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DEMOCRATIC TICKET, 1900.

FOR PRESIDENT: WILLIAM J. BRYAN, OF NEBRASKA. FOR VICE-PRESIDENT: ADLAI STEVENSON, OF ILLINOIS.

FOR CONGRESS, FIRST DISTRICT: W. A. JONES, OF RICHMOND COUNTY.

THE ROOT OF THE TROUBLE.

The following is an editorial from the Baltimore Evening News of a few months ago:

It is recognized on all hands that the Administration and the Republican party have got themselves into the worst predicament of a smart over the little problem of Porto Rico.

The President's original recommendation was one dictated by a broad principle—not, indeed, the Constitutional principle of uniformity of imports, but the principle that the Porto Ricans were to be treated as commercially upon an equal footing with ourselves.

The gentlemen's shirt-waist has established itself. Another season will see the masculine corset come into vogue. It will be worn inside as, as—the female one, because of course some shape has got to be put into the measly things.

A Spotsylvania (Va.) couple recently secured a divorce upon the plea of "mutual weariness." They might have given a more plausible excuse; for instance, conjugal ennui.

THE up-turned and empty dinner pail might be appropriately used by the Pennsylvania miners just now in contrast to the full dinner pail emblem on the Republican campaign button.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER. (From our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 1st, 1900. There will be a Democratic majority of not less than ten in the next House.

It is quite refreshing to read the foregoing at this present time when our Baltimore contemporary is leaving no stone unturned in its efforts towards the re-election of Mr. McKinley.

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Senator Hanna asks the Baltimore banks to contribute \$80,000 to the campaign fund. The Republicans are beginning to fear that Bryan will carry many of the doubtful states.

In many parts of the country no dinner pail is full, but of air only.—Spartan Spectator. The Republican National Committee admits that both Indiana and Illinois are in the doubtful columns.

Former Senator Arthur P. Gorman, of Maryland, thinks the political tide is now setting strongly in Mr. Bryan's direction. Adlai Stevenson, in his letter accepting the nomination of the Populists for Vice-Presidency, makes Imperialism and Free Silver the paramount issue.

Congressman Swanson is speaking twice a day during this campaign. Gold Democrats and Republicans have combined on a ticket and are making a hard fight in his district.

There is undoubtedly a strong trend of popular sentiment toward Bryan, says the Boston Mass Post. No person who moves about among needs to be told of this; the fact is so evident that it cannot be ignored.

Senator Clark, of Montana, is making his campaign with a vaudeville show including a number of short-skirted young women in pink tights. If he is successful he will probably claim that he was elected by the bullets of a free people.—Richmond News.

It seems rather strange that the Democratic party should anywhere, within United States jurisdiction be composed chiefly of blacks, and their opponents, the Republicans, be of the white people. But this is the case in Cuba. A black Democratic party! and a white Republican party! When the official course of the world is to be "purged" of the "amendments," it will be the official course of the world, scrubbing-brush, deodorizing fluids, to remove a nuisance from the records of republic, kingdom, or church, it is not a "picnic" to the authors of the offensive "resolved." Justice, health, self-respect, demands the instruction. Caustery is the only cure for persistent swellings of pus.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

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THE RUSSIAN LEGATION IN CHINA. The Russian legation and troops have withdrawn from Peking. Most of the United States troops are being withdrawn also, and are hastening to Manila, where the rebellion has broken out afresh.

The German Emperor has replied to the Emperor of China that burnt sacrifices will not atone for the murder of his minister and the host of other Christians. That nothing but the blood of Tuan and other leading Boxers will suffice.

Foreign troops have devastated the Pei-Ho valley. The land is laid waste, villages wiped out, crops mangled or destroyed and the natives either hiding or killed. It would take a wise crew to fly down the valley of the Pei-Ho without carrying their rations. The U. S. troops were the only ones who refrained from looting.

ENGLAND AND THE BOERS. According to Lord Roberts' reports every mile of railway and every town in the two Dutch states is now under British control. President Kruger contemplates carrying with him in his exile to Europe several million dollars of the Boer treasury and important state papers. England has warned the Dutch government that if Kruger is allowed to carry these on board the Dutch warship it will be considered a breach of neutrality.

