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The prospects of a brisk local holiday trade are growing bright, but they can be made brighter by judicious advertising in The Tribune. This paper reaches the people who buy.

Plugging a Big Leak. The interesting announcement is made that Auditor General Mylin has discovered a leak by which the state has been losing \$500,000 a year through evasions of the collateral inheritance tax. To illustrate: A man dies leaving personal property worth \$1,000 and real estate valued at \$100,000. There is no will; he has no family, and his brother inherits his estate. The brother applies for letters of administration. He is only required to state to the register the amount of the personal property in order that the amount of his bond as administrator may be fixed. The brother makes no mention of the real estate and there is no way for the register to find out about it. The only account he files is as to the personal property. That is the end of it. The property passes to him at once and he is \$5,000 ahead of the state on the tax.

This has been the way of doing things heretofore and under it great evasion of just obligation is possible. Under the new system which Auditor General Mylin has devised and which will immediately go in force, a person taking out letters either as an administrator or an executor must do so by first petitioning the register. Blanks have been prepared, and on them he must set forth the name, residence, date and place of death of the deceased; a full list of all the heirs and next of kin, with their relationship and place of residence, and a complete schedule of all the personal and real estate left by the deceased, and the amount of incumbrances. This statement must be sworn to. All of the information contained in this schedule is to be at once recorded by the register in a docket for the purpose, which has been prepared. That is the basis for future operations. In this are to be kept a record of all appraisements of real estate, inventories, etc. When the application for letters shows a collateral inheritance tax is due, a blank for a full return is furnished. If a return is not made within six months a notice is to be sent the administrator or executor, calling attention to the law. If at the end of the year the tax has not been paid, a final notice will be sent, demanding immediate payment, and if that is not forthcoming suit will be entered. Under the law the sult may be brought at the end of the year, and the tax collected with twelve per cent. per annum added.

The plugging of this leak will materially improve the state's financial condition and to General Mylin for his vigilance the state owes much.

It is all very becoming in Mark Hanna to put away ambition; but it may be away duty, and duty clearly calls him to the secretaryship of the treasury.

Canada's Manifest Destiny.

The letter of Mr. Richmond elsewhere in this issue, taken in conjunction with those which have preceded it, gives one a new idea both of the immensity of the resources of what we term the Canadian Northwest and also a clearer conception than most of us have had of the extent to which those resources have been brought within the range of modern civilization. We dare say that many of our readers, until the perusal of this interesting series of letters descriptive of the queen's American dominions, have shared our own past thought that the British Northwest Territories were in the main dreary and worthless stretches of uninhabited land, fit only to figure in statistical totals. This general American ignorance is in some degree excusable on the plea that we have had a northwest territory of our own, the development of which has quite sufficed to monopolize our spare moments.

Then, again, it is probable that many of us have been too hasty in our generalizations with reference to Canadian thrift and enterprise. The American crossing over into Ontario at Niagara or again at Windsor, opposite Detroit (the two points of greatest American contact with Canada) is swift to note the inferiority of the Canadian to the American side, and to comment upon the general appearance of stagnation and indolence on the one hand as contrasted with the very evident Yankee push and bustle and hustle on the other. The deduction most frequently made from these inadequate premises is that all Canada is down at the heel. Mr. Richmond's letters, with their compact statements of facts and figures gleaned in the course of personal inquiry and investigation, disclose the utter fallacy of such a deduction in application to the great grain-growing province of Manitoba and leave one impressed with the idea that here, at least, is a portion of American territory which by every rule of reason ought one day to become a

part of the United States. There are good reasons for doubting the wisdom of an annexation movement at this time. Canada, if left alone, will herself make the first overture for closer relations with the United States. Her \$50 per capita debt, her dwindling population and her excessive and growing governmental expenses are sure in the long run to outweigh a sentimental and largely artificial attachment to Great Britain. The fact that she is synchronously affected by every trade movement which affects us, and is in an increasing degree dependent on us for her markets and her wares points only to one ultimate conclusion. In the meantime, the development of her great and promising northwestern territory will simply add to the value of the alliance which destiny is slowly but surely formulating.

It is not generally known but it is hition of the negro race in the selection of the next cabinet. The Washing-ral statute governing the militia dates back to the first congress and requires "It is our deliberate opinion that there of the stomach set in and to save his lif-

wonder Senator Hawley proposes an overhauling of this law.

Well, let us at least hope to see Mulberry street properly paved not later than next summer.

To Contest Kentucky's Vote.

