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To Prosperity: Come on now! Caesar Bryan: "Et tu, Missouri!"

It has again been demonstrated that talk without experience will not win.

The latest definition of a "frazzle" is that it is a frazzle that has ceased to fizzle.

The weather continues to be ideal. It is a fine fall for saving the country and the corn crop.

Those people who "felt it in their bones" that Bryan would be elected evidently have very untrustworthy bones.

It is a safe assumption that Nebraska is not especially proud of the fact that it has become part of the "solid south."

A great deal was said during the campaign derogatory of the straw votes, but they were a very fair indication of the ultimate result.

The guess at Washington is that when congress meets in special session to take up tariff revision the work probably will be in the hands of the standpatters and a maximum and minimum affair is likely.

A number of ministers sought to make an issue of Taft's religion in the campaign just ended, but results show that their efforts were more than counteracted by the resentment they caused.

The Cedar Rapids Gazette remarks it as very evident that Mr. Gompers did not have a great influence over the labor vote in many cities, and adds:

It is not to be wondered at that he failed in his mission. A considerable portion of the labor vote is naturally Republican; there are plenty of people in every trade or calling who resent anything that savors of an attempt to deliver their votes; and the injunction issue did not appeal to many laboring men, because they never expect to be bothered by injunctions.

According to a Chicago dispatch, a large majority of the prominent western railroad officials believe that the election of Taft will soon result in such a resumption of business as will enable the railroads to get the money with which to make renewals, betterments and extensions and to provide more equipment and power.

ments and in better maintenance of track will come gradually. It is all perfectly clear now. The Omaha Bee explains that that noise like a hired man eating celery is "Uncle Joe" Cannon trying to suppress his chuckles.

Caustic criticism of the prevailing salary schedule for Chicago high school teachers is contained in reports recently presented to the school management committee by Superintendent E. G. Cooley.

"Blacksmiths, foundrymen and machinists have frequently been appointed at salaries ranging from \$1,200 to \$1,400, while teacher after teacher of academic subjects has refused to come to Chicago, after he has passed our examination, because we are unable to offer him more than \$1,200."

In a second report, presented by himself alone, Mr. Cooley said: "The dearth of men teachers, not alone in the special departments, but in English, science, mathematics and the other subjects of the regular high school course, is one of the most alarming consequences of our present insufficient salary schedules."

PRACTICING LAW IN EARLY DAYS IN IOWA.

In the Annals of Iowa for October, just at hand, the place of honor is given to an article by Judge C. C. Nourse of Des Moines, entitled "Beginning Fifty Years of Practice at the Iowa Bar." For half a century Judge Nourse has been eminent in his profession in the state and wholly creditable to it.

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The next morning he took stage coach for Keosauqua, but owing to the condition of the roads and particularly of Skunk river, he was brought to Keokuk where he had to stay all night. After paying his bill here he had only twenty cents left.

my seat on a bench on the porch near the front door. Presently the lad, of the house appeared, and looking at me very inquiringly wanted to know who I was, where I was from, what was my business, and where I was going. I was a sorry looking subject, having walked through the mud for ten miles, and I presume I looked as I felt—very tired. I gave her my real name, told her I had no business, that I did not know where I was going, and that I came from Keokuk that day. She told me her house was full and she did not believe she could accommodate me with a night's lodging.

After he had boarded with Father Shepherd for a few weeks Mr. Nourse sent for his books that he had left in Burlington. He explained his financial situation to that gentleman after paying his board bill. Shepherd became his fast friend and helped him make many valuable acquaintances.

PROSPERITY IS RETURNING. The United States Steel Corporation reports earnings for the quarter ending September 30 amounting to \$27,106,274, an increase over the preceding quarter of seven millions and over the March quarter of nearly nine millions.

NOTES AND COMMENT. The Philadelphia Record believes that the office that seeks the man usually is blindfolded.

It is believed by the Philadelphia Record that the best stepping stone to marriage is a diamond.

Never try to cement your friendship with a woman by means of paste jewels, is the warning given men by the Topeka State Journal.

Mrs. John V. Kern never wanted husband to be vice president. "A woman will have her way," observes the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

It is noted by the New York Times that the woman with one child has more theories concerning children than the mother of ten.

Walter Welman says history will record that President Roosevelt named his successor, but that he has many precedents for so doing.

