

THE PROGRESS.

THE TICKETS.

Democratic.
For President,
GROVER CLEVELAND, of New York.
For Vice-President,
ADLAI E. STEVENSON, of Illinois.
Prohibition.
For President,
JOHN BIDWELL, of California.
For Vice-President,
DR. J. B. CHASEWILL, of Texas.
People's Party.
For President,
JAMES R. WEAVER, of Iowa.
For Vice-President,
JAMES G. FIELD, of Virginia.

FOR CONGRESS FOURTH DISTRICT.

Democratic.
N. C. BLANCHARD, of Caddo.
People's Party.
T. J. GUICE, of DeSoto.

TUESDAY'S BATTLE.

On Tuesday next there will be fought one of the greatest battles known to modern times. It will be a quadrilateral contest under four flags, representing as many different causes, each having its adherents and supporters who will, be loyal to the principles inscribed on their banners. There will be no roar of artillery to make the earth tremble and stifle the groans of the victims which go down under its death-dealing missiles; no rattle of musketry, whose leaden hail makes great swaths in the columns of human beings; no heavy and irresistible charges of cavalry to sweep everything before it, and leave in its wake dead and dying men; no, there will be no necessity for the sacrifice of human lives or the imprisonment of men to decide the cause of war, but it will be a battle of giants for all that, in which intellect, ingenuity, cunning and craft will ply the conspicuous parts, and the generals and officers will wear neither swords nor epaulets to denote their office; but for all that, they will exercise the same influence and be obeyed with the same alacrity as any field officer or commanding general ever was.

The battle Tuesday will be fought with the ballot, and upon its cast will depend the fate of the Nation. The causes of the four great armies are dear to each, and in the minds and hearts of the followers of each nestles a feeling of right, truth and sincerity in supporting the standard of their choice.

The weapons to be used are noiseless, but are the most effective known to the civilized world. They represent that which, in its true element, like the virtue of womanhood, is the most sacred and powerful influence known to the American people, but which, like its comparison, when perverted and despoiled, becomes the most loathsome and forbidding of objects. The ballot is the bulwark of American supremacy and independence, and by it will be settled the serious question of who shall rule our Nation for the next four years.

As before stated, four causes or parties will be represented in this (Tuesday's) conflict, each of which has some claim to superiority; but to our minds that which is represented by Cleveland has more claims for recognition and support of the American voters than any of the other three. This we say, more of the man than his party. In our opinion he is the personification of the American statesman. He lives above and beyond the reach of corrupt politics. He is in every way a man of the people, with an inherent and educated respect for the rights of the masses. He recognizes no influence, power nor party necessity which comes in conflict with a conscientious idea of

duty and right. A man of wonderful moral courage, he dares to do what an honest impulse teaches him is right, though to do so may cost him the highest office in the gift of the American people. He is directly opposed to us on the silver question, but his many manly qualities, scrupulous adherence to principle, and bull-dog determination to do right, makes him, in our opinion, the man the Nation needs at this particular time to control the affairs of government and hold in check the growing and tumultuous passions of the people, which are threatening to bring on a reign of chaos in our country.

For these reasons we think the silver question should be allowed to slumber for a while, lest in attempting to secure a staunch advocate of the measure, we secure a ruler who will bring about pandemonium instead of peace and prosperity, which we are all striving to obtain. Therefore, Grover Cleveland is the man, we think, who should for the next four years be the chief executive of the United States. Our country needs him in that place just now.

PRESS ECHOES.

Lake Charles American: Keep hogs on the farm. Gather your corn, potatoes and peas, leaving a liberal amount on the farm for the hogs to glean. Turn them into the fields and they will do the rest.

Lake Charles Echo: And still the cry is, "more carpenters and joiners wanted." As we remarked last week, there are perhaps plenty of "botch" workmen, but what is needed is the first-class carpenter, who has regularly learned his trade. Several of the latter class can find immediate employment at the Tompkins furniture factory.

Echo: The kicker is not apt to be a popular man in the community but he is nevertheless a valuable member of society. Very few abuses would be remedied, nuisance abated or wrongs righted, but for the kicker. The only thing is to kick at the proper time, at the right object and at the right place. As the boy says, "don't kick where there ain't no kick a comin'."

Of course our contemporary does not mean the man who is so slow, lazy and mean that he even sponges on the lamp post, which he uses as a prop while he "kicks." We have such men here.

