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MR, BRYAN'S GREATEST ASSET. Remarking that the Republican campaign does not show signs of victorious progress and has, in fact, the past few days there have been favoring guaranty of deposits. They valid. Mr. Maxwell's idea, in a to gather shekels through a tariff in the grand scheme pay for thembank officials. They seem to be Republicans on the tariff and Democrats on the bank guaranty. Perhaps they are consistent in thus favoring pro-

anty idea, spreading all over the country-the arguments against it are did tated principally by mistaken self-in terest and will not bear serious analyready a demonstrated power in this platform, declared himself flatly against fund-protected bank deposits mits a lack of study of the subject. He has avowedly taken his opinion Had the Republican candidate viewed the political situation with a litnot have dismissed the bank guaranty issue with such offhand case Issue so potentially decisive as this If Mr. Bryan is elected, Mr. Taft will have the matter of bank guarants chiefly to thank, and he will have but one possible excuse for his careless mode of dealing with it-he didn't know that it was loaded.

The New York Times has published the first of three political articles written by Mr. Cleveland within a short time before his death, indicating clearly the writer's preference of Judge Taft among the presidential candidates. They were intended, of course, for publication in his lifetime, and their publication, at this juncture cannot be regarded otherwise, upon fair consideration, than as improper and in bad taste. We cannot but believe that if Mr. Cleveland had lived a few weeks longer, to read Mr. Pryan's address of acceptance and his tariff speech, he would have modified this manuscript very materially or, what is more probable, have withheld it altogether.

The native-born will hear with interest that Schator Joseph M. Dixon. f Montana, a North Carolina Quak-, has been appointed director of national Republican speakers' NOW THE PARK MIGHT DISPENSE

of Maxwell's Talisman, is a very use- press has set forth with preciseness, ful American. Convinced that the and what should be effect, the extravhope of the country lies in so changing present economic currents as to check centralization of industry and population and convert the wretchedness of city tenements into happy contentment upon God's out-of-doors, Mr. Maxwell has shown himself s propagandist worthy of almost any cause. Here is the slogan of the movement promoted by him, the "homecroft" idea: "Every child in \$1.00 a garden; every mother in a home-.50 croft; and individual industrial in-.55 dependence for every worker in a home of his own on the land." Slums and crowded tenements he recognizes as social dynamite, certain to explode if permitted much longer existence. Soup houses and other wellmeant activities of the charitable only foster this social sore. The human misery, disease and degeneracy abounding in all great cities are them." This is because of the fact side because they are not exactly necproducts of congested population and that the national government's sys- essary for success in any of the Remust be treated accordingly. Only tem of taxation is indirect. When publican calculations. what serves to decemeralize employ- State and municipal governments be- list places Indiana first, New York ment can bring genuine relief. The come grossly extravagant and waster second, and includes Wisconsin, Ohio, man will follow the job. If the job ful they hear from the people and land, West Virginia, Carlotta, Sorth Daenough because in their cases the Jersey, Iowa, Minnesota, both Dakotas and Idaho. Connecticut and
in all in the small city, the country town payer. When the money comes other- Utah appear in some lists and in all or the suburban manufacturing vil- wise they are heedless, and cannot discussions. lage, man and family will be there be reached by general appeals for instead. As the chief means of turn- economy or dealing in large figures. ing the current outward Mr. Max- The tariff issue can be handled efwell points to the Federal govern- fectively, not by telling the people ment's opportunities as a conserver in a general way that it is too high, of natural resources otherwise de- but by showing them the inequalistruction-bound and as a developer ties of its operation and pointing out for countless individual citizens' en- to them, by specific instance, where rank that trio of border States as cer- a man with less than \$500 to be a canjoyment of natural resources not it is to their interest that it should tain for Bryan. Democrats say they didate and "make a noise like a man have a good chance for West Virginia; running for office." otherwise available. In his judg- be lowered. ment, irrigation of the arid West, inland waterway improvement and halted all slong the line. The Wash- proper disposition of the public lands

ington Herald proceeds to search out all form parts of one great problem. able independent Republican paper: ent ington Herald proceeds to search out the chief cause. This it finds in the chief cause. This it finds in the character of party mutiny, in the chief cause. This it finds in the chief cause. This it finds in the character of party mutiny, in the chief cause. The herald with much point, "unhorses Postmaster General Meyer, is a defiance as to Mr. Taft's position, and the adoption of another Democratic plank by Western Republicans of the projects. When the probably had no cannot because of distribution and the adoption of another Democratic plank by Western Republicans it is not far short of party mutiny.

