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For Lieutenant Governor,
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EDITORIAL.

UNITED REPUBLICANS.

Since the Altoona Convention there is abundant evidence that those republicans who expressed, previous to that meeting, dissatisfaction with the head of their own party ticket and hoped that the Democrats would make a nomination which they might at least passively support now see how futile was the expectation of anything commensurate with their desires, and have wisely concluded to work within the party lines. A movement to elect representatives who were not identified with the pernicious measures passed at the last session, and who will be independent in action and considerate of the people's rights, seems to be on the program. Such action ought to win the esteem of all parties. No man should be elected to the Legislature who is not capable of having some voice in the proceedings. We do not necessarily mean blatant oratory, but deliberate judgment and advice, and no man should be re-elected who has not shown himself attentive to the business and with at least some of the qualities of a representative of the people and for the people. A man who has no other or better reason to offer for re-election than that it is party custom is not entitled to the preference. If the people wish their interests conserved they should consider the character and qualifications of those seeking to represent them, and vote accordingly. So long as they will not do this they can kick nothing to better advantage than themselves.

IS IT CONSIDERING?

OUR NEIGHBOR, which is presumably a Democratic paper, and, might therefore be supposed to support that ticket, in its last issue, a week after the Democratic State Convention was held, which would seem to be sufficient cooling time, and also to enable it to gather a stock of opinions from the contemporaries of that ilk throughout the State, carefully refrains from uttering one word in commendation of the ticket, which it perfunctorily places at the head of its column. It gives brief biographical sketches of the candidates, prints the platform, and then, by its utter silence, emphatically says to the party, now go to thunder; paddle your own canoe. It does not even say that the men nominated would make good officials; does not commend, but rather

by its silence, condemns both them and the platform. And yet it claims to be leader of Democratic opinion in the County. The nominations and platform must have been a knock-out blow for it, but perhaps after it recovers its wind it may open its mouth wide and say something. We hope it will not leave the party in this county wholly at sea, without either compass, helmsman or beacon light, for if so, it may land body, soul and breeches on the Republican beach and be forever stranded. While this would be no calamity it might seriously interfere with the presently expressed aspirations of some gentlemen for a seat in the lower house of Congress.

THE DEGLUTINATION ACT.

THE MONROE Democrats swallowed themselves last Saturday night with a ratification meeting. At their convention held a short time ago they denounced the administration for its incompetency, and deplored its hesitating vacillating and uncertain war policy, shouted for Bryan and 16 to 1, and now they meet and vie with each other in ratifying the state platform which pledges a hearty support to the government in an active and aggressive conduct of the war with Spain, and says never a word about silver or Bryan, probably overlooked for political reasons. But then for real Democrats there is nothing inconsistent in the fact that they are on all sides and all around a question at once and most of the time with no convictions which policy and an itching for office will not change in one night.

The Monroe leaders love the nominations and take in the platform, which, as the N. Y. Statesman D. R. Hill, lately emerged from enforced retirement, aptly put it, is made, not to stand on, but simply to get in with.

QUITE ONE-SIDED.

THOSE Democratic newspapers which in times past have amused themselves and the people by their tirades against the Republicans, and which are now emulating each other to praise of the measures which have been mainly adopted by Republican effort, and against the protests and desperate tactics of their own party leaders, for example, the passage of the Hawaiian Annexation Resolution, in the Senate, will need to recover their composure, or they may go headlong into the arms of that Siren. Of what particular use, either to itself or the country, is the Democratic party now anyway? No use conjuring with a name only. Better all come over and make the thing unanimous.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES.

THE DEMOCRATS will make nominations for County officers Aug. 13. So far, but one candidate for Congress, one for Representative, one for Coroner and two for Sheriff are announced. More may be still hunting under cover of the woods, not having the courage to come out in the open, but probably the list is complete, and the untried will go out and quietly entrust their destinies in the hands of the warlike Colonel, the brilliant Representative and the genial and learned Geiger, with a scramble between the two urbane gentlemen for Sheriff, each of them alike competent to add lustre to their party. It is not now our funeral; we are only interested in making one for these gentlemen next November.

Try the Two.

