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PUBLIC OPINION

John Sherman, it is said is going to take the stump in Ohio in behalf of Hanna's return to the Senate. John Sherman, it is said also, is losing his mind.—Richmond (Va.) State, Dem.

One of the evils of municipal government in this country is the habit of aldermen questioning the right of the people who elect them to have what they want.—Kansas City Star, Rep.

Mexico may be in a very low state of civilization, and the lynching in its capital city yesterday may be an evidence of it. But we in this country are not going to say so just at present.—New York World, Dem.

One hundred and forty million dollars a year for pensions means about \$400,000 a day, or \$50,000 an hour for the eight-hour working day. This is quite a lot of money, but is only \$10 a year for every family in the United States, and just think what an effect it has in keeping the Republican party solid.—Louisville Post, Dem.

The way is now clear for the president to lift up another of the infamous New Orleans trio and set him in a high place beside the degraded Demas, and let the people again see how courageous their president is in keeping a corrupt bargain even though outraged public decency stands in the way.—New York World, Dem.

It strikes the negroes in Ohio and other States where their votes are often necessary to Republican success, as very strange that they are almost invariably forgotten in the distribution of Republican spoils, while fat offices are given numerously to negroes in the South, where the negro vote is never worth anything.—Atlanta Journal, Dem.

Hanna is about as powerful in the Senate as in the White House. The tariff was nothing more than the payment of his big campaign debts to the trusts. In his appointments to office he is discharging his smaller obligations and the Senate dare not refuse to meet his demands in the latter case any more than the former.—Chattanooga News, Dem.

There is no anarchy in Democracy. There is nothing in its traditions or in its creed which counsels violence for the correction of public or private wrongs. There is nothing but equal justice and good order in Democracy, and those who interpret its character in any other way do not understand the genius of the party of Jefferson and Jackson.—St. Louis Republic, Dem.

Jury Secured to Try "Kinney" Reid.

Lake Charles, Sept. 24.—At 11 o'clock this forenoon the last juror for the D. J. Reid trial was selected in the person of J. T. Martin, and the first tussle of the big case was over. This is probably the most widely known suit that has been in the Twelfth Judicial District Court for many years. It is known in detail all over the State. It has entered the legislation halls at Baton Rouge, and it has received special write-ups in the New Orleans papers.

"Kinney" Reid is ex-sheriff and ex-officio tax collector, and is charged with the embezzlement of \$12,500 of the parish funds. The charge has been hanging over him for eighteen months. The case has been deferred and postponed and indefinitely set aside. The indictment have been quashed and it has gone through nearly every legal term of the ad infinitum court procedure, and now, after all these turns, D. J. Reid was placed on trial yesterday afternoon, Judge S. D. Read presiding. The array of legal talent is very strong. For the State is Attorney General M. J. Cunningham, assisted by District Attorney A. R. Mitchell and Special District Attorney Paul A. Sompayrac; for the defense are the law firms of Fournet & Fournet and Schwing & Moore. These are the men who will declare "Kinney" Reid guilty or innocent: S. Arthur Knapp, E. E. Evans, Emile Gaillery, J. G. Iles, Samuel Blackford, F. M. Myers, J. M. Cole, George W. Heard, M. A. Coleman, C. Reiser, A. Ellis and J. T. Martin. J. J. Rigmaiden and

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