

The Democrat.

CURTIS AND THE ADMINISTRATION.

One of the most notable addresses of the present year is the one delivered by George William Curtis recently at the meeting of the National Civil Service association in New York. As a representative of the civil service idea Mr. Curtis has long been recognized as a central figure, while as an orator he has few equals in this country. His view of the course of the present administration and his citations from leading Republican journals show clearly the hypocrisy of its pretenses and its opposition to true civil service reform. Mr. Curtis spares no man or men when called upon to discharge a duty of this kind, and his words upon this occasion were comprehensive and emphatic. "There was never," he says, truly, "a more comprehensive and significant declaration of reform made in a party platform than that under which the present administration came into power; but no party ever broke faith with itself and with the country more completely." And yet Massachusetts Republicans gush over the president's course and pretend to believe that he has acted in accordance with the promises of the party made when votes were needed. As nothing could be further from the fact, as Mr. Curtis clearly shows, we shall not expect the party organs that pretend to love the civil service laws to commend the address of Mr. Curtis. They cannot love such a plain speaking man and the president's course at the same time.

HOW BUSINESS WAS SAVED.

It is frightful to contemplate what might have been the fate of this country if Quay and Dudley had not saved it, as by fire, last November. That the re-election of Cleveland would have been followed by business failures is a fact well known to all who read the impassioned appeals that were made for means to avert this catastrophe.

Yet in the nine months last past, which cover the administration of Harrison as far as it has gone, the number of business failures in the United States was 7,879, or 329 more than in the corresponding period of last year, with liabilities aggregating \$105,055,870, an increase of 16 1/2 per cent. In Canada, during the same period, the failures were less than before, both in number and liabilities.

If anybody really believed the things they pretend to believe before elections, these figures might occasion some surprise. Such things were predicted from Cleveland's administration, not from Harrison's. As a matter of fact, most of these failures would have occurred just the same whoever had been elected. The only political significance that can be attached to the many failures in business this year, and especially among the "protected" industries, is in the evidence they give against the tariff that was so laboriously saved.

The address of George William Curtis before the annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform League strips the pretensions from the Republican party of fidelity to reform and makes a clear and startling exposition of the shams, hypocrisies and broken pledges of Mr. Harrison and his Administration. Mr. Curtis does the work with his accustomed skill in political debate—a skill that loses nothing in force by winning style and moderate statement—but his speech is nevertheless a crusher. The facts are with him, Republican and Harrison pledges on the one hand, and performance on the other. The falsehood and treachery, he says, are wholly without precedent in our political history.

Railroad managers sometimes forget their obligations to the public. They are not granted valuable franchises simply to enrich the projectors, but also to accommodate the people along the line. A Western railroad recently undertook to discontinue its train service over a profitable branch, but a Federal judge in Iowa decided against it. He ruled that railway companies have no right to suspend the operation of non-paying branches. The exclusive right granted to build the road carries with it the paramount duty of keeping it open for the public convenience. This establishes a valuable principle of railway management in the public interest.

Dr. Bussey says that school children should sing an hour a day, as a preventive of consumption. Vocal music is gymnastic exercise of the lungs by development of the lung tissue itself.

Lieut. Finley finds that there were 141 tornadoes in Illinois in the fifty four years ending with 1888. The month of greatest frequency was May, no month being free from the storms.

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sides, 10c.
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