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Had a new party sprung into the field in consequence of reactionary nominations by both the old parties, it would have been a party in reality and one greatly to be desired. Roosevelt might have forced himself upon it, as he certainly would have tried to do, and, bitter as the pill would have been to its projectors, they might have been obliged to swallow him. But when the Demorcatic party was captured by its progressive elements. under Bryan's leadership and with such a candidate as Wilson, not only did all reasonable possibility of a gennine new party disappear, but so did all reasonable necessity for one. As events bave shown, there was no revolt in both parties big enough and with a purpose sufficiently identical to make a chemical union of elements without which no new party can te a real party. The Progressive party is now, as it was from the beginning, nothing but a Republican "bult." Instead of a nucleus for broad political alignments, it is essentially a Republican faction. Not only is a new party in anything but name unwarranted by the circumstances, but the Republican faction which, an regarding itself, has taken the name of Progressive, is under a heavy bandicap of leadership in its creator and obief candidate; and, paradoxical though it may sound, this handicap is its only political asset.

The Oregon Daily Journal, in answering a correspondent, says: "Wby does The Journal object to Perkins and Munsey while asking the voter to vote for Wilson and thus swallow Murphy, Sullivan and Ryan." a writer in yesterday's Journal. Why be unreasonable? Munsey and Perkins got the man they wanted. Murphy. Sullivan and Ryan did not want Woodrow Wilson. Ryan went into the convention to bear Wilson . . . . Sullivan voted against Wilson until within an hour of the nomination and then changed only because he saw Wilson was inevitable, and because thousands of telegrams from Illinois forced the delegation to force Sullivan to surrender. Murphy voted against Wilson until Wilson's nomination was made. . . . Bryan's denunciation of Murphy, and his declaration that he would not vote for a man supported by Murphy and bis crowd, was the most terrible arraignment ever heard in an American convention. . . . Murphy was repudiated at Baltimore. . . In the face of such history of only yesterday, it is nonsense for men to talk about "swallowing Murphy, Sullivan and Ryan" in voting for Wilson. A vote for Woodrow Wilson is a vote against bosses. . . . There is a wide difference between Mr. Wilson and Mr. Roosevelt as to bosses. Mr. Wilson fights tosses in his own party. Mr. Roosevelt fights no boss in his party. The boss who supports Mr. Roosevelt is not a "boss" but a "leader." Tim Woodruff is not a boss but a leader. Bill Flynn is not a boss but a leader. George Perkins of life insurance scandal is not a boss, but a consecrated soldier of the Lord. Dan Hanna, indicted by Taft for violation of the Sherman law, is not a boss but r pillar at Armageddon.

Oregon Society Sons of the Revolution bave introduced an ionovation which will greatly interest the school children of the State, and incidentally create a commendatle rivalry from literary standpoint. Prizes aggregating \$100 are offered for essays on subjects connected with our war for independence. The conditions appear in a news article on another page and the Press hopes that pupils of the Athena schools will avail themselves of the opportunity to compete for the

Bourne cannot resist the temptation to "run." Defeated for the Republican renomination and failing to receive the indorsement of the bull moosers, Jonathan intends to make the race for the senate independently, and terms bimself a "popular government" caudidate. Bourne's decision to enter the campaign under this cloak is nothing less than a flagrant slap at the primary law, a part of the Oregon System, if you please, which this political incutus used in Eastern speeches to mould himself into a little tin god. But Oregon has had enough of Bourne, and the voters will be content to cast ballots for men who are have to have slivers in it."- like a dead are laid out in state.

Eastern textile manufacturer has delivered the "tlow that killed father" in his open disregard of the direct primary law, which was instrumental in starting his little boat down the toboggan slide last April. Bourne wants office for Bourne's sake, but Bournism has had its day in Oregon.

