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VEINS AND REVIEWS.

The new Pullman palace cars are very luxurious, costing each \$15 000. Ordi nary passenger cars cost \$4,000; draw ingeroom cars, \$8,000; mail and baggage cars, \$2,000; box cars, \$400.

A man at Dutch Flat, Cal., picked up a rock the other day to throw at a cow. The weight of it attracted his attention, and on examination it was found to contain over a bundred dollars in gold.

Prince Bismarck gets low, and says that not all his great doings have made himself and others any the happier; and old Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough, who is gorged with gold and weighted down with honors, recently wrote of herself to Lady Mary Wortley Montague as a most miserable being

A St. Louis boy was delighted when a fine, six-bladed knife dropped down to him apparently from the sky. Wrapped around it was a paper on which was written "We are fastened in the dome; for heaven's sake belp us out.' 'Two girls house, and closed a self locking door.

A wild story is current in Owingsville, Ky., of a man floating over the place in the air. Several persons declare that they saw extravagant gestures awhile, and then rishad let himself down by a rope from his balloon, which the startled spectators failed to see, in the hope of effecting a landing.

Samuel Shook got married at Hillsboro, Onie, and took his bride to the home that he had prepared. Two rowdies of the neighborhood, desiring to play what they conceived to be a good joke on the husband, broke into the house that night while he was asleep, and carried off the wite, frightening her into silence by brandishing pistols. They hid her for three days, and theoreturned her to the anxious Mr. Shook. They said they meant no harm, but he refuses to regard the exploit as fun, and has had them arrested.

The quantity of silver obtained in 1878 from British mines was 397,471 ounces. and most of the precious metal was found in combination with lead. The total value of the silver thus obtained in the year in question was estimated at £88 .-296 19s. 6d. In the same year the gold found in + ritish mines weighed 702 ounces 16 lwts. 8 grs., and estimated to be of the value of £2.848 15s, 24, Nearly all this British gold-namely, a fraction over 697 ounces-vas procured in Wales.

A woman calling herself the Queen of Cure is doing an enormous business in the Southwest, particularly among the pegroes. She rides in a discarded circus chariot, wearing velvet and spangles, and accompanied by a band of music. She has the reputation among the credulous of possessing miraculous powers of healing, and multitudes flick to her wherever sie goes. She makes no charge for her services, but sails vast quantities of a lini nent, to which she ascribes marvellous curative qualities.

During the procession on Lord Mayor's Day a large stone was thrown into the carriage of the retiring Lord Mayor. A similar attention was once paid to George | cheer, but do not inebriate." III, when going to open Parliament, and he picked up the stone and presented it to the Master of the Horse, seated opposite, as a proof of the affection of his subjects. The royal State carriage is provided with bullet-proof shutters, which can be adjusted by a spring; but the King, whose courage was never questioned, would not use them.

The population of the globe may be roughly assumed at 1,421,000,000, divid 8 24,000,000; Africa, 199,000,000; Ocean i:a, 4,000,000; America, 85,000,000. It his been calculated from the mortality tables of known countries that the annualnumber of deaths throughout the world is 85,693,350, or that, in other words. 97,790 persons die every day. On the other hand, the balance of population is more than kept up by births at the rate of 104,800 per day. Seventy new lives are ushered in every minute of the twenty-four bours.

Persons apparently in connection with the German Government repeat in the German press that the Russian troops stationed in Poland and Lithuania have within the fast few months been increased to something like 500,000 men. Onehalf of these are stationed in the kingdom of Poland, taking in flank the provinces of East Prussia, West Prussia, Silesia, and Posen, the other half being distributed between Riga and Kieff. According to the Molva, the leading financial paper of Russia, the last Eastern campaign sost the Cz ir 1,500,000 000 roubles and 200,-000 livres. This is nearly twice as much as had been hitherto assumed.

THE COLORED EXODUS.

