# DEPEW IN WEST NEW YORK:

### *SPEAKS TO CROWDS OF FARMERS UNDER A CLEAR SKY.*

**Uses the Threats of Croker and Chairman Jones of Violence at the Polls With Telling Effect—Speeches Made at Waterloo, Geneva, Lyons, Fulton and Oswego.**

OSWEGO, N. Y., Nov. 1—Senator Depew and his party have been making speeches to-day in the western part of the State. The towns and villages in which he spoke seemed to fairly smile in the sunshine. The good spirits which this turn of the weather aroused in these parts have been raised still more during the day by the welcome which the places visited gave Senator Depew, and also from the fact that evidences were not wanting to show what Mr. Croker's election instructions, backed up as they have been by Chairman Jones, are doing for their party in the rural communities. Following as it did the reports that reached them of the Senator's experience at Cobleskill and that of Gov. Roosevelt at Elmira, it has had an effect on the country people very different from what the Democrats would have wished it to have, so the local Republican committees say. Members of these committees who got on the Depew train today at the different stops to escort him to meetings, told of remarks dropped by their Democratic townspeople which indicate that they don't like the kind of campaign the Democratic managers are carrying on and that it is their intention to make their protest felt on election day. Some of the committees asked Senator Depew to refer to his reception at Cobleskill, as the people had been inquiring about it. Wherever Mr. Depew did refer to this he personally followed up a recital of his experience by reading Mr. Croker's instructions and Senator Jones's indorsement of them in to-day's papers. To those who manifested their resentment of these instructions in no uncertain tones Senator Depew gave the assurance that such desperation was the surest sign of the realization of those who gave vent to it that their cause was lost. Satisfaction at this was expressed in cheers which were rather conclusive of the boomerang effect out here of such statements as the one which just came to the notice of the country people, and showed that they did not share in Mr. Croker's fears regarding an honest count.

The Depew train left Auburn this P. M. intending to make the next stop at Geneva. Such a crowd, however, had assembled at the little town of Waterloo, that the train was stopped long enough for Senator Depew to slip out and tell the crowd of 200 people that sound money and prosperity were going to win. "That," said the Senator, "is the observation of a man who has been watching things for forty-four years and has travelled 100,000 miles and has met a little over half a million farmers, workingmen, professors, doctors and preachers, and I found that they are in favor of McKinley." The crowd was still cheering these words as a bend in the track hid it from sight.

When the train rolled into Geneva his arrival was celebrated by the workmen in a big foundry, working overtime now as the result of prosperity. They beat an anvil chorus and cheered him to show their appreciation of it. At Geneva Senator Depew made a speech about the ballot that drew applause and exhibitions of resentment against the Democratic reflection on the fairness of election counts. He said:

Now, Mr. Jones, the chairman of the Democratic National Committee, says that if the crowd outside think the four inspectors, two of whom are Democrats and two of whom are Republicans, are revising the count, he cannot blame them if they should immediately with club go in and club inspectors out of their lives. He says: 'I hope that if any one gets hurt by this process it will not be an honest man, who has done his duty.' How is the thug with a club to tell which one of the inspectors is doing his duty? 'The Democrats have made an honest campaign, and we are not going to be defrauded out of our victory.' It is equivalent to saying that the Democrats are thieves, because the Republicans can't steal unless the two Democrats help them. We have honest elections in this state. There never has been but one time a distinct attempt to defraud the people by the revising of results. You notice we don't issue proclamations to send men with clubs into the polls. We have laws protecting the election returns and there is punishment provided, and anybody who attempts to falsify election returns will go to prison, and they ought to for life. There is nothing so sacred as the vote of the people under the majority rule."

Stops were then made at Lyons and Clyde. When Senator Depew stepped out on the car platform at the latter place he found a crowd of 200 people, among whom the most enthusiastic was a commercial traveller. The crowd ran after the train till it came to a stop. When they reached the car they found that the Senator had a new joke for them—"We're walking the ties now," he said, "but we'll be riding to Washington on the Empire State express next Tuesday." Just then a big freight train drowned his voice. "There were thirty-five miles of cars sidetracked by Democratic hard times four years ago," he said, when it had passed, and the crowd yelled. "I'm a commercial traveller and I loafed six months," shouted the man referred to and furnished the Senator with the kind of material he has picked up all along the line.

