STYLISH TOP COATS at $10

Cool mornings and evenings will be the rule from now on. Better prepare in time. It's easy to catch a cold, but hard to get rid of it.

Come in to-day and see this snappy line of Men's Fall Top Coats we offer at $10. Nothing quite so nobby anywhere else under $12.50—and a good tailor would certainly charge you at least $20 for so good a coat. Box shape or medium length—nattiest of fall coverts, whipcords, herringbones and all those much-wanted Oxford gray cheviots — lined, trimmed and finished in a style that is above all criticism.

We're open to-night till 10 o'clock.

We are sole agents in St. Louis for **Rogers, Peet & Co.'s**

Swell suits and topcoats. The fall lines are ready at half what the custom tailors would ask for equal elegance.

$18 to $28.

Famous *Broadway and Morgan.*

RAINS IN TEXAS RESULT IN FLOODS.

Precipitation in the Vicinity of Fort Worth Reported as Having Been Eight Inches.

LOSS SAID TO BE TWO MILLION.

Only the Top of the Stalk of an Occasional Cotton Plant Can Be Seen Above the Waters Over a Large Territory.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 21.—During the storm of last night over Northern and Northwestern Texas the fall of rain at Dallas approximated three inches and at Fort Worth, thirty miles west, eight inches.

The property loss within a radius of 100 miles of Dallas is estimated at $2,000,000, confined largely to cotton and railway interests. Farmers coming to town from various parts of Dallas County and others reporting by telephone from a long distance declare that the injury to cotton will reach 10 per cent of the crop.

Fields of cotton for miles along Chambers Creek, Mountain Creek, Five-Mile Creek, Ten-Mile Creek and other branches of the Trinity River are so completely submerged that only the top of an occasional stalk can be seen above the surface of the water. All the cotton that had been picked and left in the fields was washed away. The loss to cattle and other farm animals will also be large.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas and New Orleans and the Houston and Texas Central railroads have suffered severely from washouts and loss of bridges and trestles. All trains on every road in Northern Texas are far behind in schedule time in running trains, and southbound trains on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the Houston and Texas Central roads are tied up for the night at Dallas.

Remarkable Rise in the Trinity.

The Trinity River at Dallas has never before been known to rise so rapidly as it has to-day. The river has risen nearly thirty feet since last night and overflowed its banks this afternoon. The situation became so alarming that about 3 o'clock Sheriff Hughes sent out mounted couriers from this city to notify farmers and other residents up and down the valley to move out, as they otherwise would probably be caught in the flood.

News from the Panhandle may add to the seriousness of the storm. Wire communication is badly interrupted.

Lightning struck the Grand Avenue Congregational Church and partially wrecked the building. The lightning followed a wire from the church to the residence of the pastor, the Reverend W. Irving Carroll, and tore a hole in the ceiling of the room in which his wife was lying critically ill. It is feared that she cannot live.

All the electric light and power companies in the city sustained damage to their property, and the two electric street railway companies—the Consolidated and the Rapid Transit—had a total of twenty cars "put out of commission" by the breaking of their electrical running gear.

Motorman Hamilton, on a Consolidated car, was prostrated by a lightning shock and carried away for dead. He is reported out of danger to-night.

Part of the walls of the Mansur-Tebbetts Implement Company's large building, in course of construction, were undermined and thrown down, and the basement of the Linz building, the largest and most imposing business house in the city, was flooded so badly that city fire engines had to pump the water out.

THEIR SIX CHILDREN SAFE.

Good Tidings Await a Galveston Doctor and His Wife.

New York, Sept. 21.—Filled with apprehension for their six children, Doctor and Mrs. Flavin of No. 1566 L½ avenue, Galveston, arrived here on the White Star liner Majestic.

Doctor and Mrs. Flavin were in Limerick when they learned of the destructive hurricane. They knew that their children must have been among the sufferers. The doctor cabled from Limerick and again from Queenstown, but was unable to get any reply from his children.

On landing from the steamer Doctor and Mrs. Flavin went to the International Hotel, where they knew tidings would await them. With trembling fingers Doctor Flavin opened a letter with the Galveston postmark. It told him that his six children had been saved and were well.

