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### THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

State Treasurer-J. S. BEACOM, of Westmereland. Auditor General-LEVI G. M'CAULEY,

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Treasurer-W. S. LANGSTAFF, of Scran-Clerk of the Courts-THOMAS P. DAN-IELS, of Scranton. Recorder - CHARLES HUESTER, of Register-WILLIAM K. BECK, of Mos-

Commissioner - CHARLES WIG-CINS of Seventen Election day, November 2.

Another lofty journal of civilization up the valley, having falled to negotiate a bargain with the Republican campaign management, now plunges wiftly in for the Democratic slate and reform. We refer to the Carbondal Herald It was ever thus.

### The Contest for Sheriff.

When the recent Republican convention named Clarence E. Pryor as its candidate for sheriff it placed before the voters of the county unquestion ably one of the most popular and de serving nominees ever named for that office. The secret of Mr. Pryor's popularity is not difficult to analyze. As a Republican he has invariably been loyal, active and liberal. As a public official his record is absolutely clean. And in addition to all this, his unaffected geniality of manner the same after election as before, has won for him a host of personal friends in all localities throughout the county who will experience genuine pleasure in working to promote his candidacy.

The agents of Mr. Pryor's opponent, Mr. Schadt, have made a diligent search for weak spots in Mr. Pryor's armor and the only argument which they have been able to introduce against him is that he has been for several years in public office. The assertion is true, but it is rather a compliment than a criticism. Mr. Pryor could not have remained in office had his work and record there been unacceptable to the people. The fact of his retention in the face of the ordinary vicissitudes of politics indicates the possession by Mr. Pryor of exceptional qualifications which have won recognition from the public and which make doubly promising his present candidacy for sheriff. The principle of retaining in office for a reasonable time those officials who give evidence of superior fitness and ability is not a had one to introduce in local government. Mr. Pryor has not been so long in office that he has forgotten his boyhood friends or ceased to find a pleasant greeting for old acquaintances wherever seen.

gers of the Schadt campaign to land their man a victor at any cost. Other candidates on the free silver ticket will be sacrificed with ruthless despatch and every form of strategy and persuation will be employed in Mr. Schadt's interest. This will call for a rallying of Pryor's friends to his support. That they will rally and rally successfully is our confident belief.

It is well understood that a desper-

ate effort will be made by the mana-

The Times says Mr. Schadt will be the next sheriff. It also said a year ago that Mr. Bryan would be the next president. Schadt will become sheriff in the same way that Bryan became president-nit.

## Racial Portems.

It is announced that preparatory to the prosecution by the government of a number of the most prominent citizens of Hogansville, Ga., for their part in the recent attempt to assassinate Isaiah H. Leftin, the negro whom President McKinley has named as postmuster of that place, Mr. Loftin has been advised by the president to leave the vicinity of Hogansville, where his life is in danger, and accept an appointment in one of the departments at Washington.

Under the circumstances this plan is no doubt the most expedient one available. But the fact that it is thought necessary for Mr. Loftin to absent himself from the scene of his original appointment because of the virulence of race prejudice should confirm the president in his determination to make short work of Loftin's would be assassins. In a test between the power of the United States and that of the prejudices of a community of negro-haters it ought not to be difficult for the government to secure a victory. As an example to the southern homicidal impulse which now deems assassination an excusable pastime when the skin of its victim is dark in hue, the president should, we believe, go an unusual length in the prosecution of these Hogansville conspirators and should supplement the conviction of the identified criminals by discontinuing the postoffice at that place until such time as the patrons thereof are content to obey the laws and evince a proper respect for the duly qualified local representative of the government

At the same time, this deplorable incident ought to arouse the law-abiding and far-seeing residents of the South to the necessity of combatting by themselves the race prejudices surrounding them. The government can take cognizance only of manifest vioa mass of petty discriminations against the negro that constitute a most serious menace to the present and future social order of the communities in which it prevails. It requires only a moderate gift of prophecy to foresce that unless something effective is done to allay these innumgrable little causes of race friction and trritation, a time is inevitable when

ing proportions. The intelligent frac-The Scranton Tribune in the population of the south ought to lend a hand in preventing such a catastrophe

