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THE SPEECH THAT FAILED.

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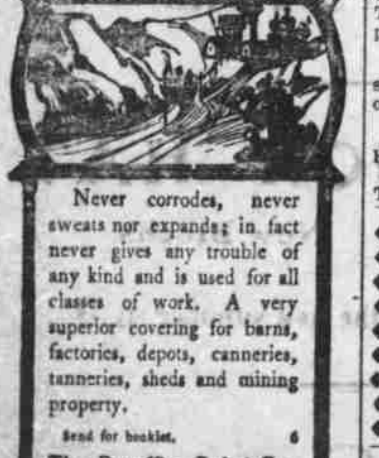
The appearance of Mr. Reames on the stand was the signal for an outburst of enthusiasm, and if this may be taken as an example of his popularity with the people of Marion county, the county may as well be taken out of the doubtful column and placed in his credit.

This is but an illustration of the manner in which this strenuous age is bound to overreach itself occasionally. In order to be thoroughly up to date and never scooped, chances must be taken which leave no guarantee that disaster may not result.

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This is the circle: Every farm boy wants to be a school teacher; every school teacher hopes to be an editor; every editor would like to be a banker; every banker would like to be a trust magnate, and every trust magnate hopes to own a farm and have chickens and cows and pigs and horses to look after.

Missouri leads the apple growing states of the union, there being 20,000,000 apple trees in that state. This year the crop will be worth \$20,000,000, or \$3,000,000 in excess of the annual wheat crop.

There are two sides to the immigration problem. While some people in America are rather too sweepingly deploring record breaking days at Ellis Island the Norwegian government is sad because of the departure of from 20,000 to 40,000 sturdy, industrious people every year.

There are 145 Mormon missionaries at work in Germany. Their expulsion has been ordered on the ground that their teaching is incompatible with the laws of the state and public morals.

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