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## THE THIRD PARTY.

The Third Party is booming. Now the third, it hopes soon to be the first and only party.

What a faultless platform! "Equal rights to all; special privileges to none." When this is carried out, the Millennium will be right upon us.

But, should even so promising a party as this get into power, isn't it barely possible that enough of the old A-dam-ic nature will crop out to prevent the full realization of this splendid dream? Special privileges to none! Somehow this seems a flattering "promise to the ear," only to be "broken to the hope."

We will wager a peck of potatoes that not one in ten of the Third Party movers appreciate the full significance of these words.

Do they realize that, if this principle were carried out one billion dollars worth of church property in the United States would pay taxes; that there would be no laws enforcing the observance of Sunday as a sacred day; that the World's fair would be open every day in the week, that there could be no more religious teaching in our public schools; in a word, that every department of government would be strictly secular?

That the old parties have passed the zenith of their glory and are slowly, but none the less surely, descending into the dreary Shades, is evident, but they have had such a jolly, good time loving each other for the past forty years, that they ought to step down and out and give more glittering promises a show.

How many celebrated George Washingtons birthday, the 22ult?

## DO FIGURES LIE?

Editor NEWS:—Please answer the following: Two neighbors go to a city to sell eggs, each having thirty dozen. One sells at the rate of 3 doz. for a dollar, the other, [Of course the best talker, Ed.] at the rate of 2 dozen for a dollar. Now the former evidently receives \$10, and the latter \$15. = \$25.

The puzzling feature is this:

The former gets a dollar for 3 doz., the latter a dollar for 2 doz.; therefore every 5 dozen brings \$2, and 60 dozen would bring \$24.

Our questioner supposes that as often as one sells 3 dozen, the other sells 2 dozen. But if this were the case, ten sales would exhaust the first one's basket and he would have \$10. The latter would also have \$10, and 10 dozen eggs left; so the former sits on a dry-goods box in front of the Post Office while the other sells the remaining ten dozen, getting \$5. Total \$25. See!

But, don't send mathematical questions. They are not of general interest.

It is proposed to have U. S. senators elected by the people.

Good; but why not elect postmasters in the same way.

## CONUNDRUMS.

Why is the letter K like a pig's tail? Because its at the end of pork.

Who was the first to swear in his world? Eve. How so?

When Adam asked her if he might take a kiss, she said, I don't care A-dam if you do.

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