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TOPICS And COMMENT.

Tom REED's original opinion of the 'Harrison ice-wagon' needs no revision.

PROTECTIONISTS seem to be quite plenti ful on the Democratic side of the politic al fence these days.

Ir Mrs Lease becomes a United States Senator the secret executive session will certainly have to go.

JERRY SIMPSON still reads his title clear o a seat in the House, and has hopes of being called up higher. Some of the losers of election bets ap-

some of the winners ditto. STEVE ELKINS didn't do any better in

his rainbow chase this year than he did when he managed Mr. Blaine's campaign

THE danger of the new \$500 treasury note being counterfeited will not, for obvious reasons, cause much worry among ordinary folks.

KAISER WILHELM realizes that "all the world's a stage," and that he is one of the star actors. He sat for his 180th picture the other day. THERE is something wrong about the igestive organs of the fellow who allows

polities to prevent his enjoying his SENATOR HILL is certainly an obstinate

terprising newspapers. THE great intellects of the Metropolitan press are now all turned upon the comet. Poor comet! and its intention is to miss

Ir begins to look as though the fellow who said the offices were the only real issue involved in the late campaign was digging near the bed-rock of truth.

LET no politician dare to tie a string to the good times promised by the Demo-cratic stump-speakers during the late campaign. We want 'em, all of us.

THE immigration mill, which was tem-porarily stopped by the cholera. has re-mined business at the old stand, and in a short time its output will be large as ever.

FRED DOUGLASS is taffying Mr. Cleveland to an extent that raises the suspicion that Fred would actually accept office under the new administration, if asked to

In Paris it is the proper caper to commit suicide to escape the disgrace conse-quent upon financial crookedness; on this ide of the pond they go to Canada and live in style.

Mrs. Lease may find the little word he," which appears in the clause of the constitution defining the qualifications of U. S. Senators, a very difficult thing to

REMEMBER, brethren of the defeated armies, regrets will buy neither bread nor clothing. Work is the panaces for all trouble, political or personal; therefore, stop whining and go to work.

It is only what might have been expected from his long experience "grow-ing things," that "Uncle Jerry" Rusk should produce the first of the season's annual departmental reports.

THE voters of Montana are so "dead mashed" on the only woman lawyer in the state that they have elected her Attorney General. It is apples to straws that she marries before her term expires.

vious to Election day usually does so for principle, but the man who makes his change after his party has been licked usually does it for something very differ-

It will be impossible for this Congress to get up anything in the surprise party line that will be even in the same class with the election; but the next Congress will probably be right at home in the sur-

of our inside n find a full report of the big K. of L. convention, held at St. Louis. Organized labor is on the increase, which is as it should be. Every laboring man should belong to the K. of L.

Ar last the political revolution is explained. So many people prophesied, four years ago, that Mrs. Cleveland, would return to the White House, and voted for her husband to make it come true. Now everybody ought to be satisfied.

THE World's Fair people are entirely half dollars appropriated for its use by Congress on the market at one dollar each, after expending a large sum in advertising them in favored newspapers.

Congressman Bounke Cockran, in accordance with New York law. has subcordance with New York law. has sub-mitted an affidavit, stating that it did not cost him a cent to get elected to Con-gress. He only made a few speeches, af-ter Senator Hill said so; Tammany did the

What has become of the fellow who said the machinery of the World's Fair was to be used in behalf of the Republican party?

Russia is a big country. A Siberian city of 20,000 inhabitants, of which geog-

CHICAGO is not satisfied with gobbling up everything that can be seen with the up everything that can be seen with the naked eye. It wants more yet, and has purchased the largest and strongest tel-escopic lenses ever made, so that the very heavens may be searched for things gobbleable. Great is Chicago; but greater are her wants.

A LITERARY man has been telling the world how to write a novel. That information is worse than useless; too many know it already. If some aspiring young man or woman wishes to strike the litersort of fellow. He actually refuses to allow bimself to be married off by the euafter it is written.