The exodus of the colored people has now begun in North Carolina, and Indi ana is the Eldorado. An invoice of two hundred and twenty-five of the poor de luded beings arived in Washington, P. C, a few days since en route to this new home. They were principally from Lenoir county, in this State, and a majority of them had expended all their means when they had reached the Capitol. These were of course obliged to remain, depend ing upon the charity of the ditizens to keep them from actual starvation. About 1,-500 of them started for this newlyfound promised land, but got no further than Goldsboro when their funds became exhausted and they could not continue

These who reached Washington were sui jeted to the interviewing process by a l'ost reporter, and of course they had a ready-made tale of outrage to justify their removal from North Carolina But, among other things, it was ascertained that they had been promised a bonus of forty dollars, their expenses paid to Indiana and s :venty-five cents a day guaranteed them as wages during the winter months and until they can make regular arrangements for the next year's labor.

It is hoped by the Republican leaders in the movement that this exodus may be kept up until enough are colonized in Indiana to assure that State to the Republicans in the election next fall. It may had assembled to the top of the court prove successful, though we very much doubt it. But, one thing is assured by the movement-and that is one which should receive the most earnest and emphatic protest of every philanthropist in him. A woman describes him as making the country—which is, that the colored people, who are made the dupes of these ing out of sight. One theory is that he designing political leaders, will be obliged was Wise, the missing serocaut; that he to endure unto'd and unutterable cruelty and suffering They are going to a climate Republican ranks. The Democrats unsuited, and to a sort of labor with which they have no acquaintance, what- they are more than likely to come to ever. Many of them are inherently lazy and while such may manage to exist, after a fashion, in North Carolina, in In diana work is the only remedy for star-

NOT THAT SORT OF A TAX.

The proposition of Mr. Hayes and Mr. Sherman to impose a tax on tea and coffee, says the Washington Post, is not the least remarkable of their numerous unpopular suggestions. It is coming in for just condemnation in all journals, except those so thoroughly committed to the Administration as to bave no views of their own. Bitter denunciation is the greeting it gets from many Republicans in the House, and there are Republican Senators who do not hesitate to characterize it as unwise and impolitic.

It is a universally admitted principle of taxation that no tax shall be laid on the necessaries of life so long as such a course can be avoided 1: is on y in great emergencies that any government is justi fied in imposing an import duty on articles of universal consumption. So long as the needful revenues can be raised by the taxation of luxuries they are to bear the burden. As a matter of course, the Post would prefer free trade, in the full sense of the term, but as that is not attainable at present, si must be content with the advocacy of justice in the matter of duties. And there would be neithefojustice nor expediency in carrying into effect the suggestion of Messrs. Hayes and Sherman relative to these beverages of the poor-these "drinks that

There is no pretense of an emergency calling for unusual measures, no pretense of an emergency of a y kind. The revenues are ample for all purposes. Last year we had an exc ss of six millions of receipts over expe ditures and Mr. Sherman estimates that the revenues for of his oppressor. As an American the current year will exceed expenditures by \$11,000,000. Where, then, is the necessity for imposing an additional butden on the poor? They are already loadel thus: Europe, 309,000,000; Asia, el with more than their share of the general contribution to the National ex chequer. Why increase the cost of tea and coffee when, according to Mr. Sherman, we are to have \$11,000,000 more of revenue than the sum total of ex-

The answer to this inquiry is that Mr. Hayes and his Cabinet desire to wipe out the National debt more rapidly than will be possible on the existing basis of income and outlay. Now, we are not among those political economists who look upon debt, either National or personal as a blessing; but we well understand that a remedy may be worse than the evil for which it is prescribed. The taxpayers of the United States are not in such a hurry to cancel our public debt as te approve of extraordinary and op- Bitters. Irregularities and obstructions pressive methods of raising money for of your system are relieved at once, while that purpose. The present generation has borne immense burdens. It will give to posterity a magnificent inheritance, even if the estate shall be incumbered with comparatively insignificant debt. The country would have thought less unkindly of Measrs. Hayes and Sherman if

instead of this strange proposition, they

had sent in a list of worthless offices to be abolished as a means of increasing the net income.

