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or remit a different amount than was
with them, and the subscriber fails to get
credit.

Anonymous communications will not be no-
Rejected manuscripts will not be re-

world does not owe any man a
but it owes every man the opor-
tunity to make a living.

What is the use of having a demo-
congressional donkey at all, if
it is not to be made to either kick or

Half truth is two lies. The Assoc-
press dispatches and republi-
cations are principally made
half truths.

Free-dollar fine placed on a man
not vote would prevent the re-
from hiring him to stay at
for a dollar.

My partner has announced
will recommend the appoint-
Mark Hanna's cousin to be
ter at Kearney.

Independent is under obliga-
Congressman Schallenberger
by of the Congressional Record
coming session.

Nebraska has invested \$9.50 per
of her wealth in public school
Does any other state come
near equalling that?

Adams County Democrat re-
sents: "Every Adams county
should read the Nebraska In-
dependent, the best fusion paper in the

The significant little things
president's message was that
ed at the "White House," in-
the "Executive Mansion" as

has been giving his opinion
no. It would be interesting
at Aginaldo's opinion is
as a specimen of the bloom
of Anglo-Saxon civiliza-

Minority of congress would
a fight as they now have
of doing, the republi-
not stay in the ring long
of the next campaign to
out.

ious inflation of bank pa-
redits when read right,
scription: "The republi-
fast hastening to the
which no political organ-
returneth."

Democrat man has now
conclusion that Dave Hill
90 "conservative repub-
Nebraska if he were
the presidency by the
that beats all the prophe-

as are great on playing
numbers. They played
when they stole the
being beaten at the
they are playing the
four to five" to annu-
of Independence.

say that the deprec-
sisted for some time
reached England and
of workmen are be-
of employment. The
over around the streets
absolutely refuse to
the Boers.

asant flees from the
czar, but he is il-
erant that for a
the polls carrying
printed: "I want
Republican ticket."

on: The postoffice
railroads \$33,000,4
carrying the mails
of postal cars.
times as much
from the express
same service and
all the postal
There are a few
reform papers
make it up.
pure and unde-

A BURNING SHAME
Secretary Root has made his official
report and from it is learned the sal-
aries that are paid to carpetbag politi-
cal officials in the Philippines.
The civilian governor of the islands,
Taft, is paid \$20,000 a year. His asso-
ciates receive \$15,000 a year. Other offi-
cers cost as follows: Secretary to
Philippine commission, \$9,750; secre-
tary to civil governor, \$7,500; auditor,
\$6,000; collector of customs and de-
puty, \$10,000; attorney general's office,
\$13,000; solicitor general, \$4,500; chief
justice of supreme court, \$7,500; asso-
ciate justices, \$7,000 each; clerks su-
preme court, \$3,000; judges of courts
at Manila, \$5,500; outside of Manila,
from \$3,000 to \$5,000 each.
The municipal officers connected
with the government of Manila cost
\$68,800 annually.

When one reflects that these enorm-
ous salaries are taxed out of a people
who earn only from five to twenty pes-
os a month, an equivalent in our
money of from \$2.50 to \$10, and that
these taxes are raised by the most ar-
bitrary methods, without representa-
tion, it is enough to make the blood
of any true American boil with indig-
nation. Talk about the British tax on
tea, one of the causes for which we
went to war with Great Britain! It
was a mere bagatelle compared with
this sort of thing. To expect a people
ever to become satisfied with a govern-
ment like that and to cease insurrec-
tions is fatuous.

These carpetbag political appointees
are receiving from twice to three times
the salary that army officers serving
in the Philippines and performing ex-
actly the same service are allowed.
If there is any sense of justice left in
the American people, there will be a
protest against that sort of tyranny in
the future that will make the men
who inaugurated and enforced it de-
spised by all mankind.

THE REASONS WHY
There is a lively discussion going
on in York county in regard to the re-
sult of the election. Now, gentlemen,
please listen to reason. The causes of
the republican victory were as follows:
1. The assassination of the president
and the political use that the re-
publican party made of that event.

2. The idea that was so industriously
promulgated that the supreme court
and the university could not be non-
partisan unless there were some par-
tisan republicans made judges and re-
gents.

3. The queer notion that a great
many fusionists entertained that there
was nothing at stake in the election,
because both the supreme court and
the university would remain under
fusion control although the republicans
elected their candidates. So they did
not take the trouble to vote.

