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McKINLEY is all right and there's nothing the matter with Tom Reed.

The Republicans of St. Paul have nominated Frank B. Doran for mayor.

The Moorhead News nominates R. P. Bland for president, to head the ticket of the "Free Coinage Party."

UNDER no circumstances will Hon. G. G. Hartley, of Duluth, be a candidate for congress or any other office this year.

HON. ROBERT A. SMITH will probably be the Democratic nominee for Mayor of St. Paul. There will be four candidates in the field.

MINNEAPOLIS Tribune: And now even "taking cold" is ascribed to bacteria. Taking on a jag will be classed among the germ diseases next.

The probabilities are that the State school fund has been plundered of an amount as great as its entire present fund.—Ignatius Donnelly in the Representative.

THE St. Paul News has gone the way of all "independent" newspapers—into the Democratic party.—Elk River Star-News.

Which is equivalent to saying that the News has gone busted. The News has suspended publication.

ST. CLOUD Journal-Press: Both Democratic papers of St. Paul, are in the hands of receivers. And yet they wonder why the people have not more confidence in their ability to run the business affairs of this country.

THOSE whose profess to know give it out that the Republican State convention will be held prior to July 1st. By that time the candidates expect to have their fences in good repair. THE UNION votes for a June convention.

JIM HILL says money is plentiful in the New York banks and can be easily obtained by those who do not need it, but cannot be had on any terms by those who would make good use of it in legitimate business enterprises.

A BRAINERD friend writes: "The Republicans of the entire Sixth district are interested in the selection of a candidate for congress. I am not in favor of permitting a ward caucus in Duluth to determine who our standard-bearer shall be."

ELK RIVER Star-News: Duluthians are asking whether we people in the lower end of the district would prefer Mr. Towne or Mr. Kinney for congressman next fall. Better find out whether Duluth is going to name the congressman first.

CHAS. CANNING, of Duluth, died at his farm in Hendrum, Norman county, Sunday morning. Mr. Canning was a prominent member of the Populist party. He was an honest and conscientious man and a firm believer in his political convictions.

It is the opinion of leading English politicians that dissensions in the Liberal ranks will cause the downfall of Lord Rosebery's ministry at an early date. A faction of the Irish home rule party absolutely refuses to follow Rosebery's leadership.

THE girls of Cromwell, Iowa, have formed an organization and pledged themselves "never to marry a man who is not intelligent, honest and industrious, good natured, cleanly in person and apparel, healthy, sober, a church-member and a total abstainer from liquor, tobacco and profanity." If they keep their pledge each and every one of them will die an old maid.

THE Minneapolis Journal assumes that Att'y Gen'l Childs will have no opposition in the Republican State convention. He ought to have opposition. The opinion he gave to Auditor Biermann justifying the private sale of State timber should damn him.

FRANK and Louis Floyd, the two receivers and disbursers of Phil. Scheig's bank plunder, have been taken to the pen. at Stillwater, and several score of the feminine members of the first families of Minneapolis mourn and refuse to be comforted. The mawkish ladies should cheer up. The Minneapolis jail will not be long without a rapist or murderer, and probably Menage may hold receptions there before many moons.

THE State Democratic association has issued an address to the Democratic voters of the State which sounds like a wail from a lost soul. The Democrats in congress are soundly berated for their cowardly and vacillating policy on the tariff question. Twelve Democratic senators are mentioned as traitors, men whose names are "fit to stand alongside of Benedict Arnold in the annals of our country." In 1896 one of these Benedict Arnolds is liable to be the Democratic candidate for president.

THE next legislature should get after the express robbers—the companies, we mean—and any member of that body who fails to do his duty in that respect, should be relegated to the political mourner's bench for the rest of his life.—Slayton Herald.

HON. S. J. ABBOTT, the member from Faribault county, introduced a bill in the last legislature which sought to regulate the express companies. After a hard fight the bill passed the house but was killed in the senate. Return such men as Judge Abbott to the next legislature and there will be no trouble in securing the desired legislation.

TIME TO HALT.

Hoke Smith got in his work on an old pensioner of our village this week. Capt. P. Phinney received notice Tuesday that his pension had been reduced from \$12 to \$8 a month. Mr. Phinney was a member of the famous "Iron Brigade." He carries a rebel bullet in his right foot, and is unable to do any manual labor on account of a running sore, caused by the wound.

It's an infernal shame that such a wrong can be perpetrated. Hoke Smith, however, cannot override the law; and Lochren, as a soldier judge, fire-tested in war and highly honored in peace, would not, in the opinion of those who know him. Wronged veterans—many of whom, like Capt. Phinney, not only went to the front themselves, but had sons in the Union army—could do a good service by appealing to the Republicans in congress to endeavor to secure the repeal of the laws that allow such a thing. Half the effort wasted in filibustering would accomplish a great deal of entirely proper work in unmaking some laws.—Rock County News (Dem.).

The law is all right but it is wrongly interpreted by Democratic officials. What good would it do to appeal to Republican members of congress when they are in a minority in both branches?

It is well known that one aspirant for State office has based his boom on his antagonism to the lumbermen and the lumber interests of the State.—Minneapolis Lumberman.

