

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12, 1892.

President-elect Cleveland's Reform Club speech gave great satisfaction to the democrats in congress, but so much cannot be said for the misunderstanding, not to call it slight to Speaker Crisp at the hands of the managers of the banquet. If Speaker Crisp had not been wanted he should not have been asked. He occupies today the highest official position controlled by the democratic party, and no matter whether one agrees with all his views or not he is entitled to respect and consideration from every democrat. Democrats who opposed Mr Crisp's election to the speakership of the present house, and who will oppose his election to the speakership of the next house are outspoken in their denunciation of the mismanagement which allowed Mr Crisp to furnish the press with copies of his speech and then did not give him an opportunity to deliver it. They regard it as a slight to his official position and not to him personally.

Senator Voorhees, whose political wisdom teeth were cut some years ago, rightly characterizes the idea that the republicans really wish to see the democrats control the senate of the Fifty-third congress, as absurd. Said he: "the idea that the republicans will stand back or give in an inch is as ridiculous as the story that the democrats are afraid to meet the issue and organize the senate, and the last is an insult to the intelligence of every democrat. We will assume all responsibility and we are ready to begin tomorrow if need be. The democratic party can be depended upon to do two things—remove the unjust burdens of taxation from the necessities of life and provide the necessary revenue for the government. The

republicans are prone to talk of our mistakes. We may have made mistakes but they have been crimes."

It is now certain that when Senator Hale made that public statement about his and other republicans wishing to see the democrats control the senate his intention was to throw the democrats off their guard in order that a deep laid republican scheme might be carried out to defeat the will of the people by purchasing votes enough in certain state legislatures to retain control of the senate and enable the protected millionaires to continue to pocket their exorbitant profits. The schemers, among whom are such experts as Clarkson, Manley and Estee, met in Washington and their meetings were attended by millionaires Alger and Pullman, who, it is supposed, are the purse holders for the ring which wants to buy more protection.

Little things count up. The house committee on appropriations in its work of preparing the sundry civil appropriation bill has discovered that the eight hour law passed at the last session will increase the expenditures of the government about 15 per cent.

Democratic printers who expect to stick type in the big government printing office in the near future, whether Mr Harrison extends the civil service rules to that establishment or not, will be interested in Representative Scott's bill prohibiting the employment of apprentices in that office. Mr Scott says only journeymen should be employed by the government; that boys who wish to learn to be printers and press men should do so in private establishments, and that his bill will pass.

It has been about decided to hold a joint caucus of the democrats in the house and senate in a few days for the purpose of mapping out just what business, exclusive of appropriation bills, shall be taken up at this session.

Representative Geary of California, the author of the present anti-Chinese law, which the treasury officials say will not work, has his fighting blood up, and somebody may catch it very soon. He says that the law can easily be enforced and that to talk of repealing it without having really tried to enforce it, as the bill introduced by Representative Andrews, of Massachusetts, provides, is simply cowardice, and will be so regarded by the whole world.

A poll of the house and senate shows a majority in favor of the restriction of immigration in some way at this session, but an agreement has yet to be reached upon the best method of doing it, although the one years suspension appears to be the favorite method.

Senator Teller says the silver men will oppose the repeal of the present silver law until a substitute that is better is provided.

SKATING RINK.—Having purchased of Mr Beam his skating rink at the Armory, I will continue to run it in a satisfactory manner to the public. Open every Thursday and Saturday nights for everybody. General matinee Saturday afternoon; matinee for ladies only Thursday afternoon.

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The area of the United States is slightly over 3,000,000 square miles, excluding Alaska. Of this area about one-fifth, or 600,000 square miles, has been surveyed during the 10 years in which the work has been in operation. This surveyed area is represented upon 700 sheets, 600 of which have been engraved and printed, and are now in the hands of the public. An area of about 60,000 square miles is surveyed annually.

Quartz is considered one of the most refractory of substances, but Dr Leger, a German chemist, claims to have actually volatilized some pieces of quartz by heating in a simple form of furnace and using retort carbon as fuel. A piece of quartz weighing 24 grams lost over 40 per cent. of its weight in the first heating, and on repeating the operation twice it entirely disappeared.

There is no State in the Union in which the Republican party is more of a back number than Wisconsin. Gov Peck says there is nothing left of it except the colored man who tends the furnace in the State House cellar.

The old theory that the deepest place in the ocean will be found to correspond almost exactly with the height of the highest mountain has been disproved by measurements taken within a year, which show ocean depths 10,000 feet deeper than the highest mountain peaks.

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