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## ROCKEFELLER'S "PILE."

The news that John D. Rockefeller has undertaken to form a combination of the mining interests of the country, with a capitalization of two and one-half billions of dollars, must be regarded from a republican standpoint as decidedly inopportune, coming as it does just at the opening of the national campaign. The average citizen does not look with favor upon the trusts, and it is but once in four years that he has an opportunity to express his dissatisfaction with the policy of protecting and fostering them. Mr. Rockefeller's latest effort in the direction of crushing out competition and gathering into his possession another huge slice of the country's wealth has naturally aroused renewed discussion of the enormous extent to which his operations are carried and the menacing proportions of his future.

Well informed men assert that he is worth not less than \$1,000,000,000. The figures seem incredible, says the Oregon Journal, but the Chicago Tribune gives credence to the estimate and publishes a statement compiled by some financiers of that city which suggests that even this huge figure may not be an adequate measure of his fortune. According to this authority Mr. Rockefeller has controlling interests in these corporations:

Standard Oil.....	\$ 780,000,000
Amalgamated Copper.....	127,500,000
Calumet and Hecla.....	11,250,000
American Lined.....	1,172,500
Corn Products Company.....	4,936,000
St. Paul Railway.....	145,280,000

Total.....\$1,070,138,500  
In addition he has heavy minority interests in United States steel, Colorado Fuel and Iron, United States Leather, Consolidated Gas, International Harvester, New York Central, Pennsylvania, Missouri Pacific, Wisconsin Central and others.

It is safe to say that these figures will find no place in the campaign literature sent out by the republican committee. They are none the less significant, and to every thoughtful American citizen they are pregnant with warning.

Mrs. Edison, wife of the "wizard," has been doing some inventing herself. She noticed that few men attended the services at the Orange (N. J.) Methodist church, and was told that many of them stayed at home to mind the baby while wife went to church. Mrs. Edison planned and established a playroom under the church, with games for the children and a nurse to look after them. So now the families of Orange can check the baby, while father and mother go to church. Just what new excuse the men are preparing is not known.

Prof. Starr, of Chicago University, says this "miserable continent is not fit for the development of the highest type of animal life." Perhaps the professor has been compelled to lay in another ton of coal.

The Journal of the Deceased, devoted entirely to obituary notices, is the latest newspaper venture in Paris. Undoubtedly, ethical considerations will impel the doctors to try to keep their names out of the paper.

The World's Exposition at St. Louis is the largest, though not the greatest, show that has ever been seen. The boast of its promoters has been expressed in acres or in linear feet, rather than in the quality or novelty of its exhibits, and the shame of its management lies in the incompleteness of the exhibition even a month after its formal opening.

For example, up to May 23, or later, not an American work of art was visible, and in the Agricultural Building scarcely an exhibit was perfected.

It is stated that Charles R. Flint, of New York, has bought two Chilean cruisers for \$5,500,000 and is dickering for a third. For a private individual Mr. Flint seems to be pretty well fixed in point of sea power.

The London Times is reported to be adopting American ideas. The next thing we know John Bull will be talking through his nose.

The man who has an idea that anybody can manage a sailboat is getting into the accident column rather early this year.

Whatever else of Tennyson may or may not live, his phrase "the sweet girl graduate" is bound to be immortal.

The New York Herald notes that "bicycling seems to be in the ascendant again." Advertising pays.

"Alkali Ike" is dead, but "Weary Willie" and "Meandering Mike" are still going the rounds.

Labor unions are a good thing. So is dynamite. But both have to be handled with common sense.

The trouble with the submarine mine is that it can't tell its friends from its foes.

## A \$2500 Blow-Out

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## Chicago Steel Ranges

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