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JOB PRINTING.

JOB FRINTING. The Job department of the PRESS is complete ad affords facilities for doing the best class of fork. PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO LAW PRINTING: No paper will be discontinued ntil arrear-res are paid, except at the option of the pub-laber. Papers sent out of the county must be paid for in advance. for

There are now about 40,000 men in the three-year regular service and the way is open for the recruiting of 25,000 more. For young men who wish to see something of the world and get the ad-vantages of a healthy, disciplinary life at fairly good pay the opportunity is worth considering.

No wonder some of the Spanish officials are asking why the war was not fought out. It has been discovered that Gen. Weyler alone stole \$10,000,000, and that 50,000 false names were car-ried on the pây rolls of the Spanish army in Cuba, in order that the officials might rob the government.

The city of Brevsmuelen, Germany, advertising for the whereabouts of Theodore Kuntze, now supposed to be Incodore Kuntze, now supposed to be in this country. Kuntze has fallen heir to \$100,000 and the city is getting tired of holding the stakes. We are willing to accept the money and keep it in trust for him, even if he does not sall for it for 50 years.

It is perhaps not generally known that the German emperor has a paper published and printed exclusively for himself and for the empress. It is the Imperial Gazette of Berlin, containing a clear and concise daily summary the world's news. The edition of the this paper consists of two copies, doubtless the smallest edition of any paper published.

Among the residents of New York city are seven former cabinet officers. Cor-nelius N. Bliss has recently retired as secretary of the interior, William M. Evarts was in the cabinet under both Johnson and Hayes, Gen. James was with Garfield, Gen. Fairchild with Cleveland's first cabinet, Mr. Carlisle and Mr. Lamont with his second cabinet and Carl Schurz with Hayes.

The mayor of Boston has given orders for the extermination of the English sparrows, which, it may be recalled, were imported into this country in spite of the warnings of some distinguished ornithologists. But Boston has a job ahead of her. The English sparrow seems to be able to increase and multiply faster than a man with a gun can decrease and subtract.

Art does not seem to be deteriorating in America, if the demand for Ameri-can pictures can be accepted as an index of conditions. At the recent sale in New York of Thomas B. Clarke's collection of American paintings some 400 pictures sold for an aggregate of \$306,930, a landscape by George Inness bringing \$10,150, the highest price ever paid at an auction for a picture by an American entited America» artist.

Floyd Edward Whiteman, a student who is totally blind, is the most interesting figure at Cornell university in Ithaca, N. Y. He is taking the regu lar law course of three years, having the law of the democrats, who are giving among the democrats, who are giving banquets in his honor. It is easy for dent reads all his books for him and the some men to make a living.—Cleveland blind youth has such a remarkable Leader. memory that he knows them all nearly

M'KINLEY'S TWO YEARS.

The Democrats Are Feeling Around Since His Election the Country Has Been Growing More Pros-

A POLICY WANTED.

for Something to

Stand On.

ing a disrupting wedge. But these con-ditions have been exactly reversed in

crats have been unable to agree on any important question before the public

The democrats have not been able even to obstruct. The party has collapsed

in the ring, and has not had strength

enough to answer the call of "Time.

the house have called a caucus in the last week of the session to determine

that the party has been without a policy on the floor of the house. It is

an attempt to substitute a caucus die

tory on the individual's record.

The democrats in congress have been

was its leader, and the republican party has been compelled to settle the

matter. Bailey, of Texas, is a young

man who has oratorical capacity, but

who lacks entirely the tact and discre

tion necessary to successful leadership. He has suffered stinging humiliations

in the camp of his alleged followers. Whatever the democrats may d will be better left undone, be

cause the purpose is to unite upon a negative policy, and this is a time for affirmation. The position of the mi-nority party in this country parallels that of the similar party in England.

It is a condition of divided counsels, in

decision and general nervelessness

The dominant party has shown the

courage, the promptness, the capacity

to deal with new problems as they arise and has strengthened itself with the

country, which demands deeds and not

guns. It has completed where it has begun. It has put another successfu

begun. It has put abover successful war for humanity to the credit of a re-publican administration. It has car-ried on in the spirit of the founders of the party and in line with the acts and proclamations of their successors the

duty to fulfill American destiny. In the face of such fidelity and success demo-

cratic promulgations after the battle are merely curiosities of literature.

They are confessions that the future of free silver has been followed by the

failure of stunted Americanism.-Troy

COMMENT AND OPINION.

Bryan is just boarding around

The republican party has stood to its

confidence.

