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The destructive floods in the West have caused damage to property to the amount of millions of dollars.

According to the New York Commercial Advertiser the anti-contract immigration laws are excellent, of course.

Within the past week the Blaine boom has been vigorously revived. The loudest shouters for the Maine statesman appear to be those who are most bitter in their opposition to Harrison.

Mr. Blaine positively declined to be a candidate some time ago. If he has changed his mind simple fairness should impel him to say so publicly.

The Democratic conferees of Montgomery and Bucks met in Philadelphia last week and agreed among themselves that the present Congressman, Edwin Hallowell, shall become his own successor.

It remains for the Democratic candidate to be formally nominated at a convention to be held in this county.

And then? Will it be Wanger and Hallowell again, or somebody else and Hallowell?

The present signs are that Mr. Wanger will again be the nominee of the Republicans. All that is being urged against him at present is the spleen and malice of a few personal enemies.

It remains to be observed whether the present revival of monomaniacal malevolence will force his retirement.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION WALLER very properly desires that the increase in the State appropriation for school purposes, from two millions to five, shall result in a reasonable increase in the length of the school term in the country districts.

Strange as it may seem there are still 1,200 school districts in the State that only maintain schools the minimum term of six months.

The sudden change of front in the Senate Commerce Committee, which this week cut down the river and harbor bill a couple of millions is said to have been caused by a hint from the White House.

WASHINGTON LETTER. From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20, 1892. The Presidential guessers, of which Washington has an over-supply, are just now in full enjoyment of the season that only comes to them once in every four years, and not always that often.

to say anything, and the fact that he exhibits his increased strength by taking long walks and appearing almost daily at some public gathering encourages his admirers to believe that he will accept if nominated.

There are still more "ifs" on the democratic side. Senator Hill is by general consent out of it, so far as his own nomination is concerned; but that he will be a powerful factor in determining the nomination is certain.

The people's party, according to its Representatives in Congress, is neck and neck with the old parties, as far as uncertainty about who will head its Presidential ticket is concerned.

Senator Higgins, of Delaware, made a pugnacious speech on the Naval bill, in which he said that he favored increasing the Navy even if it involved an increase of the national debt.

Senator Allison, who can be at times a very bitter partisan, never allows his partisanship to influence him when he makes official statements as chairman of the committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

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MALICE OR A JOKE? IN EITHER CASE IT MAY RESULT IN A WOMAN'S DEATH.

ALTOONA, Pa., May 19.—When Miss Sadie Delozier opened a morning paper at breakfast to-day she read a long obituary notice of herself.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., May 20.—News has just reached here of a tragedy at Ironquois, a settlement twenty miles up the shore.

On the last trip both she and her children were on fire when they reached the open air. Mrs. Van Laden devoted her every effort to save the lives of the little ones.

The largest infant at birth of which there is any authentic record was born in Ohio January 12, 1879.

Prior to the birth of the Bates wonder the London Hospital Museum boasted owning the largest child ever born. Their claimant was 24 inches in height and had a head that measured 13 1/2 inches.

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Department of Agriculture.

FARM NOTES.

Early turnips may be planted now. A few rows will be sufficient for a full supply. Make the ground very rich.

Flowers can be grown on all kinds of soils, and every farmhouse should be ornamented with flowers of some kind of different varieties and including all colors.

Guinea hens are said to be good layers and their eggs are very rich. Have any of our readers kept a record of the number of eggs their guinea hens have laid in a year? If so let us hear from them.

An English gardener who has had great success in raising radishes makes his radish-beds with nearly or quite one-half soft coal ashes and soot.

Do not depend on the pasture providing a full supply of food for the steers and young stock. All kinds of stock should have a mess of oats at night, while milk cows should be fed both morning and night.

The wrinkled peas should always be selected in place of those that are full and round, as they are sweeter and more melting when cooked.

It will be a loss of seed to plant tender varieties too early. Such crops as string beans, squash, cucumbers and lima beans will not grow until the ground has become well warmed, so as to insure quick germination.

Young strawberry beds should not be delayed, as the plants should be set out before dry weather sets in.

Those who occasionally find large eggs with smaller eggs enclosed within the larger ones will have an indication that the hens are too fat.

When oats are sowed broadcast, and the crop cut when in the milky stage, cured in the sun and stored in the barn, it will be found one of the most valuable additions to the food supply that can be made and all classes of stock will highly relish it.

Pear trees in some sections are very much attacked by blight this year. It will pay to cut away all blighted portions of the tree.

Tobacco stems contain over 2 per cent. of nitrogen, more than one-half per cent. of phosphoric acid, and 1/2 per cent. of potash, thus being an excellent source of plant food especially for soils deficient in potash.

Chief Van Dieman, of the department of Agriculture, predicts that the cultivation of nuts will soon be one of the greatest and most profitable industries in the United States.

The general depression in farming interests has, within the past few years, driven many men into the dairy business who are in no wise fitted for it.

The result of a chemical analysis made at the Agricultural Department at Washington, D. C., by the United States chemist, shows the nutritive value of corn cobs alone to be 41.52 per cent., and containing the same form of nutritive matter as is found in a large per cent. of our best grains and nothing whatever of an injurious nature.

Nature always works on general rules, and in the dairy cow supplies a large nervous power which we denominate temperament. The beef cow does not have this nervous power of temperament, but has a sluggish, lymphatic one instead.

With smaller seeds it is sometimes necessary to sow thickly, so that the combined force of several plantlets may act together to help themselves through to the surface.

Do not try to do too much. It is quite possible by skillful cultivation to make a single acre of small fruits produce a couple of hundred dollars, but it is not at all likely that the same man would make ten acres produce two thousand dollars.

A new variety of strawberries is being cultivated in New Jersey which differ from the others in being half-

hulled when harvested. That is, the hull comes off when the berry is picked, giving the large end of the berry the appearance of a red raspberry, the stem being left on the vines. It should prove an excellent kind for family use, as it may not be suitable for shipping.

The question of the growing of artichokes is again brought before the public by the success of an Iowa farmer, who fed them not only to his hogs but also to his horses.

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