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READ the lecture of Dr. John L. Wentz, on first page, entitled "Sur-gical Emergency." It contains a great deal of useful knowledge to the mine worker worker.

The tariff fight is going on finely, though the fun is only just beginning. As soon as Congress takes up the bill now in preparation, the how that will go up will shake the country.

In the first year of his administra Is the first year of his administra-tion, Harrison has made or snactioned over 34,000 changes in postmasters for political reasons. This is the same Elder Harrison who said in his letter of acceptance that "fitness and not party service should be the discrimin-ating test, and fidelity and efficiency the only sure tenure of office.

A REPUBLICAN organ says the mild winter is the cause of all the trouble in the mining regions. Is it the mild weather which takes millions from weather which takes initions from the minors in the shape of royalties? This reminds us of the farmer argument: When crops are bountiful, the trouble is over-production; when the yield is poor, "short crops" is the cause of all the trouble.

THE United States Senate in one-half day last week appropriated \$85,-000 to the construction of nine public buildings in as many cities. Two towns in Oregon got \$100,000 each and two Rhode Island towns another and two knode Island towns another \$200,000. A few more months of the present Congress will leave nothing for future generations but gorgeous public buildings and a huge pension list.

THE Republican party is thorough-ly committed to and controlled by the incorporated capital of the Northwest. Republican voters may demand tariff reform. They are free to talkas much as they please, but in the Republican party money acts. "The tariff is in the hands of its friends," and they are not likely to lower it while it offers them a hone of an average bounds of them a hope of an average bonus of 45 cents on the dollar of their invested capital .- St. Louis Republic.

Bright Clarkson will take his depart-ture from his place in the Post Office Department with the spring flowers and the last run of shad. The first day of June is the day fixed for his exit. The pay of his place is said to be unsatisfactory. He did not get over ten cents a head for decapitat-ing Democratic postmasters—about \$4000 a year. The supply of post-masters having run short, the pleas-ure of swinging the axe has been greatly diminished. Mr. Clarkson will make way for some ambitious substitute.

Cosmos sense should suggest to Mc-kinley and his tariff committee that they would be wise to stop this folly on the subject of trusts which are sustained by special duties. By do-ing what they are doing in the Mc-Kinley bill, they are duting the throat of the Republican party. They are surrendering all the advantages se-cured by the last national election; and unless they turn about face and make an honest reduction instead of a monopolistic tariff, they will not only lose the Republican majority in the next Congress, but they will elect Grover Cleveland or another Demo-cratic President in 1892.—Philadel-phia Evening Telegraph (Rep.).

cording to Secretary Windom's estimate of receipts and expenditures a surplus of \$43,569,522 was anticipated. But the of \$43,009,022 was anterpated. But the Secretary estimated that the expendi-tures, including the Sinking Fund, would amount to \$344,440,477, whereas it has since been announced by a member of the Appropriations Committee that they will amount to \$442,099,110, an increase ing schemes added to it which the Ke-publican party has promised the tax-eaters to put through. The repeal of the arrears of pensions limit will cost \$471,000,000; the Grand Army Pension bill will call for \$\$144,000,000 a year; the pensions for prisoners, \$10,000,000; the Dependent Pension bill, \$50,000,000; a bill increasing actain pausion from \$50 bill increasing certain pensions from \$50 to \$72 a month, already passed, \$400,000; pensions for the loss of a leg or an arm, \$50 concertain the loss of a \$25,500,000; pensions for nurses, \$4,000-\$25,500,000; pensions for nurses, \$4,000,000; and these are not all the pending general pension bills, and alone add \$708,000,000 to the ordinary pension appropriations. Besides these wholesale pension raids there are other bills, not counting the cost of the Public Building "'pie," which provide for the expenditure of nearly \$600,000,000. This tremendous looting is all within the contempletic of the party now in abadyte

mendous looting is all within the con-templation of the party now in absolute control of the Government. The House was organized with a view of it, and its unconstitutional rules were passed for the purpose of facilitating it. If the Republican party keeps its promise and has the courage to do what it may the part Goverses will be obligated to authorize next Congress will be obliged to authorize a creation of a new debt of at least \$2,-000,000. A dreary outlook indeed.

