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ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH 28.

On this date, 1542, Margaret Davy
was boiled to death.

In 1681 Charles II, of England, dissolved parliament.

In 1801 occurred the battle of Alexandria.

In 1854 war against Russia was declared by England.

In 1868 the United States grand jury found a new bill of indictment against Jefferson Davis, at Richmond, Va.

MARCH 31.

Francis Joseph Haydn was born on this date, 1732. He was a composer.

Francis I of France died in 1547.

Ludwig Beethoven, the composer died in 1827.

John C. Calhoun died in 1850.

Charlotte Bronte (Mrs. Nicholls) died in 1855.

John G. Saxe died in 1887.

1774 marks the passage of the Boston Port Bill, forbidding importations into Boston.

In 1880 the Egyptian obelisk presented by the Khedive to City of New York was successfully embarked at Alexandria.

In 1889 Eiffel tower, 1,178 feet high, was opened at Paris.

DEBS says he is not a candidate for populistic honors.

THE POPS AND DEMS seem to be consolidating their interests in a portion of Indiana.

IT is believed that Uncle Sam will take up his abode in Cuba when it becomes a band wagon.

GIVE the industrial classes more money to do business with and they will secure good manufacturing enterprises.

THAT Reed boom started down in Massachusetts has caused another revision to be made on the presidential slate.

IT surely is about time Grover Cleveland should dictate that letter announcing that he is not a candidate for re-election.

IN the Third ward we hear the names of C. L. Dickinson and W. E. Bailey mentioned as aldermanic candidates on the republican side of the house.

THE platform adopted by the republicans in New York will, if followed out by that party in its national convention, cause a great rupture in their ranks.

A FEW more conventions like those held in Texas and Virginia by the republicans and a drug store with a corps of surgeons will be needed in St. Louis.

THE bi-metallic clubs throughout the United States, organized along non-partisan lines, will do more for the restoration of silver than any other means now in vogue.

WE wonder if our republican friends, who believe in keeping things on a parity, can produce this great principle between the single and double standard adherents.

ANOTHER good reason has been discovered why silver should not be used as money! A one-dollar silver certificate was raised to ten dollars at Michigan City a few days ago.

A WASHINGTON correspondent says he has a straight tip that Grover Cleveland will be a candidate for a third term on a platform favoring "sound money"—the gold standard.

THERE must be considerable wood sawing going on in this neck o' woods for the coming city election. No candidates have yet been mentioned, and we believe, all nominations must be made by April 18.

THE right kind of Christian growth is manifested by the work undertaken by Rev. Geo. E. Hicks in breaking the walls erected between creeds. At Blair, Nebraska, the Christian church of over 100 members has gone into the Congregational of that city.

AND now comes the "animalcules," a cursed little creature built on the style of a blood-sucker or tad-pole, which lives on human flesh. A woman

in Chicago is suffering with this new malady and the attending physicians think that the whole human race are liable to become victims. The little vermin are said to breed thousands an hour.

THE following is from the Bourbon Mirror and shows that Brother Mattingly does not intend to be led astray:

"The district republican convention held at Plymouth last Thursday, was a largely attended and enthusiastic gathering. The convention was presided over by Hon. H. G. Thayer, of Plymouth, who was given quite an ovation on taking the chair. The mention of his name as a candidate for governor by Aaron Johnes, of South Bend, was received with applause, and not only shows that Mr. Thayer is in favor with the voters of this district, but that he is a leading and popular candidate for the exalted position of chief magistrate of Indiana."

IT IS THUS.

A Subcriber Gives His Views on the Financial Problem.

It seems to be a foregone conclusion from the action of the state and district conventions of both parties so far held that the gold sentiment is predominating and will engrave its monometallic ideas into not only state platforms, but will control both national conventions and either adopt a gold mono-metallic platform, or will couch the language of the financial planks in such rhetoric as to straddle the question. A straddle by these conventions, however, will be as full of meaning to the long humbugged masses as though they adopted a solid gold platform, and the people of the country who believe in bi-metalism or the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 will know that the time has come for them to strike. Never in the history of the country were the masses as much in earnest as they now are to turn upon and rend any and all parties that are aiming further at the very basis of their prosperity. They have been hoodwinked, betrayed and oppressed quite sufficiently in the past by false issues to be further fooled by the straddle platform or by a false cry on the "tariff." From this time on the great question to be determined by the American people is, shall silver be restored to the place set apart for it by the founders of the republic or shall it be allowed under the machinations of the national banks and the gold gamblers of Wall and Lombard streets to be forever degraded. There was a time when the people with no greater burdens and no greater reasons resorted to means for their own amelioration that caused bloodshed and strife with results for the best, and if the ballot—that SILENT means of settling matters in this day and age—fails them, it cannot be foretold that the spirit of '97 and other famous years may not be aroused again. There is a means of succor; party ties may have to be broken to receive such help, but good heavens, how many more mortgages must be foreclosed; how many more banks and manufacturing institutions fail; how many more suicides committed before the people will strike for their country and their homes? The battle-cry must be taken up by every man who is a sufferer, whose neighbor is a sufferer, and the backbone of the conspiracy between the national banks and the powers that be will be broken. "Eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty." Are the liberties of the people assailed? Let the universal distress of the masses answer; let the misery of the laboring classes send out its reply; let the tottering business interests of the country send in its balance sheet to be its answer; let 50-cent wheat and 20-cent corn and high taxes and scanty necessities of life be the word that the farmer sends to testify in his behalf; let the debts of the merchant answer for him—and on the other hand to contradict it all, let the time-serving political fakir, the hireling lawyer who will be around to your school houses this fall, add his testimony by saying that times are not hard, that it is all imagination and that the tariff is the great question before the American people. The so-called leader, when he goes to make these statements, wants to be as well fortified from the assaults of thinking men as it is possible for him to be, for the people will ask questions that will stagger his "mighty" brain. He cannot truthfully answer the people and his attempt will only aid to further arouse the people to their senses. This same time-server is just awakening to the fact that the dear people are wronged and he is going to spend many sleepless nights for the good of the people, and for when the time comes, backed by plenty of committee gold, he will spend his time to help the deluded farmer how to vote for the interest of whom—why for those who hire him of course that means the very conspiracy that is trying to throttle the silver question. But, like Banquo's ghost, it will not down; but in the next six months, will haunt the crafty Macbeths of the gold ring until they well wish they had taken another job.

