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## REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

Legislature. First District-T. JEFFERSON REY NOLDS

Second District-JOHN SCHEUER, JR.

The decision of Judge Purdy per manently restraining the Eric Railroad company from Interfering with the Délaware and Hudson canal is good common sense as well as good law. The Erie Railroad company might as well be allowed to enter at its pleasure upon the property of John Smith, a private citizen, and begin to dump refuse there, as to do this thing upor the property of the men who are going to build Scranton's new coal outlet to tidewater. The law of Pennsylvania does not clothe the management of the Erle callroad with the right to say when a new railroad shall or shall not In- burilt.

In the Right Direction.

AHERE IS a good deal of belief without absolute proof that a whole lot of corrup tion exists in our city coun-

This belief is not limited to the class of people, to be found in every community, who are anxious to think ill of men in office and who take delight in general accusations, well knowing that they cannot be held to specific account: it exists among responsible men who have occasion to do business with the citr and is a reasonable deduction from the way much of the city's business is done. The action of the grand fury in look ing into this matter is to be commended. We do not know how fortunate that body will be in getting hold of direct evidence of guilt; but even though it shall fail to locate the exact spots where corruption flourishes in our local government, it will, by its example, start the sluggish currents of justice into a brisker circula-For some years it has been tion. plainly foreseen that a "Lexowing" of Scranton would be inevitable. The present inquiry may reach to the bottom or it may be only the beginningthat has yet to be seen. But nothing is more certain than that before the citizens of Scranton can get their money's worth in government there will have to be a number of additions

The United States and each state are perhaps to 1,000,000 tons a year, perhaps to 2.000.000. prohibited from making laws which From those premises Mr. Curtis conwill allow polygamy, and jurisdiction ludes that we shall have a lot of in the trial of persons accused of polygamous offences is given to the trouble in steering our future tariff policy so as not to offend, on the one United States courts. If the Mormon church is sincere in hand, the sugar producers in the deits representations that polygamy as a pendencies, and on the other, the cane and beet sugar growers and allied in-

tenet in its creed and as a rule in its social practice has been abandoned absolutely and in good faith, it can offer no objection to the constitutional amendment here proposed but on the ontrary, as a sign of its submission, will proceed to line up its forces in support of the amendment, thus cutting the ground from under its critics' feet.

No matter what Tom, Dick or Harry

may have insinuated during the fathe Teller resolution that was passed miliarities of curbstone intercourse, it by the senate two years ago pledging will take clear proof and lots of it to ndependence and a republic to the make the public believe that Mayor Cubans, his object being to get Cuban Moir has been personally a party to the sugar out of the way as a competitor oguery which is generally believed to of the domestic beet product. The problem can become complicated have run riot lately in city hall. The mayor's mistakes are not prompted by only by the refusal of subsequent con-

criminal intent. Congress Should Be Fair.

which

NDER THE Wilson revenue as at present, with reciprocal conlaw of 1894, which increased cessions to sugar producing countries the tax on alcohol from 90 like Cuba that will buy our manufaccents to \$1.10 a gallon, the tures if we buy their sugar; and then let the imported and the domestic secretary of the treasury was authorized to prescribe regulations under sugar fight it out. It would not pay manufacturers and others us to grow beet sugar if we can get should receive a rebate on taxes paid the Cuban cane product, with federal

on alcohol used in their manufactures revenue beside, for less money; and no true economist will have the nerve to and in the arts. This provision was inserted because it was not intended by insist that it would. congress, then or at any subsequent Attorney Campbell claims that it will

time, to increase the tax on alcohol otherwise than as a constituent of take an army of threathousand men beverages

to arrest the assassin of alleged Gover-Secretary Carlisle refused to make nor-elect Goebel of Kentucky. If this the regulations which congress had be true the sooner the army is recruitplainly said he should make, and the ed the better it will be for the peace of the blue grass state. An outlaw whose United States Supreme court, on a suit fighting capacity will tax the strength of the manufacturers for the enforce. nent of the rebate, held that inasmuch of 3,000 men should not be at large in as the law of congress had not been any civilized community.

complied with, no rebate could be paid. As the case stands, therefore, more A \$2,300 choir that sings nothing bu than 1000 manufacturers have just classic music has nearly caused the claims against the United States agdisruption of a Washington church. regating \$6,000,000 for over-taxes paid This is another evidence that it someby them and held by the government times requires a large amount of religion to overcome the effects of contrary to the plain intent of the act of 1894, and the Supreme court opinion classic music.