The journalistic stork, hovering over Helix a couple of weeks ago, left a baby newspaper in the live little wheat town. R. C. Julian and W. H. Preston are sponsors for the Advocate, a neat little five column, eight page paper. Here's hoping that the Advocate will always be found on our exchange table and that its columns may grow longer and its pages increase in number as the years of the future come and go.

loss of Palermo. If you wish to realize what devotion to ices means you should go to Palermo. All over the south of Italy ices are eaten to an extent of which we do not dream, but in Sicily and Palermo in particular the custom has attained amazing proportions. Ices are eaten by people of all ranks and ages from morning to night. Where a true Briton would demand a glass of beer the Palermian asks for an ice. Morning, noon and night the consumption of ices goes on. They are in wonderful variety and cheap. The stranger in that beautiful country finds the cafes invaded between 4 and 5 by ice eaters. He sees officers and men of the army, merchants and work people, the rich and the poor of both sexes consuming ices with gusto. No one evades this pleasant duty. Lines of carriages draw up at the side of the pavement before the cafes, the occupants, the coachman and the footman all with their favorite delicacy. At first the stranger wonders, then he falls a victim.-London Chron-

Answering the Critics. Some members of the congregation of the late Dr. Joseph Brown of Glasgow objected to his frequent absence from home and complained of it-some of them to him personally and more of them behind his back. When he thought he had heard enough of it he addressed his congregation one Sunday thus:

"With regard to objection concerning my absence, I have to say, first, when I am out of the pulpit I am usually in some other body's pulpit. When you are not in your own pew, are you in some other body's pew? Second, when I am out of my pulpit I put some other body into it. When you are out of your pew, do you put some other body into it? Third, when I am out of my pulpit I sometimes get better men than myself to fill it, and you have a chance of hearing the leading preachers in the church, and sometimes I get worse men than myself to fill it, and the sance of hearing them ought to make you thankful for your mercles."

Why Is a Pergola?

An interesting question is raised by a writer on gardens in the Atlantic Monthly. Why should so many American gardens have that queer, irrelevant, useless thing called a "pergola?" Generally it is built in a spot where shade is called for, but the pergola, having no roof, affords no shade. It is really a trellis and is borrowed from countries where it is used to support grapevines, but American grapevines are kept pruned back to mere stumps, and the pergola, as affected by our suburbanites, is of no use at all as a grape trellis. What is its use we have never been able to find out. Perhaps some one knows. As one generally sees it, the pergola is a sprawling, extremely naked object, suggesting a shed which has had its roof blown off by a gale or a henroost that has been deserted by the hens because it is no good. Can it be that it is regarded by some people as ornamental?

A Fine Battery of Teeth. The animal having the most teeth is the great armadillo of south Central and northern South America. It is a fact well known to most people that the normal or average number of teeth in mammals is thirty-two-sixteen above and the same number below. The great armadillo, however, is an exception, having from 92 to 100. He has from twenty-four to twenty-six in each side of the upper faw and from twentytwo to twenty-four in each side of the lower jaw. Another peculiarity lies in the fact that they are all molars or grinders. They increase in size from front to back, instead of from the root. and are wholly destitute of enamel.

Looking Forward. The husband and wife were making a call on friends one evening. The wife was talking.

"I think we shall have Marian take a domestic science course along with her music and regular studies when at college." "Ah," said a man present, who had been a stranger until that evening. "you look rather young to have a

daughter ready for college." "Oh," said the mother naively, "she isn't old enough now. She is just eight months old, but I do so like to look forward?"-Indianapolis News.

There are many kinds of smiles, each having a distinct character. Some announce goodness and sweetness; others betray sarcasm, bitterness and pride; some soften the countenance by their languishing tenderness; others | He'll have plenty of time following it. brighten by their spiritual vivacity.

FOR WILSON

Democratic Gains In Vermont and Maine Impressive.

OTHER PARTIES IN PLIGHT.

Third Termers to Poll Their Entire Strength From the Rapidly Thinning Republican Ranks - Indications Are That Taft Will Carry but Two States, Roosevelt None.

That the results of the state elections Vermont and Maine mean a tremendous Democratic victory in November is freely admitted by all except the bitterest partisans. Political experts have done much analyzing, and some claim to have reached novel conclusions. But these facts stand out:

On Monday, Sept. 9, 1912, the Republican and third term parties combined elected William T. Haines governor of Maine over Frederick W. Plaisted, the present Democratic incumbent, by 3,023 plurality; in 1908, a presidential year, a Republican was elected governor by 7,653 plurality; in 1904 the plurality was 25,800, and in 1900 it was 84.132. In other words, in twelve years the Democrats have cut down the Republican plurality in state elections by 31,109.

In this period the Democratic vote has increased from 39,000 to 68,000, whereas the Republican vote has decreased from 74,000 to 71,000. The Democratic vote of this year exceeds that of September, 1908, by 1,000, but the Republican vote is about 2,000 less than that party cast four years ago.