A KILKENNY CAT FIGHT.

The 'disorder and demoralization in the Democratic ranks," is not so much of a boom for the Ridicals after all. The term at this time will apply more readily to the Rerublicans than the Democrats. They are divided and that, too, as a que: t on which allows of much latitude on either side. Mr. Hayes assumes to be a financier and so makes such suggestions in his message as arouses the re and the antagonisms of John Sherman and his friends. A kilkenny cat fight is the resuit and the "disordered" and "Jemoralzed' Democrats, who are, we hope, willing to let the money question settle tself this session, are quiet but not dis nterested spectators of the fun. "When rogues fall out honest men will get their dues," and this is the principle on which the Democrats are willing to stand by and cry, "hands off." As the Wash ngton Post so pertinently says:

The Democrats, controlling Congress, are possessed of the only power that exists to shape legislation. With reference to really important matters this authority must be exerted. In the present instance, however, it is well to allow the Repulslicans in both House and Senate to make the first move in respense to the financial recommendations of the Administration. The Democratic policy on this subject is to simply observe the statu quo Former hard money and soft money men are united in the belief that further tinkering with the currency is a proceeding to be frowned upon and deprived of all encouragement. For them to permit themselves to be divided again would be to commit a grave blunder. The Republicans should be allowed to attend exclusively to the suggestions of the de facto President and Secret ry of the Treasury There is no call for Democratic interference. A grand fight is in progress in the on. It will cost them nothing to do this If they take a hand in the disturbance financial greif.

> For the Review. The Democratic Party.

MR. EDITOR:

The circumstances and trials of life are the tests of what stuff men and parties are made. In all the ups and downs of parties and amid all the changes and vicissitudes of the last two decades and longer, the old WIL-MINGTON JOURNAL has steadily maintained that uncompromising Demecratic orthodoxy, that sheds such a bright halo and political radiance around its honored name and history. And now, when a temporary, and only a temporary, cloud has arisen across the Democratic horizon, your own continuous and outspoken appeals and warnings to Democrats not to waver nor to falter in Democratic devotion, show anew that you are the worthy and valiant successor of the Fulsons A. L. Price, Joseph A Engelhard and William L Saunders in the able and unfaltering support you are giving to Democratic principles The mantle General Debility, that was so truly and nobly worn by these former Editors of the paper that you have since and are now running, has fallen upon firm and consistent Democratic shoulders in the person of youself. These remarkes are now made in simple justice to you because some Democratic papers, and a few Democrate, are now and then to be seen, of late, to be either inclined to yield somewhat to what is called the Grant boom in the South, or else are performing such a wishy-washy course in the perils that now surround us as cannot but damage the Democratic party. The Democratic party of North Carolina is with you in your bold denunciations of Grantism, and there never was a time when true Democrats should be more decided than now in resisting the intrigues and encroachm nts upon the Scu h of all those who are seeking to disintegrate the Denocracy of the South by praises of Grant Any Democrat who now allows himself to be seduced into the support of Grant as the next President, is doubly dangerous and injurious to our party and as a Southern man licks the hands citizen the South is solid and will be solid in feeling for and treating him with all proper respect, but the South is, and will be, equally solid and And stimulates the torpid Liver, Bowels, patriotic in voting against bim or and Kidneys to healthy action, in cleansfor the Presidency. Those memorab'e parting new life and vigor to the whole words of his "Let us have peace, are still ringing in the ears of the Southern people as they remember the oppressions and injustice, and burning wrongs of his Radical administration of eight cruel years to our em poverished people of the South. All efforts now to woo and win their support of him for President will not on y be futile but will more certainly make the South solid against him.

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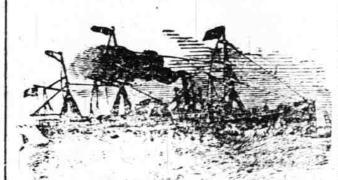
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