

AND Bryan made a friendly call on Roosevelt! W-e-l-l-I guess we'll have to overlook it.

It is unfortunate that "unexampled prosperity" must be succeeded by unparalleled stringency.

OUR friends, the Socialists, have a cure for all the ills that afflict us. Unhappily, it can be made available only with the advent of the Millennium.

MAYBE these panicky times are resultant upon a lot of foolish talk about "tariff revision at the hands of its friends." The infant industries of this country are so young, weak, tender and scary!

THE young man who does the editorial anti-Bryan stunts for the P.-D. has indeed a hard task. He could, no doubt, do much better if facts were more pliant and less stubborn. Pray for him!

THE managing editor of the Kansas City Post, H. J. Groves, who was shot without due cause and in cold blood by R. C. Horne, another attache of that paper, has since died of his wounds. A second victim of the assassin's weapon is recovering.

KANSAS CITY Post: "Hardly a week passes nowadays without some new story arising concerning the exalted morality of England's king. It was not always thus. But then men usually get moral after they have grown old." That's the rule, but there are exceptions to prove it.

THE esteemed Post-Dispatch tells us, more or less wittily, that "Bryanitis is an intermittent fever for which the victims take treatment every four years." The retort may be made that Pulitzerian Parkeritis is a chill, one spell of which settles the hash of its victims for all time. Thank goodness, it's not "ketchin'!"

THE St. Louis Mirror lays down the premise that any Democratic gubernatorial candidate not pro-Folk will, per logic, be for Liquor, and suffer defeat in consequence. That's not just the way the Mirror words it, but the meaning cannot be mistaken. Now, to my notion, the governing question within the party next year in this State will not be Liquor, but the contest will be between Straight Democracy and Fake Righteousness. And the right will win, both before and on election day.

LAMAR Democrat: "And the Secretary of the Treasury is going to issue a hundred million dollars in interest bearing certificates—something like the old style greenbacks. What! Can it be that we need more money? Why back there eleven years ago, when we had only about half as much as we have now, we were told that the man who insisted upon more money was either a crank or an anarchist. Can it be possible that we who yelled for cheaper money and voted for Bryan, knew what we were about, after all?"

By what right does the President issue \$100,000,000 new bonds when there is now a surplus of over \$250,000,000 in the national treasury? And he does it as much without warrant of law as would our county court if, on its own motion, it were to issue, say, \$10,000 of bonds, notwithstanding the county is now \$15,000 to the good. Wouldn't our Republican neighbors raise Cain in such case? But their silence now is clam-like. That which is all right in a Republican official would be deep damnation in a Democrat.

I TAKE the following from an editorial in the St. Louis Centinel and reproduce it because it is truth too long unnoted: "Morgan and the other money kings, who are the real rulers of the country, are quietly dropping into Washington from time to time to hold midnight conferences with the President. In my belief, the real kings and rulers like Morgan have never feared Roosevelt in the least, knowing that he would not do a thing, but they are just dropping around to tell him to 'cut out the talk; it hurts business.'" Hurting business in this country is the highest crime. You may rob poverty, starve the people, institute a government of falsehood and wrong, or do anything else you choose, but you mustn't hurt business."

THE Kansas City Post concludes an able and timely editorial on "Government by Impulse," with the following paragraph, and it induces serious reflection: "The cry for statutory prohibition of the liquor traffic is becoming loud and insistent. The manufacture and

sale of cigarets is already prohibited in several States. Here and there is one calling for the prohibition of all kinds of tobacco, of coffee and tea. Where is this thing going to end? The late John James Ingalls of Kansas said, not long before he died, that America was fast becoming a land of slaves. It will not take much more of our favorite government by impulse to make America the most law-ridden nation of the world, and every man within its borders the most abject slave of a legal system, whose tyranny shall invade the most sacred precincts of the individual life."

THE Associated Press reports tell us that, since the present business depression set in, the weekly emigration of foreign laborers from the port of New York alone is over 25,000—all of them from the highly tariff-protected districts of Pennsylvania and other Eastern States. Will the American workman please note the fact? If he does, he must see just how much the Great American System of Protection protects him against that "pauper labor of Europe" which my Republican neighbors so feelingly advert to in campaign times. When he asks for the increased wages which will give him his proportion of the profits produced by the System, behold! the cheapest of European laborers are imported to take his place. Does he see it, or will he docilely and credulously go on voting for the Republican "full dinner-pail" in his conviction that its contents are furnished by the robber System?

OUR Eastern brethren who were lately so scary at Paternalism seem to have gotten bravely over it. The recent action of the administration in dumping vast sums into the banks to replenish their empty coffers is paternalistic to the limit. I presume it is the correct thing to do, though, since it is in aid of the money-brokers; but very wrong it would have been if like help had been extended in time of stress to any other class of citizens! As the Chicago Public says of it: "If this is legitimate, why was the farmers' subtreasury scheme of '20' years ago illegitimate? If this is not paternal, why is it that the workmen's public works scheme is paternal? In all good conscience why is not this kind of financiering as bad as counterfeiting? Is there any difference except in the financial standing of the men? Possibly counterfeiting doesn't pay as well. Neither is it as harmful. But what moral difference is there between these two kinds of finance?"

