

SENATOR TELLER, Rep. of Colorado, declares that he will not support any presidential candidate on a gold or doubtful platform.

On Thursday morning of last week, Herman W. Mudgett, better known as H. H. Holmes, was executed on the gallows at Philadelphia, at 10:12 o'clock.

The Wilson tariff, according to the platform of the Indiana Republicans, 'has almost destroyed our American industries'—meaning specifically American manufacturers.

The members of the house at Washington on Friday voted themselves \$100 a month for clerk hire during the recesses of congress.

The resolution was amended so as to except members who are chairmen of committees having annual clerks, and as amended was passed 130 to 108.

SEVERAL American citizens on the filibustering schooner, Competitor, captured by the Spanish authorities of Cuba, have been tried by court martia and sentenced to be shot.

Captain General Weyer, of Cuba, has indicated a reluctance to accede to Secretary Olney's demand. It is expected, however, that the Madrid authorities will direct Weyer to comply with the request of the American government.

PROBABLY since Congress first assembled at Washington, says the Philadelphia Record, there never was one which had greater opportunity than the Fifty-fourth Congress to afford the country helpful legislation, or which more utterly failed to grasp its opportunity.

R. G. DUN & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade last week says: That exports of \$5,250,000 gold this week have produced no monetary disturbance is at once proof of the soundness of financial conditions and of the prevailing confidence in better things to come.

Much of the hesitation at present is due to temporarily reduced demand in some industries, and in iron and steel the power of the new combinations is being generally tested by a refusal of orders, so that production exceeds consumption, but consumption exceeds new buying.

THERE are a few Democrats, Tom Johnson among the number, says the Harrisburg Patriot, who are inclined to believe the Democratic party is doomed to utter rout and confusion at the polls this year.

It is sometimes best to let the enemy deceive himself with his false hopes, as to do so is more certainly to defeat him. In this case it is not necessary.

It is quite true the Democratic party did not carry out all the pledges made to the people in 1892, in regard to the tariff, but it did the best that was possible with it, and also repealed the Sherman silver law, which is responsible for the condition of the treasury to-day.

McKinley will be nominated on the McKinley tariff platform for there is a protective tariff in operation now. There was never anything more costly to the industries of this country than McKinleyism.

THE Gosling this week in explaining the cause of the hard times sums it up as follows: "A glance over Uncle Sam's balance sheet shows that from 1866 up to 1894 the excess of revenues over expenditures was many millions yearly."

These deficits were caused by a scarcity of funds and the scarcity of funds was caused by the failure of the revenue system to meet the needs of the government; the low revenue or tariff measures were made by the Democratic congress, and the Democratic party, therefore, is alone responsible for the hard times.

It would have greatly diminished the chances of electing a Republican Congress in November if this Congress had followed the recommendations of the President with regard to financial legislation. It would have been almost as hazardous to have adopted some temporary measure, like a beer tax, a tax on coffee or tea, or a slight tax on sugar, to cover the lessening deficit in the federal revenue.

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So far the Philadelphia Municipal League has put up \$8,000, it is said, and will positively stop there. The committee has not had a session for over three months, and those who are not friendly to it say there will be a warm discussion when the report of its work, accompanied by a big bill for expenses, is submitted to the next legislature.

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