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What ho! ye baldheads, look up and be of good cheer. Here is glorious news for you, coming from a reliable source.

THE use of gas to make the hair grow is one of the latest medical discoveries. The gas employed is oxygen.

It is further estimated that the oxygen treatment is found to benefit weak eyes and to cure consumption in a large percentage of cases.

The postal department has issued a bound book of receipts for rural mail carriers, which resembles in a general way a check book.

That was rather a stalwart prayer that the little Gardner boy put up and was expressive, if not wholly reverent, says the Kennebec (Me.) Journal.

BRYAN'S "PERHAPS."

Note.—"It may be observed," said a prominent politician, "that Mr. Bryan prefaces all his political utterances with his now famous 'perhaps.'"

The shades of night were falling fast as throughout the western country passed a man who bore, through party ice, a banner with the strange device: "Perhaps."

His brow was sad; his hair, beneath A somewhat damaged laurel wreath, Was mussed; but like a clarion ring, The accents of that tireless tongue:

In great Ohio's broad expanse He saw them try to choke his chance; They turned his picture to the wall; He smiled and murmured: "That's no gall—"

"Try not to run," the rebels yell; "Imperialism has come to stay." And capital has come to stay: He answered, in the same old way: "Perhaps."

"Oh, stay," a remnant said, "and rest Your weary head upon this breast, A tear stood in his blackened eye, As soft he answered with a sigh: "Perhaps."

"Beware free silver's withered branch; Where is your hard times avalanche? Say, won't you ever learn a thing?" The rebels hear him murmuring: "Perhaps."

Around, above, below, he sees The icy portents of a freeze; He feels the foe upon his track, But just the same he answers back: "Perhaps."

From east and west, from south and north, Come anxious rebels trooping forth. "We'll down the Matchless Leader," cry The hungry hordes. He makes reply: "Perhaps."

"We'll smite him on the thigh and hip, We want a change of leadership; Chicago platforms are n. g. "We'll have a new one." And says he: "Perhaps."

A traveler, by a little mound, Half buried in the snow was found, Still grasping, midst the snow and ice, A banner with the strange device: "Perhaps."

There in the twilight, cold and gray, They stood about him as he lay. "Thank God," the rebels cry; "he's dead." Then, turning in the snow, he said: "Perhaps."

—William J. Lampton, in N. Y. Herald.

REPUBLICAN STALWARTS.

Clean-Cut and Progressive Statement of Principles by the Iowa Convention.

The work of the Iowa state convention must be viewed with satisfaction by loyal and thinking republicans all over the nation.

The convention justly congratulated congress upon its currency, legislation and upon its dealings with Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines.

The convention indorsed the policy of protection as the foundation of our industrial and financial independence, but it also recognized that that policy is a practical one whose applications must change with circumstances.

In its declarations concerning so-called "trusts" the convention recognized them as useful instruments for the nation's industrial advancement, but asserted "the right residing in the people to enforce such regulations as will protect the individual and society from abuse of the power which great combinations of capital wield."

The Iowa convention has spoken clearly, fairly and worthily of a great republican state. While the contest for the various nominations was keen, it was without rancor.

Iowa follows Ohio in denouncing the southern attempt to disfranchise the negro. In the republican state convention at Des Moines the following was adopted:

"We are earnestly opposed to all legislation designed to accomplish the disfranchisement of citizens upon lines of race, color or station of life and condemn the measures adopted by the democratic party in certain states to accomplish that end."

To this genuine Americanism the Iowa republicans added indorsement of the protective tariff and of the gold standard. On this invulnerable platform was placed as the candidate for governor A. B. Cummins, a prominent lawyer of Des Moines, who has been for four years a member of the republican national committee.

Coin Harvey charges the defeat of the democratic party last year to Chairman Jones' mismanagement. Coin Harvey shouldn't tell tales out of the financial school.—Chicago Tribune.

AN ISSUELESS PARTY.

Hopeless Flight of the Democracy for the Coming Presidential Campaign.

It was Hon. Charles A. Towne, of Minnesota, ex-silver republican, ex-populist, ex-democrat, now a developer of Texas "oil gushers" and "out of politics," who thus recently hit off the temper and purposes of the democratic party: "The feeling among democrats is that they want to win, and they do not care a rap what sort of a platform they win on."

The effect of the advances made in medical science and sanitation and in the preventive and restrictive measures enforced by the health authorities is still more strikingly shown in the comparative rate for the registration cities of the country.

As has already been noted in these columns, the Baltimore convention refused absolutely to commit itself on any of the national issues on which it was compelled to fight the presidential campaign of 1900.

According to the census of 1900, the negroes in Maryland constitute something over 19 per cent. of the state's population. Probably 50,000 negro voters were polled for presidential electors last November out of a total of 264,511.

