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While Corporal Frank Semple, of the Twentieth Kansas regiment, was swimming the Marilao river with Funston, his sister, Miss Jennie, was plowing the Semple home farm, 15 miles south of Wichita, Kan.

PRICES AND PROSPERITY.

The Wages of Workmen Advanced Under the Republican Administration.

Current dispatches report something akin to a famine in the iron market, with a corresponding advance in the price, and of all manufactured articles in which it is a factor.

The iron trade is a traditional barometer of industrial situations. Neither of the so-called precious metals furnishes as sure a criterion for judging of national prosperity as does the commonest and cheapest of all metals.

A RARE INSTANCE.

One Democratic Organ That Supports the President in His Philippine Policy.

There are some democratic newspapers which not only have no sympathy with the attempts of their anti-expansionist colleagues to make political capital out of censure of the administration on account of its policy in the Philippines, but which emphatically protest against and denounce such a course.

In a leading editorial in the Times the president is commended for the stand which he has taken, for the firmness which he has displayed, for the unswerving course toward the right which he has held, and he is warned that "he should not be disheartened by these symptoms of dissatisfaction, he should not be misled by an inevitable diversity of opinion."

Such a warning is not necessary, and therefore has no particular value, except as a gratifying evidence of good will on the part of a political opponent. It is a pleasing proof that there are yet democrats who take pride in making it known to all who read that they are unwilling to subordinate the welfare of the nation to a seeming advantage to their party.

"The querulous voice and unpressurable attitude of anti-imperialism do not reflect the temper of the American people. The democratic party, discredited and desperate, groping wildly for an issue, is weaker now than it was three years ago, when Mr. McKinley defeated its candidate."

It is extremely unlikely that this, or anything of like nature that the Times or any other fair and just democratic paper may say, will turn the dominant factor of the democracy from its suicidal course; but, having made plain that they are patriotic as well as democratic, such papers can view their party's defeat when it comes next year, with the equanimity of those who have nothing for which to reproach themselves and are conscious of having done their highest duty.

THE COMING SPEAKER.

Col. Henderson is in Line with the Vital Principles of the Republican Party.

Col. David B. Henderson, of Iowa, will be the speaker of the next house of representatives. This was probable before the action of the New York delegation Tuesday, and was certain after that action.

Twelve of the 15 members of the New York delegation were for James S. Sherman for speaker. But unfortunately three were persistently for the candidacy of Seno E. Payne. The division caused by the persistence of this small minority prevented the prompt and harmonious action to which New York was entitled, and which would have made the state a formidable factor to the very time of the balloting.

Nevertheless, though it had been published that the conference of New York state congressmen was to endorse unanimously Col. Henderson's candidacy, the New York delegation insisted upon supporting its first choice and endorsing Mr. Sherman and his canvas. It was not until Mr. Sherman, recognizing the difficulties of the situation, withdrew his name that his state associates in congress consented to pledge their vote to Col. Henderson.

Mr. Sherman's action was creditable to him. Indorsed by 12 of the 15 members of the New York delegation, and with the written promise of support from 29 representatives from 14 different states, not including New York, besides many friendly expressions from other members, Mr. Sherman was not out of the race. His withdrawal in the interest of united action should secure for him appropriate consideration in the arrangement of the affairs of the coming house.

Col. Henderson, whose election to the speakership is now left without the shadow of a doubt, is by character and record a worthy successor to the high office. He is in his seventeenth year of congressional service, and has been before this the candidate of his state for the speakership. His service on the important committee on appropriations, as chairman of the judiciary committee and as next to the speaker on the committee on rules has made him one of the most conspicuous of the national legislators of the last decade.

Col. Henderson's war record is so good that it is glorious in its commissions and omissions. Entering the war as a private of the Iowa volunteers, he retired with the commission of a colonel. But he omitted to bring home one of his legs, which was left on the battlefield. That did not prevent him from fighting with one leg the last year of the war.

Col. Henderson is a ready and vigorous orator, a man of charming geniality and whose firmness is untouched by asperity, and it is safe to say that no choice for the speakership could be made that would be more satisfactory to both sides of the house. The presidential bee will not worry Col. Henderson, for he was born in Scotland, and the heather is still an exotic in the white house conservatory.

The new speaker is in line with the vital principles of the republican party and the lofty purposes of the national administration, and republicanism will have in his hands the use of a gavel whose strokes will be like the sounding of a reveille and not of "lights out."

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

"Every grumbler can find fault with the policy of the government in dealing with the Philippines; it would be hard for a statesman even to find a better one."—United Presbyterian.

