

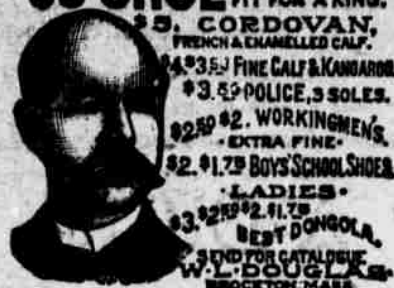
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For putting a horse in a fine healthy con-
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They tone up the system, aid digestion, cure
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kidney disorders and destroy worms, giving
new life to an old or over-worked horse. 25
cents per package. For sale by druggists.

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Indigestion, and Stomach Disorders, take
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
All dealers keep it, \$1 per bottle. Genuine has
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

That there is a conspiracy
in existence to make money
out of the condition of the
Treasury is believed by many
men in both branches of
Congress. Naturally mem-
bers of the administra-
tion will not express their be-
lief upon such a matter. The
idea of the conspirators as
understood by those who be-
lieve in their existence, is to
withdraw gold from the
Treasury and hoard it until
gold can by its scarcity be
forced to a premium. Your

correspondent does not un-
dertake to make a positive
statement that there is a
conspiracy, but the facts are
such as to justify the suspi-
cion that there is. It is known
to a certainty that the legiti-
mate demand for gold—to
pay debts and for purchases
in Europe—could have been
met with less than one half
of the gold that has been
recently withdrawn from the
Treasury. It is perfectly
clear that more than one-
half of the gold withdrawn
is now hoarded in the vaults
of banks of safe deposit com-
panies. Why? It can earn
nothing for its owners while
thus lying idle, and the men
who are credited with doing
the hoarding are men who
always expect a profit out of
all their financial transac-
tions. There is only one way
they can make profit out of
this one, and that is to force
gold to a premium. That's
why so many believe they
are doing that very thing,
or at least trying to do it.
Can Congress do anything to
head off such a conspiracy?
It unquestionably can, but
will it do so? That is a ques-
tion easier to ask than to
answer. If there is such a
conspiracy, it exists solely
because of the belief of its
members that Congress will
do nothing to prevent its
operation being successful.
President Cleveland and Sec-
retary Carlisle are thorough-
ly alert, and they will not al-
low gold to go to a prem-
ium if it be possible under the
authority vested in them by
present laws to prevent it,
by issuing more bonds, and
they are both satisfied that
it will be, although they
would much prefer Congres-
sional action.

Senator Faulkner, who is
chairman of the committee
on Territories, is anxious to
get the bills for the admis-
sion of Arizona and New
Mexico before the Senate
and hopes to be able to do
so in a few days. Those bills
would have been passed long
ago, but for the secret oppo-
sition of Republican Sena-
tors, who lack the courage
to openly oppose the admis-
sion of those territories, but
make use of all their par-
liamentary skill to kill the
bills indirectly, by prevent-
ing their being acted upon.

Secretary Carlisle succeed-
ed in getting the House to
adopt two important amend-
ments to the Sundry Civil
appropriation bill. The first
restores to the Secretary of
the Treasury the discretion

to issue notes of such denom-
inations as he may deem
best in place of currency pre-
sented for redemption. A t-
present he is compelled to re-
issue notes of the same de-
nomination as those redeem-
ed and cancelled. The other,
which amends the law for
the issue of gold certificates,
provided that such certifi-
cates shall not be receivable for
customs dues after July 1st,
1895, and shall not be avail-
able for use as a part of Na-
tional bank reserve fund and
discontinues their further is-
sue.

Sixteen out of the twenty-
one votes which were cast in
the Senate against the Nica-
raagua Canal bill, came from
democrats, and eleven out of
the thirty-one votes cast for
it, thirteen democrats were
paired. Opinion differs wide-
ly as to the probability of the
bill passing the House. Only
one thing is certain, and that
is, that it cannot be brought
to a vote in the House with-
out an order from the com-
mittee on Rules. It has been
stated by friends of the bill
that Speaker Crisp has partly
promised that an order
settling a time for a vote
would be reported, but the
statement has never been
confirmed by a member of the
committee. Even if such an
order were reported it might
meet the fate of the Currency
bill order—be rejected by the
House. The Canal lobby is
very active.

