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It would seem that the majority, or the party in power, is much more liable to make mistakes than is the minority. Just now the Republicans are the majority, and they are making lots of mistakes. That in Washington, wherein Mahone, the "Confederate Brigadier," is the ruling power and spirit, is still exciting the interest of the public.

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Very few of the special expert agents who have been charged with making up the statistical details of important branches of the census, says the Baltimore Sun, have as yet reported the results to the census bureau. We have, however a preliminary report on the statistics of cotton manufacturing in the United States by Edward Atkinson, of Boston, and a report on the silk manufacture of the United States by William C. Wyckoff.

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try, will exhibit in the census of 1890 a very large increase in these branches of manufacture over those presented in the census reports now in course of publication. Mr. Wyckoff's report of the silk industry, which has only recently obtained to any prominence in the United States, enumerates 383 silk factories, 258 of which are in New York and New Jersey. Four small factories are set down to Maryland, 49 to Pennsylvania, 28 to Connecticut and 22 to Massachusetts. The total number of looms in use is 8,467, and the total amount of real and personal capital invested in the business \$18,899,500. The 290 factories of New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts produce annually \$27,716,03 of silk goods out of a total product of \$34,410,416. The total yearly sum paid for wages in this new industry is \$9,107,835. This is an excellent exhibit, considering how few years have elapsed since the manufacture of silk goods started in the United States, and that it is at present principally confined to the making of ribbons and trimmings, silk twist and sewing silk.

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An old lady writes us: "I am 65 years old and was feeble and nervous all the time, when I bought a bottle of Parker's Ginger Tonic. I have used a little more than one bottle and feel as well as at 30, and am sure that hundreds need just such a medicine." See advertisement.

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Oscar is very rich, but a little "near." On his wife's birthday he presented her with some beautiful diamond earrings. A few days after they took a boat ride on the river. All at once Oscar, perceiving the costly jewels glistening from his wife's ears, exclaimed: "What a fool you were to wear them on the water! What if you should be drowned?"

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Two sportsmen on the way to the hunting grounds fell into a quarrel over the respective merits of their dogs. The difficulty was so serious finally, that nothing short of a duel would satisfy either. On arriving at the grounds the belligerents were placed and the word was given to fire. At the instant when they pulled their triggers a hare ran between them and received the two bullets in his heart. The duelists, struck by the incident, thought better of their foolishness and, coming forward, congratulated each other on escaping death by a single hare.

B, an humble clerk, comes home with a radiant face. His employers have made him a present of 25 louis. "Ah, how good!" exclaims his wife, "I have been wanting a new dress." "The devil!" groans B. "I saw a lovely one to-day for only 350 francs." "Always the way," "Then I can get a perfect duck of a bonnet for 100 francs." B, groans again. "And I want a new fan—pretty one for 2 louis." "There remain 100 sous," says B. "You can buy yourself a cane with that. It isn't right that I should think only of myself."

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