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The President and Hawaii.

After the President had given assurance in his message that be would lay before Congress, at the earliest practicable moment, all the information in his possession concerning the Hawaiian difficulties, there was almost indecent be of more than ordinary interest to haste in the resolution introduced in the Senate calling for the facts which there was every assurance would be given as soon as they could be definite. ter LEGNARD RHONE said : ly ascertained. A ,partisan , purpose evidently prompted the offering of this resolution, and so far as it implied that the President was witholding something which Congress had a right to know, it was an affront to the executive department of the government.

In this Hawaiian affair the President has acted entirely within constitutional limits. When he took charge of the government he found that the previous administration had been engaging in an unwarrantable interference in the affairs of another country." He had a right to send a commissioner to investigate these irregular and unprecedented proceedings, and to ascertain the extent and the manner in which our relations with a neighboring and friendly government had been abused. That commissioner from the ascertainment of facts obtained in the locality of the difficulty, reports that the regularly constituted authority in Haweii had been overthrown by a minister seems to have been the leading spirit, and for the accomplishment of which the American naval force had been employed and the American flag had been piratically used.

These are the salient facts connected with this matter. The President has done his duty in regard to them, and after they have been laid before Congress it will be within the province of that body to determine what is necessary and proper to be done in the premises. This is about all that is tion and should be elected by the peoinvolved in this Hawaiian question, so tar as the President is connected with it, but it certainly embraces a great deal that concerns the honor and good name of the Republic.

The death of Hon. JOHN CESSNA, which occurred at his home in Bedford on Wednesday night last, removes one whose political career has been almost as remarkable as lengthy. He began life as a Democrat, and as far back as 1847, filled the position of revenue commissioner, for his district having controlled exclusively by the General been appointed to the position by Judge Black. AIn 1850 he was the Democratic speaker of the House of Representatives, at Harrisburg, and up until late in 1861 filled important position in the organization and council meetings of his party. Suffering from political disappointment, he went over to the Republican party and was elect volume shall have reached the amount Lebanon furnaces, owned by Coleman ed to the House of Representatives and made speaker of that body in 1862. He was chairman of the Republican Place it beyond the power of any class State-convention in 1865, and represented his district in Congress from 168

In 1868 he assisted to nominate GRANT at Chicago, was a delegate to balance of trade in their favor. the convention that nominated HAYES in '76, and was one of the "306" in the Republican convention of 1880. After for us to maintain it on a parity an absence of 30 years he was returned They tell as that if we add \$600,000, to the Legislature in 1892, and during the last session occupied an independent position on political questions. His efforts and successes in defeating a lot of pernicious job legislation, during the last night of the session, is & matter that will long be remembered to his credit, and won for him the sabriquet of "old man eloquent."

A Suggestion that Suggests No Amprovement.

The suggestion made by Worthy Master RHONE in his opening address to the Grangers, at Harrisburg, on Tuesday, that the law under which ed, so as to require their election by the people, is a brilliant idea, if his object is to make that body a part of the Republican machine. It would take just one election under Mr. RHONE's proposed method, to make that Board solidly Republican in Pennsylvania, and to fill it with men who would know and care no more about the interest of agriculturists, than the ordinary Republican politician knows or cares about the interests of free trade, we will abide the result; if, the people generally,

Just why, merchants, mechanics. who have no knowledge of the quest of protection to enable the farmer to clamation tonight announcing this fact. the most critical examination.

the matters that occupy its time and choose its members is a matter that Mr. REONE is discreetly quiet about.

Farmers in Council.

Worthy Master Rhone Addresses the Patrons of

The State Grange opened its annual meeting at Harrisburg on Tuesday afternoon. The attendance is said to be large, and the matters that will be conmembers of that organization. In his speech welcoming the representatives of the different granges, Worthy Mas-

"The growth of the Order has been strong and vigorous. A number of new organizations have been instituted during the year, and large numbers have been added to the ranks of those heretofore established. The fraternity and activity which pervades our people are harbingers of still greater prosperity in the future.

