

Illustrated Fruit for King.

A cablegram to the Chicago Inter-Ocean, under date of Paris, October 10, says: M. Opoix, chief gardener at the Luxembourg, is hoping against hope that a week of fine, sunny weather may precede the arrival of the Italian sovereign in Paris.

It is his duty to furnish the dessert for the banquet, and, in view of this, says the Figaro, he has covered a number of apples and pears growing on the trees with paper, in which silhouettes of King Victor Emmanuel, Queen Helena, and President Loubet have been cut, the task of reproducing the portraits on the surface of the fruit being left to the sun.

The atmospheric conditions, however, are not favorable to M. Opoix's ingenious scheme.

Body of John Paul Jones.

A dispatch to the St. Louis Republic, under date of Washington, October 10, says: John Paul Jones, the first commodore of the American navy, may be honored in a degree commensurate with his services to the nation if the plans of certain American historical and patriotic societies come to fruition.

A letter three weeks ago stating that the known resting place of the bones of John Paul Jones was unmarked and unhonored caused Secretary Moody to inquire into the matter. He found that Lieutenant Commander William Sims, when naval attaché of the American embassy in Paris, investigated and reported it probably would be impossible to identify the bones of Jones. It is suggested that congress at the coming session be asked to appropriate \$150,000 for the purpose of recovering the bones of John Paul Jones, who was buried in Paris, and bringing them back to this country.

"Chump Factories"

York (Neb.) Democrat: There are a variety of chumps in this country. Some are born chumps, some achieve chumposity and others have chumpness stuck into them. The chump who votes the republican ticket these days solely because he has been made to believe that his prosperity depended upon the success of that party, is the most pitiable of them all. He was told to vote the republican ticket and get 7 cents for his fat cattle. He voted the ticket and got \$2.80 to \$3.20 per hundred for his cattle. He was told to vote the republican ticket and get \$7.60 for hogs. "Vote the republican ticket and have 60-cent corn"—but corn is 39 cents. "Let well enough alone with dollar wheat," they said, but wheat is 50 cents, by the way, just precisely the price of an ounce of silver. "Well enough" was let alone but it was the "well enough" of the trusts that got the benefit. You got your 5-gallon can filled with gasoline for 70 cents just a short year ago, and now it takes \$1.10. Coal is raising, lumber is in the sky, railroad freights soaring higher, and where does Mr. Chump get his pay for letting Mr. Well Enough alone? Lower prices for what he sells, higher prices for what he buys, he has been swindled by the confidence department of the g. o. p. The chump factories are running full time on free raw material.



"PAYING THE FIDDLER."

PRESS COMMENT.

Sullivan (Ind.) Democrat: Secretary Shaw is retiring government bonds due in February, 1904, paying interest to that date, and allows banks to deposit municipal and state bonds as security for government deposits. The suggestion of cutting off unnecessary taxation to reduce the surplus in the treasury so that the money can remain in the pockets of the people is called rank heresy by the administration.

Sulphur Springs (Tex.) Democrat: The most fulsome eulogies of Grover Cleveland come from republican sources. In proof of this we cite to the editorials in the Chicago Chronicle and to the published opinion of the boss of the republican party, Mark Hanna, who says: "Grover Cleveland is a great democrat, greater than his time or his party, who looks with almost disgust upon many of his fellows who have strayed after false gods and taken up with fallacious doctrines."

Rockville (Ind.) Tribune: With Perry Heath in high party standing, with Neeley and Rathbone and numerous other thieves unwhipped of justice, the attempt of the government to convict two "country lawyers" at Cincinnati, last week, was in the nature of a farce. The Tribune takes no stock in such a "bluff." When the

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