Port Byron on the canal is two miles from the railroad station. Senator Depew was escorted over this distance by a marching club which would have been a credit to a city. Two big meetings were held, the Senator addressing both, one of them in the same hall in which, in 1896, he pleaded for the reelection of Abraham Lincoln. A like cause he said had brought him back to the place after the long lapse of time, and the farmers, many of whom heard him then, set the rafters of the old hall ringing with their cheers to-day. Five thousand people heard him at the two meetings.

Fulton, in Oswego county, which had never met Senator Depew before, turned out a crowd that it was the testimony of every one was double the size of that which heard Mr. Bryan speak there just two weeks ago. Senator Donahue and Assemblyman Lewis escorted the Senator to the square, where even the roofs of buildings were crowded with people. The Senator spoke in front of a map of our new possessions, which formed the back of the platform. He told about the attack on him in Cobleskill as showing what Bryan's doctrine of discontent did among even farmers, and there were the same cries of "shame" which have followed every repetition of that experience. He spoke for half an hour. Regarding trusts he said:

"Mr. Bryan says I put trust-made articles on the free list. If Mr. Bryan should carry out his remedy he would make the Havemeyer Sugar Trust, which has been seeking this, ten times larger than it is to-day and crush out hundreds of thousands of farmers who are growing sugar beets."

There was an incident at the close of his speech which caused having serious consequences almost by a miracle. The temporary platform collapsed with nearly all of the Senator's party just as they were about to leave. There was a cry from the crowds as they saw the Senator fall backward, but enough had fallen before him to prevent him getting hurt, although he fell a distance of six feet. He was the only one who escaped entirely, as every one else got off with badly scraped shins.

Senator Depew and his party were not prepared for the kind of enthusiasm that greeted their arrival in Oswego to-night. It was the first that apparently had brought every one out into the streets to shout and roll for them a regular rah-rah. A big rally was held in the largest opera house in town, and on his way to this Senator Depew was escorted by marching organizations through streets lined with people. Ex-Senator Sloan in opening the meeting referred to Mr. Depew as "that chesnut prop and solid citizen of our party, whom both parties have hitherto regarded with respect, we have seen hooted down and mobbed."

Senator Depew said that the violence which had marked this campaign was unprecedented in the experience of the oldest campaigner in this State. Mr. Bryan, he said, had not argued any of the great issues lately, but his speech had been an appeal to passion and an appeal to prejudice. In appealing to the discontented he had made it appear that every man who was an employer was a natural enemy of those he employed. "No such doctrine," said he, "was ever preached in the United States before except by Anarchists in the seclusion of a beer saloon. Thank God that condition will never prevail in this country. Thank God, those teachings will never gain a man the Presidency of the United States." These words brought a lot in the audience to their feet cheering.

Then Senator Depew read Senator Jones's statement and said that if it meant anything it meant that we would have a new method of violating election returns. Mr. Bryan, said he, has said substantially that he is opposed to courts, and this is the result of his statement. America wouldn't survive a year unless its citizens submitted their differences to the courts, but here is the chairman of a great party, who comes forward with a statement that shows that he too is evidently the victim of a doctrine that would set us at each other's throats, and shows the contempt of Bryan for the courts."

Senator Depew said Mr. Bryan appealed to the discontented and then reeled over the menu of the dinner given him in New York, which put the audience in perfect states of laughter. To-morrow Senator Depew will make speeches in Wolcott, Newark, Penn Yan, Elmira and Corning.

### *ATWATER SENDS OUT CASH.*

**Democratic Candidate for Comptroller Mails Money to Voters.**

POUGHKEEPSIE, Nov. 1—The *Hudson Republican* this morning published the following:

"The following letter was received by a gentleman in Hudson from Edward S. Atwater, candidate for Comptroller on the Democratic State ticket. Inclosed in the letter were a two-dollar and a one-dollar bill. The Hudsonian who received it was not selling his vote and he handed the $3 over to the President of the City Hospital. As the letter was a printed one, it is fair to assume that many others have been sent to 'poll workers' who are strangers to Mr. Atwater, as was the recipient of the letter published below. If other Hudsonians are of the same spirit the City Hospital will be richer by a substantial sum. Mr. Atwater's letter follows:

"POUGHKEEPSIE, Nov. 1, 1900.

"DEAR SIR—As you know, I am the candidate for State Comptroller on the Democratic ticket. I should like to have you stay at your polling place all election day and ask Republican and independent friends of yours to vote for me. Will you also see that the inspectors of election count all the votes for me that I am entitled to? Please send me word in the inclosed envelope what kind of a run I made at your polling place. Thanking you in advance that you will give, I am, with my regards, very truly yours, EDWARD S. ATWATER."

