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THE mines is all the absorbing topic of conversation in our town and county. It is now thought that the widely known mine given the name of "Blue Bucket" has been found twelve or fifteen miles from here and also very rich diggings found on Pine creek, and silver in immense quantities on Steen Mountain.

Whether these reports from parties coming in are exaggerated or not remains to be proven; but be that as it may there is no doubt but that gold has been found in paying quantities, and it covers a large area of country. Enough to warrant us in saying that it will take years to exhaust.

The Bible says "Ask for wisdom and all things else shall be added." The human family of to-day say "give us gold and all things else we get." Which is in the main correct. It is the key that unlocks the storehouse of wisdom, that opens the gate to ambition, opens wide the door to all offices of affluence, and honor is the same to entrance in society, in fact does everything that mortal man can wish, except take him to heaven.

Harney county has been somewhat on the back-ground, but her almost inexhaustible gold mines will bring her to the front, and instead of doing homage, she will be crossed, petted and fondled like a pet child. So much for gold.

THE republican party cannot advance a single claim to the right of continuance in power. It has been given a fair opportunity to prove its title to public confidence, and during the years of its power it has over and over again played into the hands of party tools and machine politicians who have robbed the people. The battle of this year will be fought by men who are willing to serve the people in the interests of the people, against men who scramble for office for the money they can get out of it; in other words, by honest men against thieves. "Thou shalt not steal."

Hon. George H. Stone, now and for almost thirty-six years past the chief justice of the supreme court of Alabama, called upon the President the 15th inst., to urge upon him the recommendation in his forthcoming message to Congress of the necessity for the enactment of a bankruptcy law.

The President was very much impressed with the reasons given for the desired legislation. The chief justice maintained that, in view of the diversified laws of the various states and of the great frauds perpetrated under them, a national law ought to be enacted which would curtail the frauds now practiced, and result in the honest administration of the estates of insolvent persons, and to secure to honest bankrupts a discharge. He endorses the Torrey bankruptcy bill.

Judge Charles Frederick Crisp, of the Third Georgia district, is now in Ohio, taking a leading part in the campaign for Gov. Campbell and the democratic party. Judge Crisp is billed for ten speeches, the

first to be delivered at Cincinnati. He thinks the signs propitious for democratic victory all along the line this year. He points to the swooping democratic victory in the municipal election at Indianapolis as a significant straw showing the trend of the political wind this year. As to next year, he is of the opinion that the democratic candidate will beat any man the republicans can put up. He has, he declares, no fears of any untoward action on the part of the Alliance in Georgia or the South.

As to his own candidacy for Speaker, Judge Crisp expresses himself as entirely confident. He is much pleased at the outspoken stand in his favor by Mr. Hemphill, the brilliant young Congressman from the Palmetto state. His part in the Ohio campaign promises to be most effective, he being an eloquent and logical speaker—in short a spellbinder of the higher order.

THE news of Gen. Lee's death which occurred on the 12th was received at Washington with profound sorrow. Never was there a more courteous or whole-souled gentleman to be met within official and private life, and his loss will be keenly felt, not only in his own state where he was so beloved, but at the Capital, where he has won for himself many warm personal friends among residents.

Gen. W. H. F. Lee was the second son of Robert E. Lee, and after a career of active and conspicuous service in the Confederate army, surrendered with his distinguished father at Appomattox as a major general of cavalry. After the war he devoted himself mainly to agricultural pursuits, and led a quiet, and uneventful life up to the period of his election to Congress in 1886. He was a useful and industrious member of the House, but of tastes that unfitted him for the more pronounced activities or ambitions of political life.

He was a good citizen, of a generous and kindly nature, and honorable in all relations.

INVITATIONS were sent to 27 democratic Governors to attend the opening of the democratic campaign in Ohio. The fact that 42 States in the Union 27 are governed by democrats, gives some idea of growing strength of the party in all sections of the country.

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