"The finances of the Grange are also ful management on the part of the officers having control of this department. We wish to acknowledge our appreciation of the work already accomplished and being carried forward in the Grange. Their zeal and energy are especially commendable, and the results are plainly appreciable.

"The press is recognized as a great power in formulating public opinion upon the important questions of the that circulate most largely are not in sympathy with us and present only tellectual fitness. their side of the case, and are therefore misleading. It is a fact which great dailies of the large cities are under the influence of the great money Grange has been persistent in its deconspiracy in which the American power of the nation, and are therefore attempt that is made by us to relieve upon us by State and national legisla-

> "The present system of electing the members of the State Board of Agriculture is un-American and anti-Democratic and should be changed at the earliest opportunity. Under existing laws a single society in a locality or country, to the exclusion of all other organizations of citizens, have the right to elect the representatives. The Board of Agriculture is a State instituple. If the selection is to be made by agricultural societies, as at present, then why not allow all farmere's organizations to participate in the selection? But, better still, let them be elected by the people at the polls as all other officers are elected.

"The propriety of such a law seems mend that our people insist upon its passage at the earliest period.

THE CURRENCY TROUBLE.

unit in demanding that \$50 per capita tives. should be fixed by law as the amount of the circulating medium or moneygold, silver, and paper on a paritywhich should emanate from and be Government. All favored banking institutions should be abolished, and all currency be a full legal tender for payment of all debts, public and private.

"The Government should control the volume of money absolutely and not delegate it to any class of people. The free coinage of silver and gold and the issue of United States notes instead of the present national bank until the will give permanency to the currency. to contract or inflate and the true interests of the country will be subserved. Sufficient gold must be held in reserve to receem the United States bonds abroad as they mature and pay

"The triends of a single gold basis insist that if we encourage the free coinage of silver it will be impossible 000 of silver coin already in existence our financial ship will sink. I know there is an old adoge that 'it is the last straw that breaks the camel's back,' but I cannot believe that a few additional millions of silver coin will impede financial progress or cause the

great ship of state to founder. "It is worthy of note that all the complaints which are going up to Congress in regard to silver are from the money centres. The great majoritv of the people—the wage earners and bread winners-are for silver and a

a single gold standard. WITH REGARD TO THE TAREFF.

"In regard to the revision of the tariff the Grange has not in the past members of State Board of Agricul- and does not now maintain any fixed ture are now chosen should be amend, standard. Our object is the greatest good to the greatest number. Whilst we believe it to be our highest duty to labor for the amelioration and prosperity of our own class, we do not desire to wage war on any other industry. If the manufacturer insists upon free raw material and protection upon manufactured articles, so far as relates to the raw material produced by the great agricultural class we represent we claim Mayor's chair. the same measure of protection that is awarded the manufacturer.

"In other words, if the tariff reform is intended as a nearer approach to on the other hand, protection is award. ed the manufacturer who has to compete with foreign labor, then the during the last fiscal year was \$106,401.

tions that the Board of Agriculture is compete with foreign labor in producsupposed to consider or no interest in ing raw material. Equality before the law and an equal opportunity with other pursuits to gain a livelihood and attention, should be called upon to secure reasonable remuneration for labor and capital invested, is true American doctrine. The great inequality which exists in our State in regard to the taxation of property for State and local purposes is alarming.

STATE TAK LAWS.

"The unjust burden placed upon real estate has been shown time and again, and still the burden largely remains. Every effort that has been made to enforce the Constitution, which declares that taxation shall be equal has been sidered during the week, promise to adroitly attempted to be turned aside, and to-day the agricultural people of Pennsylvania are paying twice the amount of tax that should be exacted of them. These monstrous abuses, heaped upon our class by unjust revenue laws, have unjustly exacted millions of dollars from the agricultural class, and assisted in no small degree in reducing our people to their present untoward condition, and rendered them restless and discontented under the galling yoke imposed by legislation secured by aggregated capital.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS.

