

CAMPAIGNING IN NEW YORK

Roosevelt Talks to the People of His Own State.

LARGE CROWDS HEAR HIM

He Told Them of the Democratic Cheers for Altgeld and Agrar-also-Bryan's Promises.

STAMFORD, N. Y., Oct. 23.—Governor Roosevelt finished the second day of his New York state campaign in Norwich tonight, speaking to a large audience. He traveled today 150 miles, made fourteen speeches and finished his day's work in good voice.

The entire day was an occasion, the crowds in comparison to the population of the places being large. At Elmville he said: "I want to call your attention to a little incident that occurred last night in New York. I think you can easily understand it. There was a Bryan case last night in New York, in Cooper Union. I think at that meeting the morning papers report that the two people who were most enthusiastically cheered were Albigoni, of Illinois, I think it was entirely proper to cheer if you cheer the other. It was entirely appropriate to cheer the man who pardoned the anarchists in this country, and the one who has been striking at our soldiers on the other side of the earth."

BRYAN IN MARYLAND. Baltimore, Md., Oct. 23.—Bryan devoted the entire day to speech-making in Maryland, speaking in succession at Rockville, Frederick, Bruceville, Union Bridge, New Windsor, Westminster, Glyndon and in this city this evening. The Rockville meeting was the only one of the day that was not marred by rain. On account of the downpour most of the meetings were cut short, but the crowds in each case remained until Mr. Bryan and enclosed his remarks.

BRYAN MAKES THREATS. Frederick, Md., Oct. 23.—"You will hear the people say that, if elected, I will not enforce the law. That is not the danger. They know that if I am elected, I will put the same kind of striped clothes on the big thief that are put on the little one."

This declaration was made by Mr. Bryan in his speech in this city today. Continuing he said: "And that is the reason why all the great lawbreakers are against us in this campaign."

WAS A HEAVY DEFAULTER.

BANK CLERK STEALS NEARLY A MILLION DOLLARS.

The First National Bank of New York the Loser—Manipulated His Books Skillfully.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Charles L. Alvord, note teller in the First National Bank of this city, is a fugitive and defaulter to the extent of \$700,000. The announcement of the default which was made this afternoon created almost excitement in financial circles in this city but the well known stability of the First National and the statement issued by the bank had a quieting effect.

The bank gave out the following statement this afternoon: "The note teller, who has been in the employ of the First National Bank for many years, is a defaulter to a large amount. His operations have continued for a considerable period, and have been skillfully concealed through the manipulation of his balance book."

The discovery was made by one of the bank's employees a few days after the completion of the examination of the bank by the United States examiners. During the continuance of his operations, periodic examinations have been made by several distinct groups of examiners representing the Comptroller's Department, all expert accountants; and the bank has also made frequent independent examinations, neither of which has detected any irregularity. The aggregate of the false entries, amounting to \$700,000, has been charged off the books of the bank out of the reserve fund, without diminishing the surplus and profits of the bank as reported in its last published statement. It is expected that the shortage will be materially reduced by a substantial sum, of which there is a fair prospect of recovery.

Alvord has been with the bank for 20 years, and was one of the most trusted men in the institution. His dealings extended over a long period, but no suspicion of the truth was known until ten days ago when he sent word that he was ill at his home. After he had been away for a day or two, the bank put experts at work and some irregularities were found. As the experts delved deeper and deeper into Alvord's books, the extent of the robbery began to dawn on the officers, until they were overwhelmed to find that it reached the enormous figure of \$700,000. Whether that sum is all that he took is not known.

One of the directors is reported to have said that Alvord was enabled to take such a large sum, because, as note teller, he was in charge of the mail, and he had ample opportunity to abstract notes, drafts and checks, as well as money. Of course, he had to be especially skillful to make his accounts balance. It has been discovered that during the summer Alvord visited Saratoga where he cut a great figure, spending money like a prince. He rented and kept a fine stable of horses, and beside playing races, is said to have frequented gambling places. In this city he was known as a man of very regular habits. He owned a fine home in the suburb of Mount Vernon. Alvord has long been considered one of the big men of the town. His family entertained lavishly, and gave large sums to charity. He was prominent in church circles, and his wife is considered one of the most beautiful women in Mount Vernon.

An official connected with the bank said tonight: "The proof that the bank is not likely to suffer by the defaulting is that its profits for the year ending last September were \$1,250,000. The par value of the stock is \$100 a share, but it has brought as high as \$132 1/2 at auction. The book value of its stock is \$3,105 per share, and as high as \$390 has been bid. It has for several years paid annual dividends of 100 per cent."

