

The Democrat.

The DEMOCRAT is not the only paper that is complaining about our miserable mail service. The Mercury says:

The postal service all over the country seems to be in a badly demoralized condition. It may yet be necessary for people who want letters delivered promptly and accurately to print a Wamaker "ad" on the envelope at their own expense.

The only colored man in Congress is Representative Chestnut, of the Second District of North Carolina. Mr. Chestnut has been the hero of a pretty romance recently, in which he was represented as asking the Doorkeeper of the House to retain a certain page, saying that the boy was the son of his former master. The story is pretty, but Chestnut was never a slave.

It is worthy statistics could be had of the number of persons who die every year, or become permanently diseased, from sleeping in damp or cold beds, they would probably be astonishing and appalling. It is a peril that constantly besets traveling men, and if they are wise they will invariably insist on having their beds aired and dried, even at the risk of causing much trouble to their landlords. But the peril resides in the home, and the cold "spare room" has slain its thousands of hapless guests, and will go on with its slaughter till people learn wisdom. Not only the guest but the family often suffer the penalty of sleeping in cold rooms, and chilling their bodies at a time when they need all their bodily heat, by getting between cold sheets. Even in warm summer weather a cold, damp bed will get in its deadly work. It is a needless peril, and the neglect to provide dry rooms and beds has in it the elements of murder and suicide.

From our regular correspondent.
WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23, 1889.
Mr. Blaine's boom for the Presidential nomination in 1892 may be considered as having already started, and from information just received by your correspondent from an eminently trustworthy source it undoubtedly has the sanction of Mr. Blaine. No one knows better than Mr. Blaine the danger of premature booms, but certain circumstances made it necessary to launch his boom now or not at all. One of these circumstances is the fact that ex-Senator Tom Platt of New York during a recent trip to Washington took special pains to let Mr. Blaine know that he (Platt) intended to be a candidate, and that he proposed to hold the field against all comers unless Mr. Blaine wished to make the run again, in that case he would give him his loyal support. This together with similar intimations from other men, in other sections, made it necessary for the gentlemen from Maine to show his hand. Consequently the word has gone out to the trusted Blaine lieutenants that the "vote" is again in the field. Mr. Blaine and his family have just returned from a trip to Baltimore and New York, whither they went in an alleged social way, but the trip was in reality made to see and fix certain Maryland and New York politicians. Mr. Blaine has not yet fully decided whether he will retire from the cabinet next Summer or wait until the Spring of 92. The present programme is to keep the thing as quiet as possible for the next two years.

Senator Morgan's joint resolution for the recognition of Brazil's new government failed in the Senate because of the absence of a quorum. He will call it up again after the holiday recess, and it will be passed.
The House is to have a chance of deciding whether it believes the various ugly charges made at various times against the Civil Service Commission should be investigated, as it will have to vote on Representative Ewart's resolution authorizing the House committee on Reform in the Civil Service to investigate these charges. It is almost certain that the resolution will be passed, and it is equally as certain that some of the charges will be proven.

Ex-Speaker Carlisle does not believe the republicans of the House will attempt to adopt a rule giving the Speaker authority to declare a quorum present whenever the requisite number of members are in the House, whether those present vote or not, as some republicans have stated they would. Mr. Carlisle says such a rule would be clearly unconstitutional, and that he would fight it by every means in his power before allowing it to be adopted by the House, and if defeated he would carry it to the courts.

Lace Curtains. Lace Curtains.

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Speaking of the new House of Representatives a correspondent says: "There are no Blacks, and, strange to say, there are no Whites or Grays, and what is more remarkable, there is not a single Jones. There is a Mr. Abbott and also a Mr. Cowles. There is a Mr. Flood and a Mr. Raines. There is a Grain, a Parrett, a Hare and a Ballock. There is a Flower, a Spooner, a Post and a Stump. There is a Knapp and a Goodnight. Bland, Wiley, and Frank are good friends."

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Dec 24th, 1889.

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Geo. Humphrey.

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H. FARWELL
Treasurer

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