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RESTRICTION OF IMMIGRATION.

A bill that succeeded in running the congressional gauntlet during the busy days immediately prior to the 4th of March, and that received the approval of President Harrison, was the measure designed to restrict immigration. The bill originated in the Senate, and when it reached the House it suffered such drastic amendments that it was feared the same fate would befall it that had overtaken so many other measures on the same subject—it would fall between the two legislative branches. The feature that caused this prospect to appear most ominous was the educational qualification insisted upon by the House; of secondary importance was the clause forbidding the entrance into this country of members of any society or organization which sanctions or justifies the unlawful destruction of property, this latter being aimed at anarchists and socialists. There seemed to be some opposition to these features, for the amendment requiring that all immigrants "over sixteen years of age be able to read and write their own language with reasonable facility" would keep out 65 per cent of the immigrants now arriving. The amendments were finally abandoned, however, and the bill was passed just as it came from the Senate.

Its provisions, briefly defined, are that the masters of vessels and surgeons of vessels shall make affidavit before the United States consul at the sailing port that the emigrants are eligible to admission to this country. The emigrant must state the full name, full age and sex; whether married or single, the calling or occupation, whether able to read or write, the nationality, the last residence, the seaport for landing in the United States, the final destination, if any, beyond the seaport of landing; whether having a ticket through to such final destination; whether the immigrant has paid his own passage or whether it has been paid by other persons or by any corporation, society, municipality or government; whether in possession of money, and if so whether upward of $30, and how much if $30 or less; whether going to join a relative, and if so what relative and his name and address; whether ever before in the United States, and if so when and where; whether ever in prison or almshouse, or supported by charity; whether a polygamist; whether under contract (express or implied) to perform labor in the United States, and what is the immigrant's condition of health mentally and physically, and whether deformed or crippled, and if so, from what cause. One section of the bill relates to the inspection of immigrants at the ports of arrival in this country. Any person who may not seem to be clearly entitled to admission shall be detained for a special inquiry to be conducted by not less than four officials acting as inspectors, and to be designated by the secretary of the treasury and the superintendent of immigration. The favorable report of three of these inspectors is required to pass the detained person. Any one of the examining inspectors can appeal from the decision of his associates to the superintendent of immigration, and this official's action shall be subject to review by the secretary of the treasury.

It is rather surprising, when the clamor of the Eastern states on the subject is considered, that the enactment should be as free as it is from radical provisions. It has some incongruities, and in some particulars is open to the objection that it invites a departure from the traditions of the country and the views of its founders, in their welcome to the poor and oppressed of all nations. Still, the aim sought to be achieved is a good one, and if the intent be kept constantly in mind, the enforcement of the law in a broad and generous spirit will be productive of good.

A COLOMBIA RAILROAD.

There is now an enterprise on foot contemplating the erection of three lines of railway from Bogota, capital of the United States of Colombia, in South America, to points along the Magdalena river. This will traverse a tract of country that has not been trodden by the foot of white man for generations. The country of the Magdalena, or the ancient river Sidon, centuries ago was populated by hundreds of thousands of civilized people, and was the center of industry in South America. With the advent of the railway and kindred enterprises, that part of the continent may be made to resume a place of importance in commerce and manufacture.

The railway enterprise referred to was brought to public attention by the filing, in Denver, on Monday, of three articles of incorporation, aggregating $7,200,000 in capital stock. The organizations embrace the Bogota and Magdalena Railway company, the Colombia Construction company and the Pequeno Improvement company, all of whose property is found in the republic of Colombia.

A number of valuable concessions have been granted by the government, through the influence of C. D. Rogers of New York, who filed the papers. In answer to an inquiry, he gave as his reason for incorporating in Colorado the fact that the laws of Colorado are much more favorable for a company operating in a foreign country than the laws of New York and other Eastern states. The expense of incorporation is also an item to be considered, as it would have cost $10,000 to file the articles in New York which were filed in Denver for $1,000.

The object of the organizations, as set forth in the articles, is to develop the country, build and operate railways, and operate mines and coffee plantations.

ISLAM'S CHAMPION.

On another page will be found an entertaining letter from Mr. Alexander Russell Webb, who has been termed the American apostle of Mohammedanism. He complements the NEWS for its fairness in the treatment of Mohammedan polygamy, and takes occasion to elucidate some features of the eastern religion which the average westerner wholly misunderstands. We give place with pleasure to the gentleman's communication, believing as we do in showing courtesy to even an opponent if he is sincere, and in treating all men with consideration and respect. We are sure the readers of the NEWS will be interested in Mr. Webb's letter.

SCIENCE UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

Extraordinary preparations are being made in scientific circles for the observation of the total eclipse of the sun, which occurs on April 16 next. The places where it will be visible as a totality have previously been mentioned in the NEWS, and it is only necessary to say now that the luminary will be wholly unobscured in all parts of the United States. The period of totality will be somewhat longer than usual and this will afford the astronomers better opportunities for effective work than they have had of late years. If any vagrant comets are lying around in the missing atmosphere of our system's center, they will be a certainty, unless on the other side of him or between him and the moon, to be "spotted" and made to do some small service in the domain of science.

These eclipses are caused by the moon coming between the sun and the earth at or near the former's perihelion with us. If at aphelion, or the portion of her orbit farthest from us, the obscuration of the sun is not complete, but a ring of light is left completely around the moon; this is called an "annular" eclipse, from the Latin word *annulus*, a ring. It is a beautiful spectacle, but as compared with a total eclipse is almost worthless for scientific purposes.

