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A COOL-HEADED REPUBLICAN. The editor of the Philadelphia American, a Republican paper, which is not in the habit of flying off on a tangent, does not think the Republican outlook for electing the next President by any means encouraging. 'It is absurd,' he says, 'to pretend that the result is already certain; it is substantially as absurd to pretend that anyone can now forecast with confidence a Republican success. The chances are very even. The elements of strength are nearly equal. The situation is one of extreme doubt.' To support his assertion he calls attention to the fact that the State of Ohio, necessary to Republican success, is now in the hands of the Democrats who have complete control of the State machinery making it exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, for the Republicans to recover it, a difficulty which is increased by the election of Mr. Payne to the United States Senate, a man of very large means and with higher aspirations than the Senatorship. There is nothing encouraging for the Republicans in Ohio, and not much prospect of carrying New York, and yet if they lose Ohio they will need not only New York but Indiana as well, in which State the Democrats have the leverage now. After referring to the delusive hope among the Republicans that the Democracy might be split upon the Morrison tariff measure, he calls attention to the fact that upon leading questions the Republican party is at sea and drifting about uncertain as to what course to steer, summing up its attitude thus: 'Nor is it encouraging on the Republican side to find so inadequate and so feeble a dealing with questions of great import. The policy of the administration is not that of protection. Mr. Folger's report meant, if it meant anything, a reduction of duties, just as Mr. Morrison's bill proposed. And the effort to secure the ratification of the Mexican treaty, which is that but the beginning of a system which, first dividing its friends, will eventually disrupt the fabric of protection? A treaty with Mexico, following the treaty with the Sandwich Islands, and followed by one with Canada, are all in 'sight,' and these alone, when it is considered what more may be included in the consequences of the Mexican treaty by our engagement to do for other countries what we do for 'the most-favored nation,' commit us to a policy which breaks up the unity of the protective system. With these reduced the control of the people through Congress of the duties on imports will be deeply and perhaps fatally impaired. Yet the administration gives its weight to the Mexican treaty, and Republican journals and Republican Senators - even those who most loudly profess adherence to the tariff-look on indifferently or even aid the work. If the party is united in its convictions, as we believe it truly is, in favor of the principle of protecting American industry, its policy as to details is vacillating and its powers of action distracted. That it will be able to define its own purposes and to concentrate its strength more fully than its opponents, or that it will apply to the questions of the day a higher statesmanship, there is now no conclusive evidence. And yet upon these points will in all probability turn the national result.'

NEWS NOTES. Charles Weeks, the well-known horseman, died on Friday night in New York, of Bright's disease. Dr. J. W. Sherly, a well-known Brooklyn physician, died Friday from an overdose of morphine, taken after the pains of toothache. In New York Saturday Thomas Sullivan was shot three times and fatally wounded by Patrick McGowan during a quarrel over politics. George P. Curry, a banker and cotton manufacturer of Augusta, Ga., has made an assignment. His liabilities are \$200,000, assets nominally \$200,000. Mr T. W. Keene, the tragedian, suffered severe injuries Wednesday evening from a fall through a trap-door at the New Haven Conn. Theatre. The German press says that the submission of the Merv tribes to Russia is worse for England than the disaster in the Sudan. It is believed that Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge will succeed Senator-elect Blackburn, of Ky., in the lower house. He is one of the ablest men in the State. A fac-simile of the diamond necklace of Lady Dudley, of England, has been made by a New York jeweler for a lady of that city. It is worth over \$20,000. Thaddeus Avery cut his wife's throat Friday at Chichester, N. Y., and then himself. Jealousy was the cause. They had only been married about a year, and neither of them was over 21. Police officer Nicholson, of San Francisco, was mysteriously murdered while patrolling his beat Saturday morning. When found blood was flowing from three wounds in his head, made by a pointed, dull edge instrument. Reuben Wood, the champion fly-caster of America, dropped dead from heart disease at Syracuse, N. Y., Saturday night. He was a member of the American staff at the international fisheries exhibition in London in April last. Albert W. Bailey, a Philadelphia collector, who claimed that he was the victim of a highway robbery last week, when he said he was knocked down in the street and robbed of \$371 of his employer's money, has confessed that he planned the scheme himself and spent the money. A dispatch from Pekin says: 'Torpedoes have been placed in the river here. If Bao-Ninh is attacked the members of the French embassy will receive their passports. The approaches to Bao-Ninh are guarded with dynamite.' Archbishop Feehan returned to Chicago Saturday from his visit to Rome. He was welcomed at the railroad station by Mayor Harrison and special representatives from Catholic bodies, and was escorted to the episcopal palace by a procession numbering 25,000 persons. The family of Albert Hammerling, of Minneapolis, Minn., recently after eating some raw ham were taken sick. Mr. Hammerling, his wife, three children and Mrs. Hamnerling's sister were taken to the College Hospital, where the disease was pronounced to be trichinosis. Mrs. Hammerling died on Saturday.