"The real crime of expansion, so far as William Jennings Bryan is concerned, is the fact that expansion is the policy of the president whom Mr. Bryan wants to defeat next year."—Kansas City Journal.

"Mr. Gorman declares that silver will not cut much figure in next year's campaign, and the uninterrupted flourishing condition of trade shows that business men take the same view."—Kansas City Journal.

"A correspondent refers to the Chicago convention as the occasion when 'Stone mailed Bland to Bryan's cross,' and that was the impression made upon those who were present."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

"It is stated that some soldiers dishonorably discharged from the American army in the Philippines are fighting in the ranks of the insurgents. They must have imbibed their idea of patriotism and loyalty from reading Altkinsonian literature."—Troy Times.

"W. J. Bryan regards the silver issue as the old lady did her famous theological plank. 'I don't care so much,' she said, 'about predestination and free will, but if they take away my total depravity I shall feel as though I hadn't any religion left at all.'"—Minneapolis Journal.

"The democracy is in much the same condition now that it was 49 years ago. Then angry factional influences were at work within the party throughout the country, rendering harmony and success at the next presidential election impossible."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

"Whenever anything happens that the democratic leaders do not relish they invariably call it 'a hard blow at the administration.' The latest backset to befall the administration is the choice of Col. Henderson for speaker, which the democrats insist will be particularly hard for President McKinley to recover from."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

TAKES ANOTHER TOWN.

Gen. Wheaton in Possession of Perez das Marinas, an Important Filipino Village.

Manila, June 21.—The troops commanded by Gen. Wheaton entered Perez das Marinas Tuesday without opposition except upon the part of small bodies of rebels, who inflicted no losses upon the Americans. The town is an unimportant place surrounded by swamps and Gen. Wheaton will probably return to Imus.

The latest list of the American casualties in Monday's fighting shows that five were killed and 23 wounded. The list includes no officers. The wounded were brought to Manila from Bacoor in caissons.

Washington, June 21.—Gen. Otis forwarded the following: "Manila, June 20.—Attorney General, Washington: Wheaton at Imus, Cavite province, with four guns, four battalions, Fourth and Fourteenth Infantry, Nevada troop cavalry; sent battalion south on reconnaissance direction of Das Marinas yesterday morning, where enemy reported concentrating scattered forces; battalion encountered enemy's force 2,000 marching to attack Imus; successful impeding its progress. Wheaton with two guns and two battalions hurried forward; repulsed enemy with heavy loss; enemy leaving over 100 dead on the field; our loss five killed, 23 wounded. Wheaton reinforced last night by battalion Ninth Infantry; is driving enemy beyond Das Marinas now in his possession. Casualties today not reported. Wheaton's qualities for bold and successful attack unsurpassed." (Signed) "OTIS."

Manila, June 21.—Rear Admiral John C. Watson arrived here Tuesday on board the United States transport Zafiro, from Hong-Kong, and raised his flag on the United States cruiser Baltimore. The commanders of all warships called upon the admiral during the course of the day.

New York, June 21.—"The situation in the Philippines is very serious," said Sen. Nelson A. Miles at the Waldorf-Astoria last night. "I know nothing concerning the story that the war department is suppressing the news from Manila. But everybody knows that things are very serious there. The question of issuing a call for volunteers has not, I believe, been decided. I do not care to discuss the Philippine matter. I am here on private business."

Cincinnati, June 21.—A special dispatch from Washington says: Gen. Joseph Wheeler has received a telegram from Secretary Alger to prepare himself to go to the Philippines. That is what the general has been waiting for and hoping for. It is understood that the general will be sent on an alleged special mission. That is to cover up the real purpose of this assignment of the old fighter. He will be sent on this ostensible special mission, but it is believed that as soon as he gets over there he will at once be placed in command of a fighting brigade of good men and given active field service. This telegram from Secretary Alger was received by the general Tuesday and has been guarded by the general as a secret. This information, however, is positively and absolutely reliable. It will take the general about ten days to prepare to leave for his new field of operations.

A SUDDEN FLOOD.

People in Ohio Cities Aroused in Dead of Night by Rising Waters and Forced to Flee.

Mansfield, O., June 21.—A storm of unusual severity occurred here Monday night and extended to other points in Ohio, notably Shelby on the northwest and Loudonville on the southeast. Here the storm lasted from 7:30 until after midnight, and was accompanied with active thunder and lightning and with heavy rain and hail. A number of houses in the lower part of the city were moved from foundations and dwellings were under water several feet deep. The street car power house was flooded so that cars could not run after nine p. m. Traffic on all railroads was suspended until four a. m. Washouts occurred on the Baltimore & Ohio road. All factories in the lower part of the city were flooded and are unable to run. No one was drowned, but there were many narrow escapes. Two hundred people at the Casino were surrounded by the flood. Many waded out, but others were compelled to remain all night in darkness. Total damage done in the city is estimated at \$50,000, and may be more.

