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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.

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 fulfillment of those promises.

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.

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.

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.

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 territory of foreign powers in the western hemisphere.

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 nations for the transgressions of our sister republics.

This line of talk, however, is based upon very transparent sophistry. The tenor of the Monroe doctrine as applied to the Venezuelan controversy, was not that we sought to prevent the doing by Great Britain of an injustice to Venezuela, but primarily that we proposed to call a halt on European colonization and aggression for our own safety and protection.

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Excellent Advice.

"It is the part of patriotism and common 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.

Pingree on McKinley.

There is no more picturesque personality in American politics than Governor-elect Pingree, of Michigan, the man whom the corporations could not bear.

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.

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.

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.

General Miles in his latest annual report renews his argument for a larger army. The country is growing. The army certainly ought to grow in proportion.

There Are Others.

The two significant facts about the present political situation are the manifest disposition of the free silver rebels from the Republican ranks to ride the tariff issue back into camp, and the general acquiescence of the sound-money Democracy—which is equivalent to saying the real Democracy—in the proposition that the McKinley administration should lose no time in replenishing the wasted revenues.

We would not utter one word which could be fairly interpreted as declining to cast red pepper amongst Republicans' present happy family.

beautiful and it is inspiring. All that we have to say in the nature of a side remark is that when it comes time to serve the ice cream and coffee, it must not escape the gentlemen of the commissariat that while the guests of the evening should not be sent to bed hungry, there are also others.

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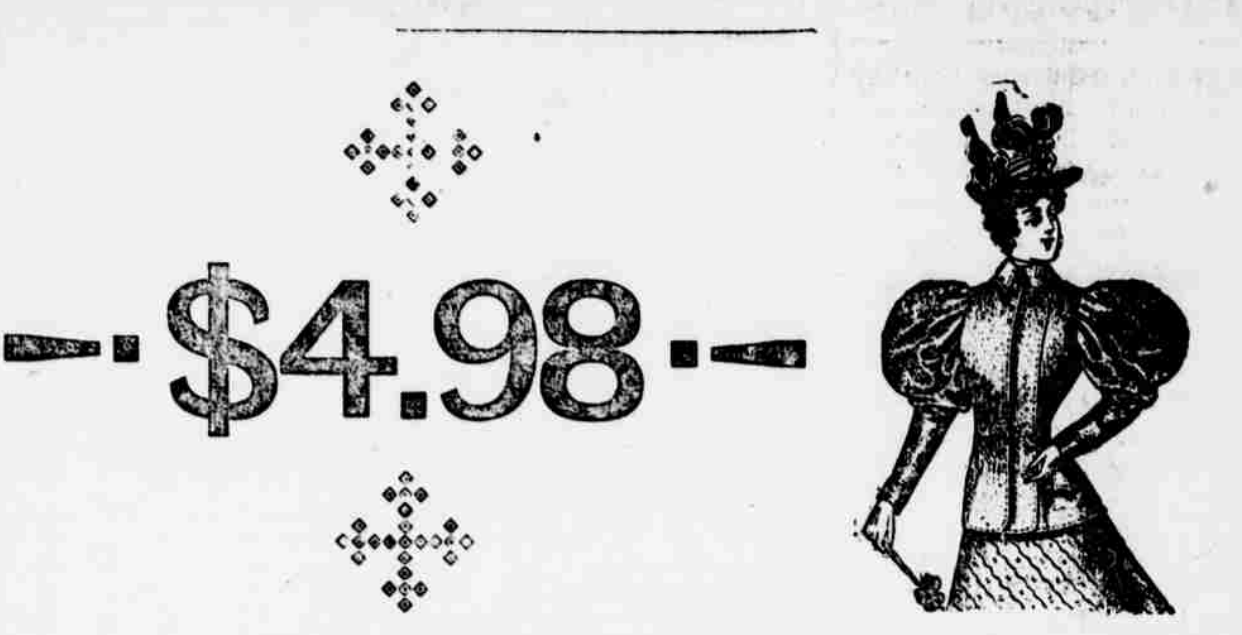
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