

WHAT IS THE CAUSE?

Mr. T. V. Powderly, the representative of the intelligent laborers, having been for many years at the head of the Knights of Labor in this country, has written an open letter to President Cleveland, published in the last Journal of the Knights of Labor, which is very trenchant as to the cause.

had been done they did not like it, and desired a return to bimetalism. Mr. Sherman is now a bimetalist, and his vote of 1873 was considered his present position.

The Volunteer Firemen's Association of Oregon hold their annual meeting in this city to-day and to-morrow, and our guests have arrived.

A great event in the history of the British people was the passage of the home-rule bill last Friday in the house of commons by a decisive majority.

Emperor William, at a banquet in Metz yesterday, used very significant language, when he said: "I have established a house for myself among you, and the great empire, of which I am the head, through me, gives you the assurance of peace."

Representative Hermann says the fear of tariff reduction is the cause of the present hard times, and in this he will be supported by nearly every Republican.

The Atlanta Constitution wants the Democrats in congress to get together and cease making spectacles of themselves by their bickering over the silver question.

PARTY PLATFORMS.

The policy of a party followed for many years is of greater significance than any national platform that may be adopted, and this is especially true when a political organization has had control of the administration of affairs continuously for more than a quarter of a century.

The free-trade craters told the men with "the little tin dinner pail" that they "were oppressed by protection."

The Chinese must go, the president says, and the deportation will begin to-morrow. This will be a great hardship on those who did not register when the Geary law was before the supreme court.

The last reading of the Irish home-rule bill is now before the British parliament, and will be pressed to an early vote. It will pass the house of commons, but will be defeated in the house of lords.

The house met and fixed a certain date for a vote, and on that day promptly passed the repeal bill, but the senate has voluntarily delayed action.

Resolution by Gladstone. LONDON, Sept. 5.—Gladstone, in the commons last night, moved the adoption of his resolution to regulate the business of the house, and in the course of a speech outlining the government programme said he wished to pass at the autumn session an employment bill and patch council bill.

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Fatal Shooting at Port Angeles. PORT ANGELES, Wash., Sept. 5.—What will undoubtedly be a fatal shooting affair occurred here this afternoon. The parties to the affair were Judge Samuel P. Carst and Dr. L. R. Herrick, each prominent in this city.

A Murder at Everett. EVERETT, Wash., Sept. 5.—A fatal shooting affair happened about noon today in the Board of Trade saloon near the railroad track, in which John H. Doudridge, a colored bookbinder, known as "Johnny the shanty man," was instantly killed by Eddie Jamison, the bartender.

Washington Wrangles. WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—In the senate, Peffer introduced a bill creating a department of education, under the supervision of a secretary of education, who, within three years after the passage of the act, would be authorized to collect, compile, scientific learning, in which shall be taught all the classic and professional studies, arts, etc., to be known as the Scientific University of the Red, White and Blue Cross.

By Force of Must Be. METZ, Sept. 5.—Emperor William was upon his feet and in a talking mood at a brilliant banquet tendered by civil officials last evening. He referred in highly complimentary terms to the people of Louisiana.

Losing Her Prestige. LONDON, Sept. 5.—A dispatch to the Times from Bangkok says Great Britain has lost her prestige in the East because of her attitude in connection with the French-Siamese question.

The Great Army. INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 5.—This is a great day in the Grand Army encampment. The veterans are all here and have possession of the city, which is ablaze with decorations.

Excitement to be Foreseen. WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—The administration has fully determined to enforce the Geary Chinese exclusion act. There is no longer any doubt on this point.

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