

Cambria Freeman.

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A JOURNAL devoted to the pen, ink and paper trade says that the world now uses 3,500,000 steel pens every day in the week.

The nomination of E. F. Spenser, of Hastings, as the candidate for county treasurer by the Republicans at their convention on Monday is an indication that the Republican party of Cambria county has reached the conclusion that it is now "strong enough to carry an egg."

The authorities of Rhode Island say that a law was enacted 70 years ago compelling persons performing the marriage ceremony to be registered, and that for over 50 years the law has been violated, and that during this time there has not been a legal marriage in that state.

It is reported that eight or ten of the Cuban sympathizers imprisoned in the Cabanis and Moro Castle are murdered every night by order of General Weyer. In order to stop this bloody work the revolutionary committee in the city of Havana has issued a manifesto stating that if it is continued they will blow up the city with dynamite.

JOHN H. JORDAN, Esq., a Republican aspirant for congressional honors from Bedford county made the announcement one day last week that he would withdraw from the contest. This leaves three candidates in the field, Hon. J. D. Hicks, of Blair county, the present incumbent, Alvin Evans, Esq., of this county and J. E. Thrapp, of Bedford county.

SENATOR ALDRICH, the manager of all tariff and financial legislation on the Republican side, admitted at Washington on Monday for the first time that the Dingley tariff bill had been smothered to death under the free coinage substitute reported by the Finance committee, and he expects to have a public announcement of this fact made in the senate shortly, in order that there may be no further agitation on the subject.

The Blair county commissioners awarded the contract on Thursday last week to a Boston firm for the erection of a \$11,000 monument to the memory of Blair county soldiers and sailors. Blair is the first county in the state to erect a monument under the late act of 1895. The monument will be dedicated at the county's semi-centennial anniversary in June, with orations by Governor Hastings and Adjutant General Stewart.

A DISPATCH from Rome to the Pall Mall Gazette states that advances from Cairo leave little doubt that England has commenced negotiations with France in reference to the evacuation of Egypt. It is added that Great Britain is inclined to make concessions with the view of meeting French susceptibilities regarding the occupation of that country. Mr. Cambon, the French ambassador to Turkey, has gone to Cairo, presumably with the negotiations.

EDGAR W. NYE, popularly known under his pen name of "Bill Nye," the humorist, died at his home, Buck Shoals, N. C., on Saturday. Since he abandoned his lecture tour, about a month ago, he has been a close invalid. Mr. Nye was born in Shirley, Me., in 1850, and grew up on a farm. He studied law later, and in 1876 went to Wyoming Territory, where he was admitted to the bar. He afterwards declared that his clients could be hanged effectually without the expense of a lawyer, so he took to writing for the newspapers and the lecture platform.

WILLIAM A. SPENSER, late president of the wrecked Perry county bank of Spenser & Junkin, for a number of years the leading member of the local bar at New Bloomfield, Pa., and the local Republican competitor of Judge Lyons in the recent judicial contest, has spent his first week in prison. His relatives have fixed up his cell comfortably. He has his books and a writing table, and in anticipation of a long imprisonment, it is the intention to have his cell papered. When the Perry county bank closed it owed its depositors \$120,000. All his property has been sold and less than \$10,000 was realized.

TWENTY-FIVE of the twenty-eight Republican congressmen of this state have sent Senator Quay a letter asking him to be a candidate for the presidency, and Mr. Quay has shown his epistolary promptness by answering by return mail that he is willing. The correspondence demonstrates that, unlike Governor or Morton, of New York, he will not have the backing of a solid congressional delegation. Nevertheless it shows that his candidacy is a substantial entity; and if it shall have no other effect upon the canvass, it will, at least, constitute a new nightmare to the cavalry that disturbs the peace of the McKinley contingent.

Now that the art of armor forging can scarcely be further advanced, especially in view of the recent Pennsylvania discovery of a superior finish to the Harveyizing process, progress appears about to be made in an improved manner of using armor plate. A French naval expert has hit upon the idea of constructing plates of slabs of steel that will project their edges, and not their faces to a projectile. The Age of steel comments: "By this method the resistance is of a flexible nature, insuring a rebound that is more successfully resist penetration. Damaged sections can easily be removed and replaced, and they are intersected by hollow tubes vibration is absorbed and the impact of shot considerably reduced."