> Ir is said that Queen Victoria's lineage has been traced to a rascally peddler of fish. And right here we wish to remark that it's a poor excuse of a fish peddler that hasn't got as good blood in his veins as the average member of a Royal family. At any rate a mosquito would just as oon present his bill to one as the other.

> Many leading Democrats are suggest-ng that it will be well for the coming administration to go slow in the matter of making any radical changes in the tar iff and other present policies of the government. They admit that it will be ruinous to the Democratic party and to the country to 'run the government on the policy outlined by the platform that Cleveand and Stevenson were elected on.

> THE tom-fool talk should be dropped now that election is over. Does any sane man believe that being a Democrat, a Republican or a Populist prevents a mar wishing, and working for his own and the country's prosperity? Can the Dem-ocrats make hard times for there oppo-nents without sharing them? We are all Americans, and we all want the best times to be had, only differing in opinion as to the way to get them

A Psaim of Politics. niontown Standard. The politician is my shepherd. I shall ot want any good thing during the cam-

rote's sake. He filleth my pockets with ine cigars and my beer glass runneth over. He inquireth after the health of

ny family, even to the fourth generation. Yea, though I walk through the mud to vote for him and shout myself hoarse, when he is elected he straightway forget-

Yes, though I meet him in his own of-fice, he knoweth me not.

Surely the wool has been pulled over my eyes all the days of my life.

THERE is a great deal of food for re-lection in the following, which was last week contributed to the Meyersdale Reg-

have been prosperous because there were no labor strikes availeth nothing, because there was nothing to strike for unless it was for sonp houses, maintained by the public. The frequenters at those bouses were not only the infirm but those with strong bodies and willing hands to toil.

Farmers found it difficult to raise money to pay the taxes. There was no market for many of the things that now bring the ready cash. The garden yielded no income because there was no market. The orchard was no better as a source of revenue to the owner. A bushel of cherries or peaches would not buy a garden hoe. Ten bushels of apples would not any more than buy a stable fork. A good cow or a steer would possible buy a plow, such as no one would hitch to now. Two dozen of segs would, when eggs were scarce, buy a yard of masiln spun and wove in England. A pound of butter, if kegged and kept from spring until fall, would buy awoy ards of calleo. Two good horses would buy a buggy. Had it not been for the Johnstown works what would the north of Somerset county be as compared with its present condition? The first steel rails manufactured in this country were made at Johnstown about the year 1806. Seven years later they were sold for a price within fifty cents of the duty upon them. In 1800 we paid about 50 the duty upon them. In 1800 we paid about 50 the duty upon them. In 1800 we paid about 50 the duty upon them. In 1800 we paid about 50 the duty upon them. In 1800 we paid about 50 the duty upon them. In 1800 we paid about works and who that voted for Glevefand will not regret his vote inside of twelve months?

The Tur Nubscribers.

The free traders are beginning to get uneasy at the outlook, and many of them fear that they have been buncoed by the Democrats.

The danger of the new \$500 treas. we believe hewspaper readers in general do not sanction. Or course we always make mention of deaths, stc., as a matter of news. but only so far as we believe the public in general cares for, and we have always reserved the exclusive right to say or leave unsaid whatever we deem best relating to deaths, or of the life and character of the persons deceased. We believe we have the right view of it, but we are willing to let it to our patrons and do that which the greatest number of them desire in the matter. Therefore, we have prepared the following blank, which will be kept in the paper up to Jan. 1st, and which we desire every one of our patrons and with the paper, ill out and forward to The Stan. If most of our readers want an oblituary sheet, they can have it, and all such matter will lished free of charge. We want to do in the matter whatever will please the greatest number of our patrons.

patrons, illowing is the blank; scratch the part you tot want to vote, sign your name and forward ak to This Stan. The vote will be published ur first issue after Jan. 1st. None but votes abscribers will be counted.

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