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Ex-President Cleveland, interviewed, thinks that the provision of the Australian system as to ballot reform, which requires the voter to mark each candidate is not good; that it will cause confusion among the ignorant and neglect among the educated, the process being too tedious. He proposes to have lists of all candidates printed on one ticket, the signs to be adopted starting at the top of each list and indicating to which party the candidates belonged. The voter could then, by one mark, indicate his intention to vote for all the candidates of his party. In other words, Mr. Cleveland advocates the Indiana election law. We are convinced that our law is the one that avoids all objections and that secures absolutely honest elections, and we do not envy the party or the agency that seeks to throw obstacles in the way of that law. If ever the people of any State were in earnest in their intention to put a stop to vote-buying and stealing it is the people of Indiana. They have made the beginning in one of the best laws, we feel sure trial will prove that has been adopted. Where, if any place, trial shows that it can be improved it will be, it won't be changed except to better it, and the enemies of honest elections, the friends of the power of spoils and corruption to carry elections, might as well reckon this in their calculations.—Indianapolis News.

It is both edifying and amusing to see the tariff-fattened quarrelling among themselves. The iron interest and the wool interest want the sugar tariff reduced and the sugar interest is fighting the two in a way "sweet" to see. And no long time ago a member of the great quinine making firm of Powers & Weightman told the Philadelphia Drug Exchange:

There is no argument whatever that you can bring to bear on quinine that does not apply to other commodities. I tell you I am either a protectionist or a free trader. It is going to be a duty on quinine and on everything else, or we are going to have the British system if I can do anything toward it, that's sure.

That is it—some of the "stuff" or fight! There is an old proverb about how some people get their dues when some other fall out. Verily, it looks much as if that Bronxbrook Fair condition—when they all fall out and hit a head when they see it—was coming 'mong the tariff-fattened folk. Sugar, wool, iron—each is after reducing the other fellow's perquisites, while quinine, which is already out, and has become envious and tired, declares that there has got to be a "divy" or a fight. If he can't get some of those rich pickings, which he once enjoyed under the famous or infamous, "blood-tax," the other fellows shan't have any. Go it! anybody, everybody! More power to his arm; to everybody's arm! When the bounty-fed classes get to falling out about their privileges the masses will get a chance of relief.—Indianapolis News.

At the recent fire in the Catholic Orphan Asylum in New York the 414 little children were in the school rooms. The fire alarm drill signal was given and promptly in each class room the little folks and formed into columns of twos as quickly and quietly as though the drill had been at

that moment anticipated by each juvenile mind. Down the stairs they marched from several stories in the most perfect order, each class group led by its duly appointed child captain. It was a great thing. I recall that at the Centennial celebration in New York the thing that stood the greatest enthusiasm perfect marching of bands of school children were in the process educational influence of this kind of drill work is vast. With increasing enlightenment we are learning that all knowledge is not in books.

The landlord of a public house at Birmingham has a canary bird that can speak several words distinctly, having learned them from a parrot with which it was brought up.

The prices of window glass have been advanced three times since December 1.

Missouri farmers are plowing for corn, oats and potatoes.

During the shower the other day a man was passing up State street with an umbrella over his head, says the Detroit Free Press, when a stranger stepped out of a doorway, grasped the handle, and said:

"I've been laying for you for a month! I claim this is my property." "Ah! exactly—I see!" stammered the other, and he surrendered it without protest or struggle and bolted for a doorway, while the other walked off.

"Was it a stolen one?" queried a man who had witnessed the affair.

"Well—er—well, I suppose I picked it up somewhere."

He stood looking after the umbrella for a minute or two, a sad expression on his face, and then suddenly uttered a great oath and slapped his leg.

"What is it?" asked his companion.

"By the big spoon, but what a fool I was. I now remember that I stole that umbrella in New Orleans a year ago and that fellow could have had no right to it!"

