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**RIDPATH AS A ROMANCER.**

Not all the follies and absurdities of the dollar faction Jeffersonian banquet in New York were uttered by William J. Bryan. John Clark Ridpath contributed his full quota to the imbecilities of that gathering. Said Ridpath, it was a fitting thing that the author of the Declaration of Independence "should at last, in his democratic way, ride up to the presidential mansion, like the plain man that he was, hitch his horse, and make ready, without the presence of a cavalcade of venal office seekers, to take the oath as chief executive of a democratic nation."

That horse-hitching story is a fiction. It comes up every four years in the Democratic press throughout the country, but not the smallest atom of truth was ever in it. No mention of any such thing was made in any of the papers published at that time. On the contrary, the records of that day show that a widely different condition of things prevailed at the Jeffersonian inauguration from what Ridpath and the other Democratic romancers talk about. The Aurora, which was one of the yellowest of the Jeffersonian papers, said, in its edition of March 11, 1801, describing the inauguration ceremonies, that "at an early hour on Wednesday, March 4, the City of Washington presented a spectacle of uncommon animation;" that "at 12 o'clock Thomas Jefferson, attended by a number of his fellow citizens, among whom were many members of congress, repaired to the capitol;" that "he entered the capitol under a discharge of artillery" and that "as soon as he withdrew a discharge of artillery was made."

The horse-hitching fake, which, of course, Ridpath himself did not invent, but merely repeats, was a cheat in its conception and a fraud in its distribution, for many of those who have retailed it undoubtedly knew it was false. Equally tricky is Ridpath's sneer about the "venal office seekers." Jefferson during his eight years of service removed thirty-nine federal officials. All the other presidents along to Jackson—Washington, John Adams, Madison, Monroe and John Quincy Adams—removed only thirty-five in the aggregate. Jefferson turned Goodrich out of the office of collector of New Haven and put Bishop in. Goodrich was capable and had given satisfaction to the people of his district. Bishop was 78 years of age and incapable. Jefferson put Goodrich out because he was a Federalist and put Bishop in because he was a Democrat. When the citizens of New Haven, Democrats and Federalists alike, protested against this outrage, Jefferson defended himself by asking, "If a due participation of office is a matter of right, how are vacancies to be obtained? Those by death are few, by resignation none." The greater part of the assertions and deductions of the Bryan-Ridpath party is a mixture of ignorance and

mendacity. The ignorance belongs to the Bryans and the mendacity to the Ridpaths. Ridpath probably knew there was no truth in that horse-hitching fable. He unquestionably knew the Goodrich-Bishop affair and the rabid partisanship that it betrayed.

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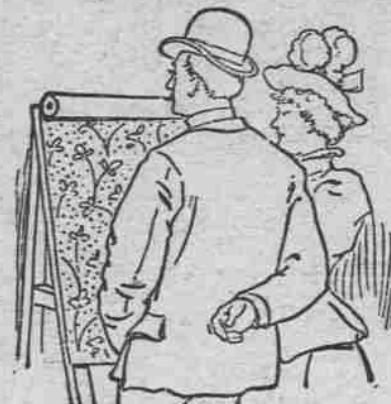
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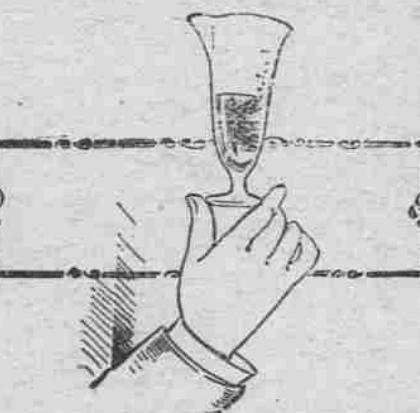
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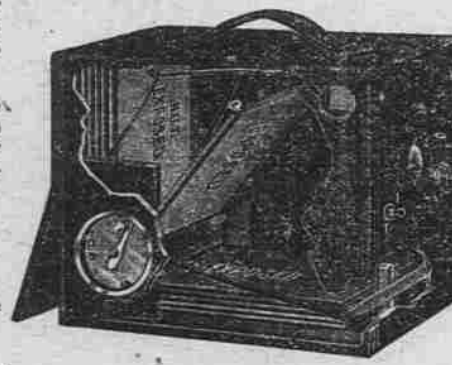
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