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A Lame Defence.

An oracle of the administration, in an inspired dispatch from Washington, says: "England has given no pretext whatever for interference on the part of this government. As matters look now, she does not intend to give any. It is the understanding in the diplomatic world that Great Britain is always careful in her dealings with American states to avoid stirring up the angry passions of Uncle Samuel, and that neither Nicaragua nor Venezuela is likely to prove an exception to the rule."

"Understandings in the diplomatic world" are not to the point in the present emergency. A powerful nation has pounced, bullly fashion, on a little country less than one-hundredth its size; has trumped up a largely fictitious bill of damages and is proceeding, in defiance of American sentiment, American tradition and American fairness, to choke its little opponent into submission by its outrageous claims.

The Next Secretary of State. We are fully prepared to credit the assertion of Mr. C. W. Fairbanks, of Indianapolis, one of ex-President Harrison's warmest personal friends, that General Harrison is not a candidate for re-nomination and that he will make no effort to influence the choice of the next Republican national convention.

American Insurance Rates. It appears from a table in the North American Review that Americans pay nearly twice as high a rate for fire insurance as do Russians; nearly three times as much as is paid by the inhabitants of Austria and Australia; exactly four times as much as are paid by those of England; more than six times as much as Germans pay, and more than twelve times as much as is paid in France.

We imagine that General Harrison would rather be secretary of state under a friendly Republican presi-

dent than to return to the White house as chief executive. The importance of this office is growing in direct proportion to the demonstrated unfitness of its present occupant. As Secretary Gresham's successor, General Harrison could exert an uplifting influence upon our foreign policy not to be exerted by any other living American. He possesses the experience, the learning and the wholesome patriotism to make of our now invertebrate state department a model of logical firmness and enlightened sagacity.

Civil Service Reform.

During the first week of his term as mayor of Chicago, Mr. George B. Swift was, as he half-humorously confesses in a public speech, occupied for twelve hours a day with nobly but office-seekers. Upon an average, 600 visitors called daily to see him privately in behalf either of themselves or of some friendly aspirant for appointment to municipal position. In that whole week Mr. Swift found only fifteen minutes' time for a conference with the head of the department of public works, who represents the most important subdivision of the city government.

A bill was recently introduced at Harrisburg offering a rebate of 25 per cent. on his road tax to the farmer who would equip his vehicles with wide tires. Considering the enthusiasm with which the present legislature has ignored road reform, it seems safe to predict that this bill will die a violent death.

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It is a curious fact that the American people, so intensely practical in most of their affairs, should so long have failed to perceive the great economic advantage of employing skilled labor in their public offices, instead of the raw labor dumped in those offices at every new turn of the partisan weather vane.

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due more to good luck than to systematic precautions. Amdn, in the matter of a paid fire department, we remain content with the methods of a decade ago, although no body has yet expressed dissent from the assertion that a thoroughly organized, paid force of regular firemen would each year save to the city considerably more than its extra cost.

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Land of temperature's equation, of luxuriant vegetation, of oppression and taxation, fight on thy cause is just! Thou Castilian aggressor, like the Moorish predecessors, meet the face of all transgressors and are humbled in the dust.

AS TO MR. MORTON.

From the Rochester Post-Express. Mr. Cleveland has announced that he is in no way responsible for the opinions set forth in a recent interview by Secretary Morton, of his cabinet; and there is no reason to suppose that he is responsible for the opinions set forth in the review of the North American Review, in which he quotes the description of Tribby's singing, and then proceeds to paraphrase it for the purposes of a scientific discussion.

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TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Jacobus, the Tribune Astrologer. Astrological cast: 2:45 a. m. for Wednesday, May 1, 1895.

Moon rises 2:28 a. m. A child that's born upon this day Will die on base ball features, And yell at every "double play!" In chorus with the "bischoberg."

Scranton postmen in uniform will do well to look out for the electric cars when striking a messenger boy's cart on the street, and avoid indulgence in gin fizz unless the government sleuth is invited to share the canter.

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