

In connection with the terrorizing policy of the disreputable paper in which Mr. Howe is, this morning, so vindictively assailed, it may be well to refer to the assaults that were some time ago directed toward Marshal John M. Young. The latter for some time was subjected to the most scandalous abuse in every issue of the sheet; suddenly the stream of slander which flowed toward him was shut off and the malodorous material sought new victims. There was a reason for this short stop. Perhaps the scribes of the organ of hate imagine that we are not familiar with some of the details connected with the cause. They may even imagine that nothing is known outside of a certain few about a memorandum book being found in the room of a gambler in this city, with an entry showing that money had been paid to a newspaper scribe on condition that he would deal gingerly with the sporting fraternity.

#### OUTWARD MOVEMENT OF GOLD.

THE situation in financial circles begins to assume an alarming phase. The outflow of gold from the United States is unprecedented, and under present conditions rather anomalous. Since the first of January of the present year something like \$40,000,000 in gold have left this country. During this same period in 1890 we had a net inward movement of gold of about \$1,000,000. This change is too revolutionary to escape notice. From \$1,000,000 inwards to \$40,000,000 outwards in one year is something that ought necessarily to cause alarm.

Going further back: In 1889 there was a net outward movement of gold of about \$10,000,000 during the first half of the year. In 1888 the outward movement was \$1,000,000, in 1887 \$1,000,000; in 1886 \$19,000,000, in 1885 \$3,000,000, and in 1884, \$32,000,000.

The question now is, what occasions this dreadful drain of gold out of the country. We have protection laws so high that it ought to be impossible to send abroad for manufactured goods, and as to farm produce we do not get it, nor want it, from abroad. Is it caused by the great rush of our wealthy people to Europe. Ten thousand Americans who spend \$1000 each in Europe leave there \$10,000,000 in gold. And the number of our tourists who are about to visit Europe this year will number ten times ten. Or might the cause be traced to American heiresses marrying pauper lords and Italian Counts? Has the silver bill anything to do with it? It is said that American eagles are being turned into British sovereigns at present.

Whatever the cause, the gold is going, and unless we are satisfied that we can get along without gold, the sooner the matter is seriously considered the better. The anti-silver men say that the Silver bill of 1890 whereby \$4,500,000 of that metal is drawn into the Treasury monthly, instead of being sent abroad to pay trade balances, in the cause of the gold outflow. The freetraders say that the McKinley bill, and the foreign syndicates which now control the business of this country are the cause. Others say that financial uneasiness abroad is causing England and Germany to strengthen their gold reserves at the expense of the United States, the coinage of silver affording them unusual facilities for doing so. Now is the time for financial philosophers to show what they can do. A condition not a theory confronts them.

#### A PESSIMISTIC OBSERVER.

AN English scholar who claims to have made a special study of United States history, politics and government, published the result of his researches in a recent number of *Blackwood's Magazine*. He sums up the situation here in the three words "despotism," "anarchy" and "corruption." He says the negroes are worse off now than when they were in bondage, and as far as the United States is concerned republicanism "there is a delusion and a snare." No worse kind of tyranny exists in any other country in the world, so says this erudite Englishman. To use his own words, "unless a change in policy comes very soon, the history of the rise and fall of the Republic of the United States of America may be written within the present century." The worst feature about the condition of this country, the Englishman says, is the blindness, the fatuity, the perversity of the mass of the people. They will not hear reason, listen to logic, nor view matters philosophically. In his opinion then, this country is inevitably doomed. Its people are incapable of education and are blindly rushing to destruction.

The century has but nine more years more to run. In that time two presidential elections will take place, the Chicago Fair will also come off, and the Ben Butler and Phoebe Cousins fights will perhaps be still unsettled. Our Saxon relative and kinsman has given us but a short time for reformation, and the best thing we can do is to suspend prize fighting, electioneering and office seeking and set to work at once. But where can we begin? Ingalls is in obscurity,

Edmunds is in retirement. Reed is in Rome, Governor-Senator Hill is capturing all the offices, Jerry Simpson is in the saddle, and the wind is wailing through Senator Peffer's whiskers. Perhaps the beginning has already taken place. Or can it be that the authority we have quoted has been all the time suffering under a form of mental strabismus.

#### BLAVATSKY'S TRIBUTE FROM HER DISCIPLES.

THE Theosophical Society of New York met on the 14th inst. to mourn the death of its high priestess, Madam Blavatsky. William Q. Judge, general secretary of the order in America, read the dialogue between Krishna and Arunja. In this Krishna says there is no such thing as death. He did not die himself, nor will any of the princes of the earth ever die. Resolutions were adopted deploring Madam Blavatsky's "departure from this incarnation," and regretting that "there has been cut from society and from the world one recognized channel of truth and power reaching us from revered beings whose mastership in knowledge is consecrated to the good of humanity from which they never emerge, but which they never desert." The Madame was characterized by her disciples as first in revelation, apostleship and martyrdom in the sacred cause of theosophic illumination.

#### OUR PHOENIX.

A business call necessitated a flying trip home last week, and at the R. G. W. depot we were assailed by that intolerable nuisance "the hotel runner." The zeal of this class of individuals is unbearable and insulting. As soon as the passengers alighted the "runners" to the right of them, "runners" to the left of them, "runners" in front of them, "volleyed and thundered."

The yelling crowd will assail visitors and persistently follow them to the electric cars, and if a resident ventures to answer a question regarding hotels, he is liable to be insulted. An effort to suppress this nuisance will be appreciated by the traveling public.

Yesterday, the mining town of Scofield was visited. Business is quite dull at present, as the demand for the products of this section is diminishing. Two districts schools are in session, and great interest is being manifested in educational matters. The houses are well furnished with the latest appliances, and a great improvement is noticeable.

Scofield is a fine location for a summer residence, and may in the future offer attractions to tourists.

Castle Gate is a thriving mining town on the R. G. W. Railway, and a fine quality of coking coal is obtained here in unlimited quantities. The most imposing building is the company's store, a substantial two-story rock structure.