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Sufficient pledges of support have already been secured to indicate the selection of Hon. Henry K. Boyer, of Philadelphia, as speaker of the next state house of representatives. That selection will prove eminently satisfactory to the masses of the party and will insure an efficient and businesslike organization of the house.

### Let Us Have Peace.

If the Democratic charge is true that the election of McKinley was secured by means of profuse promises of employment and of wage advances by the Republican managers, the latter can at least have the satisfaction of pointing to the prompt and general fulfilment of those promises. A conservative estimate of the number of day laborers benefited by the resumption of suspended industries or wage advances since election day places it at 200,000. If we estimate further that each one of these workers supports four other persons, we have a grand total of 1,000,000 persons directly and immediately benefited by the defeat of Bryan and Bryanism. And, of course, it is impossible to benefit these million persons without benefiting their neighbors and relatives and friends. The same causes which bring better times to their door will brings it to yours and ours.

In the light of these palpable facts which gleam along the horizon of depressed business like the rays of the rising sun, how short-sighted, to use a moderate word, is the action of Mr. Sovereign and his associate Knights of Labor at Rochester in reiterating their belief in the Bryan platform and in revamping the old charge that workingmen who wanted to vote for Bryan were in great numbers coerced into voting against him. There might be excuse for such a declaration on the score of consistency if the election of McKinley had not been followed by widespread and very evident improvement in the state of general trade; but to put it out in the very teeth of all these evidences of returning prosperity is not bravery nor devotion to a cherished cause; it is simply an exhibition of stupid and bigoted perversity.

Equally misguided is the course of Mr. Bryan himself in starting out, within a fortnight after the citizenship of his country had rendered a deliberate and emphatic verdict adverse to his candidacy and to his cause, to reopen the argument and retry the case. Here again we have, not bravery, but sheer bravado. The part of wisdom would have been to bow gracefully to the will of the majority; to allow to Major Mc-Kinley and his friends a full, free and fair opportunity to test the merits of their claims and then to have shaped future activities according to the degree of success which should have atfour years of Democratic misrule the and immediate losses and it would tended that test. The notion that after country wants four more years of Popocratic blatherskiting is justified by no perceptible fact and rests wholly on a perverse and perverted imagination. Let us have peace.

Now that it's all over, Mark Hanna is telling some of the secrets. The first poll of Iowa, taken shortly after the Chicago convention, showed a Democratic plurality of 600. This was reversed into a Republican plurality of 75,000 only by means of one of the hardest fought and most determined campaigns of education on record. The circumstance simply proves that sound argument counts.

## Our Interest in Venezuela.

Closer study of the later stages of the Venezuelan correspondence emphasizes the importance of the acquiescence of Great Britain in Secretary Olney's proposal of arbitration. The basis of our interference was that it had become the established policy of the United States government to discountenance the extension of terrihemisphere. We accepted Venezuela's statement that Britain was trying to grab territory not its by right as sufficient ground for demanding that the titles to this disputed area should be to impartial arbitration. After much bury has substantially agreed to this Venezuela as the opposing party to the States, thus virtually conceding our claim to paramount influence and moral sovereignty in the three Americas, today practically sovereign on this continent and its flat is law."

The attempt is being made by organs of British opinion to convey to the world the idea that inasmuch as our paramount influence has thus been recognized in Pan-American affairs, we can be held to account by European all the republics to which the Monroe States regarding the boundary dispute beyond the present line of settlement to Great Britain, the United States and former enemies. will have to force Venezuela to give up the territory and so carrry out the decision. The responsibility of guardianship will scarcely be as popular canism's present happy family. The at Washington as the assertion of protectorate powers, but it will teach the and superb. Not since the day when rulers of the republic that one cannot assume the right to prevent one's a more realistic exemplification of neighbor from doing things that deserve punishment.

to Venezuela, but primarily that we colonization and aggression for our own safety and protection. Our interest in Venezuela was only secondary. and incidental. We had no wish to hungry, there are also others. see her despoiled; but her spoliation would probably not have brought from the United States government more than a mild-mannered protest had not it been apprehended that such spoliation might open the way to future extensions of European sovereignty on American soil and thus prove prejudiwords, our course was governed fundamentally and pre-eminently by the supreme rule of self defence. If Lord Salisbury can figure out from such a premise that we have obligated ourselves to "do police duty in all the republics to which the Monroe doctrine applies," he can do what no other logician can.

