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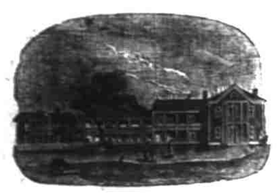

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### EDITORIAL NOTES.

"Do thyself no harm."

HON. S. S. COX is warmly advocated for Mayor of New York.

THE English Duke of Cumberland has refused the Bulgarian crown.

IT is supposed that Mr. Blaine sailed for New York on last Wednesday.

THE canvass of the State is progressing to the satisfaction of the Democratic party.

OBLIGATIONS of patriotism can not be transferred. Every man must do his duty.

EVERY Democrat should work as if the success of his party depended on his individual action.

IT is proposed to build a bridge across the English Channel, between England and France.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has returned from a short vacation, and is now at the White House.

THE greatest danger to the Democracy both in the State and the nation is over confidence.

A VOLCANIC eruption has occurred in Japan, destroying several villages and killing 1,000 persons.

A CHILES, sulking in his tent was a greater foe to Greece than Hecter on the field with all Troy in arms.

THE Pope of Rome is suffering from the effects of disordered liver. He is rapidly losing flesh, and experiences severe pains.

Let us attempt great things and expect great things. Allen G. Thurman, the defender of labor and the champion of the people, opens his canvass in Michigan.

REMEMBER that it is the continuous performance of duty that ensures reward. Do then your duty. Do it now. Goethe says:

"The present moment is a powerful duty."

IT now seems that the Bulgarian throne will be vacant for a considerable period. No prince of high family and real merit, will accept a place of such questionable honor and certain danger.

WE believe Cleveland and Thurman will be elected. Republicans believe Harrison and Morton will be the successful candidates. Much depends upon the work done, and we must see to it that every man does his duty.

HON. S. S. COX declines to enter the race for Mayor of New York. He says: "Such a position would be foreign to my tastes. My place is in Congress. I am fitted for that and will be a candidate for re-election."

THE pretense that factories, workshops, and mills are closing because of the passage of the Mills bill in the House is all nonsense. The money kings know very well that the bill will not pass the Senate.

INTELLIGENCE comes from St. Louis that the manufacturers of jute bagging have formed a pool or trust, and that the price of the article has been advanced from seven to eleven cents per yard, equal to $200,000 per annum to consumers.

ON last Friday, July 27th, President Paul of Venezuela sent a cablegram to President Cleveland saluting him on the occasion of opening telegraphic communication between Venezulea and the United States. Secretary Bayard cabled back a complimentary message.

ONE hundred and twenty members of the Chamber of Deputies have signed a memorial requesting that a meeting of French and English Commoners be arranged to be held in Paris on October 22d, in order to stimulate public feeling in favor of French, British and American arbitration.

THE Democratic Convention of the second congressional district will meet at Wilson on the 10th of August to nominate a candidate for Congress. Hon. F. M. Simmons will doubtless be nominated. No man in Congress has made a better record, and his nomination will be ratified by the people in November.

THE membership of the Southern Society in New York has attained such important proportions that there is a plan contemplated to secure a permanent location for meeting purposes and social enjoyment. The number of ex-Confederates resident is remarkable, and they occupy leading positions in all the social and commercial avenues of life.

IT having been suggested that the President would probably withdraw the fisheries treaty from the present consideration of the Senate, the Secretary was approached on the subject and said emphatically that it would not be. He stated that the Senate must take the full responsibility of its duty in the matter, and added "Its rejection would be a crime."

THE Secretary of the National Association of Democratic Clubs reports numerous accessions to the list. This is especially the case in the Western States where the farmers and the working men are beginning to understand that, under the Federalist system of tariff robbery, all their profits are being constantly transferred to the monopolists.

MR. FREDERICK W. WHITRIDGE, editor of the Social Science Review, of New York, has published a strong letter in which he gives his reasons for withdrawing from the Republican and uniting with the Democratic party. We quote a single sentence: "Democracy has to habilitated itself with new ideas, new methods of action, new and better conceptions of government, while Republicanism is still engaged with the war of the Rebellion."

SOME Democrats may be over-sanguine in their estimates of party strength, but we have heard of no Democrat who does not believe General Alger is the weakest candidate the Republicans could put up. Every indication points to the defeat of Harrison, and the double majorities in the Northern and Southern States. The only doubtful State North is New Jersey, for the strength of the prohibition vote for General Fisk cannot be estimated. I am certain New York State will go Republican, and I can answer for the Democratic Michigan to the Republican standard.

THERE are those who claim that there is a decline of duty in society. We do not believe this. In certain places of power we find much to saddle and discourage, but take the world as a whole we see that it is growing better. It will not do to make sweeping generalizations founded on limited observation. Homer lamented that his people were not physically the equals of men living in his day when really they were superior. Men there are now who think that the former days were better than ours, and that there is no progress; that virtue, truth, noble spirit and equity are declining. It is not true. The world is steadily advancing.

### TRUSTS.

On yesterday a gentleman said to us, "tell us in plain words what is a 'Trust.'"

"Trust is a very comprehensive, but behind it lurks the most gigantic of monopolies. There is a trust. Some, or a majority, of the great leading manufacturers of a staple article, tired of competing with one another for the patronage of the public, and wishing to obtain a more perfect control of the great interests in which they are engaged, come together and form a company, or 'trust,' in which all their respective individual interests in the particular business of the company composed of themselves, and take in return a proportionate amount of common stock." The trust thus formed becomes a close and gigantic monopoly, whose first step is to crush out, by underselling, all competitors who have refused, or have not been allowed, to enter it. Its second step is to raise the price of its products just as high as it suffering public will bear. It then goes on from one step to opposition, until it is a supreme power of opposition.

