

THEY are speaking of "the indignity put upon Curtin." Well, who is to blame?

HENSEL was re-elected Chairman of the Democratic State Committee last week, but intimates that, having been vindicated, he will resign and let the executive committee choose another field marshal.

A MAN has finally been found who is willing to accept the office of assistant treasurer at New York. He was out of work—being a guide in the Adirondacks—and had no hope of getting employment until Spring opens.

THE Democratic organs have already defeated the Republican candidate for president in 1888. This is shrewd and judicious. If they had put the job off a couple of years it would have been much more difficult.

FOR every British shilling which comes to the United States to pay for the propagation of Free-trade doctrine an American dollar should go to England to support the cause of Irish liberty. The war is open. Let it be short, sharp and decisive.

If there was any doubt about Mr. Cleveland's rigid adherence to the austere simplicity which distinguished Jackson's administration, it has been removed by the fact that he had seven kinds of wine and a special brewing of cold tea at his first state dinner. The potatoes were boiled with the skins on also, and Mr. Cleveland drank his coffee out of the saucer.

WHAT a horridly disgusting expression Senator Vest's face must have worn, when the Senate passed a resolution giving the Dakota man access to the coat room. The idea of the Senate admitting Dakota men to the coat room when even Missouri bums would not be admitted there unless attended by officers to see that they did not steal the coats and hats. No wonder the Missouri Senator turns green with jealousy. Mr. Vest should not forget that the estimation in which men are held depends very much upon the company they keep.

GEN. HALLECK'S obvious hatred of Grant is shown by a telegram that has recently come to light. Just after the "Unconditional Surrender" letter of the latter to Buckner at Fort Donelson, when the name of Grant was on all lips, Gen. McClellan telegraphed to Halleck, who was then at St. Louis: "Where's Grant?" The same day McClellan received the following from Halleck: "In answer to your question would say—Grant is somewhere on the rear of his army, drunk." Halleck's conduct toward his subordinate is inexcusable, as Grant had telegraphed him that day proposing to push ahead toward Nashville.

IT is understood that the house committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures will this week report a bill for the retirement and recoinage of the trade dollar, which will be substantially the same as that which passed the House at the last session, but failed in the Senate. It provides that the holders of the trade dollars on presentation of the same to the Treasurer of the United States may receive in exchange a like amount in standard silver dollars, and that the trade dollars received by the Treasurer shall not be paid out or issued again, but be transmitted to the coinage mints and recoinied into standard silver dollars.

THE State of Ohio, with her two Senates, each claiming to be the true Senate of Ohio, is just now the cynosure of all eyes. The trouble results from the flagrant attempt of the Democrats to capture the representation of Hamilton county, by any means, fair or foul. The seats of the four Senators from that county are contested, and the presiding officer very properly ruled that they could not vote on their own cases. This ruling did not suit the Democratic members, and so when a motion was made to hear the contest cases in the open Senate, they refused to vote at all. After a great deal of wrangling a motion to adjourn was put and carried, the Democrats not voting. As soon as the Lieutenant Governor left the chair a Demo-

cratic member took it, and the Democratic members proceeded to conduct the Senate's business and to claim themselves to be the true Senate. This revolutionary proceeding is on par with the tactics which have so long disgraced the Democratic party in Ohio.

A LEADING steel making firm in England is announced as negotiating for a site for a plant in this country to remove their business here. Some of our profound free trade political economists jump on to this incident as a proof that the Democratic victory of last year, and the promise of "Morrison revenue reform" this year, has incited this English firm to turn its eyes this way as the future field for their enterprise. This English firm is evidently more practical than theoretical, and do not as our free trade friends do, displace facts with fancy. It remembers, which they do not, that several times in the history of this country the free traders have been able temporarily to strike down protection, but as soon as the effect of their meddling began to be felt the people have tossed themselves and again restored protection. The worst that is feared by industrial business men now, is that they may temporarily disturb our industries and inflict loss; but they know it will only require enough time for the people to get another chance at them to pitch them out and restore protection. The English firm knows this, too, and as it will take longer to cure Great Britain of its lunacy, they propose to get out from under. That's all.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23, '86. The members of the Dakota delegation, headed by Judges Edgerton and Moody, called on the President yesterday afternoon by appointment, and presented the claims of that territory for admission into the union, with a view of securing his aid and co-operation in attaining that end. The President assured them that he would give the matter careful consideration and would do what he thought right in the premises.

In one respect the republican Senators have reason on their side in asking for information touching removal from office. Every man has the right to know, and to have it generally known, that his removal was not due to any discreditable causes. He is entitled to his reputation. If his management in office has been, from a business standpoint, satisfactory, those who displace him, from outside considerations, should state the facts in his removal frankly.

Just here lies one of the drawbacks to office holding, whether under the "spoils" or the "merit" system. In either case the incumbent is exposed to detraction from those who wish to raise themselves at his expense. Where preferment goes by favor simply these rivalries take the form of secret personal intrigues. Where the officer is supposed to hold his place on his merits the opposition finds a convenient weapon in charges affecting his capacity or character. An honest officer is entitled to protection in either case, and the best protection is generally to be found in publicity. Charges should not be made in the dark. Our fundamental principles of law are based on the instinct of justice which requires the accuser to confront the accused in open court. This feeling should not be disregarded in political warfare. A displaced officer, whose record is clear, should not be sent out of the public service under a cloud of suspicion.

One who follows the silver controversy now raging in Congress and the newspapers, will not get a very flattering opinion of the American people. According to the monometalists, the country west of the Alleghenies is populated with fools and knaves, who are trying to cheat their creditors out of twenty per cent of their dues. But according to the silver men, our business centers at the east are nests of crime, where the conscientious thieves plot against the rights of the poor. It is to be hoped that foreigners will not take us at our own valuation.

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