> Some unfair criticism has been directed against Attorney General Me-Kenna's recent opinion relative to the neaning of section 22 of the Dingley bill. This opinion, it should be understood, was not final, but served merely to hold the matter of discriminating duties in abeyance until all doubt of congress' intent could be cleared up by supplementary legislation. It can, we think, be taken for granted that the effort to restore the American merchant marine by the awarding to it of preferential tariff duties will have no warmer supporter when once the matter is clearly brought into congressional discussion than President McKinley.

### Our Railroad's Best.

Ex-Superintendent of Census Porter who has been in Europe making a comparison between European and Ameri can industries, is especially impressed with the decided superiority of American railroads. We recently noted some comparative figures given by him in a letter from London with reference to freight charges, and now he considers briefly the matter of passenger service. As showing the comparative cost of service the following figures are given, the distances being from Londen to Liverpool and New York to Washington:

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The relative degree of comfort, Mr. Porter says, would largely be in favo of the New York-Washington trip, be greater number, because they are placed at the disposal of travelers early in the evening and long before the train starts, and because they ride much more comfortably. The ordinary third-class passenger in England, who is the business man, is debarred from sleeping at all, except by paying firstclass fare. In England this class of travelers comprise about 95 per cent, of the total traffic, "On this very day," writes Mr. Porter, under date of Sept. 2, "I came up from the eastern counties on the Great Eastern Railway, and

nearly half the third-class carriages were the wooden pens of a generation ago. These carriages had not a vertige of cushion on the seats, which were pine boards painted, and as bad, if not worse, than the fourth-class carriages of Germany. Some of the carriages were cushioned, but they were poorly built. the windows rattling and the wheels jolting and jerking, while they were about as filthy and disagreeable as one could possibly imagine. "As for the smoking compartment,

that was too horrible to contemplate, For riding one hundred miles in such a carriage I paid precisely what it costs me to ride in a handsomely upholstered coach from New York to Philadelphia. Bear in mind, however, that for fifty cents extra in the United States I could secure a seat in the Pullman car, while to obtain a seat in the musty and mildewy first-class empties, which rattle along, wedged in between the crowded third-class carriages here in England, would have cost me practically double fare. The continental method is hardly any better, except that the rallway carriages are better built and the material used in construction of better quality." The cars of the Holland state railroad impressed Mr. Porter much more favorably, as they were clean, larger, airy and generally more comfortable. Dutch German, Austrian and Swiss railroads he found superior to the English article. The system of securing sleeping car apartments he considers absolutely abominable. There are "compartments de luxe," he admits, on these foreign lines, but the prices are such that only millionaires and lords can afford to use them.

"During these continental and Engish experiences with sleeping cars." Mr. Porter concludes, "I mentally declared that \$2 per night, and no three, four, five or six first-class fares and no 'supplements' and no 'extras,' was dirt cheap, and that if I ever grumbled again at our methods of traveling I ready for richly deserved to spend eternity in the numerous dreadful contrivances catalogued as 'compartments de luxe,' Why, the common, everyday luxury of the poorest Pullman car, with the most indifferent colored porters, beats these so-called 'compartments de luxe' of the continent out of sight. But even more to the point is the fact that our sleeping arrangements are managed on equitable business principles, and while with us it is ten to one that you get a comfortable terth, in Europe, with all their frilis, it is ten to one that you do not get it, even if you are willing to pay a most outrageous price for a few hours' imperfect slamber. Our public is far more exacting than that of Europe in such matters, and as a result the passenger traffic not only costs more than here, but, to meet the requirements of the general public, the service is really rendered, when accommodation is considered, at practically half the cost demanded and paid by those who travel in Europe." And yet Americans grumble

Hasn't Spain's sudden reform spasm something of the semblance of a death-

bed repentance?