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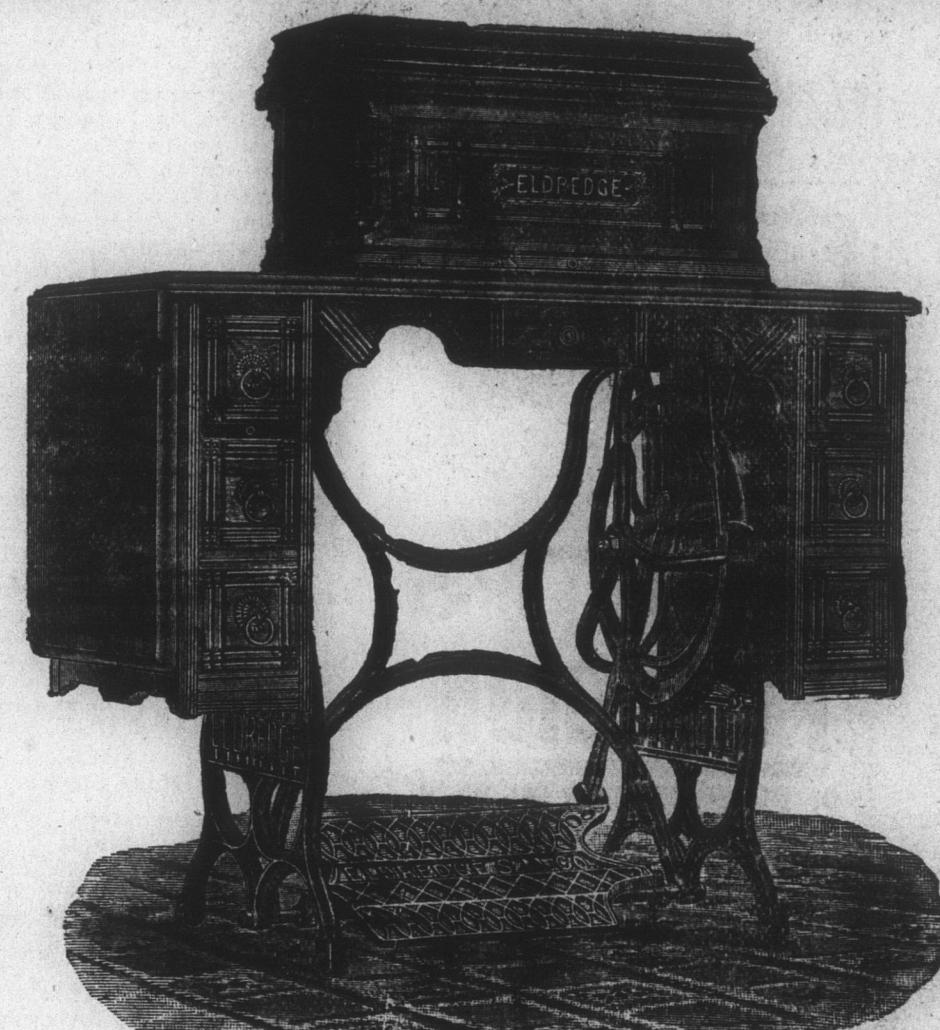
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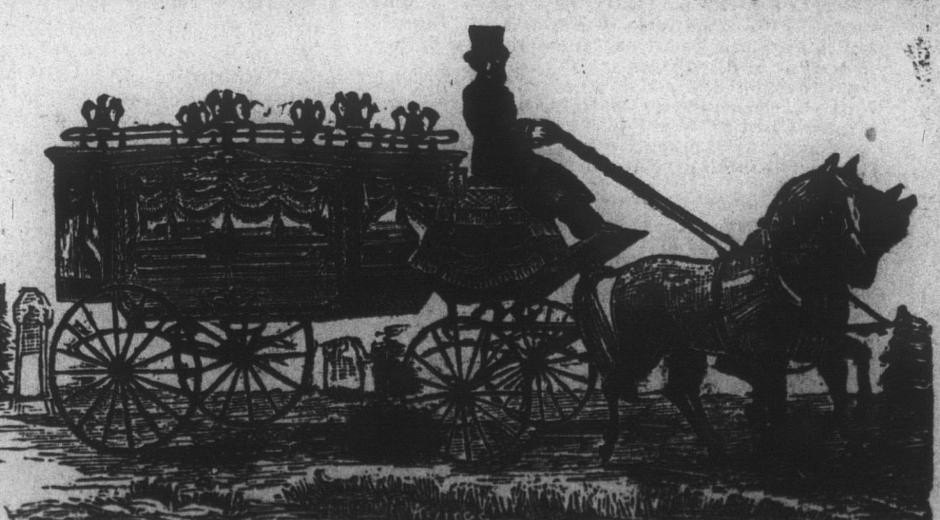
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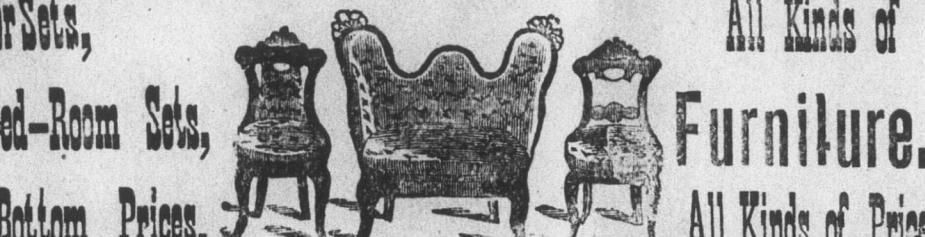
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