An exchange thinks that when the girl hit the young man with a golf ball she knocked him senseless. Anyway now they are going to marry.

"Who would have thought to look at him with his 300 pounds avordupois that Taft would run like that!" exclaims the Springfield Register.

Townsend of Monroe county was the judge of the court." Judge Nourse relates an amusing experience in Decatur county, where he assisted in defending a man in a suit for slander brought by a young woman. There was positive proof that the accused had uttered the slanderous words, but his reputation for truth and veracity was bad. Mr. Nourse suggested that testimony be introduced on behalf of the defendant that his reputation for veracity was so bad that nobody believed anything that he said, and consequently nobody believed what he said about the young woman, and her reputation was not injured.

BRYAN'S BLUNDERS. "Bryan's Blunders" are discussed entertainingly and informingly in the editorial columns of the Waterloo Courier. Among others, it is pointed out that he began to run too soon and too intensely and when he came to the canal to be jumped he fell in. It was manifest toward the close of the campaign that the strain had caused him to lose that mental balance, that equanimity so essential to oratorical efficiency.

The Dubuque Times-Journal calls attention to the fact that Walter Wellman missed the north pole and the result in New York by about the same margins.

It is a brilliant conception of the Chicago Evening Post that the American father whose daughter marries a foreign nobleman has little faith in the promise that the lord will provide.

One of the biggest pieces of engineering in New England is a 2,500 horsepower dam in the Union river, at Ellsworth, Me. It is constructed of hollow concrete, and cost nearly \$500,000.

November days are bare and still, November days are bright and good; Life's noon burns up life's morning chill.

SOME OF THE RESULTS IN VERSE. The otherwise estimable Marshalltown Times-Republican recently lost control of itself and perpetrated the following:

The election better fades away To seek a cozy poker game, The loudest mouthed has least to say The craziest crank is mild and tame.

The tumult and the shouting dies The captains and the kings depart. And Bryan looks to 1912 And figures on another start.

Taking fresh courage from these transgressions—emboldened, as it were, by familiarity with sin,—it thus went on:

And after all is said and done Victorious shout and sign forlorn, We are content to let them pass While we get busy at the corn.

Some folks may live on politics But to the farmer, prairie born The biggest business, best returns, Are those from cattle, hogs and corn.

Let the curtain be drawn! United and Beaten. Sioux City Tribune, Ind.: For the first time in twelve years the Democrats have been united, and they are again beaten.

For twelve years Democracy and Bryanism have been synonyms. He has directed its policies, written its platforms, embodied its spirit. So completely has he dominated that now that he has simply shown his inability to command popular confidence, the party has no man whom it recognizes as a leader.

The fact is that the Democratic party is not Democratic. Bryan thinks it is, and most of his following thinks it is. But it is not. It is merely opportunist, and has been only that since 1894.

Are political parties again where they were in the '50s? The whig party had become one of opportunism merely. It had won transient victories by it. It hedged on matters on which conscience was being stirred and

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awakened. It courted the discontented. It dodged the question of the right or wrong of slavery. Out of distrust of it and repugnance to the support of slavery given by the Democratic party came the new Republican party with a moral issue, an appeal to the public conscience for the right regardless of selfish interests.

Is the Democratic organization to follow it into the limbo of political parties that have become senescent? Is the opportunity here for the birth of a new party which, under whatever name it may take, will be fundamentally, earnestly and honestly Democratic?

Causes for Congratulation. Cedar Rapids Republican: Another matter that calls for sincere congratulation is the failure of Mr. Gompers to deliver the labor vote to the candidate of his selection. If that had happened organized labor would have suf-

ferred immeasurably, and a club would have been placed in the hands of one man to deal political death and destruction wheresoever he willed. It has again been demonstrated that no organization, be it industrial or religious, can be made to serve the purpose of a club in this country. Few things more salutary than this could have been demonstrated in the voting done upon the third of November.

Equally important with this defeat of Gompers is the triumph of Speaker Cannon. He was made the object of an unjust attack. Many people misled by the muckraking magazines, and by false reports of various kinds charged the speaker with things of which he is not guilty and thought to encompass his defeat. The churches were dragged into it, one great church in particular. America has never relished ecclesiastical dictation from any source. It is comforting to think that it has not changed in this particular.

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