ROOT IS ILL. His Health Not Satisfactory and Apprehension is Felt.

New York, Oct. 23.—The fact that Secretary Root did not immediately accompany the President to Canton but left for New York has caused considerable talk at Washington, according to a special to the World. The announcement is made that he will go West today, after some private business has been dispatched in New York. He has an appointment to make a political speech at Youngstown, O., on October 25th.

The health of Mr. Root is not satisfactory, and his family feel considerable apprehension over his determination to enter the campaign. It is said among his friends at Washington that his physicians earnestly advised him against such arduous labors, and that Mrs. Root is distressed by his refusal to take this advice. Mr. Root's recent illness has proved more serious than at first anticipated, and for the past few weeks he has fallen in health perceptibly.

ADVENTURES AT SEA.

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the Journal and Advertiser, from Paris, says: Henri Rochefort, speaking of the Anglo-German alliance, says:

"England's pretended respect for the integrity of China is a mere farce. Her zeal for the integrity of China is about as real as her respect for the integrity of the Transvaal Republics. This newly found anxiety to keep the nation's integrity did not formerly characterize England's policy—why, she permitted Germany to dismember France."

"The 'open door' and 'integral China' are mere phrases of diplomatic hypocrisy. The real object of the Anglo-German alliance is to prevent Russia from taking Manchuria. England and Germany are also trying to break the Franco-Russian alliance. Should Russia hold Manchuria, her rivals, England and Germany, will wage war against her. France cannot stand by and see Russia beaten, for with Russia vanquished, these two powers would turn their force against France."

"We have now to deal not with a triple but with a quadruple alliance. England and Germany are both influenced by the principle of might. They respect nothing but superior force. The German Emperor has gone back to his grandmother's leading strings. Of course, he gets some consideration for his friendship. The Socialists make it difficult for him to get money through the Reichstag for his ambitious schemes, and England is probably supplying it in consideration of the new alliance."

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the encouragement held out to the rebels by Mr. Bryan and others of his idea that keeps up the struggle there. The war was over, but the sympathy and promises held out by Mr. Bryan have caused the fighting to break out afresh and it will from this time on until concluded, be fraught with more disaster to our boys, for they have slowly and surely been teaching their adversaries how to fight. For each man who falls there, he be inspired by the sense of duty, or the love of war, Mr. Bryan is responsible. The thought of electing such a man as this to the Presidency is utterly repugnant."

MANY CLAIMS FILED.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Many inquiries have been made recently at the Pension Office, as to the status of the claims, filed for pensions by soldiers of the Spanish-American war. Commissioner Evans said today, that the Bureau scarcely had time to respond to all the inquiries, but that the claims were being adjudicated as rapidly as possible.

FAVOR WHIPPING POST.

New York, Oct. 23.—The recent outbreaks of "bootlegging" in London, says the Tribune's correspondent, have revived the agitation in favor of the restoration of the whipping post as a remedy for ruffianism and lawlessness. The police magistrates are striving to repress these numerous revolts in the streets by stern rebukes and rigorous sentences for the leaders of the criminal gangs in Chelsea and South London. The spirit of disorder is evidently spreading to other and more reputable classes, for the medical students have been striving to break up the public meeting at St. Martin's Town Hall and to mob the constables who arrested the ringleaders.

LIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS.

D'Auber—This is my portrait of Miss Nurox, just finished. What do you think of it?

Friend—Ah! Regular summer girl nose. Rustic seat, white lace gown, and even a caterpillar on her cheek. Joy! That's a great touch of realism.

D'Auber—Caterpillar? Stupid! That's a diamond earring.—Philadelphia Press.

A Relative Term—"Now," said the man who gets profound when he talks politics, "the point I wish to make is that prosperity is strictly a relative term."

"That's what it is with me," answered the friend who was trying not to yawn.

"I don't quite understand."

"It is strictly a relative term. All the money in our family is located with the knifolds."—Washington Star.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

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Colonel Samuel S. Sumner, Sixth United States cavalry, has been relieved, at his own request, from duty in London as military attaché, in order that he may join his regiment which is now on the Pacific en route to Tientsin, China.

Twice-a-Week Statesman \$1 a year.

INCREASE IN WEALTH

COLUMBIA COUNTY'S ASSESSMENT SHOWS SLIGHT GAINS.

