

It is strongly suspected that Mr. Bryan's grave concern for "the young man Absalom," is on tap for campaign purposes only.

Mr. Bryan makes haste to deny that he has made any promises of cabinet offices in case of his election. His denial is unnecessary. The idea of even the very best of his political advisers being elevated to such positions of trust is enough to defeat him in the eyes of the thoughtful.

The offers made by some of the leading educational institutions in the country to extend to native Porto Ricans the privilege of free education in the United States, heralds the approach of the imperialism and, greedily tyrannical upon which this awful, sin-cursed government of ours is entering.

The notorious attempts made by some Bryanized hoodlums to mob Gov. Roosevelt and prevent his speaking, indicate what kind of riots the Government is pouring into the enemy in the vigorous campaign he is making. Teddy has the faculty of telling the truth in a pungent way.

There is one consolation which should be tendered to Bryan after the election. Considering his extensive experience as a farmer, on his six or eight suburban lots, he will be qualified to take the portfolio of Agriculture in the next democratic president's cabinet. That is an ambition which he might reasonably hope to realize—if he comes of a long lived family.

When it comes to a straight, logical speech on the current political issues, Oregon republicans do not have to depend upon imported talent. Governor Geer, in opening the Southern Oregon campaign at Ashland last Saturday, gave a clear-cut delineation of the political situation, which will serve anywhere as a most able campaign document. He finds no trouble in discovering the paramount issue and names it "Bryanism."

The instructions sent by President McKinley to the Philippine commission concerning the government of the islands, have taken the last wind from the democratic imperialistic sails. As far as possible the civil officers of the Philippines are to be filled by native citizens, who will be empowered to manage their own local affairs just as far as they show signs of capability, and inclination toward the maintenance of law and order. This is a practical application of American government which gives the Filipinos all the liberty and independence for which they show themselves capable. Given any more rope than this they would hang themselves.

"It is not true, as the opposition asserts, that every race is naturally self-governing without instruction and guidance. If so, the Indians were capable of self-government. Our America—or is America ours?—belongs to them whether they were or were not capable of self-government. If they were capable of self-government it was not only a wrong, but it was a crime to set up our independent government on their land without their consent. If this is true, the Puritans, instead of being noble, are despicable creatures; and the patriots of 1776, to which the opposition compares the Filipinos, were only a swarm of land pirates rebelling against their captain. If the opposition is right, the Zulus, who owned the Transvaal, were capable of self-government, and the Boers who expelled them, according to the opposition, deserves the abhorrence of righteous men."—U. S. Senator Beveridge.

POLITICAL POINTERS. A few Colorado receptions like the one at Victor will do more for the Republican ticket than the opposition of Altgeld.—Oregonian.

When the interrogation point is used in connection with North Carolina Mr. Bryan exercised the privilege of the prize-fighter and side steps.

Roosevelt might have expected to have a few rocks thrown at him. The most clubs are always found under the best apple tree.—Statesman.

This is a great year for war heroes. A major, two colonels and a general are running for congress in one district of New Hampshire. General Apathy has no show there.

When a former gold Democrat concludes to support Bryan the first thing he does is to prepare a written apology for so doing. He feels that much is due to his conscience, if not to the public.

Gen. Palmer did not live to see the result of the second battle for sound money, but his faith in the sanity of the American people was so firm that he never doubted the result.—Globe Democrat.

Candidate Wooley is not destined to be disappointed since he admits that he does not expect to be elected president. Just what he expects to get out of his prohibition campaign is not apparent, as he takes it too seriously to have any fun.—Omaha Bee.

that McKinley will carry Greater New York by 27,000 instead of 81,000 as in 1896. A Republican majority of any size in New York City is a good thing for the rest of the country.

Chairman Jones of the Democratic hosts is claiming everything in sight for Bryan and Stevenson in November. About this time four years ago Bryan's tom-tom beaters announced the capture of Ohio and most all the rest of the Union. But the trouble was in producing the goods when the November inventory was taken.—Plainsdealer.

Practical business men in the East are reported as putting a saving clause in all post election business contracts which they are executing which reads: "Valid if W. J. Bryan is elected president in 1900." The practice is said to be quite general in all contracts involving large sums of money. The mere possibility of the election of Bryan has a tendency to disturb confidence.—Tidings.

SAWDUST IN BRYAN'S DOLLS.

Mr. Bryan has hard luck with his pets. No sooner does he conceive a passionate admiration for some great man of the past and begin to quote him and to pose as his legitimate successor than his hero is shown in the pitiless light of historic fact to have been just the contrary of what Mr. Bryan represents him and professes himself to be. The first of Mr. Bryan's heroes was, of course, Jefferson, the founder of the old Democratic party. But it did not take long for Mr. Bryan to be reminded that Jefferson was also the first great imperialist and expansionist who declared that the larger our possessions were the better; that perfect title to territory could be acquired by conquest, supplemented by treaty of peace and renunciation; that "there is no constitutional difficulty as to the acquisition of territory," and that when territory is thus acquired it is a matter of expediency only whether or not it is to be taken into the Union.

