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The Friday Superstition at Minneapolis.

We are surprised to find so enlightened a person as the Hon. HENRY C. HARRISON of Devil's Lake, North Dakota, openly admitting that the Republican National Convention would hesitate to begin balloting to-day, on account of the medieval prejudice against Friday.

Among the seven candidates and dark horses now in view there is certainly one who would not object to taking the risk of a Friday nomination. We mean the Hon. THOMAS BRACKETT REED of Maine. In the first place, because REED is too thoroughly au de niche in his mental constitution to care a copper in what particular day of the week a good thing comes to him.

Mr. REED of Maine is only Friday child of destiny in the list. For the benefit of Senator HARRISON and other delegates who attach importance to this sort of thing, we present in tabulated form the natal statistics of the seven prominent candidates, actual or possible.

These pregnant statistics are submitted for the benefit of politicians and prognosticators of the school represented by ZADKITT, RABBI, and Senator HARRISON. They will be variously interpreted by the knowing, but we shall be sufficiently rewarded if they carry encouragement to a single loyal but perplexed soul, or inspire to premature enterprise any one of the several millions of outsiders that are now too numbed to let on the result.

It is singular that Senator HARRISON should believe in the influence of day upon destiny. He himself, like the Hon. JAMES G. BLAINE, is a Sunday child, yet that auspicious circumstance did not prevent him from becoming an inhabitant and leading citizen of Devil's Lake.

New York.

The boldest and enthusiastic proceedings in the Republican contest in the States in which the State administration is usually has been, in Republican hands, and has been, in the main, faithfully responsive to the popular wishes, the Republican candidate is reasonably certain to carry in November.

These States in which the Democrats constitute the majority, in which they have, or have usually had, control of the administration, the Democrats are likely, even by Republican acknowledgment, to hold in the Democratic column. If it could be shown, however, that either party had by its acts or omissions in legislation or administration, betrayed the confidence or disappointed the hopes of the voters, such a revolution of public feeling would follow as would imperil the success of that party.

The New York, which is the most uncertain, the doubtful States, but is also of more importance in the electoral college than all other doubtful States combined, has in Presidential elections been steadfastly uncertain.

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should get together in respect, charity, confidence, and harmony, and possibly agree on a practical and consistent theory of social morals. The Devil is the spirit of distrust, rancor, and animosity which prevents a result so essential.

The Kaiser and the Czar.

The vigorous endeavors of the Paris press to make light of the Czar's visit to Emperor WILLIAM at Kiel do not mask the anxiety which the first announcement of the Czar's purpose caused. If the act of courtesy was obligatory as a recognition of the visit made to the Russian Emperor by the young German sovereign immediately after the latter's accession to the throne, why, it was asked, was it not performed last year when the Czar was at Copenhagen? At that time, however, no such indication of good will was given, and the Czar's refusal of his kinsman's invitation was emphasized by the effusive welcome received by the French fleet at Cronstadt. From the fact that the northern autocrat consents this year to do what a year ago was left undone, we do to infer that the relations of France and Russia are less friendly?

Such an inference would probably be drawn by the simultaneous visit of the Grand Duke CONSTANTINE to President CANNOT at Nancy. The latter incident was manifestly planned to divest the Czar's visit to the Kaiser of all political significance in the minds of the French people. To appreciate the importance attached to the presence of a member of the Czar's family at Nancy, one must keep in view the tenuous comments of the German newspapers on the arrangements made to welcome President CANNOT at that place. No pains was spared in the capital of the French Republic to the hope of regaining the lost provinces. The anti-German character of the celebration was accentuated by the invitation to French students to participate in the festival, for the French themselves are not more implacably hostile to the Germans than are the Czechs. In the demonstration at Nancy there was indeed much which Germany and Austria had cause to resent, although there was no official act of which they could complain. Under the circumstances, the visit of the Grand Duke CONSTANTINE was construed, and must have been meant to be construed, as a proof of the Czar's sympathy with the aspirations of France.

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Which is the Devil?

A committee of the late Methodist General Conference at Omaha reported in favor of continuing the course of expulsion for indulging in such worldly amusements as dancing, card playing, and theatregoing. Another committee called upon every Christian to withdraw his patronage from all persons directly or indirectly interested in the liquor traffic, and to vote against any political party which "criminally allies itself with the liquor interests by licensing the manufacture of spirits." The same committee reported against the use of tobacco in any form by preachers and Sunday school superintendents.