In the chief cause. This it finds in the chief cause. The country's natural resources must be viewed comprehensively and some grand scheme worked out for harmonious treatment, so that the country whom so many some grand scheme worked out for harmonious treatment, so that the probably had no cannot because of disgustration and both sides in private conversation a and the adoption of another Democratic plank by Western Republicans. It is not far short of party mutiny, yet it will not be surprising if the Republicans of Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, and other States of the West line up for the proposition. Democratic ideas have appealed strongly during the last four years to Western Republicans. In Iowa, where but a sport in the solution of the most uncertain states in the first would not the solitary read-in the seclusion of his library. And from the necession of our present in the seclusion of his library. And from the man and his work. From the forest reserve advocate's the west in the same and his our of the State, but the man and his work. From the forest reserve advocate's the man and his work. From the forest reserve advocate's the man and his con which passes say that when Bryan has made his tour of the State when the says in the first handle out in the first the man and his work. From the forest reserve advocate's the man and his work. From the forest reserve advocate's the man and his say that when Bryan has made his tour of the State, but the first the man an them peculiarly susceptible to argu-ments for guaranty of deposits. Even strength is massed and bank fallures but even how Speaker Cannon's prefor a season were epidemic, within text for his course in blocking them ficant for the reasons that it places

selves from the very start. Twenty million 'acres of government forest up by speculators at \$2.50 an acre under the "timber and stone act" tection in both forms." The Herald though worth fully \$200,000,000 more the means. Repeal the act, says Mr. P. Taft, a brother of the candidate. a symptom of the Republican party's Maxwell, sell the matured timber on This charge is explicitly denied by the stump and, reserving the entire its own statement that "The Sun has acreage as national forest land, dimately realized between forestry on terest in it except those connected one hand and irrigation and drainage with the family of its founder." It ment would at a step become na- paper could not see its way clear to Taft, who has avoided several sources funds in the Treasury not otherwise destruction upon lands and crops and ervoirs but would furnish all the the programme which Mr. Maxwell

> The doubt which we entertainvery large one-is not about Mr. patriotism of Congress. "Why is this still undone?" asked Mr. Maxwell underlying reason is that you Eastgressmen from the East who are your representatives leave all those Westnation in the West is the most pow-United States to-day, and has succeeded in inoculating every Western Congressman with the sleeping-sick-

laid down in a recent address. It

Special appropriations for the Appalachian and White Mountain forest reserves remain our chief hope, but the prospect of an alternative so comprehensively beneficent as that suggested by Mr. Maxwell gives us very great pleasure indeed.

The dispatches tell of Hezeklah small matters. Monk who was born in the Herkimer county poor house, New York, spent all his days there, having died Thursday at the age of \$5. His demonstration of talent for living off the public proves that if he had left his birthplace in early life and given rein to his ability, he would have achieved national distinction as a politician.

Mr. Bryan has spoken of, with great force, and the Democratic tional issues. The Philadelphia Record very truly says upon this point, olous indifference in the vague no-

BRYAN; TAFT; A COMPARISON.

-namely, that the project lacks a Mr. Bryan in shining contrast with free, open expressions by the people national scope-may be rendered in- Judge Taft to the infinite advantage those careful people see but little use manage so as to have all public works clear forecast by The Evening Post the result of the election

THE SUN NOT BOUGHT OVER. As a means of breaking the force of The Baltimore Sun's support of Judge Taft the charge has been widely circulated that a controlling interest in than this purchase price, will furnish the paper has been bought by Charles it has made as fully as an individual has, and people should not breathe

pens that they cannot agree with it. THE CITY'S FEVER RECORD.

suspicion upon it whenever it hap-

The typhoid fever record of the ity of Charlotte for the current year. as shown in our news columns, four cases from January 1st to September 1st, against one hundred and for the same month last year, are that the figures for July last year correspond, exactly, with those of the whole of the first eight months of been marvelous, and the statistics should relieve Charlotte of the unjust opprobrium from which it has were public as a place where typhoid fever is peculiarly prevalent. It has never faver record, population considered, telligence were the features was probably never so good as this year. The facts speak volumes for the purity of its water and milk sup-

This period when the airship is having so many accidents is the time for the friends of this great invention to stand together and not permit themselves to be discouraged by

Now that September has happily arrived, we take a fresh broath and inquire, "Why is August?"