"Free mail delivery in the rural districts should be insisted upon as a right in a sound condition and indicate care- or abandoned in cities. If the Government cannot afford to serve rural districts it should retrench by refusing it in cities. Election of United States Senators by the people, as Representatives to the lower house are now electby the Committee on Woman's Work ed, we esteem highly proper. The in the Grange. Their zeal and energy more closely officials are allied to their constituents the more likely they will be to serve them and represent them. Under the existing system of electing it is feared that wealth and influenc and party management have often day. In many cases the newspapers more to do in their selection than meritorious services or moral and in-

"Gambling in farm products is believed to be detrimental to the best cannot be disguised that most of the interests of producers and consumers, and should be prohibited by law. The mand that Congress place this species squarely against us and ridicule every of gambling side by side with lotteries and faro banks, and that severe penalourselves of the unjust burden fastened | ties be attached for findulgence in the pernicious practice.'

Congressman Clark Uses a Knife.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12-Congressman Champ Clark, one of the new Democratic members from Missouri, engaged in a heated political contro versy on Saturday night with a col ored Republican of local prominence. Marcellus I West, whom he encount ered in a restaurant. The result was a fight, in which the congressman drew a knife and slashed his adversary's neck, and the colored politician hammered the congressman until he had to be sent to the hospital. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Clark made his appearance after thirty-six hours in retirement for repairs, and was served with a warrant charging him with asso obvious that we urge and recom will be settled out of court and the charge withdrawn, Mr. Clark promises to confine his political discussions in Washington hereafter to the regu-"All farmers' organizations are a lar debates in the house of representa-

Brighter Business.

Works of all Sorts Are Resuming in Many Sec

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 12 .- The Delaware Iron Works, at New Castle, have resumed full operations in all de partments, giving employment to about 500 men.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 12.-The Lucknow forges, which have been idle for months, will fire up tomorrow, to run steadily all winter. Lebanon, Pa., Dec. 12 .- The North

we have indicated, we believe to be & Brock, and the Colebrook turnaces, the true policy and the only one that owned by Robert H. Coleman, will renew work about January 1, and will give employment to about 300 hands, and will consult with his colleagues up-HIGHLAND, Wis., Dec 12 .- The Mineral Point Zinc Works have started up after six months' idleness.

HARRISBURG Pa., Dec., 12.-The nail department of the Harrisburg Nail Works, at Fairview, is now in operation, and the activity in business comes as a happy Christmas gift.

Scared by the Black Flags.

London's Unemployed March in Processsion Un der Lurid Banner

LONDON, Dec. 12 .- Black and red flags borne at the head of a great procession of unemployed gave London a mild scare to-day. Thousands of men out of work met at Tower Hill and heard speeches by labor agitators. Then they marched to Hyde Park under their lurid banner, heard more speeches and marched back. On the way the police captured the most offensive banner carried in the lines. Then men were allowed to march to larger volume of money, while the Cheapside, were officers charged and money lenders are for contraction and dispersed the mob. Shopkeepers in the vicinity of the disturbance feared that the mob might loot their stores and suspended business.

Democrats Win in Boston

Matthews Re elected Mayor by About 6000 Plu-

Boston, Mass., Dec. 12.-After one of the most bitterly-contested municipal elections of recent years, Nathan Matthews, Jr., the Democratic candidate, was to-day re-elected Mayor by a plurality of about 6000 over ex-Postmaster Thomas N. Hart, Republican, who preceeded bim in the

The indications are that the Democrats will retain control of the City

Reduction of the State Debt \$106,401.

HARRISBURG, Pa., December 11 .-The actual reduction of the state debt

Hon. John Cessna

Full of Years and Honors He Passes Into the Great Beyond.

