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Inconsistent Inconsistency.

There is more demagoguery to the square inch of imbecile surface in the Democratic party to-day than can be adequately measured and classified under the various heads of acute dementia. The weekly Democratic Magazine issued by the literary bureau of the Democratic national committee, which is designated as "a national journal of current political thought," is the most recent and refreshing instance of the inconsistent humors of the Democratic party.

In the editorial section of the editor of this wonderful publication asks who applauds McKinley? and answers in this wise:

"Listen to the grand diapason of plaudits which the message evoked from the English press. There wasn't a single discordant note in the swelling chorus approving the words and acts of England's good and faithful servant McKinley." The Times, the Standard, the Daily News, the organs of conservatism and liberalism, of high church, and low church, and no church, all the London papers printed in London, joined in the grand concerto, and the psalm of praise, strengthened in its passage over the ocean, was re-echoed by the London papers printed in New York and Chicago.

Of course, this is all as it should be, and McKinley is duly grateful. He takes his orders from London, and looks to there for his approval. He borrows his imperial policy from the queen's government, employing even the diplomatic language of her majesty, until his message to Congress reads like a mammoth edition of one of the queen's speeches to parliament. A logical analysis of the message would be a waste of time and energy. The message was not intended for home consumption. It was written for England and the English people, and judged by its reception across the water, has proved the most successful document ever penned.

The American people will have accomplished a great deal when they have discovered why the London papers praise McKinley. No man can be right and be the recipient of such praise." In the first place President McKinley's message was anything but satisfactory to the London press. But how was it with our Democratic friends when Cleveland was President? Who was it that received the most adulatory praise and fulsome commendation for the policies advocated in his messages to Congress but the behemoth idol of the Democratic party, the Hon. Stephen Grover Cleveland? The English were our friends in those days, according to the Democracy. Then they tried to destroy our industrial life by introducing their free trade bacilli. Then, according to our inconsistent Democratic friends, the "recipient of such praise" was all right. Now that we extend some kindly expression to that country in gratitude for keeping the continental powers of Europe off our back during our war with Spain, praise from the same source is damning, and "no man can be right and be the recipient of such praise." Really, it is distressing, and what tommyrot it is.

A Question of Elasticity.

The St. Louis Republic, a violent, rabid Democratic free trade, free silver anti-expansion newspaper, remarked in a rather exultant mood the other day that "the same administration which found the constitution of the United States elastic enough to permit the acquisition of a group of islands clear around on the other side of the world has declared that the powers conferred by the constitution on the federal authorities are too meager to interfere with the trust evil which affects the government of the United States as a whole, and every citizen who lives under it, much more nearly than anything that could be done on an island on the other side of the earth."

The Washington Post does not agree with its able contemporary, published in one of the "suburbs of Chicago." It dissents in this manner:

Striking out the words "administration, which" and inserting in lieu thereof "Mr. Bryan who," we have a statement quite as nearly true as that of the original paragraph. Neither the administration nor Mr. Bryan has declared that the constitutional powers of the government are insufficient to enable it "to interfere with the trust evil." On the contrary, the government, using the Sherman anti-trust law, has interfered with the trusts, has broken up some of them, and caused about all the rest to change their plan of organiza-

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Campaign Resolutions.

The resolutions introduced in the senate by Senators Tillman and Bacon, which are supposed to express the Democratic view of the Philippine situation, were not presented with any hope of their passage. They will be debated interminably by the demagogues opposed to the clear and honest American policy of the administration of affairs in those islands; the Congressional Record will be loaded down with forensic efforts that will afterwards be translated into campaign documents. Time will be wasted, and the "common people," in whom the Democratic party professes to have an original interest, will have to suffer for all the talk that will flow.

It is to be questioned at this time if any man with the rudiments of common sense would favor a compliance with any of the demands contained in these resolutions, which are but an echo of those introduced in the house by Representative Williams, which are said to be a reflection of the policy that Bryan has outlined for the coming campaign. The game of the Democracy is a very sick one. In opposing these ridiculous resolutions the Republicans will be denounced by the Democratic hyster politicians as being against free government—that is, assuming an attitude favoring governing a people, without their consent. It is a bold bluff, but it will be called.

As to "Nefarious Work."

The Fairmont Index, usually conservative, is evidently satisfied that it has thoroughly answered the brief submitted by ex-Senator Faulkner in behalf of Senator Scott by making a personal attack on Mr. Scott's counsel for accepting a lawyer's fee from a Republican. In pure McGraw logic it adds: "If the nefarious work of last winter at Charleston is made triumphant by the action of the senate, its example will surely return to plague its perpetrators in the near future." Come, come. This went on. Who was it that started to wipe out that Republican majority of five on joint ballot as soon as the election returns were in. Who inspired the use of the "purple pencil" on the Taylor county ballots after they had been counted? The devil quoting scripture is not half so impertinent as this audacious assumption of impeccability on behalf of the malodorous Democratic party of West Virginia.

