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## COME ON

and be convinced that I can do you good and that I am not trying to make a fortune in a day. Thanking the public for a liberal patronage, and soliciting a continuance and increase of the same, I am respectfully,

**Casper Wahl.**

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### TOPICS AND COMMENT.

It is not impossible to find profuseness and sincerity in the same individual, but it is very rare.

IMAGINE the Goddess of Liberty wearing a hoopskirt at the World's Fair. It would be a steel ribbed shame.

MAN-MADE creeds in the churches are being brushed aside with impunity, these days. The independent man is growing more numerous everywhere.

NOTHING shows the thrift of the late Jay Gould in a stronger light than that he paid taxes on but \$500,000, while he bequeathed his heirs \$70,000,000.

EVERYTHING depends upon the point of view. Who ever knew a man holding a public office to agree in his opinion of office-seeking with that held by the man who is after that office?

We are glad to observe that Washington's farewell address was read to the United States Senate on the 23d day of February. But it is a wonder some senator did not rise and move an amendment.

HON. J. STERLING MORTON, Mr. Cleveland's secretary of agriculture, is a widower with four sons, but no daughters. If he can live in Washington the next four years and come out a widower still, he is a brave man.

THE New York Sun intimates that Mr. Cleveland selected Gresham for his Cabinet because the Judge believes in third terms. He favored a third term for Grant in 1880, and he may favor a third term for Cleveland in 1896.

THE London Daily News thinks that if the United States would refuse to annex Hawaii it would escape a serious danger. Yes, but it is a good plan on general principles for the United States to do just what the English newspapers think is not best for her.

THERE is an organization called the Reform Press Association. We don't know what it has started out to reform in connection with the press, but we recommend it to reform first lying newspaper correspondents and reporters. Then the press will do very well.

A LATE decision of the supreme court in regard to the exemption from taxation of real estate owned by charitable societies is of interest to such associations and doubtless applies as well to churches. The court holds that real estate not occupied by the society holding it is not exempt from taxation.

SECRETARY FOSTER says he has received assurances from representatives of the leading powers of the world warranting the conviction that the annexation of Hawaii will be regarded by those powers with satisfaction or ready acquiescence.

What the blazes have the leading powers got to do with it, anyhow?

THIS country manufactured under a low tariff in 1860 thirteen per cent. of the silk consumed by our people; we manufactured in 1870 under protection twenty-three per cent., in 1880 the amount was thirty-eight per cent., and in 1890 fifty-five per cent., prices meanwhile not rising. Is the tariff a tax?

JOHNSTOWNERS want the northern portion of this county to form part of a new county with Johnstown for the County-seat. We believe that the new arrangement would be of great benefit to our northern townships. Not that we want to get rid of them, but because Johnstown is their market town and chief place of business, anyway.

THE Champlain of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives eloquently prayed the other morning, "That after the struggles of this life are over the members of this legislature may all go to the land where there is no winter." Some of the members regarded this as an unkind reflection, but it is a safe bet that some of them will go there.—Ex.

A RESPECTABLE body of Democrats have already declared that free trade was not made to stand on.

What is there left of the Democratic platform? Does it mean anything? Does it constitute a binding obligation of any kind on the party which adopted it? These are questions asked by the Rochester Democrat and Chronical.

THE recommendation has been made that ex-presidents be senators of the United States at large for life. Why should they? They already get nearly as much honor and a good deal more fun out of being presidents of humane, scientific and social societies. One of our presidents showed his true greatness by accepting the office of justice of the peace among his neighbors after his term in the White House was ended.

THE London Economist reports a diminution in the amount of British exports during the year 1892, as compared with the exports in the years 1890 and 1891. The amounts for the years mentioned are as follows: 1892, £238,701,000; 1891, £249,562,000; 1890, £247,875,000. During the last year England lost \$32,000,000 of her foreign commerce and the United States gained \$127,000,000. Did there free trade expand their commerce or our protection cramp ours?

AN American physician traveling in Europe concludes that probabilities are strong for a general outbreak of cholera next summer, so says The Tribune.

He finds, too, that facts were concealed last summer. In one town a health officer told him there were 38 cases, and he found on the records 784 cases, of which 380 were fatal.

Let Congress give us immigration laws. There is yet time. Not to do so is guilty neglect of duty.