4. Judge Hollenbeck was nominated
because so many populists insisted
on voting for him from the opening of
the convention until it closed, and
among those were many of the old
wheel horses who helped organize the
populist party and have been active
workers in its ranks ever since.

STIR THEM UP
The Independent would like to in-
duce some one to go down to Wash-
ington armed with a three-tined fork, a
red-hot poker or some other instru-
ment with which he could stir up the
democratic minority and make them
fight for democratic principles in a
way that would do some good. The
republican majority should be taunted
day after day with the fact that they
have coined more silver than was ever
coined before in the same length of
time and that the adoption of Bryan's
policy has had the result that he said
it would have. They should read to
the republicans extracts from the re-
cent report of the comptroller of the
currency, in which Mr. Ridgely says:

Since the passage of the act of
March 14, 1900, the total circula-
tion which all the national banks
have outstanding has been in-
creased from \$254,026,230 to \$359,-
832,715, an increase of \$105,806,485,
or over 41 per cent.

Then tell them to stop their boast-
ing about the gold standard, for in-
stead of having established the gold
standard, they have gone into the wild-
est scheme of paper inflation that the
world ever saw, and are about to in-
troduce legislation that will add still
more to the inflation. Let the demo-
crats make further extracts from the
comptroller's report and show that
while the banks have about \$5,000,-
000,000 of debts payable on demand,
they have only \$388,536,871.13 in specie
with which to meet them.

Hammer away on the fact that the
republicans have totally abandoned
their old cry of "hard money" and
"specie payments" and have adopted
a paper money, to be issued by banks,
and an inflation that beats John Law
and the wild-cat banks of the fifties
two to one.

Let them tell the republicans that
the coinage of silver and the issue of
money by the government instead of
by banks would have produced the
same conditions of rising prices and
prosperity that now exists, and there
would have been no afterclap to it such
as now looms up as the darkest cloud
that ever threatened the business
world, for this inflation cannot go on

forever. The "day of liquidation" will
surely come. In that day what will
the bankers do who owe ten dollars for
every dollar of cash that they have in
their vaults? They will go into a
receiver's hands and the depositors will
not be able to get enough money
out of them to buy a decent supper.
Where will the holders of this inflated
trust stock be then? That day is sure-
ly coming. It draws nearer every
hour. Let the democrats tell these
egotistical republicans a few truths of
that sort and hammer away at them
from now until congress closes.

Every man who reads the bank
statements and comptroller's reports
knows that there is a greater inflation
of paper money and credits at the pres-
ent time than was ever recorded in all
history. That copper magnate who
has seen the securities he holds shrink
over \$12,000,000 in a few weeks, was
not very far from the facts when he
told the New Yorkers the other day
that Wall street was a smoking vol-
cano just ready for the greatest erup-
tion that the world ever saw.

A QUEER KIND OF WEALTH
A new kind of wealth, a sort that
was never heard of before, is used to
make American millionaires. A man
is said to be worth \$10,000,000 today
and tomorrow, while still being in
the possession of the same things, hav-
ing neither sold or bought anything,
he is declared to be worth only \$5,-
000,000. This kind of wealth that can-
not be seen with the naked eye, dis-
covered with a microscope, found by
chemical analysis or handled with the
hands, makes up a large part of the
"riches" of the trust magnates and
little millionaires who are now being
numbered by the thousand. Lawson
of Boston, the copper magnate, is one
of that sort. A little while ago he
was rated at \$25,000,000. Now he
stands below the \$10,000,000 mark.

His wealth consisted of part ownership
in copper mines, represented by stocks.
He says he has not sold a share and
the mines are still there, but \$10,000,000
of his wealth has disappeared. If he
search the earth with the trained eyes
of an Indian hunter, or sweep the
heavens with the Lick telescope, he
could not find a trace of that lost
\$10,000,000. How it came into exist-
ence in the first place or how it was
annihilated, is one of those things
that no pop can find out.

PARTISAN VINDICTIVENESS
There never was a campaign fought
at any time in such a disreputable
manner as the republicans fought the
campaigns of 1896 and 1900. The bit-
terness, malice and falsehoods of those
campaigns, in which nothing was held
dear that men had heretofore respect-
ed, will be recorded with wonder by
every future historian. In Kansas,
legislation followed along the same
line as soon as the republicans were
in power—legislation the most dis-
graceful that ever blackened a statute
book. In that state a republican leg-
islature passed a law that "no ticket
shall have a compound or hyphenated
name."

