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EDITORIAL

ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH.

The success of the democratic ratification meeting, held at the court house after the nomination of Mr. Bryan, seems to have gratified harshly upon the feelings of the republican editors of the county. The Hornet and Gazette, in their next issue, vented their spleen upon the speakers by willfully and maliciously misrepresenting what was said by those who made addresses on that occasion.

"When a speaker addresses an audience he should know what he says and should tell the truth. Any misrepresentation, or out and out lying, is not only a fraud upon his hearers but a crime equal to that of the bunco steerer."

A speaker at the ratification meeting, in Bellefonte, on last Friday night, a person of moral standing and good legal ability, asserted that the republican National convention, held in Pittsburg in 1856, adopted in its platform a resolution that the constitution was a league with hell and a covenant with death.

None of the speakers said what these papers allege they did say, and the articles no doubt were prepared for the express purpose of misrepresenting those who took part in the meeting, and for the purpose of discrediting the meeting.

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SOME of our republican leaders would like to argue the tariff question over this campaign, in order to dodge the silver issue. It is a dead letter and out of date. Free silver is the living issue. The people are taking to it in a wonderful manner.

THE difference between the democratic platform and the republican platform is, the former favors the United States inaugurating the bimetallic system, while the republicans want to wait until England is ready. Were the declarations reversed, we would hear no end of howling by the republicans of democrats toadying to England.

THIS will be another campaign of education. Extensive preparations are being made for the distribution of literature by both sides. Stump speaking will begin early and will be kept up to the end. The public are not well informed on the money question, but show an eagerness to read, listen and learn.

THE movement on the part of the gold standard democrats to nominate a ticket of their own, causes little concern to the regular ticket. It will greatly improve Bryan's chances for election. Otherwise these men would vote for McKinley. A third ticket will absorb all democratic disaffection.

HON. JOHN A. WOODWARD, of Howard, who devotes most of his time to agricultural work and is in close touch with the farming community, was in town on Monday. In speaking of the free silver issue, it was the result of his observation that the farmers were almost united for free silver, and will accept nothing else. At least nine tenths of the farm journals advocated that doctrine for some years and they naturally are conversant with the subject; moreover convinced that it is what this country needs.

The same speaker, in referring to the assertions of the gold men that the Chicago convention, and the democratic candidate, Mr. Bryan, had declared against all law and order in their criticisms of the decision of the Supreme Court on the income tax, said: "that the democratic convention had not said anything derogatory to the Supreme Court, but had simply called the attention of the country to the income tax decision, and

recommended an amendment to the constitution so that an income tax might be lawfully imposed; that the democrats were law abiding and respectful and would not advise that the decisions of the courts be ignored, but advised acquiescence until the law could be changed in the manner pointed out by the constitution." He also asserted "that the republican platform of 1860 declared against the Dred Scott decision, and that the leaders of that party not only advised that the decision should be wholly disregarded, but that the republican administration elected upon that platform utterly disregarded it." This is a matter of history, and no intelligent person would for a moment attempt to deny it, but for the benefit of the Hornet and the Gazette we will again call their attention to what Mr. Blaine remembers about it. He says: "The Dred Scott decision received no respect after Mr. Lincoln became president, and without reversal by the court was utterly disregarded."

Chief Justice Taney delivered the opinion of the Court in the Dred Scott case, and he became the chief object of attack by the republican party and the republican papers. Charles Sumner called him the "Devil's advocate," and in one of his speeches said that "Taney would be hoisted down the pages of history, and that an emancipated country would fix upon his name the stigma it deserved. He administered justice wickedly, had degraded the judiciary and had degraded the age." Henry Wilson, Sumner's colleague in the senate, was equally severe in his denunciation of the court, and Senator Wade and other leading republicans, were unsparing in their criticisms. Whether right or wrong, the decision was made by the highest judicial tribunal of the land, and should at least have been respected as long as it was not over-ruled or obviated by a constitutional amendment.

These strictures upon Chief Justice Taney were entirely uncalled for, and were made in the heat of passion by men who dehed the settled principles of law and order, and pretended to obey "a higher law" than that of the constitution. In support of this assertion we would again call the attention of our friends to the fact that in 1874 congress passed a bill paying the highest tribute of respect to Judge Taney. This congress was overwhelmingly republican in both branches. Charles Sumner was a member of the senate and Henry Wilson was the presiding officer. Mr. Blaine says "Chief Justice Taney was not only a man of great attainments, but was singularly pure and upright in his life and conversation and the country can now contemplate a venerable jurist, in robes that were never soiled by corruption, leading a long life of labor and sacrifice, and achieving a fame in his profession second only to that of Marshall."

Always tell the truth, my friends. Do not undertake to win by misrepresentation. It is true the fight for the single gold standard is to be made successful at all hazards, but the people are determined in this contest, to take care of their interests, and they can not be swerved from their purpose by a campaign of misrepresentations.