Mrs. Flavin fainted in her husband's arms. Trembling with emotion, Doctor Flavin exclaimed:

"Thank God for this. The children are saved. That's enough for us."

Doctor and Mrs. Flavin at once left on the Old Dominion Line for their home, where they will rejoin their family.

TRAINS AGAIN IN GALVESTON.

Traffic Resumed After Remarkable Work of Reconstruction.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 21.—The first railroad train to reach Galveston since the storm entered the station this morning at 6 o'clock, having come over the main line of the Santa Fe with about thirty passengers on board.

The train was scheduled to arrive at 9:05 last night, but ran slow to avoid accident.

The Santa Fe also got the first train out of Galveston, leaving here this morning at 6 o'clock. Soon after departure of this train the Galveston, Houston and Henderson line sent out a train with a large number of passengers on board. At 10 a. m. the regular International and Great Northern train, bearing Eastern mail, reached the city.

Freight trains began running to-day. A large amount of freight destined for Western points and brought here by the Mallory steamships from New York made up the trains which went out to-day.

Of the three bridges that crossed Galveston Bay, only one has been rebuilt, and until the other bridges are constructed, this bridge will be used jointly by all the roads running into the city.

The work of rebuilding the two-mile bridge across the bay and approaches and virtual rebuilding of about fourteen miles of track on the mainland within seven days is a remarkable achievement in railway construction.

Colonel L. J. Polk, general manager of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe, estimates the loss to the Santa Fe by the storm at $125,000, and the loss to the other lines entering Galveston is about the same.

Martial law ended at noon to-day. There is a big demand for laborers along the wharf front and also a great demand for street-cleaning labor.

Commander Selfridge, lighthouse inspector, is in Galveston. He gives official notice that all buoys at the entrance of Galveston Harbor are in position.

The lighthouse tender Arbutus made an effort to get to Velasco this morning with supplies for the stormstricken sufferers there, and at Quintano, but after being out two hours returned to port. The tender could have made the trip, but the Gulf being choppy and the Arbutus not having a high free board, the supplies stored on deck were in danger of being ruined by the spray and she put back.

Another effort to reach Velasco will be made by the Arbutus to-morrow. The distress of the storm sufferers at Velasco and Quintano is becoming acute and the only way to reach them is by boat, as the railway touching there is badly wrecked and it will be weeks before it can be rebuilt.

MORE OF THE KNOWN DEAD.

Additional List of the Fatalities in Galveston Sent Out.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 21.—Following is the additional list of dead reported late last night:

BIRGIE and wife.
MRS. MARY E. BURNS and child.
JOHN BUTTERFIELD.
W. A. DERRING, wife and six children.
MRS. THOMAS P. FARLEY.
D. L. GREY and children—CECILIA, JAMES, CENS and LULU.
J. GRISSOM, wife and two children.
ED GROOM and wife.
JACOB HILDENBURG, wife and baby.
MRS. HELEN HOSKINS.
A. JOHNSON, wife and child.
MIKE KELLEY.
AUGUST KESSLER.
EMMA KESSLER.
GUSSIE KESSLER.
MRS. S. J. MUESSINGER.
MRS. LAWSING, mother of Mrs. J. W. Munn, Sr.
JOHN McCUNE.
TONY MALTZBERGER and family.
MRS. MINAR and three children.
ROBERT MOORE.
THEODORE MULETZ, wife and daughter.
WILLIE MYERS.
GEORGE MATTHEWSGE, wife and family.
MISS AGNES PAULS.
MRS. ROBERT QUINN and five children.
MISS HELEN RITCHIE.
ANNIE ROBIN (colored).
HERMAN ROSIN, wife and five children.
MRS. JULIUS SCHILKE and two children—AUGUST and ALBERT.
EDDIE and MAGGIE SINNOTT.
CALVIN SNIPE and daughter.
MRS. J. SANFORD SOUTHWICK and child.
LAVING TEAGUE (colored) and three children.
FRED TREROSIUS.
MRS. JOHN WEACHE.
E. C. WOODWARD, JR.

FUND CLOSE TO $75,000.

St. Louis Increases the Sum for Relief of Texans.

