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THE DEMOCRATIC DILEMMA. The Democratic party is bearing the narrow and dangerous strain which runs between Seilly and Charlydis.

YESTERDAY'S DOINGS AT ALBANY indicate that the party in New York is in a still worse plight since its most powerful secession supports the personal evil, together with the mistaken policy.

SOME narrow escapes have been recently made from disasters on the Parkersburg road by the fact that the hills above the tracks, which are loosened by the alternate freezing and thawing of the winter.

MR. CLEVELAND'S ADDRESS. Among the many observances of yesterday's anniversary, ex-President Cleveland's address at Annapolis occupies a prominent place.

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WHEN an alleged interview was published by a Philadelphia paper in which Senator Quay was said to have expressed his views on the gas business as a natural monopoly, and that all competing corporations must combine.

THE grant of franchises by such conditions that the suppression of competition will be the result. This could have been done very easily in the Chicago case, as a proviso for the grant of the pipes laid under the grant.

WASHINGTON'S Birthday weather will soon become as proverbial for mildness in this region as Queen's Birthday weather in England. Last year the 23d of February was a day of the most brilliant weather.

THE letter of Senator Teller in which he declares his opposition to President Harrison's "Trusts" has attracted the attention of political leaders.

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SMILES AND TEARS. Margaret Mather in Her New Play, The Egyptian—The Charity Ball—All the Comforts of Home—The Sinbad Sail—Sailing—All the Plays in Town Criticized.

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LADIES AT THE GAME. Played at Recreation Park Enjoy the Sport as Keenly as the Men. The Archery of Yonatan Discussed by a Learned Lady.

THE sprinkling of society ladies at the Pittsburgh-Chicago football game yesterday was by no means small. Many of them have graced the grandstands at Berkeley Oval on the Manhattan Club grounds in New York.

MADAME LE PLONGEON, the celebrated arachnologist student, lectured last night on "Yonatan," under the auspices of the Women's Club. The lecture was given by speaking the lecture from the point of view of interest was not particularly successful.

TWO marriages will occur in Wilmington, Del., this week in which Pittsburg is interested to the extent of supplying the gentleman of the occasion in each case.

Lida Bachelors Save New York Girls From Being Old Maids. FERRIS FALLS, Feb. 22.—The Lida bachelors, who have attracted such widespread attention by advertising for wives, are again making a record.

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CURIOS CONDENSATIONS. —London, in monetary value, is worth 2 1/2 times as much as Paris.

—The only gold fish-hooks ever found were of the virgin metal, and were taken from a grave in New York.

—The average annual rainfall in the United States is 26.6 inches, the variations ranging from 9 to 125 inches.

—It is proposed to employ aluminum for the manufacture of the metal parts of photographic cameras and plate holders, owing to its extreme lightness.

—A recent English invention is a screw propeller, in which the blades can be adjusted for maneuvering, or can be feathered for running under sail.

—There were 523 ocean-going vessels of all kinds, of which 116 were steamers, 37 abips, 101 barkets, 23 briggs and 245 schooners.

—The Roman saying that "Cardinals die by three" is being notably verified by the deaths of Cardinals Manning, Simon and Agostini within a few hours of each other.

—A parian electrician has succeeded in forming a solid stream of electricity, and recently sent a bunch of sheep, fed only four hours, out to ex-Express Electric.

—The Newfoundland census shows an increase of only 4.30, or 2 1/2 per cent over the 1884 population of 197,700, the previous decade (1874-84) having shown an increase of 100 per cent.

—If the earth's atmosphere extended to a height of 700 miles, the sun's heat and rays could never penetrate it, and we would be in a state of perpetual darkness.