A decided administration
victory was won in the Sen-
ate Saturday afternoon when
Senator Vest's amendment to
the pending Hawaiian res-
olution was adopted by the
Senate. The Vest amendment
expresses sympathy with all
attempts to establish repub-
lican institutions; reaffirms
the doctrine of absolute non-
interference with foreign na-
tions, and says: "That the
administration of President
Cleveland in maintaining
this policy as to our foreign
relations deserves the approv-
al and support of the Ameri-
can people." The odd fea-
ture of this victory was that
it was won by the vote of
Senator Pettigrew, who it
will be remembered was one
of the Republican Senators
who voted against the Mc-
Kinley tariff bill, he having
with 23 Democrats voted for
the Vest amendment, while
18 Republicans and 4 Popu-
lists voted against it. Had
Pettigrew voted with the Re-
publicans there would have
been a tie.

The tariff receipts of the
government are rapidly in-
creasing thus furnishing an
answer to the argument ad-
vanced by Republicans, that
the tariff would have to be
amended in order to produce
more revenue, and bearing
out the estimates made by
Secretary Carlisle of the tar-
iff as a revenue-producer.

Chamberlain's Cough Rem-
edy gives the best satisfac-
tion of any cough medicine I
handle, and as a seller leads
all other preparations in this
market. I recommend it be-
cause it is the best medicine
I ever handled for coughs,
colds and croup. A. W. BALD-
RIDGE, Millersville, Ill. For
sale by W. L. Bryan.

"DOWN WITH THE MACHINE."

News and Observer.

The people of North Caro-
lina are an independent, self-
assertive people. They will
not tolerate bossism or even
a suspicion of it. In the last
campaign, the Fusionists
made capital by denouncing
"the Democratic machine,"
and made some good people
believe that it was controll-
ing the State.

They came into power de-
nouncing "King Caucus" and
"machine rule." They were
the bogey men they set up to
frighten the unwary. With
the usual course of reformers.
"for revenue only," these
"Reformers" have enthroned
King Caucus on a high ped-
estal, and made Boss Rule
their fetish.

At first, a caucus was called
to decide everything. Soon
the Bosses tired of the dem-
ocracy of a large caucus
where it was possible for
some of their plans to mis-
carry. What then?

All legislation relating to
county government and elec-
tion laws was ostensibly left
to a committee of both Hous-
es, who are to act in concert
with an outside committee of
"machine" men, composed of
Marion Butler, Daniel Russell,
Harry Skinner, W. A. Guth-
rie and Thos. R. Purnell.
"Ostensibly," we say. The
big five will determine the
whole thing, and will order
the hands to carry it into ef-
fect.

There is not a member of
the Legislature who will dare
to express an opinion until
he hears from the Big Five.
Never have we known such ser-
vility, such abasement, such
absolute fear of expressing
convictions. The attitude
of the members of the Legis-
lature toward the machine
is like that described by Maj.
Chas. H. Smith of the origi-
nal Bill Arp.

"How are you going to
vote this year?" some one
asked Bill. "I don't know,
sir, till I can see Col. John-
sing, and Col. Johnsing, he don't
know till he can hear from
Judge Underwood, and Judge
Underwood he don't know
until he can get a letter from
little Alex. Stephens—a n d
who in the devil tells little
Alek how to vote, I can't
guess."

Ask any man among the
Fusionists what will be done
about election law, county
government, the University
appropriation, or anything
else, and if he tells the truth,
he will say: "I can't tell you
till I see S. Otho Wilson, and
he don't know till he can see
Loge Harris, and Loge, he
don't know till he can see
Dan. Russell, and Dan. can't
tell till he can see Marion
Butler, and Butler don't
know till he can get a remi-
tance from Richmond Pear-
son—and who in the devil
tells Richmond Pearson
(that ideal 'Plebeian,' as Rus-
sell would say) I can't guess."

If it were not so humiliat-
ing, the depth of machine
rule to which Fusion has
brought us, would be ridicu-
lous and mirth provoking.
The cry of every patriotic
man must be "Down with

the machine." The "oligar-
chy" must be suppressed if
independence in thought and
speech is to be left to the elec-
ted law-makers of the State.

WHEN IS DEATH REAL.

