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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT—

William McKinley

FOR VICE PRESIDENT—

Theodore Roosevelt

The awful storm that visited the coast of Texas last Saturday night was perhaps the most disastrous in the Nation's history. More than 5000 lives are known to have been lost, principally at Galveston, and millions of dollars' worth of property were destroyed. Every state is responding to the appeals for aid, and governmental relief was commenced as soon as news of the awful disaster reached Washington. The dead are buried in trenches or out at sea, unidentified. The wrecked city must present a heart-rending scene.

Four hundred and thirty-six million dollars of gold have been added to the gold stock of the United States since July 1, 1896, says President McKinley, in his letter of acceptance. Four years ago, it will be remembered, the statement was frequently heard that gold was too scarce. That theory has been exploded—and it will be exploded some more when Oregon's countless undeveloped gold mines begin to cough up their hidden millions.

Some of the opposition organs and orators argue that Bryan can do no harm if he is elected, because the republicans will have the power at the next session to make laws that will stick until Bryan is tired of being president and retires to more or less private life. In other words, they want Mr. Bryan elected merely as an ornament. It is a peculiar plea—and produces a smile that can be heard from coast to coast.

The letter of President McKinley accepting the nomination of the Republican national convention for the office of President of the United States appeared in the dailies of Monday, the 10th inst. As an argument and campaign document it has perhaps never been equalled. THE LEADER expects to give all its readers an opportunity to judge for themselves, and will reproduce the letter before the close of the campaign.

The late census gives Portland a population of 90,426, against 46,385 in 1890, an increase of 94.95 per cent. No other important city in the Nation has grown as rapidly, Toledo, Ohio, with 61.88 per cent, being next. Every citizen of Oregon can feel a just pride in the splendid record of the metropolis.

Crocker, the Tammany boss, is said to have wagered \$30,000 that Bryan will be elected. The loss of thirty times that amount wouldn't cause Crocker much financial distress—but breathe it softly. The ungodly rich are all supposed to be supporting McKinley.

There is no more popular game bird than the China pheasant. Willamette valley sportsmen frequently pay \$12.50 for the privilege of killing one before the open season begins.

Vermont and Maine have returned more than average republican majorities, though neither rolled up the record-breaker of 1896. They'll do that in November.

Democratic orators in the east are claiming everything—just as they did in 1896. They'll miss their calculations—just as they did in 1896—and then another coincidence may be recorded.

The Oregonian offers strong inducements to thieves to locate in Portland by remarking: "If a man's pocket is picked (in Portland) the thief gets \$100." This is proof of prosperity as is proof.

The cities of Omaha and Lincoln, Neb., show an embarrassing decrease in population during the past ten years. Drouth, grasshoppers, hailstorms, cyclones and Billy Bryan have been a terrible scourge to the state, and thousands of its citizens have found relief in Oregon—"where every prospect pleases" and only the Salem Journal is vile. And more are coming.

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