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Times

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The very fact that the democrats of

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The administration of President With little more than a year before McKinley is just entering its third year. It is, therefore, a fitting season to the next national convention of the democratic party it is necessary to do something to provide a platform on inquire if, in a general way, the good results claimed by those who advocated which may stand what remains of that party. Senator Jones, of Arkansas, says that the next national convention his election have been realized by the country. When he was nominated for must affirm the Chicago platform of the office of president, the treasury was fighting to retain its gold reserve, but without success. His predecessor had made two issues of bonds, ostensibly for that purpose, but the proceeds were 1896. Mr. Croker says just the other thing, and the democrats of New York state at their last convention practically disowned Bryanism and all its largely used to make good the deficits of the Wilson-Gorman tarMf. More than The colonel of the Third Ne braska is opposed to accepting the re sults of the war in national growth. But other democrats who were leaders of 90 per cent. of the revenues were being baid in silver funds. The "endless chain" was being used to get the gold the party before Bryan was a voter, say that it will not do to repeat the chain" out of the treasury, which timid peo-ple were hoarding away, or it was being declaration of the national democratic convention in 1864 that "the war is a xported to pay for American securities n Europe which the owners were anx-The hope of a minority party in conous to get rid of. The party which cominated the president promised to gress is in unity in the expectation of

dissensions in the dominant party, and the consequent opportunity for insertmaintain the gold standard. His election put an end to all doubts about the possibility of the country passing to a silver basis. Confidence came. The endless chain ceased to run the present congress. The republican party has been united in the support of the war and peace policies initiated with so much wisdom by President Me-Kinley. On the other hand, the democame. The endless chain ceased to run. Gold flowed into the country, and the mines increased their output, but it was the confidence which came with the election of Maj. McKinley that turned the tide. Industries began to pick up slowly, and business bright-ened. Scant crops abroad called for large exportations of breadstuffs, which gave a large balance of trade in our favor. Then came the prompt passage of the Dingley bill, which returned business lost by the Gorman-Wilson tariff. To equip railroads, which came into an unprecedented business late in 1897, a the policy of the party with regard to the Philippines witnesses to the fact great demand for steel sprang up, start ing the iron industry into an activity before unknown. This activity quickly extended to other industries, because tum for public action, and to go out of congressional halls and before the better prices on the farms and in many factories quickened the consumption of all the products of the country, reaching at last the depressed cotton people with a statement of what might have been done instead of a record of performance. The deathbed protesta-tion "If I had my life to live over again" does not alter the verdict of hismanufacturing industry of New England. One will look in vain for a period when so many advances in wages in so many industries have been announced Now nearly 90 per cent. of the revenues ures are not the best credentials to of the country are paid in gold, while the certainty of the gold basis causes badly led. In fact, the party has seemed at times unable to decide who the present volume of silver dollars and certificates to be accepted as being as good as gold. Conditions have been favorable, but they have only tended to help the work which the republicans promised in 1896 to do, and which the dministration has helped along. vorable conditions could not have

turned back the disaster which a triumph of Bryanism in 1896 would have brought to the country. The war with Spain and the immense responsibilities, involving new condi-tions, were not dreamed of. So far as

the president has been called upon to assume these responsibilities it is ad-mitted by all, except those whose political hopes make them critics, that he has displayed that wisdom and patriotism which belong to exalted statesman-ship.—Indianapolis Journal.

THE CONGRESS JUST OUT. A Record Which Coming Bodies

May Well Be Proud to Emulate.

The Fifty-fifth congress has closed its labors and, unless the president calls a special session of the Fifty-sixth congress, the country will have no more national legislation until next winter. Most of the work properly belonging to the congress elected in 1896 was completed. In some instances it was unsatisfactory. In one, it was in-finitely worse. As a whole, however, it commands appoval and will stand out in American history as evidence of statesmanship and patriotism which are by private lines." could rise above partisanship. In the special session, called almost

