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THE LIBEL SUIT IN POLITICS.

Libel suits seem to be growing in fashion in politics. In this district Mr. Rush Culver has started two suits against the Negaunce Iron Herald for its outrageous and maliciously false assaults upon his personal and professional character. At Chicago Mayor Hopkins has caused the arrest of John R. Tanner, chairman of the Republican state central committee, on a charge of criminal libel, the offense consisting of the statement in a circular issued by Tanner, that Mayor Hopkins had levied blackmail on the vice of Chicago. There is no reason for believing that both of these suits will not be pushed to trial and the facts brought out before an unprejudiced tribunal. If the Iron Herald's charges against Mr. Culver are true the latter ought to be severely punished. If Tanner's charges against Mayor Hopkins are true the latter ought to be impeached and kicked out of office. If they are false Tanner ought to suffer the full penalty of the law.

The increasing frequency of actions for slander and libel, brought with the sincere intention of pressing them to trial and not as a mere political bluff, is a favorable sign of the increasing decency of public life. They show that respect for the law is increasing and not decreasing. A few years ago the method of answering such foul attacks as that of Griffey upon Mr. Culver would, in some sections of the country, have been to spring an even more atrocious lie about the candidate on the other side. In other sections the man so maligned would have cleaned up his revolver and gone gunning for his traducer. These appeals to the courts to right wrongs of this kind are also an evidence that the fallacy which has made public character and private character two separate and distinct things is at last dying out. The time has passed when public ability could be offered as an excuse for private vice. The days are rapidly passing when private virtue can be used as a screen for public rascality.

The present revolt against David B. Hill in New York is an illustration of the latter phase of the subject and of the healthier tone of the public conscience. It cannot be said that Hill's private integrity has ever been successfully assailed. Despite the fact that he has been associated in public life with boodlers, blackmailers and thieves of the worst sort no one can say that Hill has personally shared in the spoils. But as a public officer Hill has connived at and assisted in some of the worst outrages ever practiced on the people, from the plunder of the treasury on some petty contract to the stealing of the legislature by Maynard. Hill's private refusal to share stolen goods or money can no longer cover his public corruption and despite his desperate struggles he will be defeated and relegated to obscurity at the polls next Tuesday.

The climax of indecency in political contests, at least of late years, was reached in the Blaine-Cleveland campaign of 1884. There was a decided revulsion of feeling then and since that time our presidential elections have been comparatively free from personal vilification, the last one conspicuously so. This healthier tone has gradually pervaded the smaller contests until now, instead of replying to mud with mud or resorting to physical violence, persons who are maligned in these political controversies are more and more frequently adopting the law-abiding and sensible course of applying to the proper authorities to do them justice. Civilized society is based on the principle that no man shall avenge his wrongs in person but shall appeal to society as a whole, represented by its duly established tribunals, to affirm and secure his rights. Hence the too common habit of sneering at a candidate who goes into court to obtain the punishment of his traducer is barbarous and indicates a low condition of civilization in whoever makes use of it. The action for libel is both more civilized and effective an answer to slander than either a counter slander, a club, a cowhide or a pistol ball.

WHY THE TREASURY RUNS LOW.

The question suggested by the above heading is in no sense partisan or political, although in various parts of the country the attempt is made to use it in a partisan manner. It is purely a business question and it is because the subjoined article from yesterday's Chicago Herald states the facts in a business way that it is here reprinted:

The government revenues are less than some sanguine treasury officials expected, but they are not less than some other people expected in view of well known facts. The new law puts important articles on the free list and from these, of course, there is no longer any revenue. On most other articles it reduces duties from 15 to 50 per cent. and from these there would necessarily be less revenue unless importations were largely increased. It was not to be expected that importations would in-

crease much immediately after a great panic even though the duties were largely reduced.

The anticipated losses were to be made good by the sugar duty, the income tax and the increase in the whisky tax. Something also was expected from the tax on playing cards. Large quantities of spirits were taken out of bond to avoid payment of the increased tax. Therefore a comparatively small amount was likely to be taken out of bond for at least two months after the new law took effect. For a like reason the revenue from sugar was likely to be small for three or four months at least.