Just what the Democratic party hopes to gain by contesting the electoral vote of Kentucky is not clear. Suppose they were enabled to prove enough irregularities to unseat the eleven McKinley electors whom they claim have been unfairly returned as elected, that would still leave to the Republican party 261 votes in the electoral college, or a majority of 75. Nothing whatever would have been gained by the contest save perhaps the changing of a few election bet stakes. But there is hardly the remotest probability of a contest proving successful. Any one acquainted with the different forces as they were recently aligned in Kentucky must understand that an overwhelming percentage of the probabilities of fraudulent returning lay with the Bryan side. We do not say this was true in every instance throughout the nation, but it certainly was true in Kentucky as it was in most other Southern states.

There the sound-money strength lay mainly among the business and professional men in the cities and among the better educated wage-earners and farmers, men not given to the practice of frauds at elections nor at the conniving at frauds. On the other hand, the free silver strength lay principally in the interior counties, away from the railroads, the telegraphs and the public schools; in localities where not only is fraudulent voting possible but where in such a campaign it is rendered probable by the general character of the voters. It was in these districts that the returns were held back, for days and in some instances for weeks; it was here if anywhere, that the crooked work was done. A contest by the Democrats can hardly fail to do the plaintiffs more harm than good, and therefore if it gets the next state speakership. might for partisan reasons be encouraged were it not that it would estab lish a vicious precedent and give false encouragement to minority discontent.

We will confess, now that the election is all over, that we had no expectation McKinley would capture Kentucky, that his victory there was a surprise and that it took us until the completion of the official count to become assured of its genuineness. We did not credit the people of Kentucky with as high an average of intelligence as the sequel proved that they possess. But now that the official count has been announced, let it stand. A contest would only intensify the division between the two parties and make for disorder. It could not in any way change any material result.

Cornelius N. Pliss says he is not a candidate for secretary of the treasury. That position should be given to the middle west.

Tom Watson's Mission.

An interesting open letter has been addressed by William M. Watson, of this city, to Thomas E. Watson, of Thomas, Ga., the recent candidate of the People's party for vice president. In it he says:

Allow me to say that it seems to me and many others you are perhaps building better than you are aware of, and are laying foundations that will not only work for good to our common country and heritage, but will in after years be a monument to your pluck and energetic perseverance. Looking at your herole efforts, almost single-handed and alone, your courage deserves some recognition from your countrymen. All are not indifferent to your self-sacrificing efforts. Let me specify more particularly a few points wherein we believe that when you entered a protest against the hoary oil Bourhon Democracy of the Southern states, you were as truly a man of destiny as was the immortal Lincoin, who gave a sacrificial offering of himself for his country's cause, and who was raised up by a devine hand to emancipate one race. We believe you have also a mission and equal destiny to release the Southern states from the thraidom of the despotic cally disfranchised a great race through that awful nightmare of "Negrophobia." No nation can or ought to survive such barbaric wrongs as have been perpetrated on the defenceless negro. You, my dear sir, are doing and will accomplish the very work that this government attempted to do, but in vain; namely, the against that read and wrong of one-half of the legal citizens of a dark color, who have in name at least, all legal rights before the law and are subject to taxation and conscription in time of war.

The letter further goes on to say:

While in Georgia less witness the motion of a wour boot and where you have to the care and engulf-ing two houses and a barn, or a breaker-boys' turnout on circus day might be flashed forth to the news-greedy world as a great strike, with most and to the honor and prominent member of the board of trade a few days since. "My board of trade a few days since. "My bear of trade a few days since." My bear of trade a few days since. "My bear of trade a few days since." My bear of trade a few days since. "My bear of trade a few days since." My bear of trade a f

The letter further goes on to say:

While in Georgia last winter the writer learned that you are also a victim of the same cruel and tyrannical acts as were practiced on the Republicans of the South for long years past. My authority was a Methodist minister, who declared that you were elected as a member of congress and that had you had your rights, you would now be a member of the lower house at Washington. This is but a logical working out of the vile frauds practiced and perpetrated on other helpless victims of another color. We are glad that a retributive justice is on the heels of those who have countenanced these fraids. Go forward, therefore, and run the plow-share of outraged justice clean through the solid South, which has not only defrauded you out of your rights, but many others, and has kept the Southern states about lifty years behind the age ofprogress in which we now live. Go on, dear sir; push the fighting all along the line, and thus carry out your self-evident divine mission of Emancipation. You will be a benefactor in your day and generation; you have begun a glorious work, so cary it forward to a final and triumphant consummation. The letter further goes on to say:

We do not share all the local Mr. Watson's enthusiasm in behalf of his Georgia namesake, but there is no doubt that the political ripping asunder of the solid South by the Populist movement will in the long run prove of inestimable benefit, however discouraging may be the surface appearance of the revolution at the time. We are taught by science that every weed has its uses, every insect its value. We remember that Shakespeare in one of his finest figures puts in the toad's head a jewel of great worth.