Only a few subscriptions to the Texas relief fund were received yesterday, but the different committees are still at work and expect to swell the grand total contributed by St. Louis to nearly $100,000 before their work is completed.

The fund collected by the Merchants' Exchange now amounts to $37,397.34, and that of the Interstate Merchants' Association $18,106.10, which, with the amount received from other sources, makes the total to date $71,937.42.

Additional subscriptions to the fund received by the Merchants' Exchange Committee yesterday were as follows:

S. M. & M. Dodds, M. D.	$ 5.00
Welle-Roettler Bakery Company	25.00
Schweikardt & Holle	10.00
St. Louis Edible Nut Company	50.00
A citizen of Jefferson County, Missouri	25.00
Yaeger & Heede	5.00

SAYERS PREPARING STATEMENT

With Little Help He Has Taken Care of Contributions.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 21.—Governor Sayers to-night authorized The Republic correspondent to say that he will, Monday next, begin the preparation of his statement of all moneys received for the storm sufferers and the method of their expenditures. The statement will be complete.

Copies of the statement will be forwarded to every newspaper in the United States that has assisted in raising contributions.

Governor Sayers has had no one to assist him in this matter except his secretary, stenographer and porter, and he has received and answered over 5,000 telegrams in addition to innumerable letters.

Excursion on Big Four next Sunday.

To Finish Floors and Borders

To natural wood effect, Oak, Cherry, etc., use "Floor-Shine" Enamel Floor Colors. Book and Color Card Free. Address Floor-Shine Co., St. Louis. Sold by dealers. Don't take a substitute.

NOT TOBACCO

But Coffee Was the Cause of the Trouble.

An old veteran from Springfield, Mass., made a curious experiment in the use of tobacco and coffee. He says: "I have been an incessant smoker for forty years, using at times twenty cigars a day, besides several pipes. I was also very fond of coffee.

"In 1892 I noticed my stomach was becoming weak, and that I could not retain my breakfast. Within six months afterwards I had arrived at that stage where I vomited up at least five breakfasts each week. The doctor claimed that the sickness was caused by smoking, so I went under the care of Dr. Barbaut of Spencer, Mass., who cured me of the tobacco habit. For eight months I refrained from its use, but the vomiting still continued.

"My physician then attributed it to catarrh, so I carefully dosed myself with the catarrh cures, but the vomiting became more severe, though not more frequent. I, therefore, concluded to resume my smoking and get as much comfort as possible in that direction. I noticed that the smoking did not increase the vomiting.

"Quite a time after that I met a friend who in one minute put me on the right track by telling me that he was satisfied it was coffee that caused my trouble. I stopped drinking coffee, and within a week the vomiting ceased entirely.

"Shortly after that I took to using Postum Food Coffee, and found it filled all the requirements of coffee. My family are using it regularly, and like it as well as the best Java coffee, after becoming accustomed to its use. We know from practical experience of the beneficial effects of Postum Food Coffee. Please omit my name." Name and address can be given by Postum Cereal Co., Lim., Battle Creek, Mich.

PHARMACISTS CELEBRATE THEIR SILVER JUBILEE.

Oldest and Youngest Members of Alumni Association Present at Banquet in Liederkranz Hall With Eighty Other Guests.

CHARLES A. LIPS, Toastmaster at the banquet of the Alumni Association of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

RUDOLPH S. VITT, President Alumni Association St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

In commemoration of its silver jubilee, the Alumni Association of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy last night gave a banquet in Liederkranz Hall.

Out of the 290 members in the city, 82 were present, and there were letters from a score of the 58 who are abroad. Charles A. Lips was the toastmaster, and among the others, there were responses by the oldest graduate and the youngest, and by the organizer of the alumni.

Before the toast speaking was formally begun, many old graduates renewed their acquaintance with former friends as the reunions of the association are not very frequent. After the cigars were served, about 10 o'clock, Toastmaster Lips made a brief address and introduced the president of the Association, R. S. Vitt.

Mr. Vitt made a witty speech, basing his remarks on the arduous duties of a president of such an association. Then Mr. Lips called upon C. W. Cremer, as a graduate of the class of 1890, to tell what the newest member of the association actually thought of it. The next response was by Henry T. Rohlfing, president of the St. Louis School of Pharmacy, who toasted the faculty and gave a brief history of the institution.

