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WHERE THE WORKINGMEN STAND.

[New York Herald.]

A delegation of workingmen composed of J. A. Thompson, President of the Car Drivers' Union; J. J. Kavanaugh, president of the Engineers Union; R. M. Abell, president of the Brass workers Union; A. A. Carney, president and R. O. Ferris, secretary of the national labor party, called on the national democratic committee yesterday morning and presented the following statement in answer to the assertions made by Gen. Butler in his letter of acceptance:

"We desire to correct the statement made by General Butler in his letter of acceptance that the national democratic convention at Chicago refused to take it in its platform a single demand of the workingmen in a plank in the interest of labor. It may be true that the committee on resolutions refused to be governed or dictated by General Butler, but it is not true that it refused to listen to or grant the request of the workingmen, for the committee on resolutions granted a hearing to three different committees of workingmen—one from the national labor party, another from the federated trades unions, and a third committee of New York workingmen. The committee on resolutions listened to their arguments and inserted in the democratic platform every measure demanded by their bona fide representatives of labor.

"We also wish to correct the misstatement that Governor Cleveland has failed to carry out the pledges made in the platform of 1882. The opposite is the case, for every measure demanded by workingmen has been granted, despite the active and earnest opposition of the Republican legislature of the state; by and through his efforts more has been granted to the working men in the way of practical legislation and more has been accomplished for his benefit than has been done by all the late unions or political parties of these United States since the Declaration of Independence. Every measure asked for by anti-monopoly league and the labor party of the state was inserted in the democratic platform of 1882 and has been granted and Governor Cleveland and the democratic party can honestly claim the merit of inaugurating all the measures that have been taken up by other state legislatures and passed, to the great benefit of the working classes and incorporated in the national platform of the Democratic and Republican parties."

CYCLONE IN WISCONSIN.

Terrible Scenes in the Town of Clear Lake.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 16.—News has been received here that the town of Clear Lake, Wisconsin, was badly wrecked by a storm on Tuesday at six o'clock last evening. Half of the town is in ruins. Three persons were killed and many wounded.

The scenes after the storm passed were horrible in the extreme. Men, women and children were running about in a perfect frenzy of excitement and fear. Here and there people could be seen coming out of cellars almost paralyzed with fear. The strongest was as if a little child, for no human power could resist the terrible force. A house was taken from the foundation and turned completely around. A large barn was blown away, leaving the floor and manglers with the horses peacefully eating their supper. A little child was taken in the arms of the tempest and landed in the branches of a tree slightly injured. A large frame house was blown completely out of sight and not one particle of the house or contents could be found, although search for a mile was made in the track of the storm, the family had fortunately taken refuge in the cellar. Many families are left destitute.

THE PANIC IN WHEAT.

The great business sensation of the year in two hemispheres and the continent is the low price of wheat, the great cash crop of the farmers of the West, England and India. Wheat has not in 14 years before sold so cheaply in Chicago as lately. It has not been so cheap in England for 100 years. The Chicago Tribune says speculators who bought wheat in June on the alluring predictions of the clique, who promised with the help of the banks to prop up prices, have by this time lost on all they have held not less than 55 cents a bushel, including all carrying charges. The San Francisco Chronicle, which is a close observer of the wheat situation, which benefits a journal in a state the wheat crop of which is worth more than its gold yield, declares that wheat is selling 20 percent below the fair average cost of production. The causes of the prevailing low prices, it thinks, are temporary, and it enumerates them as being: (1) The general collapse of wheat speculators; (2) the monetary crisis; and (3) the heavy sales of farmers customary at this season. On the other hand, Mr. Wm. M. Grosvenor, the well known statistician of New York, figures out that the surplus remaining in this country July 1 was 554,195 bushels, as against 65,877,155 remaining on hand a year previously. "Present indications," he declares, "are that the abundant supplies on both sides of the ocean will cause very low prices this fall." In his opinion the "obvious cause of the unusually low prices of wheat all over the world is the extraordinary increase in railroad and ship building within the last few years. Railroads in India and here have multiplied wheat-growing areas. The cheap ships of these days have brought the most distant areas into competition."