THE PROFITS OF POULTRY. A writer in the Elizabeth City Carolinian concluded to invest a small sum in the poultry business last year, and carefully noting the results, sums up as follows: COST. Paid for chickens.....\$ 3.10 Paid for feed and eggs to set..... 17.22 Total cost.....\$25.32 INCOME. Sold in eggs.....\$15.39 Sold in chickens..... 29.00 Chickens on hand..... 24.00 Total.....\$68.39 Less cost..... 25.32 Profit.....\$43.07 This record does not include the eggs and chickens used in the family, nor the value of the fertilizer deposited by the poultry, worth at least \$3. The conclusion the writer has come to is that the poultry business may be made a 'bonanza.'

Mr. Watterson, of the Louisville Courier-Journal, has prepared a bill which he will present to Congress the object of which is to protect newspapers from having the news which they collect and pay for stolen by other papers which do not collect or pay for it. The proposed measure prohibits the use of this kind of news by other papers for twenty-four hours after it appears. After that time it becomes common property. The object of this bill is to prevent stealing news so extensively indulged in by some papers which boast of their 'enterprise.' It makes the regular lobbyist in Washington as mad as a hornet to see an ex-member of Congress lobbying bills. It is considered as an important invasion of the regular lobbyist's domain.

When William B. Astor died he had 720 houses on his rent roll in New York City. The present number of Astor houses exceeds 1,200, the whole estate being valued at \$50,000,000, producing an income of \$3,000,000 a year.

Mayor King, Democrat, of Philadelphia, not only believes in civil service reform, but insists upon its enforcement. He has prohibited political assessments on members of the police force, and says he will dismiss any policeman who pays one.

Philadelphia Record: Mr. Greeley's specific for an unhealthy surplus of laborers was, "Go West." Changing the direction of advice, it is evidently now the proper thing for the Fall River employers and employees to "Go South." They are too far away from their base of supplies.

The Nashville American states that the handsome sum of \$10,866,000 is invested in manufacturing in the four principal cities of Tennessee. Nashville has \$4,899,000, Memphis \$2,694,000, Chattanooga \$2,679,000, and Knoxville \$2,102,500. It is probable these figures will be doubled in less than five years.

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The leading democrats of Louisville, Ky., are actively working to have that city selected as the place for holding the next national democratic convention. At a meeting Friday a wealthy citizen pledged himself to raise \$25,000 to pay the expense of the convention if Louisville is selected as the place.

Mrs. Emma Wiggins, wife of John T. Wiggins, a prominent undertaker of Rome, N. Y., committed suicide at the Osborne House, Rochester, Saturday morning by shooting herself through the head. She was separated from her husband, who had accused her with undue intimacy with several prominent men and had instituted a suit for divorce.

Gov. Bate, of Tennessee, has resolved about the Supreme Court of that State declare the railroad commission act unconstitutional, to call an extra session of the Legislature for the purpose of passing a bill devoid of the objectionable features. He says he is determined to have a railroad law.

The House committee on postoffices and post-roads Saturday agreed to report favorably a bill amending the section of the Revised Statutes authorizing the Postmaster-General to stop the delivery of registered mail or money orders to fraudulent lottery companies by striking out the word "fraudulent," and thus including all lottery companies in its provisions. The committee also directs Representative Bingham to report a bill fixing the rate of postage on second-class matter mailed by other than the regular publishers at one cent per four ounces.

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