leaves them with no legal redress. In this emergency Congressman Rus-One of the anti-Quay organs prints sell of Massachusetts has introduced a long story showing how Colonel Quay bill providing that these claimants is going to make ex-Senator Cameron shall bring suit and prove their claims, governor two years hence. We thought and that the disobedience of the secrethat Quay, long ere that, was to be tary of the treasury in failing to make dead and buried. the proper regulations in this matter

shall not operate as a defence, thus Mr. Bryan's revised platform for the putting every claim on its own merits; Democracy, announced at Kansas City but for unknown reasons even this the other night, seems to be the same manifestly fair proposition is encounold "16 to 1" declaration with a few tering opposition at Washington. One Puerto Rican tariff frills added. senator, a member of the finance committee before which the Russell bill is Bishop Potter is the latest anti

imperialist to visit the Philippines and come home converted. What a pity I carpot see any real merit in this claim. The tax paid by those manufactur-ers undoubtedly went into the price of the rest of the bunch won't follow his example. their wares. There was no reduction in

their prices on account of this promised rebate in the Wilson law, but the prices Cecil Rhodes is now criticizing the of the goods were kept up to what they had been before the law passed. If these English army for not whipping the Boers sooner. Cecil appears to possess elaimants should be given a standing so the amplities of a first-class anti-expancould recover the amount of taxes sionist. paid by them it would be in the nature of

posted a diphtheria label there. This cir-cumstance had nearly caused a panic among the bucksters who work both the among the nucksters who work boilt the fronts and rears of the houses. "Gee!" commented a big huckster, "dat's de slokest fam'ly I ever seen. It's lucky dey ain't got a side door. Dey'd have small-pox on dat, sure."-Philadelphia Record.

#### A Test of Amiability.

"O RDINARILY," said Colonel Still-well, "I object to the conundrum. I terests now engaged in domestic proregard it as a primitive form of humor, I also resent these constant gibes at the state of Kentucky. They represent both duction. The former will want free trade, the latter protection and in the middle there will be the need of raisdeficiency of taste and poverty of re-source. But just to show," he continued deliberately, "that I am a broad-minded man who can accept a joke amiably I will ask you a question: What is the difing revenue, for which purpose a tariff on sugar offers one of the fairest and most convenient methods known. Mr. Curtis asserts that it was a beet sugar forence between the state of Massachumanufacturer-none other, in fact, setts and Kentucky?" "Massachusetts produces boots and than the justly celebrated Henry Ox-

shoes and Kentucky produces shoots and nard, of sugar trust fame--who wrote booze. And I want to say I'm glad I thought of it first, for if anybody eise had sprung a remark like that on me un-expectedly 1 wouldn't care to answer for the consequences."-Washington Star.

#### A Witty Retort.

MME. DE STAEL was very angry with the Count de Choiseul for witty stings and sarcasms of which he had made her the subject. Once the two enegresses to hold in view the greatest mies met in a drawing room. Mme, de Stael and the count greeted each other on account of the law of politeness. good of the greatest number. Let a fair revenue tariff be imposed on suga "We have not seen each other for a long time." said she. "Oh, madam," replied he, "I have been

"Have you?" "I thought I was poisoned." "Alas! Perhaps you have bitten your

ongue. This terrible cut fell like a thunderbolt on the count, so famous for his slanders and scandals. He bowed low and withdrew, unable to reply a word.

## FORTY YEARS OF BRYAN.

#### From the New York Sun.

Forty years ago today the Hon. Wills iam Jennings Bryan was born in Salem, Ill., at sixteen minutes to one. s. m. It is the boast of his friends that he has made more speeches to more people and shaken more hands than any other man that now is or ever was in the world; and still his voice is unworn, and his di-gestion is unimpaired, in spite of dollar dinners. He beleves in the Chicago plat-form and in any additions to it that may

come handy. He is for congenial annexation but finds the Philippines uncongenial. He holds that the Filipinos are capable of self-government but not capable nough to belong to the United States capable Militarism makes him sad, although he has been a warrior bold. He trembles at trusts and will keep on shaking as white or cream.

at trusts and will keep on single as they are able to produce goose flesh in anybody else, and not one mo-ment longer. He has fits at the word perialism, but what and where "im-perialsm" is, so far as the United States which involved "Lenten Dishes." are concerned nobody has been able to find. It is a good enough Morgan for the articles made were delicious and were eaten by the audience with the greatest satisfaction. The following was the colonel, and that is all.

