

The Republicans had 150 majority in the last congress. In the present congress they have 50.

Of course, as loyal a servant of the bank monopoly as ex-Congressman Conger had to be made minister to Brazil.

Union County Farmer: To reap all the benefit of your crops, especially a sugar beet crop, you must have good roads.

Here's comfort and healing for "confidence"-beaten gold Democrats. Ben's of Gillet is to come in free in the new tariff bill.

Lady Aberdeen, wife of the governor general of Canada, has been chosen as convocation orator for Chicago university.

Supt. Derby of the State fair is the right man for the place. He will not allow a few horse jockeys to run the whole shebang.

People who spend their salaries before they get them may learn how to save money if their warrants are not cashed quite too promptly.

Col. Fred Grant has no use for the McKinley administration since it could offer him nothing better than assistant secretary of war.

The state printing and binding scandal threatens to disrupt the party in the state of Iowa that has run things there for forty years.

It is very gratifying to THE JOURNAL to know that quite a number of building enterprises are contemplated for the ensuing year.

Ex-Senator John H. Mitchell announces his belief that the Mantle case precedent will be adhered to, and that Mr. Corbett will not be seated.

It would seem as if the White Ribbon women and Mr. Gladstone were the only ones who are dead in earnest about interfering to prevent the extermination of the Cretaus.

The authorship of one profane poem—"Little Breches" has made Col. John Hay minister to St. James. There is no surplus of statesmanship these days.

Because a man is sent to the legislature or congress it does not follow he shall participate in wrong-doing. The principle of non-consent is not sufficiently enforced. Senator Hoar wants to make it a crime "to refuse to participate." That is a dangerous doctrine.

There is a striking identity in the executive, ideas and administrative methods of Governors Budd, Lord and Rogers. One is a Republican, one a Populist and one a Democrat. All three seem to be strong champions of the people. May they continue to serve them faithfully.

On April 13 Mr. Bryan will drop over to Washington to attend the annual dinner celebrating the birthday of Th. Jefferson. This will be given under the auspices of the Association of Democratic Clubs of the United States, and in the same hotel where, in 1839, was celebrated the first remembrance of Jefferson's birthday in this country.

The Iowa State Register, Rep., is unearthing extensive frauds and jobbery in Iowa. It says:

"The Register continues the battle until all expenditures are reduced to a business basis, the state debt paid off and taxes reduced."

In Oregon every man who has taken this position in office or out has been denounced as "a d—d Populist," until that class have been almost ostracised from the Republican party. The fact is the Oregon state government is not yet "reduced to a business basis," by a long shot. Secretary Klucald and Governor Lord have shaken off some of the barnacles but they have been very conservative about using the broom and disinfectants.

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The Oregonian says: Brother Driver, a while ago while suffering from hypertrophy of the imaginative faculty, declared that he had been "offered \$50,000 by the highest official in the state." But, he didn't say what for.

The mature consensus of opinion seems to be that Dr. Driver made a \$50,000 ass of himself in the legislature.

The Statesman thinks Salem has \$100,000 idle money that should be put to some good use. Does it refer to the city money that is still lying in a busted bank?

The city health committee and sanitary authority if we have any are exonerated. It was a cat that spread the diphtheria.

A Santa Rosa, Cal., paper had this advertisement: "For sale, a fine bulldog. Will eat anything. Is very fond of children."

The Ashland Town Talk has this announcement: "I. W. Borriss has just received from Portland a Plymouth Rock rooster. He will furnish eggs at 50 cents a setting."

Ashland Town Talk: Some say the sugar beet is the only savior of Oregon farmers, while dead beats are the damnation of the business men of this and every other country.

Thursday the Illihee club of Salem will be turned over to the ladies. The ladies are preparing to order their husbands to stay at home with the babies, and they propose to hang out to their hearts content or latter.

It is not true that Cleveland and his wife are separated. His divorce from the Democratic party is complete.

Klamath Falls Express: Brother Kaiser, of the valley Record, has apparently succumbed to the higher education, or personal charms, of some fair maiden of the Klamath reservation.

THE JOURNAL'S item about Dr. Gillis curing Governor Lord's deafness is being copied in many state exchanges. Dr. Gillis will owe the X-Ray man quite an advertising bill.

