VALENTINE.

NEBRASKA

The latest Nicaraguan revolution

auit at the end of the first round. There's a growing feeling in Indiana that lynchers hereafter must skip the

cope or skip the State. The next embezzler, instead of starting for Canada, will probably make

bracks for the Klondike. A judge at Stockton, Cal., wept on the bench because a lawyer had accused

The Greeks in Athens are now clamorous for war. It is too bad that they didn't think of that sooner,

him of bias and prejudice.

England may call a fourth-rate power if she wants to, but we have the best amphibious navy in the world just the

Lieut. Peary is entitled to some credit for having at least succeeded in bringing something more merchantable than chilblains.

One deaf mute has sued another for \$500,000 damages for alleged breach of promise of marriage, and now they do not speak as they pass by.

The author of the song, "A Lesson in Kissing." was shot at the other night, but not hit. Both the song writer and the marksman made a bad score.

In Switzerland a milkmaid gets better wages if gifted with a good voice, because a cow will yield more milk if soothed by song. Ambitious amateurs please note.

The French courts have held that titles are family property, just like finger rings and other jewelry. But they are not so useful, because they cannot be "hawked."

An Atchison woman was kept busy all summer putting up fruit and entertaining company, and she reports that scalding tomatoes is easier work than smiling at guests.

Uncle Sam's fleet of five torpede boats is called "a mosquito squadron." and if it lives up to its name the dis comfort of the enemy will be all that could be desired.

The Brooklyn printer with a family who has successfully jumped from the Brooklyn bridge says he did so "just for the fun of it." Luckily he was not tickled to death.

In considering the advisability of stationing a naval vessel in Alaska the department should not overlook the chance to send one of those shoreclimbers to hold Chilkoot pass.

Advices from India state that 1,131 persons in that country died from snake bites last year. The Hindu is forbidden to use alcohol, hence the sovereign remedy of Kentucky is unknown.

Even the nuggets of gold which leave Alaska worth millions of dollars are so contracted by the intense cold that when they are unpacked and counted at Seattle they are found to be worth only a few thousands.

Somebody dropped \$3,000 in a Niagara Falls Hotel the other day, and forgot to return for it. Don't worry; some hackman, if he notices his loss, will stroll in and claim the money one of these days when he isn't busy.

The scientific man who asserts that people can live 100 years if they choose to take the means, prescribes a regimen which will make people satisfied to leave this life, even if the full term specified in the contract should not be concluded.

A newly discovered letter of Benjamin Franklin to the British authorities is being published, under date of 1774, in which in speaking of the famous "tea party" in Boston he declares that "the Clamour against the Proceeding s high and general." There were tories in those days.

An unusually wise young woman of Boston has discovered an unfailing cure for insomnia. "All one has to do," she says, "is to shut out of the mind every thought excepting that of sleep just before retiring." How simple, to be sure! Does she favor chloroform or a club?

Machine shops are the last places in which female labor has appeared, a bicycle company in Toledo having put women at work on milling machines. drill presses and other machines used on bicycle parts. The "Iron Age" protests against this and with good reason. In the long run nothing will be gained by this and the next generation will suffer.

There is nothing so exacting in its demands nor so serious in its obligations as perfect freedom. It has a joy of its own, but not of the giddy and careless kind. There are continual choices to be made, decisions to accept or refuse, actions to perform or leave undone, all fraught with consequences more or less important and far-reaching. Wherever authority is absent, responsibility is present, and in the same proportion.

There is something appalling in the thought of the vast increase of fears on the earth as the race progressesthe anxiety of parents, of rulers, of the custodians of treasure, of the owners

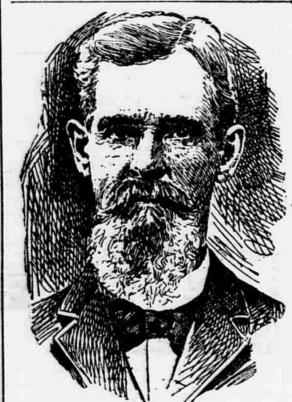
The Valentine Democrat of paintings and costly treasures, the shudder of the possessor of piled-up investments at every little social outcry, the moral apprehension of the good who realize the growing evils of the times. What a trembling goes round the world with the fall of night-what worry and pang of dread as man's being ripens, and he can be more hurt or destroyed!