Planked Shad-Clean fish and place Colonel Bryan has called on Moses to awake, rung the Liberty bell, rallied around the Constitution, discovered the skin down on an oak plank; sprinkle with salt and pepper, brush over with butter and lemon juice and bake 25 minutes in Declaration of Independence, wept over hot oven. the wrongs of the "producing classes,

Grape Fruit and Celery Salad .- Cut which he does not belong, lambasted the Crime of Gold, thrown bricks at Mamgrape fruit in thirds lengthwise; remove pulp and add an equal amount of finely cut celery; serve in the sections from non. Moloch and Juggernaut, said Bool to the Octopus, been dry nurse to the in-come tax, bit his thumb at the plutowhich pulp was removed; mask with may onnaise and garnish with celery. crats, invaded the enemy's country and there provisioned himself, prospected for Mayonnaise Dressing-Add 1/2 teaspoon

ful salt and a few grains cayenne to yolk issues, excommunicated commercialism, of egg; add slowly a, cupful olive oil ridden a bronco and blown a cowhorn in dilute as needed with one tablespoon each the streets of Austin, trained for the f lemon juice and vinegar. esidency and an ostrich race, written Easter Salad-Cut hard boiled eggs in

traditional notion that blue is

of fur in winter or wings and

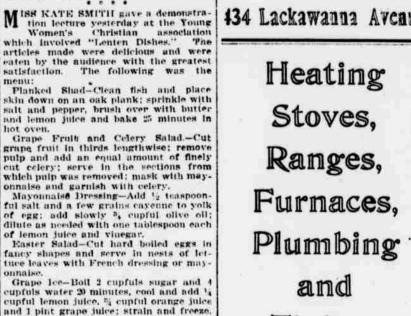
color.

leading articles with a pen of fire for the Omaha World-Heraid, lectured, made a fancy shapes and serve in nests of let-tuce leaves with French dressing or maybook, and is believed by his friends and probably by himself to be the Jeffersonnnais

Grape Ice-Boil 2 cupfuls sugar and Jackson, Webster-Clay-Lincoln of Lin-coln. Neb. His voice is so sweet that it cupfuls water 20 minutes, cool and add 'a upful lemon juice, % cupful orange juic and 1 pint grape juice; strain and freeze.



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that other girls would look insipid and ordinary in her vicinity. That the auburn haired girl is limited in her choice of shades is true. We who are less fortunate in nature's coloring must spend much time in selecting the particular tints we lack, but the auburn haired girl needs none of the pinks, reds, greens and vivid blues, to bring out or subdue the complexion. She really needs to give little more consideration to the color of gown she should wear than the robin or the jewelled throated humming bird, for anything toning in with the tin of her hair in browns or yellows gives her style and elegance, and is sure to cause people's eves to revert to her again and again as a model of good taste and restful harmony. But always and ever, whenever it is possible, she should wear

to the population of the penitentiary,

One might easily infer from the talk of Herr Wessels, Montagu White, et. al., that the Boers began the war on Great Britain mainly for the purpose of being protected from the consequences by the government of the United States.

A Useless Office.

HE OLD contention relative to the usefulness of the office of coroner has been re-

vived by the handing down by Judge Yerkes of Berks county of a vigorous opinion in which he affirms without qualification that the office has no longer any substantial value to the community and that the entire question of the investigation of suspicious deaths might better be turned over to the district attorney, who would have to conduct the real inquiry anyhow should their arise reasonable presumption of foul play.

It is our belief that Judge Yerkes here voices the opinion of well nigh every intelligent person who has had opportunity to become familiar with the actual workings of the coroner's office. Not in one case in five on an average does the coroner's inquest contribute to the processes of justices any real light which might otherwise have been lost. In this exceptional instance the light usually comes through the coroner's professional knowledge of surgery or medicine and could fully as well be contributed by any skilled physician employed by the commonwealth for the particular occasion.

What is needed to strengthen th arm of the law in this connection is the giving of power to the district attorney to employ sufficient detective talent a the first quality to make his office a Arrige to evil doers: and coincident With this is the ned of electing to this important office men who will do their whole duty honestly, conscientiously and ably.

..... Of all the names mentioned in connection with the vice presidency nonyet has equaled in quality or availabil ity Pennsylvania's brilliant editor. diplomatist and cabinet minister Charles Emory Smith.

To Prohibit Polygamy.

INCE THE refusal of congress to permit Polygamist Roberts of Utah to take his seat, the

country has had its thoughts diverted to other matters but it is in danger of forgetting that a resolution of the beet sugar industry and was is pending in congress proposing an just beginning to score a substantial amendment to the United States con- success when the Spanish war came stitution prohibiting polygamy.

