

The Helena Evening Telegram, in a recent issue, perpetrated a falsehood, and we are constrained to believe that paper knew it was a falsehood, for we are certain it cannot prove its statement by any evidence in its possession. Here is what the Telegram says:

Many republican papers are praising Lee Mantle for his skill and devotion in conducting the late campaign in behalf of the republican party. Bostliff's skill was shown by his dicker with Daly, trading republican votes to Anaconda for Anaconda votes for republican candidates in Silver Bow, Deer Lodge and Ravalli counties. The men, the time and the occasion were most favorable, and Mantle made the most of them, as every body knew he would if possible.

Now, isn't that really amusing to the people of Ravalli county, and especially to the republican candidates who were defeated, including one legislative candidate who ought to have been a particular pet of Mr. Mantle, if the latter expected to go to the United States senate, and whose election ought to have been assured if the dicker had been made as asserted by the Telegram.

However, should anyone be disposed to believe the rot published in this populist paper (whose only mission since the election seems to be to create disturbances in the republican ranks) they are invited to a re-inspection of the situation in Ravalli county. This county was overwhelmingly in favor of Anaconda for the capital, as the returns have shown. The majority in all the democratic and populist papers of this county, in their vain effort to defeat Senator Cooper and Representative Bagges was that they were controlled by the M. M. Co., an institution which had openly espoused the cause of Helena—and that if elected they would vote for Carter and Hammond for the United States senate. Mr. Bagges, whose business manager of this paper, authorized the Republican to state for him—before election, so the people would not be misled—that he was bound to do so, and if elected would vote for the choice of the republican caucus, be the west side choice Mantle, Judge Brambley, Judge Knowles or any other good man, of whom the republicans have plenty on the west side.

If the Telegram is right in its assertions about a deal between Mantle and Daly, both Cooper and Bagges should have been defeated and Cramer, who was an avowed Anaconda man, elected. The Telegram and the Bitter Root Development Co. kept their hands off, as they had given their word to all parties they would that Cooper, the alleged M. M. Co., Hammond-Carter, Helena candidate, ran ahead of his ticket and over the county, and defeated Johnson, whom the president of the H. R. D. Co., personally desired to see elected; that Bagges, business manager of a paper which had said not a word for Anaconda during the whole campaign, another alleged M. M. Co., Carter-Hammond, Helena man, also ran ahead of his ticket and led the polls for representative in Hamilton, the Anaconda-owned town; that Bond, a populist who, according to the slant of the Telegram the day after the election when it thought the democrats and populists would control the legislature, would vote for Bob Smith and Clark—Daly's avowed enemy—and never for Mantle, also ran ahead of his ticket, and only five votes behind Bagges at Hamilton, and that Cramer, the avowed Anaconda supporter, was defeated, and his defeat was accomplished in Hamilton, running 50 votes behind his ticket in a town which cast only 19 votes for Helena, and at least 100 behind his ticket in a county which gave Anaconda 1302 majority. And Cramer would have voted for Mantle, if elected. Does that look like a "dicker" between Mantle and Daly? Messrs. Cooper and Bagges may not vote for Mantle. If they intend to, the REPUBLICAN does not know it.

The fact that Mr. Mantle is connected with the Bitter Mountain, a newspaper which supported Anaconda in the recent contest, seems to have embittered the Helena democrat and populist press against him, or perhaps they are subsidized by some of his senatorial rivals and cannot afford to tell the truth. Mr. Mantle made speeches only for the republican party, and none for Anaconda. Mr. Weed, of Helena, not only made speeches for the republican party, but also for Helena. And yet Mr. Weed, from all we can ascertain, is the first choice among the republicans of Ravalli county for the east side senatorship, and many express the hope that he will be chosen.