SOME of the too-utterly-good people will allow city papers to come into their homes containing reading matter that would cause them to boil over with righteous indignation, should they find the same kind of matter in one of their home papers. This is a queer world, and their are some very narrow-minded bigots and persecutors in it. But who cares? God in his wisdom has undoubtedly intended such human insects to add variety to the world; and variety, you know, is the spice of life.

A FORMER president of the Board of Tax Commissioners of New York City recommended that all taxation of the personal property of individuals in that city be abolished and the levy placed only on real estate and corporations. He thought it would encourage rich people from all over the Union to go to New York and live, spending their money there, increasing consumption and making trade lively. It is said that there is \$4,000,000,000 worth of personal property in New York state that annually escapes the Assessor as it is, and of course there are proportional amounts in other states.

A CAVILER says that our country has no name, and that we cannot say, "The United States is our country," without violating good grammar, because the United States should always be used in the plural. He is dead wrong. Our country has a name, and a splendid one. If the caviler will pull a big, round, bright silver dollar out of his pocket he may read around the rim of it the legend, "United States of America." That is our name and our country. It is not only good grammar but good patriotism to say that "this United States is our country." The United States is a nation. Moreover, it is a great nation and will grow to be a still greater one.

THE admission charge to the world's fair grounds will be fifty cents, but of course that will not admit to everything. No one ought to expect that it would.

The Chicago News Record has been figuring on the cost of admission to the sideshows and reaches this conclusion: "Allowing car fare both ways, 50 cents admission to the grounds, a moderate lunch costing 50 cents more, a concert in the music hall, mineral water, car fare on the electric railway inside the grounds, a ride on the electric launches, a glimpse of the Esquimaux and a catalogue of exhibits, the careful financier might see the whole show for about \$15, if he dispensed with such luxuries as peanuts, popcorn and soda water.

A PRELIMINARY test of a device for consuming the smoke and gases from locomotives was made by the Baltimore and Ohio railroad on the line between Baltimore and Washington, on Tuesday. The device was invented by John Milton, of Washington, and so far as the test was concerned, is a success. The invention was placed upon one of the locomotives of the Royal Blue line. The coal used during the test was what is known as "smoke producing coal." When the device was in operation no smoke could be seen issuing from the smokestack, it being entirely consumed. The Master Mechanic and the Supervisor of Engineers of the road were among those who examined the device, and they expressed approval of the result of the test.—Ex.

A PROFESSOR of rhetoric in a certain college used to give always this advice to his departing senior class: "Never write in an album and never go security for anybody." The whole country is sympathizing with the brilliant but hapless governor of Ohio for not taking the last part of this wise advice. Every dollar of Governor McKinley's money would not now be swept away, and not only his money, but his wife's inheritance from her father. How could a man who could frame a tariff bill that passed both houses of Congress and became law in-dorse for any man living to the extent of \$100,000 without inquiring into the matter? The man who has faith in a friend to the point of risking for him all his money has just a little too much faith for this world.

WHEREVER it is possible to do so, patronize home industry. Don't permit a spirit of nepotism or high-mindedness to betray you into betraying your own town. What helps your home merchants and home manufactures helps you. Nothing will bring discredit upon your town and through it upon you quicker than to run off on the slightest provocation and spend your money elsewhere. Nothing will build up a town but to stand together and build it up by giving your patronage to home institutions. It is a sorry day for a town when its people get it into their heads that the town's merchants and other industries are only fit for the crumbs and leavings of their patronage. By so doing you disgrace yourselves by degrading and driving away your town's enterprises.—Berlin Record.

THE Somerset Standard is happy; extremely happy. And why shouldn't it be? At the last election the Somerset ring, which for years has been one of the most rotten, insolent and high-handed aggregations of political corruptionists that ever disgraced the state, was whipped almost out of its boots. The bosses having been completely downed in the caucus, they then succeeded in getting J. D. Swank, one of their number, on the Democratic ticket for town council. They also got up an independent ticket, with John R. Scott, candidate for school director, as the chief figure head. With this unsavory mixture they were gloated over the sweet revenge they were going to have. But alas! revenge for the bosses never came. They heard from the people, and the verdict was against the bosses, and the verdict was against the bosses. The Standard has a right to proclaim from its housetop that it feels good. Over this way we are glad to see the ring get it from all sides. It should have been crushed to atoms long ago. This county has been disgraced far too long by a corrupt political ring, but thank God the people are beginning to get their eyes opened. Think of it, voters, men like John R. Scott, who spent much of his time in past years denouncing independent Republicans as soreheads and kickers—think of such a man turning out to be a sorehead and kicker himself! It reminds us of the old adage concerning the great difference it makes as to whose ox is gored. The bosses have been Republicans for revenue only, and it is plain to see that whenever they can't run things to suit themselves they are as ready to kick, yea, even more so than those whom they have been dubbing "bolters, sore-heads and kickers" for lo these many years. Down with the bosses! not only in Somerset borough politics, but in Somerset county politics. They have outlived their usefulness. Their sin has found them out. They are doomed and deservedly doomed.

