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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Four weeks from next Monday both furnaces of congress will blow in.

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The worst thing for the republican party that happened in the forty-eighth congress was the defection of forty-odd democrats by which the passage of the Morrison bill through the house was prevented. The most unfortunate thing for the republican party that has happened thus far in the forty-ninth congress was a similiar defection preventing the passage of another Morrison bill through the house. But for the former the democrats could not have carried the presidential election of '84, even with the fraud stained vote of the crime solidified south. But for the latter there would be no chance for a democratic majority in the next house. Randall and his followers have kept the democracy from making the free trade issue in such a way as to permanently retire that party. Are republicans to be grateful for this?

The action of the Chicago strikers in returning to work under the ten-hour rule was wise. That Mr. Powderly and the Knights who follow his lead advised such a course, is not to be doubted. Mr. Powderly declared the eight-hour movement premature last spring and he has seen nothing to change his mind. That the eight-hour day cannot be maintained in Chicago against the ten-hour day in every other industrial center is as plain as a pike-staff. To attempt to enforce it by boycotts or strikes could only result in disastrous failure. The striking workmen certainly deserve credit for having maintained a quiet, peaceable demeanor during the suspension of work, giving no occasion for the services of Pinkerton's detectives or the city police in preserving order or protecting property.

When one thinks that burlesque actresses, opera bouffe singers, jig dancers, table turners, and stock gamblers dine every day at Delmonico's or similiar establishments, it is enough to cause a heartfelt sneer at civilization, freedom, and "this wonderous, wonderous age," to find that there are in London, the center of the earth's wealth and greatness, thousands of men and women who cannot find employment, and who are compelled to beg for bread. What a small potato of an affair is the health of Emperor William or Chancellor Bismark, the government of Bulgaria, or the prospects of England in Egypt, compared with the portentous fact that after two thousand years of Christianity and the accumulated results of science, strong men, by thousands, search in vain for honest work.

CURRENT THOUGHT.

W.D. Howells' farce the Mouse Trap, ought to be just the cheese.

If ever any man had cause to cry, "save me from my friends," that man is Mr. Bayard. Just think of them! Keiley, Sedgwick, Phelps. And the champion of these is Phelps, with his flunk-eyism.

Chauncey Depew says that "Adonis" fell flat in London at first, and that the more Englishmen went the less they laughed, till finally the Prince of Wales went and laughed. He dosen't know why the prince laughed, but thinks it must have been purely an act of international courtesy.

The N. Y. Times heads its eastern dispatch thus: "The Bulgarian crisis has now reached a quite acute stage." This country has reached a quite acute stage, also. The acuteness of our stage, however, is mostly delveloped in the shoulder-blades of the ballet.

It is stated that Christine Nilsson has her bed chamber papered with sheets of music from the operas in which she has sung, while her dining-room is papered with the hotel bills that she has collected in her tours around the world. She retires to the dining-room when she wants to sing high.

Hon. Abram Hewett, democratic candidate for mayor of New York city is not in love with the present administration. He has never crossed the threshold of the White House since President Cleveland entered it, and to be elected now would place a big, fat, presidential bee in his bonnet. His nomination aganst Henry George, compels the latter to remark "that the democrats are too Tammany for us."

The time-worn but vital saying that money makes the equine animal of the feminine gender show speed, is more than a saying. It is a truism, and the fall elections in various states prove it. The prohibition party acting as a democratic annex, is threatening dire revenge on the republicans in about all the close states. What grievance the prohibition brethren have to be revenged for is not clearly perceptible.

The October calender of the Supreme court of the United States contains 1,103, cases the largest ever known. If congress does not do something to relieve the pressure there will be no such thing as speedy justice obtained in this boasted land of freedom. The trouble has been hitherto that there have been too many legal tinkers with pet plans for the reorganization of the court.

Advocates of female suffrage will take fresh heart on reading the news from the sixth district of Michigan, where a fusion candidate for congress was nominated largely through the instrumentality of Miss Strickland, who is herself the assistant prosecuting attorney of Clinton county, and a candidate for prosecuting attorney. The local prophets say that she will succeed in her own canvass. All this is without the aid of any male supporter or defender, so far as is known.

Sunset Cox, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Turkey, returned to New York just in time to run for Congress. He is reported to be as brown as a butter-nut, and as happy as a clam. We have too many men in that body whose idea of dignity is summed up in a six-by-ten swagger. Mr. Cox is not that kind of a man. He draws enough to venture with all sail set into the open sea of legislative fun and not strain the timbers of dignity a bit. This statement may be a little off-color from a rhetorical point of view. But it is the truth.

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