Prof. F. M. Schaeberle, an astronomer of distinction connected with the Mount Hamilton observatory in California, will make observations of next month's eclipse from an elevated position in the Andes mountains in Chili. He made the journey alone as far as Huasco, where he expected to employ natives to assist him. His instruments weigh about a ton and as most of the transportation in that region is by the backs of llamas, the difficulties not in any dangers of the trip must be evident. He is equipped for a month's camping out, and will devote the intervening time to making everything secure and in perfect working order. Let us hope the weather will behave itself on the occasion and the clouds will stay at home, as under such circumstances the scientist will undoubtedly furnish some valuable contributions to the world of astronomical study.

THE VICE PRESIDENT.

The former Vice President, Levi P. Morton, was perhaps the most completely occulted man that held high position under the government during the last administration. His name was seldom mentioned and it is a question whether a few of those whose place it is to keep public men constantly before them did not at times forget him altogether. All did not do so, of course, and some few perhaps had him before them (speaking metaphorically) all the time. Since he went out of office, however, he has been the recipient of several kindly expressions from the press and otherwise, partly because of the generous manner in which he received his successor and partly because his record contains nothing to justify one in speaking otherwise. These expressions came so numerously and feelingly from Democratic as from Republican sources, which makes them all the more gratifying.

One of the papers which "speeded the parting guest" in a most generous and graceful manner was the Philadelphia *Times* Democratic. In extending a "special word of kind farewell," it claimed that no one has ever realized more completely the ideal of this unusual office. The Vice President has nothing to do but to preside over the senate—and wait. Most Vice Presidents, it says, have thought it necessary while waiting to keep themselves in evidence. They have often formed little cabals of intrigue, such as may form around the heir-expectant in a monarchy. They have dreamed of setting up for themselves and becoming the inheritors of power by other means than the accidental one provided for them in the Constitution. Mr. Morton has done nothing of the sort. No man ever filled the Vice Presidency for four years and kept himself more successfully subdued. He has presided over the Senate with the utmost dignity and impartiality. A better chairman, it is claimed, the Senate has never had, yet he has so carefully avoided any self-assertion in the chair that on one or two occasions, when his casting vote would have been important and might have determined the policy of his party, he has taken care to be away.

It is strange that an office intended by the framers of our system to be but little beneath that of the Presidency itself and second to that only, should by the usage of recent times have fallen into such low esteem. It was designed at first that the office should be held by the man who was the people's second choice for President and therefore that he should be in all respects exceptionally the peer of his principal. They never thought of putting a man into the Vice-Presidency that they would not be willing to have in the other place, and thus such illustrious names as John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Elbridge Gerry, John C. Calhoun, Martin Van Buren, Millard Fillmore and John C. Breckenridge—none qualified in many instances for the first place than those who held it—were not averse to being Vice-President and they were not official nobodies during their terms either. The one last named invested the presidency of the Senate with a dignity and with such ability as a president as made the obscure man the one at the other end of Pennsylvania avenue. But look at it now! The generality of our modern "statesmen" who have attained to considerable prominence must be President or nothing, the most conspicuous exception of late years being Thomas A. Hendricks, who ran with Tilden and then with Cleveland. Most of the class named would rather be in the cabinet or the Senate, and any of them would rather be Speaker of the House than Vice President, and it is all wrong. That office should not be contemned in the way it has been for several years, the press and people should see to it that the politicians do not have it their way altogether and that the second office in the land—and therefore in the world—is treated in accordance with its dignity and importance.

A SANDSTORM which has just taken place in Huntington, Indiana, is associated with uncanniness that does not notice though the romance in the case is scarcely of a character to be commended. The groom, George Strobel, is an extremely tasteful young man and was unable to muster up courage sufficient to win a bride. He told Lou Heller, a friend, that he wanted to get married and offered Heller $20 to find him a wife. Heller went on a quest at once and brought a Miss Smith home with him. He called Strobel in and introduced the couple. Strobel managed to talk to her awhile and in a few hours they were engaged. Strobel then paid Heller the $20. A license was procured and that same evening he and Miss Smith were married. Both are from good families and are about equally bashful.

MANIFOLD ARE the trials of royalty. It is said that when the Princess Marie of Edinburg went with her husband to Roumania after their marriage a number of peasants met her, offering her a loaf of welcome, which she was obliged to eat in their presence. This loaf was made of pig's blood, garlic, honey and ground beans. It is based very hard over the coals left from a wood fire.

WITHOUT VOUCHING for the correctness of the statistics, which are quoted from a religious weekly published in Cincinnati, nor presuming to draw the inference, we note that in Rome there are 53 cardinals, 35 bishops, 1,319 priests, 2,832 monks and 2,213 nuns, and in the same city live 150,000 people who can neither read nor write.

A CHICAGO paper tells us that Mrs. Olive Thorne Miller, the well-known ornithologist, is going on a trip this spring to Utah, California and the Yellowstone park in pursuit of her favorite study. It is hoped the Utah birds, especially the English sparrow contingent, will contrive to be at hand to assist Mrs. Miller's studies.

"HAVE YOUR mouth shut," which comes not as a command but as a piece of medical advice, meets with a more gentle rejoinder than its phraseology would seem to invite. People are learning that the mouth is designed to let food in and speech out, and that the breathing function should be performed through the nose.

UNDER THE caption, "Out Rid of the Weeds," a sober, classical morning contemporary announces a change in the management of the *Utah Magazine*. It is not quite clear, from the article referred to, who is the widow in the case, and why the chance spoken of should suggest the riddance of the weeds.

THE NEW YORK *Herald* is generally quite accurate in its political data, but in a recent issue it made the serious mistake of saying that the senate was now Democratic for the first time in thirty-two years; it has not been twenty years since it was Democratic before.

THE ASSESS which it is said to have cost Messrs. Clark and Daly to prevent the election of a Democratic senator by the Montana legislature is $150,000. From a Republican standpoint this may be considered reasonable.

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