This was discouraging. The Jeffersonian doll was stuffed with most palatable sawdust. As its successor, Jackson, the founder of the modern Democratic party, was obviously impossible, his rampantly imperialistic theories and practices being well known even to Mr. Bryan. So with what might have been fine audacity had it not been for lack of information, Mr. Bryan turned to the first Republican President, Lincoln, as his new hero. There was a man, he confidently proclaimed, who typified and embodied anti-imperialism, and he sedulously cultivated the notion that he was himself a second Lincoln. But alas for the vanity of ill formed ambition! It has taken only a short time to learn from the record that all men in the history of the republic probably not one has been more bitterly denounced as an imperialist and as an usurping emperor than was Lincoln, and that by the very same Democratic party of which Mr. Bryan is now the imperious if not the imperial boss. We have already recalled the fact that one of Mr. Bryan's strongest supporters said of Lincoln in 1861: "We have our Emperor, Lincoln, who can tell stale jokes while the land is running red with blood. Should Mr. Lincoln be re-elected this will be no longer a republic, but a consolidated empire." Every man whose memory goes back so far knows that such was the general tone of Democratic criticisms of Lincoln. In that year, too, the National Democratic platform inveighed against the "revolutionary acts" of Lincoln and against his "administrative usurpation of powers not granted by the Constitution." And at the end, reviewing the record of the two Lincoln administrations and of the party of which Lincoln had been the leader, the Democrats in their National platform declared that the pillars of the Government had been made to rock on their base, and that another Republican victory would make of us "a subjected and conquered people, and the ruins of liberty and the scattered fragments of the Constitution."

And so the sawdust trickles from the punctured Lincoln doll. Who is to come next?—New York Tribune.

A HIGHER FALL FOR SOUND MONEY.

Good reasons exist why the election of Bryan this year would be more disastrous than in 1896. Four years ago many voters believed that prosperity could not be restored without opening the mints to the free coinage of silver. That theory has been completely swept away by accomplished facts. It is no longer heard from Democratic speakers. They insist that the paramount issue is something else than silver, but at the same time the old silver plank is in their platform unchanged. A verdict from the people now against the gold standard would be a direct blow at demonstrated prosperity, and therefore more crushing than it would have been before. It would also reverse the previous judgment of voters, causing a sense of bewilderment as to their purpose in regard to the standard of currency, on which rests all business interests, plans and contracts. The best that could be done in the event of Bryan's election would be to take in sail and ride out the storm, for the tempest ahead would be too dark for human prophecy. In the end the people would pick themselves out of the wreck and find solid ground, but the same course is to remain there now.

Frustrated voters were never uttered than those of Postmaster General Smith in which he recently pointed out that Bryan's election now would produce a greater convulsion than was looked for in 1896. "We should be plunged to the same depths from a higher level," he says. "You fall from the second story and you are in danger of a broken neck. You fall from the top of a skyscraper and are sure of it." If Bryan

road Republicans said would lead to prosperity and had a right to exact the fulfillment of the pledge. It has been redeemed. Good times are here. Under the gold standard the domestic and foreign business of the United States has advanced with unexampled bounds. It is from this higher level that the fall must occur if freakish impulse is to take the place of sober deliberation and the prudent care of advantages already on hand.

It is clear that the election of 1900 is to decide an appeal from the great trial at the polls in 1896. Mr. Bryan has treated the subject in a book significantly called "The First Battle." He has pointed to his vote of 6,500,000 as the largest ever given a Democratic candidate, and kept himself at the front as the inevitable candidate for renomination. At no time was his renomination in doubt. His party believed him to be the strongest candidate, and the old platform is reaffirmed in every syllable. The great central fact of the campaign is again the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. Talk of other issues is merely an effort to obscure the real issue. Bryan's success would be greater than before because he would hurl down the gold standard and prosperity together. The fight this time is not over promises of prosperity but over keeping and adding to the prosperity that has been regained after black years of business depression.—Globe Democrat.

Gov. Geer on "Young Absalom."

Mr. Bryan's sympathies go out for young Absalom, and he pleads for him. But serious people know that the young Absaloms of the country are all right. When Abraham Lincoln was a good-sized boy he many times rode fifty miles to mill on a horse with the grist for a saddle. Does Mr. Bryan know of any young Absalom doing that kind of work in these degenerate days of the "empire"? You will rather find him riding a bicycle on his way to school, and meeting his brother Absalom on his way engaged in the free-delivery mail service. Only a short time before Lincoln was 21 years of age he contracted with a neighbor woman to make her 400 rails for every yard of brown jeans she would weave for him, to be colored with white walnut bark. Do any of my democratic brothers know of any young Absalom making rails for brown jeans breeches? Every blessed one of them is going to school supported by the munificence of the state, or, if too old for school, is engaging in some business that will train him for future usefulness. He generally has a good buggy to ride to church in, and does not trudge along the road on foot, carrying his shoes in his hand, as his grandfather and grandmother did, only to be worn while in church. As a rule, in these days, he has a good education, that was altogether beyond the reach of the Absaloms of 50 years ago, and he is branching out in many useful occupations that are helping the industrial development of the world, and the advancement of the entire race. In other words, he is taking no stock in Bryanism nor any of its repellent and paralyzing tendencies.

The young Absaloms of this country are all right, and the energy and intelligence shown on every hand are displaying an instructive object-lesson which Mr. Bryan may study with profit after he changes his present occupation, if he ever does, and studies the institutions of his country.

How to Save School Children.

In the October Ladies' Home Journal Edward Bok takes up the cudgel again against the cramming methods inflicted on school children, and urges as a step toward a reform of the abuse "that every parent who has a child at school will send a note to the teacher that, under no circumstances whatever, will the father and mother permit any home study by the child.

"This may seem to be a very simple thing to do," he contends, "but often the simplest things are the most effective. If the teachers of this country should, within the next month, receive thousands of notes from parents to the effect pointed out, which they could—and I can speak for hundreds of teachers when I say that they would gladly do so—hand to the heads of their schools, it would practically mean a re-adjustment of the entire system of study. This may be better understood when it is realized that the entire system of study during school hours in many of the schools is so arranged as to allow for some of the work to be done by the pupils at home. Let this taken-for-granted home study be stopped, and a change would at once have to be made. The studies at school cannot be increased in number, for already there are too many. The school hour cannot be lengthened because the tide has set in to shorten them. Hence, some studies would have to be thrown out, if home study were eliminated. And this is the result desired."

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