BEDFORD, Pa., December 13.-Ex Congressman John Cessna died at 11 o'clock to-night of diabetes in his 72d year. Mr. Cessna has been in bad health for the past three months. In fact, his illness dates back to the closing hours of the last legislature, where both on the floor and in the committee rooms he was an untiring worker. For the past few days every citizen has been earnestly inquiring after the health of the venerable statesman, vet while this is being written not a dozen persons outside of his own family, his physicians and the newspaper men know that "Uncle John," as he was known by every person in the county, both old and young, for over half a century, is lying cold in death.

went to New York on a business errand against the advice of his physicians and with one or two exceptions he has not left his home since. has been surrounded by his family during the past two weeks, but not until this week have they realized that his condition was serious. About a week ago, a trust judgment in favor of his son was entered against him for \$17,-000. There is no telling what estate he may leave as his money is tied up in coal lands. The funeral will take

place on Saturday. John Cessna has been a commanding and interesting figure in Pennsylvania and national politics for forty vears. Few men have continued act ively interested in public affairs to such a late period in life, and few have enjoyed such uninterrupted regularity.

He was born in Colerain township. Bedford county, June 29, 1821. His common schools. He was a member of the Forty-first and Forty-third congresses, serving on the committee on elections and the war department. In the forty-third congress he was a member of the judiciary committee, of which Benjamin F. Butler was chair-

When the deceased entered upon his political career he was a democrat. He attended the democratic national convention in May, 1856, when James Buchanan was nominated for the presidency, and was a delegate to the Charleston convention in 1860. When the rebellion broke out Mr. Cessna became a republican and was a dele gate to the republican national conven. tions of 1868, 1876 and 1880.

No State Aid For Schools.

Cardinal Gibbons, it is Said, Advises the Subject

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 12.-The school question was considered at the quarterly meeting of the Catholic clergy at the residence of the Vicar General to day. Cardinal Gibbons presid-

The circular recently issued advocatthe Legislature on that subject were Georgia. discussed.

While all present favored State aid or parochial schools it was determined not to agitate the question any further

The Cardinal is said to have advised that the matter be dropped.

Preparing for '96.

National Democratic Committee to open Headquarters at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. Quincy, of Massachusetts, and William Harrity, of Pennsylvania, members of the Executive Committee of the National Democratic Committee, will be in Washington this week for the purpose of organizing permanent committee headquarters. A correspondence bureau will be opened at once and the campaign of education preparatory to the big fight of 1896 begun.

Ben. T. Cable, another member of the committee, is now in Washington on their arrival.

Holiday Excursion Tickets on the Penn svlvania Railroad.

For the benefit of the increased travel which the holiday season always brings, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will this year sell excursion tickets between the various stations on its system at the reduced rate of two cents per mile. Such tickets will be sold between all stations except to and from stations on the Downingtown and Lancaster Branch and the United Railroads of New Jersey Division. The dates of sale are December 22d to 25th and December 29th to January 1st, 1894, inclusive, valid for return un til January 31, 1894, inclusive.

The Prendergast Jury Completed.

CAICAGO, Dec. 12 -A jury to try Patrick Eugene Prendergast for the murder of Carter Harrison, mayor of Chicago, was secured this afternoon after four days' work in Judge Brentano's court. J. M. Blanchard and J. H. Van Inwagen were chosen at the morning session. The 12th man accepted was W. F. White. He was the 207th man examined and when he was added to the number chosen and the jury was complete, an adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, when the opening address to the jury will be made.

Old Engineers Discharged.

WILKESBARRE,. December 11 .-Quite a number of the old engineers on the Wyoming division of the Lehigh Valley railroad were discharged to day from the services of the company. The cause assigned for this action is that he employed hereafter as engineers. now, and employing only young men." Some of the men discharged have been in the employ of the company for

A Plucky Fight for Utah.

Delegate Rawlins Pleads Her Rights to State hood and Holds Up New England's Black Page

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-In the House to-day there was an intesting and amusing debate on the bill to admit Utah. Mr. Rawlins, the delegate from Utah, made his maiden speech and was listened to with marked attention.

