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scrutiny of the case, however, reveals a material difference in the inducements offered McMahon as compared with those held out to the old Romans.

FROM EXTREME TO EXTREME.

In the latest issue of his Commonwealth of July 3, Mr. Bryan puts forth the following statement, in an editorial entitled "The Democratic Opportunity":

If the Democratic party is to have any standing in the campaign, it must take a bold and aggressive position. Its platform should be a bold and aggressive position.

This day the Democratic Convention will assemble at St. Louis. Mr. Bryan is on the ground, leading the delegation from his state.

Mr. Cleveland is in the Fourth of July letter to Tammany, employed such part of his customary magnificence as has not fallen wholly into innocuous demerit.

Mr. Cleveland does not state the matter with his usual fairness. It is not asserted anywhere that men of one party are more competent or more honest than men of another party.

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short term of imprisonment, after which he must be turned loose to repeat his offense, endangering even the lives of those whom he would rob.

MISTAKE OF CAPITAL AND LABOR.

The weekly commercial reports state that business in New York for the last week in June was of smaller volume than for any corresponding period in many years.

The present dullness, which is reflected so plainly in the bank statements, is due to the waiting attitude of the great mass of producers and consumers who have been caught between the upper millstone of combined capital and the nether millstone of combined labor.

More passengers were saved by the lifeboats of the steamer Norge than were saved by the lifeboats of the steamer General Slocum.

Mr. Raisuli, of Morocco, whose methods of raising money make the lock trick or the three-shell game nice and legitimate by comparison.

Fourth of July celebrations in the Inland Empire were interrupted in a number of places by heavy downpours of rain.

Further details of the wreck of the emigrant ship Norge merely add to the catastrophe. Through it all the officers of the ill-fated vessel remained at their several posts of duty.

As an illustration of how other exuberant steamers were equipped, it is announced that 25,000 new life preservers have been put into service on New York vessels since the Slocum disaster.

On August 19 there will be organized at Salem a State League of Postmasters of Fourth-Class Offices.

The farmers' picnic is rapidly becoming one of the most important features of agricultural life in Eastern Oregon and Washington.

opportunity for the use of brains as is afforded by diversified farming.

THE FIRST FOURTH OF JULY.

The Declaration of Independence was publicly proclaimed and celebrated in Boston on the 18th of July, 1776.

The wreck of the Washaw flyer was one of the sad catastrophes of the Fourth of July in the Middle West.

It is not supposed, or imagined, of course, by any observant or serious person, that the noise and din of the Fourth of July are produced by any exuberance of patriotism.

Exactly as the clock struck 1 Colonel Craft, who occupied the chair, rose and silence being obtained, read aloud the declaration which announced to the world that the people of the United States were no longer British subjects.

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THE TEMPERANCE AND ABSTINENCE SOCIETY IS HARD.

Mr. Mary H. Hunt, a lady whose name we recall as somewhat prominently connected with the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, announces a rather startling conclusion as to the drinking habits of most drinkers.

It seems not to occur to the moderate drinkers that they are not competent to sit in judgment on any question connected with the beverage use of intoxicants.

The advocates of temperance would make moderate progress and do less harm if, instead of railing against the moderate drinkers, they would welcome and utilize it.

Navigation of the Dead Sea. Graphic. Since the earthquake in Palestine last April, some one circulated the story that the mouth of the River Jordan had been so affected by the shock that the level of the river had been altered to such an extent that at the place where the historic river goes into the Dead Sea, it would be a matter of considerable depth and strength.

London Saturday Review. The reason appears to be connected with an imperfect development of honesty.

Green Bag. An Iowa lawyer tells the following story of his first month's practice.

White Rose. Sent by a Turkish Lover to His Lancastrian Mistress.

Fairy Song. Shed no tear! O shed no tear! The flower will bloom another year.

Local Opinion. In an interview with the West Side Enterprise this week, Squire Farrar, a member of the State Senate, intimated that the next Legislature may take some action on the local option law.

NOTE AND COMMENT. "Uncle Joe" Cannon tells of the tribulations of a Congressman from the West.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon tells of the tribulations of a Congressman from the West, out for re-election, whose wife craved social honors, says the New York Times.

"Simply this," replied the candidate for re-election, "the fundamental idea in order to be a society man is, as I figure it, to be able to talk while you eat. Now, I'm absolutely ridiculous in a man like me trying to make any one believe he is a society man. When I talk I have to stop eating, and when I eat I have to stop talking. It's no use," he added, dejectedly, "I'll never make a society man."

Roosevelt is the first President to be born in a city. How is that for the farm? Japan, it is said, has a Young Men's Buddhist Association on the lines of the Y. M. C. A. More Oriental adaptability.

The best thing that could be done with Raisuli would be to make him Sultan of Morocco. He would be assassinated quicker in that position than any other.

A horse named Bad News won a race in Chicago recently. Like Vanderbilt's Hard-Bolled Egg motor boat, which can't be beat, the horse is not badly named, on the strength of the proverb that bad news travels fast.

At last a New York flat building is to be erected for the use of families with babies. Special rooms are provided for the storage of baby carriages, and netting will prevent the youngsters from falling out of the windows or down the stair wells.

A traveling salesman, says to the New York Press, "Surely there is nothing new under the sun. I am your tale of the iron cow is proof. Last year, while going through Guaquito, near Santiago, selling smoked glasses to natives through which to view the eclipses, an exiled American inventor showed me a mechanical cow which was fastened to a shaft in such a way that it ran around in a circle at a fearful rate. The result, by reason of centrifugal laws, was that the outside tests furnished cream; and the inside ones the undiluted lactical fluid."

Georgia surely must be devoted to baseball. Here is what a late issue of the Augusta Chronicle has to say: You could do almost anything you want as an Augusta baseball game. There's a preacher and the congregation—you could have service. There is the Judge and the jury and the lawyers—you could hold court. There is the editor and the reporter—you could get out a newspaper. There are the young men and the beautiful girls—you could have a party. There is the Democrat and the Republican—you could have a difficulty. There is the umpire and the kicker—you could have a prizefight. There are the bleachers—you could have a town meeting.

Representative Sheppard, of West Virginia, has a constituent who in the mountain district who has a peculiar idea of the range of perquisites that members of Congress have at their disposal, says the Pittsburg Dispatch. Mr. Sheppard nourishes the conviction that if the Government distribution of seeds is continued, seedmen will be transposed into seedmen, and that some legislative knight on whose shield is blazoned a radish in its glory, or a turnip in repose, will introduce a resolution to oust the American eagle from the mace and supplant it with a package of vegetable seed as the supreme emblem of the genius, character and principal occupation of American statesmanship. The gentle misfire that atrified this outburst of sarcasm, uttered with all the formality of a political panegyric on the floor of the Lower House of Congress, was as follows: "Dear Sir—I wish you would send me the seed and other things I mention below—one peck of some good early corn, 1 bu. of cotton seed and some good sorghum seed and a union suit of clothes, a coat 38 in size and pants 33-4—and anything else you are a mind to have sent me. I need all these things, which the same will be gladly received."

OUT OF THE GINGER JAR. Belle-Aren't they nouveau riche? Louise-Gracious, yes! The father started with only ten millions—Princeton Trust.

Hewitt-I'm always happy when I'm smoking a good cigar. Hewitt-You expect your friends to contribute too much to your happiness—Town and Country.

Wife-Did you notice how full of his subject your pastor was this morning? Husband-Yes; and I also noticed how slow he was in emptying himself of it.—Chicago Daily News.

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