The last two annual elections, says the Bellefonte Watchman, had the effect of putting the Republican party in a cocksure frame of mind that would not allow it to doubt the certainty of its electing the next president. That was regarded as a decree of fate, and the only question was whether it should be McKinley, Tom Reed, Harrison, Morton or some other Republican who would be put into the white house on the 4th of next March.

These overconfident people did not take into account the proverbial fickleness of political fortune. They overlooked so recent an example of the vicissitudes of politics as was furnished by the change from a sweeping Democratic victory in 1892 to an equally sweeping Republican victory two years after. The change that occurred in that brief time was due to a deception of the popular understanding, which, however has been nearly dispelled by a better conception of the facts, and the work of enlightenment will go on for nine months until the presidential election.

There are many things that are aiding this enlightenment. Nothing is doing so much to help it along as the congress that is now in session at Washington. It must be a very dull man who cannot see that its only purpose is to derange the finances and depress business in order that the trouble arising from such conditions may be blamed on the Democratic administration. This is intended for political effect in the coming campaign. It may be classed as congressional manufacture of calamity. The people see what it is intended for.

Congress has been in session nearly three months, and there has not been a single measure passed. It is not the intention to do any legislating, although the president and secretary of the treasury have almost implored the passage of measures that would save the public credit from the ruin caused by previous Republican legislation. But the managers in congress want ruin. That is what they intend to run the next campaign on, and they will endeavor to make as much ruin as they possibly can for a political purpose.

But they are making a woeful mistake in thus trifling with the public intelligence. The people understand the game that is being played in congress, and the longer it is continued the more it will increase the chance of electing a Democratic president.

GOVERNOR HASTINGS issued a proclamation on Wednesday designating Friday, April 10, and Friday, April 21 as Arbor days. The selection of either day is left to the choice of the people. The proclamation states that, although Pennsylvania was once wholly covered with a dense growth of valuable timber, to-day scarcely one-fourth of that area remains. The timber has fallen off to such an extent that the commonwealth is unable to produce the timber required for its own inhabitants. Of the regions which, when timbered, were a source of wealth to their owners, and to the state, not less than 2,500,000 acres are unfit for agricultural purposes.

Most of this vast area has little or no mineral wealth and is now an unsightly and practically abandoned territory. Fires sweep over it year after year, destroying the younger growth and burning off the fertility of the soil so that this area is passing into the condition of a desert, becoming poorer each successive year.

SHOULD the nomination of Quay be made, says the Harrisburg Patriot, the opportunity would be an extraordinary one for the Democrats. Of all the candidates spoken of Mr. Quay in a long contest would prove the weakest. Even the nomination of Tom Platt nor one by the Democrats could so surely profit. Mr. Quay's past record is not "burnt powder" as some of his political associates allege. It is important in any event that the Democratic nominee should be an exceptionally strong man; in case of Quay's nomination it is vitally important that he should be the strongest and ablest available man so that the route of the enemy, complete and overwhelming as it would be, would be followed by an administration of exceptional force, cleanliness and patriotism.

The explosion of dynamite which occurred at the suburb of Viendendorp, South Africa, on Thursday last week, was terribly disastrous, involving the death of 100 persons and the wounding of twice that number. Eight railway cars, loaded with dynamite, were being switched from one track to another when the explosion took place. A hole 30 feet deep was made in the ground, and every house within a radius of half a mile was razed to the ground. According to the estimates, about 100 persons have been killed and about 200 seriously wounded; about 100 others were injured. A popular subscription has been opened for the relief of the wounded and homeless, and about \$500,000 has been secured.

On Sunday Judge Reed, one of the Philadelphia common pleas judges, died suddenly in New York City. On Monday the leaders of the Quay organization in Philadelphia were in conference with the governor at Harrisburg in regard to filling the vacancy. They have a candidate, and as the governor has abandoned the Martin combine, will probably secure his appointment. No evidence of "organized appetite, here. The greedy politicians might at least have waited until after Judge Reed's funeral.

LI HUNG CHANG, the Chinese statesman, who has been appointed to represent the emperor at the coronation of the czar and empress of Russia in Moscow in May, has decided to return to China from Russia by way of Europe and the United States. No date is fixed for his coming, but a visit to this country may be expected from the distinguished Chinaman sometime during the summer.

