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### HELLO THERE!

Look Here, Brother: If you are not already a subscriber to the Yellow Jacket, consider this copy an invitation to become one. Read this paper over carefully and if you like it, mail us 50 cts. for a year's subscription. The Y. J. each week will contain something good, and each succeeding issue will get better if it can be made so. Being a firm believer in the principles of Lincoln, Grant, Garfield and McKinley, the Y. J. will ever be found contending for the rights and liberties of the people. We would not only like to have you become a subscriber, but we would also be glad to have you do a little missionary work for us among your Republican friends and neighbors. You can reach those that we can't. Take this copy when you go out from home and tackle every Republican you meet and don't let up on him till you have secured his subscription. By so doing you will not only be doing us a great favor, but you will also be aiding us in reaching the people, and helping to present the facts of Republicanism, which only need to be known by the people to make the Republican party so harmonious and invulnerable that the tribes of Bryan, the world, the flesh and the devil can't overthrow it at the polls next November.

You will experience no difficulty in finding several of your neighbors who will take the paper, so try to make us up a club of 5 or 10. If you can't get up a club, then send along your own subscription and try the club later. The Y. J. is not local, but circulates over all the states and preaches the republican gospel in the interest of common sense and as seen from the laboring man's standpoint. Now this is about all. You send along the subscriptions and help do the circulatin' and we will do the preachin'. Read instructions at top of this column, before remitting.

## STINGS.

"Here's your Topeka Capital. All about prohibition being good and war wicked."

Democratic statesmanship to-day is a species of 18th century skunk cabbage, run up to seed.

Jeff Davis is a democratic candidate for Governor of Arkansas. The name sounds familiar.

Bryan like most democratic orators is afflicted with a diarrhoea of words and a constipation of ideas.

Rev. Sheldon has succeeded in every detail but one of his experiment. He hasn't made a "news" paper.

Senator Hoar is hard at work defending Aguinaldo. Why doesn't he take a day off and defend Hoar?

The silent eloquence of the gold standard bill will outweigh a good deal of noisy talk this fall.

The democrats may congratulate themselves on the fact that Japan settled the gold question two years before the United States did.

There is more honesty in the wag of a 'possum dog's tail than there is in all those long-winded wails about "imperialism."

If Republicanism is demoralizing as some democratic organs assert, we say then let us have more and more demoralization. It's good for our systems.

The surest and best way to prevent the democrats from afflicting the country with bad legislation is defeat all their candidates at the ballot box.

Mr. Croker is doubtless troubled a good deal with his broken leg, but we hazard the guess that there are other things causing him more concern just now.

It is to be hoped that the Rev. Mr. Sheldon does not make his sermons as dull as he made the Topeka Capital during the week that he published that paper.

Having become recently possessed of both a valet and an automobile, the Hon. Joe Sibley found the Democratic party just a little behind the times and got out.

The Bryanites seem to be afraid that the gold democrats will control the Kansas City convention. There is no such good fortune as that ahead of the democratic party.

**QZZJX** Does not spell anything, but what we started out to say was this: Do not send postage stamps on subscriptions to the Y. J.; and when you send Money Orders, have them drawn on Wilkesboro, N. C. Moravian Falls is not a M. O. office.

The republican and democratic parties are both levelers, but they don't work alike. Republican policies level business up, and democracy levels business down.

As a party of jumpers and straddlers the dems can't be beat. There is not a question of any importance they have not been on both sides of and straddled in the last 10 years.

The distressing intelligence has been conveyed to us that the passage of a Porto Rican tariff bill will give an extension to the official life of the Hon. Richard F. Pettigrew.

Rev. Mr. Sheldon will take the lecture platform, in order to try to realize on his big free advertising. We trust he will not say that he is doing as Christ would have done.

You might as well try to fatten a fan mill by running oats thru it as to please the democratic leaders. A set of men who can't agree upon anything they do themselves needn't be expected to agree with the doings of other men or parties.

When the National House of representatives the other day threw overboard William A. Young, Democrat, of the 2nd Virginia district, and seated Richard A. Wise, Republican, it decided that it was better to be Wise than Young.

Senator Hoar's generous proposition to give ex-Queen Liliuokalani a pension of \$10,000 a year has been very properly sat upon. Just what distinguished service this interesting woman has done to entitle her to a place on the national pension roll is something that Mr. Hoar entirely fails to explain.

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The \$2,000,000 appropriation passed by the republicans over democratic opposition, will go far to alleviate the situation in Porto Rico and to show that the republicans are striving to find some means of helping the island without injuring the United States.

In 1892 the people were so engrossed in their prosperity that they forgot themselves and voted for Clevelandism, and so they got Clevelandism straight from the shoulder. They should remember these things when election day rolls around this year and vote for the party "from whence cometh our help."

If Bryan is really going in for an anti-expansion platform he ought to secure Aguinaldo as one of the special attractions at the Kansas city convention July 4. With the "George Washington of the Philippines" to listen to the reading of the Declaration of Independence, the show ought to be a howling success.

Advices from South Dakota indicate that the people out there are preparing to give the ridiculous Pettigrew an indefinite term in the deep cool shades of private life. This arrangement will command the cordial approval of pretty much every citizen of the United States, except Pettigrew himself.

It nearly always makes us smile when we open a letter from T. W. Henritze, of Lebanon, Va. We have over a dozen agents in Russell County, Va., but Mr. Henritze excels any of them in the number of subs. he sends us. Mr. Henritze is a hustling subscription agent and is stuffing his section full of Yellow Jackets.

President McKinley has succeeded in pulling this country entirely out of the mire into which Grover Cleveland pitched it and it is the paramount duty of every republican to help keep it out by keeping Bill Bryan out of the President's chair and all his hot-headed heelers and finical followers out of Congress.

Republican Senators from the middle west have asserted positively that Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin will all be doubtful next fall if Congress imposes a duty on Por-

to Rico. Senator Platt, of Conn., asserts that his state will be doubtful if Congress doesn't impose one. Which does the republican party prefer to lose?

If it be fair to judge by the little scrape at Lincoln, right under Mr. Bryan's nose, so to speak, the middle-of-the-road populists of Nebraska are going to make trouble for the dem-pop combine this year.

The Republicans in the House have gone to the root of the matter by proposing an amendment to the Constitution giving Congress the power to deal with trusts. Even Col. Bryan admitted the need of such an amendment recently, though it is probable that he will now denounce the Republicans for advocating it.

Some of our subscribers complain that recently they don't receive the Y. J. until several days after its usual date of arrival, and ask us to explain the cause. The reason for this delay is that Y. J. has outgrown the present facilities for carrying the mail from Moravian Falls to the R. R. mail. Last weeks issue of the Y. J. could not be moved from Moravian Falls, until Monday following the day of its publication which is on Thursday. We hope to soon see better arrangements made for carrying out our mail to the R. R. If this is not done we shall move our whole shebang to the R. R.

Colorado republicans who have supported Mr. Bryan on the free silver issue are gradually returning to the party fold, the most recent to do so being Mr. Isaac N. Stevens, who served as vice-chairman of the National Silver Committee in 1896. Mr. Stevens is done with the free coinage nonsense: it is time, he says, for republicans to stop fighting one another, and consequently he follows the example of Senator Wolcott by coming back to the old party to stay. The argument of prosperity has played havoc with the cause of Bryanism in Colorado. The enormously increased gold production of the State has taken all the force out of the free silver dogmatism and if it continues to grow, as seems morally certain, it will surprise nobody to see Colorado again lined up in the republican column next fall.