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After a review of the causes that defeated W. J. Bryan for President, we cannot wonder at the result. When we consider the huge efforts made by the trust, the concentration of wealth, all over the country which have prospered under the high tariff system; the great money corporations organized to manufacture everything that the people use; the huge mining operations going on all over our country; the big railroad syndicates, etc., all of the above organizations employing thousands and tens of thousands of operators; then the great money kings who are afraid of an income tax, all have contributed to defeat Mr. Bryan, aided by Mark Hanna, the most unscrupulous political villain of modern times who had collected the great sum \$32,000,000 from these trusts and other monopolies of wealth to corrupt the ballot of the country. Honest men, of all political parties, how do you feel over the result? Does any of you feel proud and elated over it? If you believe the victory was accomplished by such foul and rascally means, can you, as honest men, glory over it? As American citizens, believing in the perpetuation of the principles of our common country, we feel ashamed of the once great and proud name of America. Corruption in high places, if not soon checked will destroy and bring to naught the fundamental principles of the republic. It is imperative upon all honest, thinking, people to commence a reform of the abuses now upon us. Partisan politics will soon ruin all if not checked.

We are proud to know that the feverish condition of some of our citizens, caused by political friction, has subsided and our people are again friendly as they should be. Men should not fall out over the election. We are all affected alike by politics; all have to live under the same kind; we can stand it on one side if they can on the other. Let us shake hands over the bloodless chasm and be friends and neighbors again. We must not hold ourselves against our neighbor on account of his politics. If our neighbor believes in expansion and the colonial policy and the subjugation of the negroes in the Philippines at a great cost of money and the lives of many of our soldiers, or even believes in the negro, of the south, holding office over white people, let us like true men, forgive him, but like true neighbors, send up our prayers for him that he may turn from the evil of his ways and be enlightened to the best interest of himself and people. Let us try by gentle means to open the eyes of our erring neighbor and make him a better one. He is a good sort of a fellow; there is no harm in him; he means well but is on the wrong track. Let us reclaim him by gentle means and not abuse him, for in a few years, no doubt, he will look back and forth then battle to right himself. Be gentle with the erring brother for his heart may be in the right place after all. There is hope for the honest Republicans.

We do not recollect of any time since the war of States, that politics were more bitter in Watauga county than they were in the late election. While there was no serious outbreak or disturbance among us, there were ambitious feelings among many of our people. The Republicans always profit by such a condition and they did not fail to do so in the last election. Why did over 150 of the Democratic voters stay away from the polls? The Republicans can answer this question no doubt, and can answer also why many Democrats changed their vote. The many schemes and acts of the Republicans are known. These bosses will find it a dear victory and will not remain with them, but will rise up against them in the future and trouble them. \$14,000 in a Congressional district, will, if judiciously expended, do a big work for a time, but such influences are short lived and the heaven will have to be increased to make it hold out and will soon become an expensive luxury. Politics is an uncertain thing. Great changes and upheavals are continually going on, and no party can endure, only for a time, unless the party is actuated by high and honorable principles. In a few years longer control of the nation by the present Republican policies will cause the people to rise up against them and hurl them from power never to rise again. The American people will not longer tolerate the present condition of the Philippines. If the war continues there must be a change soon. This war is now costing the United States \$9,500,000 per month. What is this all for? Then think of the 6,000 brave boys who have lost their lives already in this unholy war; numbers more of our soldiers are sick and dying—many of them have lost their minds—are hopelessly insane from exposure and severe climate. Ought not this foolish, unjust war to stop, if the nabobs fail to get full possession of the best parts of these islands?

In discussing the pros and cons of reorganization, Democrats should remember that the apportionment will change conditions in this country very materially. The solid south can no longer win with the aid of New York and Indiana. To gain an election nowadays the Democracy must carry a fair percentage of northern or western states, and will go down to quadrennial defeat unless it can adopt a platform on which it can carry them.

The President will recommend that the war taxes be reduced by about \$15,000,000 out of the total of \$100,000,000 estimated to accrue from them, although his managers promised before election that they would be wiped out this fall. We hope, however, that the amount to be repealed will be raised to sixteen or dropped to four teen millions. Fifteen per cent has an ominous "plain duty" reminiscence that is not pleasing to American ears.