In conclusion, we wish to inquire: How much right have the Helena papers to dictate in this matter, any more than Helena is in it in this legislation? Lewis and Clarke county elected six populists to the legisla-

ture, but the populists will cut very little figure in that body. Lewis and Clarke did not elect a single democratic member, but the democratic members from other parts of the state will feel decidedly lonesome in the coming session. Lewis and Clarke only sends two republican members to the legislature, and their votes are not necessary to the choice of United States senators, although their preferences are entitled to the same respectful consideration as those of any other republican members. But the republican party of the state of Montana have elected a majority of the new legislature, and these gentlemen will decide who will be Montana's senators. And that without the advice and consent of the populist and democratic journals. And their decision will be acquiesced in by all loyal republicans, no matter who the two favored ones may be, and no matter how many cynics lies like the above are printed.

The fly season is over for 1894, and populist ones like the Telegram may as well stop their buzzing.

A TRIUMPH OF PROTECTION.

The more carefully the returns of the election are studied the more clearly it is perceived that the chief purpose of the great body of the voters was to make secure the continuance of the American system of protection. It was the assault of the Cleveland administration upon the protective features of the tariff, and through the aid of a democratic congress, that caused the political revolution. Then there was general disgust with the incompetency of the administration in dealing with the finances and the revenues, in the passage of the income tax, in the conduct of our foreign relations, and in the scandals attendant upon the sugar schedule of the tariff.

All these causes were at work, but the main and the determining issue was protection. The whole country had been brought face to face with that issue and surroundings and experiences which admitted of neither doubt or equivocal. The democrats mainly realized that the campaign of education ended in 1892, and Mr. Cleveland, assuming that he had actually carried the country in favor of a lower-revenue tariff, proceeded to carry out the popular mandate. He and his demagogic coadjutors "led the people at their word," and while the Gorman-Wilson bill was confessedly a lame and ineffectual attempt to "discharge" a sacred trust, it was enough to satisfy the people as to the disastrous effects of free trade, and give them a bitter foretaste of what was in store for them should that policy be fully adopted by the government.

The victory of the Republicans has been so far-reaching and complete as to sink mere personal incidents and local influences quite out of sight. There will be a special tale to tell to account for a particular defeat here and there and for the reduction of this or that majority, but the democratic collapse is too universal to be ascribed to anything other than universal and profound dissatisfaction. Never in the history of the country have the people been so disappointed in work of their own doing and never before did they make such haste to undo it. With some the object of distrust has been the administration—with others the congress—with all, the party organization wherever it showed itself.

The industrial panic was succeeded by a political panic, and panics of all sorts are unreasonable. They can only be met and turned by quick, resolute action, and this quick, resolute action was wholly lacking at Washington, and everywhere else. The President set the pace of disaffection. It was eagerly taken up by the rank and file. Faction once in the saddle rode boisterous and spurred down the democratic column, toppling over in its mad career the just and the unjust, the meritorious and the reprobate. The slaughter has been indiscriminate. The grave is hardly wide enough to hold the slain. Louisville Courier-Journal (dem.).

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LAST SAD RITES. Toss the close of the night when the sad music came. That democracy was dying; His time was now on his banner of fame. All his friends and glory was by his side. We could not think of his "widest" shield. As it rose in the battle's commotion. And his thin pale sword as it glittered there. Like a star in the stormy ocean. We as they closed round his free-will rot. Where the noble elder lay dying. And thought of his deep laid suffer-trust plot. In the midst of a nation's slighting. We tenderly watched his income-tax eye. As his frame grew paler and colder. We dropped our last tear as we heaved his last sigh. And muttered: "The tale is told."

Then kindly and gently we laid him away. And with hands so eager and jolly. We wrapped him close in his free-trade cloak. And hid him away in his folly. —M. D. Thoreau, in Inter Mountain.

GERRYMANDER DON'T PAY.

Among the many lessons the democratic party can learn from Tuesday's elections one is that gerrymandering does not pay.

The democrats gerrymandered New York state's congressional and legislative districts with the expectation of electing four-fifths of its congressmen and a large majority in its legislature. Last Tuesday they chose about one-seventh of its congressmen and lost the legislature.