> The London press, or rather an important segment of it, is still harping on Cuba and the United States. The Evening News, the Globe and the St. James' Gazette are merely the tail of the kite which is composed of the big London dailies, such as the Times, the Telegraph, the Standard and the Chronicle. What they say or do not say, therefore, is comparatively unimportant as respecting their influence on English opinion. But a straw may show in what direction the wind is blowing and these London straws indicate that at present England is feeling somewhat sore as regards this country. The Venezuelan incident and the Sherman letter still rankle and the undignified portion of the press is undiplomatic enough to disclose where the shoe pinches. The St. James' Gazette, after discussing a schoolboy hypothesis in a schoolboy manner as to what the United States may, might, would or could do in regard to Jamaica, hints of a possible coalition of England, France, Spain and Holland to protect their West Indian possessions and then concludes, very satisfactorily to itself: "We rather fancy that for a time at least the United States will be content with bullying poor little Spain." Possibly the United. States would, if it were in the bullying business, but when it does go into that sort of thing it usually takes one of its size, as in that little Venezuelan matter. The United States has not bullied Spain and has no thought of bullying it. In the meantime, the London Chronicle, commenting upon the outcome of the Greco-Turkish treaty, holds England responsible for what it says will be the disappearance of an independent, civilized, Christian nation, "whose one crime was that she set herself singlehanded to do Europe's dirty work and failed." England has not made such a success of her interference in Crete that she should seek to interfere in Cuba.

#### RETURNED HIS PENSION.

Clark Geare the Only Man Ever Known to Do Such a Thing.

Clark Geare, the only man that was ever known to return a pension to the United States, is a citizen of Monrovia, Morgan County, Indiana. He astounded the officials of the pension bureau recently by sending back his certificate



CLARK GEARE.

and \$350 in back pensions which had been paid him. Geare carried a musket in the war of the rebellion and became afflicted with rheumatism owing to exposure. After leaving the army he grew worse and applied for a per sion. At first he was given \$6 a month and this was afterward increased to \$10. He drew his pension for a time, but as he recovered from his trouble he began to take care of himself and neglected to apply for the money when it came due. Of late his term of nonapplication approached its end, and had he not appeared his name would have been scratched from the list. But Geare turned up on the very last day at the pension office in Indianapolis and received his arrears. As his disability had now totally disappeared he felt that he was no longer entitled to the pension and accordingly returned the money and the certificate to Washington. Mr. Geare is a quiet, unassuming man of 57, with silver gray beard and hair, is well to do and has a famlly of four interesting sons.

## Mrs. Rorer's Cafe Parfait.

In making cafe parfait the cream may be flavored with chocolate, vanilla or strawberry, the parfait taking the name of the flavoring. Use good, thick eream, very cold; add to it half a pound of powdered sugar, and a gill of black coffee; mix thoroughly; stand the basin in a pan of cracked ice, and with a wire egg-beater beat to a froth. This will take about five minutes. Put the mixture into a mold, put on the lid, cover the joint with a piece of waxed paper; pack it in coarse salt and fee, and stand aside for two hours. Or it may be packed in the freezer and served in tumblers.-Ladies' Home Journal.

Talking It Over.

Myrtle-They say that you made a regular fool of Algy Piersons, at the islands, last week. Maud-No. they are wrong. I might

have done it, but for one thing. Myrtle-What was that?

Maud-Somebody had finished the job before I got hold of him.-Cleve land Leader.

The longer we remain in business the greater admiration we have for the people who can say a great deal in a few words.



### VICTORY IN INDIANAPOLIS.

Marion County, in which Indianapolig is situated, looked last fall on Mark Hanna's scarecrow and said it was a veritable menace. Marion County gave plurality of over 3,500 votes.

Chattanooga, Tenn., looked with awful apprehension upon the bogy man that Mark Hanna had set up last fall and gave a larger than its normal Republican majority to McKinley. This year Chattanooga elects a Democratic Mayor by a good plurality and increases the Democratic strength in the Council.

Last fall New York viewed with awful alarm the man of straw Hanna had first place the Republicans are no-terrupt him.

Chicago Chronicle.

Last year, believing after investiga-

tion of Mark Hanna's anarchistic fig-

ure for that campaign only that the re-

public would die in convulsions if Mc-

a majority of 65,000. The news from

Iowa in November will be like unto the

news from Indianapolis and Chatta-

be placed upon his brief and meteoric

"Confidence."

of a gold advocate than "confidence,"

and yet there is nothing he is so ready

to destroy. Whenever a bimetallist

makes an argument in the interests of

monetary reform the gold advocate be-

gins to rave over what he calls "this

attempt to break down confidence," but

he never hesitates to agitate when he

wishes to accomplish some set purpose

When the Bland-Allison act was

passed, and became a law over the

President's veto, the gold clique at

once began to destroy confidence. The

silver dollar was abused and carica-

and the cry was raised that the coin-

age of \$2,000,000 worth of silver a

enlarging the purchase of silver to 4,-

500,000 ounces of silver a month, the

agitation against it soon began. Loud

up that unless the greenbacks are re-

tired "the country will be ruined."