Farmers who want to keep up with the war news and are now too busy to read the daily papers will find the Press and N. Y. Weekly Tribune just the combination to give them all the information. The boys and girls in the family especially ought to read and study the history making events which are now agitating the whole civilized world, and these can be best obtained from reading careful accounts. The two papers for only \$1.65.

Pessimism.

"There is a great deal of difference," she said, with sarcasm, "between the way a man parts with his money before he married and afterward."
"Yes," replied Mr. Pennywise. "Before marriage when he gives her a three dollar bunch of flowers, she says, 'Thank you, George! You are so good and kind and generous!' But after when he gives her three fourths of his salary she merely looks hurt and says is that all."

Plain Americanese.

Capt. "Bob" Evans of the Iowa, makes a brief but pointed speech. When he was returning from the capture of 340 prisoners from the Viscaya, which vessel he had just driven ashore, he replied in answer to an inquiry: "I left the Cristobal Colon far to the westward an hour ago and the Oregon was giving her bell. She has undoubtedly gone down with the others, and we'll have a Fourth of July celebration in Santiago to-morrow."

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, July 11, '98

President McKinley has the whip hand of the situation and he doesn't intend that either talk about peace or the surrender of the Spaniards at Santiago shall interfere with his plans. If the distraction of Cervera's fleet and the Spanish defeats at Santiago have convinced Spain that it is time to look for peace, she must say so. She can accomplish nothing by talking peace unofficially, for through the intervention of other powers. This country does not intend to allow any other country to have any hand either in obtaining peace for Spain or in arranging the terms of peace. Spain can have the terms of peace whenever she chooses to ask for them, and they will not be deviated from, nor will they be offered until they are asked for. Meanwhile the war is going to be pushed. It is expected at the Navy Department that Commodore Watson's fleet, which is going to the coast of Spain, will get started this week, and that, by the first of Aug. it will be heard from by Spain; and the expedition against Porto Rico is to be prosecuted with Santiago as a base of supplies. Gen Miles has gone to Cuba to take command of the campaign.

The war and Post Office departments have adopted a system for the improvement of the mail service to the soldiers. Under this system the quartermaster's department of the army will transport all mail within camp to and from the point of arrival and departure, and battalions and regimental adjutants will be held responsible for the correct distribution of mail. Every military post or camp established will be given a post office immediately, with a postal superintendent in charge. In short nothing will be left undone that will aid in quick and constant communication between the soldiers and their relatives and friends.

Just a plain statement of what was done at the session of Congress just ended, without one word of argument should be ample sufficient to bring about an increase of the republican majority in the next House. It was a business session as well as a war session. Aside from the important war legislation which has met every need of the administration and prepared, so far as possible for its needs for the next six months, and the regular appropriation bills, a just and equitable National bankrupt law was enacted, Hawaii was annexed, and a number of other important laws placed upon the statute books. The total amount appropriated by Congress at the session was \$892,527,991, of which \$361,788,095 was to meet the expenses of conducting the war against Spain.

As a special favor to those who are here in attendance upon the annual convention of the National Educational Association, Secretary Long instructed the Commandant of the Washington Navy Yard, which had been closed to visitors since the war started, to admit members of the Association to the yards and shops. Another unusual courtesy extended to the Association was the opening of the Congressional Library building at night by Librarian Young. This was the first time that the handsome building has been open to visitors at night.

Secretary Long gives the following reasons for the success of the navy in the war—a success never equaled in any war by any navy, involving besides individual ships captured or destroyed, the complete destruction of two Spanish fleets, that of Admiral Cervera having several warships that were as fine as any of their class afloat: First, the skill and mechanical genius of our people in building the best ships; Second, the high personnel of the navy; Third, the foresight of our Naval authorities in liberally spending money for ammunition to be used in target practice; Fourth, the help the Secretary of the Navy had from the Assistant Secretary and the bureau chiefs. It will be remembered that Theodore Roosevelt, who has just been promoted from Lieut. Col. to Col. for gallantry in action before Santiago, was Assistant Secretary of the Navy until after the fighting began. Secretary Long said of his Bureau Chiefs: "When the Navy Department saw that war was approaching, the Bureau Chiefs were called together and told they would be held personally responsible for the efficiency of their various departments. Every reasonable amount of supplies was given them, and they were told that the navy must be put in thorough condition. Not enough credit has been given to these men, who made success possible by having the navy prepared."