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The democrats "Michiganized" and gerrymandered Michigan in the most outrageous manner after having obtained a majority in the legislature by a trick as shameful as the Maryland steal in New York. Last Tuesday they failed to elect a single one of the twelve congressmen or a member of the legislature.

But it is useless to multiply examples that gerrymandering does not pay. The people have come to look upon it as a plain way of stealing, and the party that attempts it is pretty sure of punishment. And while the democratic party is learning the lesson it is just as well for the republican party to coin it also, for a republican gerrymander is as unjustifiable as a democratic gerrymander. —Denver Times-Sun.

WATSONSON ON THE SLAUGHTER.

The Party Did March Through a Slaughter House to an Open Grave.

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admitted only for coinage purposes, at a seigniorage absorbing all the difference between the market (London) price and its value when coined. He concluded his letter as follows: "The Manufacturer, a journal published every Saturday under direction of the publication committee of the Manufacturers' club of Philadelphia, a most prominent and influential body, has placed at the head of its editorial page this declaration of faith: 'The sign-board of 1896, the road to prosperity, protection and bi-metallicism.'"

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

And while the republicans were engaged in the goal work they furnished Jerry Simpson with socks. At any rate, they socked him very hard.

The London gentlemen might have Mr. Wilson go over and take another meal with them if they have the time to spare. He has plenty of time. All of the school teachers been hired for the season.

Senator Call, of Florida, on interview, summed up the situation after the election on Tuesday in a masterly way. No superlative words this time—comprehensive and positive: "The democratic party, sir, has gone up! Gone up!"

Business on the Colorado Mining Stock exchange has increased 100 per cent since the election, and an improvement is especially noted in the way of inquiries from investors in the east. Confidence is headed this way. —Times-Sun.

The daughter of Jefferson Davis sending a message of congratulation to General A. Mc.D. McCook on his promotion to the rank of major general is by no means the least pleasant feature connected with the recent regular army changes.

From the very latest reports Hartman and Hunt are still running, with no possible show of letting up. Hold up, gentlemen. Have some little regard for your opponents; it may be that they aspire to another nomination. Give 'em a show to get within the distance flag, anyway. —Basin Times.

The populist tiger downed in Colorado by the women and the Tammany least, struggled by the same influence on Manhattan Island they are, indeed, two great victories, that will find a place in imperishable history. Vote or no vote, the women have come into politics to stay. And it is well. It means happier homes and purer government. —New York Recorder.

The latest report is that Jerry Sockless Simpson, who was defeated for re-election to congress, will resign his seat in congress and run for governor in 1896. With White in Illinois and Simpson in Indiana the sister states would be bound by new ties. But why do defeated populist candidates seek new partners with such unanimity and precision?

Mr. Joy, of St. Louis, and Mr. Hillborn, of California, who were turned out of their seats in the house of representatives, have been sent back by large majorities. That is the verdict of their constituents on the infamous work of the democrats in congress in stealing seats which democratic election officers had certified to as having been fairly won by the republicans.

In Minnesota, too, the democrats placed patriotism above party, and helped to save the state from populism. The Minneapolis Press estimates that 31,000 democratic votes were cast for Nelson, the republican nominee for governor, because of the fear that the populist ticket might be elected. Minnesota did not wish to duplicate Colorado's bitter and humiliating experience.

If the republicans will take up the cause of bi-metallicism as soon as congress resumes and push it sincerely at every opportunity, it will break up the solid south so that it will never be solidly democratic again. The present disruption in the south has no element of permanency behind it. If the republicans appeal to the south through the active principle of bi-metallicism the response will be quick and generous. —Times-Sun.

The following incident occurred in a neighboring city last Wednesday morning: A clergyman was walking on the sidewalk of one of the streets, close behind him was a well-known democrat. Another democrat on the other side of the street called out to his brother democrat: "Well, what has become of the democratic party?" "Gone to h—!" was the response. The clergyman promptly turned about and said: "Home at last, eh?" —Milwaukee Sentinel.