immediately after President McKinley was inaugurated, the senate led the way in exalting patriotism above party. It was not a republican body, yet it passed the republican tariff which ame to it from the house, and that, too, without partisan amendments. It recognized the fact that the people wished to have the Wilson tariff re-It pealed and a bill affording a higher degree of protection passed, and it acted accordingly. The senate of the Fifty-fifthtcongress deserves a popular vote of gratitude for its part in making the Dingley law. The house did only what it was bound by every consideration of political honor to do, but the senate rose superior to ordinary political motives. In the magnitude of its appropriations this congress made an unprece-dented record. Hitherto the billiondollar figure has been regarded as a high-water mark, but this congress pushed the appropriations up to a bil-lion and a half. However, the increase was not due to extravagance. It grew out of the war, and the country cordially approved every item of it. The congress which has now passed into history did more than turn a new leaf in our national annals. It began a fresh volume, and wrote the opening chapter to its end. The Fifty-sixth com-is discussing a plan to adopt Christian-ity as its state religion is not true and there is no possibility of this being leaf in our national annals. It began a our new teritory unembarrassed by any enactment of its predecessor. The done. The Japanese government has policy of meeting great questions only no state religion." as they actually arose was steadfastly adhered to by the Fifty-fifth congress from first to last in regard to both the

DISASTERS AT SEA

The Steamers Castilian and Oswestry Go Ashore on Rocky Coasts-Stories of the Crew of the Pavonia. Halifax, N. S., March 13.—The new Allan line steamer Castilian, from Portland for Halifax, went ashore at Gannet Rock light near Yarmouth, at Gannet Rock light, near Yarmouth, at 4:30 Sunday morning at low tide, in a dense fog, her compasses being de-4:30 Summy dense fog, her compasses being and dense fog, her compartments are full ranged. Two compartments are from have gone from of water and tugs have gone from Yarmouth to the scene. The Castilian arrived at Halifax from Liverpool ten

days ago on her maiden voyage and went to Portland to load cargo for She is 8,200 tons net register. return. being the largest Allan line steamer afloat. The steamer was due to embark mail and passengers here for Liverpool.

The steamer began leaking as soon as she struck, but the best discipline prevailed among the passengers. They returned to their berths and were called out again to don life preservers, which many were wearing when they reached Yarmouth on tugs last evenreacted farmouth on tags not the crew ing. Fifty passengers and the crew all saved their baggage. The steamer went on at low tide, which will be in her favor. The place of the disaster is a few miles from where the Mora vian, of the Allan line, was lost some years ago.

Crookhaven, Ireland, March 13 .- The British steamer Oswestry, from Nor-folk, Va., for Manchester, stranded in the fog Sunday morning in Dunlough

Part of her crew soon reached shore, but others were missing for several hours, and there was the greatest anxiety as to their fate. Eventually the ng men reached Crookhave having had miraculous escapes reached Crookhaven missing many

The local people displayed great bravery in saving life. The Oswestry's cargo is washing ashore and the vessel is a total wreck. Liverpool, March 13 .- The officers of

steamer Pavonia, from Liverpool for Boston, which was towed into St Michaels on February 1, disabled, and which arrived here Saturday in tow of two tugs from Ponta Del Gado, Azores, maintain the utmost reticence re garding the steamer's experience.

It was gleaned from the crew, how ever, that the Pavonia passed through a terrible ordeal. Her troubles began with a terrific gale on January 30. For three days the engines were slowed and mountainous seas tossed the Pa-vonia like a shuttlecock. Then her boilers began to move in their cradles and to bump against each other. is not true, however, that they bumped her sides, for if this had been the cas say she would not have floated long. Eventually the engineers, after the

most arduous labors, secured the boil-ers with ropes and chains, and the bumping ceased; but it was found that two steam pipes were broken. The crew never lost confidence, though they assert that the vessel "Why, father, what have you been doing to yoursel?" "Nothing, daughter, nothing. I—I have on a new suit of clothes." Sure enough, the colonel had on a new suit of clothes. The trousers were a loud check, very tight and a trifle short. The coat was a short blue frock, motiled with dark red. He wore a cheap red tie. The ludicrousness of the situation finally overcome the daughter's gravity, and she laughed until she cried.

have been possible sometimes to walk on her inner sides. Three boats were on her inner sides. Three boats were lost, part of the port rail and the gal-ley were carried away and the bake house was stove in. Altogether, as the Pavonia now lies at the dock, she pre-sents a pitiably damaged condition. SNOWED UNDER.