No expression has yet come from President Cleveland upon the democratic platform and nominees. There is no doubt but that he is a bit out of humor.

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"YOUTH ISN'T A CRIME."

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as his empire by the divine right of genius. He had again proved to a forgetful world that the great leaders of men defy youth as often as they defy old age.

THE GREAT PITT. William Pitt, one of the greatest of Englishmen, was born in 1759 and died 1806. He was elected to Parliament when he was twenty-one. At the age of twenty-three he became Chancellor of the Exchequer and leader of the House of Commons.

Pitt was Prime Minister of England at twenty-four. The English statesmen who opposed Pitt taunted him with being a boy. He proved conclusively, however, that he was not only a man, but a great man. He was not able to stand the strain of elevation at an early age.

Richard Brinsley Sheridan was England's Secretary of the Treasury at the age of thirty-two. He had entered Parliament three years before this.

Charles James Fox entered Parliament at the age of nineteen.

It will be seen from the above list of young men who have placed indelible marks upon the pages of man's history that the scroll of fame has shown no regard for the theory that men of genius do not reach the full control of their abilities before they are thirty-six. Eliminate from the list of the world's great men those who have won fame and power before they reached the age of thirty-six and you will have rendered human progress inexplicable.

Carefully scan the above list—you can readily lengthen it by a little research—and you will find that not one of the mentioned was what flippant observers call "an accident."

What these young men did to influence the course of human events was the outcome of intellectual power that had reached a full development. The pages of history would be dull, indeed, if it were not for the records made by boy leaders.

With the democrats, free silver people and populists voting for Bryan, it looks mighty blue for McKinley's chances next November. Mark that.

In another portion of this issue we give an interview from Rt. Rev. Thos. McGovern, bishop of the Harrisburg diocese of the Catholic church. Bishop McGovern is a man of great learning and is versed upon the economic questions of the day. He unhesitatingly declares that free silver will be a great benefit to the masses. Years ago the Bishop was located at Bellefonte and is well known to our people who place great confidence in his opinions.

A Thoughtful Young Man.

A story is told of a Huntingdon young man who called on a young lady one evening. When he arrived there was not a cloud in the sky, so he carried no umbrella and wore neither galoches nor mackintosh. At 10 o'clock when he arose to go it was raining cats and dogs. "My, my, my!" said the nice young lady, "if you go out in all this storm you will catch your death of cold!" "I'm afraid I might!" was the trembling answer. "Well, I'll tell you what—stay all night; you can have Tom's room. Excuse me for a minute and I'll just run up and see if it is in order." The young lady flew gracefully upstairs to see that Tom's room was in order. In five minutes she came down to announce that Tom's room was in order, but no Charles was in sight. But in a very few minutes he appeared, very dripping and out of breath from running, a bundle in a newspaper under his arm. "Why, Charles, where have you been?" was his greeting. "Been home after my nightshirt," was his reply.

Just What's Needed.

Exclaim thousands of people who have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla at this season of the year, and who have noted the success of the medicine in giving them relief from that tired feeling, waning appetite and state of extreme exhaustion after the close confinement of a long winter season, the busy time attendant upon a large and pressing business during the spring months and with vacation time yet some weeks distant. It is then that the building-up powers of Hood's Sarsaparilla are fully appreciated. It seems perfectly adapted to overcome that prostration caused by change of season, climate or life, and while it tones and sustains the system, it purifies and vitalizes the blood.

Damaged by Lightning.

During the severe storm on Wednesday evening the Reformed church spire was struck by lightning and badly damaged. The shingles are torn off in large patches and the timbers appear to be twisted. The damage done may require rebuilding of the spire. No damage was done to the interior of the building. The damage is covered by insurance.

Atlantic City Excursions.

The Central Railroad of Pennsylvania, in connection with the Reading's "Royal Route to the Sea," will have two cheap rate excursions during the summer to Atlantic City and other seaside resorts on the New Jersey coast. The dates have not been definitely fixed, but they will probably be July 23rd and August 13th.

Captain Pearson, of the Sixth Cavalry, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Myer at Washington, D. C., has been detailed as Commandant at State College.

IN WANT, HE GETS \$2,000,000.

A Poor Young Bostonian's Great Good Fortune.

William E. Woodward, a destitute young Boston man, who has been out of work for months, and who, on account of his poverty, has been forced to move from one boarding house to another, has suddenly fallen heir to a legacy of \$2,041,000. Strange as it may seem, this vast sum was recently willed to him by a man whom he had never set eyes upon.

Woodward, who is in delicate health, and has been under doctors' care a year or more, is 24 years of age, and a native of New Brunswick. He has lived in Boston six years. Part of this time he was employed in a publishing house and at other times has canvassed for the sale of installment books and periodicals. For a short time he worked for a large dry goods house. The past year or two he has been exceedingly unfortunate, and often hardly knew where his next meal was coming from.