The resolution proposes to insert in the second paragraph of section 2 and the world. The normal sugar crop of also in the third paragraph of section 8 of Article I of the constitution, among the disqualifications of representatives and senators, the words "or who is a polygamist."-it also contemplates the on of a new article, to be known a Article XVI, defining the marriage relation as a contract between one person of one sex and one person of the other sex, and declaring polygamou co'slitation or association unlawful.

of a bill whose ultimate object is taking 6,000,000 out of the United States treasury and giving it to the hat manufacturers and others who use alcohol in their work, when the amount of the taxes paid by them was made up in the prices they received for their goods.

On that account

Whether the taxes went into the price or whether the price was reduced or not has no place in the equity of the case so far as congress is concerned

a gratuity to them. On that account there is much opposition to the passage

to come, is quoted as saying:

It does not give ground for a breach of faith on the part of the government. Congress six years ago plainly said that the 20 cents additional tax on al-

cohol levied under the Wilson bill should be rebated so far as it affected alcohol honestly used in manufactures and the arts; and on the strength of that promise the manufacturers concerned in this matter paid their money to Uncle Sam to the extent of \$6,000,000 expecting on the strength of his word soon to get it back. It is fair to as-sume that in their listing of prices they of events. The personal side of life apcharged up to cost only the interest on the over-tax during its retention by the government. But whether they did this or not there is Uncle Sam's pledge to them, solemnly enacted into law,

and good faith requires that it be kept, According to the Billy Sulzer idea of international law, as indorsed by the Democrats in congress, it has evi-

Uncle Sam's Sugar Problem.

LREADY in the case of had a foretaste of the economic difficulties which

may be expected from expansion. And now comes William E. Curtis with a long article in the Chicago Record intended to prove that the Puerto Rican muss is merely the zephyr preliminary to the gale. We will condense his representations of fact before considering the drift of his argu-

ment. In round numbers, the United States uses 2.000,000 tons of sugar a year, of which it imports 1,650,000 tons, the duty on which, at 1.7 cents a pound, is about \$60,000,000 a year. Our domestic crop of cane sugar is about 250,600 tons a year and our beet sugar crop about 100,000 tons a year. There are now 28 beet sugar mills in the United States, representing an investment of \$5,000,000; four years ago there were

only four. The present secretary of agriculture has devoted a great deal of time and energy to the development along and put on our hands the greatest cane sugar producing islands in

Cuba is 1,000,000 tons: no one doubts that this crop can be doubled the minute a satisfactory market is opened. Hawaii's crop is now 300,000 tons a year; experts say it will soon he 500,000. Puerto Rico's sugar possibilities do not exceed 100,000 tons but the capacity. of the Philippines, already

200,000 tons under the most slipshop and unsystematic methods, is believed to be capable of very large development:

"Middle-of-the-roaders" do not intend to be caught on the cycle path.

Some of the yellow journals are again trying to write Theodore Roosevelt's political obituary. It overtaxes even

their elastic imaginations. Mr. Bryan's platform is constructed chiefly of jawbone.

Leonard Wood is not of the vice presidential class.

# **Outline Studies**

Littlefield Is a Philosopher.

hesitate to apply his stories to people who criticise him.

trade by insinuating that the lumber barons of Maine were opposed to a tariff of 25 per cent., as it would hamper them In that market. Mr. Littlefield, says the that the imports exceed the exports, so Washington Post, was asked why he did that an excess of \$50,991,612 in exports

the last ten years. "You should read Lincoln's story about the function of the second story about slightly larger than those of any preced LREAD' in the case of only about half as tall." responded the Puerto Rico the country has Maine man. "You remember that this giant and his wife occasionally quar-relled, and that, as Lincoln told the story, she used to stick pins in his leg when she was mad. Somebody asked him why he didn't retaliate. 'Well,' he answered, "it amuses Lucy, but it doesn't hurt me." " As Mr. Littlefield is a good portion of a yard-stick taller than the man who was assailing him, the application of the story was all the more pertinent.

#### Governor Roosevelt's Story.

W ISHING to give Catholic representa-tion on the board of management of the State Industrial school at Rochester, Governor Recosevelt recently ap-pointed Mrs. Joseph O'Connor, wife of the well-known journalist of Rochester, Mrs. O'Connor is one of the most gifted and popular women in that city but it happens that she is not a Catholic. The discovery of this fact led Governor Roosevelt to tell a story. It was about a man arraigned before a New York city mag. strate "What is your name?" said the judge

to the prisoner. "Solomon Isaacs." he replied.

