

ANCIENT ORATORY

Of the Spellbinders Must be Changed to One of Logic and Argument.

PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF FROTH.

Great Change Come Over the Populace Since Grover Cleveland's First Victory—Remarkable Ability of Governor Roosevelt to Tell the Plain, Unvarnished Truth—Strikes Straight From the Shoulder.

H. I. Cleveland in Chicago Times-Herald: There was a time in the history of American politics when the power of the "spellbinder" with his stereotyped speech, grotesque gestures and positive absence of common sense oratory was unquestioned. But since Grover Cleveland's first victory a change has come over the temper of the listening public in this respect. They are tired-awfully tired—of the sentences that are froth, the perorations that only appeal to prejudice and bias and beyond that mean nothing. It is true that Governor Roosevelt is one of the few public speakers who has partly aided in bringing about this change in desires. He has made the people think. And whether one agrees or not with Mr. Bryan, few of his speeches fail to provoke thought. Governor Roosevelt is not a natural orator. He speaks "hard." His voice in a measure is not only against him, but his wishes also—he would much rather make a record through action, convince by deeds, than by the exercise of his throat and lips. But his illustrations are homely, his method of address direct and personal, his intensity so strong that his sincerity cannot be brought into question.

During the last ten days I have listened to a dozen or more professional speakers of both the Republican and Democratic parties. They are the men with strong lungs and much gibberish whom the national committees have chosen for these and other reasons to go out and hypnotize the voters. But they are not doing this, and one of the chief reasons for their failure is that they have nothing new to offer—they give a stone where bread is sought—they deal in stock material. Everywhere I go on the remarkable trip Governor Roosevelt is making I find the people hungry to know the truth about the Philippine situation—not the truth from a Republican or a Democratic point of view, but the truth from an American point of view. They are seeking light about Cuba, Porto Rico and our other new possessions. They are most inquisitive about the condition and conduct of our army abroad; as to whether a colonial policy ought to be adopted or not. Rarely in the history of the nation has, in the space of two short years, so many perplexing and debatable questions been brought "face front" to the voters, and they want the truth. The "spellbinder" has little appreciation of this, and it is his weakness. That Governor Roosevelt does appreciate it is shown by the fact that in what he says, outside of his set speeches, he speaks from a broad American point of view on the problems raised, leaving it to the judgment of the voter to decide which he prefers to finally solve those problems—the Democrats or the Republicans.

Here are a few selections from "spellbinder" speeches which I have recently heard delivered at Detroit, Grand Rapids, South Bend, La Crosse and other points. I indicate which is Republican and which is Democratic: "Since Fort Sumter fell the peril of the nation has never been greater than at this moment, when Democracy raises anew its serpent-like head and aspires to the control of the government." (Republican.) "Shall we have the American flag trailed through the dust of the Orient, insulted by every foreign power and despised by ourselves? If you wish that to happen, my friends, vote for Bryan." (Republican.) "Mr. McKinley is the incarnation of the doctrine of imperialism. He stands for the mangled hand of the moneyed power which now controls this government." (Democratic.) "If the Republican party should be victorious again it is the beginning of the end of this republic. We shall see appearing on horseback the man on horseback, the military President who is to aid in enslaving our liberties." (Democratic.) "What rubbish all this is. The people do not believe it. They do not applaud when they hear it. They are not moved. They leave the meetings still unsettled in mind, confused, heartily wishing some level-headed man would come along and relieve them of their doubts.

From the Allegheny mountains west and northwest to the Rockies there is an immense population that originally came from the New England and Atlantic coast states. They are people who read books, who think, who are American to the core. They lack in many respects what might be called the "veneer of culture" so much thought of east of the Alleghenies, but for which they make ample atonement by their boundless hospitality and unswerving belief in the Declaration of Independence and the constitution as written. They do not believe that any President living, Democrat or Republican, would dare to do what the "spellbinders" prophesy. They do not believe that the country can be sent to the demilitarized lowlands by any President. They are not afraid of spoils. But they are hungry and athirst for solid information on the Philippines from men who know; on the status of the army, on the doctrine of imperialism and a hundred kindred questions. The "spell-binder" misses their desires. He is fat and staid. He was famed in the days when the cruel "bloody shirt" was waved. He is stupid to-day.

misrepresentation as to what can or will happen, does not go down. I have seen that during the time mentioned on the faces of 75,000 citizens of Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin.

