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Now that Parnell is on the down grade, he is having the usual experience of those unfortunate enough to strike the wrong side of life's toboggan slide; everybody seems anxious to give him kick in order to accelerate his speed.

As usual the wily republican politician was prominent at the annual encampment of the G. A. R. for an organization that isn't political the G. A. R. allows its name to be used to bolster up the falling walls of the republican structure entirely too often.

SECRETARY Tracy has found it necessary to publish a letter explaining why he awarded the contract for building Cruiser number 13 to a firm that was not the lowest responsible bidder. No administration has ever made as many explanations as the present one. The actions of all administrations should be of such nature as to need no explanation, for explanations are always the parents of suspicion.

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Mr. Harrison appears to have attempted a flank movement on the Blaine boom by making a Blaine man, who is secretary of the republican National Executive committee Collector of Customs at New York whether this will result in making a Harrison man out of the new Collector remains to be seen. The Collector's office has always been a power in New York politics. It will be remembered that Senator Sherman when Secretary of the Treasury put Chester A. Arthur out of the office because he refused to support Sherman's aspirations for the Presidential nomination of his party.

THE next Speaker of the House of Representatives will be a democrat; that is enough for us. While, of course, we have a personal choice among the gentlemen mentioned for that honor, we do not believe it the province of a part newspaper to interfere with the prerogatives of the democrats who have been elected to the House of the Fifty-second Congress, and the most important of those prerogatives is the selection of the man who shall preside over that body. We are perfectly satisfied that the democratic Representatives are as fully alive to the importance of making the proper selection as we are, and that a majority of them will finally agree upon the best man, all things considered for the position, and for that reason we deem it wisdom for democratic newspapers to refrain from expressing any opinion as to who should be elected Speaker, as all such opinions are made use of by the republican press in its frantic efforts to create antagonism between the friends of the respective candidates.

Artesian Wells.

We copy a part of a report given of an artesian well in Honey Lake valley.

The first 26 feet was sunk, where the first water was found, but it did not rise. 106 feet, the second water was found which rose in the tube to within 12 feet of the top of the casing. At the depth from the surface of 234 feet, a powerful stream was encountered, which rose in the well and flowed continually over the top of the casing to a thickness of one half inch all round. This was estimated to equal in volume five miner's inches.

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