The democratic party in Maryland has no fear of the negro, and no intention of disfranchising him as such, and probably no body of Marylanders would be more reluctant to see the negro excluded from the suffrage than the democratic politicians themselves.

The men who are asking for tariff reform are free traders. What they are aiming at is tariff destruction rather than tariff revision.—Cleveland Leader.

The populists, democrats and free silver republicans have had their grand annual fusion in Nebraska again, and the regular worry over the problem of getting them to stay fused until election time will now begin.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Advice to the steel workers' leaders to recede from their untenable position comes with poor grace from newspapers that supported Bryan and Bryanism without whom and which there would never have been so many workmen brought to their present condition of unreasonable discontent.—Albany Journal.

The Commoner says: "Another week has passed and yet not a single republican paper has seized the opportunity to declare that the drought is a result of Bryanism. The g. o. p. organs are growing extremely careless." Could anything be more childish or more like Bryan?—Iowa State Register.

Senator Hanna has disposed of the rumor connecting his name with efforts to settle the steel strike. He says he has been asked by neither side to participate in the attempt to reach a settlement. There is no justification for trying to drag this strike into politics, but that is what a good many politicians would like to do.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A CENSUS BULLETIN.

It Shows that the Death Rate in This Country is Decreasing and that the Average Duration of Life is Increasing.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The census bureau yesterday announced the mortality statistics for the year 1900. W. A. King, chief of the vital statistics division, says: "The most important feature of the results presented is found in the decrease in the general death rate of nearly 10 per cent., and the decrease in the rates from the particular diseases to which the general decrease is due."

The entire significance of these figures can be properly weighed only when the rates for the individual cities are considered in connection with known conditions of local improvement in sanitation and health regulations.

The average age at death in 1890 was 31.1 years; in 1900 it was 35.2 years.

The total number of deaths reported in 1900 was 1,039,094; in 1890 it was 841,419. The increase was therefore 197,675, or 23.5 per cent.

The record of deaths upon which these statistics are based was obtained from two different sources, namely, the return by the enumerators of deaths reported to them at the decennial enumeration, and the registration record of deaths recorded under local laws.

Portland, Ore., with a death rate of 9.5 per thousand shows the lowest mortality among the cities, and Shreveport, La., with 45.50 is the highest.

In the registration area the 15 principal causes of death with the rate per 100,000 was as follows: Pneumonia 191.9, consumption 190.5, heart disease 134.0, diarrheal diseases 85.1, kidney diseases 33.7, apoplexy 66.6, cancer 60, old age 54, bronchitis 48.3, cholera infantum 47.8, debility 45.5, inflammation of brain and meningitis 41.8, diphtheria 34.4, typhoid fever 33.8 and premature birth 33.7.

POTTER AND HARRIS.

State Ticket Nominated by Pennsylvania Republicans.

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 22.—The republican state convention, which met here Wednesday and nominated Judge William P. Potter, of Pittsburgh, for supreme court judge and State Representative Frank C. Harris, of Clearfield, for state treasurer, was a most unusual gathering.

Judge Potter was formerly Gov. Stone's law partner and was appointed to the supreme bench last year to succeed the late Judge Green. Mr. Harris is serving his third term in the house of representatives, and has always been a follower of Senators Quay and Penrose.

A BATTLE IN A COURT ROOM.

Mississippi Farmers Indulge in a Shooting Bout—Three Men Fatally Wounded.

Water Valley, Miss., Aug. 22.—A shooting affray occurred yesterday at Reynolds, in Panola county, in which four men were wounded, three of them fatally.

Otto Johnson was being tried before Justices Shelby and Warner on a charge of seduction. The evidence was all in and the justices had retired to make up their verdict. More than 100 men were present in the room. Suddenly a shot was fired, supposedly by Otto Johnson.

Says the Courts are Corrupt.

London, Aug. 22.—The Times publishes a long article from a correspondent in Cuba, who highly praises the progress of the island in material welfare under the government of the United States, but complains that the courts of justice are as corrupt as under the Spanish regime and that both the urban and rural police are inadequate and inefficient.

Engineer Impaled on a Board.

Fort Dodge, Ia., Aug. 22.—Frank Bender, an engineer on the Illinois Central railroad, was impaled here yesterday on a flying timber when the cab of the engine failed to clear a box car on the side track.

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Mrs. William Henderson, Bordulac, N. C., writes: "I was troubled with very serious female weakness; had spells of flowing that exhausted me so that I feared I would lose my mind. I suffered untold agony with my back, the pain extending down my left leg. My pain was so severe that I would have welcomed death at any moment—so no one need wonder that I recommend Peruna so highly, for it cured me entirely of that. Not a sign of pain has returned, and that will soon be two years now."

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