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NOT YET READY.

Governor Chamberlain says Roosevelt is the only man whose candidacy for president would break the solid south. Governor Vardaman of Mississippi says Roosevelt could not carry a precinct of that state.

Our governor has but recently seen the evidences of the President's wide-spread popularity, and may think it strong enough to rend asunder the solid south, and it is probable that Roosevelt's candidacy would appeal to the south more powerfully than that of any other man whom the republican party might select. But would it break the solid south?

It ought to do so. The solidarity of the south should be broken.

The southern people gain nothing by their adherence to one party. On the contrary they lose much, for it prevents them from that full and free participation in the conduct of the government which they should share. Because of her solidarity for one party, that the minority party, she has little more than an uncertain and negative influence in shaping and directing the policies entering into the management of the general government. By this means she deprives herself, in a large measure, of the benefits which she would reap from positive and efficient support of such policies. Her attitude is not only a wrong to herself but it is detrimental to the best interests of the whole

country for it is a sectional as well as a party solidarity.

It seems to be almost inexplicable that the south should thus deport herself. No section of the country is dominated by railway corporations more than the south. Certain economic policies of the republican party strongly commend themselves to large numbers of southern men, because they see those policies necessary to the development of the material resources of their section. They probably admire the president and in the main agree with his purposes, but they would not vote for him even if they had the opportunity.

There are reasons for this almost irrational attitude of the southern people. Some of these are merely sentimental; others are founded in distrust of the north; and yet others are simply the remnants of former thoughts, habits and purposes which we usually group together and very inaccurately describe as unreasonable prejudice. These combined, that is sentimental adherence to olden time southern traditions, distrust of the north, especially of the republican party, and the influence yet remaining of former thought and purpose conspire to unify the southern people along the lines of political action.

All these things, too, enter into the solution of the race problem which is the south's chief concern. Such problems as the "Negro question" are never easy of solution. Yet this solution was borne upon the southern people when they were wholly unprepared and largely unfitted to take it up. They will settle it presently. They are learning that this as all other questions can be settled only on lines of right and justice to all concerned; that equality before the law is wholly distinct from social equality. The former is an innate right, the latter a priv-

ilege which the white man might accord and the negro refuse, but which neither may claim as of right. The south is also learning that no part of the people meditates interfering with her in this matter so long as she deals patiently and justly with the negro.

The south is learning all these things, some of them slowly and painfully because reluctantly. But until she fully grasps them she will preserve her party solidarity. Perhaps she ought to do so. The time will come, however, when she will cease to array herself with any one party. She will then assume her rightful place and exert her proper influence in shaping the destinies of the nation—the nation she so heroically struggled to found.

THE MONEY CRISIS.

The money crisis, of which New York City is the storm center, in so far as it affects the country in general does not forebode any great and wide spread disaster. In fact there is nothing in the country outside of New York, no condition anywhere else that should create a panic. Even in New York the crisis, it is believed is passed and the banks with a very few and unimportant exceptions, stand firm and unshaken. The stock of available money has been depleted in New York by depositors becoming alarmed over the halt given to the operations of stock-jobbers in Wall St. These stock-gamblers were forced into liquidation. This required large sums; frightened depositors withdrew other large sums and the available stock of money held by the banks has been dangerously depleted. To protect the banks and their depositors it became necessary to cease paying out actual money and in lieu thereof to use checks and certifi-

cates. This is but a temporary expedient. Large sums of gold are being imported besides which foreign capitalists have just bought heavily of American securities, so that in a few days the banks may safely resume the payment of money.

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