E. J. McClanahan of Eugene, consigned two pair of Chinese pheasants to Major F. M. Houston, quartermaster of the Virginia military institute at Lexington, Virginia. The birds are for propagating purposes and are probably the first ever shipped into that state.

The time for the arrival of good times has again been put off Congressmen Fletcher says, in his opinion it may be looked for in a year, or a year and a half after the present congress gets through with the tariff bill. Wouldn't that have been a vote-getter last November if it had been well explained? Still we must not be unreasonable. It takes time to effect industrial changes.

Treasurer Kern, of Umatilla county, has issued a call for county warrants aggregating principal and interest, \$12,000. This is one of the largest, if not the largest, scrip call ever made in Umatilla county. It will redeem all scrip registered between July 1, 1893, and September 1, 1893.

Hon. Andrew Snider, of Lakeview, one of the most prominent residents of Southeastern Oregon, died at Lakeview March 27. Mr. Snyder was a member of the state legislature in 1891, and received the Republican nomination for senator in 1892, but defeated. He was born in Stuttgart, Germany, about 68 years ago.

The Northern Pacific is the only line making direct connection at Spokane for all points in the mining territory, such as Northport, Rossland, Trail, Kaslo, Nelson and other points now attracting attention of all persons in the east and west. Via this line you can leave Portland at 11 a. m., commencing Sunday, March 28, and reach any of the mining centers the following afternoon. By using this line you can save a layover of 50 hours in Spokane, and the expense attached to it. For map of the Kootenai country, giving full particulars, in regard to the mining industry, etc., call on or write Thomas, Watt & Co., agents, Salem, Or., 206 Commercial street.

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WASHINGTON, The House Still in Session.

Provided for a vessel to Carry Supplies to India.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—There was a brief session of the house followed by an adjournment to next Wednesday in pursuance of the policy which has been determined upon. The only business transacted was the adoption of the senate resolution providing for chartering a vessel to carry food to the famine sufferers of India. Incidentally McMillin suggested an amendment condemning England's national policy. Terry made a personal explanation that his objection to Bailey's programme for closing the Dingley tariff bill debate had not been animated by pique at the result of the contest for Democratic candidate for speaker of the house, as was charged by certain newspapers.

After the usual routine business, James Hamilton Lewis, a Democratic member-elect from the state of Washington, was escorted to the bar of the house by Bailey and took the oath of office.

Terry rose to a question of personal privilege and announced his position with reference to McMillin. Terry explained that he had no ill feeling resulting from the contest for speakership, but he had objected to the extension of an hour because Dingley's proposition was to include an understanding that a vote should be taken on the amendments in gross and such an arrangement would have deprived the Democratic members of an opportunity to demand a separate vote on the retroactive amendment to the tariff bill.

Speaking of the amendment, Terry remarked that it was now the "object of animadversion throughout the United States."

Thereupon Dingley arose, interposing: "This is hardly a question of personal privilege, but I will not object to it."

Terry, despite protests from members who tried to choke him off, then continued his explanation for half an hour. This over, the joint resolution from the senate providing for chartering a vessel to carry food to the famine sufferers of India was called up by Groat.

McMillan said that he did not want to stand in the way of charity, but this was the time for plain talk, when he declared "the sad spectacle is presented of the United States having to contribute charity to the starving subjects of Great Britain in one part of the world, while she is bombarding suffering Christians in another part of the world." (Applause on the floor and in the galleries.)

Cannon said that no proceeding had given the country more satisfaction than the relief sent to the famine sufferers of Ireland and of Russia. Cannon said he found much to condemn in England's policy, but he did not propose to offer a gift with one hand and throw a stone with the other.

"While we are providing for the suffering poor we should point out why they have become poor," declared Simpson. "It was a historical fact that while we were contributing to suffering Ireland, every ship that sailed from Ireland bore her products to England as a tribute to the absentee landlordism of that country."

Why was it, he asked, that India, whose people were producers, were starving because of one year of drought?

"Is it not a fact that Ireland was prosperous until England broke down her system of protection?" Walker interrogated.

It was the English landlord system which ruined Ireland and India, Simpson asserted, and added:

"It is eating out the vitals of this country. We are traveling the same road and it will only be a few years before we will be appealing to the charity of other countries."

The resolution was adopted by unanimous consent, and at 1:15 the house adjourned to Wednesday next.