At Shelby the rise in the little stream running through the town was so rapid that citizens were aroused at two a. m. by the fire alarm and by ringing of church bells. All cellars were flooded and the principal streets became running streams. The post office could not be reached early in the day and business was at a standstill. A new bridge was wholly submerged. The damage to it cannot be ascertained until the water subsides. The Baltimore & Ohio railroad suffered from washouts. At Loudonville the storm seems to have gathered strength and there was a decided cloudburst. Horsetail creek soon broke over its banks with such force that the first house it struck, that of Isaac Hunter, was swept from its foundations and completely destroyed. Hunter is missing and may be drowned. Bridges and roadways have been broken or destroyed, entailing a loss of \$100,000. The damage to crops, fences, live stock, etc., will reach perhaps \$200,000 more.

To Meet Next at Indianapolis. Milwaukee, June 21.—The National Children's Home society convention adjourned sine die Tuesday after electing Prof. Charles R. Henderson, of Chicago, president. The next convention will be held at Indianapolis. Charles D. Merrill, of Beloit, was elected delegate to the Child Saving congress at the Paris exposition of 1900.

Wages Advanced. Johnstown, Pa., June 21.—The Cambria Steel company has posted notices of a general advance of wages of ten per cent. About 8,500 men are affected by the advance.

IS AN ADDED HONOR.

College Graduates Receive Diplomas from President's Hands.

Mr. McKinley in a New Role at the Mount Holyoke Institution of Learning—Degree of Doctor of Civil Law Conferred on Him.

South Hadley, Mass., June 21.—President McKinley participated in the commencement exercises at Mount Holyoke college Tuesday, awarding the diplomas to the senior class, among whom was his niece, Miss Grace McKinley, and accepting in a brief address the degree of doctor of civil laws conferred upon him by the college. The president and party came from Holyoke by electric car Tuesday morning. After the college exercises the president held a reception on a platform in front of the village church, shaking hands with 2,400 people. Then the visitors returned to the Whiting mansion in Holyoke by electric car. To-day President McKinley and party will enjoy a steamer ride down the Connecticut river to Springfield, where there will be receptions, a parade, and at four p. m. the party will leave Springfield for Adams, Mass., by special train.

The Visitors Received.

The president and his party reached here at ten o'clock. Rev. Dr. J. L. R. Trask, and Rev. Dr. Judson Smith, of the board of trustees of Mount Holyoke college, were waiting for them at the entrance to the college grounds. The visitors were escorted to the chapel, and, as the president, leaning on the arm of Dr. Smith, appeared at the entrance, the audience arose.

The president and the gentleman who accompanied him were given seats on the platform. Mrs. McKinley, Mrs. Wolcott, and the other ladies of the party sat at the right, in the auditorium. The seniors occupied the front rows. After devotional exercises, Dr. Smith read an address, his subject being: "A Plea for the Humanities." In closing he welcomed the guests, and introduced Gov. Wolcott, who spoke at some length. Then, while the chorus was singing, President McKinley was escorted to the front of the platform by Mrs. Mead, president of the college. Upon a table near at hand lay the diplomas.

President Gives Out Diplomas.

As the music ceased, the president raised one of the rolls and the name it bore was that of his niece, Miss Grace McKinley. The young lady received the diploma and shook hands with the president. This was the only demonstration made by the graduates, aside from the usual bow and expression of thanks.

Degree for the President.

As the last diploma was presented, and the president was about to resume his seat, Dr. Trask arose, and, addressing President McKinley, announced that Mount Holyoke college wished to confer upon him the degree of doctor of civil law. The president accepted the honor in the following words:

The President's Speech.

"Mrs. Mead, Ladies and Gentlemen: I cannot refrain from making acknowledgments in the presence of the very distinguished honor which the board of trustees and officers of this institution have been pleased to confer upon me. I want to assure the young ladies of the graduating class that I am both delighted and honored to be a member of a class of '99."

"Massachusetts has been and is first in many things, but in nothing more than in educational institutions. I count myself most fortunate to have been privileged yesterday to look upon the faces of graduates of Smith college, that splendid institution of learning for the education of the women, and I count myself most fortunate to-day to look upon the faces of the graduates of this gloriously historic institution, that has done so much for the exaltation of women and whose influence is felt not only in Massachusetts, but in every part of our confederate country."