The supposition is again advanced that Spain may pick a quarrel with the United States in order to get a good pretext for letting Cuba go. Such a pretext would be good enough, but it would be somewhat expensive.

### Pingree on McKinley.

There is no more picturesque per sonality in American politics than Governor-elect Pingree, of Michigan, the man whom the corporations could not beat. It will be remembered that Pingree originated, while mayor of Detroit, the scheme of utilizing vacant lots as potato patches for the benefit of the poor; that he forced the street railway companies of Detroit to accept franchises offering ample recognition of the public rights, including free transfers and a three-cent fare; and that when the corporate interests of Michigan, scared by his boldness, marked him for slaughter and turned the unanimous press of Detroit against him, he used a bulletin board to communicate with the people, ran away with the Republican gubernatorial nomination and against every expectation came in 10,000 votes ahead of Mc-Kinley.

Pingree has been visiting McKinley at Canton, and this is what he says about the president-elect: "If ever a candidate realized that he owes his election to the people, and not to the gang, the major is that man. I talked to him about trusts and corporations, and found that he knows as well as anybody that they are rotten to the core. He recognizes that they are one of the greatest evils of this country. He knows that something has got to be done, and he's all right. It was Mc-Kinley who wrote the anti-trust plank in Harrison's platform in 1892. They may talk all they want to about Mark Hanna being president, but they'll find that William McKinley is going to be president himself."

Of course this talk needs qualification. Corporations are not in every case or necessarily great evils. They are often and ought always to be great blessings. If the corporations in this valley, for instance, were summarily abolished, there isn't a man from Forest City to Nanticoke who wouldn't be brought face to face with tremendous practically ruin the community. There is no just quarrel with corporations nor with the economic principle of associated effort. The quarrel is with notorious abuses of this principle; with captures of public privileges by nefarious means for what amounts to public plunder even if we do not at all times have the boldness to call it by so blunt a name. In this quarrel every honest man is bound to stand on the honest side, and we haven't a doubt that William McKinloy stands there just as resolutely as Hiram S. Pingree does, although he may not be quite so reckless and indiscriminate in his methods of coping with corporate abuses.

In fact, the insinuation to the contrary is of Popocratic origin, and its purpose is simply to poison the popular judgment against the president-elect and thus embarrass the success of his administration. It is too thin a trick, though, to deceive persons with common sense.

General Miles in his latest annual report renews his argument for a larger army. The country is growing. The tory of foreign powers in the western army certainly ought to grow in proportion.

There Are Others. The two significant facts about the present political situation are the mansubmitted by England and Venezuela ifest disposition of the free silver rebels from the Republican ranks to ride the parleying and some bluster, Lord Salis- tariff issue back into camp, and the general acquiescence of the sounddemand, but instead of recognizing money Democracy-which is equivalent to saying the real Democracy-in the arbitration, he names the United proposition that the McKinley administration should lose no time in replenishing the wasted revenues. Both classes, if not by words at least by their which Secretary Olney formulated in actions, show a commendable degree the dictum that "the United States is of dissatisfaction with their own former work. The one is ashamed of its bolt and the other is just as sincerely ashamed of its tariff bill. This, of

course, is as it should be. But there is a growing possibility of peril just at this point. It may be according to human nature that the fatted calf should invariably be served up nations for the transgressions of our hot and aromatic for the delectation sister republics. As the Toronto Globe of the prodigal son; but just the same phrases it, "Lord Salisbury, by carry- it is somewhat rough on the elder ing on the negotiations regarding the brother who, during the junior's expen-Venezuelan boundary with the United sive wanderings, has remained a duti-States, puts that country in a posi- ful and trustworthy factor in the dotion where it must do police duty in mestic economy and attended strictly to business. It is good to have the doctrine applies. It is manifest, for family reunited and to gather around example, that if the arbitration be- the festive board some meritorious chiltween Great Britain and the United dren by adoption; but let us not make the mistake of supposing that the best results in an award of the territory way to encourage loyalty and fidelity is to reserve the finest honors for rebels