A man who has made money has idol is essentially in the higher emotions of his nature. The elements of his being, which once responded to every appeal of suffering humanity, have been eradicated, or lie dormant under the influence of the most powerful of soul narcotics. If this is true of an individual, what can be said of a company of such persons who have combined in an absolutely soulless corporation."

Trusts are contrary to public policy. Well may they say

"We've pent up Africa contracts our powers,
The whole boundless universe is ours."

America has been prolific of trusts, and wherever they are found they crush out enterprise, bankrupt communities, and

"Look exulting on the ruin they have made."

We have sugar trusts, lumber trusts, iron trusts and steel trusts—all of them are steel trusts—and wherever they exist is "the pestilence that walketh in darkness and the destruction that wasteth at noon day."

A high protective tariff is the prolific mother of trusts. They are nursed in her arms, and nourished at her breast. Trusts can no more exist under a legitimate tariff for revenue than darkness can prevail amid the full orbed splendors of a meridian sun.

### GOVERNOR PORTER'S WITHDRAWAL.

To our mind the most significant occurrence of this campaign is the withdrawal of Governor Porter from the gubernatorial contest in Indiana.

It must be admitted that he is the most popular Republican in the State. During the Chicago Convention it was asserted that Porter would be a candidate for Governor, and it was claimed that with Harrison as the candidate for President, and Porter running for Governor, Republicans would be invincible in Indiana.

In assuming as Harrison was nominated because of his supposed ability to carry Indiana with the assistance of Porter, the positive declination of the Governor is a great surprise, and awakens earnest enquiry as to the meaning of the sudden revolution.

The causes which have induced this action are believed to be Governor Porter's dissatisfaction with the Republican platform, and the very evident hostility of the labor element to General Harrison's candidacy.

We were prepared for marvelous revelations in the West, but we never looked forward to an hour like this. Porter is not willing to carry Harrison in Indiana. It looks like an unconditional surrender to the Democracy.

All along McDonald, Voorhees, Gray and other leaders have asserted that Indiana is Democratic by more than ten thousand majority. But now there is no estimating the majority. It is admitted that Cleveland and Thurman are stronger than their party, and it really seems that the Republican party is falling to pieces in Indiana.

Of course Republicans will find some excuse for the withdrawal of Porter, other than the weakness of Harrison, or the unpopularity of the Chicago platform. Already it is said that Porter is tired of politics; that he is rich and devoted to literature. But it cannot be forgotten that the Republican plan of campaign was to make Indiana sure by the candidacy of Porter, and that now, when the battle is joined, he refuses to carry the Republican flag. Already we have met the enemy and they are ours.

### POLITICAL POINTERS.

We have already called attention to the Republican dilemma in Indiana, but Indiana is not alone. The whole West quivers with volcanic fires, ready to burst forth, in terrible eruptions and bury the Republican party in irretrievable ruins.

Day before yesterday the Democratic National Committee was in session in New York city for the purpose of taking counsel together and perfecting plans for the campaign. At an informal conference several members of the Committee reported the progress of the canvass in their respective localities.

Mr. Richardson, the representative from Iowa placed that State unhesitatingly among the doubtful States. "I consider Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois as good debatable grounds," he said, "and I should not be surprised if they changed their vote this fall. The great difference between the people of the West and the people of the East is that out our way we are open to argument, and are not tied down by a castiron prejudice. The prospects for Democratic success are looking brighter every day."

Mr. Barnes, of Michigan, declared that the Republicans were in a minority in his State. If the Democrats, Pensionists and Labor people combine, which it is probable they will do, the Republicans will be hopelessly beaten.

### THE STATE—EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

There is danger of magnifying the Nation above the State. Difficult as it is to place too high an estimate upon Democratic national supremacy, it is infinitely more important that the State be kept under Democratic control.

It is the State that protects life, liberty and property, and secures domestic tranquility and personal happiness.

It is important that the Governor be "the right man in the right place," it is absolutely essential that the legislature be equal to the situation.

The Democracy of Craven have set an example worthy of all imitation. The editor of the JOURNAL is absent from his chair and has no knowledge that this article is being written. This paper speaks for the people and speaking for the people of Craven, has no hesitancy in saying that in the person of Mr. Nunn is presented every qualification essential, to a successful and useful State Senator. In principles he is sound and conservative: in information accurate and comprehensive: in temperament calm and reflective: in manners gentle and courteous. In all things brave and honorable.

His colleague, Mr. Russell, is eminently worthy to stand by his side. Together they constitute a legislative ticket which is honorable to the county and which, if elected, will be a blessing to the State.

The State needs their services, especially does Eastern North Carolina need them in the Legislature.

May we not hope that the several legislative constituencies of Eastern North Carolina will send to the Legislature intelligent men, of broad views and sound judgment, who are identified with the material interests of this section? We have a goodly heritage. Ours is a magnificent country. Fortune waves her magic wand over hill and dell, and stream and woodland, and prosperity stands with open arms ready to embrace us. We have only to be true to ourselves to make the auspicious present the harbinger of a glorious future.


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