SOME WEDDINGS. Mr. L. J. Warner, of Richmond county, and Miss Anna Yeatman, of Washington, were married last week. Capt. and Mrs. D. M. Nelson, of Middlesex county, announce the coming marriage of their daughter, Miss Eva, to Mr. Ernest Smoot, a native of Caroline but now of Washington. The ceremony will occur during the first week in November.

THE GREAT COAL STRIKE. Several of the large anthracite coal operators have posted notices offering a 10 per cent. increase to accept the advance. Negotiations for a settlement of the coal strike are being continued at the offices of banker J. Pierpont Morgan, in Wall street, attended by all of the presidents of the coal railroads. Mr. Morgan is working hand in glove with Senator Hanna to bring about a settlement of the anthracite strike.

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THE people at Huron, S. D., seemed disposed to ask questions, and Mr. Bryan announced that he would reply to any person who would give their names and their politics. He responded to questions about remedies for the trusts, and then some one asked about the Ice Trust. To this question, Mr. Bryan replied: "The Ice Trust is a New York, and not a national affair, and the New York people can take care of it, but the Governor of New York, instead of correcting the Ice Trust, evil, comes out West to make speeches. But I want to go a little further. Every director of the Ice Trust is a Republican, and yet you people do not even attempt to destroy a Republican Trust." Some one asked: "Why did Ted get rotten-egged in Colorado?" Mr. Bryan replied: "Ask those who did it. I will suggest to you that when they threw rotten eggs at me in Chicago no Republican found fault with it; but, my friends, I am going to do better than the Republicans; I am going to find fault with any one who interferes with any man who expresses his opinion on any question in the United States."

ROOSEVELT MOBBED. Col. Roosevelt, who is on a tour of Colorado, was mobbed last week at Victor, in the Cripple Creek mining district. The trouble was caused by a small body of men and boys. He had hardly begun speaking when he was interrupted by noisy demonstrations. After his speech he was escorted to the railway station by ex-members of his rough-rider stamp. On the way the mob hurled stones and missiles at the Governor and his escort, and one man struck him on the breast with a stick.

THE party managers will make capital of the incident, and probably exhibit Mr. Roosevelt as a martyr. He declares he will now make "anarchy" the paramount issue of his speech. BRYAN CONDEMNED. Of the incident Mr. Bryan says: "From what I know of the people of Colorado I am not willing to believe, without further evidence, that they denied to Mr. Roosevelt or to any one else a fair hearing. If it proved true that he was mobbed or, in any way interfered with, I am sure that it was not the work of any political organization. There can be no justification for a resort to violence in this country, and those who resort to it injure the cause which they represent."

The Richmond News says: For the first time, we believe, in the history of our politics a nominee on a presidential ticket has been actually personally assaulted by a mob. Every American citizen has reason to be ashamed that such a thing has been done anywhere in the country, but we confess to being glad that the South escaped this time. Here is at least one outrage in which our people are not involved, except indirectly, as all other Americans are.

Rev. J. E. Roan Riddick, who is serving a sentence in the Virginia penitentiary for the murder of Dr. W. H. Temple, is one of the model prisoners in the penitentiary. He is in the tailorshop and is kept plying his needle. He shows no signs of insanity. Col. Picquet, who testified in favor of Dreyfus and caused his recall from Devil's Island, will be reinstated in the French army. The generals who were persecuting Dreyfus resented Col. Picquet's efforts to establish his innocence and removed him from the army.

One of the most remarkable exhibitions at the Rappahannock Fair will consist of a colored girl eleven years old, not above average weight and size for number of years, who has a head as large as a water-bucket. The child is sound and healthy and was born in King & Queen county.

Robt. H. Hamilton, aged 87 years, has instituted suit against Dr. H. M. Wharton to recover \$2,475 loaned. Mr. Hamilton says that he was induced to take this money from a savings bank and lend to the Baptist evangelist, and that the money was the only mainstay of himself and wife in their old age.

ACROSS THE SEAS. Capt. Devereaux Shields and a whole Company of 52 American soldiers have disappeared and are believed to have been killed, wounded or captured by Filipinos.

Further instructions have been sent to General Chaffee to hurry forward to Manila all the troops in China not required for the legation guard at Peking.

Sixto Lopez, one of the leading members of the