> We would not utter one word which could be fairly interpreted as desiring to cast red pepper amongst Republispectacle just now on view is touching Noah manned the ark has there been

peace and brotherly love than is supplied in the newly-found fraternization This line of talk, however, is based with straight party men of Mugwumps, upon very transparent sophistry. The Stalwarts, Half Breeds, Palmerites and tenor of the Monroe doctrine as applied Goo Goos. We rejoice to see all this

not that we sought to prevent the do- beautiful and it is inspiring. All that ing by Great Britain of an injustice we have to say in the nature of a side remark is that when it comes time to proposed to call a halt on European serve the ice cream and coffee, it must class public markets. It is high time, incolonization and aggression for our not escape the gentlemen of the commissariat that while the guests of the evening should not be sent to bed

It is reported that President Cleveland interprets the election of McKinle as a vindication of himself. It is a condemnation of the class war which Cleveland himself started; a repudiation of the tariff doctrine on which he won his last election and a rebuke cial to our own welfare. In other to about everything he has done since that election. If this is a vindication, let Grover make the most of it.

### Excellent Advice.

"It is the part of patriotism and ommon sense for the Democrats who assisted the Republicans in the election of Mr. McKinley to give him and the Republican congress elected with him a fair chance and a reasonable support. All unnecessary criticism, all carping, all manifestations of distrust and attempts at partisan obstruction should be avoided, as injurious to the business and industrial revival which the defeat of Repudiation should assure and make uninterrupted during many years to come."-New York Sun.

The country is now considering the names of Harrison, Reed, Sherman, Depew, Lodge, Dingley, Allison, Cullom and dozen other men of big calibre for the nief offices in the McKinley administration. What a contrast to the possibility a few weeks ago that it might now be considering the names of Altgeld, Joe Blackburn, Tillman, Butler, Bland and Debs as the pillars and ornaments of a Bryan administration!—Philadelphia Bul-

We guess that if the truth were known a good many of the men who voted for Bryan are now glad in their own hearts that McKinley won.

Governor-elect Black, of New York has made his first appointment. He has selected as his private secretary for the next four years Mr. James H Potts, city editor of the Troy Times. Those who know Mr. Potts don't need to be told that the choice has been most admirably placed; and those who don't know him are missing a mighty pleasant acquaintance.

The completed statistics of Bryan's speech-making tour are interesting as establishing a new record. He traveled 19,000 miles, made 600 speeches containing \$75,000 words, visited 447 towns and cities representing 27 states, and faced altogether over 2,000,000 people. As a physical feat it is without

If any sound money Democrat shall receive recognition in the formation of the next cabinet, the choice will probably rest between William D. Bynum of Indiana, and Don M. Dickinson, of Michigan. These men were the mainstays of the Democratic revolt.

The man whom the Populists have just elected chief justice of Kansas is a man who holds as his chief political creed that the person who uses property has more right in it than the person who owns it. And yet some Kansans wonder why that state doesn't prosper.

It is intimated that Mr. Cleveland force a more thorough revision of the life. "perfidy and dishonor" Wilson tariff later on. He is very kind.

It is Bryan's voice, not his brain, which is exhausted in consequence of the recent strain. He is far too sparing of the latter for his own good. According to the Popocrats, the pres-

ent business revival is only a little one for a cent and won't last long. Is the wish father to the thought?" Up in Detroit the leading business

men gave a big complimentary dinner to the editors who supported McKinley. This is a fact, not a hint,

With due respect to ex-Attorney General Miller, his say so as to ex-President Harrison's intentions cannot be accepted as final.

