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THE MESSAGE AND PANAMA CANAL.

President's Reply to the Congress.

...the ably written document, one quite in keeping with the President's literary ability and forcible in its character as the President always is in his public expressions.

The Message very clearly and fully explains all matters leading up to the Panama revolution, this country's treaties with Colombia and the rights of the United States in this canal, the instructions which had been given to the President to the master of security...

The Panama Canal is national in its thought, purpose and design. It is not President Roosevelt or the Republican party which is to have the honor, unless the Democratic party is foolish enough to sit back and cry "politics," and thus place itself outside of national affairs, and assume the role of an obstruction party.

The Panama Canal is not politics or for politics, it is national, world wide, and its completion means an added help to the civilization of the world, and such being the case every leading nation in the United States is forwarding with interest the \$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying every atom of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists, 50c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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A western senator tells a story of a judge who had occasion to see a lawyer in that state \$100 for contempt of court.

After court had adjourned the lawyer approached the judge and said, "Your honor, I want to ask a great favor of you."

"What is it?" inquired the judge.
"I have a pressing obligation to meet. That hundred you took for that fine, will you please loan me to meet it with. I wish you would loan me \$100 for a few days."

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TO CORN'S OLD FRIENDS!
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YESTERDAY'S MARKETS.

Cotton, Grain, Provisions and Stocks
Range in Prices, Receipts and Shipments.

The following are the market quotations, received by private wire to A. B. Baxter & Co. New Bern, N. C.

New York, Jan. 5.
Cotton— Open, High, Low, Close

Jan.	12.78	12.48	12.78	12.57
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Va. O. Chemical	28 1/2	28 1/2
Rock Island	22 1/2	22 1/2
Tenn. Coal, Iron	37 1/2	37 1/2
Am. Ice	2 1/2	2 1/2
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FACTS IN FEW LINES.

An alarm of famine is probably a cry of electricity.

Japanese and Germans have the same average brain weight.

The total commerce of Abyssinia is about \$2,000,000 a year.

National bank notes are one-sixth of the money in circulation.

The birth rate in Berlin declined from 48 per 1,000 in 1876 to 37 in 1902.

French is the language of more than 1,000,000 of the 3,000,000 Canadians.

More than \$10,000,000 worth of sporting goods were sold in the United States last year.

Our total trade with Alaska for the fiscal year was imports, \$10,228,000; exports, \$9,497,000.

The suicide rate in the United States has increased in ten years from 12 to 37 per 100,000 population.

"The United States treasury holds three and nine-tenths times as much gold as the Bank of England."

Only nine men have been hanged in Kentucky in the last five years, although there have been 786 murders.

London harness makers and carriage builders are suffering loss of trade by the growing popularity of the motor car.

Commerce between the United States and Russia during the last fiscal year greatly surpassed that of any previous year.

An English miller has successfully tested the vitality of some wheat which was grown in 1882 and carefully preserved since.

Twelve million pounds worth of leather