"Mt. Holyoke is more than 60 years old to-day, and the influence of this institution in molding and shaping the citizens of the nation can never be told."

"I am glad that we are demonstrating in the United States to-day that the boy shall have no more advantages than the girl, and Mt. Holyoke and Smith and the half dozen other institutions of the land are demonstrating that fact."

"An educated womanhood is an open school for citizenship every day of the year, and the home is the training school for the mother, the soldier, and the statesman. I wish for this graduating class all good things, and I want you to be assured that all good things wait upon a pure and noble woman."

At the close of the president's delivery of the degrees, a beautiful purple banner inscribed "Mount Holyoke '99" was presented to him by the graduating class.

CAPTURE ST. LOUIS.

Big Meeting of the Elks is Begun—Twelve Thousand Dollars in Prizes to Be Given Away.

St. Louis, June 21.—Thousands of members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks are here from every prominent city in the country to attend the thirty-first meeting of the grand lodge and reunion of that order, which has begun here and will continue throughout the week.

The first thing taken up in secret session was the annual report of Grand Secretary Reynolds. This showed a total membership of 56,000, divided among 216 lodges. During the past year 76 new lodges, with a membership of 11,000, have been added to the roll.

Mail Robbers Caught.

Chicago, June 21.—What is regarded by Post Office Inspector James Stuart as one of the largest and boldest mail robberies in the history of the Chicago post office, was detected Tuesday and the arrests of Walter Porter and John Newman, drivers of mail wagons at the post office, followed. Porter made a full confession implicating Newman. A large amount of letters, money orders and packages taken by the men were found in their lodging house. The prisoners will not admit that they secured much value from their depredations.

GOLFING AND CYCLING.

These two great sports go hand in hand. The links are performed situated at some distance from town, and the easiest and quickest way to reach them is with the bicycle. For golf good links are needed; for cycling Good Roads. Golf links can be made anywhere by digging holes, and making artificial barriers. On Long Island Nature has been particularly kind. Its North Shore is all rolling country, in many places glacial action has formed hills and hollows of perfect delight to the followers of this sport. The level and beautiful ocean shore is broken in many places by rolling hills covered with grass and shrubs which go to make up links so close to the Scottish ideals that all who have played in the old country are struck at once by their wonderful fitness for the sport, and added to this the fact that the cool South breeze comes up every day throughout the Summer from across the ocean and brings with it a bracing and exhilaration that nothing else can give. Nowhere but on Long Island do these conditions exist. It is unique in this as it is in its varied scenery and its unsurpassed attractions in every line. The roads are good and many beautiful side paths and cycle paths wind through the woods. The tour around the Island which can be made in three days is most enjoyable, and a week taken to the trip can be filled very full of pleasure. The camera should not be left at home, as the scenery is constantly changing, and its beauties are well worth preserving for future enjoyment.

SOME SHORT STOPS.

Sapient Sayings Which Savor Somewhat of Wisdom Gleaned from Experience.

What we get out of life is just about the size of what we put into it.

Don't judge a man by the scowl on his face; perhaps it wasn't there before he saw you.

When a frivolous young lady tells you how awfully interested she is in the specialty you've spent 30 cents trying to learn, take her word for it, and then change the subject.

It isn't always fair to judge a man by the hat he wears; perhaps it isn't so much a matter of taste as of salary.

Don't think that because Mrs. Continual Performance is busy she is necessarily doing something. The source of rowing is to get over the greatest distance with the fewest strokes.

It is a mistake to imagine that because people listen to you they are interested in hearing you talk about yourself; poverty isn't the only recipient of charity.

Don't congratulate yourself that because Busyman didn't throw you out of his office you were necessarily glad you had disturbed him with a social call. He smiled when you went out—not when you came in.—Detroit Free Press.

The Top of Politeness.

The most polite man in four countries has been discovered. He is George A. Tracy, the milk dealer. When you call on Mr. Tracy he takes you down cellar and seats you in a chair in front of a barrel of cider. Then he starts a siphon-like arrangement, the cider flowing in an amber stream through a small hose. Mr. Tracy then places the business end of the hose in your mouth—and goes away.—Williamette Weekly Journal.

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Mrs. Brown—Our language is full of misnomers. For instance, I met a man once who was a perfect bear, and they called him a "civil engineer." Mrs. Smith—Yes, but that's not so ridiculous as the man they call "teller" in a bank. He won't tell you anything. I asked one the other day how much money my husband had on deposit, and he just laughed at me.—Catholic Standard and Times.

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