It is enough to make a patriot's blood boil to learn that since the tariff on hunting was greatly reduced by the Gorman bill, English manufacturers are offering American flags for sale in this country and trying to drive the home manufacturer out of the market. The audacity of the attempt is remarkable. We don't

want the English manufactures, and above all, we don't want to bow allegiance to stars and stripes imported from Great Britain. It is surprising that an American firm will handle the article, and more surprising still if any lover of the stars and stripes will lay his hand to this insulting importation. This is one of the results of democratic rule, but the verdict was rendered at the polls last week. —Fergus County Argus.

"Blood-to-the-bridles" Waite says that it was the women who crushed populism in Colorado. If that is true it will prove an immense help to the cause of woman suffrage. In Colorado the women voted for the first time this year. But as the populists were defeated even worse in Kansas, where the women did not vote, it is probable that Waite and his fool followers would have been repudiated even without the aid of the women. It is greatly to their credit that they aided in the good work. They can probably place the blame for the defeat of the woman suffrage amendment in Kansas to the ridiculous antics of Susan B. Anthony and other so-called leaders in espousing the populist cause. The sensible women of the country are no more in favor of populism than are the sensible men. —Philadelphia Press.

The result of the election in Minnesota is perhaps the most significant of any in the trans-Mississippi states. The state has been strongly republican, but for some reason a strong fight was made in the party against the candidate for governor. Every Swedish newspaper in the state bolted his nomination, although he is that nationally himself, and the Swedes have been almost unanimously republican. In this situation the success of the fusion ticket, nominated by the democrats and populists, seemed certain. But prominent men in both the republican party and the democratic party foresaw the injury and disgrace that would come to the state from a populist victory, and they united in one supreme effort to save Minnesota from the fate of Kansas and Colorado. They succeeded in turning the tide and in rolling up a big majority against advancing socialism. It is instructive to remember that Grover Cleveland, in 1892, struck hands with this same crowd of socialists from whom the men of Minnesota have just saved the state. —EX.

Backward, turn backward, oh that in your flight. Make me a populist just for to-night. Let the black flag of despair be unfurled, Darken the Gates in this giddy old world. Give me a whirlwind of trouble and strife, Curtain with darkness the bright side of life. People the future with phantoms of war, Feed me on rage, ambition, fear, hate, and despair. Pains, Father Time, and throw open the gate, Turn so many of feeling first-rate, Turn me now where the picking is sweet, Synchronize with hunger and heart-ache and pain, Teach me to sit in contentment all day, Howling reform while my neighbors make hay. Fill my head with fast moving wheels, Then I'll know how a populist feels.

Impressive funeral services of the late Emperor of Russia. ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 19.—The funeral of the late emperor commenced at the cathedral of St. Paul at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

Enormous crowds of people gathered on both sides of the street long before the ceremonies commenced. The opening ceremony was announced by three cannon shots from the fortress. The czar, imperial family and royal mourners were received at the door of the cathedral by the metropolitan of St. Petersburg and by all the members of the holy synod bearing crosses and holy water. The imperial party formed in a solemn procession, which marched up the aisle until the czar and other mourners reached the appointed places. The funeral services then began and during their progress tapers were handed to all mourners. Then the high priest with a burning torch lighted the czar's taper and afterwards did the same with those held by members of the imperial family, after which he lighted the tapers of other mourners in turn according to their rank, until everybody was kneeling and holding the flickering tapers in their right hands which, with clouds of incense followed by the solemn chanting of the priests, gave a most weird effect to the whole scene. At the conclusion of the funeral service the mourners of the imperial family paid their last respects to the dead czar.

A most impressive ceremony was the lowering of the czar's remains into the vault by the high civil officials of the government. As the coffin disappeared from view a loud boom of cannon and salvoes fired by platoons of infantry from the forts, reverberated through the church, mingling with the words of the burial service, and the hoisting of the imperial standard on the fortress tower, proclaimed to the world outside that the last act in the mournful drama had been concluded.

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