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The Republican papers of Philadelphia have a habit of making frequent allusions to Tammany's alleged misrule of New York, but they haven't been saying much for a month or so past. They are so astounded at the gigantic combination of corruption and fraud in their own town that they find it good policy not to throw stones for awhile.

NEW JERSEY officials do not take much stock in what McLeod or even what the Jersey Central managers say. The report that the latter company had withdrawn from the combine, after being ordered to do so by the court, was welcome news, but it was soon offset by McLeod's swaggering remarks about "fixing things all the same."

It is a well-known fact that Cleveland is a warm friend and a sincere advocate of civil service reform, as was shown by his extension of the service to the postoffice department during his term. Harrison was scarcely inaugurated when he revoked this order, and for nearly four years he and his subordinates have been filling the postal service, including mail agents, letter carriers, etc., with men of his own party.

During last week Washington was overrun with church people from every part of the country. They were there to protest against the proposition to change the law regarding the Sunday closing of the World's fair, and if talk will have any effect upon congressmen it is very probable that the exhibition will be closed.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

COUGHING LEADS TO CONSUMPTION. Kemp's Balsam stops the cough at once. Lane's Medicine Moves the Bowels Each Day. In order to be healthy this is necessary.

Stamp Speaking in the West. It is a report highly creditable to the good sense and intelligence of the rural American voter—the paper in The North American Review, in which Mr. William Dudley Foulke records his experience as a political campaigner in the west. He says that it is certainly true—that it is easy to make the unlettered understand any question of politics if the speaker has the gift of putting it in plain, simple language. That is the orator's highest gift. The colloquial style is the best.

Once Mr. Foulke was at a political meeting at which Senator Sherman spoke. He made no attempt at oratorical display. What he said was clear, quiet and simple. The audience listened to him with attention, but applauded him very little. He was followed by an orator who told a great number of commonplace stories and was uproariously applauded. But Sherman was the man who gained the votes.

Strangely enough, Mr. Foulke, who has spent half his life east and the other half west, believes that the western man—the plain looking farmer and mechanic—understands the economic questions of politics better than the eastern man. The eastern man will detect an error in grammar sooner, but the western man a flaw in argument first. He commends especially the farmers and mechanics of Indiana for their intelligence. But these intelligent people ought to have the grammar too. Open air meetings make the greatest show, but indoor meetings are the ones that convince the voter.

How to Get Good Roads. It cannot be done unless the state governments co-operate in a way to insure uniform effort and expenditure. Perhaps the best way would be to utilize the national government to the extent of attaching a professor of road engineering to the agricultural experiment stations in each state. Bulletins on the best way to make a smooth, hard road would be as profitable as those about the locust borer or the chinchbug. At any rate, it does not matter how the information is circulated, just so the farmer gets it percolated through his brain that he loses in actual cash hundreds of dollars a year because of that horror—the mud road.

A Beautiful Old Age. A little time ago there died at Putnam, Conn., Mrs. Diana Douty, aged almost 103. Other people have lived nearly or quite to her age in these closing years of the Nineteenth century often enough to indicate that the average of human life is lengthening as mankind grows cleaner and kinder.

St. Jackson's Day. Nothing could possibly exceed the satisfaction with which Democrats in general celebrated the seventy-eighth anniversary of the battle at New Orleans, Jan. 8, 1815, in which the British General Pakenham was killed and the British were finally beaten and driven off by the indomitable Andrew Jackson.

The state that will hold the balance of power in 1893 is most likely Texas. This state has in her own borders every climate, shading off from north temperate to tropical. The agricultural products of every other state can be grown in Texas, from wheat to bananas. Texas has fifty-seven counties that are each larger than Rhode Island. Her area is as great as that of all New England, with New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Ohio added.

Let us think of our mobs, riots and lynchings and hang our heads. There is one thing the people of localities where such crimes against law and order are committed should fully understand. A region where mob instead of law reigns cannot become prosperous. The decent people who build railroads, churches and school houses and by their industry add to the prosperity of a community will shun the mob infested regions as they would a cholera hospital as a place of residence.