The Secret Ballot. Some professed friends of ballot reform in Pennsylvania are doing their level best to help the politicians defeat the Australian system by insisting that we cannot put it in operation here without an amendment to the constitution.

insisting that we cannot put it in operation here without an amendment to the constitution. The constitution of this State provides that all balots shall be numbered before they are deposited in the ballot box, and this, it is urged, prevents secret voting. So far from being antagonistic to the Austra-lian system, this provision for numbering each ballot would be a most valuable feature in the detection of fraud, and if it were not aiready in the constitution, it would be worth while to put it there. Under the proposed system the voter marks his official bullot in secret, folds it so that only the reverse side can be seen, and then proceeds to the ballot box. Even if this official should anterwards count the ballots boxes should be immediately scaled when the polls close, and the votes counted by other ofpoxes should be immediately scaled when the colls close, and the votes counted by other of-lein&s, after which they should be preserved, and in case an investigation is afterwards neces-ary, it would be possible to identify each bal-to. All such objections are, after all, mere uibbles and attempts to defeat an homest bal-to. The great objection to our present system s that men can be voted like sheep by handing hem a ballot and watching them until it is de-posited. By this method the briber is shown hat the bargain is carried out, and this is the them a bailot and watching them until it is de-posited. By this method the briber is shown that the barguin is carried out, and this is the basis of the purchase of votes. All the legisla-tion in the world cannot prevent the delivery of the goods. The two great features of the Aus-tralian system are the official ballot and its preparation free from intimidation. When this is accomplished, bribery is prac-tically killed, and other features are mere man-ters of detail of secondary importance,-Justice.

The Policy of a Decaying Party

In the creation of new States of the Nevada pattern of Republican politi-cians see the only means of maintaining their hold of power. With the two Da-kotas, Washington and Montana giving them eight Senators and thirteen more electors for President, they did not feel quite secure; and hence these are to be followed by the admission of Wyoming and Idaho. New Mexico, with double the population of these Territories, is to be kept out of the Union because New Mexico is Democratic. Utah is refused Mexico is Democratic. Utah is refused admission for the same reason, with the canting pretense over Mormonism; but no sueamishness is manifested over Wyoming Territory, whose control is about equally divided between the Mor-mern and the Wormer Sufficient

mons and the Woman Suffragists. Even though the nineteen new electoral votes should be of no weight in deter-mining the result of the election for President, there is another important consideration which dictates this "rottenborough' policy of the Republican party managers. The twelve new Senators are expected to keep the Republicans in phia Evening Telegraph (Rep.). Hox SAMPEL J. RANDALL, Congress. man from Philadelphia, died at his residence, in Washington, D. C., on Sunday morning. Mr. Randall was one of the greatest Statesmen of this country, and by his death the Demo one of the greatest Statesmen of this most intelligent and ennest advocates. While not in accord with his party on one of the most important questions otherwise a true supporter of Demo cracy. His death was not a surprise to the nation, but it will be a great loss as much was placed in the power of Mr. Randall on account of the agreat loss as much was placed in the power of Mr. Randall on account of the able of Mr. Randall on account of the able of Mr. Randall on account of the able of Mr. Randall on account of the bala of Mr. Randall on account of the balage of Mr. Randall on accou possession of one branch of the Federal to the nation, but it will be a great loss as much was placed in the power of Mr. Randall on account of the able manner in which he filled his official position.