The toastmaster then introduced the organizer of the alumni, Mr. W. C. Bolm, who humorously related the difficulties of organizing a body of men. He gave a brief sketch of the association's history and closed with asking a standing toast to the alma mater. C. F. G. Meyer toasted "The Wholesaler." Finally Toastmaster Lips introduced the oldest graduate of the college, Professor O. A. Wall, who told of the time when there was no alumni association. The toastmaster closed the banquet with a few remarks.

Those present were: Doctors E. C. Reiss, Solomon Bochm, L. T. Riesmeyer, Hinrichs, C. E. Smith, Felix Pagain, H. B. Clippel, H. M. Whelpley, Edwin H. Eyermann, R. K. Schlueter, Joseph L. Bochm, H. J. Harnish, F. B. Drescher, Alfred G. Bauer, Theodore Ilg, Otto F. Tischer, J. C. Falk, Charles N. Streuther, E. J. Ernst, Edwin W. Eberhem, F. C. Simon, Carl G. Hinrichs, O. A. Wall, Jr., E. Gieske, Otto F. Cuno.

Messrs. Louis Schurk, F. A. Moeller, C. William Triebsher, Charles W. Stockhausen, Arthur V. Marquardt, H. F. Hasselbrock, Julius E. Koch, Peter J. Weber, William R. Binardi, Charles Gletner, C. H. West, R. M. Nitzschmar, Francis Hemm, H. P. A. Spilker, Thomas Layton, H. T. Rohlfing, L. A. Seitz, Oscar F. Hoffmeyer, Henry O. A. Hugel, Edwin W. Eberlein, W. F. Kahre, A. B. Suppiger, Carl G. E. Kile, R. P. Van Harlingen, Thomas A. Buckland, Paul Schneider, D. S. Green, Emil A. Bernless, Fred Haverman, Theodore F. Hagenow, Leo R. A. Suppan, W. E. Eilbracht, Harry Geldman, H. E. Klostermann, Charles W. J. H. Hahn, P. L. Whelpley, Martin J. Noll, Oscar H. Eilbrecht, Oscar F. Hausch, John H. Martin, G. H. J. Andreas, L. T. Riesmeyer, H. W. Scheffer, W. H. Lamont, J. A. Gottman, George W. Smith, R. C. Reilly, George W. Stichl, William F. Ritter, Theodore F. Flesup, C. W. Cremer and Alfred G. Wittman.

IRREGULARITY MARKS INDUSTRIAL SITUATION.

COURSE OF STAPLE PRICES WAS UPWARD.

Rush of Receipts Responsible for Collapse of Bull Movement in Cotton—Failures Were 183.

New York, Sept. 21.—Bradstreet's of to-morrow will say:

"The unfavorable turn given the general industrial situation by the strike of the anthracite coal miners and the possibility of wage disputes in the iron trade, with rather less activity in the latter industry and some increase of weakness in the prices of crude forms, have given appearance of irregularity to the general trade and general business situation.

"On the other hand, the course of staple prices has been very generally upward this week, for distribution of dry goods, clothing, hats and millinery has been of large volume at nearly all the markets, there is a decidedly better tone noted in the boot and shoe trade and kindred trades, and strength in cotton goods, though apparently in excess of that shown by the raw material, has been regarded as indicative of confidence of manufacturers.

"Premature opening, due to hot dry weather, is responsible for a portion of the heavy movement of cotton to market, but lack of this of course is the desire to profit by the exceedingly good prices ruling. The rush of receipts has been too much for the bull movement, however, and the price is materially lower on the week.

"Raw cotton and cotton goods have parted company as top prices this week. The rush of buyers to secure stocks has advanced printed cloths, ginghams, bleached goods, prints, and in fact nearly all classes of cottons, while materially reducing stocks in hands of commission men and jobbers. Most manufacturers are refusing to take orders ahead except at "value," based on the cost of the raw material.

"Little more is reported doing in raw wool, but it is mostly to supply current needs of manufacturers, and no large amount of wool can be moved, except at concessions. The spring business in men's woolens is still disappointing.

