starving. Now, who is to blame for all the labor troubles in the land? The Republican party first, because it gives the manufacturer protection; and the manufacturer second, because he is protected. The working man is not to blame because he is seeking bread for a starving family.

GENERAL NEWS.

A race war is threatened near Amite, La.

Four cases of sunstroke were reported in St. Louis Saturday.

A deadly epidemic of diphtheria is raging at St. George, W. Va.

There are said to be thirty-five different kinds of granite in Maine.

The international Sunday school convention adjourned last Friday.

Russia is said to be preparing to enforce her indemnity demands on Turkey.

A general strike of masons, carpenters, and bricklayers, has occurred at Bruna.

Strikes among coal miners in Nova Scotia, and street-car drivers in Illinois are on.

The annual Yale-Harvard boat race, which occurred last Friday, was won by the Yale crew.

Five car-loads of Mormon converts from Russia passed through Tusculumbia, Ala., last Friday.

The World's Fair commissioners have decided to recommend the lake front as a site for the fair.

No one knows why jeweler John Schaible, of Troy, Ohio, put a bullet in his brain last Friday night.

A six-year-old daughter of Mrs. W. L. Diess, of Bucyrus, Ohio, drank carbolic acid, and is not expected to live.

Washington authorities have declared the action of the Chickasaw legislature to disfranchise adopted citizens was null and void.

England will retain a consular agent in Heligoland, Africa. Germany will not erect fortifications there without consulting England.

John Corbitt appeared before the police court at Cincinnati and asked for the release from the work-house of his divorced wife, to re-marry her.

At Winchester, Ky., William Bush, who shot his wife is not expected to live himself if the mob on his trail succeeds in getting him.

Two lady candidates for school commissioner of Garrard County will prove whether Kentucky women can run as well as the Kentucky horses.

A sensational suicide occurred at Franklin, Ky., the victim being Mrs. John Shaub, a wealthy widow. This was her second attempt at self-destruction.

Sara Bernhardt confesses a platonic love for Henry M. Stanley, and says she "would jump at the chance to accompany him to the heart of Africa."

The New South Wales subsidy to the San Francisco mail will cease after November next unless the American subsidies towards the service are continued.

A man at Brownfield, Me., who has been married sixteen years and has moved thirty-five times during that period, thinks he has beaten the record as a rolling stone.

An ex-member from Iowa took a seat on the floor of the House recently. He thought he was going to hit a chair, but he missed it by a few inches, and went all the way down.

Congressman Enloe succeeded in getting the contract renewed for the river mail. This special service is of great benefit to the Tennessee River country, says the Clifton Times.

Napoleon Lovell, who killed his wife and nearly murdered her uncle at Charleston, S. C., February 17, has been convicted of murder in the first degree, and sentenced to be hanged September 5.

L. G. Day, a Methodist Episcopal minister at Wheeling, W. Va., has been arrested on the charge of bigamy. The allegation is that he has a wife and children here and another family in Wyoming.

The attorney for Patrick O'Sullivan, under life sentence with Daniel Coughlin, and Martin Burke, for the murder of Dr. Cronin, applied for a transcript of the case, for appeal to the supreme court of Illinois.

Important revelations are expected when the prisoners who have just been released by the Mahdi reach European civilization once more. Among them doubtless are some who have long been mourned as dead.

The uniform made by John Wanamaker for the members of the Cleveland, Ohio, life-saving crew is as thick as a carpet, and they were discharged for taking it off long enough to put it through a wringer and find themselves.

After two Brooklyn pugilists had fought five rounds the other night, and were both badly used up, the mother of one of them, so it is stated, appeared on the scene, knocked down a few spectators with a club, and scattered the others.

Two negro men at Harmony Grove, Ga., got into a difficulty about the attention which one of them was paying the wife of the other, when the husband emptied the contents of a gun into the former, killing him instantly.

A dispatch from Ohio tells of one of the shortest courtships on record. The groom was a guest at a Canton hotel. He became infatuated with the cook the day of his arrival, proposed, and being accepted, married her at once.

Major Jones, editor of the St. Louis Republic, will be married early next month to Mrs. Parsons, a handsome young widow of Washington, D. C., and will sail with his bride the 15th of July for Europe, where they will pass the summer.

Since the announcement of the liberation of John L. Sullivan, at Purvis, Miss., it is stated that the Sullivan-Jackson fight will take place under the auspices of the Virginia Athletic Association, on their grounds at Richmond, within 6 miles of the capitol.

Alfred Dries, a drunken brute, of St. Joseph, Mo., attempted to shoot his mother Sunday night because she refused to give him money. His sister struck his arm as he raised his revolver to shoot causing the ball to take effect in his own body, producing a fatal wound.

The Baltimore American reports that for the past two weeks some one has been flooding that city with \$10 counterfeit bills. The counterfeit is not a new one, but is extremely hard to detect, and has puzzled experts. It is on the Germania National Bank of New Orleans, La., bears check letter C, and is signed W. S. Rosecrans, Register of the Treasury, and C. N. Jordan, Treasurer.

Rain-in-the-Face, the once noted Sioux chief, ranking next to Sitting Bull in renown, and made prominent through his connection with the Custer massacre in Montana, recently had a quarrel with his young wife, whom he had neglected for another woman, and that night while he lay asleep his wife plunged a knife into his side. He is dangerously wounded, and great excitement prevails at the Standing Rock Agency, N. Dak.