The New York World presents a picture of Blaine's elegant Washington mansion and adds: "It is an architectural gem. It cost \$150,000, and it rents for \$13,000 a year. Blaine entered public life a poor man. His highest official salary was \$8,000 a year, he believes, and he didn't enjoy that long. Yet Blaine, in addition to his Washington palace, owns property in Maine, is interested in several mining and railway enterprises in Virginia, has stock in half a dozen enterprises in Pennsylvania and a sewerage and was once largely interested in the Little Rock and Fort Smith railway. He is a millionaire." Mr. Blaine has been a thrifty statesman.

REVOLUTIONARY RELICS.

Speaking of certain documentary relics to be found in the Pension Bureau of the War Department at Washington, a correspondent of the Cleveland Leader writes: "Probably the most valuable of all these old documents are the orderly books, of which there are a great number. They are of all sizes and shapes, and some of them mixed up with accounts and a thousand and one other things. The back part of one contains several poems, the record of farm hands, and the sale of sheeps' wool, while that of another chronicling the army of Virginia has been made into an arithmetic book, and has examples 'for the rule of three,' while others contain private contracts, family records and almost every variety of writing. Three orderly books are bound in cheap paper unglazed and unruled. Hardly one of them is under one hundred years old, and all are yellow and ragged. They give in many cases the daily history of the operations of the various armies, and it would require column upon column to give the interesting things they contain. It is to be hoped that the government will have them published, with the rolls of the Revolution, and what historical merit they have shall be preserved. One, for instance, is an orderly book containing the full workings of Benedict Arnold's Expedition to Canada from November 8, 1775, to February 26, 1776. It is a paste-board covered book about ten inches square and an inch thick with a yellow parchment back. It gives the parole and countersign for every day and contains a partial history of the expedition. From it I see that on January 3, 1776, when the countersign of the army was 'Campbell' and the parole 'Montreal,' Colonel Benedict Arnold was by unanimous voice of his officers and troops appointed commander, and on February 8, when the parole was 'Schuyler' and the countersign 'Howe,' the notice came of the appointment of Arnold by Congress to be a brigadier general. There is also an account book showing the various horses bought, sold, and used by the Continental army in 1777, and an itemized account of the teamsters employed. The sums are put down in pounds, shillings, and pence. The paper is yellow and the ink faded, and the whole book resembles more a child's copy-book than that of a government contractor.

DIVISION OF LABOR IN EARTHQUAKES

Richard A. Proctor thus discourses in Longman's Magazine upon the consanguinity of earthquakes: "Those who recognize or imagine a connection between the earthquakes in Great Britain and the movements occurring within the volcanic region of Southern Europe, remark that during all the time that England was thus disturbed, the region of which Vesuvius is the principal outlet had been quiescent. It is perhaps rather convenient for the theory of connection between British earthquakes and the Vesuvian volcanic region, that we may recognize evidence in favor of the theory, whether disturbance in one region synchronizes with disturbances in the other, or on the other hand, with a time when the other region is unusually quiescent. Yet it must be admitted that even the apparently contradictory forms of evidence derived from the quiescence of Vesuvius and its fellow-craters on the other, when British earthquakes occur with exceptional violence, may in reality point in the same direction. For on the smaller scale it certainly has been observed that within the Vesuvian region itself, at a time when Vesuvius is at rest, the minor craters of this region are often found to be unusually active, while yet at times, when Vesuvius is in violent eruption, these same volcanoes seem exceptionally active too. It is as though when Vesuvius rests they tried to do the work which Vesuvius is neglecting, while, when Vesuvius is very active, they try to help the greater crater by sharing in its labors. It may, therefore, quite possibly be the case that distant volcanic regions may show their kinship as much by alternating throes as by simultaneous disturbances."

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BLAINE'S DESPICABLE ATTITUDE.

[Boston Globe.]

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