

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

Editorial Opinions of the Leading Journals upon Current Topics—Compiled Every Day for the Evening Telegraph.

THE FALL OF FRANCE.

From the N. Y. Herald. As the end of the present hopeless struggle approaches we are naturally drawn from France of the past to France of the future.

But the game is lost, and apparently lost, so far as human foresight can go, forever. The future Government of France, in the broad and radical sense of the term, will now be regulated according to the interests and determination of victorious Germany.

In the meantime it must not be overlooked that some of the most advanced minds among the Germans are beginning to propound very extraordinary doctrine upon these questions.

long-headedness, that it would be a sin and a shame to leave Frenchmen any longer to their own devices, and that they must place the whole people under their tutelage for a long time, until a generation arises which acknowledges that Germans are not barbarians.

THIEVES AND DETECTIVES. From the N. Y. Sun. The method upon which the municipal detective service is conducted in the principal cities of this country requires a thorough overhauling and an immediate reform.

Those who form their idea of the American police detective from the Hawkshaw of the stage, or the accomplished protean actors described in novels, know little of the actual facts.

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Through reform is imperatively demanded, and the sooner it is done the better for all concerned. No detective, known as such, should be allowed to associate with criminals on terms of equality; and the fact of a detective being guilty of such association should be considered a sufficient proof of a corrupt disposition.

THE NEW PARTY. From the N. Y. Tribune. Nearly a year ago, there was a gathering of "revenue reformers" in Washington, which resulted in a dinner with fluid modifications, where with certain sympathizing editors and correspondents rejoicingly refreshed themselves.

then Democrats. We promptly copied and called attention to these bulletins of victories yet unwon. The programme thus agreed on has since been carried out, to the extent of the planners' ability.

Over the moment the November elections were over a more ambitious programme was put forth. The Chicago Tribune proclaimed, in effect, that old parties and old issues were dead; and that a new organization was destined to sweep the country.

But, gentlemen, we submit, your notions of what adherence to a party implies are peculiar. The recent partial successes of the Democratic party are mainly your work.

POLITICAL BLACK-MAIL. From the N. Y. Times. Senator Wilson has brought in a bill to prevent a levying of assessments on office-holders for political purposes.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY will be closed on Wednesday, the 14th of December next, and reopened on Tuesday, the 10th of January, 1871.

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