## Just a Word or Two of Casual Mention

One of the best pleased Scrantonians since election has been Hon. O. F. Will-iams, president of Williams' Business The business of his growing institution kept him from active politcal service during the recent campaign, much to his own regret and to the disappoint-ment of the national committee; but his interest in the McKinley campaign was intense and he did not a little by correspondence to further Republican pros-pects. Professor Williams has made a life study of the tariff question, and his eminent service as an expounder of Pro-tection in the campaigns of 1884 and 1888 led to his appointment seven years ago as United States consul to Havre, where he established a new record for efficient work in promoting American trade, lie is an intimate personal friend of the president-elect and is almost as happy over McKinley's election as the Ohio

Anyone who is interested in biographywhich, after all, is the most fascinating kind of reading since it deals strictly and truthfully with the human element-will likely to peruse with interest the etch on another page of Frank S. Black, York state's new governor. There is something very satisfactory in that sketch. It tells of an individual who one day was probably not known to 500 persons all told; and who, on the next as it were by a happy meeting of the tides of des-tiny and deserving, found himself elected to the second highest executive position in the list, courted by thou-sands and talked of the country over. This is a drama, not of the imagination, but of hard facts; and the best of it is that Black seems to bear up under the strain without a particle of head-swelling, and is going forward to his new work with the precision and caution of a veteran. Here is American opportunity for you. Where else can it be matched?

Two young men who used to look very much alike, although the resembla is no longer so marked as in former years, are Dan L. Hart, the Wilkes-Barre playwright, and W. M. Lathrop, of the Carbondale Leader. Speaking of Hart, he was up here with the Wilkes-Barre Elks the other night and reported gratifying progress in his dramatic ventures. His royalties are beginning to put him on royalties are beginning to put him on easy terms with the world, and with his wide and growing acquaintance among leading theatrical managers and players there is coming to him a splendid promise

This is how the Reading Times makes faces at us: "Strange to : 17, Scranton is without a public market. Few, very tenor of the Monroe doctrine as applied Goo Goos. We rejoice to see all this few well-regulated eitles can be found to the Venezuelan controversy, was as heartly as the next man can. It is either here or abroad where such insti-

tutions do not form one of the principa features of the municipality, as well as one of the most profitable, Rendiag is respects has more than kept the pacing progressive lines with that main-ned by other large cities in the state should no longer neglect to include so im portant and necessary an institution as that in question."

It is too late for bad campaign poetry, but it is never too late for such a gem as the one which reaches us in the hand-writing, if we mistake not, of Colonel Clarence Pryor, to wit: McKinley swept the land, and that He swept it we are glad,

Secause, to put the matter pat, It needed sweeping bad. This clearly entitles its gifted author to

rank as an artificer of political verse with Sarah Ulrich Kelley. A fortnight before election a dozen

guessers in The Tribune office prepared es-timates on the electoral vote and sealed them up for future reference, with the understanding that the man who came the furthest from the real vote should invite the others to a supper. These cuclopes were opened a day or two ago and the victim is Attorney John J. Mur-phy. He had Bryan elected by 265 against The appetite of the other eleven is something prodigious to contemplate. Speaking about resemblances, there is

speaking about resemblances, there is another worthy of mention. When Rev. Dr. McLeod is seen at a short distance, minus his eyeglasses, he presents a more than passable likeness to President-elect McKinley. The fact that both are of Scotch-Irish stock and have that clearness of profile and resolution of facial expression which are characteristic of these sturdy descendants of the North of Ire-land Protestants adds materially to the similarity of appearance. Editor McAnulty, of the Archbald Cili-

ben, has nominated Bryan and Sewall as the presidential team for 1900 and has adopted the Chicago platform as his polltical creed, Editor McAnuity is some-thing of a boy orator himself, and is there-fore a great admirer of Mr. Bryan. If there are any unenlightened denizens of Archbald who have not heard of the phe-nomenon of the Platte, Editor McAnuity proposes that light shall dawn upon them with translucent refuigence ere presidential election takes place.

