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AN exchange calls the toy pistol "the devil's own implement." We would like to know what that paper would christen one of these modern fire crackers, the size of a Nebraska ear of corn, which the bad boy touches off under your window about 1 o'clock the morning of the 4th.

Atty-General Brewster now wears a full suit of eoru pongs, with his cambric ruffles. Prof Baird wears an entire suit of eoru linen. The interpreter of the Chinese Legation, with loose pantaloons, wears a loose sack, closed up in front, made of checked gingham, and over it a sleeveless waist, with high neck, of thin black gauze. His small skull-cap is apparently of black horsehair-plaited. His cue reaches nearly to his feet.

GENERAL CROOK'S campaign after the Apaches was very ably conducted in Omaha, the other evening, and many scalps were taken. The General is continuing his campaign under the directions of the Interior and war departments, and is just now performing a desperate forced march in a Pullman sleeper toward Washington City. Should any of these desperate red skins be so unfortunate as to be caught laying around the lobby of the Interior department when the General arrives, we would not give much for their scalps.

This last "raid" (on Washington) is supposed to wind up the usual and accustomed spring campaign against the Indians, conducted under the auspices of the Interior department.

An anti-monopolist convention will meet in Chicago on Wednesday, the 4th day of July. An anti-monopolist is a man who wants the monopolists to divide. A monopolist is an incorporated fellow who keeps a president and a secretary, and has the neck of riding around on special trains and picking up things that will pay. A monopolist never holds a convention. He has to nail up his front door and live across the way in some other man's house to get away from the masses of fellows that are always in session on his front steps ready to show him how he can become a rich man. Hence he never goes into a convention. His race is to keep out of one. The gentlemen who have no interest in anything, who own no farms, no mines, no railroads, no stores, who no duty would protect, even if it were levied upon postage stamps or quarter dollars, to whom nobody brings plans for getting rich, and whose main resource for the promotion of the general prosperity is to pass resolutions denouncing the generally prosperous are anti-monopolists. They will compete with the small boys and the fire crackers in the effort to monopolize the attention of the people of Chicago next Wednesday—Inter Ocean.

DESTRUCTIVE TENDENCIES OF THE DAY TOWARDS OUR PUBLIC MEN.

Roscoe Conkling said, the other day, in reply to the question of an acquaintance and friendly journalist in regard to the ex-Senator's views upon political affairs in the country, that he was tired of the jealousies and worry of political life, and that it was impossible for any one deeply in it to have any friends. This is true of the life of public men in America today. We fully believe there is not a prominent man in American politics today who will not, if he testifies honestly, and candidly from his experience, within his own political family, admit that Mr Conkling speaks the truth when he mildly puts it the "jealousies and worry of political life." Since the dark days of the rebellion, Roscoe Conkling has, until within the past two years, been continually in the public service, representing the first State in the Union, in our American Congress; and during this, his twenty years of public life, amid the demoralizing practices and influences pervading the public service growing out of the disorganized state of society and public affairs incident to a protracted civil war. Mr. Conkling has been one of the few men of national reputation and acknowledged talents, who has not at some period been charged with dishonesty and jobbery in public affairs; yet there is today, scarcely a man in public life who has been the recipient of more abuse than Roscoe Conkling, and yet the press of the country cannot let the man alone. They admit he has been a great man, he has declined to court the rabble at the hustings, he has shown a supreme contempt for the veteran reporter and liar, whose business in American politics has been to manufacture interviews and misrepresent public men, he has declined to fawn and cringe upon those in brief au-

thority; in other words, his self esteem has been so great that it has borne him above the hurra rabble of the day; consequently he has been branded "an aristocrat." It is not necessary to defend his methods in politics, he may have been tyrannical among his immediate followers; but he has never, to our knowledge, been accused of being false or deceitful to either his friends or enemies; he has stepped down and out of politics, and the whole country know it, and yet the newspaper press of the country cannot let him pursue the profession of his choice in private life without their malignant abuse and misrepresentations. No sooner does Mr. Blaine cause it to be announced that he is engaged in writing a book than some champion liar immediately proceeds to manufacture an interview with Mr. Conkling, and announces that the ex-Senator has concluded to make a fool of himself, and write a book in opposition to Mr. Blaine. This is the experience to a greater or less extent of public men of great prominence in this country today. Mr. Conkling is no exception, Mr. Blaine, General Grant, Mr. Tilden, Mr. Randall, Benjamin Butler, Pendleton, Sherman, and hosts of public men in our nation today are living witnesses of the tear down or destructive tendencies of the age in regard to public men; it is not the views nor particularly the measures public men advocate, but their lives and characters, and connections are ruthlessly assailed with the deliberate purpose of driving them from the public service and no matter how pure those lives may be.

Mr. WATTERSON will have to pay another visit to Gramercy Park and issue another certificate of health and strength to the old man. A Southern member of congress who modestly refuses to give his name saw Tilden at Yorkers, N. Y., recently and gives his impression of that gentleman. He says:

"Mr. Tilden looks to me like a man in the last stages of decay. He had to be helped into the car, and carefully out into a seat by his servants, who never left him. He seemed to be utterly unable to help himself. He spoke with a sort of sputter which made it almost impossible for anyone to understand what he was trying to say. He was constantly falling in to entanglements and slipping down in his chair, and had to be helped up and put straight again. He wanted water about every five minutes, and altogether seemed like a very old man who is unable to perform the most ordinary offices for himself. One eye seemed entirely closed, and the other was drooping without brilliancy or strength.

The southern Congressman denounces Watterson's description of the democratic sage as "cruel and wicked." Mr. Watterson will, of course, denounce the southern Congressman's statement as a malicious brimstone-region inspired fabrication, a Hendrick's campaign lie. If the Congressman discloses his identity, Mr. Watterson may desire to borrow Editor Beirne's pistol.—Chicago Tribune.

FOURTH AT WEEPING WATER. The celebration of the glorious Fourth at Weeping Water was a great affair, and called together an immense crowd of Cass county's yeomanry. Senator Manderson delivered an eloquent and graceful oration, and everybody appears to have been delighted with the affair.

The Grand Army boys had a splendid time at their District Re-union, and the camp-fire on the night of the 3d is spoken of as a splendid affair—"a flow of soul and feast of reason," at this camp fire. General Manderson also made the boys one of his characteristic talks, which will be remembered by all the old soldiers present as one of the features of the occasion.

John Bright is as cool as he is clever. A few nights ago, while addressing an English audience, he had occasion to remark: "Job has said, 'Man is born unto trouble as the sparks fly upward,' but that upon the whole he did not agree with Job." Whereupon one of the audience of 4,000 arose, and objecting to hear Job spoken of so, shouted: "Three cheers for Job." The three cheers were given with an enthusiasm which might have discomfited a less ready man than John Bright.

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