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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

State. Governor—WILLIAM A. STONE. Lieutenant Governor—J. P. S. CORBIN.

COLONEL STONE'S PLATFORM.

It will be my purpose when elected to conduct myself as to win the respect and good will of those who have opposed me as well as those who have given me their support.

The Spanish government has ordered the exchange of the Merrimac prisoners. Let us give credit where credit is due.

The Coming Issue.

On the day that William J. Bryan, addressing Nebraska fellow citizens in the uniform of a colonel of volunteers, made public protest against the retention by the United States of any of the territory occupied by it in consequence of its war with Spain.

These and other signs and tokens make clear the probability that the next animated division in American politics will be upon the issue whether the great republic shall remain an isolated continental power withdrawn into its own shell, or by virtue of colonization undertaken from humanitarian instincts, fortify itself for the larger responsibilities of an imperial destiny.

It is well to understand upon the threshold of this inevitable battle of ideas and ideals that men may differ in opinion as to their country's proper destiny without losing their patriotism or forfeiting their claim to the community's good will.

waged upon so elevated a plane will be the extreme difficulty with which one group of advocates can, as in a recent contest, indict their opponents as anarchists or enemies of good government.

The Madrid government displayed commendable economy in calling home the spies Carranza and du Bose.

Volunteers En Route.

The sixty-six recruits who left Scranton on Wednesday morning arrived in camp very much displeased with their treatment.

The men who left for Camp Alger Wednesday did so actuated by no other motives than an spirit of patriotism and adventure.

A Step in the Right Direction.

After a prolonged deadlock in conference the two houses of congress have at last agreed upon a national bankruptcy bill which will soon become a law.

The immediate value of such a law will depend very largely upon the spirit of its enforcement.

The Nicaragua Canal.

That ingenious defender of the railways, Mr. Joseph Nimmo, Jr., part of whose life has been devoted to opposing the Nicaragua canal, still keeps up his antagonism, despite the lessons of this war.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Alacbus The Tribune Astrologer.

From the military point of view Mr. Nimmo opposes the canal project because its availability for the passage of warships would require the construction of extensive fortifications at either end and at exposed points along the line of the canal.

the whole line, besides an auxiliary naval force at either end, in order to prevent the destruction of the line at a hundred vulnerable points.

We give this digest of Mr. Nimmo's arguments as illustrating the best that opponents of the canal can offer.

If the subjects of Emperor William think that this extra tax on tea and tobacco is made for the purpose of presenting the Philippines to some European power, it is about time that Congress, Billy Bryan or some other orator was deputized to say something.

The statement that the marines at Guantanamo are "becoming seasoned" is doubtless correct.

As Grover Cleveland read the vote on Hawaiian annexation he doubtless remarked to himself that he never did think much of congress.

It is difficult to pick out a member of the navy who is not a hero these days. Opportunity is all that is needed to put the stamp on them.

Very likely Spain's chivalrous treatment of Lieutenant Hobson and companions was an anchor cast to windward.

The Cuban insurgents evidently resemble the Deadwood fiddler in that they are doing the best they can.

Instructive Story of Two Young Men

From the Philadelphia Press.

CIVILIZATION has been too much for Joseph Letter. He has ended as all men like him have for ten years. The world has grown too large to be conquered.

Mr. Letter, the "brilliant" the "brilliant" young man, who went to college for amusement and made life as a student and a man of letters.

ONE CAUSE FOR ANNEXATION

There need be no further question as to the fact that the people of Porto Rico and all the rest of Spain's unruly possessions.

And when the benighted people of those islands heard that the Spaniards will rise in rebellion—being excited, high-strung people—and hang or stab the avaricious, thieving and wholly corrupt legislators and office holders, or else drive them, horse, foot and dragoon, into the purifying sea.

The New York Herald and Town Topics regard Senator's views as a morning and evening despatches from Santiago.

It's too bad to mention it, but the first work of the Dolphin, ex-President Cleveland's old pleasure craft, consisted in shelling a war ship.

PETTY PARTISAN CACKLE

When at the outbreak of the war the press almost unanimously proclaimed the "no Democrats, no Republicans, no Populists" American doctrine, and pledged loyal support to the administration, regardless of politics, we thought this marvelous magnanimity wouldn't hold out long.

Of course the smarts of these contemptible, petty-minded shorts are of little real importance and carry no weight among thinking men.

The criticisms of these ignoramuses are valueless not only because the critics are destitute of knowledge and experience necessary to enable them to appreciate the meaning and bearing of the facts.

The facts are these: Of the thirty-seven officers named by the president to be major generals and brigadier generals during the civil war, the single officer being appointed by the president to the command of troops, the men without military experience are exceedingly few.

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