Thus it is that the advocates of gold

set an example to the bimetallists as to

Democratic Unity.

The Indianapolis election carries

The victory is an augury of success

in Ohio and Iowa if the Democrats of

those States will be as true to the party

There is nothing dearer to the heart

career as a political boss.

of his own.

of "confidence."

"confidence."

"confidence."

emy.

of Republican success either in Iowa or in Ohio if Democrats lay aside

defeat the common enemy. McKinley a majority of 7,000 votes. At time to adjust them is after the battle therefore a necessary step toward ac the recent municipal election Mayor has been won. There should be no dis-Taggart, a Democrat, was chosen by a putes in the face of the enemy. Demo- not settle the question, for the silver crats have it within their power to redeem two States from Republican misrule. Will they avail themselves of the opportunity?-Chicago Chronicle.

> Raising False Issues. However much the gold clique may contend that the "free silver sentiment is dying," it misses no opportunity to combat the arguments presented by the advocates of bimetallism.

An organized attempt is now being put up before the eyes of the people made to embarrass and annoy William order to keep intact their own gold reand in the metropolis gave McKinley J. Bryan by interrupting his speeches a swinging majority, the first time and propounding questions which are late by presenting bank notes for rewithin living memory that the Demo- carefully prepared for the purpose of demption in gold if such redemption crats of that city had been beaten. The confusing the speaker. Bryan treats was required by law, but the endless canvass now on for the election of a his questioners with more courtesy chain could be put in operation against Mayor in New York discloses that than they deserve, and invariably turns the treasury if the necessary paper whereas there is the usual strife for the the laugh on the "smart Alecs" who in- notes could be withdrawn of the circu-

where. Van Wyck will be handsomely Recently, a man who was doubtless The fact is the commission has taken elected, Tracy and his boss, Platt, Mc- in the employ of the "honest money" a contract on its hands which it will Kinley's manager in New York, will be propaganda interrupted Bryan with the find itself entirely unable to carry out.

HEARING THE NEWS FROM INDIANAPOLIS

charging \$28 per ton to purchasers in the United States. Is it not apparent that the only effect of the tariff rates is to impose a needless tax upon our own people, not for revenue, but for the profit of a favored few?-Boston Post.

struck a snag. The object of this commission is to formulate a scheme which minor differences and work together to will take the currency entirely out of the control of the government and If there are wrongs to be righted or place it in the hands of the bankers questions of policy to be settled the The retirement of the greenbacks is complishing this design, but that would certificate would still be in existence. these certificates must be redeemed in

buried under so adverse a majority that | following question: "Do you favor na- It is easy enough to talk about retiring

Gold and Greenbacks.

of Great Britain is not able to reopen the India mints at present. He regrets his sion now at work in Washington has inability to accede to the proposals of the American commission, Great Britain having as great an interest as the United States and France in securing a stable par According to the gold clique's ideas gold, and the United States treasury would still be forced to keep a large reserve of gold on hand for that purpose. A member of the commission, in dis-

cussing this feature of the case, says: "This would involve the issue of bonds to maintain the reserve in case of its exhaustion and the presentation of great masses of notes by the banks in sources. The government might retallating medium."

Governor of Hawaii. It is said that ex-Congressman Mark S. Brewer of Michigan has been urged for the governorship of Hawaii in case the islands become a part of the United States this winter. Brewer's name was presented to the President by Senator Burrows of Michigan, Brewer worked on his father's farm near Addison, Mich.,

WILL NOT AID SILVER.

British Government Not Ready to Re-

open the Indian Mints.

Lord Salisbury sent to Ambassador

Hay the reply of the British Government

to the proposals of the American Bimetal

lic Commission, headed by Senator Wol

cott. It is a diplomatically worded note.

His lordship says that the Government

exchange for gold and silver and an en-

In these circumstances, continues Lord

Salisbury, the British Government does

not see the desirability of an international

monetary conference, but will be pleased

to consider any other practical sugges-

tions from the United States. Lord Salis-

bury incloses with the note a copy of the

statement of Sir J. Westland, head of the

financial department of India, which was

under discussion at the meeting of the

cabinet council last Saturday, and which

takes strong grounds against the reopen-

BREWER IS MENTIONED.