In July the importation of sugar amounted to 755,000,000 pounds, against 233,000,000 pounds in July, 1893. The importations in June and August also were heavy. The refiners laid in stock in advance to avoid the duty, and a great decrease in importations occurred, of course, after the new law took effect. In fact the total importation in September was less than 50,000,000 pounds, and of this 11,000,000 pounds from Hawaii was free, leaving only 45,000,000 dutiable. If the price was up to the average for the fiscal years 1893 and 1894 the dutiable value could not have exceeded \$1,350,000 and the duty could not have been more than \$540,000. This is less than one seventh of the average monthly revenue which will probably be derived from this source after the big stock of raw sugar laid in before the law took effect has been exhausted.

These facts explain why the receipts under the new law have been so small hitherto and why they will be small for another month or two. The income tax will not be assessed until the beginning of the new year, and it will not be collected to any great extent before March. Next year the revenue will be ample, but in the meantime it may become necessary to borrow money to cover a deficit. It is to be regretted that congress made no provision for a short loan at a low rate of interest, but the administration can do as it did last January if it becomes necessary.

The making of a newspaper in these progressive days has become as much a business as the manufacturing of a watch or piano and is necessarily subject to the same practical rules and business methods that control any other business undertaking says Press and Printer. The successful newspaper is not a blind, unreasoning "party organ," not an old foggy issue, moss-grown with timidity, but a fresh, bright issue, that dares to utter the truth, regardless of the outcry its utterances may provoke, that will be controlled by no outside influence, no secret monopoly, no mighty corporation to influence its judgment and direct its policy; that will labor with earnestness to maintain the sway of virtue and all that is good over the public mind; that always keeps its columns clear and free from anything that our wives and daughters should not read and in the midst of all temptations will always refuse to crook the hinges of the knee "that thrift may follow fawning."

To produce a paper requires the liberal patronage and good will of the merchants and citizens in general, but it must be remembered that the newspaper business is the most reciprocal of all lines of trade. It not only expects life but gives out life in return. For the patronage which its solicits and expects it will carry trade to counters or business houses in return. Its business and the people's each affects and is affected by the other. In appealing thus to the good people of a place for their subscription and advertising patronage the newspaper is not soliciting bare favors, but it proposes and does return all the patronage it receives in measures well filled, pressed down, heaped up and running over.

The first two issues of The Evening News of Benton Harbor, Mich., have reached this office. The paper is a well-written and well-printed folio of eight columns, is independent in politics, shows good advertising patronage and should prove a winner in its chosen field. Its editor is Justin W. McEachren, who is well remembered here as city editor of THE MINING JOURNAL for over a year, closing his engagement with this paper in September last. Editor McEachren has the very best wishes for abundant success of all his former associates on THE MINING JOURNAL, from the editor-in-chief down to the "devil." May The Evening News live long and prosper exceedingly.

An editor works 365 1/4 days per year to get out 313 issues of a paper; that's labor. Once in a while somebody pays a year's subscription; that's capital. And once in a while some son of a gun of a dead-beat takes the paper a year or two and then vanishes without paying for it; that's anarchy. But later on justice will overtake the last named creature, for there is a place where he will get his just deserts; that's hell.—Unknown Exchange.

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FIRST DEMOCRATIC RALLY IN NEGAUNEE.

Mr. Culver Expected to Reply to Editor Griffey's Charges Against His Professional Character.

DEMOCRATIC RALLY TONIGHT. A Democratic rally will be held at McDonald's Opera House tonight.

In view of the fact that Mr. Culver has been so outrageously attacked by the local paper a great many here are desirous of hearing what he will have to offer in reply to the charges preferred against him.

Griffey and Flynn Arrested. C. G. Griffey and Thomas J. Flynn, publishers of The Iron Herald, were placed under arrest Wednesday afternoon about 5 o'clock in a second action for libel begun by Rush Culver.

Not Much Damage. Although the large and small boys and a great many young men about the city were out in full force Wednesday night very little damage was done.

They Want Choppers. The Cleveland-Cliffs Iron company is desirous of hiring one hundred choppers to cut kin wood at Cook's Mills for the Gladstone furnace.

A Business Change. J. C. Dougherty & Co. yesterday disposed of their lime, cement, hay, grain and building material business to the estate of Isaac Johnson.

LOCAL LAONICS. G. C. Warfield of Houghton did business in Negaunee yesterday.

Senator Peter Pascoe of Republic, with his wife and two children, was in the city yesterday.

Zizora Bashaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Bashaw of Clark street, aged seventeen years, died of typhoid fever yesterday morning at 7 o'clock.

Miss Mabel Read gave a Halloween party to a number of her young friends at her parents' home on Brown avenue Wednesday evening.

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FALL OF A DYNASTY.

Prophecy Foretelling the End of the Present Ruling House of China.