I SEE that Judge Fort has been overruled by the Supreme Court. How a sane tribunal could have rendered any other finding in the premises is beyond me. Judge Fort, according to report, had held that a man had no lawful right in his own house—which, in the darker age, was his castle—to give a caller or guest a glass of beer or a drink of whiskey! It is because men, when they assume the burden of guarding their neighbor in habits and practices relating solely to himself, go beyond all reasonable bounds, that I stay on the other side of the fence. I am not willing to surrender an inherent right because some other person may injure himself in the abusive exercise of the free-will which imparts to us all there is of worth, and without which liberty could not survive. There are other more grievous and dangerous evils than drunkenness, and to these many of my Christian friends and reformers shut their eyes or view them with complacency: the sordid worship of gold; the surrender of justice to power; the cutting of the throats of human beings ten thousand miles away, whose bodies (and souls?) we lately bought from another Christian nation for so much cash in hand; these, and a score of other things upon which are dependent the welfare or the enslavement of future generations. Drunkenness is a vice, but it has never destroyed a nation or established a despotism. Better an occasional slave to habit than an entire people cringing and fawning and suffering under the lash of a self-appointed master—a thousand fold better. Strong drink, like the "spiced meats" of the scriptures, curses only the few; never the whole. Why not, my friends, let true temperance have sway—it is infallible, but not by statute, enforces sobriety—and bend your energies to the far more important and nobler task of repressing the criminal wrongs which affect all alike, and will, unchecked, end in the destruction of the Republic?

Go to Barnhouse's and buy your boy a wagon, or air gun, and your little girl a doll and set of dishes. Splendid values in ladies' and misses' sample shoes at one-third less than regular price at Lopez Store Co. REGISTER office for job work.

Middlebrook Items.

Thos. Hill and family visited at Bellevue Tuesday of last week. Ed Orrick and Geo. Waldram went to Ironton last Tuesday. Tom Meyers is putting a roof on Mrs. M. Seitz's old ice house. Lon Ferguson came home from Leadwood Wednesday night to spend Thanksgiving and returned Friday.

A. G. Russell and family, and Chas. W. Jones and family spent Thanksgiving with W. C. Johnson. The three families made quite a gathering, seventeen in all.

Lawrence Light and wife spent Thanksgiving at Thos. Hill's. Miss Jenna Logan of Bellevue visited Miss Marie Rodach last week.

Guy Johnson came down from Sulphur Springs to spend Thanksgiving with home folk.

Mrs. Wm. Trauernicht came from Bismarck Friday.

Mrs. Herman Trauernicht came over from Farmington Friday and returned Sunday.

Mrs. F. Rodach went to Bismarck Saturday and returned Sunday.

Miss Annie Jaeske, who has been visiting here, returned to her home near Bismarck Saturday.

Mrs. Brown and children went to Iron Mountain Friday.

Ben Waldram received a telegram from South Dakota last week informing him of the death of his brother-in-law, Zebulon Ward. Mr. Ward, who was a paving cutter by trade, lived at Graniteville about seventeen or eighteen years ago. He leaves a wife and nine children to mourn his loss.

Kipp Jonson, after a two weeks' vacation, returned to Poplar Bluff Sunday night.

"Doc" Davidson, the section boss, has moved to Middlebrook.

Chas. Gassman was in town Monday.

John Buford got on No. 26 Monday en route to Bonnetere.

Dallas Treadway of Graniteville was in town Monday.

John Gassman went to Irondale Monday.

Our school gave an entertainment last Wednesday evening which was very much enjoyed by all. The walls were tastefully decorated with flags, evergreens, bunting and pictures. Mr. Geo. Foster gave us some very good music on his graphophone. The programme was rendered in a manner that reflected credit on the teachers and children. The most interesting part of the programme had to be dispensed with, viz.: A song by Mr. Doyle and W. C. Johnson. Mr. Doyle having been caught out in the rain had to stay in bed until his clothes dried.

Dr. R. W. Gay and wife were in town Tuesday.

SCRIBBLER.

Public Speaker Interrupted.

Public Speakers are frequently interrupted by people coughing. This would not happen if Foley's Honey and Tar were taken, as it cures coughs and colds and prevents pneumonia and consumption. The genuine contains no opiates and is in a yellow package. Sold by all druggists.

From Will H. Thomas.