This killed the silver republican and
the social democrat parties. It changed
the people's party to peoples. It de-
clared that candidates for office should
accept but one nomination. It pro-
vided for three ballots, one for the
state, one for the township and one
for constitutional amendments. It
provided for printing hundreds of
words on the ballots in the shape of
instructions hard to read and still
harder to understand. There are sev-
eral hundred other features about it
all of which are objectionable. To that
sort of work—more vicious and crim-
inal than any ballot law ever passed
by a southern state to prevent negro
voting and preserve a white man's
government—the republican party of
Kansas devoted itself. As the enorm-
ity of this crime against a free bal-
lot becomes understood, the people of
Kansas begin to revolt against it.
The republican leaders of Nebraska
advocated the same sort of legisla-
tion, but they were unable to get it
enacted into law. The republican party
of Nebraska first refused to discuss
public questions with their opponents,
and then tried to get a ballot so as to
make it impossible for citizens to vote
their true sentiments. They succeed-
ed in Kansas, but there is a hereafter
to it.

ASSOCIATED PRESS TRICKS
The Associated press has played two
of its usual tricks on the people dur-
ing the last week. None of the great
dailies have published any account of
the holding up of the confirmation of
the appointment of Knox as attorney
general in Roosevelt's cabinet, a thing
entirely unprecedented, the refusal to
confirm a member of Grant's cabinet
being because it was discovered that
the appointee could not qualify under
the constitution. Another trick was
to alter the figures in the condensa-
tion of the report of the director of
the mint which was sent out in regard
to the amount of silver coined during
the last year. These things will all
be found in The Independent's Wash-
ington correspondence of this week.

If any one wants to find out what
is really transpiring at the capital he
will have to read The Independent.

NEW YORK TRIBUNE LOGIC
If republicanism can only be defend-
ed with such jugglery and sophism as
appears in the New York Tribune and
the great dailies of that party, then in-
deed the cause must be one for which
the best trained intellects in the land
can find no logical defense. When the
best writers that money can hire are
forced to such exigencies as to argue
after the following fashion, the cause
is a hard one to defend. The Tribune
says:

According to "Dun's" index
number, the cost of living per
capita fell to \$72.45 on July 1, 1897,
the lowest point ever touched. It
was the culminating point of the
country's gloomy experience under
low tariffs and the addition of
\$252,000,000 to the national debt.

The thought which that writer in-
tends to convey is that all the misery
of the panic was caused by the demo-
cratic party, that that party created a
new debt of \$262,000,000 and enacted a
low tariff which wrought ruin. It is
not reasonable to suppose that the
writer of that editorial did not know
that both assumptions were false. That
debt was created under the republican
administration of Harrison and the
plates for the bonds were ordered by
Foster and they were made before Har-
rison went out of office. The Gorman
tariff bill, to which reference is made,
was the highest protective measure
that ever passed congress up to that
time. All these things were well
known to that writer, and yet the best
that he could do in defense of repub-
licanism was to resort to such weak-
ness as that.

That panic was inaugurated by Foster
when he ordered those treasury
notes redeemed in gold in Boston. It
was a preconceived plan, for the man
had no particular use for the gold and
actually deposited it when he got it as
current funds in a bank. It was a step
in a well laid plan in collusion with
Cleveland, to draw all the gold out of
the treasury and create an excuse for
stopping the coinage of silver. In that
work the leaders of the republican
party were the planners and leaders.
The exact result followed that the pop-
ulists and Bryan democrats said would
follow. Prices declined in just the
proportion that the quantity of money
in circulation was diminished.

That writer also knew that these dis-
tressing times continued until the re-
publican congress provided for an ad-
ditional increase of \$400,000,000 in the
national debt and actually did increase
it by issuing \$200,000,000 of bonds. He
knows that these hard times continued
and grew worse until the republicans
reversed their monetary policy, adopt-
ed that of Bryan and the populists, and
began to increase the quantity of mon-
ey by the coinage of an enormous
amount of silver and the inflation of
the paper currency by bank issues. As
soon as that was done, prices began to
rise and adversity gave way to pros-
perity.