The split in the Republican ranks, following the election of William T. Haines, is pronounced. If the division in Maine in November is as it was in the recent Vermont election six-tenths of the Republican vote will go for Taft, three-tenths for Roosevelt and one-tenth for the Democrats. It is significant that the latter party has to date suffered no losses, as compared with the vote in previous years, from the third term movement. On the contrary, it has gained, The result in Maine may be expected to be something like this: Wilson, 74,-000; Taft, 42,600; Roosevelt, 21,300.

The returns from the recent Vermont lection show in round figures that the joint Republican and third party vote was 8 per cent short of the Re publican vote four years ago, while the Democratic vote in that state shows a gain of 25 per cent over that of 1908. It is of special interest to speculate what will happen next No-Republican and Democratic vote for the national tickets happens to be affected as the gubernatorial vote this month in Vermont has been affected. The New York Post has done some interesting figuring along this line, and as a net result it is shown that under the contingencies mentioned President Taft would carry only two states in November, Rhode Island and Vermont, all the others going for Governor Wilson. The conclusions reached by the

Post follow: To compute this result we should have to deduct 8 per cent from the vote cast for Taft four years ago and apportion the remaining vote in the ratio of 62 to 38 between Taft and Roosevelt, and we should have to add 35 per cent to Bryan's vote in 1908 and give the "demnition total" to Woodrow Wilson-in other words, give Taft 57 per cent and Roosevelt 35 per cent of Taft's vote four years ago and give Wilson 125 per cent of Bryan's vote four years ago.

The result in round numbers would be as follows, so far as regards Taft

| 1 | and Wilson:           | The same of the           |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| J | Taft                  | Wilson.                   |
| 1 | Alabama 14,000        | 93,000                    |
| 1 | Arkansas 32,000       | 109,000                   |
| i | California            | 160,000                   |
|   | Colorado 71,000       | 159,000                   |
|   | Connecticut 65,000    | 85,000                    |
|   | Delaware 14,000       | 28,000                    |
| ì | Florida 6,000         | 29,000                    |
| į | Georgia 24,000        | 90,000                    |
| j | Idaho 30,000          | 45,000                    |
| 3 | Illinois              | 503,000                   |
| ı | Indiana199,000        | 423,000                   |
|   | Iowa157,000           | 226,000                   |
|   | Kansas113,000         | 201,000                   |
| ì | Kentucky              | 305,000                   |
|   | Louisiana 51,000      | 79,000                    |
| j | Maine                 | 44,000                    |
|   | Maryland 66,000       | 145,000                   |
| į | Marra absenta         | 194,000                   |
| ì | Massachusetts         | 219,000                   |
| ĺ | Minnesota112,000      | 136,000                   |
|   | Minnesota             | 75,000                    |
| ١ | Mississippl 8,000     | 448,000                   |
| į | Missouri              | 33,000                    |
| ١ | Montana 18,000        | 164,000                   |
| 1 | Nebraska 73,000       | 14,000                    |
| 1 | Nevada 6,000          | 42,000                    |
| Į | New Hampshire 30,000  | 208,000                   |
| 1 | New Jersey            | - T. F. S. S. S. S. S. S. |
| ı | New York497,000       | 834,000                   |
| ı | North Carolina 65,000 | 171,000                   |
| 1 | North Dakota 33,000   | 41,000                    |
| 1 | Ohio327,000           | 528,000                   |
| 3 | Oklahoma 63,000       | 153,000                   |
| ı | Oregon 35,000         | 45,000                    |
| 1 | Pennsylvania426,000   | 561,000                   |
| ı | Rhode Island 35,000   | 31,000                    |
| 1 | South Carolina 2,000  | 78,000                    |
| ı | South Dakota 39,000   | 50,000                    |
| ١ | Tennessee 68,000      | 170,000                   |
| 1 | Texas 37,000          | 271,000                   |
| J | Utah 25,000           | 53,000                    |
| 1 | Vermont 23,000        | 14,00                     |
| ı | Virginia 30,000       | 103,00                    |
| ١ | Washington 61,000     | 73,00                     |
| ı | West Virginia 79,000  | 139,00                    |
| ı | Wisconsin142,000      | 208,00                    |
| ١ | Wyoming 12,000        | 18,00                     |
| a |                       |                           |

A western third termer regrets tha Roosevelt will not have time befor election day to say half be means

There is plenty of peace about th Taft candidacy, but nobody claims passeth understanding."

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