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FEARFUL Destitution Now in Chicago.

Fifty Thousand Idle Men and 26,000 Destitute.

Attorney H. D. Stoker, Jr., secretary of the Gold and Silver club, of Minneapolis, returned this morning from Chicago. Mr. Stoker has been making a personal investigation of the poor of Chicago. During his stay he spent his time among the destitute, visiting their homes and hovels, the county agent's relief building, interviewed the chief of police, president of the board of county commissioners, county agent for the poor and many other officials of lesser importance. Mr. Stoker, in an interview said:

"No period in the history of Chicago has been marked with such general dissatisfaction and distress as that which is found there at the present time. No matter which way I turned I found idle men and discouraged hearts. Tramps fill the streets and the gaunt wolf of starvation is staring into the desolate homes of about 26,000 families. There is at the present time over 50,000 idle men. The county agent informed that there is three times as many as there was this time last year. Out of 12,409 starving men and women assisted by the county authorities, with a short space of time, only 17 were single men, and the remainder being classed as follows: Married, 9,037; widows, 2,318; deserted, 817; and widowers, 220. Since the first of January the county of Cook has expended \$69,000 to keep a part of the inhabitants of Chicago from literally starving or freezing to death.

"The sum of \$69,000 does not include the contributions made by charitable organizations and charity inclined persons, which the chief of police estimated at \$75,000 more. The saddest sight I ever witnessed was last Thursday morning at 128 Clinton street in Chicago. At the invitation of President Healey, of the board of county commissioners, I witnessed the distribution of the day's rations to several hundred men, women and children. And I must say that they acted more like hungry wolves than human beings. One poor unfortunate, while standing in line, fell to the floor from the lack of sufficient food. One of the county officials informed me that out of 779 calls made by the county physicians hired for that purpose, over 600 cases of sickness was caused by reason of lack of proper nourishment.

"And to think of all this when our granaries are bursting with the pressure of bountiful harvest; and our farmers have no end of produce to sell. These poor men, women and children by the thousands—hungry, because they have not the money to buy corn at 20 cents a bushel. Starvation in the midst of plenty, and yet our gold friends inform us that there is an overproduction of everything. How foolish!

"They also tell us in the face of this destitution that there is 'plenty of money.' Where is it? Tied up in a few eastern banks. How true were the words of Bacon, the English philosopher, when comparing money to manure. He said: 'If gathered in heaps it does no good; on the contrary, it becomes offensive; but being spread, though ever so thinly, it enriches the whole country.'

Relative to Chicago politics, Mr. Stocker said: "It is only a matter of how much plurality Carter Harrison Jr. will get for mayor. The Democrats and People's party are united in Chicago and are forcing the silver issue under the leadership of ex-Governor Altgeld. They will give the gold men the worst defeat they ever experienced. Mr. Harrison has the masses of the people behind him and is sure to win. The Republicans of Chicago are all split up, having two independent candidates besides the regular Republican nominee, Judge Sear. Chicago realizes that Carter Harrison, the elder, was the best mayor they ever had, and believe that his son would follow his father's footsteps."

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AFRICA. Great Preparations for War.

Commander-in-Chief Selected for South African Forces. LONDON, April 5.—In connection with the warlike aspect of affairs in Europe and South Africa, it is significantly announced that Lord Wolseley, the British commander-in-chief, accompanied by his aid-de-camp, will soon start for Gibraltar, in order to inspect that fortress.

The preparations against eventualities in the Transvaal are being steadily pushed forward. A representative of the Associated Press has learned from war office sources that a general to command the British forces has been selected, and has been asked to prepare a plan for the campaign against the Boers, including the number and description of the troops of different branches of the service, etc., which he judges will be necessary to bring the military operations to a successful conclusion.

This general, who is familiar with African fighting, has replied that 10,000 British regulars will be sufficient, as he counts on the 40,000 troops, white and black, which are already there, while he does not consider that the Boers, even if able to do so, will put 40,000 armed men in the field, and one-half of these, he believes, will be required to guard the towns, forts, etc.

The details of President Kruger's claim against Great Britain for indemnity, as a result of the Transvaal raid, are now definitely known. In addition to £677,933, which is said to be the expense which the railway and telegraph companies, burgers, etc., suffered, the Transvaal demands £1,000,000 for general damages. This appears as a separate and additional item.

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