St. Helena Echo: Mr. Arch Watson sent to our office on Wednesday last, a yam potato raised on his place, which measured two feet, three and a half inches in length and six inches in circumference. If anyone doubts this let him call and see for himself.

Lake Charles American: The following is one of the stories told on the stump by Colonel W. H. J. Ham at a recent campaign meeting:

Babe Boston's mule was sick and a neighbor advised him to administer calomel.

"How will I get it into him?" asked Babe.

"Put it in a quill, put the quill in his mouth, and blow it down his throat," responded the neighbor.

The neighbor met him two or three days afterward. Babe was as thin as a rail, looked right green and was ill doubled up.

"What's the matter with you?" asked the neighbor.

Babe placed his hand pathetically over his stomach, gave a sigh like a blacksmith's bellows with a hole in it, and said:

"The darn mule blowed fust."

Louisiana Democrat: The government forces are fast getting rid of the \$15,000 appropriation dumping clay on the side of the bank just below the mouth of bayou Rapides.

Democrat: The usual crowd of loafers were on Sullivan's corner Sunday morning discussing the discovery of America. Various opinions prevailed and they came to the conclusion that there was no such galoot as old Christopher and finally wended their way further down and engaged in a more pleasant game.

Webster Signal: We are glad to

see that our town is on the improve. New houses are going up and our side-walks are being improved, and streets worked. We notice especially the improvement in front of Mr. Joe Miller's store of a nice brick walk. Suppose the whole street be filled out in front of the stores, and the town work the street down to the depot, besides Minden is one of the best places to live in, in this part of the State. The people are genial and social, the town is healthy with lots of good fruit and water. We have the best school in the State with about two hundred pupils enrolled. We have a good set of merchants with but one fault—they don't advertise enough.

Farm and Ranch: Don't let a frost catch your sweet potato crop; they should be dug as soon as possible now and put in a dry place, secure from the frost.

Give the milch cows the small melons left from the summer's crop; they are fond of them and will repay you in an increased yield of milk and butter. The same advice is good as to tomatoes too late to ripen.

Selected: A good story is gotten off on the legal profession which runs about as follows: In a certain community, a lawyer died who was a most popular and worthy man, and upon his tombstone was this: "a lawyer and an honest man."

Some years afterwards a Farmers' Alliance convention was held in the town, and one of the delegates, being of a sentimental turn, visited the "silent city," and in rambling among the tombs was struck with the inscription, "a lawyer and an honest man."

He was lost in thought, and when run upon by a fellow hayseed, who, noticing his abstraction, asked if he had found the grave of a dear friend or relative, said: "No, but I am wondering how they came to bury these two fellows in the same grave."

Iberville South: Trouble always runs to meet the man who goes out to hunt it.

South: A doubt is the heaviest thing you can pick up and try to carry.

Plaquemine Home Journal: The United States engineers have been running some lines for a new levee above the Medora plantation, and in some places, it is more than seven hundred feet from the base of the old levee, which has a good bature in front. While we are glad to have the United States government build our levees, such destruction of property is without reason and will deprive a great many small farmers of their homes. The new levee will be more than two and a half miles long.

Louisiana Mentor: We have had three good killing frosts this week. Most of our farmers have dug their sweet potatoes and we are glad to say the yield this year has been very good, perhaps better than expected. The mast is considerable this year and the frost is causing the acorns to rattle down like hail stones. Hogs in many places are already getting fat on the falling acorns. It seems that nature is trying to compensate for its ravaging overflows last spring.

Coushatta Citizen: Judge J. C. Egan returned from Shreveport last Wednesday whether he had been to attend the "setting" of the Supreme court.

What kind of eggs were used?—Natchitoches Enterprise.

The criticism is as bad as the criticized. The word "setting" would have been no more proper if applied to a hen on eggs. In fact we doubt if the word can be applied in such cases as used by both papers at all. Indeed, only when used to describe a diamond setting and the like. That is our impression and we are sure that it is wrong to express it as a setting hen. We set a hen and then she becomes a sitting hen. This we have from good authority.

Texas Stockman and Farmer: The corn crop is best of all. Not only does the corn yield more grain than any other crop, but it also produces a large proportion of fodder. In estimating its value, the whole plant should be included, as every portion is valuable for some purpose. Corn also compels clean cultivating of the soil, which kills out weeds and prepares the ground for the succeeding crop.

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