Last Thursday a Boston friend of his received a telegram from a mutual friend in San Francisco asking for Woodward's whereabouts, and stating that he had seen in a newspaper that Woodward had been left a large sum of money. Woodward took no stock in this telegram, but his friends advised him to ask for more particulars, and he did so, with the important result above stated.

A trustee of the estate of Theodore S. Woodward telegraphed the young Bostonian asking him to come to San Francisco at once on account of the property awaiting him. The young man had but ten cents in his pocket when this came. He sent a "collect" telegram, which read:

"Am unable to come for want of funds. Advise me"

Then came word that the trustees were about to leave for Boston, and a letter received gave full particulars, including a copy of the will, which in plain figures leaves him stocks, bonds and real estate to the value of \$2,041,000.

Theodore S. Woodward was a wealthy land speculator and mining man, who lived in a suburb of San Francisco, and who died in June, leaving over \$5,000,000. He was an uncle of his Boston namesake, and the latter's father and he were twin brothers, who were very intimate as young men. Young Woodward's father had died many years ago, and his uncle went West before he ever saw him. They never even corresponded.

The other \$3,000,000 was willed to friends and other relatives.

The young man is completely dazed, and cannot realize the extent of his good fortune. The property includes a \$90,000 apartment house in Chicago, an \$80,000 piece of realty in Kansas City, real estate here and in New York, hundreds of shares of Calumet and Heckla mining stock and a large variety of dividend-paying stocks and bonds.

Keep informed.

The year 1896 will be an unusually interesting one in the field of politics. Old party lines are being demolished; new issues are forging to the front. New leaders have been called to the fore, and the great absorbing topic is the silver issue which seems to be recasting and remoulding the two great parties of the day. Therefore, to be well informed upon national and local events you must read. You can get the "Most News for the Least Money" by subscribing for the CENTRE DEMOCRAT and three-times-a-week New York World. These two papers will be sent to you at the following low club rates:

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50th Anniversary.

The Scientific American, of New York, has signalized its 50th anniversary by the publication of a very handsome 72 page special number, which consists of a review of the development of science and the industrial arts in the United States during the past 50 years. It was an ambitious undertaking, and the work has been well done. The many articles are thoroughly technical, and they are written in a racy and popular style, which makes the whole volume—it is nothing less, being equal to a book of 442 ordinary pages—thoroughly readable. It is inclosed for preservation in a handsome cover, and is sold at the price of ten cents.

Will Build at Springs Mills.

The tannery of J. W. Smith, at Potters Mills, recently destroyed by fire, will not be re-built at that place. A new firm has been formed and the plant will be erected at Spring Mills.

Wm. Allison, Charles Long and J. W. Smith, will constitute the new firm, with Mr. Smith as manager. The new tannery will have a large capacity, and will be equipped with the latest appliances and machinery.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant invative AD

Prizes for Your Skill.

The person forming the largest number of words, using the letters in the text "EXCELSIOR," will be given \$100 IN CASH. \$75.00 will be given to the person forming the next largest list. The next will receive \$50.00 in cash, and for each of the next eleven largest lists will be paid \$25.00 each. Money deposited in Bay City Bank, corner Centre and Washington avenues.

Separate the letters in the text thus: E-X-C-E-L-S-I-O-R, and form as many words as you can. For example: Excell is, six, etc. It is said that over ten small words can be formed from these letters, and we will give a prize to every person sending ten words or more; so if you are good at word making, or are bright, you are sure of something for your trouble, while you have an equal opportunity for the large cash prizes.

Our object is to advertise our "EXCELSIOR" GERMAN MEAD, the most improved and healthful summer beverage on the market. One tablet placed in a glass of water is sufficient to satisfy the thirst of an epicure.

Every person sending list of words must enclose with the same thirteen two-cent stamps for a package of EXCELSIOR GERMAN MEAD, which will be sent postpaid, together with full rules and particulars governing the contest.

As a guarantee of good faith, the Mayor and Chief of Police of this city will act as judges in the award of prizes. Number your words and write your name plainly.

Address THE GERMAN MEAD CO., BAY CITY, MICH. Cor. Adams and Center Sts.

Sunlight Soap advertisement. Text: "There is no mystery about Sunlight Soap. It is simply a clear, pure, honest soap for laundry and household use, made by the most approved processes, and being the best, it has the largest sale in the world. It is made in a twin bar for convenience sake." Includes image of Sunlight Soap bars.

MOST HEAT! LESS COAL!

This is the best furnace on the market to day. It will pay you to study its merits. It is simple, economical and gives the best service.



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Montgomery & Co. advertisement. Text: "25 Per Cent Reduction. We knife them with a big knife this week. Straw Hats Cut In Half." Includes a list of prices for various items like suits, shirts, and hats.