

The tariff and not silver is again going to be the issue for the country. The presidential campaign will be fought largely on this issue, principally because there is no other. The silver question will come up, but it will not be the subject matter of the political fight.

THE PROPER COURSE.

Some of our Republican exchanges are criticizing the administration for its course towards Cuba, and offer as a reason why the United States should cease to maintain a strict neutrality, that it is Spain who is to blame for the civil war. It is no doubt true that Spain did not treat us fairly or honestly, but it will be remembered that England was compelled to pay the sum of \$15,000,000 on account of her neglect to do her duty.

THE GOLD RESERVE.

The blame for the trouble in keeping the gold reserve up to its requirements, is laid by the Republican press on the action of the Wilson bill, which they claim decreased the revenues. There never was a greater mistake.

SENATOR ALLISON.

An exchange says: "Senator Allison is not an orator, and seldom makes an extended speech." That is not making any speeches just now is true; but he has no claims to oratorical ability as a decided mistake.

This is manifestly impossible. The department is no doubt held into the present predicament, from the difficulty of the situation, it being almost impossible for the railroad companies to examine all their lands. But it seems to us a way could be found around this difficulty.

THE CUP SAFE.

The full report of the race between the Valkyrie and the Defender shows that the Yankee has not forgotten the art of ship building, although the trade has become almost obsolete in this country.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Silence is golden; says the proverb; but silver is the bulk that way. Dr. Palmer, manager of the "Trib-By" Dramatic company, committed suicide recently. It is seldom a theatrical manager is so constituted as to do the right thing at the right time.

CUBAN ATROCITIES.

According to Saturday's dispatches the Spanish hierarchy has been guilty of a series of brutalities that make those of the Japs appear white beside them. Women and children were ruthlessly butchered, and were followed into their houses and killed at their own firesides.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

The Herrick cannery has been visited today by hundreds of our citizens. Nearly every one reiterates the sentiment of those who have preceded them: "What a pity the work cannot be done by white labor." It is a pity, but in the near future it is probable white labor will be employed. The trouble is that white labor is not content to take the chances the Chinese do. Good wages can be paid when there are plenty of fish, but the white-

RAILROAD MINERAL LANDS.

The making of grants of immense bodies of land to aid in the construction of railroads was one of the worst evils ever perpetrated by congress. While the grant to the Union Pacific was the largest, and the circumstances being taken into consideration was perhaps justifiable, the other grants, and especially that to the Northern Pacific were entirely without excuse.

rest. The hearts of the people will break in an hour or two hours a day, during the determination, Kincaid. Brave sower of seeds of discontent, grand champion of golden fleece and free silver, we have you down. Above the cries of hate, your grip on fees, the grip of fate awakes the land."

TELEGRAPHIC.

AT PUERTO PRINCIPAL.

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HOSPITALER LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 10.—It is doubtful if the city ever before entertained as many guests as here today. It is conservatively estimated that nearly 20,000 strangers are in the city, the majority of whom, 30 years ago, bore arms either for the blue or the gray, but blue and gray are on the march and men who were then at war, now walk arm in arm as brothers.

STATE BOARD MEET.

SALEM, Sept. 10.—The state board of school land commissioners held its monthly meeting here today. In the matter of an application by T. W. Case to purchase 100 acres in Grant county, the board has decided to grant the same. The board also considered an application by R. G. Morrow. The consideration of applications for school lands was postponed until tomorrow. In the matter of collections, it was ordered that the local agencies of the board in the different counties be instructed to press collections, especially for interest due, and to institute suits if necessary to protect their interests. Where the base used was said to be mineral, its mineral character is to be established by the occupant, and when rejected because of duplication of bases a new basis shall be furnished.

NEW RECORD ESTABLISHED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—The Pacific coast record in the city of San Francisco, was established today by the making of the run from Acapulco to this city in 13 hours and 23 minutes. This is more than half a day less than the best previously recorded time. Acapulco is 1300 miles from this city, and the average speed was 13.16 knots an hour was made. The City of Sydney was due today at 10 o'clock, and was sighted at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She was sighted from Point Lobos, 16 miles out, and was seen by the Pacific Mail people, who did not look for her before today.

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