Colonel Ingersoll says that, on the whole, cannibalism was the best way man ever had of living off his fellow man.

France is believed really to have the most powerful army in the world. But has it any general great enough to lead it?

What is the American national bird? The turkey. What is the American national flower? The corn tassel. This emblem of our greatest agricultural product is as graceful and picturesque an object as art can lay hold of for decorative purposes. Let us see it used for such at the World's fair, carved in wood and stone and painted in wavy, shining luxuriance upon doors, frescoes and panels.

The Congregational churches of England and America celebrate this year a tragic and striking tricenarian. Their church, built upon the principle that each congregation shall be independent and manage and control absolutely its own affairs, selecting always its own pastors, was really founded in 1566. A number of persons were confined in Bridewell prison, London, for heresy.

Jack Tolliner, on his way to the rice plantation, came up just at this moment and took in the whole situation, and while the cat turned and ran off through the jungle, Jack laughed long and loud at Job's fright.—Youth's Companion.

What's in a Name? He was a small boy traveling with his father and mother on a train, and the way in which he warwhooped up and down the car aisle made him a terror to the other passengers.

Elevated Electric Railway. A syndicate of engineers has applied for the privilege of constructing an elevated railroad in Paris to be operated by electricity. The project divides the city into two parts by a line running north and south.

Astronomy and Photography. Modern astronomy is more deeply indebted to the science of photography than the average reader may imagine. Without the aid of the camera and the perfect views it has given us of the bodies "far out in space" our knowledge of celestial geography in the latter part of this the grandest of all the centuries, would be meager indeed.

Animals in the Rain. Horses and cattle never look so miserable as when standing exposed to cold and driving rain. Every field in which cattle are turned loose should have some loose shelter provided, however rough and hardy the stock. If left to themselves in a state of nature they would travel miles to some well known bank or thicket, which would at least give cover against the wind.

Know the Species. Spendall—I gave you that five dollars as a friendly tip. Why do you hand four dollars back? Waiter—I likes to keep everything on a business basis, sah. Gents wot's so very friendly w'en dey has money is apt to come round tryin to borrow w'en dey gets broke.—New York Weekly.

The Right Kind. "When does the ghost walk?" inquired a new actor of the treasurer of a prosperous company. "It doesn't walk at all," responded the treasurer; "it rides. How much do you want?"—Exchange.

Uncle Job McIntosh, an elderly negro who lived not many years ago on one of the Georgia sea islands with his wife Hannah, used frequently to rebuke his wife for her "slooperstishin'."

There are two men in this city who are thoroughly convinced that much good may come out of the perusal of flashy novels. They have been sojourning in state prison for the last five years—one in Sing Sing and the other in Auburn.

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For the Greater United States. At a meeting of the South Norfolk Liberal association on Saturday there was an almost unanimous expression of opinion in favor of the political union of Canada with the United States.

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Would Miss Tenyson's Place. Since Miss Monroe, of Chicago, appeared already laurel crowned and with an ode that she had written herself the bee of poetic ambition has flitted away and now buzzes in the pling hat of the Marquis de Lorne.

Philadelphia's Monument to McClellan. Willard Waldorf Astor has sent to the McClellan association, payable to Governor Pattison's order, a certified check for \$1,000.

Two Ideas of Happiness. An old farmhouse, with meadows wide And sweet with clover on each side; A bright eyed boy, who looks from out The door with woodbine wreathed about, And wishes his one thought all day: "Oh, if I could but fly away From this dull spot, the world to see, How happy, happy, happy, How happy I should be!"

The old city's constant din, A man who round the world has been, Who, mid the tumult and the throng, Is thinking, thinking, all day long: "Oh, could I tread one more The field path to the farmhouse door, The old, green meadow could I see, How happy, happy, happy, How happy I should be!"

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