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ANYTHING BUT SLOW PROGRESS.

There is a chorus of condemnatory chatter going up constantly from the free silverites because the present administration is making "such slow progress." Can any one of them point out an administration in the history of the country in which as rapid progress was made? It is little more than three months since William McKinley was inaugurated, and in that time a bimetallic commission has been sent abroad to open the way for an international monetary conference; the prison doors in Cuba have been opened to American citizens; money has been forwarded to that island to feed the citizens of this country there who are suffering for food; a special commissioner sent to learn the facts upon which to base action which is intended to carry out the enunciations of the platform in regard to Cuba; a warship has been sent to Hawaii to protect American interests there, and perhaps to open the way to definite action regarding her appeal for admission to the Union; appointments have been made as rapidly as respect for existing laws will permit; and a tariff bill has been framed and passed by one branch of congress, and is now under discussion by the other.

These critics forget how things went four years ago. The democrats insisted that the people were enduring tremendous burdens which could only be lifted by a free trade tariff law. But the democratic congress did not move in the matter of the tariff until the regular session of congress opened, nine months after Cleveland's inauguration; and it was nine months more until that tariff bill became a law. President McKinley has been in office just three months, and the tariff bill is well on its way. It will be a law in less than three months more.

Can anybody point out another administration which accomplished as much in the first three months of its existence?

The discussion about the terms of peace in the East has brought out very distinctly the fact that Turkey means to retain Thessaly for the time, if possible. The Sultan may wish merely to hold the province as security for his indemnity until he gets a better, or he may want to keep it, exactly as Germany kept and keeps Alsance-Lorraine. His German adviser would no doubt desire him to do this, and if Turkey were a really independent nation, its right to keep subjugated territory could not be questioned by any body. Another point in favor of the claim is the fact of possession, which in war as well as law is nine-tenths of the game. No one can make the Sultan give up Thessaly, which the powers made him give to Greece in 1881, and which he has now reconquered against the will of the great eastern powers, except by force, and hence England and France may be any day brought face to face with the question, Shall we let Russia, Austria and Germany settle this matter among themselves, or shall we threaten war as a consequence of the retention of Thessaly? Twenty years ago a question not unlike this was presented to Disraeli, and he at once threatened war; this brought on the Berlin conference, one of the results of which was the cession of Thessaly by Turkey.

Not at all discouraged by the knock-out blow the income tax received by the supreme court, Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, has introduced in the house of representatives a resolution to submit to the state legislatures the following constitutional amendment:

An income tax shall not be construed as a direct tax within the meaning of section 2 and section 9 of article 1 of the constitution, but the congress shall have power to lay and collect a tax on incomes derived from any source whatever, without regard to apportionment or enumeration.

The populist contingent of the country is as hot as ever for income tax, for the silver standard, for packing the supreme court and for governmental ownership of all railroads, lighting companies, and so forth. But it will be a very long while before any such constitutional amendment as Mr. Cochran's receives the endorsement of enough state legislatures to make it operative.

The Republican National League has taken an eminently proper step by declaring that only delegates who indorse the party platform may participate in the league convention at Detroit in July. The man who differs from the party platform on the money question is not a republican. He belongs in the popocratic fold, and has neither part nor lot in a gathering of representative republicans.

People who are assuming that the improved business conditions have not arrived will perhaps be interested to know that a careful inquiry by the Buffalo Express results in an estimate that 100,000 men who were idle in the autumn of 1896 have obtained employment since that time. This at least indicates the dawn of the arrival of prosperity.

DEAL GENTLY WITH THE STOMACH

If it proves refractory, mild discipline is the thing to set it right. Not all the nauseous draughts and boluses ever invented can do half as much to remedy its disorders as a few wineglassfuls—say, three a day—of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which will afford it speedy relief, and eventually banish every dyspeptic and bilious symoptom. Sick headache, nervousness, sallowness of the complexion, fur upon the tongue, vertigo, and those many indescribable and disagreeable sensations caused by indigestion, are too often perpetuated in injudicious dosing. An immediate abandonment of such random and ill advised experiments should be the first step in the direction of a cure; the next step the use of this standard tonic alterative, which has received the highest medical sanction and won unprecedented popularity.

Powdered borax thickly strewn around the pipes and closets, when closing the house for the summer, will greatly lessen the number of roaches.