"Reports of damage to grain in shock in the Northwest, re-enforced by Northwestern buying at Chicago, furnished the key to the advance of nearly 2 cents in wheat this week, followed by a gain of 2½c in flour and of 1½c in corn. Some of this advance in wheat was afterwards lost in realizing. Other farm products were higher, pork and lard advancing on better export business and butter and cheese on improved weather.

"Iron and steel are rather quieter as a whole, and some weakness is noted in Southern pig and steel billets at Pittsburg. On the other hand, finished products are, as a rule, firm, and bars are to be advanced $1 at Chicago. Export inquiry continues good, but the high ocean rates and the scarcity of any kind of freight room render the outlook uncertain. In the meanwhile, American bars and plates are undersolling British and Scotch goods at the latter points of production.

"The next week will probably see final action taken as to the remaining wage scales, concerning which depressing reports are current. In the general metal market the feature was the collapse of tin prices, proceeding from abroad, due to reports of the smashing of the tin corner.

"Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 3,595,857 bu., against 4,663,982 last week, 4,839,785 bu. in the corresponding week of 1899; 5,224,927 in 1898; 3,798,825 in 1897, and 3,930,406 in 1896. From July 1 to date this season wheat exports were 38,519,690 bu., against 46,843,569 last season and 41,694,918 bu. in 1898-99.

"Corn exports for the week aggregated 2,134,295, against 2,402,786 last week, 3,754,965 in this week a year ago, 2,628,396 in 1898, 4,622,162 in 1897 and 2,616,479 bu. in 1896. From July 1 to date this season corn exports were 29,791,241 bu., against 53,155,528 last season and 32,565,182 in 1898-99.

"Business failures for the week in the United States numbered 183, as against 167 last week, 147 in this week a year ago, 182 in 1899, 237 in 1897 and 321 in 1896. Canadian failures number 21, as against 24 last week, against 12 in this week a year ago, 19 in 1898, 23 in 1897 and 24 in 1896."

Crowded House Listens to Clark.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Higbee, Mo., Sept. 21.—Congressman Champ Clark delivered a rousing Democratic speech here to-night to a crowded house.

The Best Prescription for Malaria, Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c.

COAL MINERS' STRIKE HAS CRIPPLED BUSINESS.

ITS EFFECT IS FELT ALONG ATLANTIC SEABOARD.

Wheat's Advance and Sudden Reaction—Cotton's Sharp Decline—Boot and Shoe Business.

New York, Sept. 21.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow will say:

"The strike in the anthracite coal region, which has involved about 125,000 miners and probably 50,000 others, is the overshadowing influence in business. This conflict disturbs business and interferes with calculations of merchants over a large part of the Atlantic seaboard, and is really the only tangible check to the general recovery which set in with the larger demand for iron and steel products.

"Outside of the anthracite industry the enforced idleness of hands is an exception, and even in the Pennsylvania coal region other employes would gladly take on thousands of more intelligent miners. The Deacher Sugar Refinery closed down on account of the scarcity of raw sugar, of which all refiners are estimated to hold only 40,000 tons; but the Loraine Steel Company, idle three months, is starting its furnaces, with others to follow.

"Hesitation incident to the presidential campaign is reflected in bank clearings, which for New York show 28.8 per cent and for other leading cities 7.8 per cent less from last year.

"Wheat advanced sharply to 83c on Wednesday, helped by gloomy reports from growing districts and free purchases at Northwestern cities. Sensational gains in prices stopped foreign buying, which led to heavy liquidation and a reaction almost as large as the previous movement.

"Cotton has felt the loss of consumption, declining heavily both in spot quotations and option trading. Brighter crop news from Texas also had a depressing effect. The cotton goods market for a few days continues the strong movement of last week, but closed less excited, though bare of goods at first hands. Heavy curtailment of production is still the rule. Standard brown sheetings again advanced ⅛c, with other goods fading.