Every Eyes a Pledge of Love.
Paris, which is always doing something extraordinary, has devised the ivory eye as a love token. The emblem of the engagement ring as a pledge of the union of hearts is sinking into oblivion in the exchange of eyes. The engagement eye must be an exact reproduction of the individual eye. Every model must give his or her artist at least three sittings to get the right shade and the perfect expression. Then the lover carries his sweetheart's eye around with him as a watchful guard against evil.

Apple Exportation.
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Beer in New Zealand.
The colony of New Zealand offers a ready market for beer. The imports are increasing from year to year, and there is no reason whatever why our brewers should not get a share of this growing trade. The annual imports of beer into New Zealand average about 5,500,000 gallons, which come almost entirely from Great Britain.

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of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations; Representative Ellis, Chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Senator P. Dole, President of the Hawaiian Republic, and W. R. Frear Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Hawaii. Senator Davis, of Minn., would have been chairman of the Commission had his private business not compelled him to decline the appointment.

CHANGES OF THE HEAVENS.

The beautiful Constellation of the Southern Cross is Moving Rapidly Southward.
If Job were to rise from the dead and look upon the heavens, says Prof. T. J. See in the May Atlantic, he would see the constellations related to one another as of old, but he would find that the pole had shifted its position among the stars; and if an immortal could witness the grand phenomenon which the present of 15,000 equinoxes produces, in about 12,000 years he would find the heavens so altered that the former aspect could be recognized only by an understanding of the changes which had intervened. As Humboldt justly remarks, the beautiful and celebrated constellation of the Southern Cross, never seen by the present inhabitants of Europe, and visible in the United States only on our southern coast, formerly shone on the shores of the Baltic, and can again be seen in that latitude about 1500 years hence. The Cross will then be visible on the shores of Hudson's Bay, but at present it is going rapidly southward, and in a few thousand years will be invisible even at the extreme point of Florida. In like manner, the brilliant star Canopus in the constellation Argo, situated some 37 degrees south of Sirius, is now visible in the southern portion of the United States; in about 12,000 it will cease to rise even in Central America. From the same cause, if Ptolemy were to again look upon the heavens at Alexandria, he would be unable to recognize Alpha and Beta Centauri, which he easily saw and catalogued in the time of Hadrian; at present these magnificent stars are just visible at the Pyramids near Cairo, and in a few thousand years they can be seen by dwellers on the Nile only in Upper Egypt.

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Pittsburg—The Iron City.
New Haven—The City of Elms.
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Aberdeen—The Granite City.
Indianapolis—The Railroad City.
Raleigh, N. C.—The City of Oaks.
Chicago—The Garden City.
London—The Modern Babylon.
Baltimore—The Monumental City.
St. Louis—The Mound City.
Boston—The Hub of the Universe.
Brooklyn—The City of Churches.
Brussels—Little Paris. (The name is sometimes applied to Milan.)
New York—Gotham.
Detroit is known as the City of the Straits; Boston, the City of Notions, the Puritan City, the City of Culture, the Modern Athens, and the Hub of the Universe; Philadelphia, as the City of Brotherly Love and the Quaker City; New Orleans, as the Crescent City; Cleveland and Portland, as the Forest Cities; Springfield, Ill., as the Flower City; Rochester, as the Flour City; Hannibal, as the Bluff City; Buffalo, as the Queen City of the Lakes; Pittsburg, as the Smoky City; Keokuk, as the Gate City; Cincinnati, as the Queen City of the West; Bangor, as the Queen City of the East; Nashville, as the City of the Rocks, and Louisville, as Falls City.

Oldest Oak Tree in France.

The oldest tree in France, the St. Bernard oak, at Cunfin, is more than 825 years old, having been planted A.D. 1070, and is mentioned in the "Annales Ecclesiastiques du Diocese de Langres." It measures twenty-two feet in circumference at the collar of the roots, and is forty-two and a half feet high to the first branches. The trunk is hollow, and the wood has nearly all disappeared, leaving little else than the bark, which, too, has been eaten away in spots; one of the holes is large enough to let a man inside. A niche was made in the upper part of the trunk by the cure of Cunfin in 1749, and the statue of the Virgin was placed in it. That was swept away during the revolution, but the old tree still lives.

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