As far as the tariff is concerned, a
very large part of the republican party
is now demanding that it be revised,
and the republicans are preparing to
shift over to the Bryan and populist
policy on the tariff just as they did on
the money question.

The saddest thing about this sort of
writing is the fact that highly educated
men will so stultify all the instincts of
honesty and regard for truth within
them, and for the salary that they get,
promulgate unvarnished falsehoods,
which they must know that all intelli-
gent men know are falsehoods. A
\$5,000 or \$10,000 salary may be a de-
sirable thing, but is it an equivalent
for a debasement of the moral nature
and the deception of the unlearned?

REPUBLICAN POPULISM
The Washington correspondent of
the Philadelphia North American is
authority for the statement that gov-
ernment ownership of railroads and
telegraph lines is to be one of the lines
of republican policy in the compara-
tively near future; that is to say it is
to be tentatively put in the first place
with a view of catching the popular in-
dorsement and then the party proclama-
tion of the new creed.

The statement shows the acuteness
of the republican political manage-
ment. Populist principles are so
grounded in the interests of the whole
people that they are bound to make
their way. The republicans brought
about prosperity by adopting in the
main the populist financial theories,
and now they propose to keep them-
selves in power by adopting the public
ownership of railroads and telegraphs.
While doing it, they will so manage
as to make a few more billionaires.
If the government should propose to
take the railroads off the hands of the
trust magnates after they have wat-
tered the stock three or four hundred
per cent, the whole republican ma-
chine will whoop it up for the govern-
ment ownership of railroads. Mean-
time the banks will also pile up their
millions by getting double interest and
holding the business of the country in
the hollow of their hands by means
of their redeemable money scheme.

PHILIPPINE MONEY
The republicans have found them-
selves in such a muddle in regard to
the money system of the Philippine
islands that they don't know which

way to turn. They are worse off than
the old woman at sea in a tub. No mat-
ter, which side they paddle on, they
only succeed in turning round and
round. Silver is the money of the
Philippine islands. The republicans
have learned enough in the last six
years to know that their "sound mon-
ey" theories, if an attempt were made
to apply them there, would produce
universal disaster. To establish the
"gold standard" and double the value
of money there, as they attempted to
do in this country, would produce a
bigger insurrection than Aguinaldo
was ever able to get up.

OMNIBUS SILENCE
The most touching appeal ever made
to the hearts of liberty-loving Ameri-
cans is the appeal of the Boer envoy
when he says:

All that we ask of America is
that she remain neutral. Keep your
horses and mules at home.
Let us fight England alone. The
future of South Africa is not in
the hands of America or any other
country, but in the hands of God.
To that appeal the president gives
no answer in his message to congress.
To Kossuth, to the Greeks, there was
an instant response, by the president,
by congress and by the whole Ameri-
can people. To this appeal of the
bravest people who ever fought for
home and native land, Roosevelt has
no word of reply. Will he refuse to
aid the British to conquer the Boers
by allowing them to obtain war ma-
terial in this country? Will he? To
refuse he must violate a formal treaty
made with Great Britain and signed at
Washington, May 8, 1871, whereby a
strict neutrality was defined and
pledged by the United States govern-
ment. That pledge of neutrality is
openly violated. The Boer envoy asks
nothing of the president except that
he shall enforce the highest law of
the government of the United States.
But the president is silent. Has Hay
made a secret treaty with Great Britain
which forces this silence?

CHICAGOANS CAN'T SPELL
Chicago is all wrought up over the
fact that its inhabitants can't learn
how to spell. The other day there was
a meeting of educators to consider the
subject and it came very near ending
in a general riot. It seems that the
educators themselves could not agree
to the correct spelling of the word
"spell" in its different conjugations.
Part of them said that it should be
"spelled," and part of them that it
should be "spelt." Another denounced
the "word method," which he said was
educational idiocy, it being a Ger-
man method applicable to the German
language which was a phonetic lan-
guage, but woefully inapplicable to the
spelling of English. He might have
quoted a great educator who said that
there was but one word in the whole
English language that was spelled as
the personal pronoun "I."

Then there was a discussion of the
"visual method" of learning to spell
in which one of the disputants an-
nounced that there was at least one
editor-in-chief of a Chicago daily who
could not spell even the commonest
words correctly. So it seems that the
inability to learn to spell is charac-
teristic of all Chicagoans. The way they
get out the dailies in Chicago, is to
import from other cities proof-readers
who correct the spelling. One of the
disputants declared that the way these
imported proof-readers were able to
spell was by the "visual method." Af-
ter a word was in type if it did not
have the right appearance to the eye,
they knew that something was wrong
with it.