Open Your Purse.

If there is anything that would move a heart of stone it is the pathetic appeal issued from the war department to the people of the country asking for contributions for the relief of the widow and four small children of the gallant General Lawton, who was killed in the Philippines a few days ago. The government cannot extend immediate aid to the doubly bereaved family, but the patriotic citizen can and will. General Lawton has left little but his good name as a legacy to his wife and children. A piece of property, purchased by him as a home in California, has a mortgage of half the purchase price still outstanding and unliquidated. If any Wheeling people desire to extend aid in this matter Adjutant General H. C. Carbin, Washington, D. C., will acknowledge any sum they may send him.

Hon. Andrew Edminston, chairman of the Democratic state executive committee, in an interview with a Charleston Gazette reporter on Democratic prospects in the state next year, remarked, with the confidence that ever distinguishes the West Virginia mountaineer, that "in his mind of the state the Democrats could win out on the single issue of the present state administration. The sentiment there against the entire administration, from governor down," he said, "amounts to nothing less than disgust." Let us see, Mr. Edminston resides in Weston. The state asylum for the insane is located there. It is wonderful how associations will affect a man sometimes.

There is no branch of the government of more universal benefit to the country than the weather bureau, and anything looking to the improvement or the enlarging of its efficiency should receive the unqualified support of every member of Congress. The bill introduced by Congressman Wadsworth to reorganize and improve the service, is a measure of most commendable features. There can be no politics in the matter except good politics, for the weather policy of the government is a subject beyond the control and humors of the politician, as the dews of heaven fall upon the just and the unjust alike.

Representative Payne, of New York, the new Republican leader on the floor of the house, has learned that discourtesy to so old a member as Galusha Grow, of Pennsylvania, is no indication of any budding greatness that he may have concealed about him. He met with a deserved rebuke from the members of his own party, the Democrats siding in his discomfiture.

Display heads judiciously placed would make our able contemporary, the Congressional Record, a more degree more interesting than last year's almanac.

The Louisiana Democratic state convention in session yesterday, reaffirmed its faith in these glowing principles of Bryanism—the Chicago platform.

Congress has taken a rest, and the country rests with it.

A QUEER CALLING.

The Only Remaining Anspreker in America—A Man Whose Business It is to Announce Deaths—Requires Tact. Milwaukee Correspondence of New York Sun: "Yes, mine is a queer business. Death to you means a loss; to me it is not only a profit, but a livelihood. Death and I are friends. On him depends my living: Were there no deaths I, as an anspreker of the Dutch families of this city, would be in demand. As it is, I am his messenger."

So spoke Adrian Dimment. He continued: "Yes, the life of an anspreker is indeed a strange one, and yet in Holland it does not attract much attention. But here in America little of us is known. In the early Dutch colonial days in the east there were many of us. As present I know of no other person in this country who makes his living as I do. I am perhaps the only survivor in the United States of an ancient custom which is still in vogue in the rural districts in Holland; but the progress of the time has gradually crowded us out of the business in this country. As for myself, I cannot expect to follow my ancestral calling for long. I am now in my eighty-two years of age and life at that stage is uncertain. I sometimes wonder whether I will have a successor or whether with me will die the custom of the Dutch anspreker of Milwaukee. Mr. Dimment's business is to go from house to house and announce the death of the any member of the Holland colony who may die here. In the rural districts of Holland every village and town has its anspreker or announcer. The relatives of the deceased engage the anspreker and he calls on a list of the friends and acquaintances that the bereaved family may wish to inform of the death. These announcements take the place of the customary newspaper death notice. Usually where daily newspapers are printed there is little need for the anspreker."

A Century Catechism.

New York Sun: The Sun has received so many evidences of confused minds regarding the beginning of the twentieth century that it will present a proof that the twentieth century begins after the year 1900 is ended, in the shape of a little conversation: Question—What is a year? Answer—Three hundred and sixty-five days. What is a century? One hundred years. When did the year No. 1 end? December 31, of the year 1. When did the year No. 2 begin? January 1, of the year 2. When did the year 99 end? December 31, A. D. 99. When did that complete a century? No. When was the century completed? At the close of the year following 99, or at the close of the year 100. When did the second century begin? January 1 of the year 1 of the second century, that is, January 1, A. D. 101. When did the nineteenth century end? At the close of the nineteenth century, or at the close of 1900. When does the twentieth century begin? It begins on day No. 1 of year No. 1 of the twentieth hundred years—that is, on January 1, A. D. 1901. We must still see two Christmases before the twentieth century dawns.