PRIVATE DALZELL'S

Lively Recollections of the Last Democratic Administration and Why He Wants No More Like It.

SIR:—I for one, do not wonder that Bryan pretends to have just discovered the Declaration of Independence and wanders in his mind about jangling swords and sceptres and things in the air. I look for him when he is defeated this year, as he will be, to start out on his third race in 1904, preaching a new crusade for the rescue of the Pyramids and the Ten Commandments. I think by that time he will have discovered these and possibly the missing link. And in all this, he is more knave than fool; else he should be pouting with pride to the last Democratic administration.

It is all to be covered up in the fog of Imperialism and the Declaration of Independence. But if he forgets that administration, I don't, do you? It is riveted into my memory with hooks of steel. I can forgive, but I cannot forget that that administration burned itself into my memory in letters of fire that time cannot efface. He can't wipe out the four years I endured under Cleveland by any spouting he may do about the Declaration of Independence, though I venerate that document as much as any man, and fought four years of war to make it a fact instead of a fiction. The day Grover Cleveland was elected, I was worth \$10,000 or more, out of debt, and with a bank account of \$1,200 to my credit in old Caldwell, Ohio, where I had practiced law for twenty-five years, and was easily earning and getting \$1,200 to \$2,000 a year, by my profession. I had no office and wanted none. My dear old wife and I felt that we had enough laid up to educate the younger children and keep us comfortably in our declining years, and we had it the calamity of Cleveland's second election had been spared us. I will make a short story of it. No sooner was he elected than the tide turned the other way. My clients were principally farmers and old soldiers, and the former had spent their surplus, gone into debt, and were getting nothing for farm products, and the soldiers were being robbed of their pitiful pensions by Hoke Smith. They had nothing to pay for my services. I worked harder those four years than any equal period of my life, yet I went back all the time, lost all I had to the last penny, and in my extremity had to sell my cherished law books for a song, to save my home, and pay my debts, which I did to the last cent. Then I had to begin life over in my old age, without a dollar. Yes, I remember that administration very well, and want no more like it. PRIVATE DALZELL, Washington, D. C., Sept. 18, 1900.

TELEGRAPHIC TREKS.

The population of Sacramento, Cal., is 29,252, as against 26,286 in 1890. The census bureau announces that the population of Pueblo, Colo., is 28,157, as against 24,567 in 1890. The census bureau announces that the population of Butte, Mont., is 20,470, as against 10,723 in 1890. A bill has been introduced in the Mexican congress providing for an appropriation of \$20,000 for the Galveston sufferers. One of the four members of one family reported yesterday to have been stricken with the plague, has since died at Glasgow, Scotland. Fred B. Clark, a real estate man of Chicago, killed his wife and then committed suicide yesterday. Business reverses are supposed to have prompted the act. The Thoroughfare, a large freighter of the Southern Pacific company which ferries cars across San Francisco bay, sank late last night in her slip at West Oakland. Congressman W. B. Shattuc, of the First district, and Jacob H. Brownell, of the Second district, were nominated yesterday for Congress by Ohio Republicans. A car on the Hamilton and College Hill Traction Company, of Cincinnati, jumped the track late Monday night near College Hill, severely injuring eight persons. Hundreds of men and women prominent in religious work in this and foreign countries have arrived in Chicago to attend the convention of Christian workers, which begins to-day. The German steamer Sachsen, having on board Field Marshall Count von Walthersee, commander-in-chief of the international forces in China, and his staff, has arrived at Hong Kong. The United States practice ship Hawk, manned by the Second battalion Ohio naval reserves, who are taking the vessel from Norfolk, Va., to Cleveland, Ohio, has arrived at Halifax, N. S., from Bar Harbor. The tug America, of the New York Harbor Tug Company, was sunk and two lives lost off Canal street, North river, New York City, Tuesday morning. She was run into by the Atlantic transport liner Minnehaha. The elections for delegates to the constitutional convention have resulted in favor of the Black party throughout the entire province of Santiago de Cuba, and the whites now openly declare themselves to be annexationists. Grand Chief P. M. Arthur, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, said yesterday that he did not think it likely that the engineers would refuse to haul anthracite coal mined by non-union miners. While working in a mine north of Lead, S. D., Captain Grant Tod, of that city, was accidentally hit on the back of the neck by a mining hammer. The blow shattered the nerves in such a way that total blindness had come to the man, and it is feared that it will be permanent. The twenty-sixth annual convention of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association convened in the Auditorium hotel, Chicago, Tuesday for a four days' session. At the same time the proprietary association of America opened its convention in conjunction with the druggists. Lord Roberts reports from Machodorp, under date of Monday, September 17, that a few minor skirmishes have taken place between the British troops and the Boers. He adds that General French has captured fifty locomotives, in addition to the forty-three locomotives and other rolling stock

