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TWELVE PAGES. THE STATE TREASURY AFFAIR. Though the oratory at the Democratic club's session yesterday was not as magnificent as that which distinguished the Republican caucus at Scranton it was by no means unimpressive.

FREE SILVER MISTAKES. In another column will be found an extended discussion of the monetary question, in which the writer, starting from propositions in the main correct, leads up to a conclusion in favor of free silver currency. It is not necessary to follow his argument in detail in order to point out the errors which his chain of 1898 is based upon.

FOR THE PEOPLE TO DECIDE. In view of the announcement that there will be opposition to the passage of the bond ordinance, when it comes up in Select Council, it will be interesting to hear whether the public sentiment will take exception to the form in which the question is proposed to the people or to the proposed issue of bonds.

THE FEAR OF EARTHQUAKES. In commenting on the panic produced by the slight earthquake tremors of last week the Philadelphia Ledger says: "There is nothing more terrifying than an earthquake. To feel the earth slipping away from under one's feet and to realize that nothing man can do can stop the convulsion is enough to appal the stoutest heart."

POST NOT DEAMATIST. One of the singular phases of both literature and the drama appears in the renewal of the effort on the part of managers to make a successful production of Tennyson's dramatic compositions, and on the part of the poet to write a successful dramatic composition. The idiosyncrasy of the dramatic profession is shown by its apparently indiscriminating appetite for the best of the modern drama.

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GLAUCIOUS ON BALLOT REFORM. He Does Not Care to Intrude in Pennsylvania, but Drops a Gentle Hint.

HE DOES NOT CARE TO intrude in Pennsylvania, but drops a gentle hint to the Pennsylvania legislature. He is not a Pennsylvania politician, but he is a citizen of the United States.

THE Italian Queen is noted throughout Europe as a pedestrian. She also displays an endurance in mountain climbing that is considered remarkable for a woman.

FREEMONT'S grandson, the son of Lieutenant Freemont, is a handsome little boy of 3 years. He is living at present with his grandparents and aunts in the new home.

CAPTAIN YOUNGHUSAND, an English explorer, has been turned back by Russia in his purpose to enter and explore Little Bear Bay. He is now on his way back to the world.

THE Crown Prince of Siam came to the United States on the 27th. He was accompanied by the German Emperor and the Emperor of Russia.

MR. THEODORE BENT, who was sent to investigate the matter of the proposed canal across the Isthmus of Panama, has returned to New York.

DR. S. S. SHUTZ, Superintendent of the Pennsylvania State Hospital for the Insane, died Monday at Danville in his 61st year. He was born in Pennsylvania.

FATHER HUBER, who died at Wheeling Sunday, was one of the few men who remained at his post when the cholera epidemic of 1849 broke out in this city.

A CAMPAIGN OF SONG. The Republicans Endeavoring to Redeem the State by Vocal Efforts—The Enthusiasm is Something Remarkable for an Old Year.

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 28.—In no "off year" in the history of Kansas has there been so much enthusiasm manifested among Republicans as at present. It is an "off year" because there are no State officers or Congressmen to elect.

GOING TO RETRIEVE LOST GROUND. There is a determination among the Republicans of Kansas to retrieve lost ground this year. The Republican State Longue Committee has headquarters in this city, and every day able speakers are sent into the various counties to address the people.

NEW WORDS TO OLD TIMES. Among the old patriotic songs found in this little songster are "America," "The Star Spangled Banner," "The Old Flag," "The Red, White and Blue," etc.

ALLIANCE TALKS are wondrous. "Alliance talks are wondrous, 'Tis so," says the old songster. "Alliance talks are wondrous, 'Tis so," says the old songster.

THE young man who will cast his first vote this year will find the following lines, entitled "Be True to Your Party," are dedicated to him.

THE Alliance may offer a ticket. "To matter how 'cathily' it be, From those who deceive with intention, My boy, have your eyes to the floor, Democracy, 'tis in itself and show; Deceitful, 'tis, and stoutly say No.

EDUCATING THE PUBLIC SENTIMENT IS A SLOW AND ARDUOUS TASK. What every man who is of any account in the world seeks at the opening of his career is a profession or calling which promises to give him superior employment with a prospect of wealth, or at least of independence, as the years go by.

COLONEL W. W. GREENLAND was last night in this city, on his way to Danville. The governor is to attend the unveiling of the Soldiers' Monument at that place.