Mr. Isaac Horner, proprietor of the Burton House, Burton, W. V., and one of the most widely known men in the state, was cured of rheumatism after three years of suffering. He says: "I have not sufficient command of language to convey any idea of what I suffered, my physicians told me that nothing could be done for me and my friends were fully convinced that nothing but death would relieve me of my suffering. In June, 1894, Mr. Evens, then salesman for the Wheeling Drug Co., recommended Chamberlain's Pain Balm. At this time my foot and limb were swollen to more than double their normal size and it seemed to me my leg would burst, but soon after I began using the Pain Balm the swelling began to decrease, the pain to leave, and now I consider that I am entirely cured. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

Meat should not be used oftener than once a day in warm weather, but when used it should be of the best and most nourishing kind.

Almost every man in America has some digestive trouble. When men meet, the greeting usually is, "Well, how are you?" That developes health talk. The man who has no bowel or stomach trouble is almost a curiosity. Trouble is men take no care of themselves. They eat as though they had copper stomachs and bowels of brass. By and by, overworked nature rebels. Then come headaches, nervousness, bad blood, liver and kidney troubles. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets furnish help for constipation and torpid liver, sick headache, dizziness, sour stomach, loss of appetite, indigestion, or dispepsia, windy belchings, "heartburn," pain and distress after eating, and kindred derangements of the liver, stomach and bowels. Accept no substitute.

Corn meal poultices are too heavy in cases where there is great tenderness. Flaxseed and slippery elm should be used instead.

Health and happiness are relative conditions; at any rate, there can be little happiness without health. To give the body its full measure of strength and energy, the blood should be kept pure and vigorous, by the use of Ayer's Sarsaprilla.

CITY STEAM LAUNDRY.

The City Steam Laundry will move their new building to 522 Franklin avenue, between Eleventh and Twelfth sts., where they will have greatly improved facilities. On account of changing location, business will be suspended for a few days only. Will call on our regular customers as soon as possible.

THE OBJECTION NOT GOOD.

There are people who have objections to advertising matter in the columns of a newspaper. The ground of objection is that they do not want to read advertisements. Now this objection is not good, for oftentimes these advertisements convey valuable information. For instance, how else would the traveling public learn of the excellent dining car service of the Wisconsin Central lines between St. Paul and Chicago, or the general comfort of traveling over this popular line. For particulars call on the nearest ticket agent or address J. C. Pond, G. P. A., Milwaukee, Wis., or Geo. S. Batty, General Agent, 246 Stark street, Portland, Or.

Two or three thicknesses of newspaper laid on the floor before laying matting will treble the length of life of the matting.

There is no joy in the world equal to the happiness of motherhood. A woman's health is her dearest possession. Good looks, good times, happiness, love and its continuance, depend on her health. Almost all of the sickness of women is traceable directly or indirectly to some derangement of the organs distinctly feminine. Troubles of this kind are often neglected because a very natural and proper modesty keeps women away from physicians, whose insistence upon examination and local treatment is generally as useless as it is common. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will do more for them than 99 doctors in 100. It will do more than the hundredth doctor can unless he prescribes it. It is a prescription of Dr. R. V. Pierce, who for 30 years has been chief consulting physician of the World's Dispensary and Invalids' Hotel, at Buffalo, New York.

Send 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only, and get his great book, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, absolutely free.

A decoction of copperas should be used at least once a week in every drain in the house to remove odors and germs.

A. H. Patter, with E. C. Atkins & Co., Indianapolis, Ind., writes: "I have never before given a testimonial in my life. But I will say that for three years we have never been without Chamberlain's Colic and Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house, and my wife would as soon think of being without flour as a bottle of this Remedy in the summer season. We have used it with all three of our children and it has never failed to cure—not simply stop pain, but cure absolutely. It is all right, and anyone who tries it will find it so." For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

A lamp chimney may be made brilliant by washing in very hot soap suds and rinsing in hot clear water.

"There's no use in talking," says W. H. Broadwell, druggist, La Cygne, Kas., "Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoe Remedy does the work. After taking medicines of my own preparation and those of others, I took a dose of Chamberlain's and it helped me; a second dose cured me. Candidly and conscientiously I can recommend it as the best thing on the market. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

A sick headache can frequently be cured by the application of a mild mustard plaster to the pit of the stomach.