Mr. Rawlins said that polygamy was dying from natural causes, and in a short time would cease to exist altogether. The people were not as credulous now as in former years; and, while they believed 40 or 50 years ago in divine ap proval of polygamy and divine pro tection for those who practiced it, they were more enlightened now.

Who were the men responsible for the establishment of polygamy in Utah? asked Mr. Rawlins. They were the About six weeks ago Mr. Cessna and actuated by the sentiments of New England -- a sentiment which burned witches, prosecuted quakers, drove out Roger Williams and produced the gentleman from Massachusetts, (Mr. Morse.) Utah has a smaller percentage of foreign born citizens than Massachusettes or New York, and "there is less polygamy in Utah than in Massachu-

The bill went over.

Cleveland Thanks Mills.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-The president has sent to Senator Mills, of Texas, under date of Dec. 8, the following

"MY DEAR SENATOR-I have just finished reading your speech on the Hawaiian resolution, and, though it is sincere assertion of truly American early education was received in the sentiments, and deals with national honor, conscience and love of justice in a way that will certainly find re sponse in the depth of every true American heart.

"Yours very truly, "GROVER CLEVELAND.

Help for Michigan Miners.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 12-Gov. Rich to day issued a proclamation for aid for ing department, \$19,314.33." the starving miners in the upper peninsular. The Governor says there is some hope that work will shortly be resumed in the mines to a greater or less extent, and this will in a measure relieve the suffering people there. For immediate needs, however, the suffering people must depend wholly upon

Vice President Stevenson in Georgia

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 12.-30,000 there is a tract of forest land which has visitors at the Exposition to-day gave a rousing ovation to Vice President Stevenson, Secretary Herbert, of the Navy : Secretary Smith, of the Interior, and Congressmen Springer and Sperry. President Walsh, of the Exposition, introduced Vice President Stevenson, ing the division of the State school who spoke impressively of the developfunds and the proposed memorial to ment of the South, and especially of

An Anarchist Ordered to Leave.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 12 .- The Dutch Jew, Cohen, sub editor of the anarchist paper Pere Pienard, of Paris who was expelled from France yesterday, sought refuge in Belgium. Immediately upon his arrival he was waited upon by police officials, who ordered him to quit the country.

The Patrons of Husbandry.

HARRISBURG, December 14.-Eigheen new granges and an increase of 5,000 in the membership is the record of growth in the patrons of husbandry Not less than 800 during the year. delegates from the various subordinate bodies attended the annual sessions of the state grange which began here Tuesday.

Cochran Sentenced. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—Henry S. Cochran, the ex-chief weigher of the Philadelphia mint, who was recently convicted of stealing \$135,000 of gold bullion from the institution was morning sentenced to seven years and six months imprisonment in the Eastern penitentiary.

Won't Declare a Dividend.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—It was regarded as a foregone conclusion in financial circles that the Lehigh Valley board of directors, which met Tuesday would not declare the quarterly dividend. It is believed, to be due to the expense and loss attendant upon the strike.

A New Connecticut Bishop.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 12.-A cable dispatch from Rome says that Father Tierney has been appointed Bishop of Hartford.

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ADDITIONAL LOACLS.

OBITUARY .- Mrs. Mary L Hasson died, Nov. 14, at her home near State College, Pa., of a complication of dis she had been afflicted with a form of melancholy that clouded her mental powers and at last hastened her death. By her decease the Presbyterian church at Lemont has lost one of the old members, baptized and admitted to memberteem as well as the respect of all who will be remembered by many as caterer oak. It depends mainly on the species. to the club in the cld State College building and by her sterling honesty tree from a scrub oak, Quercus ilici-

and endeavor to please fastidious tastes she earned for herself the esteem and confidence of all and made many friends. Mr. Hasson has many sympathisers in his bereavement. In speaking of her death we might use the wellworn phrase "the latter end was peace" yet we think that a verse from her favorite bymn, leads its gentle expression with partieular aptitude,

"So fades a summer cloud, away, So links the gale when storms are o'er So gently shuts the lyre of day; So dies a wave along the shore.