Growing Tiresome. At Princeton, Iowa, last week Congressman Dolliver, one of the brightest and most incisive political orators in the United States, paid his respects to the paripatetic chief apostle of Populism, William J. Bryan, in a manner the latter will not soon forget. "I am." said Mr. Dolliver, introducing the subject, "just beginning to appreciate a petition that was offered to heaven by an eminent clergyman who was the lations of law. But back of these is chaplain of the congressional convention which first nominated me for congress. He thanked the Lord for the blessings and mercles with which we were surrounded, for civil and religious liberty, for the abundance of the harvest and for the fostering care of our free institutions, and wound up his prayer by expressing the devout hope that after the labors and troubles of life were over we might all be gathered there will be kindled a fire of consum- into that upper and better country, of

where politics and politicians are unsnown. I didn't understand at the time what the elder was driving at, but the resent prospect of a presidential can-Hdate, grown chronic before the age of 40, going up and down the country repeating the dilapidated speeches of last year, dividing the revenues of Thautauqua assemblies and county fairs, and, with a thrift never before heard of in American public life, skimming the cream off of every situation that has anything in it, throws the light of a true philosophy upon the somewhat unusual prayer of the clergyman." The case against Mr. Bryan would not be so bad if once in a while he would condescend to advance a new dea. But his continual reiteration of the same old phrases, unillumined by novelty or variation, is having the effeet to produce monotony, which is a crime that the American people cannot condone.

The biographers of Judge VanWyck. l'ammany's candidate for mayor of greater New York, have already identified his chief claims to fame, Upon one occasion he won a prize at a "beefsteak dinner" for making away with the largest number of beefsteaks. Upon another he was arrested for disorderly onduct at Gotham's giddy French ball. These brilliant achievements unmistakably qualify him for the chief nagistracy of the new world's largest

Senator Foraker has for some time een the victim of Democratic newspaper mendacity but now that he has re-iterated and re-affirmed his loyalty to his colleague, Senator Hanna, these would-be mischief-makers ought in fairness to give him a brief rest.

jumbian university presidency has been pigeon-holed until after election. Then cause the sleeping cars are supplied in it can be quietly consigned to the flames, for Mr. Low will be in a position to retain his old job. In his heart Sagasta knows that

tuba is lost and Spain is nearing its

own funeral; but like a clever oppor-

Seth Low's resignation of the Co-

tunist he is seeking to let his country down easily. It would seem that unifying forces are scarce articles in New York these

## TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast 3.38 a. m., for Wednesday Oct. 6, 1897.

3 A child born on this day will notice that men who stoop to petty acts of meanness seldom accomplish great things n a business way or otherwise. A vein of sadness will doubtless pervade the editorial columns of the Bryan-ite Times while the "golden October"

days last. There are people who insist that the prisoner receives better treatment than he juryman in Lackawanna county, Some one ought to turn the hose on that fire painting which adorns city hall.

Ajacchus' Advice. Do not imagine that you can neve cield to temptation. There is a weak link in every man's armor, and there' no telling who may discover it first,

# Here's a Glance at

From the New York Sun.

The revolutionists of Cuba have prosecuted the war as actively in the ugly month of September as they had prose-cuted it in the three previous months of tropical heat, heavy rains, mire and Whatever may be the condition of affairs at Madrid, whatever plans Spain may devise for retaining posses-sion of Cuba, whatever changes may occur in the Spanish ministry, whatever negotiations with other European powers Spain may enter into, however great may be the reinforcements sent to the Spanish army in Cuba, whatever may be the savagery of Weyler, whatever may be the conduct or the purpose of the government of the United States in the case of Cuba, the Cuban revolutionists go on with the great war for liberty. They fight against an enemy whose army is six or eight times the size of their own. They meet with defeat at times. They have to endure severe hardships all the time. They suffer from the maladies that come with every summer season. They see their comrades fall in unequal combut. They know that their unprotected wives and children are maltreated or killed by Spanish troops. Yet they are ready for the enemy on every battlefield and assail him at every opportunity. They are white men, black men, and brown men; but are all united in their hatred of oppression and their devotion to Cuba libre. The revolution is one the like of which has not before been seen.