Washington Letter.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 22, 1896.—Senator Hill is on the right track in his attacks upon the abuse of the right of petition to congress. It has been made a cheap way of getting notoriety for this or that organization to send out thousands of printed petitions to be signed and sent to senators and representatives with a request that they be sent to congress, knowing that when so presented the titles of the petitions and the purpose for which they are sent would be read in open session and printed in the Record and in many newspapers. Senator Hill proposes to at least partially reform this abuse of having the petitions handed to the clerk of the senate who will put them on file, instead of other being formally presented by senators, as now.

The Republicans are still unable to do anything with their tariff bill. Senator Carter, who voted against taking it up the other day, has given notice that he will move that the bill be sent back to the Finance committee for further consideration. The matter was brought up at a joint caucus of Republican senators and representatives, held last night, but nothing was decided upon.

The McKinley men declare the sudden epidemic of candidacy fever among Republican senators and ex senators is putting them more or less than they wish to make a combination of the field against McKinley, and there is apparently flatland for the declaration. The Quay-Platt-Reed combine seems to have become frustrated. The McKinley might get nominated on the first ballot if they didn't cut up the vote. They found plenty of willing tools in the senate, where McKinley has not one single sincere friend, and the vote will be cut up.

Senator Vest, of Missouri, is not one of the professional "funny" men of the senate, but he knows how to raise a laugh with the best of them when he wishes. An instance showing this fact was given this week. Mr. Vest was making a few remarks when Senator Peffer got up and began to address the chair. By the time Senator Vest had turned his eyes upon his whiskers Senator Sherman was also upon his feet and addressing the chair. "Mr. President," shouted Sen. Vest several times without attracting the chairman's attention, and then he asked if he might make a parliamentary inquiry. That caught the chairman's attention, who at once said: "The gentleman from Missouri will state it." Mr. Vest then said with much solemnity: "I believe I was addressed in the senate, and had the floor, but it seems that I have no longer got it. If I can't get it in any other way, I rise to a parliamentary inquiry to find out how I lost it." A titter ran around the senate, Mr. Sherman apologized for his interruption, Mr. Peffer sat down, and Mr. Vest proceeded with his remarks.

Secretary Morton's dinner to President and Mrs. Cleveland, this week, has been widely discussed on account of the original manner in which the table was decorated. A big plow made of red carnations was the centre piece of the table, and upon each side of it were hay stacks made of dried corn cobs. There were piles of vegetables and farm implements all made of sugar. At each of the four corners of the table was a wheelbarrow made of candy cabbages, containing confections in the shape of confecting and fruits. The ices were served in candy hay wagons, and the punch in little cups made to imitate apples, peaches and pears, and the individual dishes were served on terrapin were china terrapins. This was the last of the formal cabinet dinners for this season.

MR. C. P. HUNTINGTON can talk a congressional levy on the benefits of his proposal to extend the debt due the government from the Pacific railroads one hundred years at 2 per cent, but when it comes to giving substantial information as to the actual workings of the roads he is about as poor a witness as could be found. Senator Morgan is proving himself a thorn in the side of Mr. Huntington, by driving the magnate into the corner with his pertinent questions, but about all that Mr. Morgan yet been able to show is that Mr. Huntington could tell much that would throw light on the subject if he would. Washington is fairly swarming with Huntington's lobbyists, determined to get every congressional vote that is purchasable, either with money or other commodities, and to bulldoze, aye and even blackmail, those who stand out against their schemes. A man who has a shrewd mind, thinks, says private detectives are shadowing the movements of every senator and representative who is known to oppose Huntington's scheme, for the surety of the lobbyist which can be used to control his vote. Some of the congressmen who have indicated friendliness to the Huntington scheme are living high; that ever before in their lives and it is not costing them a cent.

Another Baltimore Horror.

Baltimore, Feb. 24.—Closely following the Charles street horror yesterday, in which eight persons lost their lives, in which eight persons lost their lives, occurred in Canton. Mrs. Frederick Rose left her four children in charge of her son, William, aged 11, for a few minutes, about 9 o'clock. The kerosene on the room grew dim and the boy essayed to read it without extinguishing the flame.

An explosion followed that scattered the burning fluid about the room and set fire to the clothing of the children. Neighbors rushed to the scene, but three of them are thought to be fatally burned. They are: Louisa, aged 8 years; Hannah, 6 years old, and Mary 16 months old. William was also badly burned, but so seriously as his situation. They were removed to Johns Hopkins' hospital, where little hope is entertained for the recovery of the three girls.

Trouble in Nicaragua.