McKinley has lost Wyoming on the official vote by 66 votes and South Dakota by 194. Still, he will be inaugur-

On these grounds we salute Tom Wat-

Draw No Race Line.

A number of Southern papers, with a view doubtless to embarrassing the president-elect, are urging the recog-It is not generally known but it is nition of the negro race in the selec-

knows what a spontoon was. It was a selves and to the incoming administrasmall, spear-like staff, used by officers | tion. Mr. McKinley could provide himin giving directions to their men. No self in that respect without any great difficulty, and there can be no doubt that in doing so he would discharge an honorable and a conspicuous political obligation.

> Without calling into question either the ability or the deserving of many prominent representatives of the colored race, we think the proper view to take of the duty of the president-elect in the formation of his family of official advisers and responsible lieutenants is that he should choose for each place the Republican best qualified therefor, regardless of age, color or previous condition of servitude. We do not favor the drawing of a religious or a racial line in national politics, and while the appointment of a negro as a member of the cabinet might be acceptable if he were clearly the best fitted man for the place, it would establish a precedent subject to future misinterpretation.

We guess, however, that Major Mc-Kinley can be trusted to do the right thing for all reasonable elements within the party or outside of it, without much unsolicited advice.

The Wilkes-Barre Times says The Tribune is inconsistent in its opposition to Mr. Wanamaker, but it doesn't point out how. We oppose John Wanamaker for United States senator openly and above board, because we don't think he is fit for the place. We likewise think that Daniel H. Hastings is

Adding together all votes for Bryan and all those for McKinley and subtracting the smaller from the larger total, McKinley's plurality in Pennsylvania remains at 295,070. By the same process, Hobart's plurality is found to be 301,173, because there were no votes for Tom Watson in Pennsylvania.

It is clearly the growing belief of the state at large that Philadelphia by its fairs. long-continued and inveterate factional quarrels has forfeited its claim to name this day will be fortunate and rise in life; the circumstances should be satisfied

war on Cuba is wholly a question of finances, so far as Spain is concerned. Mercy, justice and ordinary decency do not enter into her calculations at all. they will vet the morning.

quiet career, but much will depend upon the hour of birth.

Friday, Nov. 27.—Moon in evil aspect to Herschal and Saturn, Weather stormy. A child born on this day will be unfortunate, restless and often in trouble. Sell in the morning. General Howard is right. Spain's enter into ours.

The massing of sentiment in favor of fewer presidential campaigns is proeeding with great regularity. We should not be surprised to see a sixyear term amendment adopted within the next decade.

Will there ever come a time in the history of Scranton when we may expect a serious attempt to keep Lackawanna avenue free from whirling litter and wind-tossed sand and dust?

Perhaps if this able energy which is

being wasted on a fruitless investigation of the street cleaning department were devoted to cleaning the streets, it would be just as well.

It is time there were another concerted local movement in suppression of It is expected that the chill vice. The victous element are getting taken from the present cold wave by the

dust a Word or Two

the few dollars that this tempting kind of work might bring him so that his city may not be looked upon by the gullible metropolitans as a place where you have to carry a knife in your boot and where you must be ever ready to suffer sudden and sure inhumation. These correspond-ents are doing more for this city by their little sacrifices than has been done by all the costly fake advertising schemes that we have allowed ourselves to be led into in the last decade or so. I propos to see to it that the board oftrade gives due recognition to this most commendable action in its next annual report,

of West Pittston, is a big man who also has a heart in proportion, as this little circumstance, related by the Kodak, attests, not to speak of many others within our personal knowledge: Quite recently the death of Patrick Ward, of Wilkes-Barre, was announced. He left a wife and five children. He had been a warm friend of Glennon's. The only thing Ward left was a lot purchased of John Laning and a base and let house and let heart. Laning and a house and lot bought of Jonas Long's Sons. There was a balance due on both when he died. There was/no way in which the wilow could raise the money to secure full possession. Glennon knew something about the condition of things and he went quietly to the owners of the property and told them to make out the deeds in the widow's name and send them to her, he paying the balances due them to her, he paying the balances due. The amount involved was in the neighbor-hood of \$700. Mr. Glennon will be sur-prised to see this notice of his generous act in print. But he certainly is not re

The new chapel at the Hillside Home is almost completed and within a few weeks will be ready for use. Just what the nature of the dedicatory services will be is something that is giving the poor direc-tors food for thought. It seems proper that some kind of formal services be in dedicating the chapel to the holy pur-pose for which it will be used, but as it will be the religious home of the members of the widely divergent denominations represented by the district's charge, it will be no easy task to so arrange the dedicatory services as to avoid friction and possibly unpleasant comment.

