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— THE report comes from Paris that JAMES GORDON BENNETT has sustained probable fatal injuries in an accident which befel a coaching party of which he was a member. Mr. BENNETT'S long residence abroad has not removed him from the reach of sympathy on this side of the Atlantic. He has kept himself in touch with the people of the United States through his newspaper, which has been one of the institutions of the country.

THE loss which Fargo sustains by fire appears to be greater than was first reported. Most of the business section of the city has been wiped out. These visitations of flame are common in the new cities of the West, where the architecture, in the beginning, is necessarily of an unsubstantial character. But misfortunes of this character only serve to illustrate the recuperative power of Western towns, and Fargo will not prove an exception to this rule. It is safe to predict that a year at most will obliterate every trace of the fire and witness the complete rehabilitation of the district which is now in ruins.

If the "civilized and enlightened" nations, as the old geographies were accustomed to call them, were arranged in a procession in the order of their progress according to modern ideas, Spain would undoubtedly be placed in the last division not far from the "citizens on foot," and the Princess EULALIA was very properly astonished at what she saw at the World's Fair in evidence of the development of the leading nations. The United States has reason to be pleased that it has given the Princess this opportunity; and at the same time there need be no fears of her feelings suffering in consequence of any comparison, for, if she is a true Spaniard, her pride will still place "Old Madrid" and storied Spain above all other cities and countries.

THE ruling of two federal judges in Chicago which sustains the injunction against Sunday opening does not weaken the certainty that a large majority of the people favor a seven day fair. It does not establish the fact that public morals would be violated by disregarding the demands of the Sabbatariana. It has been proven by experience that the gates can be thrown open on Sunday, and that the grounds can be occupied on that day without the slightest breach of order. The design of the Fair is educational, and the means of enlightenment which it affords are as effective one day in the week as another. Judge GRANT dissents from the opinion of the judges who approve the injunction. He looks upon the souvenir

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THE OHIO REPUBLICANS.

The Ohio state Republican convention which renominated Governor MCKINLEY at Columbus yesterday, has sounded the keynote of the protection party for 1896. It is apparent that the campaign in the Buckeye state this year is to be the preliminary skirmish to the Presidential canvass three years hence. No attempt was made by the convention to beg the tariff question. The platform is explicit on that point, and staunchly affirms the policy on which the Republican party went down in '92. It would not have advocated anything else with MCKINLEY as the candidate. Nobody can question his sincere belief in the law which bears his name. It is clearly his expectation that it will be vindicated by the people, and that there will be a change of public sentiment in its favor.

The protection leader is one-sided in the respect that he has devoted all of his political life to the study of the tariff, and he has even limited this pursuit to one phase of the question. He started out with the conviction that proscriptive imports were necessary to the welfare of American labor, and he has never changed his mind. In his speech yesterday before the convention he expressed the belief that the fear of a change in the industrial legislation of the country is responsible for the prevalent suspense in financial circles. It is safe to say that this pretext for evading the real responsibility for the pending financial complications will be largely employed against the Democrats in Ohio in the contest which is just beginning.

It is suspected that the renomination of MCKINLEY means that he is in the field as a Presidential candidate, and this will invest the Ohio canvass with peculiar interest. Republican success with anything like a decided majority will greatly influence the ambition of MCKINLEY and his friends. There are a good many things in his favor which have no connection with his political principles. His popular personality, the sympathy which his recent financial misfortunes has created and his dignified administration as Governor of Ohio are all elements of strength which may aid in making him his own successor. While that would not necessarily mean an indorsement of his tariff ideas, it would doubtless have the effect of strengthening him as a party leader and of emboldening the Republicans to repeat the fight in '96 which resulted in their overthrow in '92.

Last November when the MCKINLEY bill was the issue before the people, Ohio was

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