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THE New York *Sun* very truthfully says that the democratic party represents, What? This is about as clear a definition as can be given at the present time.

PEOPLE interested in the question, Does farming pay? should peruse the statement of Nebraska state banks compiled by Mr. Townley, of the banking board. There is strong evidence in the magnitude of the deposits, money that has been earned on Nebraska farms, that farming does pay.

IT is unfortunate that there should be so much friction in the board of education. This body seems to be in a state of almost perpetual war, and in the spring following the election of new members the feeling breaks out in a manner that is somewhat discreditable. Notwithstanding decisions by the state superintendent to the contrary, and contrary to the spirit of courtesy that should prevail, the old board insists on going ahead and making arrangements for the ensuing year, hiring teachers etc., before the new members are allowed to take their places, the object being, apparently to embarrass the new members as much as possible. A little more common sense and civility in the management of school affairs in this city would be decidedly agreeable to the voters and tax payers.

CATHOLICS have done many things to bring upon themselves severe condemnation. The attempts of individuals within this religious denomination to interfere with government, and to tamper with the school system of the United States have done much to arouse antagonism against the Catholic church; but leaders of the anti-Catholic movement, ycleped the A. P. A., can hardly expect to secure for that organization that approval or endorsement necessary to its hoped for success. There are thousands of good Catholics, men who would be an honor to public office and who could be trusted with great official responsibilities, and it is believed that the sober second thought of intelligent and fair minded persons will reject as intolerant and un-American this American Protective association. This association seeks to fight what it is pleased to call intolerance with intolerance. It has in the last two or three years exerted a somewhat marked influence in politics, and for prudential reasons many persons who are opposed to the movement have no ventured to express their conviction on this subject. It is therefore a little surprising that Mr. Albert Watkins, who is popularly supposed to be not without a certain ambition common to democrats, should in a public address denounce this organization. We admire Mr. Watkins' temerity, and we agree with him that "true Americanism is the yielding to all the freest play of individual development, activity and opinion."

WE ARE willing to admit that Mr. Bryan believes in free trade and free silver, but there is one belief greater than all others—belief in himself. And his desire to apotheosize himself overshadows everything else. Mr. Bryan would never have taken the first step toward separation from the democratic party had he not become convinced that further personal success as a straight democrat was impossible. He unfurls the showy banner of free silver hoping to catch the populist breeze, while retaining a large measure of democratic strength. Mr. Bryan is a master hand when it comes to playing on the strings of human credulity, and free silver with its sophisms affords the bland congressman many fine opportunities for plying his art. There's a vast amount of sentimental balderdash about this free silver agitation, and no one is better calculated than Mr. Bryan to make an effective appeal to the emotional sensibilities of excited populists and soft shell democrats along this line. Mr. Bryan, who only a few years ago was ingenuous and free from guile, has become a pretty shrewd politician. He knows his own strength and cognizant of the sentiment in this state that has been caught by the alluring fallacies of the free coinage cabal, and that has, up to the present time, had no adequate opportunity to express itself, he takes a flyer in a direction that is full of promise. There is no question but that the congressman will have a fine chance to exploit himself to the best possible advantage before his susceptible admirers, but the administration wing of the democratic party is a somewhat lively political factor in this state, and it is quite possible that a good deal of serious trouble will beset Mr. Bryan in the next few months.

JOURNALISTIC mendacity has had a fine opportunity to show itself in the handling of the report originated by some sensational and probably malicious newspaper correspondent in Washington to the effect that the mind of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland is impaired. Some newspapers have published the most absurd and cruelly unjust stories in this connection, and the American public has been given an illustration of the marked tendency of their newspapers in the direction of the grossly sensational. Members of the family emphatically contradicted the story that Ruth Cleveland is deaf or dumb or that her mind is in any way effected, and it seems probable that the story is entirely unfounded; but even if there were a foundation for these reports there could be no excuse for the manner in which the newspapers of the country have allowed their correspondents to treat the same. There are a few places where journalistic enterprise should not penetrate. There are lines over which it should not step. There is a privacy into which it should not seek admission. The purely domestic affairs of any family, whether the head be the president of the United States, or a humble citizen, should not under any circumstances be dragged into public print. Within the last two or three months there seems to have been a special movement on the part of leading newspapers in the direction of ultra-sensationalism. The key-hole reporters of the New York *World* have given the public an exhibition of disgraceful Pulitzerism that must have offended the respectable readers of that journal, and the example of the *World's* prying detectives, called by courtesy, reporters, has been followed to a greater or less extent by other newspapers in large cities. We are not fully informed on this subject, but we are under the impression that the reports affecting Ruth Cleveland's mentality were first given to the public through republican newspapers. This being the case the democratic press is certainly justified in its expressions of indignation.

#### QUITE THE REVERSE.

"Your chum, Jones, must have married in haste," remarked young Fitz-Allen to his friend DeTone.

"No, indeed; he married in Philadelphia," answered DeTone.

#### LIKE A GROWED BUS.

The world is like a crowded 'bus;  
A few good men, perhaps  
May find a seat, but most of us  
Must hang on by the straps.

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