WHAT IT COSTS TO RUN PENNSYL-VANIA .- According to the fellowing statement from the Harrisburg Patriot our readers will learn that the expenses incurred in keeping the wheels of the State government turning aggregate an enormous sum

"The payments made at the State treasury for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1893, aggregate \$12,975,-625. 46. Of this amount the public schools received \$4,865,807.10; the soldier's orphans' schools, \$90,255.62; the national guard, \$496,831.55; the Harrisburg fire companies, \$12,000. The suppression of disturbances at Homestead cost the State \$64,985, this amount having been paid out during the year on this account. Other expenditures were as follows: Senate, \$139,870.58; house of representatives, \$435,893.53; judiciary, \$481,218.06; public printing now midnight, I must, before I go to and binding, \$215,180.75; Legislative bed, thank you for it. It is a manly, Record, \$32,089.10; executive department, \$24,383.26; state department, \$46,459.27; auditor general's department \$32,491.77: treasury department, \$17,974.96; attorney general's department, \$17,756.66; department of internal affairs, \$22,478.50; department of public instruction, \$17,488.46; adjutant general's department, \$20,275.00: factory inspector's department, \$19,165.69; insurance department, \$32,762.99; bank-

> A PRIMEVAL FOREST IN CENTRE COUNTY .-- With all the lumbering that has been done in this county, eversince its earliest settlement, one would hardly think it possible that there is a place where nature's virgin garment. can be seen clothing the earth. Yet such is certainly the case. On the Nittany mountain, not far from Bellefonte, never been desecrated by the woodsman's ax and forms what a writer in the Forest Leaves calls a Primeval Forest.

> The Nittany in common with many other mountains in the interior of the State, is double, i. e., of two ranges with a narrow valley between them. It is in the depth of this valley, in the darkness of shade produced by overarch. ing branches, that the forest has grown. A damp soil has furnished congenial footing for many kinds of mosses. These, in turn, help to retain the moisture, and the place is as damp and gloomy almost as if in some deep mountain-bound glen, yet it is not gloomy in that it inspires either awe or undue solemnity, but simply from the absence of sunlight. One might almost say it is the quiet and the same mellowed light that you some times see in a cathedral when the sun is under a cloud. The tree trunks are the columns and the branches above represent the arches of the cathedral.

One looks at the vigorous trees, and thinks only of the vast vitality locked up within them. But among the living trees one finds the decaying remains of those that fell a quarter of a century or more ago. They are essential to our idea of a primeval forest; indeed, to them the increased fertility of the soil and its reproductive capacity are largely due. Not infrequently one sees a hemlock or birch tree which has commenced its growth on top of a fallen log. The latter slowly rotted away from beneath the growing sapling. Time at length completed the destruction of the fallen trunk. The sapling matures into a tree, and is left standing in the air on stilt-like roots. Eventually in settles down more and more near the ground, but its "queer roots" always remain a puzzle to those who have not observed how nature does such

things. The absence of animal life, especially birds, in the forest paths has often been noted, but life is there, and abundantly. Remove the bark from a decaying trunk explore the lower face of a stone or a log, and note how many insects, and of how many kinds, you will see. Remain in the forest through the night, and count the sounds you will hear, from the flight of some nocturnal insect to the stealthy tread of some large eases, aged 53 years. For seven years animal. There is life everywhere, but your eyes and ears must be trained to recognize it.

The old forests on lower grounds do not have, as a rule, so much undergrowth as those on the hillsides, unless it be laurel or rhododendron. Where ship under Dr. Hamill's ministry and these occur they form dense thickets. only men under the age of 45 years will one who enjoyed his confidence and es- On the hillsides young forest trees are coming on. Possibly they may mature making a careful selection of men just knew her kind and gentle spirit and into valuable wood, perhaps they may noble christian life. For five years she never reach a destiny better than scrub

While you can never produce a large