Michigan Ex-Congressman Urged for

larged use of silver.

ing of the India mints.

MARK S. BREWER.

until 19 years of age, and after getting an academic education read law with ex-Governor Moses Wisner and was admitted to the bar in 1864. He served in the Forty-first, Forty-sixth, Fiftieth and Fifty-first Congresses. He was consul general at Berlin during Arthur's administration, and last year was one of the Mc-Kinley delegates-at-large to the St. Louis

#### MINT REPORT.

The Year's Coinage and Precious

The coin executed during the year is:

against \$78,904,612 net exports for the silver were \$32,636,836, against \$33,262,-258 for the fiscal year 1896.

for the calendar year 1896 was \$53,088,-000 and silver of a coining value of \$76,-069,236. The stock in the United States of gold is \$696,270,542; of silver, \$634,-509,781.

The director of the mint reviews the decline of silver since 1873 and attributes it to the great increase in production.

## SETS A NEW PLAGUE RECORD.

New Orleans.

All previous records were broken at New Orleans Wednesday. Sixty new cases were entered in the books of the board. There were six deaths. The most important death of the day was that of Ira T. Britton, manager of the General Electric Company. Owing to the prevalence of yellow fever in Montgomery, Ala., and the fact that all of the towns and cities of the State have quarantined against that place, the State Government has temporarily been removed to Birmingham. The Governor and all the State officers have located there and are transact. ing business from that point.

## Kansas Sheriff Is Slain.

was shot and instantly killed at Leonardsville by Ike Warren, a "boot-legger," apon whom he was endeavoring to serve a warrant. Warren was captured. The request of the weavers at the Na-

tional Woelen Mills at Olneyville, R. I., for a restoration of the scale of wages prior to the reduction of 1893 has been granted, to go into effect Dec. 1. The in-

be engineer commissioner on the Nicaragurn canal commission and has accepted

The Government armor plate board visited plants in Birmingham, Ala., and a

The self-appointed monetary commis-

convention.

Metal Production.

The report of the director of the mint for the fiscal year 1897, submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, contains some interesting figures. The report covers the operations of the mints and assay offices, together with the statistics of foreign countries relative to production coinage and the monetary condition of

Gold, \$11,646,705; silver dollars, 21,203,-701; subsidiary silver, \$3,124,086; minor coin, \$984,509. Silver dollars were coined from the silver bullion on hand. Balance of silver bullion on hand: Purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, 115,-438,461 fine ounces, cost \$104,336,312; for subsidiary coinage, 1,348,353 fine ounces, cost, \$1,641,090; including balance on hand July 1, 1897, net signoriage on the coinage of silver from that date to June 30, 1897, of \$84,822,821.

Republican party, to be sure!-- Utica At the average price of silver for the year the commercial ratio between gold and silver is 1 to 31.94. Net imports of gold were \$44,609,841,

previous fiscal year. The net exports of The product of gold in the United States

The total metallic stock and uncovered paper of the world is estimated for Jan. 1, 1897: Gold, \$4,359,600,000; full legal tender silver, \$3,615,800,000; limited tender silver, \$652,500,000; uncovered paper, \$2,569,200.

The world's product for the calendar year 1896 was: Gold, \$204,396,600; silver (commercial value), \$109,406,800.

# Sixty New Cases and Six Deaths at

Sheriff S. B. Lard of Manhattan, Kau.,

crease will be 20 per cent. Col. Peter C. Haines of the engineer comes of the army has been appointed to

banquet was tendered them.

plate the inequalities of the trade con-The tariff tax on steel rails is \$7.84 ditions between Canada and the Uni-

the proper method of maintaining maintained by vigorous and constant action. Organization cannot sleep. They must be vigilant, alert, and strennous. Battle is the food on which esprit de corps is fed. Effort, emulation, strife, are the ingredients of vitality. Passiveness means languor and enervation. Armies must have exercise. The rank and file must be inspired by inter-

Favoring the Foreign Buyer.

faith as were their brethren of Indiana. per ton. And within a comparatively ted States and intimate that maybe in Nothing ever does-nothing ever can- short time we have seen our manufacdefer the Democratic party save a turers filling contracts on the other will operate to the prejudice of Amerifigured be read. The need be no fear side of the world at \$21 per ton, while can interests.-Kansas City Star.

ernment in the interest of the people, tirement.--Chicago Dispatch. or leaving them in the hands of private Republican Brand of Patriotism. What is to be said of a party that ae liberately refrains from the attempt to correct the evils in the currency sys-

tem, because by leaving them uncor-

rected many voters may be scared into

voting the Republican ticket in na-

tional, State and municipal elections?