The above refers to the editor of this paper and is totally devoid of truth. In this connection we take the liberty of publishing the following letter received from the president of one of the leading lumber firms of Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 4, '94.
R. C. Dunn: If you are correctly reported in an interview published in the Journal of this city a few days ago, I think you have the right plan for handling the pine timber on the lands belonging to the State, a plan by which the timber can be disposed of without scandal or annoyance to any one and the State get full value for the timber. If you get to be State auditor you will have my earnest support in carrying out your policy as to disposition of the public timber. I am not a politician, have no "axes to grind" or "fences to repair," and a stranger to you, and write this as a personal matter to you and not for use in any way, thinking that it may be some satisfaction to you to know that I think you are right in regard to your pine timber policy.
Very respectfully,

MR. TILLMAN, the cranky chief executive officer of South Carolina, swears he is the truest representative of Jeffersonian Democracy in American politics. But he entertains a far different opinion of President Cleveland. The governor is quoted as saying:

I despise Cleveland and his mugwumps. He is no better than the rankest Republican. He has destroyed the Democratic party. The south and west will be forced now to unite and have a complete reorganization of party lines. The people who are afraid of the negro, and who are separated on other questions will have to cast aside their fears on these scores and come together on one line of fighting the money combination. Cleveland has been working under the dictation of New York bankers and bargaining with them on the issue of bonds. He promised the banks if they would take them there would be no more legislation on the silver question by this congress.

Congress passed the seigniorage act and he vetoed the bill, indicating plainly the nature of his bargain with the bankers. The whole thing is such a scheme of robbery that he ought to be impeached for it. It is a shame and disgrace. Grover Cleveland is owned body and soul by these scoundrels. His attempt to brow-beat and debauch the senators and representatives was outrageous in the extreme. If those cowardly congressmen up there had any appreciation of their duty to their constituents they would impeach him.

JAMES J. HILL, president of the Great Northern, has recently returned from a six week's trip to Europe. In an interview with a Pioneer Press reporter, among other things he said: "I was particularly interested, and took occasion to look up, as far as I could, the silver question. There is no room for doubt that in England there is a great change going on in the feeling of all the commercial classes in regard to silver. Nearly all the writers on political economy and many of the leading statesmen, as well as a great many merchants and manufacturers, are becoming bimetalists."

It seems to be the opinion generally of the India officials that England can no more demonetize silver in India by an act of parliament than she could make Christians of the Mussulman and Hindoo inhabitants by an act of parliament. The Chinese merchants, who, by the way, are the equal of any other merchants in the purchase, exchange and distribution of commodities of the nations with which they deal, have practical control of the Indian and Eastern Asiatic trade. They pay them in silver and exchange their products for commodities which they convert into gold, and the India manufacturer of cotton goods and yarn—in passing allow me to state that the cotton yarns of India have in ten years increased from 10,000,000 to 175,000,000 weight, paying their employees low wages in silver bought at a heavy discount below the gold standard—are able to undersell the Manchester manufacturers who pay gold to their employees. To make the situation worse still for the English manufacturer India insists on levying a tax on English cotton goods and on all English manufactures to enable her to meet the large deficit in her governmental expense, and this tax, together with the increased cost growing out of the gold standard in England as against the silver standard in India, has practically driven the English people out of the trade." Referring to national politics in this country—and be it remembered Mr. Hill is a Democrat—he said, "the people throughout the North feel that the Democratic party is better out of power than in power with the responsibility of conducting the affairs of the nation."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Senator Washburn is Booked for a Speech on the Mongrel Tariff Bill.

The Elections Have Demoralized the Democrats and the Bill May not Pass.

From the Union's Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—With the exception of the speech of Dave Hill the tariff debate has not been very interesting. Voorhees was disappointing, Allison was so long he could not be followed with any degree of interest and Peffer droned to empty benches. When the debate arrives at the give and take stage then it will assume more interest.

Senator Washburn is going to make a speech on the bill devoted to the disasters which will follow wiping out the reciprocity treaties and which will not allow any more such commercial treaties to be made. The Minnesota senator has been looking up the subject very carefully, and besides, his intimacy with Blaine has given him a comprehensive knowledge of the whole subject of reciprocity, which was one of the crowning triumphs of the great statesman's life. "It is nothing short of madness," said Senator Washburn, "to abrogate the treaties that have thus far been made and which have resulted in opening markets to our products in every part of the world." Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, who is leading the fight against the tariff bill, has listened to some of the facts which Senator Washburn has been preparing, and says that the argument of the Minnesota senator on this subject ought to be sufficient to continue the present reciprocity treaties in force.

Minnesota is especially interested in reciprocity because the new markets that are being opened for Minnesota flour, as well as many other products, furnish an outlet for the chief product of the State. The reason why reciprocity had to be abandoned in the present tariff bill is that it would have materially affected the sugar trust and the Louisiana planters, whom it is designed to protect. By reciprocity sugar from Cuba comes in free in exchange for our flour; German sugar in exchange for the admission of flour, pork, beef, and other American products; and there are other numerous examples, which show that reciprocity is a great advantage and must be abandoned to serve the interests of a few sugar men. But more than that the principle of reciprocity is abandoned because it is a Republican measure, and contains the essence of the Republican doctrine that our tariff laws should be made to promote our commercial prosperity.

The great rival of Donnelly in Baconian discovery, Dr. Owen, of Detroit, has been here and has set Washington Shakespearean scholars wild. I asked Owen about Donnelly's cipher, and he replied: "Mr. Donnelly wrote a great book; but if he is right I am wrong."

The recent elections in different parts of the country have been very discouraging to the Democrats, and many senators of that party fear that the effects will be very disastrous upon the tariff bill. It is known that several are consenting to a policy of delay, and hope that the bill may not pass before the fall elections when the protest against it will be so emphatic that it may be killed altogether.

There is little doubt now of there being three well developed booms for the Republican presidential nomination. Harrison, Reed and McKinley are all in the race; a three cornered fight with a dark horse and probable winner.

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