"Last week's improvement in the boot and shoe market caused an increase in shipments from Boston to 79,839 cases, against 67,142 the previous week. Future inquiries by jobbers have appeared and requests for prompt shipment reflect the decrease in stocks. Orders are confined to fall and winter goods, spring business being backward. Shops are more actively employed. Sales of wool at the three chief markets were only 2,817,000 pounds, against 12,463,800 a year ago. Holders continue confident and dullness fails to cause lower prices. Foreign conditions are unsatisfactory, especially in France, but fair prices are expected at the London sale next month.

"In iron and steel products greater activity at former prices was the rule. New contracts were for moderate amounts, but a large order for malleable Bessemer pig iron at Southern points makes the outlook more encouraging, and a Scotch concern is only prevented from closing with a very large contract for billets by the high ocean freight rates in prevalence. The break in Scotch pig-iron warrants had an international significance. Peddlers and barrelers are still waiting their turn for wage settlement. Orders for railroad equipment for the West included fully 8,000 freight cars. A sharp break in tin was aided by heavy shipments from the straits.

"Lumber is in a stronger position, spruce selling at $3.75 per 1,000, an advance of 22 per cent for the month.

"Failures for the week were 211 in the United States, against 154 last year, and 23 in Canada against 18 last year."

TRAINS INTO GALVESTON Via M., K. & T. Ry.

Regular service is resumed.

CONNECTICUT TICKET.

Democrats Name Samuel L. Bronson of New Haven for Governor.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 21.—Samuel L. Bronson of New Haven and Cyrus C. Beckwith of New London were nominated by acclamation for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, respectively, by the Democratic State Convention to-day.

The other nominations for State officers were also made by acclamation.

The platform which was adopted indorses the nomination of Bryan and Stevenson and reaffirms the platform adopted at the Democratic National Convention at Kansas City.

MANY REPUBLICANS GREET STEVENSON.

Strong Sentiment Against Imperialism, the Trusts and Hanna in the State of Illinois.

LARGE CROWD AT MONTICELLO.

Half of the Audience Composed of Republicans—Former McKinley Supporters Are Flocking to Bryan.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Monticello, Ill., Sept. 21.—General Adlai E. Stevenson was among old friends, neighbors and former constituents in Monticello today, many of whom greeted him cordially. His reception during the afternoon was attended by scores of veterans, who, eighteen years ago, supported him for Congress.

Piatt County presents startling changes from the party of Hanna and the trusts to Bryan. Four years ago the McKinley majority was about 800, and be it remembered that Piatt is one of the small counties of Illinois. The sentiment among Republicans against imperialism, the trusts and Hanna is so pronounced that scores have abjured their former faith and have openly declared themselves for Bryan and Alschuler.

Last spring at the town elections the Democrats elected a majority of the Board of Supervisors for the first time in nearly half a century, the board now standing five Democrats and three Republicans. The Bryan and Stevenson Club of Monticello numbers over 200, with a marching club in white-duck-blue-trimming uniforms of nearly 100. Ten members voted for McKinley four years ago. Bement's club has over 100 persons on its membership roll.

Republican Converts.

Among the Republicans who denounce the party of Hanna as a base counterfeit of that of Lincoln and who will vote the Democratic ticket this year are the following:

H. H. Etherton, an old soldier, formerly surveyor of the county, having been elected as a Republican. He believes the position of the Democratic party this year is nearer the conception of the founders of the Republican party than the organization of Hanna and the trusts now masquerading under the name of the grand old party of Lincoln.

Samuel Luscallet is another Republican who has made up his mind to prevent militarism in this Republic. He reached a decision himself, uninfluenced by friends, and can see no possible good that can follow the annexation of the Malay Islands. "They are not fit citizens for this country," says he "and we want no subjects or vassals—get a start on that once, and there will be no stopping. We would soon become a rival of England and Russia."

The Marvin brothers, James and William, have reached the same decision. The former has joined the Bryan Club, and I was told the other had expressed a determination to join. They have solved the great issues themselves, and prefer the Republic to the empire, with its colonies and large standing army and expensive navy to consume the substance of the people in high taxes.

Frank R. Starkey is a re-enforcement from the ranks of Hanna, and so is William Edmundson. Wide awake and intelligent are the Republicans of Piatt. They have been comparing the present platform and leaders of their party with past history, and they can see no similarity. "The bull thing's turned end for end," was the expressive definition by an old soldier in McLeansboro the other day. "I always thought the Republican party was founded on the Declaration of Independence. But it don't look like it this year. Too much Mark Hanna, I guess!"

