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WHEELING, FEBRUARY 3, 1896. REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE.

The West Virginia Republican State Committee will meet at Parkersburg, February 14, at 7 o'clock p. m., to fix a time and place of holding the state convention to elect delegates and alternates to the national nominating convention at St. Louis.

W. M. O. DAWSON, Chairman.

A Chapter of Our History.

American interest in the fate of the Armenians recalls to the English newspapers the fact that early in our history, when we were not nearly so strong as now, we did cross the ocean to straighten out a matter and that we did straighten it out to the satisfaction of ourselves and the rest of the civilized world.

This is all true, but the circumstances were quite different. If the Turks were to treat us as the Barbary powers did, there would be an American fleet in Turkish waters as fast as it could get there.

The Barbary powers, composed of the independent states Algeria, Tunis, Tripoli and Morocco, had long dominated the Mediterranean. Their sea-rovers were pirates. They exacted tribute from every power whose ships desired to sail those waters, and they were not always careful to respect treaty obligations.

In 1812, the Dey of Tunis, thinking we had our hands full in the fight with England, turned his pirates loose on our commerce. The pirates captured an American vessel and made slaves of its crew. The American consul was compelled to pay roundly to keep himself and family out of slavery.

In 1815 Commodore Decatur went over and astonished the pirates. He went along the coast from one Barbary state to another, making them give up their prisoners and pay indemnity for their devilry. In two months an American commodore had brought them all to terms, a job which all Europe had been afraid to undertake.

Probably we could bring the sultan to terms if we were to go after him and had only him to fight, but for the present we do not hear the voice of duty calling us to that work. There are others much nearer upon whom that duty rests.

There were some unanswerable arguments in the senate against the free silver amendment to the bond bill. The votes were against arguments. A silver senator does not open his mind to argument. On this they are all agreed.

The silver triumph in the Senate. The silver senators have taken their crack at the house bond bill, and it is to be presumed that they feel better now. They cannot accomplish any positive thing, but they have shown that they can compass a negative thing. They amount to something as obstructionists. Legislation must come their way, or there shall be no legislation.

They know that a bill to please them, if it could get through the house, would be vetoed and ended by the President. They know that the house will not agree to a free silver measure. These considerations do not count with them. If the dog will not permit the tail to wag it, so much the worse for the dog. The majority of seven, by which the silver men hold the senate and the country by the throat, is not great, but so long as it holds together it is conclusive.

It is a majority of misfortune to the country and of delight to the men who wield it. It represents a combination of silver mine owners, demagogues and honestly mistaken people. The second element will disappear when the third shall have become convinced of its folly in following the silver kings. There will be no trouble to deal with what will be left of the movement.

The cause of free silver will never be stronger in Congress than it is now. Henceforth the changes will be the other way. Already the house shows the ebbing tide. The senate, less responsive to public sentiment, will show it later.

West Virginia's vote on the bond bill in the senate is all right. Both senators voted against the free silver rider.

No Ground for Surprise. Some surprise is expressed because Lord Salisbury not only puts on the Monroe doctrine his own interpretation but presumes to say how President Monroe interpreted it and what he intended to accomplish.

any honest way any part of Venezuela territory, and so much as she has not got honestly she is not entitled to at all and would not be allowed to hold as the result of impartial arbitration. This she knows well, and this is why she has declined to arbitrate anything east of the arbitrary Schomburgk line.

Instead of being surprised by any position Lord Salisbury, as the head of the British government, may take, we need not be surprised if he shall have the ingenuity to find, and the boldness to declare, some vital flaw in the Declaration of Independence.

Why is not William L. Wilson more talked of for the Democratic presidential nomination? He represents his party's highest aspirations and is a clean man.

An Odd Case. The Louisville Courier-Journal devotes nearly a page to Dr. W. Godfrey Hunter, a member of the present national house of representatives and Republican nominee for United States senator. The point of the publication is that Dr. Hunter is a man of mystery. Nothing is known of his life before he went to Kentucky at the close of the war, thirty years ago.

He settled at Burkesville, a hamlet in Cumberland county on the Cumberland river. He exhibited diplomas from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and Miami College, Cincinnati, and began to practice medicine. He joined the local Grand Army post, claiming to have been a surgeon in the Two Hundred and Eleventh Pennsylvania Infantry. He prospered in his practice and married into one of the best families of the region.

Dr. Hunter says he was born in Ireland, but does not locate more definitely the place of his birth. In fact he has said so little about himself that some persons are convinced that there is more worth knowing about him. He has been elected several times to the legislature and twice to Congress. In his campaigns all the mystery was brought up against him. His citizenship was questioned. Until lately nobody saw his naturalization papers. Now he exhibits them. They were issued in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania.