Those of South Carolinians, You Anderson, S. C., Mail. Some of the Bryan campaign con-tributions look as if they might have come from baby's bank.

REPUBLICAN EXTRAVAGANCE. POLITICAL PROGNOSTICS PRIMARY IN SOUTH CAROLINA, LISTS OF DOUBTPUL STATES

Nebraska Placed at the Head of the Array—Indiana Really Doubtful and Both Sides Afraid of New York —At This Stage of the Campaign the Result is Uncertain—Republi-cans Plainly Uneasy.

States at this time is headed by Nebraska; then in about the order of that "There are many people, too their admitted uncertainty come Inmany, who treat the wasteful expen-ditures of the government with frivtion that it is of small concern to sidered important on the Republican

On the other hand, the Democratic

NEBRASKA IS UNCERTAIN.

insist that it is certain to be Demo-sideration a possible second race. cratic. Republicans admit some un- With \$500 he may get out, but if he Missouri and Kentucky; Democrats fice. At the same time it is possible for Republicans laugh at the idea. Democrats are confident of Colorado and Montana; Republicans count Colorado This significant editorial appears safe for Taft and Mostana really unin the New York Evening Post, that certain. Both sides talk with apparconfidence-for publication-

REALLY ON THE FENCE. Out of all this list of alleged doubtful States it is impossible at this stage of the former, and that in its con- observer would care to stake his rep- Bryan will stick to the favor protection in Pittsburg, and word, is that Congress can easily cluding sentence it seems to be a utation as a prophet. But granting carefully refrain that these States are really doubt- understanding

Nebraska, Indiana, New York, Ten- into

In making this restricted list it is assumed that unless a landslide such as is hardly to be expected from any manifestations thus far, shall change the situation. Ohio, Illinois, New Jer-West Virginia, Iowa, Kansas and Minnesota will be Republican. It is likewise conceded that Missourl, Kentucky and Georgia will be Democratic. Bryan is conceded to be play-

ing his politics cleverly and with intelligence this year. He is going to talk Polk county for good. Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, New York and Phode

NOT AN EASY FIGHT.

The Republicans are no longer delying that something very like the Bryan scare of August and September 1896, has struck their ranks within the last fortnight. They set out blitheions of a campaign, but most of them regarding it as pretty much nonsense; they would win in a walk. The trend of things since that time has been callecrease Republican confidence that

t will be no such easy victory. The local situation in New York till forming, and how it will crystal- Henderson Gold Leaf, ize is uncertain. Much will depend, as o the whole course of the national apparent to both sides that the State dential notifications were cut is in grave doubt, there will be a altogether. To winch we he concentration of energy there. That agree. creasingly likely.

Card of Appreciation to the Whole-

To the Editor of The Observer We, the undersigned, ask you the following: Words are inadequate to express ourselves in regard to the kind treat-ment given us (colored merchants) of Mecklenburg county. The invitation extended us by you to the barbe-cue at Latta Park will be one of long remembrance and was heartily this year. The improvement has cepted by us and every one took the Everybody seemed to be perfectly happy. Some of the best speakers just opprobrium from which it has were there to help to elevate this suffered in the mind of the outside swell affair. It was the most generous crowd we ever saw. The way we shall never forget. Cleanness and deserved this had reputation, but its brightness and winsomeness and inlarge gathering. Again thanking you for your loyalty, we remain.

Yours very respectfully A. JONES, MEANS, Committee.

Worth the Price.

Winston-Salem Union, Republican. Charlotte claims to have realized Democratic State conventions held in that city. However, the entertainment was worth the price. Delegates to both gatherings were delighted with the proverbial hospitality of the Cheen City.

The lark, the jay, the thrush, the dove, The winged tribe from realms above, Came there and with the robin sang count all the woodland round them range. \$125,000 from the Republican and

Will Jeff Sit Up and Take Notice?

Leadville, S. C., Light.

What right has a man to take a girl out buggy riding in a hired right when he owes the editor \$3 in subscription? Will Jeff Clinton please The Woodland Feathered Minetrelsy.

R. S. V. P.7

What it Costs to Run For Ser and Governor in that State-ures of the Recent Campaign,

Savannah Morning News.

stitute but a small part of the com-paign expenses. Another candidate, Mr. Johnstons, who ran fourth for the Senate, expended only \$296.55 during the campaign, his ratiroad fare being only \$175.75. The cost of the campaign to Governor Ansel, who stood for re-election, and made a winning fight, was \$196,53. The sums mentioned include the \$50 entrance fee which is exacted of every candidate who enters the primary and which must be paid to the State executive committee before the candidate's name is permitted to be placed on the ticket. The candidates who will enter the second race will be required to put up some money, of course, to pay the expenses of the next balloting.