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which he took when he occupied Barberton, September 13, and that General Stephenson was expected to occupy Nispruit during the afternoon.

Mayor Swartz, of Columbus, Ohio, has received a letter from Mayor Johnson, of Denver, Colorado, president of the league of American municipalities, in which the latter states that Mr. B. F. Gilkison has resigned the office of secretary of the league and that the executive committee has arranged to fill the vacancy.

There was a large gathering of uniformed police and Scotland yard detectives at King's Cross railroad station, London, Tuesday morning, awaiting the arrival of Lord Salisbury from his country seat. It is said that since the premier's return to Hatfield he has received an anonymous letter of a character which has led to increased police vigilance.

WEST VIRGINIA BRIEFS.

Ell Louk fell from a wagon at Beverly, and broke his neck.

Senator Elkins will address a big Republican rally at Middlebourne, Wednesday, October 3rd.

Sistersville's new Republican morning daily issued its initial number Tuesday morning. It is known as the Tyler Daily Republican.

Governor Atkinson yesterday offered a reward of \$100 for the arrest of William Moss, who murdered Jackson Roberts, at Malden, last week.

Williams Jones, of Parkersburg, and drummer in the Citizens' band, while hunting at Waterford, Ohio, was shot in the groin and will die.

Brookline Cooke, a disreputable woman, twenty-three years old, while drunk committed suicide at Confork, Kanawha county, by shooting herself.

The Fairweather & Ladew tannery, at Davis, which has been idle for two months, started up yesterday. From seventy-five to 100 men are employed.

William E. Gladstone, who lost his left leg at the Chesapeake & Ohio shops, Huntington, died yesterday at the Chesapeake & Ohio hospital, aged fifty-six years.

Samuel Prancy, a miner at the Gaston mines, Tucker county, had both his eyes burned out yesterday morning. He was preparing a charge when a spark from his lamp ignited it.

George C. Giles, of near Kingswood, accidentally shot his son, Charles Giles, while hunting with the latter, who, with his family, has been visiting his father. The wound is in the leg and is very severe.

The Warrenton, Bethany & Warrington Railroad Company was incorporated yesterday for the purpose of building a railroad from a point on the Ohio river opposite Warrenton, to Bethany, in the same county, Brooke.

It is feared that Rev. O. H. Lucely, who has been engaged for the last five years in the Presbyterian Sunday school mission work throughout the state, and was for a portion of that time stationed here, has lost his life in China.

Alexander Dayton, of Farnell's Branch, Kanawha county, who has been helpless from paralysis, takes his food in liquid form through a tube. Mr. Dayton purchased his coffin when he was first paralyzed and keeps it in his house.

Governor Atkinson yesterday revoked the notary's commission held by W. S. Brown, of Charleston, for taking the oath of certain Republicans that they would not vote for the Republican nominees on the Kanawha county ticket. The governor holds that administering such oaths is illegal, a species of intimidation, and contrary to public policy.

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HUGO DENKENSPRUCT.

A Wisconsin Farmer and ex-Justice of the Peace to His Nephew—Explains to Him the Sixteen to One Humbug.