He is known to have made money since he has been in Kentucky, some of his wealth being the result of successful silver mining in the west. He will not talk about his mining interests or any of his private business. The official records do not show a W. Godfrey Hunter among the army surgeons. There was a Whitesides G. Hunter in the Pennsylvania regiment in which Dr. Hunter says he served. They may have been one and the same man, but when Mr. Hunter signs his full name he writes it William Godfrey Hunter.

The Courier-Journal says that Dr. Hunter is a capable physician and a good citizen. He is a man of exemptible life. He does not use alcoholic stimulants or tobacco and does not gamble. Dr. Hunter knows of the desire that he shall tell all he knows about himself and dispel the mystery, and he goes right on letting the mystery take care of itself. This makes him still more a man of mystery.

Nobody suggests any evil in his life. There is nothing but the mystery and his refusal to satisfy curiosity. It is an odd case, but it does not seem to bother Dr. Hunter. It worries other people.

The people who sent Tillman to the senate are proud of him. This shows how their taste runs.

Hammond's Case. Mr. Hammond, the American engineer who was picked up by the Boers in Jameson's Transvaal misadventure, looks to the United States to get him out of his trouble. He has addressed the state department and followed that up with an appeal to friends in his behalf.

Mr. Hammond may be presumed to be an intelligent man who knows his rights as an American citizen and the duty of his country with regard to him. If so he knows that it is not a right of an American citizen as such to plot or to make war against a country with which his own is at peace, and he must know that if a citizen so acting gets into trouble it is not the duty of the United States to help him out.

If the Boers give Mr. Hammond fair play under their laws the United States can ask no more. This country may exercise its good offices to secure lenient treatment, but it cannot interpose to get off scot free an American citizen engaged in a hostile movement against another country.

What Mr. Hammond was doing in fact was to aid an enterprise to hand the Boers over to British rule. His American citizenship can afford him no protection against the consequences of that act.

The death of Rev. William H. Furness, which occurred in Philadelphia last week, ended a career of great distinction and usefulness. For seventy years Dr. Furness was pastor and pastor emeritus of the First Unitarian church of Philadelphia. He was a preacher and writer of rare power. He was among the earliest and most earnest of the anti-slavery agitators, and he was always glad to help a fugitive on his way to Canada.

The Register is informed that the Intelligencer was not trying to make a partisan point on the gas board. It was merely giving the board credit for what the figures seem to show. If the Democratic board was entitled to less credit than the Intelligencer gave it, the Register may subtract as much as it thinks it should take away.

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With a large number of people in this country The Tribune Almanac has been given much needed aid as their daily food. Its table of contents for the issue of 1895 shows that it has lost none of its features that have always recommended it as a work of reference and reliable political register. Many new things have been added that make it complete than ever. Price 25 cents.

With the current number The Baltimore Sun Almanac enters upon the twenty-fifth year of its publication. The contents embrace the usual variety of information on subjects appropriate to a chronicle of this kind. It is given free to all subscribers of The Sun.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger Almanac enters its twenty-seventh year of publication with its present issue, brighter and more varied in its contents than ever before.

The advocates of a shorter ocean lane for transatlantic steamers have published an edition of Luxe of Austin Corbin's paper in the North American Review entitled "Quick Transit Between New York and London." The article in question designates the western terminus of the proposed route at Port Pond Day, at the north side of Long Island, 114 miles from New York, and which is one of the finest natural harbors in the world. The eastern terminus is located at Milford, England, a port accessible at all times, and which would avoid a dangerous trip through a channel, full of shipping at all hours of day and night. The time occupied in travel between these two points with their fast railway connections would be materially lessened and the chances of accidents and delays measurably decreased. There seems to be but one side to the argument. The project is handsomely illustrated and is supplemented with maps of the steamship ocean lanes and the harbors of the proposed termini of the new route.

Sing Again. You sung me a song. 'Twas the first of the year. Sing again! I cannot remember the name Or the words. 'Tis the same old refrain. We listen to hear When the windows are open in the spring And the air is full of birds. One calls the tolling bells some sweet thing. And one sings on the wing The refrain.

You sung me a song. My heart thrilled to hear. The refrain. Has run like a fire of gold Through the wood Of the cold Dark days of a year. Tonight there's a year at its start. All the birds are aloft. Your eyes hold the sun for my part. And the spring is in your heart. Sing again!

At the Door. By Eugene Field. I thought myself indeed secure. So fast the door, so firm the lock; But lo! the tolling bells, to burst In my parent ear with timorous knock. My heart was stone, could it withstand The swells of my lady's voice. That timorous baby knocking, and "Please let me in—it's only me."

I threw aside the unfinished book. Regardless of its tempting charms, And opening wide the door, I took My laughing darling in my arms. Who knows but in Eternity, I'll see a truant child, shall wait The fortunes of a lot to be Beyond the Heavenly Father's gate? And will that Heavenly Father heed The truant's supplicating cry, As at the outer door I plead, "Thy I, O Father, only I?"

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