Laborers Who Do Not Strike.

In these times it is pleasant to hear of a case of perfect harmony between em-

ployer and employed. Such harmony is all the more strange when it is known that the laborers are perfectly contented to work for nothing. Such is the state of affairs reported as existing on Mr. Howell's cherry farm in Goshen, N. Y. The laborers are two large Siamese apes, and their duty is the picking of cherries. The farmer is enthusiastic in his praises of monkey labor and thinks it far superior to that of human beings. They climb better and eat less than the boys of the neighborhood, and on each monkey he thinks he saves fifty cents a day. They strive to outdo each other in filling bags slung around their bodies, and when one has picked more cherries than his companion he taunts him in the most insulting words of his language. The sailors' tradition is that monkeys can speak, but refuse to do so for fear of being compelled to work if they break their silence. The farmer, however, is a strict supporter of the Garner theory of monkey language, and is sure that he can almost understand the chattering remarks of his servants.

### What is a Baby?

A London paper has awarded a 2 guinea prize for the best definition of a baby. The lady who won the prize sent in this answer:

A tiny feather from the wing of love dropped into the sacred lap of motherhood.

The following are some of the best definitions given:

The bachelor's horror, the mother's treasure, and the despotic tyrant of the most republican household.

The morning caller, noonday crawler, midnight brawler.

The only precious possession that excites envy.

The latest edition of humanity, of which every couple think they possess the finest copy.

A native of all countries who speaks the language of none.

About twenty-two inches cub and wiggle, writhle and scream, filled with suction and testing apparatus for milk, and automatic alarm to regulate supply.

A quaint little craft called Innocence, laden with simplicity and love.

A thing we are expected to kiss and look as if we enjoyed it.

A little stranger with a free pass to the heart's best affections.

That which makes home happier, love stronger, patience greater, hands busier, nights longer, days shorter, purses lighter, clothes shabbier, the past forgotten, the future brighter.

### Imagination Ceased There.

"I suppose, Doctor," said Cumso to Dr. Parris, "that a large proportion of the ills of your patients are imaginary?"

"Yes sir, quite a large proportion."

"And your treatment in such cases, I suppose, is by imaginary pills?"

"Well, I suppose you might call it that."

"Then, of course, for treating imaginary ills with imaginary pills, you send in imaginary bills?"

"Oh, my dear sir, nothing of the kind. There's nothing imaginary about the bills. I have to draw the line somewhere."

### Home.

The prince rides up to the palace gates and his eyes with tears are dim.

For he thinks of the beauteous maiden sweet who never may wed with him.

For home is where the heart is,

In dwelling great or small,

And there's many a splendid palace

That's never a home at all.

The veoman comes to his little cot

With a song when day is done,

For his dearie is standing in the door

And his children to meet him run.

For home is where the heart is,

In dwelling great or small,

And there's many a stately mansion

That's never a home at all.

Could I but live with my own sweetheart

In a hut with sanded floor,

I'd be richer far than a loveless man,

With fame and golden store.

For home is where the heart is,

In dwelling great or small,

And a cottage lighted by love-light

Is the dearest home of all.

—George Horton.

### Prof. Cook's Saltpetre Remedy.

Dissolve one tablespoonful of saltpetre in a pint of water. A pint poured around each hill of cucumbers or squashes is very good for the plants and very bad for the bugs, both striped and black, which burrow at night in the earth about the plants. Cut worms are also said to dissolve like earth treated with saltpetre. This is a remedy which would certainly be very useful to the plants, and if, as is claimed, it destroys or keeps away insect marauders, it will prove most valuable. This saltpetre solution is useful to any plant which is attacked by insects which which at any time burrow in the ground.

On 20 different occasions The Kicker has referred to Pine Valley as a suburb of Seoul, and to most of its representative citizens as knock-kneed outlaws and humpbacked paupers. Indeed, as we have no subscribers there, we have always felt perfectly justified in speaking the truth.—Arizona Kicker.