

President Roosevelt by ordering all the appropriation for the purchase of coal for the Navy to be expended now, will be able to get the fleet of battle ships to the Pacific Ocean, but there will be nothing available to buy coal to move the fleet home or elsewhere after it gets there, unless Congress makes an urgent deficiency appropriation. The ordinary appropriation for coal for the fiscal year will thus be expended, and there are still seven months of the fiscal year to run, or to June 30, 1908 without any funds available for that purpose. This has created such friction between the Bureau of Equipment and the Bureau of Supplies that the chief clerk of the Equipment Bureau has been relieved at his own request from the responsibility of handling coal and transportation contracts, and Commander Davis has been appointed Assistant Chief of the Bureau with general charge of coal purchases. It would seem, therefore, that Commander Davis will "do things," law or no law, and is a man after the President's own heart. The President is Commander in chief of the Navy, but he has to rely on Congress, which holds the nation's purse, to furnish the cash to build, equip and move the battle ships. Many people and some Congressmen object to the plan of President Roosevelt in ordering all the battle ships to the Pacific, and think it is a waste of money to do so, if not intended as a threat and menace to Japan with whom profound peace prevails. It is such erratic moves that cause thinking people to have little confidence in President Roosevelt, and perhaps even a subservient Republican Congress will hold him in check by refusing an extra appropriation for what most people believe to be a very questionable matter of policy, without any compensating advantage.

Strenuous Times Ahead.

The President's recommendations to Congress will receive but little attention at the hands of the Republican leaders, as they do not approve his ideas, though they do not openly oppose them. An open break between the President and the Republican leaders can only be prevented by the most careful political management. When the Committees of Congress are announced it will be noticed that Speaker Cannon has taken care to keep the control of legislation in his own hands. His program is to leave well enough alone, pass the appropriation bills and go home. If President Roosevelt determines to force legislation on some of his pet projects, there may be a clash and a conflict that will have far reaching political consequences. The President is said to have more faith in the success of his "policies" as a vote getter, than all the standard arguments that can be offered. Speaker Cannon is a candidate for President, he must defeat the President's plans and show his absolute power over Congress, or the National Convention will not consider him. What with panics and politics, these be strenuous times for our Republican brethren.

Republican Party Responsible.

The Common People are "getting in the neck" these days in spite of the boasted Republican prosperity. If a man can get hold of enough Clearing House certificates to buy anything, the tariff protected trust high prices makes him discount this Roosevelt currency 54 per cent, from what the same amount would have purchased a few years ago. If a man is lucky enough to secure any real money, whether with "in God we trust" inscribed upon it, or any other motto, he certainly does not trust the banks, the Republican party with it, puts it away in such a safe place that no one is likely to hear eagle scream. Whether it is "my policies," the tariff and the trusts; currency laws to protect the banks; the frenzied financiers; or a conglomeration of all these engines of mischief that is the cause of the financial trouble, no one can escape the conviction that the Republican party is responsible. Even the most flattering Republican spell-binder in the next campaign will have to give some plausible excuse for the panic than blaming it on the Democrats.

Jewellkins! Can it be A panic here In this good year When the mighty G. O. P. Holds the reins Of the Government trains And has the power At any hour To order "haw" or "gee?" By gosh! That tickles me, For I have heard these fellows claim Without the slightest blush of shame, And every breeze that gently blew And fanned the fevered brow of toil And saved us from the summer's "broil," All the sunshine, All the rain That came along just when it should To do the "craps" the "mostest" good, All the cotton, All the grain, All the "aters, All the cane, An' the luscious scuppernong That inspires the poet's song. Yes, All the things and many more, Making happy rich and poor, We enjoy Just because The G. O. P. makes the laws But now, Billy Patterson shore is hit, Who struck the plow and raised the row, That's it? These Wall Street chaps Have got their eyes Now turned Teddy's way But what is passing in their minds They think best not to say, For they know that without Ted, The G. O. P. has lost its head, and should the old bulk e'er decay, Its r' timbers fall a-sway, They never more could hold the sway They have a "panderbund r." "Who killed coze-rubin?" Who can tell? Well They say, They've found out in Nerf China Spence Ad am a pack Get on her track And they were first to find her, You ought to hear them tell it, too They tell it over and over And every mother's son of them Puts all the blame on "Grover." They tell it thus: "When old Cleve Had to leave Because no longer he could stay Where he had tried to toes it, He tried his best to hide away The skeleton in his clo-e-t." So he got a box - Pandora's box, they call it - No little box, a great big box, It took a "dey" to haul it; Gathered then and placed within, "Trying to hide that skeleton's grin, All the tattered coats and blouses That had haunted "Free Soap houses," Where the thousands unemployed Tri-d to get their hunger cloyed, Then till the sticks and old corn stalks That Coxy's gang used in their walks He filled it full as it would bear. Nothing let her pass That had ever caused a tear, Not even leaving out the "signs," "Tread not on the grass." Then The lid nailed down "I was laid away Beneath the ground, There to stay, Hot. Teddy got to snorting And rearing and avorting Till Loeb thought it best To give our Ted a rest - Greased up his gun And let him run Way down South a sporting And then The gray old wizard, Came right own From Princeton To Washington, Sought out the spot, (He'd not forgot) - And then he got Down on his knees (But 'twas a squeeze), And with a look Satanic Prized up the lid, And right out slid That same old Cleveland panic! That settles it, An' you will hear All through next year When Cozy calls his gang out As spy they jump, From stump to stump, That same old time, rearing about You'll hear them say: "Now, boys, don't stray, Keep on the same old path, For we can swear This money scare Is but the aftermath Of the Grover Cleveland panic." A century hence go up that way And you will hear their children say How they'd heard their fathers tell All the hardships that befell In the second Cleveland panic, Clayton, N. C., Nov. 29. -By J. T. ELLINGTON

The finance of the proposed issue of \$100,000,000 of certificates of indebtedness which found but few purchasers is a damper on the Roosevelt-Cortelyou financial policies. The public debt was decreased \$4,746,791 during the month of November, and the issue of bank currency was increased \$47,438,394, and yet the Republican party is intent on more inflation. Prohibition for the District of Columbia is one of the serious questions Congress will have to wrestle with.

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