Large Crowd Heard Stevenson.

The arrangements for to-day's meeting were perfect, and, considering that only one week's notice was given, there was an extraordinary turn-out. Democrats have been scarce in and around Monticello, and I readily believe a Republican friend when he told me that at least half of the audience of 2,000 were Republicans in '98.

The Hanna people were in a cave of gloom, by the way. They have made three unsuccessful efforts to get up rallies respectable in size.

"Our band has been engaged three times," asserted a member of the cornet band, "and every time the order was canceled. These stories the Republican papers publish about large crowds and great enthusiasm are fables, and are given currency to brace up the fellows in some other locality. Delegates from Bement and Unity were present and other towns sent hundreds of individuals. The meeting was managed by Chairman Shaw of the County Committee, the young Mayor of Bement, Supervisor C. E. Moffitt, N. F. Kelly, Frank V. Dilatusy, William Stevenson, James L. Allman, J. Polk Owsley, Alex Williams and T. N. Moffitt.

The usual crowds greeted Mr. Stevenson's train between Kilbuggan and Monticello. At Sullivan the demonstration was particularly notable and Mr. Stevenson took occasion to refer feelingly to his old friend, John B. Eden, who was unable to be at the station, but who sent his regrets through a nephew.

Mayor Shaw accompanied Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Todd from Bement, and when the train pulled into Monticello the platform was filled with people, who overwhelmed the next Vice President with their attentions. Three bands were in the procession that conducted the candidates to their hotel, the Monticello. Irondale and Bement organizations, and all were good. Then there were several drum corps and all the Monticello marching clubs which could procure their uniforms, same fifty, were in line. The uniforms did not arrive until this forenoon—and every man paid for his own uniform with his own money, a fact of which they are proud.

For the first time in history the Democrats have headquarters on the Public Square, and at Huggins' on Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Dewey and Schley, in borders of colored tissue paper, were attached to trees near the stand. A strong north wind prevailed all afternoon and before Mr. Stevenson concluded he was quite hoarse.

Mr. Shaw presided, and after a song by the Bement Glee Club, composed of the prettiest girls in that city, Mr. Stevenson was introduced to an audience of over 2,000. He was received with three rousing cheers.

McKinley's Porto Rican Policy.

The vacillating policy of the administration regarding Porto Rico and the status of its people toward this country received attention first. Mr. Stevenson's words were few, but to the point.

"Mr. McKinley was commended by nearly all the people without regard to party," he asserted, "when he declared for the free exchange of products between Porto Rico, one of our possessions, and our own country. You remember, he said it was our plain duty—there is no mistaking his words, and they could not be made stronger that it was our plain duty to give Porto Rico the advantage of free trade with our own country. A bill was introduced in Congress by a Republican in line with this righteous sentiment. Soon afterwards it was withdrawn, and another took its place, fixing a duty of 15 per cent.

"Do you know why this was done? Was it in your interest? No. Was it in the interest of the people of Porto Rico? No.

"It was done at the behest of the Sugar Trust and the Tobacco Trust, who were unwilling that this precedent should be established, and such was their power in the councils of the Republican party of to-day that the 15 per cent tariff bill passed and was signed and became a law.

"So much for the power of the trusts in the Republican party, as it is to-day. It is a tremendous, a terrible power, and, 'with vigorous impressiveness,' my fellow-citizens, it is growing more arrogant, more tyrannical every day."

Then he asked if anybody had heard that the trusts were contributing to Bryan's success, and like a flash of lightning came a loud response in the negative from the audience.

"If you believe the trusts are a good thing," said Mr. Stevenson, "vote for their perpetuation, but don't vote the Democratic ticket, for Democrats are pledged to their overthrow, and if the friends of the trusts are kept in power, in God's name never again complain of high prices or trusts hereafter."

Mr. Stevenson closed with a brilliant and eloquent argument on imperialism, stronger, clearer, more precise than any previous utterance. He left at 3 o'clock for Springfield to personally extend condolences to the widow and family of his old-time friend, General John A. McClernand. He will arrive in Taylorville in the morning on the Baltimore and Ohio.