Regarding the Hudson letter, Mr. Atwater to-day made the following statement:

"I have received information from several parts of the State that, in addition to this and through fraud of mine that my opponent had men to represent him in the canvass, working for his interests legitimately, and in those districts I have asked for the name of a Democrat to represent me in the polls of each election district and distribute some campaign literature relating to myself, and to speak a word for me when he could among his friends, to see that my vote was counted correctly, and telegraph or write me what my vote was in his district and to receive pay therefor for his services I have sent him $3, as being a day's pay."

### *A SERMON ON TRUSTS.*

**Never Will Be Destroyed by Legislation, Says the Rev. J. A. Trimmer.**

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Nov. 1—The Rev. John A. Trimmer, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church of Helmetta, near this city, preached a sermon on "Trusts," last evening. In Helmetta are located the works of the Heine Snuff Company, recently absorbed by the American Tobacco Company, or "Tobacco Trust." George A. Helme, President of the American Tobacco Company, is the senior warden of Rev. Mr. Trimmer's church. The sermon was in part as follows:

"The fact is these trusts are here and to stay, that is, the good ones. We must accept this fact—the trusts will never be destroyed by legislation. They are the natural result of business growth. They may be modified and limited, but in form of legislation, I think, never destroyed.

"To take away the right of capitalist or laborer to combine his interests with those of others would be a blow at a fundamental principle of human liberty. It would well try to stop the law of gravitation by legislation as to attempt to stop the inevitable tendency in human affairs for men to combine. The labor union, the department store, the insurance company, the trade association, the bank, are but forms of trusts. Practically they amount to the same thing. This spirit of combination is in the air. Why, already, thank God, it is affecting the churches, and the cry is, 'Stop fighting, come together, take off your boxing gloves and shaking hands and uniting.' The trusts have taught us a lesson.

"Be you sure of this—this whole matter of trusts will regulate itself. These various combinations will regulate themselves and be regulated by other forces in business. Competition will, in due time, sting to death the great, selfish trusts. These selfish trusts will be forced to adjust themselves to the demands and conditions of legitimate business. There is a power in commercial life for self-adjustment which is more mighty than any of the threats or scares of politicians."

### *A SPECTACLE BEFORE THE NATION.*

**All Over the Union It Is Known That McClellan Hopes to Sneak Into Congress.**

No candidate for Congress on either side of the political fence in this campaign has adopted such unworthy methods as George B. McClellan, Croker's candidate for Congress in the Twelfth district. All over the United States the candidates of the Democrats for congress have come right out and said where they stood. The Republicans have done the same. All honor to the Democrats or Democrats who have come out and said that they believe in Bryan and 16 to 1, hauling down the flag and assaulting the Supreme Court; they are great and good men beside this man McClellan, who hides and sneaks and embarrasses every friend in the district he has ever had.

It is known that McClellan fully understands the sorry position he occupies, before not only his own constituency, but the voters in every State in the Union.

### *GO RIGHT AT GEORGE B. MCCLELLAN.*

**Finish Him Up Once and Forever, the Cry in the Twelfth.**

Every loyal sound money man and Republican in the Twelfth district should go right at George B. McClellan, Croker's candidate for Congress, and retire him once and forever from political life. By his own conduct he is not worthy to represent the district. The district has a vote of 25,000 voters and they are entitled to a Representative who can tell where he stands on the great political questions of the day.

The voters of the district will stand by Herbert Parsons. He has played no sneak act in this campaign. He is for sound government, sound money, and sound political principles all 'round.

### *PUSH THE FIGHT AGAINST BELMONT.*

**He's Already Slipping Over the Precipice of Political Defeat.**

Keep up that fight against Ollie Belmont, Croker's candidate for Congress in the Thirteenth district. He's already slipping over the precipice of political defeat. He knows it. He's falling on by his toes and yelping. But the Democrats of the district who remember the treatment accorded to Anderson M. Levy, and their sound money friends and the Republicans, are to flash up on O. H. P. Belmont on election day in fine style.

They are to vote for Willcox, the man who is to represent them in Washington.

### A Card of Thanks.

In reply to hundreds of inquiries and other expressions of sympathy received by me during the past two days, I decide to state that the excitement and the most our share and is comparatively little damage except temporary loss of business and the sale of Sunset Sense. Business will be fully resumed in a few days.