The past month of September, barring the last week of it, was a time of con-stant activity for the revolution. In the four weeks we had reports of between forty and fifty assaults upon the enemy, at least one of which was an important victory for the patriots. The month be-gan brilliantly with the capture of Las Tunas, which was soon followed by the capture of Candelaria, which was fol-lowed by active operations in the vicinity of the capital, and by yet others at many places which need not be here named. In every province of the island Spain had to fight for her life during the month of September.

We have been asked to explain why, if the patriots have met with so large a measure of success during the two years and seven months of the war. Spain has not yet been driven from Cuba. It is because Spain has in Cuba an army of o great a size, and has strengthened it number of military strongholds and other bulwarks which the forces in the service of the revolution have not been able to reduce. It is because the army of the patriots is so far inferior in number to that of Spain, and is poorly equipped, and is not pessessed of siege guns. It is because the Cuban troops can fight only in small bodies, as they have fought from the first, and would be unable to meet the enemy in a general engagement on account of the dis-parity between their numbers and those f Spain, and have not the means needed for the capture of Havana. It is be-cause, in brief, Spain has military resources vastly greater than those of the patriots, who, in consequence, must fol-low such methods of prosecuting the war as their distinguished commander has always followed, which, as he believes, the promise of final success. This belief is not an unreasonable one but is, as it seems to us, well founded. The Spanish army, in all the long time of war, has never gained any success pearing encouragement to Spain, white the Cuban army has discomfited Weyler in every campaign, and has demonstrat-ed the incapacity of Spain. The Span-ish arm dare hardly venture beyond its strongholds, while the Cuban army marches from one province to another at the will of its leaders. The Spanish army is in possession of but a small portion of Cuban territory, far the greater part of which is under the control of the

patriots. It seems to us, considering the smallness of the resources of General Gomez, that his method of making war ipon Spain has been fully justified by re-

Under the circumstances that now ex-Under the circumstances that now exist, and looking back upon Spain's record in Cuba, where is there any sign or prospect of Spain's success against the revolution? It is within the abinty of the revolutionists to maintain the war for more years than it has lasted. It has been made manifest that it is not within the power of Spain to crush them, however great the army which she may be able to send against them. And certain ever great the army which she may be able to send against them. And certain it is that the Cubans will always hold out for full independence. Those of the Spanish politicians who still talk of reform and autonomy under Spain are unaware of the character of the situation. One of these politicians spoke a few days ago of bringing the rebels to the state of the situation of the state of the situation. terms by making them an offer of "am-nesty!" Should such an offer be made the insensate politician will very soor hear the Cuban answer to it. The rulers of Spain are disconcerted by the continuing failure of Spanish arms in Cuba. The prospects for Cuba are such as furnish encouragement to the brave men who fight her battles. Cuba is to win in her war for freedom!

### THE LABORER AND HIS HIRE.

From the Hartford Courant. It is natural that a man should think

that he is the sole author or originator of any material thing which results from his exertions bodily or mental. Our body is our own and our mind is ourself and we make anything it seems just that it should belong to us. It is natural when a man is hired to make something, and receives less than the difference in value receives less than the difference in value between the raw material and the finished product, that he should feel defrauded. There is some excuse for the idea that all wealth is produced by labor. Yet in real ity labor, that is living labor, is one of the least important agents of industry. chief factor is the labor of the dead em-bodied in tools or stored up in the expert-ence that produces rew things. How many bricks could a man make in a day with his hands and such rude tools as he could shape himself? Perhaps two hun-dred. If he associates himself with ten or twenty other men and uses brick-making machinery of the most approved pattern they can make perhaps 2,000 a day aptece. He receives 1,000 or the equivalent of 1,000 though in reality he is entitled to no more than he could make with his bare hands. But he is sure to insist that he is entitled to 2,000 or all he made, on the theory that the machine which is the product of past labor, it may be of dead labor, is entitled to nothing. It is not to be wondered at that socialists insist that tools or the in struments of production should belong to society, and should never be held as individual property.

