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THE BRITISH ELECTIONS.

The Gladstonian party at the British general elections have not been fully as successful as was anticipated. Instead of from 100 to 150 majority, as Gladstone himself and his enthusiastic supporters expected, Gladstone and the government are on about equal terms.

The accuracy of the pre-election gauge of public opinion is remarkable. When the Salisbury parliament was dissolved it was with the full knowledge that the next ministry would be Gladstonian and would carry a home-rule measure through the commons.

The brevity of these British electoral campaigns is one peculiar feature of parliamentary law in Great Britain. A few weeks after the dissolution of one parliament another will be in power.

Dispatches today speak of another bridge to be built across the Niagara, by the Canadian Pacific. From this we suppose their contest with the Vanderbilts is at an end on the bridge question.

The proclamation of Gov. Willey, of Idaho, that any renegade found in the Coeur d'Alene with dynamite "be shot on the spot," should go to posterity along with the words of the famous Gen. Dix, once upon a time when some irreverent son of the confederacy proposed to outrage Uncle Sams emblem of true liberty.

In some quarters it is now actually believed that because of the Homestead riots workmen are going to cast their ballots against that very protective tariff which insures them employment!

The reported death of William Waldorf Astor having been officially denied, the statement of the Buffalo Express to the effect that hereafter the head of the family will be his cousin, the young "Jackastor" who married the beautiful Miss Willing of Philadelphia, fails to materialize.

Mr. L. J. B. Lincoln, inventor and proprietor of "Uncut Leaves," has gone to London to try his pet and profitable racket on the public in that metropolis. There's a smooth and winsome Yankee for you!

Adlai E. Stevenson has done just what we believed he would do. He has declined to accept as gracefully as possible the cool treatment with which Mr. Cleveland proposes to regale him.

Three fresh cases of smallpox are reported at Victoria. None at other points in the province.

A new feature of the labor question cropped out in Corning, when the American flint-glass workers' union were holding a convention in that city on the 11th, and such hostility was shown to it by the citizens that no regular hall could be secured, and a wigwag had to be built for the purpose.

It is practically settled now that the Gladstonian majority in the new house will be between 50 and 58. Official party estimates put it at 56, and nothing but wildly improbable gains or losses in the limited number of constituencies still out can much alter this.

The United States steamer Boston, now in San Francisco, has been ordered to Honolulu to relieve the San Francisco. This vessel will return to Mare island navy-yard and have her bottom cleaned.

The wool clip of Montana will aggregate 12,000,000 to 15,000,000 pounds this year. It is of excellent quality, and is rapidly going into the hands of Eastern buyers at 17 to 19 cents a pound.

Cyrus W. Field was a believer in insurance. At the age of 24 years he took out a policy of \$10,000. When 40 years old he took out another for the same amount.

While digging a well in Wenatchee the other day one of the residents found that which pleased him much more than a plentiful supply of water would have done, in the shape of a vein of coal.

Reports from Sitka say that an appraisal is being made of the value of the British steamer Coquitlam and her cargo of sealskins and supplies, which were seized for alleged violation of the United States laws.

A member of the Columbus Typographical Union, Ohio, has informed Adjutant-General Peacock of a general movement on the part of labor unions of all kinds to induce such of their members as belonged to the state militia to withdraw from it as soon as possible.

Harmony cannot obtain among the democrats until Henry Watterson has retracted that cruel telegram to the Louisville Courier-Journal, wherein he referred to the distinguished editor of the St. Louis Republic as "Mr. Jones, an obscure man from Missouri."

A large tarantula accompanied by her family of more than 100 little tarantulas was discovered in a bunch of bananas in a Portland fruit store the other day.

The versatile Denver News is now seeking to throw the election of president into the lower house of congress. The Denver News is owned by Col. Tom Patterson, who at the head of the free-silver cohorts, marched into the Chicago convention and then marched off again.

Sousa is really going to Chicago as soon as he can master the mysteries of "Hogan Paid My Rent" and other compositions of the approved lakeside variety. He has been informed that "hifalutin' tootin' don't go, see?"

Joe Fifer is seemingly content not to carry Illinois until election day. The other crowd is likely not to have any fireworks or any use for them in November. It is a wise man who does not waste his ammunition upon scenery.

The sharp pocket-knife, the soft white-pine goods box and the hot summer sun are the seductive influences that are about to topple over the once proud fabric of American manhood.

CLEVELAND HAS OBJECTIONS.

Recently the public was informed of the organization in New York of a Frances Cleveland influence club, for the purpose of fostering and furthering, by woman's subtle influence, the cause of democracy.

On the whole, most husbands, brothers and fathers will be inclined to agree with the author. Theoretically the processes of politics should be such that no woman might feel unwilling to have her name figure therein conspicuously.

Of the cheap edition of "David Grievor" 11,000 copies were sold before publication, and the first edition of 5,000 copies of Rudyard Kipling's "Barrack-Room Ballads" was sold out the day of publication.

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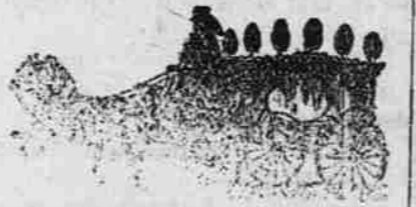
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