Politics in the Census.

Pittsburgh (Pa.) Post.]

There are loud complaints from all parts of the country of the blundering and careless way in which the census has been taken. These come up especially strong from the South, and it is hinted there is a political purpose in view in reducing the South's representative population. If it can be proved the loyal Briton Mr. Harrison appointed Census Superintendent has been playing a political game in taking the census, his future career will not be on a bed of roses.

Vote-Buying in Maine.

Boston Herald.]

The New York World publishes a letter from the district of Congressman Reed in Maine, in which very serious charges of vote buying are made. It is stated that the success of Mr. Reed in always getting elected to Congress, on which we commented on yesterday, comes largely from the employment of money in bribery at elections, and that a good deal of this money is furnished by corporations which regard Mr. Reed as their representative in Congress. It strikes us that these statements are made so specifically, and that the opposition by Mr. Reed's supporters in the district to a form of balloting which shall prevent bribery does so much to confirm them, that they call for attention.

Blaine's Reformation.

Chattanooga Times.]

We are fearful that James G. Blaine is not going to live much longer, or that he thinks so at least. Whenever a Republican begins to confess his sins, turn from his evil ways and try to live a better life, it is pretty dead certain that he is trying to get himself in proper shape for eternity. We have seen some evidence of reform on Jeem's part for some time. He first announced his emphatic disapproval of the proposed Federal election law, and he then set both feet down on Reed's arbitrary and tyrannical policy in the House, and now he is reported as saying that "the McKinley tariff bill is the most dangerous and infamous measure devised by any party."

If he keeps on at this rate, he may atone for his past life and qualify himself to wear wings when he goes hence.

Afraid of the People.

St. Louis Republic.]

The nomination of United States Senator by direct vote of the people is an urgent necessity of our politics. It involves no change whatever in our constitutional system, as the case is directly parallel to that of a presidential election, in which the President is not really elected, but is nominated by the popular vote, to be afterwards elected by the Electoral College in the manner prescribed by the Constitution.

It is everywhere acknowledged that corruption is an inevitable result of nominating the Senators through the caucus system. The caucus is wholly responsible. It has been openly held in the United States Senate that giving and receiving bribes in caucus is not a punishable offense. The member of the legislature who sells his vote in a party caucus can not be sent to the penitentiary for it, and the plutocrat who thus purchases a Senatorship can not be unseated in any way for the crime he has committed against the people.

A Sensational State.

Mural Halstead.]

Indiana is a sensational State. Attorney-General Michener saw, the other night, a ball of fire as big as a goose egg emerge from a telephone, and it "exploded" with a noise like a cannon, close to his nose. This was in the same town where recently there were seven earthquakes in one frame house within one hour, accompanied by the sound of a mighty rushing torrent. No one was hurt in either case, and the torrent was not tapped.

An Anecdote of General Lee.

New York World.]

General Lee at one time was very much bored by a Georgian man who had made frequent personal applications for a furlough. One morning the General asked his tormenter if he understood the position of a soldier. The latter said he did. He was ordered to assume it. General Lee then gave the command: "Right about face; forward, march." As he never gave the command to "halt" the Georgian kept on marching until he got tired. He did not get his furlough.

Revolutionary Movements in Mexico.

Reports, which are absolutely reliable, have reached San Antonio, Tex., of a seditious and revolutionary movement going on in the States of Mexico, bordering on the Rio Grande. Papers however friendly to Mexico and the Diaz administration, can no longer suppress the news. The movement is not confined to any one locality, but is undoubtedly widespread. It is now claimed on evidence of Diaz's intentions very shortly of declaring himself dictator of Mexico. General Reysse, governor of Nuevo Leon, heretofore a not very strong supporter of Diaz, has been offered the portfolio of minister of war, and has had the effect of quieting his discontent; and Governor Gerza Galan, of Coahuila, who has always been an avowed enemy of President Diaz, has been in the City of Mexico for the past several months, where it is claimed that he is being retained by force, amounting almost to imprisonment.

A Well Flowing Honey.

Frankfort, Ky., special.]

There is a bluff on the Cumberland River known as Fox Bluff, situated in Tennessee, about 29 miles from this city. The bluff rises straight from the bed of the river a distance of at least 175 feet.

For generations immense swarms of bees, which have increased until they now number millions, have made their home in a crevice of the cliff about 75 feet from the top. So rich had their stores of honey grown, that a constant rivulet of sweets besmeared the rocks below. The position was so inaccessible, however, as to defy all efforts to reach the bees' treasure.

A few weeks ago William Starks, a Yankee well-digger, arrived in the neighborhood to bore a well. He was told of the beehive on the river and conceived the idea of boring for honey, just as he would for water.

A number of farmers agreed to divide expenses and the work was begun. A 3-inch hole was bored from the top of the bluff, and at a depth of 85 feet the drill struck what the plucky well-borer was in search of—the honey.

A gentleman from this county was on the spot after every tub, barrel, and vessel in 2 miles of the bluff had been filled and carried off to neighboring farms, says the syndicate had sent to Nashville several days before his arrival for one hundred barrels. They have estimated the quantity of honey in the cavern to be at least 300 barrels.