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MR. TAFT AND HIS PARTY.

Judge Taft abandons the rocking chair and the front porch, and after this week will carry on his campaign from the rear platform of a railway car.

If Senator Hopkins is correct in his assertion that "Mr. Taft's promises are not binding upon his party" and that "the promises of a party are contained in its platform alone," why should the candidate forego the pleasures of the veranda and embrace the miseries of the rail?

Extensive campaigning by a Presidential candidate can be justified only on the theory that by giving the people an opportunity to judge him by his appearance and his words his cause may be promoted thereby.

The Hopkins proclamation is important in many ways. It comes from a member of the inner circle of the Senate, a monopolistic coterie which has heaped confusion upon more than one President and on many occasions defeated the plans of the people's representatives in the House.

There need be no doubt of Mr. Taft's perfect sincerity. He has supplied certain important omissions in the Republican platform. He binds himself to support those principles. Senator Hopkins serves notice on the country, however, that the party cannot be thus committed, and so all of the pledges which the candidate may make on his own account during his protracted tour may be interesting as showing Mr. Taft's attitude, but they can mean little as revealing the purposes of the party itself.

Judge Taft's presence on the stump will serve, no doubt, to impress his own amiable personality upon his countrymen, and to that extent it will conceal the fact that the Republican party is the real candidate, the real issue and the real platform.

FINANCE ON THE FARM.

Advises from the West are to the effect that the industrial revival has appeared first in the automobile line, and that all of the shops at which motor vehicles are produced are running in full force and on overtime.

It is safe to say that men dependent upon railroads, coal, lumber, manufacturing and general merchandising are not making extraordinary commitments in the touring car line, and so it must be that the demand comes from the agricultural interest. The claim has been made all along that Western farmers knew nothing of the late panic. This year they have good crops which they are selling at high prices.

If a mania for automobiling has appeared in this quarter it is to be hoped that it will not be carried so far as to intensify the hardships prevailing in the great industries which are supposed to be based upon the unvarying and inevitable demands of civilized life.

BEING AN HEIR.

Using the language of the banks, Mr. Bryan said at Rochester that the indorsement on Mr. Taft's promissory note in this campaign is worthless, for Mr. Roosevelt, having a panic of his own on his hands, is himself a bankrupt.

"For East Is East, and West Is West, and Never the Twain Shall Meet."—Kipling.

By Maurice Katten.



"There's Something Coming Off and I Wonder What It Is!" Mrs. Jarr Is So Nice and Sweet to Him, Mr. Jarr Is Guessing

By Roy L. McCardell.



"THERE'S a block on the subway," said Mr. Jarr, "and that's why I'm late."

"I wonder what the matter with her?" said Mr. Jarr to himself, and he lit his brow in a puzzled manner. "She's too sweet to be wholesome. There's some scheme on foot!"

Mr. Jarr blinked at this, but thought it time to find out just what was the matter. "I see all the stores advertising fall dress goods," he said. "I suppose you'll be getting some new gowns?"

Fifty Great Love Stories of History By Albert Payson Terhune

NO. 37—NAPOLEON AND JOSEPHINE. NAPOLEON BONAPARTE, young, stern, cynical—commander of France's army in Egypt—sat silent in his tent at Cairo. His favorite officer, Le Febvre, stood near, not wishing to break in upon his chief's thoughts.

Reflections of a Bachelor Girl By Helen Rowland

FLIRT and the world flirts with you—marry and sit at home. Love is the only occupation in which a man never becomes so discouraged that he hasn't ambition enough to "begin again."

The Paradox of Research.

By John Grier Hibben. Professor of Logic at Princeton University. IT is to be noticed that a mind exclusively bent upon the idea of utility necessarily narrows the range of the imagination.

THE DAY'S GOOD STORIES.

Temporarily Indisposed. ONE of the workers in a Chinese mission in Rao street became much interested in two Chinamen who, she found, owned a flourishing laundry business in her home neighborhood.

Letters from the People.

McCarren and the Five-Cent Fare. To the Editor of The Evening World. The Park Row state of mind evidently received a severe jolt on its five-cent fare to Coney Island when the people supported Senator McCarren.

Just Kids! By T. S. Allen.