Letters to Santa Claus.

Dear Kris Kringle:—I want one nice bimmetellimus pictur bud and a 14 to 1 megone and I red write and bloo nomnashun. The chimney is open. WILLY BRYAN. Dear Santa:—I would like to get a big lot of red eggers wot can't run and I box of ruff on Doers and sun guns wot will shut about 10 miles round corners and sun lame mules. JOHNNY BULL. Dear Santa:—bring me a fast blisket and a ottymobl and sum faw whiskers and a flyen masheen. AGGIE NALDO. Dear Santa:—I would like to have some nice new shies with on them guns and to Paris a likit and a nice quik ricktag wot won't kick. WILLE HOENZOLLERN. Pittsburgh Times.

Real Life in North Carolina.

Life is not so very stagnant in North Carolina, if we may judge from these items in a recent issue of a rural North Carolina paper: "Major Williams had his leg cut off in a sawmill. "Colonel Scott happened to the accident of having his head blown off by a boiler explosion. "Our new preacher had his house burned down. "Five Mormon elders were tarred and feathered yesterday. "The new town hall was struck by lightning. "A circus mule kicked one of our leading citizens Tuesday. "The new coroner was run over by a railroad train Wednesday. "There is no news of importance in town."

Night 'Fore Christmas.

Most generally at eight o'clock I go up stairs to bed. An' jes' undress an' say my prayers, an' cover up my head. An' shut my eyes up good 'n' tight an' go to sleep, an' then First thing I know it's mornin' an' time to get up. Somelike, or course, don't seem so short, like 'fore the Fourth, or the night 'fore 'fore yer go. To visit grandpa—oh, my, yes! they're 'fore the Fourth, or the night 'fore 'fore yer go. The night that comes 'fore Christmas is a million years to me. Seems 't December, anyway, 's the longest month they is. The months that's in the summer, why, they's the longest, they's. But old December crawls along, so kinder slow and late. That Christmas keeps so far away seems 't if yer couldn't wait. An' when yer've marked off all the days but one, and the night most through, An' yer've hanged up yer stockin's right alongside the chimney creep, An' yer've got yer good 'n' new ones upstairs, An' yer've thought 'fore yer sleep, an' then, an' then yer say, "Well, you jes' will," an' er course, yer wot."

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says, "I was taken with typhoid fever, that ran into pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing would come into my system, and I was in a state of consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can do my usual work. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, P. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best."

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REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

A woman never knows what it is to have a wife. Love is a great mystery until you don't understand it. Every woman thinks that to a man she must be a fascinating puzzle. If the average man could have his way he would go and get chloroform just before he gets married. A woman looks on marriage as a chance to raise her social position; a man looks on it as a chance to lower his own.—New York Press.

PASSING PLEASANTIES.

Her Incredulity.—Delbert—You are the only girl I ever loved. Miss Haddock—I don't believe you. Delbert—That's funny! All the rest of 'em did.—Puck. Wandering Willie—What do you expect for Christmas? Weary Raggles—Well, if I'm committed to bed island maybe I'll have a watch and chain.—Judge. His Preference.—"Now, Freddy, what do you want for Christmas?" "Oh, grandpa, give me somepin' real silly; granma allus gives me somepin' sensible."—Indianapolis Journal.

AN ERA OF DOUBT.—"I guess I'll throw it away," said the fair girl, despondently. "What are you going to throw away?" "My autograph album. Affairs are getting so that people don't believe in any signatures until you have called in a whole lot of handwriting experts."—Washington Star.

The Bunco Man meets the Farmer with a distant stare. "I don't know who you are," says Bunco Man. "You are certainly not Uncle Bill Smith of Horse Corner!" Here the Farmer loses his head and gives his watch to the Bunco Man for safe-keeping. This fact is the basis of that satirical comedy in all kinds of business.—Detroit Journal.

"What on earth are you bringing all those umbrellas in here for?" asked Mrs. Van Fashion, as Mr. Van Fashion pushed into the city with an armful of rain protectors. "Why, I thought that reception was due tonight." "Yes, and you are afraid the guests will steal them, are you?" "Not at all," said he, "they will recognize them."—Life.

Christmas Surprises.—"Let me see," said Mr. Flickerson, "what is it you are to get me for a Christmas present?" "Why, those new curtains for the dining-room, you know," his wife answered. "Oh, yes, Anny, but is it I'm to surprise you with?" "Henry, I don't believe you really take the enthusiastic interest one should in these things at this glorious time of the year. You are to get me a new carpet for the hall."—Chicago Times-Herald.

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