In all my personal labors to express my sincere thanks for their kindly interest, also to our brave firemen and policemen for assistance rendered and courtesies extended and especially to Capt. Westervelt, who proved himself not only a brave man, but a gentleman. I am proud of such police and firemen. JAMES S. COWARD, 268, 270, 272 Greenwich st., Nov. 1, 1900.—Adv.

# BELMONT CANVASS FARCE.

### *HOPES THAT THE CANDIDATE WILL PERFORM AGAIN TO-DAY.*

**The Populace, Which Affected His Nerves So, Will Be Glad to See Him Again—Meanwhile Willcox Is Playing a Winning Game and the Betting Is 2 to 1 That He Will Be Elected.**

Mr. O. H. P. Belmont, the friend of the downtrodden, the enemy of the trusts from which—the Standard Oil and Sugar Trust included—he derives a large part of his great income, is still suffering from the prostration incident to being thrown into contact with the populace at political meetings he has been compelled to attend. Mr. Croker, his owner, has been telling him that he must come out and show himself again and he has promised to make an effort this evening. There is a general hope in the district that he will keep his word. The campaign has been rather destitute of humor since he left the stump and the boys are relegating at the prospect of "Ollie" being back and speaking pieces once more.

Meantime Mr. Croker's *Telegraph* has its corps of inventors still hard at work in the Bryan, free silver candidate's interest. In addition to the standard fictions it has been running for several days it came out yesterday with some new varieties. One was about the Hon. Jefferson M. Levy. Mr. Levy is the present Representative of the Thirteenth district in Congress and a renomination was refused to him because he is a sound money man and would not swallow the Bryan-Croker-Aigeld doctrine of repudiation. Furthermore, he does not believe in having the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States revised by Tammany Hall and Mr. Aigeld's advisory board of Chicago Hayrick Anarchists. So he had to go, and as it is not pleasing to the sound money Democrats in the district who are in open revolt against the candidacy of the absurd Belmont. It was necessary to do something to appease them, so the *Telegraph* concocted a long letter purporting to come from Mr. Levy and committing him to an ardent support of Bryan and Bryanism. Mr. Levy naturally was indignant at the forgery and took pains yesterday to telephone to THE SUN that he never wrote such a letter.

But the *Telegraph* did make a close shot at veracity in one thing it printed yesterday, and that was when it called itself a liar in its own columns. This singular outburst of candor was in a communication it wrote to itself about its charge that Mr. Willcox is the McKinleyite Candidate which Mr. Willcox is not now and never has been a member—that Mr. Belmont Mr. Seligman and had said that no Jew should join the club, while Mr. Willcox, belonged to it. When it discovered that Mr. Willcox was never been a member of the Metropolitan it wrote a letter to itself signed "Loyal League," in which it characterized its own statements as false and said that Mr. Willcox had made a speech alluding to Mr. Belmont's ancestor in referring to the Indian massacre of Cherry Valley, and that Mr. Willcox belonged to the Union League. It forged a letter to itself from the Union League, in which it denied that Mr. Willcox belonged to the Union League.

There is a trail of foolishness in the recent campaign. It was said Mr. Willcox who is manager, did not believe in Bryan or free silver. As an evidence of Mr. Belmont's campaign as he goes on to complete personal candidate, and that it wrecked Mr. Belmont himself. It's taking the bunk. There are farmers in every town, who know a good deal more about politics than Mr. Belmont ever did in his life.

At Mr. Belmont's headquarters in the Metropolitan Hotel the task is still that of swamping the district, but the cold shoulder is the motion of the money bags, who are offered to Willcox. Wall street yesterday that Mr. Belmont would be defeated, and the Hoffman House has practically given up the race for a day and the betting is 2 to 1 that Willcox will have a majority. My pen would have given the opinion that the Wall Street people were telling nearly half the lies in circulation about Mr. Croker and his certainly unusual lavishness in aid of Mr. Croker's favorites has created a desperated dislike among rich men who are the mainspring of and have contributed to the campaign against Mr. Belmont. Yet that body is small compared with the bitterness that has been aroused by the scurrilous attacks of Croker's organs on Mr. Willcox. Even a Democrat who is not a Democrat, and who is a Republican, and who is a Democrat, and who is a Republican, and who is a Democrat, and who is a Republican, and who is