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EDITORIAL THOUGHTS.

They say that his leg is the only wooden thing about Henderson, the next Speaker of the House.

The Church is not always the path to Heaven, nor the penitentiary the highway to perdition.

It is said to be safer to put your riches in trusts than to put your trust in riches.

The more Cuban "plots" there are the longer Old Glory will fly over the island. Uncle Sam is a bad man to plot against.

There are certainly drawbacks to wedding tours in an automobile, even if a Columbus, Ohio, couple did make one.

President McKinley isn't the first President to decline to try to arrange his Cabinet to please his newspaper opponents.

Long Branch is getting to be known as the American Monte Carlo, from its palatial gambling establishments. Yet, gambling is illegal in New Jersey.

It is a pity to spoil a nice little democratic story, but it is a fact that every New Yorker recommended by Gov. Roosevelt for a commission in the Philippine volunteers was appointed.

Private John Allen is accumulating tip-top material for some new stories, even if he fails to get elected to the Senate.

Senator White, of California, has been placed among the possible candidates for the Presidential nomination by the anti-Bryan democrats.

Those who are seeking a new name for this country are suffering from their inability to recognize a good thing when they see it. The old name is good enough.

Miss Helen Gould is to receive another medal—from the enlisted men of the Sixth Ohio Regiment, to whom she furnished cots while they were in Cuba.

American ship-building is having a continuous boom. A new ship-yard, to cost \$3,000,000 is shortly to be established near Philadelphia.

Democratic principles are like the old fashioned jointer leg, they can be adjusted to stand upon a platform in any position from a plain to a perpendicular.

Johnnie McLean might as well throw away his money in the purchase of the democratic nomination for governor of Ohio as in any other way.

Things have reached the stage that Mr. Bryan entertains doubt of the loyalty to him of every prominent democrat, and there appears to be ground for the doubt.

Perhaps it is because he realizes that there is nothing else in politics for him that Mr. Bryan insists upon being paid \$200 in advance for every political speech he makes.

It is already plain that many Kentucky democrats cannot be induced to swallow Goebel and his methods, while the republican support of Taylor appears to be solidifying daily.

When you hear one of those little know-it-all democrats saying that Protection is the mother of trusts, just ask the young rooster who was the mammy of those soup houses that sprang up under democratic rule.

The late democratic convention at Louisville has been ironically termed "the Blue Grass Peace Conference."

The speed with which volunteers are enlisting for the Philippine regiments shows how popular President McKinley's Philippine policy is with the people.

Here is a prosperity note from Chicago. A canvass shows that 30,000 more men are employed in that city than two years ago, and they receive an average of 10 per cent. raise in wages.

They will be calling him fool-Atkinson if he gets up a few more crack-brained schemes like his attempt to organize the negro vote of the country against expansion.

That General Miles is wiser than some of his fool-friends was shown by his having acted as Secretary of War for three days without attempting to make any trouble.

Some of the offers made to editors seem to take it for granted that they are always waiting to be buncoed, when in reality the most of them know a bunco scheme at sight and never fail to toss it into the waste basket.

Mr. Bryan is preparing for another incursion of the "enemy's country." He will endeavor to do for the entire East what ex-Gov. Hogg did at the Tamany meeting—stampede the opposition to his nomination.

Congressman Wilson, of S. C., said the other day: "Though I am a democrat, I am rejoiced at the prospective election of Col. Henderson to the speakership, and I believe this sentiment will be general among Southern Representatives."

"Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed" is the way the democrats start out in their argument against the present war in the Philippines. But if you were to bring out such argument as that in opposing the North Carolina Constitutional amendment before a democrat he would rise up on his hind legs and squall "nigger" till his eyes would stand out like a bull-frog's with a saw log on his back.

Germany acquired the Caroline Islands solely for military purposes. This has been made plain by the publication of the treaty under which the islands were bought, which guarantees to Spain all of the commercial, religious, and naval privileges that Germany will enjoy in those islands.

Some of the democratic editors of this state desire to see the N. C. Press Association organized into a democratic shebang. Perhaps if enough of these editors ever get to heaven to effect an organization they will demand a good sized lot railroaded off for them with the tree of life in the center.

Women will be obliged to give their correct age in the coming census. The new law says: "Women who refuse to tell their age or indulge in inaccurate statement thereof, as well as all other persons refusing to reply to questions or making false statements shall on conviction, be fined one hundred dollars."

The republicans of Kentucky nominated General Taylor for governor on the first ballot. The nomination was by acclamation and the convention was harmonious. Goebel was nominated by the democrats on the 27 ballot and the convention was a pandemonium on earth. Taylor represents a cause and a party that demands that every man shall be heard in the exercise of his right at the ballot box. Goebel is the father of an election law in Kentucky that is the embodiment of all the shrewd rascality and partisan taints that the diabolical imagination of a gang of hungry democratic pie hunters were capable of commanding. The fight is between the people on one side and the force bill on the other. Let the voter take his choice.

The demmy papers think they deal McKinleyism a staggering blow when they announce that about 35,000 drummers have been thrown out of work through the formation of trusts and about 25,000 more have had their salaries reduced. It's, no doubt, very excruciating to the sensitive feelings of the demmy editors to contemplate the awful humiliation

and disgrace it will bring upon some of these poor drummers to have to hang their grips and starched shirts on a willow tree and go to work for a living. Yes, the shock is so overwhelming that they completely overlook the fact that, as the direct result of McKinleyism and Protection, over three million wage workers have had their wages increased and over two million idle hands have been given work. Bray on, ye inimical disciples of Dogberry; there's nothing the matter with Hanner.

When such staunch democrats as Senator Morgan begin to "deny the divinity of Bryan" it begins to look like there was a dead nigger in the woodpile somewhere.

The London Economist says there are now 187 trusts in Free-Trade England. Of course we all know that the Protective Tariff of the United States is the mother of the last one of them.

The Poetry of Protection.

Just a little dollar, on its mission sent, makes a lot of people glad each time the coin is spent. You pay it to the butcher, for meat to give you strength; he takes it to the grocer from whom it goes at length, some pretty bit of cloth or lace his better half to buy, or helps to get her winter hat to make her rival sigh. The dry goods man sends on the coin to pay his market bill, and though the coin is often spent, it stays a dollar still, and every time 'tis spent at home, some act of good is done in "booming" local industries, ere setting of the sun.

But if you take the shining coin and break the local chain, the chances are that from afar 'twill not return again. If once it passes out of town, the butcher and the baker, the grocer and the dry goods man, the cook, the undertaker, the carpenter, the carriagewright, the blacksmith, every one, will lose the chance to touch that coin ere setting of the sun.

Just keep the little coin at home, just keep it moving well, and every time it changes hands somebody's goods 'twill sell. That single little dollar has thus a wonderful power to make somebody better a dozen times an hour. It pays the bill and wards off ill, and ne'er its power relaxes to soothe the doctor, buy the coal and pay for clothes and taxes.

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