Dr. BREWELL of the Dutch Reformed Church justifies the drinking of "a social or a convivial glass," if it is drunk elsewhere than in a public saloon. Dr. RABBITT of the Episcopal Church advances the establishment of public drinking places in the churches, the saloons, and the keeping open of these improved saloons on both Sunday and week days. In the last number of Scribner's Magazine the Rev. W. T. ELSING advises that instead of denouncing the saloon, religious people should set about to find "something better to take its place." Meantime the Church Temperance Society of the Episcopalians is working for the establishment of high license, and the Rev. Dr. BACON of the Congregationalists is arguing against it as a vicious policy, and advocating a merely nominal license fee, with careful supervision of the moral qualifications of those allowed to sell liquor.

The disagreement among religious people as to the amusements proper for Christians is not less remarkable. Instead of frowning upon the theatre, the Rev. PARKHURST has himself sometimes been seen in the theatre; he countenances dancing as harmless amusement, and very likely he is ready to take a hand at a rubber of whist. Episcopalians generally have no objections to dancing, card playing, and theatregoing. A large part of the fashionable society of New York is made up of Episcopalians. It also contains Presbyterians at whose houses dancing parties take place. Horse races are denounced by some of the great religious bodies with special bitterness, yet multitudes of church members attend them, and, we dare say, bet on them too.

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Mohammedans are neither skeptics nor hypocrites, but genuine believers in their religion and its sacred laws. There are hundreds of Americans who have travelled in Turkey, and we doubt whether any of them will confirm the Rev. Dr. EXSLING's statements about the drunken habits of the Turks.

An English contemporary, the Yorkshire Post, informs its readers that the sense of humor is highly developed in the United States, and that "many useful lessons may be drawn from the study of the comic literature of America." It further tells them that this humor is sometimes both subtle and piquant; that even the most dignified American journals make room for it, and that there are American artists who produce fine effects with original ideas that have humor in them. "Americans," says the Post, "are observant of those trifles which provide the best material for the jester and the satirist the world over, and are wide awake to those oddities of habit in the streets and in social life through which character can be diagnosed and the weaknesses of human nature laid bare."

In its disposition on this subject the Yorkshire Post is in the right of its words. It falls, for example, to discriminate between humor and drollery and fun and wit and satire and jesting and comicality; and, in the course of its remarks, it speaks of all these different things as though they were one and the same thing. As a matter of fact, each of these things, at least in this country, has a specific meaning, and it is hardly possible, though it might, perhaps, be difficult for those who explain them in such a way as to bring them within the understanding of the Yorkshire Post. The American smile-provoking quality, if we may use a generic term, is unlike that of the English; it is not that of the French, who are not, like the English, so much given to the jest; it is not that of the English, who are not, like the French, so much given to the jest; it is not that of the English, who are not, like the French, so much given to the jest.

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WARRING PHANTOMS.

A Spectral Story that is Supposed to Foretell Indian Troubles. From THE PHOENIX, June 4. TISHOMINGO, N. T., June 4.—Indians of this part of the country are predicting a disaster of some kind. They say that it is about to happen to their tribes or to the invading white men. The phantom tribe has been seen in the mountains of this State, and this is a sure indication that many dead men will lie on the hills.

For many years there has been a legend among the Indians of this Territory of a phantom tribe which was supposed to be the ghostly remnant of a once powerful nation, which was completely annihilated by an opposing tribe. This occurrence was so far back that it is now one of the traditions that have grown faint with age, and it has been many years since there has been any indication that there was a foundation of truth for the legend, which attaches to a certain valley in the western part of the Territory. In that valley, it is always supposed by the Indians of the tribe, are many mounds, indicating where the bones of the dead were buried. In long ages ago, a great battle is said to have been fought, and in this battle one whole nation of warriors was slain, and the earth, by a victorious invader, who thereupon possessed the land.

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Overheard.

As handsome as three ripe cherries they looked as they came down Market street this morning. The two elder were just passing out of their coats. One was attired in a cool white dress, and the other in a more elaborate form to perfection, and a cascade of lace fell over well-rounded shoulders, and her skirt was of a rich material, and she wore a white hat with a large plume. The younger was attired in a simple, but elegant, dress, and she wore a white hat with a large plume. The two elder were just passing out of their coats. One was attired in a cool white dress, and the other in a more elaborate form to perfection, and a cascade of lace fell over well-rounded shoulders,