"Yes, Jonathan, that Indianapolis speech as you say, is very fine and lots of it. Mr. Bryan is a schmar man enough, but I kvit him for the sake of his 'sixteen to one' humbug, and the demonstration at Indianapolis makes me kvit him more. He says he was right then and the people wrong, and that he is right now and the good people must now apologize by electing him President. The other fellows in the convention at Kansas City have not so much faith, but they have hopes, so they compromise with Mr. Bryan and raise a crop of calamity imperialism mixed with the 'sixteen to one' old seed, saying to themselves, 'Where one don't grow the other will.' 'Did you ever try to drive in the barn with your hay-load too big on one side—too much hay on one side and too much wheels on the other? Yes, you did; and you didn't say, 'Uncle Hugo, we needn't unload; all we do is to back out and paramount another big lot of hay on the other side; then we drive in the barn all right.' 'I will tell you a little true story which reminds me of this loading up at Kansas City with the reaffirmation business and the 'paramount imperialism' on the top.

German Independence. "A very nice talking man called on my father one day to enquire for sheep and calves to buy. They soon struck a bargain in which he was to pay twenty dollars for two calves and six sheep. That was before green-backs. He offered my father a twenty-dollar bill, but as he was afraid of 'wild-cat money' (there was plenty of it in those days) my father said he wanted hard money. After much nice talk from the man my father said: 'No, I rather have the sheep and calves.' Then the man went on with his fine talk and complimented the Germans, saying pleasant things about the 'German independence of character.'

"So they were about to part on friendly terms when the dealer took an awful kviek fancy to one of our horses. Pretty soon a bargain was struck for one hundred dollars. When the buyer came to pay, however, he pulled out eighty dollars in silver and gold and that same twenty dollar bill. Then there was talk till you couldn't rest, but my father said at last: 'No, I rather have the horse.' The stranger answered: 'Well, I give you my note for the bill, but my father replied: 'No, money not good enough to buy sheep won't buy a horse; perhaps you pay your note with such a bill.' 'Well, Jonathan, I think of that cattle dealer when I read what Mr. Bryan says of the independence of the German voters in his recent speeches, and especially when his subject is 'sixteen to one' and the sturdy independence of the German voters."

Cousin Gertrude's Young Man. "Perhaps you don't remember, Jonathan, when your cousin, my Gertrude, used to have calls from a dandy young man. He sometimes sent her fine roses by his little brother from the village. I got suspicious of that young man, Jonathan, and by and by he stopped all at once coming to see Gertrude. You want to know why, Jonathan? Because one day he was driving by, down the road, and I said very kindly and sociable like to him: 'My young friend, I guess you needn't trouble to bring or send any more roses to Gertrude because she says she likes 'em fresher than when you send 'em—she has permission to help herself.'

"You see, I watch that young man when he goes home late one early morning and I saw him steal my roses on the way out of the front lot, and in the evening next following he sent 'em to Gertrude. If he only keeps the roses for his partikler friends in the village it wouldn't so much matter; but when he steals them to make himself solid with my little Gertrude, he reminds me of Bryan quoting from Abe Lincoln's speeches to try to make the people think how much his party loves the people—when all the time before, the Democrats had no use for Mr. Lincoln. Lincoln was a great Republican, whom to love is fashionable, even with Democrats, now. But when their great man, Mr. Bryan, offers Republican voters roses out of Lincoln's garden they naturally feel like Gertrude—they like 'em fresher, and they have permission to help themselves."

ENGLAND AFRAID

Kruger Was Bound for the United States—Force Portuguese to Send Him to Europe.

BERLIN, Sept. 17.—The Vossische Zeitung points out that the "singular orders" given by the Portuguese government to the governor of Mozambique, authorizing the departure of Mr. Kruger for Europe, permit Mr. Kruger to sail only for a European port, adding: "The government in sending this goes beyond its powers. Doubtless Lisbon is acting under pressure from Great Britain who fears presumably that Mr. Kruger is going to the United States to appeal to a people whose Boer sympathies are still unshaken."

Bodies Floated In.

ERIE, Pa., Sept. 17.—The bodies of Captain Sanger and Chief Engineer Willis, of the ill-fated steamer John D. Lyons, which sank off Springfields, Pa., in Lake Erie, last Wednesday morning in the big gale, were found floating off this port to-day.

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