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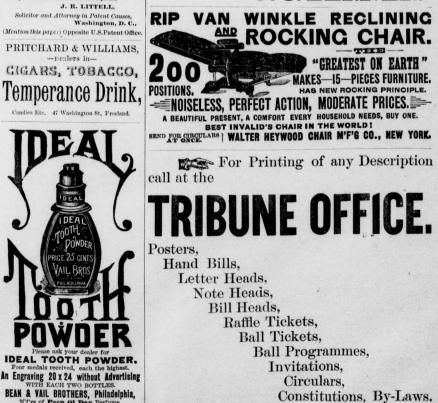
in a practical form. *** The Capitol has never known a quieter season than that of 1890. But if the months usually devoted to gaitely were dull, lent, sarced to sackcloth and ashes, has been gay in an extreme way never countenanced here before. There have been breakfasts, luncheons, dinners, teas, theatre parties, coaching parties, riding parties, driving parties, walking parties, iterary symposiums and what not. But for the warning church bells the fashionable West End would hardly have known lent existed. Paradoxical as it may seem, this lent has been es-pecially rich in dinners of the epicurean str, where there have not been only a "feast of reason and a flow of sou!" but fat canvas-back ducks, delicious terrapin and forced vegetables. The President gives few dinner parties, but he has many friends to dinner informally. The base many friends to dinner informally are been large official dinner and many small ones. The Pan-Americans have been feasted to satiety, and whatever else they take home with them they will carry back an excellent opinion of Ameri-can hospitally.

can hospitality: $*_{0}^{*}$ The informal afternoon "at homes" among the official people have been very popular. It is astonishing how many busy men find the opportunity to drop in for a fifteen-minute chat with the women who are attractive because of their maderia. Messrs. Blaine, Cabot Lodge, Reed, Hitt, and all the foreigners can be met any pleasant day on their way too rfrom making a call. It is es-pecially pleasant for a statesman to sit behind the tea table with some pretty women and listen to her remarks about is policy and politics in general-a mild sort of dissipation that is much indulged in by our great men. Mr. Blaine is de-voted to driving in the country, and he is often seen in the State Department carriage with one of his daugaters or panion. Cabot Lodge is fond of riding. He owns a magnificent animal and has investigated all the roads in the vicinity. Riding grows in popularity here every year. Most of the society women ride, and cavaliers are in such demand that standing, but who own a decent animal and can sit it well, have been known to rivanity fair. *** The tariff bill will be reported to the *...*

vanity far. $*_{e}^{*}$ The tariff bill will be reported to the House this week, probably as early as Wednesday or Thursday. The bill and the report of the majority of the Ways and Means Committee are now ready, and probably by this afternoon or to-morrow the report of the Democratic majority of the committee will be ready. Mr. Carlisle is now engaged in drawing it up. At one time there had been some intention of submitting a minority bill on the lines of the Mills bill, which passed the House in the last Congress; but that intention has been abandoned. The majority of the Democratis on the committee and three-fourths of the Democrats in the House regard that politics are altogether inadvisable. They are satisfied that the McKinley bill is wholy indefensible and as opnents of that bill merely think they can afford to stand before the country. Some of the leading Democrats regard that done. They believe that sceretary Blaine has had hand in preparing it, and that high at a way they not readily discourag-tive looking to free trade with south and Central America. ***

and thus prevent the complete restora-tion of the Democratic party to power. To the managers of the Republican Na-tional Committee all this is of quite warious Congresses. Some of these their machine with the "fat" fried out of the concern, so long as they can grease their machine with the "fat" fried out of they serve with so much assiduity. But the very desperation of this rotten-foundation on which it rests. While the Republicans may create a brace of States out of Wyoming and Labo in the Rocky $\begin{array}{c}12 \hspace{0.1cm} 50\\1 \hspace{0.1cm} 05\end{array}$ The farmers have a good deal to be shared a most find of the source of state and local taxes and the crushing of State and local taxes and the crushing to manufactures of their protective polices in realistic markets of the work of the source of state share control to the source of state source of the source of state source of state source of state source of the source of the source of state source of state source of state source of the sour 2 00 2 00 250 00 185 00 2 00 3 75 200 00 16 20 288 75 5 65





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