Major Everett Warren will go to New City, Rockland county, N. Y., Monday to try a case for the Hillside Coal and Iron company, which has been sued by a man who was injured at one of the company's collieries at Forest City some time ago The plaintiff is now a resident of New

When the Superior court is in session in Philadelphia Judge E. N. Willard occuoles easy quarters at the Lorraine, one of the new Broad street hotels. Judge Smith's Philadelphia headquarters are at Dooner's on Tenth street.

The Supreme court adjourned at Pittsburg this week without handing down a decision in the Smith disbarment proceed-ings. There can be no decision now until the court meets in Philadelphia on the first Monday in January.

A Maplewood correspondent asks for he address of a reliable essay company, 'nless he means assay company, nearest approach to his wants that we know of is the Times' recent "Forum the People."



Weather and Other Predictions for

the Coming Week. Sunday, Nov. 15.-Twenty-fourth after Frinity, Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will be fortunate and rise in life, but should beware of those wish to borrow money; a female probably get a bad husband. Be careful

monday, Nov. 16.—Sun in conjunction with Herschal. Weather unsettled, A child born on this day will be given to pleasure and debauchery. Sell; unfavorable, for other born on the state of the sun that the state of able for other business.

Tuesday, Nov. 17.—Moon sextile to Mars. Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will be active, but not very on this day will be active, but not very fortunate. Travel and deal.

Wednesday, Nov. 18.→Mercury quintile to Jupiter. Weather squally. A child born on this day will be well conducted and fortunate; a female will make a good

vife. Buy, court and marry. Thursday, Nov. 19,-Mercury in con-unction with Saturn. Weather stormy, A child born on this day will be lazy and a martyr to misfortune. Sell.
Friday, Nov. 29. Mercury parallel to Herschal. Weather stormy. A child born on this day will be unlucky and will probably possess a vile temper. Avoid superform and ask, no favors before non-

superiors and ask no favors before noon Saturday, Nov. 21.—Mercury in conjunc-tion with Herschal, Weather unsettled A child born on this day will be clever and independent, but not very fortunate A doubtful day for business. TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 12.46 a. m., for Saturday

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A child born on this day will notice that the eyes of the perpetual candidates are already focussed on the spring elections. There are lots of bright young men in Scranton who should be advised that wheat bran brains are often produced by too much pressure on the bump of self-esteem.

"Prop" McAnulty has begun the Bryan wall campaign of 1900, but Attorney Nate Vidaver, Mayor Bailey and Mr. Boland have yet to be heard from.

Mr. Kinsley is doubtless convinced by this time that there is nothing slow about Mr. Slack, of Green Ridge

Aincehus' Advice. If you have talked politics during the past campaign, avoid getting arrested un-til a padded cell has been placed in the central station.

### UNKIND. From the Washington Post.

The announcement is made that Hon, Robert P. Porter is to hold a most inportant position in the McKinley adminintration. However, we have no idea that this will interfere with the arrangement to have Mr. McKinley act as president.

### PROBABLY. From the Washington Post, Had Mr. Carlisle not gone to Kentucky

and excited the egg-throwing Instincts of the natives, Mr. Bryan would undoubtedly have thirteen more electoral votes to HIS HOPE. From the Washington Post,

### dictions, but he is confident that the next senator from Kansas will have whiskers. MATTERHORN QUESTS.

As men essay the Matterhorn-That peering peak of stone and snow-To view some matchless Alpine morn, The petty world stretch far below, Phough after all the toll and pain, They can but clamber down again,

Mr. Peffer is not making any wild pre.

so yearning souls essay the heights Of spirit, setting dangers by, And recking naught of low delights The flesh affords. You ask them why, They know not; some divine unrest Bids them to climb and do their best. -Richard Burton in the Congregational-







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