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The Republicans and Trust Busting.

All those politicians who are in doubt whether or not the Western Republican leaders intend to throw overboard, very soon, the Anti-Trust bogey, as eight years ago they threw over the anti-gold dollar bogey, should read the speech of Mr. DOLLIVER in the Senate last week.

An Opportunity for a Hero Shipper.

Only those who know personally and intimately President ROOSEVELT's sunny faced biographer, Mr. JACOB RISS, understand how gentle is his temperament, how complete his integrity of purpose and how pure his sincerity of conviction.

Tibet Abandoned.

The British Government has decided to withdraw from Tibet. Col. YOUNG, HUSBAND's peace mission with its military escort reached Gyantse after a second conflict, similar in its results to that at Guru on March 31; but it will go no further, nor will there be a Resident imposed at Lhasa, nor such interference as was first contemplated by Lord CURZON in the internal affairs of Tibet.

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part. It now needs these people, and its genial climate should make a stronger appeal to the Italian blood than that presented by the rigors of a Northern winter.

Go South, Italians, go South! There is money in the cotton patch. There is more comfort in a little home under the trees than there is in a tenement house. There is both room and need for a million or two sober and industrious cotton raisers, and an abundant reward for every one of them.

Pitch, Thistles and Company.

Over all the broad domain of the Empire State nowadays you hear again the familiar proverbs of boyhood. Republican voters of all ages are conning them with something akin to slyness blended with vengeance: You can't touch pitch without becoming defiled; neither can thistles bear figs; the stream cannot rise higher than its source; and as twigs is bent the tree is inclined, and so forth and so forth.

The Odell politicians hear these strange utterances, but their sound is faint and incomprehensible indeed amid the din and clatter of the captains and majors of the Black Horse Cavalry as they thunder on in the looting of a State. Lieut. Gen. GRAFF is in command. He is a most competent officer. Trained in the good old "horse shedding" days, step by step, by energy and by a faithful attention to his duties, aided by the untiring labors of faithful wardmen, he has become Head Trooper in the Black Horse Brigade, until its totality was never so perfect.

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bought one apiece. Dealers got all the others, save three only, which the Government now has on hand. The sales were frequent in 1899 and 1900, but only three lots were sold in 1903, and those were of 3,052 on Feb. 18 and 3,062 on Dec. 4, to a dealer, and 10 on Dec. 4 to another person. The War Department report says:

"The special despatch from Costa Rica to the Washington Post, under date of Aug. 31, 1903, referred to in the resolution, seems to be the basis of the charge that Mauser rifles captured by the United States in Cuba were being issued by the thousand to the gathering revolutionary forces. The session of the Colombian Congress which considered the canal treaty did not adjourn until the last of October, or two months after the date of this alleged despatch. The last considerable sale of Mauser rifles by this Government that date took place Feb. 18, 1903, a time antecedating the ratification by this Government of the proposed treaty with the Republic of Colombia, and before there was any suspicion that Colombia would refuse to ratify the convention.

"The official reports herewith submitted are an effectual answer to the charges and insinuations contained in the alleged despatch set forth in the resolution."

Whatever sins the United States Government may have been guilty of, it is at least evident that it did not issue to the Panama revolutionists Mauser rifles "suspiciously like" those captured in Cuba. But did those dealers in old arms who bought the captured rifles and carbines of the Government at a bargain gain something through the overreaching greed of the Bogota politicians?

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will be a very vigorous brother; and the Enchanted Realm will get plenty of advice and, perhaps, of executive order.

The Elephant and the Kangaroo.

The Washington correspondent of the Tribune shows us Governor ODELL in the act of whispering into Uncle JOE CANNON'S ear these honeyed words:

"ROOSEVELT and CANNON. New York is for the Illinois! The Vice President first, last and all the time, and will give him his seventy-eight votes at Chicago."

The Tribune man believes that it is believed in Washington that "the New York leaders have reached the conclusion that it would be for the best interests of the party to name the Speaker as its candidate for Vice-President and that this conclusion has been conveyed to the President by Governor ODELL."

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AFRICA'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN.

The German Government is now building a railroad to Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest of African summits. It stands on the extreme northern frontier of German East Africa, the boundary line making a semicircle around the northern flanks so as to include the whole mountain in the German domain. It rises 19,680 feet above the sea; and though it is only 180 miles south of the equator scores of square miles of the upper slopes are perpetually crowned with snow and glaciers. It is about 250 miles inland from the Indian Ocean.

The Usambara Railroad has been extended from the port of Tanga sixty miles inland through the cotton plantations that are being developed in that part of the colony. It has now turned straight to the northwest, and the Government is pushing it on to the great mountain, 101 miles away, as rapidly as possible. All mountaineers who are signing for new summits to conquer will be glad to hear that Kilimanjaro is to be made so easily accessible. It is a mountain worthy of the best skill and strength of any climber, but the cost of reaching it has hitherto been almost prohibitory.

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AN ICONOCLASTIC VETERAN OF THE CIVIL WAR.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN:—It appears that your paper has great faith in the military ability of West Point graduates, but a glance at the history of their performances during the civil war hardly justifies such confidence. Look at the records. McDowell at Bull Run with his left resting on the only road and his line extended in prolongation of that road, thus severing two-thirds of his army from its communications before a shot was fired. When the fighting broke his line, the shooting of artillery was too far advanced, shooting in the wrong direction and absolutely and entirely without support. By the way, I have never seen the fact stated in Lee thought that he had made a poor show, shown by our infantry was when these artillerymen, led by the lead driver of the right piece, galloped to the rear, leaving their guns on the field.

This (of Rosecrans at Chickamauga—his army lost in the woods, and to this day no man can tell what he was trying to do with it; Sturgis at Gun River—whipped in a minute by Forrest, who had been a peaceful citizen; Smith at Petersburg and then retreating without even realizing the importance of occupying the line of the Grand Bay River campaign—planned by one West Pointer and to all intents and purposes, conducted by another.

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HAWK, DEAD, CLUNG TO BRANCH.

Man's strength Required to Release Grip of the Talons.

From the Hartford Courant. George M. Lee, engineer of the Farmington River Power Company at its Tarville power station, was looking out across the Farmington River from a window in the power house on Bull Run last week when he saw a big hawk light on one of the topmost branches of a tree about 200 yards away.

Mr. Lee took from his rack a Lee navy rifle of the pattern of which his father, the late James Parish Lee, was the inventor. Returning to the window Mr. Lee took sight and fired. The hawk fluttered and changed position somewhat, but as it did not fall Mr. Lee thought that he had made a poor show and missed. He started to sight for a second shot when he realized that if his shot had not taken effect the hawk would certainly have flown away after the loud report.

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