The chances are that the colonial question will not be entirely settled by the Supreme Court for some time to come. It certainly will not be by the decisions in the cases now set for argument in that body. Both of these arose in territory concerning which Congress had not legislated. Other cases arising after it has legislated for them will have to be decided before the whole law in the matter will be laid down.

North Carolina, Watauga county. Personally appeared before me this the 6th day of November A. D. 1900, J. F. GRAGG, J. F. CHURCH and A. C. CALAWAY, and after being sworn depose and say that they were at E. M. Gragg and heard him invite G. W. Trivett to get down and have dinner and turn his horse in the pasture, and he thanked him, said that he had just eaten dinner down at Bro. Samps Calaway's.

A. C. CALAWAY, J. F. CHURCH, J. F. GRAGG, Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 6th day of November A. D. 1900.

M. G. CHURCH, J. P.

When a Republican tells you what a splendid advance American manufacturers have made in gaining control of foreign markets, just ask him why it is necessary to maintain an exorbitant tariff on the importation of these very articles. And when he can't answer this, tell him that it is in order to enable the trusts to sell their goods higher in the United States than they do abroad.

The beef trust has put up prices again and the consumer must pay up or go without meat. It is somewhat significant that the combine held back its raise in prices until after the election. Possibly, it might even have refrained from it altogether if Bryan had been elected and Congress had stood ready to punish the trusts instead of encouraging them.

The election is over and the armor plate contracts have been let, giving the trusts practically all they asked. Evidently the only bar to the government's paying prices that Secretary Long himself denounced as extortionate, was the fear as to how the voters might look on it.

The election settles, for four years, all attempt at what President McKinley termed the policy of "scuttle"—except in Alaska, of course. But then, it is a different thing to take away the territory claimed by Filipinos and to retain territory claimed by Great Britain.

Mr. Platt announces that the control of the New York city police is to be taken away from the city government and vested in the Governor of the State. Thus, slowly, but surely, the principle of home rule is being destroyed in the United States as well as in the "colonies."

If President McKinley had extended his invitation to his cabinet to remain with him for four years to come before the election, would he have received the same enthusiastic support that he did from two or three prominent statesmen who might be mentioned.

General MacArthur says that the Filipinos stick together on account of "ethnological homogeneity" which leads them to prefer "conan guineous leadership." Gosh! that beats the vulgar assertion that "blood is thicker than water" all hollow.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

At last Mr. Bynum has announced that he is a Republican. Everybody knew this all the time, but Mr. Bynum would not own up as long as there was a chance of his gaining a Democratic office as the reward for his treachery.

Strange to say, the campaign in the Philippines has taken on increased activity as a result of the election, instead of coming to an immediate end, as had been promised by the Republicans in the event of McKinley's success.

It now seems that the Chinaman who took gold leaf as a deadly drug didn't die after all. In fact, it is somewhat doubtful whether he took any gold leaf except in the Shanghai press dispatches.

Much is expected from the irrigation Congress, which meets next week at Chicago. The United States still owns about a million acres of arid land, three-fourths of which is capable of cultivation if irrigated.

Senator Hanna says that "destiny" decreed the reelection of President McKinley. Perhaps, but Mr. Hanna did not neglect to call in the aid of the trusts fund to prevent destiny from going astray.

Mothers endorse it, children like it, old folks use it. We refer to One Minute Cough Cure. It will quickly cure all throat and lung troubles. Moretz & Farthing, Buchanan & Johnson.

Before the election, the Republicans declared that imperialism and expansion were not an issue at all. Now they declare that the election was an enthusiastic approval of both of them. How about this?

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Millions have been spent in politics this year. We can't keep the campaign going without money any more than we can keep the body vigorous without food. Dyapep Counterfeiters of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve couldn't sell their worthless salves on their merits, so they put them in boxes and wrapped them like DeWitt's. Look out for them. Take only DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures piles and skin diseases.

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Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Digests what you eat. Artificially digests the food and aids nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of imperfect digestion. Prepared by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago.

The wolf in the table put on sheep's clothing because he had no reputation of his own to accomplish his purpose. Counterfeiters of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve couldn't sell their worthless salves on their merits, so they put them in boxes and wrapped them like DeWitt's. Look out for them. Take only DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures piles and skin diseases.

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