The truth about the matter is that
the old way of learning to spell is the
best. Give the class a list of words
and then have them stand in line and
"spell each other down." However,
there is something in this "visual
method" as every newspaper man
knows.

McLaurin of South Carolina was not
admitted to the senate democratic ca-
ucus. Now let Mr. Richardson exercise
the same common sense displayed by
Senator Jones and refuse to admit the
gold democrats from New York to the
house caucus. It is about time that
the democratic authorities learned that
a house divided against itself cannot
stand.

Mr. W. W. Passage, editorial writer
of the Literary Digest, in writing of
the suppression of the Appeal to Reason
grows indignant and says: "In-
deed, it seems to me so impertinent
that I sincerely trust the administra-
tion which stupidly sits on the safety
valve of the Appeal engine will be
promptly blown into political oblivion.
My God, what impudence!"

The special Washington correspon-
dents of the Nebraska republican dailies
announce in scare heads important
news for the faithful. They say: "Both
Nebraska senators are getting down
to business and have begun to dis-
pose of the more important post-
office." It seems to be the accepted
opinion of every good republican that
that was the "business" that Bart-
ley's partner and his colleague were
sent to Washington to transact.

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new Jardiniere stands. All for Christmas.

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Write for Catalogue.

The order sent to republican papers
from Mark Hanna's committee in re-
gard to the inflation of paper money
and the coinage of silver was: "Don't
mention it," but it seems that some-
how or other it got to the democratic
papers also, for most of them have re-
mained as silent as the tomb on that
subject.

If Madden is successful in his at-
tempts at the suppression of newspa-
pers, every paper in the United States
that "advertises ideas" will be refused
access to the mails. If any republi-
can paper comes under that rule it
will be one that never fell under the
notice of The Independent and a great
many of them come to this office.

The republicans are trying to get out
of the muss caused by declaring the
Philippines both domestic and foreign
territory. One of their plans is to get
up a reciprocity treaty with the Phil-
ippine commission. So shallow a trick
as that would make a mule smile. It is
only making a treaty with ourselves.
They will have to invent something
better than that before it will pass
current in the courts of Europe.

It is announced in the papers that
Wiltshire has taken his paper over
into Canada and Clerk Madden can
now add to the postal deficit by deliv-
ering it free in the United States
under the postal union treaties. Un-
der these treaties all civilized nations
have agreed to deliver all mail com-
ing from other countries free, each
country keeping the postage at the
mailing point. Great is Clerk Madden.

A sociologist who has been studying
the sources of some of our customs has
traced many of them to England which
upon their introduction to this country
have been only slightly modified. He
finds that in England for many years
the idiotic sons of the wealthy were
made clergymen. The same custom
was brought over here and slightly
modified. The idiotic sons of the rul-
ing class here are made republican
editors.

To the \$1,000,000,000 that England
has paid out for the prosecution of the
Boer war and which is a total loss,
there must be added the fall in consols
and other securities which the Lon-
don Bankers' Magazine says now
amounts to \$718,730,000. British con-
sols, which correspond to our national
bonds, have dropped 12 points. The
longer that England keeps this thing
up the better pleased will England's
continental rivals be.

Some of the gentlemen who are op-
posing future fusion, have the queer-
est method of reasoning that was ever
discovered. They declare that fusion
is only for the purpose of getting the
offices and after they have made that
very clear, they next declare that be-
cause the fusionists did not succeed
in getting the offices at the last elec-
tion, that fusion ought to be abandoned
and some other plan be adopted that
would get the offices.

Ten times as many men are electro-
cuted by the electric light and power
companies every year than meet their
death in the executioner's electric
chair and no notice is taken of it be-
yond a line or two in the daily papers.
Not long since the editor of this pa-
per saw a man drop dead from the top
of a telegraph pole, and the Associa-
ted press did not send even two lines about
it. But let some murderer be killed by
an electric current and that organiza-
tion will send columns about it.

For years every senator has been
the chairman of some committee. That
gives him a committee room and a
clerk at the expense of the govern-
ment. It has been announced in the
special telegrams to the Nebraska

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