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A drunken harlot rules the world,
And Sodom's wine her cup contains;
Heads drunken kings in her embrace;
Her cup of filth all nations drain.

The beast she rode has disappeared,
A lamb appears upon the scene;
Its dragon voice is plainly heard
In honor of the royal queen,

Saying: "Make an image to the beast,
Unite the power of church and state;
That she may ride in royal power;
And stay the saints, both small and great."

Her drunken revel soon will end,
God's mystic hand inscribes her fall;

The saints of God all understand
And read the writing on the wall.

Oh, foolish virgins! count the name,
Vicarius Fili Dei—God;

Or be consumed in burning flames,
The judgment of Almighty God.

—ELD. WILLIS LOGAN.

Are We Doing Our Duty?

Since last Sabbath morning these thoughts come to our mind and as we try to banish them they come back with renewed force. So we come to you and ask you, as citizens of this city, did we do, or are we doing, what we can to save the young men of this place from following in the footsteps of those who are going down to death in our midst?

Do we, as Christians, go to those who are being tempted and led astray and talk to them and encourage them by our help and by our prayers into a better life?

How many of us, as followers of Christ, went to the man who has so lately been laid away in our cemetery by the side of his beloved mother, and showed him by our actions and coming in personal touch with him that we were interested in him, and then take him to our Father above and present him there and ask the aid and forgiving love of that One who has commanded us, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"?

Who is thy neighbor? Not the one who lives nearest to me, but the one whom we see and know needs a Savior's tender, merciful love and care.

"Am I my brother's keeper?" Am I? Who of us can rise up and say with a clean conscience before God, "I have done what I could" to save this man with many others in our community. Rather should we ask ourselves the question, Have I hindered by my action, by my words, by my daily life, anyone from coming to Christ?

What have we, as Christians, failed to do for this brother? Are not we who claim to be Christians responsible for the evil which is existing on the right and on the left, ruining so many men, young and old, and sending so many souls into eternity unlit and unprepared?

We are fostering and sustaining that which is destroying and breaking up homes, sending children to orphans' homes, separating husband and wife, and yet we raise not our voice, or make one effort to abate by one "jot or tittle" the cause thereof.

Think you not that God will hold us, as his children, responsible?

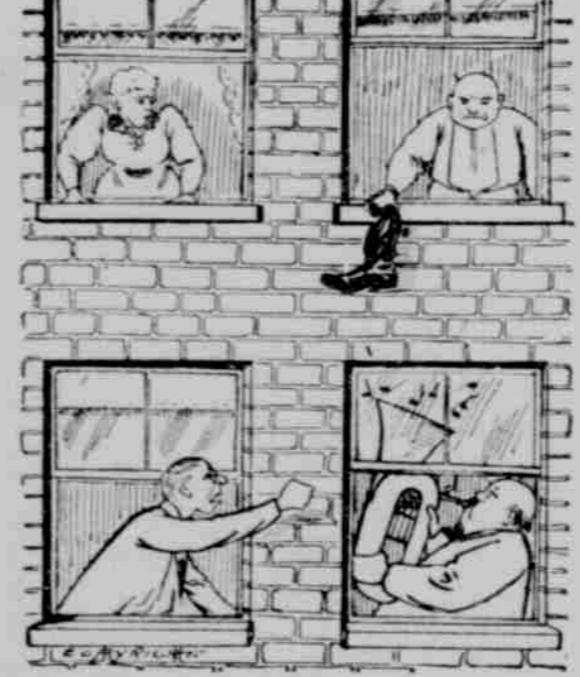
PRESS SUP'T W. C. T. U.

An Old Resident.

S. R. Davis, editor of the South Bend Weekly Herald, is in our city yesterday.

We are informed that at one time Mr. Davis did all the press work on the two old papers on a Washington press.

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