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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Election—Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1904.

For President,

ALTON B. PARKER,

of New York.

For Vice President,

HENRY G. DAVIS,

of West Virginia.

Congress 10th District,

H. D. FLOOD,

of Appomattox.

Are all these—strikes—at Teddy?

Judge Parker is one who always seems to be in the swim.

With the Republicans in New York it seems to be, Root, hog, or die.

Mr. Parker has Mr. Cleveland's endorsement, but how about his check?

The first campaign song for Roosevelt has been written by a negro. The price demanded for the manuscript has not been made known.

One day in every week Judge Parker passes the contribution plate. Before long he may take to more active work, and pass it every day in the week.

A Baltimore pastor on last Sunday took for his text "Soft words." On Monday he left for his vacation, going to Lake Placid.

If Mr. Rockefeller contributes to the campaign fund "graciously," there will be no trouble in ascertaining which will reach the sky first, he, or the price of oil.

The man with the empty dinner pail has some trouble in reconciling the campaign arguments of "let well enough alone," and "stand pat," with existing conditions.

The News and Dispatch of this city have combined, and on Tuesday last the paper was issued under the caption of the Staunton Dispatch and News. It will be a daily and semi-weekly, eight page paper, using the patent inside.

The Harvesting Trust at Chicago has discharged 15,000 employees and would have discharged more if they had had them. These persons are, it is claimed, sufficiently up on harvesting, to be able to reap their reward elsewhere.

In 1896 Mr. McKinley carried Indiana by a majority over Mr. Bryan of about 18,000. It ought not to be very hard to bring Indiana back into the Democratic column, especially when Palmer and Buckner and the Prohibition candidate together polled about 8,000 votes.

The death of ex-Gov. Pattison removes from the field of politics in Pennsylvania a very remarkable personage. He as a Democrat has twice carried that State for governor. He was prominently mentioned as a vice presidential candidate at the recent St. Louis convention, and had the presidential candidate come from the west instead of the east, he would most certainly have been selected.

DEATH OF A RUSSIAN TYRANT.

The assassination of M. Plehve the Russian Minister of the Interior, on the 29th of July, was the consummation of a long looked for event. Plehve was one of the most tyrannical of all those in power in Russia. He had risen from the people and after forcing himself to the front by his superior intellect and energy he found favor and was promoted at last to almost the highest position attainable. When, however, he came to this high estate he developed those traits so common in men who have come from obscurity to the broad and brilliant light of exalted official position, he became a tyrant. In his persecution of those he disliked or those he suspected of a lack of loyalty, he was as inexorable and ruthless as fate. He punished, he imprisoned, he killed until he became a terror to a large class of Russian subjects, and especially so to the Poles and the Jews. It was he who inaugurated, we are told, the horrible massacre of Jews at Kishineff. It was he who oppressed Finland and placed in power there the hated Bahrkoff, who was assassinated only a few weeks ago. The remarkable thing about Russian affairs seems to be that whenever an officer becomes supreme tyrannical and brutal in his administration, he at once becomes the pet of the Czar. Babrikoff was so, Plehve was so, and if such bloodthirsty servants are the honored and the trusted by the Czar, what manner of man must the Czar himself be? Russia is in torment. War is waging in the east, her navy has been swept from the sea, her army is about to be destroyed, her eastern possessions taken from her, and now with disease and assassination at home, the question will be asked, is her empire tottering? It should totter, and it should fall, when her most trusted leaders and ministers steep their hands in blood, and hold the empire together by the sword.

## WHICH IS DAVID, WHICH GOLIAH?

Those who undertake to make light of Mr. Bryan's two efforts to win the presidential race should recall what he had opposing him. He had every corporation in the United States opposing him. Now we meet every one, we don't mean nearly every one, but all. He had Wall Street solid, against him. He had what was left of the Democratic administration, with Grover Cleveland at the head, against him. He had, it is claimed, a million Democratic deserters against him. He had almost every manufacturer in the North and nearly every one in the South against him. He had every large and influential newspaper, save the New York Journal, against him. He was opposed by Wm. McKinley, the most popular candidate of the Republicans have presented the Hon. (Gen. Grant, if not since Abraham Lincoln, and the most astute and powerful chairman of the national campaign committee at the helm that party has ever had; and yet it is claimed that on a fair and honest count Mr. Bryan was elected. Let that be as it may, it is certain that he so alarmed the managers with all "the powers of earth and hell" against him, that two weeks before the election Mr. Hanna went personally into Wall Street, and sent his trusted agents to the offices of every corporation, trust and large business house in the country with the cry "save us or we perish." It is needless to say that Mr. Hanna had only been against Roosevelt and Cortelyou, and that he would not have been left of those two, a greasy spot. It is laughable to contemplate how absolutely powerless, helpless and hopeless they would have been in his hands. Austerlitz, Bull Run, or even Waterloo, would have sunk into forgetfulness beside the victory Mr. Bryan would have won over that warlike leader, and his young and expert typewriter and stenographer, Mr. Cortelyou.