Reports of a serious revolt against the present Chinese government in Manchuria, and the issue of proclamations by the rebels declaring that the Manchu dynasty is near its end, have created a great deal of interest among the foreign colony in the treaty ports.

This prophecy appears to be firmly believed by all the Chinese who have read it. It purports to have been written by Huan-Peh-Shan, who, in a vision, describes the downfall of the present government.

The sketch of the emperors of China is very well done, but this historical introduction appears to have been written merely to lull the suspicions of the reader and to induce him to accept the sensational statements about the coming ruin of the Manchu dynasty.

In Hunan there is deep feeling against the present dynasty, because of its favors shown to foreigners. Hunan is the seat of a set of fanatics who would rejoice to see every European thrown out of China.

A DANGEROUS TREE. The Manchineel of Africa—How It is Used by the Natives. Everywhere the manchineel has the unenviable reputation of being a most dangerous tree, in the shade of which it is never safe to rest.

The negroes have a way of taking advantage of the delightfully cool shade and at the same time avoiding the danger from the poisonous droppings of the tree. They erect a thatched roof below the lowest branches and then repose in security.

M. Tremaux, says the Chicago News, in a narrative of his excursion to the Soudan, has an interesting passage respecting these abhorrent euphorbias.

"While taking a view of Caene," he says, "I asked one of the negroes who stood near me to go and fetch himself under a great euphorbia which stood in the foreground. At first he hesitated, then, after a little, he decided to yield, but not without raising his eyes many times in apprehension toward the branches of the tree."

"It was about to climb upon a rock to break off a branch—which I brought home with me to France—but the negro, seeing me approach, fled in terror from the shade of the deadly tree, gesticulating wildly and shouting words in a language which I could not comprehend. His signs, however, and a few Arab words uttered by one of the bystanders—'Do you mean to die?' made me understand that in touching the tree I was running a serious risk."

"But the thing was done and the broken branch in my hand. Immediately a milky liquid flowed forth, in much greater quantity than I could have imagined from what I knew of these plants in other countries, covering my clothes and penetrating even to my skin."

HOW THE DUST FLIES.

Patient Observation on the Limit of Sight Under Varying Conditions.

The other day Mr. Aitken laid before the Royal Society of Edinburgh the results of 15,000 observations of the density of dust particles made in different parts of the world during the last few years. This is a monument of patient observation, unfortunately made in his search for health.

The observations were made at Kingairloch and Alford, in Scotland, and at Rigi Kulm, in Switzerland. If these were absolutely accurate, both as to the counting of the dust particles and the determination of the limit of visibility through the haze, then the product of the number of particles in a cubic inch, multiplied by the number representing the limit, should be a constant.

Now, the average for several hundreds of observations, when the limit of visibility varied from 13 to 250, was 2,368,000, which shows the closeness of the observations. Again, at Alford, with the same humidity, the mean of hundreds of observations brought out 1,998,736 as the constant; and at Rigi Kulm the constant was 1,987,376, a remarkably close figure indeed.

The Most Ancient Song. A topical song three thousand years old was sung in a comic opera lately produced in Australia by a traveling Chinese company. The history of this venerable ballad is authenticated by the affirmation of the chief comedian of the troupe, who avers that the song has been sung on the Chinese stage, with the original words and music, since 1000 B. C.

Late Flowers. With the turning of the leaves it is supposed the flowers disappear, but in northern New England, and over the line in Canada, the asters are never more gorgeous, the daisies bigger or the chamomile more abundant than just on the eve of frost time.

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AN ODD VESSEL.

The Olla of the Indians of Southern Arizona.

There are two tribes of Indians in this part of Arizona—the Mohaves and Hualapais (Wal-a-pi). The Mohave Indians resemble the Apaches in appearance, being tall and straight—in fact, they are a branch of that tribe.

The squaw's dress consists of a skirt of calico coming just below the knee, a short caico waist, a long shawl, which is worn both in summer and winter, moccasins, and a necklace of blue and white beads, ten-cent pieces, or shells.

The Hualapais are different in every respect from the Mohaves. They wear long unkempt hair, which has never known a comb (unless it is on the head of one of the belles of the tribe). Whenever a squaw's hair is cut short, she is in mourning for a pappoose, and when it is clipped close to the head, her buck has died.

The Mohaves are very industrious, thrifty and much more intelligent than the Hualapais. They raise corn, melons and pumpkins on the shores of the Colorado river, and exchange them with the Hualapais for beef and flour which the government supplies.

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