The Summary of the Tax Roll Filed in the State Department by the County Clerk.

(From Daily Statesman, Oct. 24.)

The clerk of Columbia county yesterday filed the summary of the assessment roll of that county in the office of the Secretary of State. The total taxable property of the county is shown by this statement to be \$1,477,350, an increase over last year's statement of \$26,805. The summary follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Value. Includes 11,419 acres tillable lands, 356,991 acres of non-tillable lands, Imp. on decayed lands, etc.

The summary of Columbia county for the year 1899, was received by the Secretary of State on December 18th of that year. It is given below for purposes of comparison:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Value. Includes 11,898 acres tillable land, 351,189 acres non-tillable land, Imp. on decayed lands, etc.

EVERY INHABITANT IS INSANE.

Village in Indo-China Whose Population is Composed of Madmen.

Indo-China has the only village of madmen in the world, says the Philadelphia Times. This village, which is called Ban-Ku-me, is composed of some 300 families, is highly organized as a community, is industriously prosperous and pays yearly a goodly tribute to France. Yet it has not a single sane inhabitant.

Admission to Ban-Ku-me is, it must be confessed, a trying affair. No one victim of melancholia or "shattered nerves" or hypochondria or any of the similar ailments so fashionable in the opposite quarter of the world are granted a dwelling place in this most exclusive of towns.

mad—or, as the natives call it, "pipop." The conception of insanity prevailing in this part of the world is not that of a disease, but of a "possession." Therefore, if an inhabitant of this region, as is frequently the case, displays hallucinations or conducts himself in a fashion not consistent with Indo-Chinese etiquette, his neighbors take it themselves to determine whether any malign spirit possesses him—in other words, whether he is "pipop." This is the way it is done.

The unfortunate person, whether it be man, woman or child, who has fallen under suspicion of "possession" is made the subject of a ceremony on the banks of the River Namngum, participated in by hundreds of persons gathered from all the country for miles about. The victim's hands and feet are first bound by the native priest, who is the master of ceremonies.

Absolutely helpless from this time on, the supposed maniac, in spite of his cries and struggles, is cast into the river. It is firmly believed by the natives that supernatural agencies then reveal the victim's true state. If he is genuinely "pipop," he sinks to the bottom of the river and stay there; but if he is sane, revived and formally committed to the famous village of mad men. On the other hand, if he is not "possessed," he rises again like an ordinary drowning person to the top of the river, where he is more easily rescued and then set free.

Probably no secret society in the world has so severe or dangerous initiation as this. Yet so conscientiously is it performed and so carefully are the half-drowned victims watched and rescued that the immersion, it is said, never proves fatal. Nor has the justice of the performance ever been questioned.

So generally topsy-turvy are the conditions in the Laos, that portion of Indo-China through which the Namngum river flows, that only acknowledged madmen live in any sort of social relation with each other. The majority of the people lead a solitary life, living at most in groups of two and three.

Ban-Ku-me with its 300 families is, therefore, the most densely populated spot in the country. Its inhabitants cultivate to their hearts' delight the dosycrasias which have served to commit them. They not only live peaceably, but fall in love, marry and have children, who in most cases are even more eccentric than their parents. Nobody ever recovers or is "discharged." They remain "pipop" to the end of their days.

AT PLEASANT POINT.

Pleasant Point, Oct. 23.—Al. Bell has rented the Carpenter farm four miles southwest of Turner and will soon remove onto it.

H. M. Dexter has rented the McCulloch house during the winter.

Spelling school has resumed at the school house Saturday evenings.

The family of J. W. Silsbee, who resided here ten years ago, met with quite an accident at Ashland, this state, a couple of weeks ago, in a runaway. Nearly the whole family were hurt more or less, some quite severely. Mr. Silsbee was on his way to this part of the state when the casualty occurred.

Mr. C. E. Talcott had the misfortune last week to drop a heavy cask on one of his feet, sustaining a painful hurt.

HE WAS ACQUITTED.

Sequel of the Sensational Chase After Alleged Robbers.

Colville, Wash., Oct. 23.—Claude Wells was acquitted here today, of the charge of holding up a party of prospectors in a box-car. This is the sequel of the sensational pursuit, a few weeks ago, of Wells and Tom Downer, their swimming the Colville river, and the killing of Downer by a bullet fired by the pursuing party.

He that wrestles with us strengthens our nerves and sharpens our skill. Our antagonist is our helper.—Burke.

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