daughter's gravity, and she laughed until she cried. "In heaven's name, father, where did you get those clothes?" she asked, at last. "Wartz made them. He—he said checks were stylish, and the cloth came cheap, and I-I said I want't particular, you know; never am." The mild and dignified old gentleman had transformed himself into a comic valentine without knowing. His faith in Wartz is Residents of Michigan's Upper Penin-Residents of Michigan's Upper Penin-sula Suffer from a Blizzard's Visit. Detroit, March 13.—Nearly all points in the upper peninsula of Michigan re-port railway traffic completely blocked by snow storms. A special from Bes-semer, Mich., says: "The heaviest snowstorm in the history of the snow belt prevails. For 48 hours all trains have been snowed in at different places. All streets are blocked with "Doctor," said he, "I'm a victim of in somnia. I can't sleep if there's the least noise-such as a cat on the back fence, for instance," "This powder will be effective," replied the physician, after compounding a prescription. "When do I take it, doctor?" "You don't take it. Give it to the cat in a little milk."-London Tit-Bits. places. All streets are blocked with banks of snow from four to eight feet deep. This, with former storms, will make a total fall of snow about eight to twelve feet deep on an average. In some places the drifts are from the top Something very soothing in the use of St. Jacobs Oil for Neuralgia. Subdues and cures. of one roof to the other. Telegraph vires are down and all communications

Putting a watch under one's pillow will not make a bed tick.—Christian Work. Sudden weather changes bring Soreness, Stiffness. St. Jacobs Oilbrings a prompt cure. A special from Houghton says: "A howling blizzard for 24 hours has tied up everything. All trains are cancelled and no railroad communication with the east has been had since Saturday. double header sent out Sunday morning over the Mineral Range railway to try and open communication with Calumet, struck a snow bank 12 feet high ne mile west of Hancoo

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Sweet dispositions turn morbid and fretful. The possessions that win good husbands and keep their love should be guard-

edby women every moment of their lives. The greatest menace to woman's permanent happiness in life is the suffering that comes from derangement of the feminine organs.

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PERFECT WOMAN-HOOD

Many thousands of women have realized this too late to save their beauty, barely in time to save their lives. Many other thousands have availed of the generous invitation of Mrs. Pinkham to counsel all suffering women free of charge.

MRS. H. J. GARRETSON, Bound Brook, N. J., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I have been tak-ing Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound with the best results and can say from my heart that your medicines are wonderful. My physician called my trouble chronic inflammation of the left ovary. For years I suffered very

much, but thanks to Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and kind advice, I am today a well wo-man. I would say to all suffering women, take Lydia E. Pinkham's medicine and your suferings will vanish."

MRS. MAGGIE PHIL-LIPPE, of Ladoga, Ind., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINK-HAM-For four years I suffered from ulceration of the womb. I became so weak I could not walk across

the room without help. After giving up all hopes of recovery, I was advised to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Com-pound and wrote for special information. I began to improve from the first bottle, and am now fully restored to health.

enue. "What makes you look at me so serious-ly?" he asked, presently, guiltily self-con-

scious. "Why, father, what have you been doing

ransformed himself into a comic valentine without knowing it. His faith in Wartz is now somewhat shaken, and he has donned an old suit.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Some actions, like frescoe work, only re-veal their color after they have been done awhile.—Ram's Horn.

March and a series

LOST FAITH IN HIS TAILOR. A Gentleman of the Old School Whose Clothes Were a Triffe Too Lond. Whose Clothes Were a Triffe Col. Tarker is a staid old West side citi-zen who has made a fortune in land. He is an aristocrat of the old southern school, courtly and impressive. His collars are made in the fashion of 50 years ago, and his neckies the same. Withal the colonel is what New Englanders call "a bit near." He has his clothes made by a cheap tailor. They are always a modest, respectable black of re-markable pattern and fit. But they suit the colonel. One day last week he walked over to visit his daughter living on Prairie av-enue. Drink?

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of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distri-bute through their systems. Grain-O is made of puregrains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about 4 as much. All grocers sell it. 15c. and 25c.

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by heart. His examination papers are not republican in both branches, had typewritten by himself and are marvels the good judgment to stand by Presiof neatness and accuracy.

"Uncle" Edmund Parker, the faitherat ful old negro who stood guard at Washington's tomb for 25 years, died a few of Mrs. John Augustine Washington. During the civil war he was cook for the Ellsworth zouaves, and since then swallow the sixteen to one.—Decatur has been the guard at the Washington (III.) Republican. This been the grand at the washington (111.) Republican. (111.) Republican. Sidered the highest honor that could be conferred on him. He has been suc-ceeded by another ex-slave who is 74 why it should not, for nothing is apt years old.

According to the New York World Dr. Chauncey Depew is at present chairman of the board of the Vanderbilt lines and a director in the New York Central Lake Shore, Michigan Central, Nickel Plate, Big Four, Chicago & Northwestern, Vanderbilt leased lines, Equitable Life, Mercantile Trust company, Union Trust company, Western na-tional bank and Western Union Telegraph. It is surmised that he accepted the position of senator from his state to have something with which to occupy his leisure time.