Mr. Stevenson was followed by Judge A. J. Hunter of Paris, who is a universal favorite in every county in the State.

At night Mr. Todd spoke to a magnificent audience in his usual effective manner.

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BRYAN IN NEBRASKA.

Began Yesterday His Second Tour of His Own Congressional District.

Syracuse, Neb., Sept. 21.—Colonel W. J. Bryan to-day began the second of his tours through his old congressional district. He arrived at Elmwood at 10 o'clock and left immediately.

In his speech here to-day Mr. Bryan announced that in his speech at Nebraska City next Wednesday evening he would discuss the trust question because of the presence there of the starch combination. He said that the Democrats believe as much in tariff reform as they had in 1892, as much in the free coinage of silver as they had in 1896, but that neither of these is the issue of supreme importance now. Referring to the trust, Mr. Bryan said:

"Everybody except Mr. Hanna knows we have trusts. Mr. Hanna made another speech the other day in which he said he did not believe there was a trust in the United States. I think he is the only man in the country who says he does not know there is a trust, and my opinion is there is not a man in the country who knows more about the trusts than he does or who knows better the names and places of doing business."

PROHIBITIONISTS' TOUR.

Woolley Spoke at Des Moines at an All-Day Rally.

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 21.—The special train carrying the Prohibition presidential and vice presidential candidates arrived at Junction City early to-day and a meeting was held. Volney B. Cushing of Maine gave the first address and stated that "the responsibility and remedy of the liquor traffic rested solely upon the voters. He was followed by Henry B. Metcalfe and John G. Woolley.

At Des Moines an all-day rally was held. The train arrived at noon. The meeting was held in the courthouse yard. The speakers were well received by a large audience.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pittsfield, Ill., Sept. 21.—The first Democratic meeting of the campaign was held here this evening under the auspices of the Pittsfield Democratic Club. Samuel Alschuler, Democratic candidate for Governor, arrived at 8 p. m., and was escorted from the depot to the Courthouse by the Pittsfield Marching Club. Two hundred ladies, with campaign umbrellas, headed the procession, the courthouse was crowded to overflowing, many being unable to secure admission. The Perry Marching Club was present and took part in the parade. It was the most enthusiastic meeting ever held in Pittsfield. On Thursday, October 4, the Democrats will hold a county rally at Pittsfield, when Senator B. F. Tillman of South Carolina will be the orator of the day.

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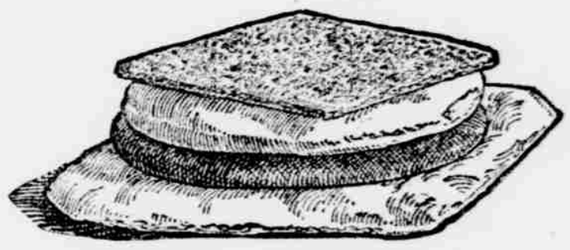

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Washington, Sept. 21.—Gold is flowing from Australia to San Francisco in a steady stream. Director of the Mint Roberts was notified to-day of the receipt at the San Francisco mint of $3,000,000 in gold sovereigns from Australia, and authority was granted to have a draft on the Subtreasury at New York issued to the shippers in return for the coin.

This shipment of gold from Australia to this country is a sort of three-cornered affair. Australia owes London and London owes New York. The freight on the gold to San Francisco is less than the freight to London, and a single shipment thus settles two trade balances. The United States does not lose anything by the transaction, but probably gains, as on account of the heavy payments for military expenses being made through San Francisco, it might be necessary to ship gold to that city from New York if it were not for the supply from Australia.

MILITIA NOT CALLED OUT.

Gov. Nash Declined to Give State Protection to Dowieites.

Columbus, O., Sept. 21.—Governor Nash sent a brief reply to the long telegram received from Overseer Piper of the Dowie Church.

"I simply said," said the Governor, "that I would not call out the State militia unless asked to do so by the local civil authorities in Marshfield.

"What would be the use in doing so," said he, "when they could do nothing when there except on the order of the civil authorities?"

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