|  | Political Drift. <br> $T^{\mathrm{HE}}$ political editor of the Freeburg Courier has pulled out his goose bone and has gone at it again. We read in his columns as follows : <br> "Even so far ahead as it would seem now, candidates are feeling their way for the campaign that will only be on in the spring of 1902 . The full ticket then to be nominated is giving some of our politicians no end of concern-you see there will not be as many holes as there are pegs. The big thing now is to see who the "pegs" are, size up their political antecedents, estimate their strength before the people, and finally determine how some of them may be side-tracked or circum vented. A politician of some prominence, and one whose predictions very generally materialize, was heard to remark a few days ago: "The county ticket of 1902 will be made up of entirely new men; the people are getting tired of the old gang, and they will soon be sent to keep company with that other gang who thought to fill the offices so long as they cared to, which, for the most part is now only a reminiscence. The young element in the Republican party is sure to assert itself, and the two-term rule is likely to be on line of fire-now mar' my words." Whether the gentleman quoted will prove a false prophet or otherwise remains for the future to reveal, but it will show the current into which political thought is drifting. <br> Tue shee factory has been idle for sometime now. Boys and girls are idle and out of employment. They are not getting even "starvation wages" and our merchants can now speak eflectually of the value of our shoe factory, notwithstanding all the calumny that has been heaped upon it by the Asp. <br> Tus: Mifflinburg Times resents the charge that it published Pilgrim Ritter's "Black Eye to Middleburg." We are willing to accept Commodore Foote's word for it but the fact remains true that letters were written to this place saying they saw it in the Timcs. The writer was probably mistaken and Comurn dore Foute is entitled to be exonerated from this odium,-which still rests upon Ritter's $A s p$, the Selinggrove Times and the Lewisburg Saturday Nare. <br> With the excepti... . \& Detr no other large city in the United States is so near foreign territory as Buffalo. There are no larger citics on the Mrxican burder and none of large population |  |  |
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