LOS ANGELES, Cal. Nov. 28, '07. Ed. Register—Enclosed you will find P. O. money order for \$1.50, for which you will kindly renew my subscription for the REGISTER, and change my address to 429 California street. Regardless of the financial crisis I am glad to say that I am enjoying good health and prospering, and, best of all, I am sober. Thank God! I am not writing a temperance lecture, but will say that it has been three years since liquor passed my lips in any form, and you know, Mr. Ake, how much that means to me! I long to see dear old Missouri sometimes, but for a place to live and do well the Golden State is good enough for me. In ordinary times gold predominates in this country, but at present there is very little in circulation, and you should hear some of these natives yell when you hand them script. It looks good to me, however, and I enclose you \$1 as a souvenir. The clearing house has issued one million dollars in this script, so you see that helps some. Each denomination is a different color to enable the banks to count it easily. Well, this is Thanksgiving Day, but it will be minus the turkey with me, as they are only 35 cents a pound here. Eggs are 50 cents a dozen, and butter 40 cents a pound. How is that for prices? Well, I suppose I have said enough for this time. Hoping you are enjoying good health, and wishing you success, I remain, Yours, truly, WILL H. THOMAS.

P. S. I surely would be lost without the GOOD OLD REGISTER.

A fine lot of coffees and spices at Barnhouse's. H. and K. Brand, the best on earth.

Danger in Asking Advice.

When you have a cough or cold do not ask some one what is good for it, as there is danger in taking some unknown preparation. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs, colds, and prevents pneumonia. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. Sold by all Druggists.

Cygnets.

As many as 20,000 cygnets are killed every year to be converted into dainty powder puffs, to say nothing of the innumerable young birds of the elder duck and wild goose kind slaughtered for the same purpose. The bulk of these are imported—the geese and swans from the islands of the Baltic and from Norway and Sweden, and the elders from the northern and ice-bound seas.

Call and see the shoes at Barnhouse's before buying. Prices are right.

Bargains from the Big 5 Sale!

Owing to the present "Money Stringency," the leading Jobbers of St. Louis held a Special Inducement Sale during the week ending Nov. 23. Big Discounts were given the Merchants in attendance. We were on hand promptly and gathered in a quantity of the Good Things offered. These Goods are now on sale at our Store at the same proportionate Discounts.

Cloak Bargains!

We are enthusiastic over our Cloak purchases. They combine the Very Latest Styles and Popular Materials in Blacks, Browns, Blues, Castors and Fancies—all Full-Length Coats. Some made up plain; others Satin-Lined throughout and handsomely trimmed with Braid and Velvet. We cannot fail to please you out of this assortment. Prices range from \$4.00 up, and every Coat WORTH, Regular, from \$2.00 to \$3.00 MORE than it is priced. A Full Line of Children's and Misses' Long Cloaks, from \$1.25 to \$5.00.

New Lot of Skirts

just received, in the Colors most in demand. Fine Panamas and Voiles handsomely tailored and beautiful in the extreme.

Stack of Winter Underwear,

Bought at from 25 to 33 1/2 per cent. Less than the Early Season Prices.

Heavy Cotton Fleece and Woolen Union Suits and 2-Piece Garments for Boys and Girls, all ages—priced from 25c to 60c.

Ladies' good Fleece-Ribbed Vests and Pants for 25c each. Finer ones for 50c a garment.

A Full Line of All-Wool Underwear for Ladies and Gentlemen, at from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per Garment.

MILLINERY BARGAINS!

We are offering our Entire Stock of Fine Millinery at a BIG DISCOUNT. This is the selling season, and we are making the Reductions now that usually apply after the Holidays.

Everything marked in plain figures. It will pay you to investigate this offer.

THE FINEST LINE of Fancy Combs, Belts and Novelties that we have ever shown.

Unmatchable Clothing Values.

We were never in better position to serve the seeker for Honest Clothing than Right Now!

Our Clothing Tables are piled high with as Fine an Assortment of Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats as can be found in Southeast Missouri. We have not space to specify the numerous SPECIAL BARGAINS we are making, but cordially invite you to call and see for yourself.

Heaters, Cook Stoves, Ranges.

ANOTHER Large Shipment just received. Do not make a grave mistake by buying before visiting our Stove Department. A full line of Sheet-Iron Heaters, from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Fancy Heating Stoves with handsome Nickel Trimmings, from \$10 to \$14. Handsome Ranges, Nickel Trimmed, high Warming Closets and Duplex Grates, for only \$25. A written guarantee from the Manufacturer for each Range.

FURNITURE

—AND— Household Goods of Every Description. We can make your Home Complete in Every Detail.

Special Bargains in Fancy Decorated Queensware.

Bought from a manufacturer a large assortment of Handsomely Decorated Queensware. This ware is guaranteed not to turn yellow or haze. Many pieces would sell regular at 25c to 35c each. We have placed it all in one lot and give you Your Choice for 10c. Don't miss this; ask for it.

Fresh Groceries and Fruits

Received almost daily. Oranges, Grapes, Apples, Cranberries, Citron, Figs, Raisins, Currants, etc. Our CHRISTMAS GOODS are now coming in, and we promise our friends and patrons a Larger and Finer Collection this year than we have ever had before.

BRING your CASHIER'S CHECKS to our Store. They are as good to us as the "Coin of the Realm."

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