

For President—
WILLIAM M'KINLEY,
of Ohio.

For Vice-President—
THEODORE ROOSEVELT,
of New York.

Hon. Jerome Kearby, populist nominee for governor of Texas in 1896, and again nominated this year, has declined to make the race on account of poor health. In his letter of declination he scores the democrats smartly, especially in state politics, which have been administered in all branches by them for twenty-seven years. Of the crusade against trusts and imperialism, he says it is a senseless and unmeaning fulmination. The paramount issue with the democrats is not imperialism, he asseverates, but office, and the secondary issue, ditto. He characterizes the democrats as revolutionists, obstructionists, an aggregation of inconsistencies, without a foreign or domestic policy, without one unselfish purpose, with no ambition except to get office and power. He urges the populists not to be enticed from the real issues. Of Bryan's statement that the republican party will destroy the republican form of government he is especially scathing, saying the democratic party is the only organized party that ever deliberately shot to death the American flag; that ever disfranchised citizens by millions; that enslaved its free born. It forced the war with Spain, and then obstructed the appropriations to pay for it; it voted to ratify the treaty with Spain and pay \$20,000,000 for the Philippines, and has ever since been clamoring to turn them loose and shake the responsibility.

A Madaline, N. Y., correspondent of the New York Sun, himself a German, says: "If anybody is in doubt how we will vote next November you may tell him through your estimable columns that we Germans have a good memory; we have not forgotten the winter from 1893 to 1894 under Cleveland's administration, when we could get our meals at charitable soup kitchens and when good people distributed tens of thousands of loaves of bread to the hungry laboring man to keep him from starvation. We Germans admire charity, but don't like to patronize it so long as we are able to earn a living by working, as we could not do that time, for there was no work to be had. As for the campaign issue, expansion or free silver, I prefer expansion, since through building up those countries we have acquired a job may come to our hand once in a while. On the other hand, with 16 to 1 we could only draw fifty cents for every dollar of our saved money out of the bank, and no job at all at any price."

Senator James K. Jones, the democratic national chairman and director in the round cotton bale trust, said in a speech at Little Rock in discussing the gold standard: "Hundreds of thousands of ignorant foreigners, who were here taking the bread out of the mouths of honest labor, voted at the last election at the dictation of McKinley's supporters. These foreigners comprised fully one-half of the number of votes received by McKinley." Chairman Jones uses different language when he expatiates on the fancied conversion of the Germans to the 45c dollar.

Bryan and Penoyer both agree that the republicans are still coming 16 to 1 silver dollars. So they are. But the republicans are holding these dollars at a gold level, a little circumstance that Messrs. Bryan and Penoyer forget to mention.

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