Is that the kind of statesmanship we

are getting from scholars in politics?

The country is to be held in jeopardy

of a debased currency to promote the

well being of the Republican party.

What elevated patriotism controls the

Battle Against the Bosses,

municipal contest in New York is the

recognition on all hands that the main

issue is whether city government shall

be made a matter of party politics-a

mere annex of the national and State

party machines-or be conducted on

the broadest principles of good citizen-

ship, aiming only to serve the true

local interests of all the people of the

city, with party lines entirely ignored,

Inevitable Result of Protection.

inures to the profit of private interests

should result in the attempt to control

political action in order to secure con-

tinued and greater profits. Out of this

condition grow trusts, combines and

political syndicates organized for the

The political corruption fund is essen-

tial to this purpose.-St. Louis Post-

What Democracy Stands For.

the protection of the people against the

usurpation of public functions by pri-

vate individuals. It stands by the Jef-

fersonian declaration that it is as much

the duty of government to protect the

individual from injury by another in-

dividual as it is to protect the Ameri-

can citizen from insult or injury by a

Offspring of a Giant Mind.

Horses and mules coming into this

country from Canada must be accom-

panied by their family records show-

ing American origin. Fish must be ac-

companied by the family record of the

man who caught them, showing Ameri-

can origin. All hail the genius who

slipped the family record into the Ding-

foreign power.-Louisville Dispatch.

The Democracy of to-day stands for

It is inevitable that legislation which

The really remarkable feature of the

(N. Y.) Observer.

Baltimore Sun.

corporations?" The interrogation was irrelevant and Kinley was not chosen, Iowa gave him | impertinent, but Bryan declined to avail himself of the opportunity to ignore the question, and promptly replied: "I am going to fight the battles nooga. As for Ohio Mark Hanna has in front of me before I fight the battles plenty to live upon without a United | beyond that. As I heard a Populist say States Senatorship. A termination will last fall, I am not in favor of the government ownership of railroads while the Rothschilds own the government." Nothing could be neater and more epigrammatic than this.

they will have difficulty in extricating | tional ownership of railroads and tele- | the greenbacks, but it is not so easy to

graphs and their operation by the gov- evolve a plan by which to effect this re-

Not Good Business. For a "business" administration the results for the fiscal year are not what would naturally be expected. The deficit to date amounts to \$29,939,-594.85. If these were not facts concerning the conduct of affairs under Republican rule, what a shout of indignant protest would go up from the subsidized press. But as McKinley happens to be President, and as the beneticent Dingley bill happens to be in force, the administration organs are as silent as the grave, and satisfy themselves by saying that more time must be givtured, its advocates were called en before any criticisms will be in

"thieves, repudiators and anarchists," order. A tariff that started out with the avowed purpose of producing sufficient month would "drive all the gold out of revenue to carry the expenses of the the country." This was the contribu- government and which has succeeded tion of the gold advocates to the sum in creating a deficit of nearly \$30,000, 600 cannot be regarded as a good "busi-

When the Sherman law was passed ness" scheme. Republican Condemnation. There is no doubt that the larger control of legislation for private ends. portion of the men now receiving penand persistent demand for a repeal of sions were good soldiers. We are glad the purchase act was made on the to admit that all of them have de- Dispatch. ground that "continued purchase would | served well of the government. But threaten our monetary stability." Thus the popular sentiment is that pensions the gold clique aided in maintaining should be bestowed, not to match deserts, but to relieve necessities. And it After the Sherman law was repealed, is a matter of common notoriety that the agitation continued, and the coun- in almost every neighborhood there are try was told that "the treasury was in men who were inefficient soldiers, but danger," and gold purchasing bonds who are now rich, who are receiving

> Party Fealty Needs Action. The spirit of party fealty is best

must be issued. Prosperity failed to pensions from the government, while

follow the bonding of this country for men who were good soldiers, but who

\$262,000,000, and now the cry is going are now poor, receive nothing.-St.

Paul Pioneer Press.

with it a lesson for Democrats as well as Republicans. It teaches the value of party unity. The Democracy was united and won, as it always wins when it shows a solid front to the enest and employment. - Washington

Canadians May Strike Cack. It is little wonder that Canadian statesmen grow restive as they contem-

ley law.-Detroit Free Press.

the future there will be a change which