Seldom does a high promotion meet with such unanimous assent as does the elevation of George Dewey to the rank of a full admiral of the United States navy. Americans of every age and rank agree that the promotion is deserved. The unanimous vote by which the bill was passed to reestablish the rank of admiral for Dewey's benefit is in itself a rare tribute to the esteem in which the victor of Manila is held by the nation. Furthermore, by a pro vision of the bill that gave him this rank, he is exempted from retirement ister. for ten years,

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The Fifty-fifth congress. dent McKinley. This will be its best credit mark.—St. Louis Globe-Demo-

Bow would it do to make the dem ocratic ticket Bryan and Aguinaldo? with that party on the question of our

occur to change the conditions that have brought about the unprecedented prosperity .- Cleveland Leader.

Cone of the many things which Mr. William Jennings Bryan will find it difficult to explain later on is the advance of ten per cent. in the wages of the iron-workers of the United States under the debauching and degrading influence of the gold standard.—Chicago Inter the Ocear

The record of the Fifty-fifth congress is now history, and it constitutes one of the most notable chapters one of the most notable chapters in American annals. Perhaps no other congress had presented to it questions of more vital concern to the interests and welfare of the nation, and, with few exceptions, these were wisely disposed of .- Omaha Bee.

The United States congress admarket. The Mexican dollar contains more silver than the United States The Mexican dollar contains sibilitity. more sliver than the United States standard silver dollars, yet every one of these standard dollars is worth 100 gold ord as that spread upon the pages of

war and its results. The highest duty of a legislative body is to meet the re-quirements of the situation as they quirements of the situation as they art scientific fund at fall difference of the situation as they art scientific fund at fall difference of the scientific education. journed with Mexican silver dollars refrain from touching matters which worth 47½ cents each in the New York lie beyond the field of present respon-

cents, merely because they are based on the gold standard—Iowa State Reg-ister. on the congress that car-ried us through the war with Spain.-Chicago Inter Ocean.

of snow shovelers was dispatched shovel the engines out. Snow drifts

eight feet high are in the streets." Ishpeming, Mich., March 13.—Snow has been falling here for 36 hours. In places the snow has drifted from 10 to 15 feet. Railway trains are abandoned and street cars are stalled. A northbound passenger train on the Chicago & Northwestern line is stalled at Little lake. Two engines with a large plow went to the rescue but were stalled between Swansy and Cascale

Has No State Religion.

Washington, March 13.—Much inter-est was manifested yesterday in re-ports to the effect that the Japanese government is discussing a plan to adopt Christianity as the state religion. So far as could be ascertained, however, the statement lacks founda-tion in fact. The published report was shown to Jutaro Komuro, the Japanese minister, who was asked to make a statement on the subject. In reply he said: "The statement that Japan

Stewart's Gift.

New London, March 13 .- The will of Herbert Stewart, a wealthy New York engineer and contractor, bequeaths s50,000 to establish the Herbert Stew-art scientific fund at Yale university,

Iron Works Burned.

Lancaster, Pa., March 13.—The plant of the Gray Iron Casting Co., manu-facturers of iron novelties and shelf hardware, at Mt. Joy was completely destroyed by fire Saturday night. Loss about \$60,000; partly insured.

Modern Science Recognizes RHEUMATISM as a Disease of the Blood

There is a popular idea that this disease is caused by exposure to cold, and that some localities are infected with it more than others Such conditions frequently promote the development of the disease, but from the fact that this ailment runs but from the fact that this ailment runs in certain families, it is shown to be hered-itary, and consequently a disease of the itary, and consequently a disease of the blood

Among the oldest and best known residents of Bluffs, Ill., is Adam Vangundy. He has always been prominently identified with the interests of that place. He was the first President of the Board of Trustees, and for a long time has been a Justice of the Peace. He says: "I had been a suf-ferer of rheumatism for a number of years and the pain at times was very intense. I tried all the proprietary medicines I could think or hear of, but remained no related.

ferer of rheumatism for a number of years and the pain at times was very intense. I tried all the proprietary medicines I could think or hear of, but received no relief. "I finally placed my case with several physicians and doctored with them for some time, but they failed to do me any good. Finally, with my hopes of relief nearly exhausted I read an article regarding Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which induced me to try them. I was anxious to get rid of the terrible disease and bought two boxes I was com-pletely cured, and the pain has never returned. I think it is the best medi-cine I have ever taken, and am willing at any time to testify to its good merits."—Biuffs (III.) Times.