SOCIAL WORLD GOSSIP. The Little Recruit at Wilkesburg—Mr. Frank Ammon Returns Home.

THE new Odd Fellows' Hall in Wilkesburg is completed, and is to be practically dedicated with a performance of the military drama, "The Young Recruit," under the auspices of Post 845, G. A. R.

HARRY ESVER will be assisted in his next original recital at Carnegie Hall, Saturday afternoon, by Carl Maeder, the famous violinist. Mr. Maeder will use his \$1000 violin, which he purchased on his late visit to Europe.

FRANK AMMON, the well-known musical humorist, returned from a trip to Europe especially to attend the wedding of his brother to Miss Darlington.

THE wedding of Miss Hatty, daughter of Mrs. Daniel Berry, of Washington, to Mr. Thomas Ashby, Jr., of the Episcopal Church, took place at the residence of Mrs. Ashby, on Monday evening, October 1st.

WHEN this Chinese difficulty first fell on the attention of the public, the first thought was that the government was sending some first-class war ships to look after American interests. It was very clear, to use the words of the old songster, that the trouble had assumed grave proportions.

CAESAR A. CUPPIS, of New York City, arrived at the Danville Hotel on Sunday evening. He is the proprietor of the Danville Hotel, and is also the proprietor of the Danville Hotel.

MASTER MECHANIC DUSH, of the Pittsburgh, Chicago and Eastern Railway, is the proprietor of the Danville Hotel. He is also the proprietor of the Danville Hotel.

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CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. —Salvador has a telephone school. —In Alaska flour is \$15 per hundred pounds.

—Montana's total assessed valuation is \$142,478,000. —The waters of Lake Erie are to be piped into Cincinnati, taking in other cities en route.

—A museum manager offers \$2,000 for the capture of the 80-foot sea serpent recently reported off the Belgian coast. —The enormous man-eating sharks have been seen in the Gulf of Mexico, one being 15 feet long.

—Western farmers are urging the trial of a modification of the rain producing system to see if mist cannot be formed at times, which will result in the crops being kept from the earth and thus save the crops from frost.

—The Arizona Territorial Legislature at its last session passed an act exempting land from the cultivation of sugar beets, as well as the plant and machinery employed in the manufacture of domestic sugar, from taxation.

—Smoke is finding its champions in England, notwithstanding the efforts made to prevent its diffusion in the atmosphere. It is claimed that the carbon in smoke is a powerful deodorizer, and, as such, is a blessing rather than a nuisance.

—Mrs. Vanmann, of Bridgeton, N. J., while visiting her parents last year, noted a white oak tree in a garden which she let grow. It has now grown into a tree over 20 feet high and a foot in circumference.

—A remarkable example of the enduring qualities of the daguerstypie is to be found in the old graveyard at Waterford, Conn. In the headstone that marks the grave of a woman who died more than 40 years ago, the picture is as clear as if it had been taken yesterday.

—Two examples of the big tree of California are growing in Central Park, New York. They stand on the grassy bank, just west of the main entrance, near the corner of 6th and 7th streets.

—A Round Brook (N. J.) man, who sneezed so violently as to fracture a rib, has been notified by the Preferred Mutual Accident Association of New York that payment on his policy is refused on the ground that he sneezed so violently as to fracture a rib.

—An ingenious application of electricity for ventilation has been brought out by France. An electric fan furnishes the air, which is blown through a series of pipes, and is sent through a series of pipes to the room to be cooled.

—Canada gives to its geological survey only \$200,000 a year, while the various geological surveys in our own country absorb nearly \$1,000,000 annually. Yet Canada makes a fine showing with this modest sum.

—According to a Government regulation no freight trains are to be dispatched on Sundays and holidays in Belgium after October 30.

—A train of 225 loaded four-wheel cars passed over the Lehigh Valley Railroad a few days ago. It was the longest and heaviest train ever carried over any road in this country.

—It is said that one of the electric lighting companies has adopted an ingenious system of underground conduits. A small terrier has been so trained that when a light cord is attached to him he runs through the tube to the place where the cord is to be laid.

—The rapidity with which a new metal is applied to purposes hitherto undreamed of is peculiarly characteristic of our times. Among the latest inventions of its progress is the use of aluminum in the construction of sound-boards for stringed musical instruments.

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—The editor left the meeting. He said to the editor: "We'll take a rising big collection. For the dying heathen's sake." And so he pocketed the dime, and let the editor go.