"Where do you live?" "Down on Hester street." "What is your business? "Selling old clothes."

"What is your religion?" "Now, see here, judge, I told you my name was Solomon Isaacs, that I lived down on Hester street and that I sold old clothes. What do you think my re-ligion is? Well, I'll tell you. I'm a

THERE 18 a case of malignant typhold fever in a house on Diamond street, near Twenty-third, and a messenger from the health office was sent up there the other day to paste the necessary labels on the doors. When he reached the house he discovered that he had only one typhold fever label left, but he didn't let a little thing like that bother him. He affixed the typhold label to the front door, and, going around to the back gate,

Latest advices from the Kansas City Populist camp indicate that the that, according to some enthusiastic Bry-Mock Crab Sandwiches-Cream 2 table it heals the sick; and according spoonfuls butter, add 1; cupful grates to the Hon. Champ Clark he is touched hopefully by the Missouri Democrats, probably for contributions to the camoung America cheese; season with 1 paign fund.

> In short, the Hon. William J. Bryan is as busy as a bee, as lively as a cricket, as industrious as an ant, as talkative as a sparrow, as cheerful, about his own prospects, as a bluebird, and as despair-ing about the country as the crow seems to be about the scheme of things in general. Such is Colonel Bryan now he is comie to forty years; and he is a pretty

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good fellow in the bargain, for all his play-acting manner on the platform.

FEBRUARY EXPORTS.

of Human Nature From the Washington Star. The month of February made the most remarkable record of any February in the history of our foreign commerce. The

exports during that month averaged \$5, 900,000 for every business day in the month, and the total exports were \$119,peals to him strongly, and he has a re-tentive memory regarding affairs in which he has participated. He doesn't not only are the exports larger than not only are the exports larger than those of any preceding February, but who criticise him. The other day, when one of the Repub. lican members of the house was attack-ing Mr. Littlefield's advocacy of free burger than in any preceding Feb-ruary, surpassing those of 1898 by nearly 5 per cent. and being more than 50 per 5 per cent. and 5 per the excess of exports over imports is also cent. in excess of that of any earlier year. February is a month of heavy inportations, and it frequently happene

dently become a crime for Great Brit-ain to build fortifications on British territory.

ing year except 1882. The relative importance of the Febru ary, 1900, record will be more clearly seen when it is stated that, the average Febru ary exports during the last ten years were \$56,000,000 a month, while the total exports of February, 1900, as already stated, were \$119,565,562. On the other hand, the average February imports of the preceding decade were \$61,000,000,mak-ing the average February excess of exports over imports during that time \$15,-000,000, while that of February, 1900, is \$50,991,612. This makes the total exporta-

ion for the eight months ending with February about \$75,000,000 greater that of the corresponding months of the

scal year of 1899, and makes it apparent that our total exports in the fiscal year ending June 30 will exceed those of any preceding year by probably \$100,000,000 and carry the total commerce of the year onsiderably beyond the \$2,000,000,000

### THE QUESTION IN BRIEF.

From the Philadelphia Press.

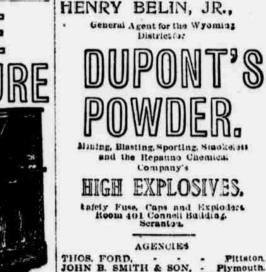
The sugar trust and the tobacco trust will both make heavy profits if the sugar and the tobacco both have bought and hold stored in Puerto Rico come to this country free. This profit will continue on future shipments, especially in the cuse of tobacco, where the trade and crop are under the control of the British con ul, Mr. Finley.

Puerto Rico needs additional revenue. The land is already as heavily taxed as it will bear. Internal revenue taxation is impossible in a poor country with lit-tle internal trade and a poor population. The one resource are import and export taxes. The low duty of 15 per cent. of the Dingley tariff, an average of 7 per cent. ad valorem on imports from Puerto Rico. when paid into the Puerto Rican treasury, is the exact equivalent and

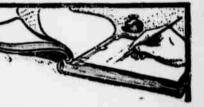
Rico, when paid into the Puerto Rican treasury, is the exact equivalent and equal of an export duty levied in Puerto Rico on exports to this country. Which is best, free trade for the bene-fit of two trusts, or a moderate tariff for two years on exports and imports from the island solely for the bene-tie below?



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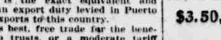
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