Use Webfoot Corn Cure. No cure no pay. For sale at Estes-Conn Drug Store.

A poultice should be mixed with boiling water and boiled for a few minutes. It helps them to retain the heat.

Economy is something that everyody tries to practice, and yet just a little oversight will sometimes rob the most frugal and thrifty family of a year's savings. You want to do as J. P. Hickmann, of Monticello, Ga., did. He writes: "For six years I have kept Simmons Liver Regulator in my house, and used it in my family, and have had no need for a doctor. I have five as healthy children as you can find."

MARINE NEWS.

DATE.	HIGH WATER. A. M.	HIGH WATER. P. M.	LOW WATER. A. M.	LOW WATER. P. M.
	h.m ft.	h.m ft.	h.m ft.	h.m ft.
Tuesday.. 8	4 40 6.1	7 12 7.8	0 50 2.2	12 37 1.9
Wednes'y 9	5 38 6.0	8 08 7.8	1 45 1.8	1 40 2.2
Thursday 10	6 30 6.2	9 03 8.1	2 34 0.8	2 32 2.5
Friday.. 11	10 22 6.4	9 58 8.5	3 36 0.0	3 36 2.7
Saturday 12	11 22 6.8	10 55 8.8	4 34 -0.6	4 35 2.7
Sunday.. 13	12 18 7.1	11 49 9.0	2 30 -1.3	5 33 2.7
Monday.. 14	1 08 7.3		6 42 -1.7	6 68 2.2

THE STAGE OF WATER.

STATION.	Height of River	Change since last report	Rainfall in 24 hours	State of Weather	Temperature
Portland, Or	20.8	-0.5	.00	cloud	60
The Dalles, Or	33.9	-0.7	.00	clear	61
Umatilla, Or	30.8	-0.3	.00	clear	82
Northport Wash	28.8	-1.3	.00	cloudy	w'rm
Wenatchee Wsh	17.2	-0.1	.00	cloudy	74
Lewiston, Idaho	12.2	-0.2	.00	clou	w'rm
Weiser, Idaho	8.1	-0.1	.00	cloudy	w'rm

MARINE NOTES

The steamer State of California will arrive this morning from San Francisco.

The Japanese bark Tenkio Maru will arrive down from Portland today with a cargo of lumber.

The steamer Homer will sail at 8 o'clock this morning for San Francisco and coast points with a good passenger and freight list.

The rivers continue to fall. Very warm weather prevailed Sunday and Monday night over the Columbia river basin. The snow is practically all gone and further high water will not occur.

The China steamer Monmouthshire, Captain Evans, arrived from the Orient yesterday and left up the river. She left Hongkong May 12 and Yokohama May 24, and brought over about 150 passengers and was loaded to the hatches with tea, coffee, silks, matting, rugs, rice and curios.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. Charles Rogers.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. Charles Rogers.

The skin may be kept soft by the use of rain water, or adding almond meal or powdered borax to hard water.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says, "One Minute Cugh Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. Charles Rogers.

By rubbing the range with a newspaper after frying will prevent the necessity of frequent blacking.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Charles Rogers.

Dusters and all house cloths should be neatly hemmed and carefully washed every week.

"They are dandies" said Thos. Bowers, of the Crocket, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. Charles Rogers.

A leak may be temporarily closed by a mixture of yellow soap, whiting and a little water.

Hundreds of thousands have been induced to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by reading what it has done for others, and having tested its merits for themselves are today its warmest friends. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

Brooms and brushes will last twice as long if they are hung up instead of left standing.

All towels should be thoroughly dried before they are put into the hamper.

Dandruff, which causes so much itching of the scalp, can be cured by Hall's Hair Renewer, because it is a corrective tonic for the glands producing dandruff.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." Charles Rogers.

Windows can be beautifully polished by using a newspaper instead of a cloth for drying.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. Charles Rogers.

Every cooking utensil should be immediately filled after using with lukewarm water.

Most coughs may be cured in a few hours or at any rate in a few days, by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. With such a prompt and sure remedy as this at hand, there is no need of prolonging the agony for weeks and months. Keep this remedy in your house.

A little salt put in the reservoir of the lamp will make a clear, steady light.

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. Charles Rogers.

Mattresses should be turned daily to prevent them wearing unevenly.

A pail of unslacked lime left standing in the cellar will remove dampness.