James Maguire, who did such creditable work for the Scranton club last sea. son, is recovering from a most serious ill-ness at his home in Trenton, N. J. A

every private to keep at hand a certain number of flints and every officer a hanger and a spontoon. Probably not one man in a thousand nowadays strength rapidly.

> According to the Wilkes-Barre papers the next internal revenue collectorship i urer Bill Reed. Reed was the Qua leader in Luzerne during the Quay-Gilkson fight, but if he will consult Hon. The dore Hart, who also did a good deal for the senator in that battle, he will learn that there are others who might have something to say as far as Luzerne is

J. Frey Gilroy, esq., of this city, was best man at the wedding of Kimbail S. Miller, private secretary of Attorney General McCormack, in williamsport, Thursday morning. The Evening News of that city makes the following complimentary notice on their former townsman. "J. Frey Gilroy, esq., of Scranton, is in the city for a few days. He has opened an office in Scranton and will undoubtedly do well at his chosen profession. He is a most worthy young man and in every a most worthy young man and in every

"I found a fishworm in my hydrant thi morning," said the wrathful citizen. 'Yes," said the official of the water com pany, 'that is the best we can do just at present. We can't afford to furnish fish. All we are able to furnish is bait."-Indianapolis Journal.



Weather and Other Predictions for the Coming Week.

Sunday, Nov. 22.—Twenty-fifth after Trinity. Mercury 150 degrees from Mars. Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will be rash, headstrong and difficult to manage. Avoid quarreling. Monday, Nov. 23.—Moon in opposition to Venus. Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will be careless and untidy, will have good and ill fortune distributed about even during its life. Do not buy or speculate until after noon. not buy or speculate until after noon, Tuesday, Nov. 24. - Venus semi-square to Saturn. Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will have to work hard for a living and will suffer grief in domestic af

Senator Cameron's successor, and under a female will marry an active man. Seek work, sign writings and push business.

Thursday, Nov. 26.—Venus semi-square to Herschal. Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will probably have a quiet career, but much will depend upon

in the morning.

Saturday, Nov. 28.—Sun in conjunction with Mercury, Weather unsettled. A child born on this day will succeed best in business for himself; a female will probably be unhappy in wedlock, Ask favors and deal.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 2.21 a. m., for Saturday,

Nov. 21, 1896. ¥€ ③ M A child born on this day will notice that a disordered liver generally has more in-fluence in producing "blue" times than actual business conditions.

The Nicholson Examiner insinuates that Uncle John Wanamaker is the only statesman left in the vicinity of Pennsylvania politics. And the Examiner is pub lished only a short distance from the home of Galusha A. Grow!

"hot stuff" advertised for the Sunday papers. Quite a number of candidates are pre-

paring to take the political degree "has been."

Ajacchus' Advice. Love your enemies; but not at the exense of your friends. Do not carry water on both shoulders, Better take hay, or something that will not spill.

SEASONABLE RHYMES.

She replied "I cannot marry," To his earnest pleading low, "For I'm going to be a lawyer And plead myself you know.

"And marriage is a lottery, And something you may rue, It's venturing on unknown ground— A risky thing to do." Then bravely he did answer:

"I'd venture anywhere With an angel for a comrade; There's nothing I'd not dare."

"No doubt," said Portia, calmly, "But have you never read That fool's will rush in boldly Where angels fear to tread?" -Chicago Evening Post. BREAKING OFF.

"You're suffering from 'tobacco habit,'
The doctor told the dude;
"You'll have to give tobacco up
Or cuit the world for good." "And voice no vain regrets. Cigars and pipe go by the board; I'll stick to cigarettes." -Times-Herald.

HARD AT WORK. The college man now ponders, But the thought which he thus square is not wasted on his hope of gaining ever-

lasting fame. He strives with great precision To reach a fair decisto chances of the foot ball team in that Thanksgiving game,
-Philadelphia North American,

A TRADITION. It happened that my love and I Were riding 'neath the larches, Whose waving boughs, all interlaced, O'erspread the road with arches.

And, growing bold, I claimed a kiss For each one we passed under, 'According to tradition," Her eyes grew round with wonder. What could she but meekly yield

(But, faith, she never knew that I Invented the tradition!) -New York Truth. LIKE CHARITY. 'Apparel oft proclaims the man." So Hamlet said. It's true

Unto my hard condition?

And yet it's dangerous to judge A man from outward view. The dude who wears the biggest tie Looks "swell." Be not too sure— Perhaps he wears that scarf to keep His washerwoman poor.

—Times-Herald.

A CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE. In June, July and August hot He mowed the lawn and swore. But now he shovels off the walk And swears n good deal more. —Times-Herald.

UNHAPPINESS. Another dark sorrow is joined to the sum Of woes that embitter life's dream; The longer the nights that are chilly be-

The shorter the bed-covers seem. -Washington Star.



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