It is difficult to see that this claim is well founded. A tool is partly the result of present labor, and partly the result of the experience of past generations. In so far as it is the result of the labor of the dead it belongs to society. Anybody can make it and use it if the original short monopoly created by a patent has expired. Everybody, including the laborer, profits by this. The user of brick-making machinery can buy with the proceeds of his day's labor in a modern brickyard ten times as many bricks as he could make without tools in a day. But every machine has to he made and the mat who chine has to be made and the man who made it or who paid another man for making it is entitled to a share of the increased product of labor by every natural right. A portion of every tool, that is the idea, belongs to society and society gets the advantage of it. Another portion belongs to an individual.

Suppose a farmer and his boys work all winter in blasting and hauling the stone from a rocky pasture worth ten dollars an acre. They change it into an arable field of ten acres worth \$100 an acre. Here would seem to be a case where physical labor and nothing else had created a value of \$900. But the farmer could have lone nothing without the use of the cas steel for his hammers and drills, invented in England two hundred years ago, I Cuba's Side of It without the dynamite which is the result of chemical inventions dating back to the alchemists of the middle ages. The increased value of the land is partly the re-sult of his labor and partly of the labor and thought of all past generations. It is perfectly right that society should take part of it in the form of increased valuation on the tax roll. It is just, also, that he should pay the owners of the establishment for making explosives, who made the muchinery that made the tool he used (the dynamite cartridges) something more than the cost of the labor they expended or paid for in the form of wages. The question of dividing profit between labor er, tool owner and society at large is a complicated one. Doubtless it is sometimes settled unfairly in our modern system. But nothing can be more absurd than to say that any one of the three clements is entitled to the whole. To try to earry out such a theory even on a small scale by Mr. Bellamy's plan or any other would result in industrial paralysis and social chaos.

## SPAIN'S DILEMMA.

From the Philadelphia Press.

The war in Cuba has cost \$200,000,000 and apparently no nearer an end now than it was two years ago. The Spanish debt stands at \$1,750,000,000 or about \$100 per head of a population mainly poor, and over large districts very poor, and the an-nual charges for the debt require onehalf of a revenue swelled to its utmost extent. The deficit was \$7,300,000 for the year 1895-6, and 1896-7, when the cooked figures were unraveled, showed a deficit of at least \$11.750,000, a very large in-crease, despite the additional taxation. The Bank of Spain, which is almost flan-cially identical with the treasury, has flooded the country with bank notes, so that the issue on September 11 amounted to \$229,830,000, based on a reserve of gold and silver of the value of 27 per cent. of the notes issued. The bank has loaned the government \$101,800,000. The treasury returns so far this year show a probable deficit of at least \$24,000,000, with everything possible taxed, and millions due the troops and not counted in the deficit. The gold premium has gone up to 32 per cent In his last speech the minister of finance said that "not much further taxation ould be laid on the country," and yet his budget called for an increase of at least \$17,200,000. Weyler has called for 20,000 more troops and there is a similar call from the Philippine Islands. Sagasta and General Pando have both declared recently that no progress toward ending either of these wars was being made. Weyler with reinforcements whenever they were may be recalled and autonomy offered to needed. It is because Spain has in Cuba the Cuban patriots, but there is little the Cuban patriots, but there is little probability of their accepting the offer. Spain has reached a crisis which not ever Senor Sagasta is capable of coping with to the satisfaction of the proud Castilians The \$10,000,000 a month necessary to con tinue the war in Cuba, and the sum ne essary to pay interest on the national debt cannot apparently be raised.

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Vellow bub and spokes of white Glistening in the soft moonli Tiny wheel, revolve and tell-Does your secret mean me well?
"He loves me, he loves me not."
Ah! Then thou hast no better lot. An: Then thou hast to better let,
Turn thou on, reveal my fate,
"Hush, my heart! We'll wait, we'll wait,"
Is it true what thou hast told.
That his love has grown so cold?
Alas! Fond heart; he hath forgot;
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—Walter S. Stranahan in Chicago News.



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