"Except when a surgical
operation is performed, the
only absolute sign of death
is the decomposition of the
body," said a physician to a
New York Sun reporter. "I
have had cases of apparent
death in my own practice.
An urgent message from the
physician in charge called me
one night to a young ladies'
seminary in this city. As I
ascended the stairs to the pa-
tient's room I was met by
the housekeeper, who, be-
tween her sobs, could only
say: 'It is too late, doctor;
she is dead.' I went up to
the room, nevertheless. There
upon the bed lay a young
girl of about eighteen. Her
face bore the mask of death.

"I am sorry to have dis-
turbed you at this hour," the
doctor said; "the heart stop-
ped beating about five min-
utes ago."

"I bent over and listened
at the chest; no respiration,
no beating of the heart was
to be heard. While I listen-
ed some one said:

"I always thought she
would go off in one of those
attacks."

"These words were a revel-
ation to me and I hastily
threw off my coat and began
artificial respiration. Little
by little there was a change
of expression in the face: the
features relaxed, the eyes ap-
peared less sunken, the face
became flushed; the eyelids
moved, and after a full hour
of constant work the life of
youth returned. The girl
had an attack of grave hys-
teria. She is now married
and is the mother of three
handsome children.

"In another case I had
seen my patient at 11 p. m.,
and after giving my instruc-
tions to the nurse in charge
I had gone away. At seven
o'clock the next morning I
received the message, 'Fath-
er passed away quietly this
morning at 1:30.' This was
rather unexpected. I knew
that I had left the patient in
danger, but did not imagine
that I was seeing him for the
last time. However, after a
hurried breakfast I went to
the house and found that the
night nurse had spread a
sheet over the body. In re-
moving it something—call it
intuition if you will—made
me think that the man was
not dead. Nor was he; and
it was not until five days la-
ter that he really died.

"Who knows how many
times a physician who has
attended a patient, and to
whom word is brought that
the sick one is dead, fills out
the blank which the under-
taker presents him without
taking the trouble to see for
himself that the death is
real? That probably hap-
pens every day in this city;
and what of the country,
where the doctor often lives
miles away from his patient?
The thought of the torture
of those who may have been
buried alive, under false ap-

pearance of death, is so fright-
ful that it fills the soul with
grief. I do think that people
are often buried alive? Yes, I
do; perhaps oftener than we
imagine. Life may exist
without being evident; but
no evidence of life is not
proof of death. If ever we
are able to discover the mo-
ment when death substitutes
itself certainly for life, we
shall have solved a problem
which has occupied the philo-
sophers of all times and all
countries."

The Blessings of the Rabbit.

A French chemist of great
eminence has prophesied that
in the future the bread food
of the race everywhere will
not be grown but chemically
produced. Now a Norwegian
prophesies that the rabbit
will be the real source of meat
supply for the race when the
Malthusian prophesy is ful-
filled when the cattle fail to
supply the food for the count-
less millions yet to fill the
earth. We got some figures
from an editorial in the Phil-
adelphia Record. Some one
has calculated that a pair of
rabbits in four years have
multiplied to 1,274,840 if all
the young ones are kept alive.
The Record says that a fe-
male rabbit casts young ones
eight times a year; if she
casts seven at the average she
bears fifty-six all told in a
year. Let us say that she
bears fifty per year, and esti-
mate each at ten pounds; she
produces 500 pounds of meat
in a year. As many poor peo-
ple could get the rabbit's
food free of cost, they could
practically get a few hundred
pounds of meat for nothing.
Then, too, the rabbit skins
are worth something, when
prepared. Under various
names twenty million rabbit
skins are exported yearly
from Austria to London. Lon-
don alone uses every week
half a million of rabbits most
of which come from Belgium.
Belgium earns yearly ten mil-
lion to twelve million dollars
on rabbits, and France eighty-
million dollars."

The Norman rabbit is pro-
nounced the best. As to the
question of meat future gen-
erations are safe. How very
cheap it is, too, and how good
is the rabbit to eat when prop-
erly prepared.—*Messen* per.

"Perhaps you would not
think so, but a very large
proportion of diseases in New
York comes from carelessness
about catching cold," says
Dr. Cyrus Edson. "It is such
a simple thing and so com-
mon that very few people, un-
less it is a case of pneumonia,
pay any attention to a cold.
New York is one of the health-
iest places on the Atlantic
Coast and yet there are a
great many cases of catarrh
and consumption which have
their origin in this neglect of
the simplest precaution of ev-
ery day life. The most sens-
ible advice is, when you have
one get rid of it as soon as
possible. By all means do
not neglect it." Dr. Edson
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