It thus appears that a man who desires to run for office in South Caro-The Republicans admit that Ne- in cash, that he is willing to risk on braska is uncertain; the Democrats the election. He must take into concertainties about Indiana; Democrats has ten times that much, and wants claim it. Republicans the office he is after very badly, he can claim a chance to win Tennessee and spend it all-and then not get the of-

NORTH CAROLINA'S PART.

The Tariff Issue the Greatest Wad-Loosener For Mr. Bryan in the Old North State.

The Senator has not made any virtue Democrat to work for Bryan's of over-claiming the situation. election.' So it ought, for it was a great speech. We awalt further con tributions."

So it was-we refer to the tariff to make one on which a disinterested intelligible presentation. If Mr. tariff and from trusts and that conditions later may change corporations and other subjects which present situations, it seems fair to say he does not understand, or which North Carolina may yet be seduced disgorging a number of nessee, Colorado, Montana and Wis- dollar bills and to that extent fattening the now emaciated hat.

A Davy Crockett Stunt. Hendersonville Hustler.

Prof. A. E. Posey, who is in charge of Central Institute, Columbus, tells an interesting tale of a wildcat, which was caught four times by the same man; who each time cut the cat's nails, and each time sold it to the same Northern visitor. cat escaped the fourth time and left t there, anyway. He wanted a hange, and the man who had paid \$20 for one wildcat is still wondering where he comes in.

(Hair Changed While Baby Slept.

Elkin Times. A remarkable phenomenon is reorted to have taken place in New lope township in Wayne county, last Saturday, A little girl, 15-months-old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hines, went to sleep, and while she slept, in half an hour, her hair changed from a light flaxen color to plated to increase Democratic and an auburn. The change has not been accounted for.

They Should Be Cut Out.

The Charlotte Observer thinks that good deal of unnecessary boredom campaign, on that State, If it becomes might be saved if the vice presiheartily But when did it the country will go along with New customary for vice presidential candishould be a matter of gratification to York is regarded on both sides as in- dates to go through the non-sensible and useless formality of being noti fied of their nomination?

> No Chance For the Bull. Columbia State.

Romulus Zebulon Linney, the Bull of the Brushies, did not receive the Republican nomination for Governor of North Carolina, and thus history will never be able to portray him riding into the capital on the broad

> For The Observer. WOODLAND SINGERS.

The wood to-day was fresh and cool And heard in accents soft and long A cooing dove's most plaintive song

Then soft and low beside the spring A mother thrush began to sing,-And, waited on by breezes woolng, It blended with the coper's coping.

Deep down within a lonely glade Sweet, sweet the song the brooklet ma Which rising, rising, by degree With others blent in harmony. And far above, a winging crow,

Surveying all the space below, Gave forth a melancholy "caw." Then sharp and sudden, clear and loud



and what should be effect, the extravagance of the Republican party in national administration. This is seen at a glance in the fact that under Cleveland's second administration the total expenditures of the government amounted to \$45\$,500,000 a year, while the appropriations have since increased rapidly until that for the facal year beginning July ist last amounted to \$100,000,000 a year. These figures would, with due consideration appear startling, but unshapply they make little impression upon the public mind, and the Democratic attack could be delivered with more effect upon other of the national issues. The Philadelphia Record very truly says upon this point. Sevannah Morning News. It appears that the most expensive in the proposition from Ballism of the general primary in South Carolina was that of Mayor Rhett, of Charles-fion, who spent a little more than 15, 500 on his contest for United States Senator and got 20,000 votes out of 95,000, or not enough to put him in the second race. Thus Mr. Rhett's vote cost him nearly thirty cents each, or about 60 the two leading candidates, Smith and Evans, who will be in the second primary Mr. Rhett spoke in every country of the State and was accompanied by 182 to 182 taken shape that there is any basis of agreement as to the States and was accompanied by 182 to 182 taken shape that there is any basis of agreement as to the States and was accompanied by 182 to 182 taken shape that there is any basis of agreement as to the States and was accompanied by 182 to 182 taken shape that there is any basis of agreement as to the States and was accompanied by 182 to 182 taken shape that there was of the concept of the concept of the state was of the concept of the state was of the concept of th To Measure

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