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DEMOCRATIC OPPORTUNITY.

It is not an unknown experience for the Democracy of this country that its trusted leaders should prove faithless, its prophets dumb, or that it should languish in defeat.

Such has been the condition of the Democracy during the past three years in a majority of the States of the Union. But Democracy is a cause more than it is a party.

It represents the eternal struggle of humanity toward a greater equality of conditions. Hence the party is always strengthened rather than weakened by defeat.

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agricultural overproduction cannot save it. In spite of strenuous efforts to promote gold mining, the selfish policy of cheap products and dear money will add increasing burdens on the shoulders of the toilers of the country.

We learn from a private letter sent to some mutual friends that the yellow fever may become a very serious epidemic in New Orleans. The writer of the letter, now living in New Orleans, was a dear friend to this writer when he lived in Alabama.

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LET "WIFEY" SHOP FOR YOU

She Always Has a Sharper Nose For Real Bargains. The sign which caught Mrs. Dawson's eye read: "Suits \$20. Positively the Last Week. Regular Price \$30."

Mrs. Dawson had the womanly love for a bargain. She had often spent 10 cents' car fare to secure some lovely treasure that was marked down from \$1 to 98 cents just for that day.

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STORY OF A WAR SONG.

The Man Who Composed the Music for "We Are Coming, Father Abraham." The man who composed the music for Whittier's song, "We Are Coming, Father Abraham, Three Hundred Thousand Men," is an old and somewhat decrepit piano tuner, who carries on his business near Window, Minn. His name is A. B. Irving.

One day soon after Lincoln's call for 300,000 more men, Irving, then a young man, was on his way to Defiance, O., from Fort Wayne for the purpose of singing at a political and loyal meeting.

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MY MAMMA'S HANDS.

I wish you'd see my mamma's hands And the things that they can do. She says they're "very ugly ones," But I don't believe that's true. They're pretty, all the same, to me, And mighty clever too.

She says she can't do anything. But I see her work all day. She writes long things on paper. Which she says are "just such pay."

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THE CHILI QUEENS.

Their Thrones Were in San Antonio's Historic Alamo. Their Reign is Ended, but They Ruled Loyally For a Long Time—They Were Especially Gracious to the Tourist From the North and Made It Pay.

When the northern tourist used to strike the town, the first things the patriotic citizen who was doing the honors would proudly steer him up against would be the Alamo plaza chili stand, with its attendant divinity, the fat, famed chili queen.

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COMING!

MARION, MONDAY, OCT. 18.

3 RING CIRCUS MILLIONAIRE MENAGERIE-AQUARIUM AND ROYAL ROMAN. CAPITAL 3,000,000.00. SEATS 10,000 PEOPLE.

Chiquita's eyes sparkle with their most brilliant luster, and with a quick succession of flashing smiles, she uses her red lips and white teeth to good advantage on the tourist while she engages in her usual trade with the citizen.

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Then, when her customers are gone, she goes and sits down in front of one of the steaming kettles, with a lap full of large mouthfuls of chili.

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Our Street Parade at 10 a. m. daily is the finest ever put on the streets.....

NEVER DIVIDES! NEVER DISAPPOINTS!