## MR. ROOSEVELT'S IMPETUOSITY.

The attitude of the conservative, substantial and responsible classes toward Mr. Theodore Roosevelt is very fairly indicated by the New York Herald, which says:

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In dealing with grave questions even conservative and diplomatic John Hay has been unable to restrain him, and everybody who undertakes to read carefully knows that we are ridiculed in almost every attempt our president makes in dealing with international questions. The recent case of Perdicaris and Bassett made us the laughing stock of Europe. Perdicaris was in partnership with the banlieu and got a portion of the rake-off—a. d the French government got all the credit for virtue that was anywhere in the affair.

Mr. Braxton is reported as saying that Mr. Bryan carried nothing in the St. Louis convention but the crowd. This is all most politicians care to carry. But who was it that carried the money plank out and dumped it "over the garden wall?" Certainly it was not David Bennett Hill.

## A CAMPAIGN SONG.

(The key note to this song is Dough.)

Oh, let go your dough,  
For Teddy says so,  
You man with Uncle Sam's pie,  
Go down in your jeans,  
You know what that means,  
And today has bid you reply.

Oh, let go your dough,  
When Mr. Cortelyou  
Calls "in pusses" and says it is I,  
Who visits your place,  
"By his Majesty's grace,"  
To increase the committee's supply.

Oh, let go your dough  
Mr. Rockefeller  
Rock a fellow,  
Don't be fussy around,  
Far you don't heard de sound,  
An in course you wants food in yo mouth.

CHORUS.

They'll let their dough,  
With a sigh, and an Oh!  
But if Parker should get Teddy's place  
Don't what will they do,  
But boo-hoo and boo-hoo?  
'Cause the mule kicked them square in the face.

Yes, that's what they'll do,  
They'll boo-hoo and boo-hoo,  
And chatter like monkeys in a cage at the zoo,  
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## how Judge Parker voted as does the Index-Appel.

If the Index-Appel will tell the public that Judge Parker out of his own lips told us editor he twice voted for Bryan, we will have no further doubts, but will treat the statement as coming directly from Kaopus.

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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., July 30.—The President's speech of acceptance of the Oyster Bay is received here with varied emotions. It is thought by his champions to be comprehensive, complete and unanswerable. Democrats, on the other hand, consider it the first speech of the kind ever delivered by an American President, that is the first speech of acceptance devoted, in every paragraph, to emphasizing his own party and denouncing the opposition. In it the President says "We are striving to stand or work in the spirit with which Lincoln approached his," but Senator Thayer, who was in the city yesterday calls attention to the fact that Lincoln's acceptance of his second nomination, like Washington's, was carefully compared with that of even McKinley's address of acceptance, spoken in his own party and not in the name of the opposition. In the latter case the President's speech was the result of a long and arduous operation whereby the Panama vermiform appendix was slashed from the vitals of Columbia. He says "We counted the cost of our nomination, the cost and most scrupulous honor," which is certainly the construction of an executive euphemism whose delectable has seldom been equaled.

Grover Cleveland is making a creditable effort to solve the conundrum, "What shall we do with our ex-President?" It has been suggested that every man who has been president ought there after to be ex-officio a member of the S. C. C., but objections to that transfer have been raised which are difficult to overcome. Washington went back to his farming and fox-hunting; John Adams carried his family back to his old estate; Jefferson wrestled with his detractors and his debts; Monroe kept himself alive by teaching as a book agent; John Q. Adams greatly enlarged his fame by becoming a member of the House of Representatives; Grant lived precariously on an impaired his good name by officiating as a University lecturer and enlightening the public as a contributor to magazines and controverted matters of national concern. This is a highly honorable position; no service could be more useful; and it is a work to which most presidents are competent. Every ex-president has an enormous clientele embracing him to win a large revenue from colleges and periodicals, and at the same time confer a lasting benefit upon the whole people of the country. Mr. Cleveland is entitled to gratitude for having courageously helped to solve a difficult problem.

The unanimous election of Thomas Taggart of Indiana, as chairman of Democratic National Committee helps to clear a cloudy sky. As Parker carried his first money as a judge and Davis as a brakeman, there is a certain propriety in selecting as their manager a member of the profession who carried his first money as a judge and Davis as a brakeman, there is a certain propriety in selecting as their manager a member of the profession who carried his first money as a judge and Davis as a brakeman, there is a certain propriety in selecting as their manager a member of the