

Daily Democrat.

An expert says that the average carpet is about one-fifth dust.

A railroad in the Argentine Republic has one stretch of 211 miles without a curve or bridge.

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The highest inhabited place in the world is Galera, a railroad village in Peru, 15,635 feet above the sea.

A flea will jump over an obstacle 500 times its own height. To show the same muscular power a man would have to jump over a wall nearly a mile high.

It is estimated by the director of the United States mint that this country can produce about \$33,000,000 in gold per year for many years to come.

Jupiter is larger than all the other planets and satellites of the solar system. The sun is a little more than 1000 times larger than Jupiter. But Arcturus is 550,000 times larger than the sun.

A farm at Pithole, Pennsylvania, which was bought some years ago, during the oil excitement, by Chicago speculators, for \$1,500,000 was sold recently at a tax sale for \$100.

Philadelphia is to have a clock which for size will be one of the wonders of the world. It is to be placed on the tower of a public building now in course of erection. The dial is to be twenty five feet in diameter. The distance from the street to the center of the dial will be 351 feet. The bell is to weigh between 20,000 and 25,000 pounds. The minute hand is to be twelve feet and the hour hand nine feet in length, while the Roman figures on the dial will measure two feet eight inches in length.

WASHINGTON.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Aug 24, 1891.

Mr Harrison is certainly unfortunate in one thing. Only those republicans who already hold federal offices, or those who are reaching out after one, speak publicly in favor of his nomination. Robert Small, the negro ex-congressman of South Carolina who is drawing a federal salary in that state, dropped into Washington last week, and, having succeeded by some hook or crook in getting himself interviewed by a reporter of a respectable paper, proceeded to eulogize Harrison and to say if the southern republicans could dictate the nomination it would certainly go to him; he cast a Blaine anchor to windward by saying that the opposition which once existed among southern republicans to Mr Blaine was now entirely gone and that they would gladly support him if he was nominated. The next Harrison man to turn up in Washington was ex-Representative McComas, of Maryland, who by his reason of his supporting the Force bill was defeated for re-election in a district which is strongly republican. Mr McComas is hankering after a seat on the federal bench; therefore it is not strange that he should say that during a tour of the northwestern states he found the people all believing that Blaine was too loyal to Harrison to become a candidate and that Mr Harrison deserved a re-nomination and would get it. No such reports have been brought in by disinterested observers. If Secretary Noble has not got tired of saying that he has not resigned and does not intend to resign, the people are tired of hearing it. Just to show how public opinion regards the matter it may be mentioned that a sporting man stood in the lobby of a hotel, which was crowded with people, and offered to wager any amount from \$50 to a \$1000 that Noble was out of the cabinet before the first of January and there were no takers.

Senator Carlisle is here looking splendidly after his long rest. He says that all the newspaper interviews with him concerning democratic candidates next year which have from time to time appeared since this summer have been entirely false, as he has expressed no opinions on the subject.

Senator Chandler, chairman of the senate committee on immigration, has fired the first gun in what may be a very serious fight in congress by writing a letter to the secretary of the treasury setting forth his views as to the legality of that official's action in accepting bonds, insuring that they should not become a public charge, and permitting the landing of any prohibited class (the Russian Jews recently permitted to land upon the Jews in this country giving a bond to the treasury department that they should not become a charge upon the public, are the targets aimed at.) Mr Chandler says that congress never intended when the prohibitory laws were enacted to authorize any such system, and it is fair to assume that he proposes that the matter shall be brought to the attention of congress. Treasury officials say that written opinions have been furnished that department by Attorney-General Garland under the Cleveland administration and by Attorney-General Miller under the present administration to the effect that such bonds may be taken in the discretion of the secretary of the treasury.

The cattle on the Cherokee strip may be the cause of quite an administration row when Mr Harrison comes back. It is said that the proposed scheme to have them remain there by transferring temporarily the titles to them to individual Indians was first suggested to the cattle barons by

a prominent official of the Interior department and now Assistant Secretary Chandler, of the same department, says that the ruse is entirely too thin, and that it will not be allowed. Well, we shall see who will win. It may be a slander, but it has been said over and over again, that these cattle men would not be put off the strip, because they had a good friend who was near, in more than one respect to Mr Harrison, who would put them "onto" some way to stay.

When the Weather Bureau passed under the control of the agricultural department the statement was made that Francis E. Nipher, of St. Louis, would have been placed in charge of it had he not declined to state his politics. This was vehemently denied at the time by Secretary Rusk, but it was nevertheless true. Professor Nipher, who is now here in attendance upon the meetings of the American Association for the advancement of science says that after six months persuasion he had agreed to accept the position, but when he received a telegram from a member of the cabinet signed officially, and reading: "What are your politics? Answer by telegraph," he concluded that he did not care for the position and wired as follows: "Replying your telegram as requested, I respectfully state that I am not a politician and do not intend to engage in politics."

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