Washington, Feb. 24.—According to news received from San Juan Del Norte, Nicaragua, an uprising is again imminent in that country. Newspapers have been stopped, but reports brought to San Juan by passengers from the interior are to the effect that the city of Leon has declared itself in favor of Boca against President Zelaya, and demanded Zelaya's removal from office.

Zelaya considers himself strong enough to put down the movement, trusting for support to the conservatives and the friendly government of Honduras. His forces are well supplied with high Nicaragua, especially as most of the arms and ammunition are in Leon. The latest advice are that Zelaya has declared himself "dictator" and that all his ministers have left him, excepting only a few people of Leon who are in arms and a fight was imminent.

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WICHITA FALLS, TEX., Feb. 26.—Two robbers have entered the City National bank of this city and demanded the money of Cashier Dorsey, who resuscitated them. Shooting began, resulting in the death of Cashier Dorsey and the wounding of Bookkeeper P. P. Langford. Langford's wounds are not serious, being slight flesh wounds. The robbers secured only a few hundred dollars in silver. They then mounted their horses and made a run for their lives. By this time many of the citizens had armed themselves and a small battle took place. One of the robbers' horses was shot from under him, and it is believed the robber was wounded.

He mounted behind his partner and about one mile from town met a farmer in a buggy. They took his horse and made a break for the hills. In the meantime the citizens had secured horses and at last reports they were within a quarter of a mile of the robbers, with good prospects of overtaking them. Captain McDonald and his rangers are on the trail. It is believed a reward of \$1,000 is offered for the capture, dead or alive.

Two Bank Officials Shot.

WARRICK, ARK., Feb. 26.—A daring, but unsuccessful, attempt has been made to rob the Merchants and Planters' bank of this place. The men entered the bank and two of them went behind the counter where Mr. Adair, the cashier, was sitting in conversation with Messrs. T. M. Goodwin and D. W. Sutton. Their first salutation was: "Hold up your hands." Mr. Adair sprang for his revolver, but the men commenced shooting, and Mr. Goodwin received what is thought to be a mortal wound, and Mr. Adair was shot through the shoulder. He returned the fire, and evidently wounded one of the men, as when he rode off he was seen to be bleeding.

Only the Leaders Held.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Commissioner Shields has ordered the release of all the men arrested in connection with the Bermuda filibustering expedition, with the exception of General Garcia, Captain Hughes and two other leaders. These have been held on bail for trial March 3.

The prisoners were released because their arrest was in violation of the instructions sent out from Washington last week, by Attorney General Harney, that suspicion merely was not sufficient ground for arrest, but that evidence of intention to violate the neutrality laws was required.

The capture of the largest that has yet been fitted out in the interest of the Cuban revolutionist. It came to grief by the seizure, in this harbor, of the steamer Bermuda, flying the British flag. The steamship J. S. T. Stranahan, which was loaded with arms and ammunition, was also captured, as were the tug McCaldin Brothers and William J. McCaldin, which had carried about 20 Cuban filibusters aboard the Bermuda. United States marshals and Pinkerton detectives, the latter in the employ of the Spanish government, aided in the seizure and took the filibusters ashore.

The Sound Money Fight.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Secretary Carlisle was a guest of the Manhattan club last night, and many conspicuous in both parties were present to meet him. Mr. Carlisle, at the banquet table, said: "I wanted to be here tonight because I knew that your halls would be thronged and your tables surrounded by old-fashioned bankers who have never repudiated, and I am sure never will repudiate the principals of their party, sound money, just taxation, economy in the expenditure of the public moneys, honesty and fidelity in the discharge of official duty, and the preservation of individual liberty and the rights of the states.

Now it is proposed to condemn this ancient democratic policy, at least so far as it relates to the maintenance of a sound and stable currency, by authorizing the free coinage of silver at a ratio which shall make the legal tender silver dollar worth about one-half as much as the legal tender gold dollar." The secretary said that the time was rapidly approaching when this party difference would be settled by the action of a majority.

Three Victims of Coal Oil.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 26.—Three children are dead and one lying at Johns Hopkins hospital in a perilous condition, as the result of the fire caused by the lighting of coal oil in the house of Frederick Rose.

Thirtieth Senatorial Ballot.

FRANKFORT, KY., Feb. 25.—The thirtieth senatorial ballot in joint assembly resulted as follows: Hunter, 60; Blackburn, 59; Carlisle, 4; Denny, 3; Bate, 1.

Persecuted by a Demon.

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