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THE DUTY OF THE DAY.

attitude toward any public question a sound reason why any Democrat should not vote for him to-day. With one may not agree; there never was view anything quite like it. and will never come a time when every man will agree with his party for any policy which is dangerous to There are other considerations,

is a widespread belief that the election will be bought to-day. This thing will have to stop or honest, replustration, bequeaths the presidency render. to Mr. Taft, who, after four or eight years, will bequeath it to another, as men do personal property or real esbegun, and as Mr. Nicholas Long-

ters which deserve the most serious tivity. consideration.

In the causes above referred to and toral ticket to-day.

COLONEL GRAVES' COMPANY.

Woods Merrill, of Kansas City, in ten- the districts and counties, dering to Wm. R. Hearst his resignation as national committeeman for Missouri of the Independence party: "Also, I do not wish my name connected

dosely connected with other parties and whose only aim is to help to defeat Bryan. The wanted Fornker put out of business and you played the part of 'Remover,' and, with a grandstand play to keep up appearances, went after Haskell with no proof of guilt, to down Bryan, and in my belief the Independence party receives campaign money from Republican but we took it nevertheless and sent it to Mr. Vanderford last evening.

No speech made in Charlotte during the campaign aroused so much enthusiasm or furnished so many element stilliate with nor favor any party." affiliate with nor favor any party."

This is the case against Hearst's ependence party-the case for all intelligently love truth and fair-The Hearstite aggregation has some time stood revealed as the rest Republican annex. It is a y embodiment of false pretence in Hical form. Col. John Temple stable company.

there be perfectly free voting ery precinct in North Carolina tod every vote cast be honestly d. If there was ever an exor dishonest election methods tate there is certainly none and the honest public sentiment te should rise in its might

to have such a Democratio ma-

A REMARKABLE SPECTACIES. FREIGHT RATES AND FLECTS We have once before had occasion to remark upon the fact that many Republicans and a few independents no traits which are erratic or un- turns are counted." stable," said the orator, his eulogy of one unmistakably implying denunciation of the other; "he is the embodi- whether the "good many directions" the unbroken record of his manhood is one of substantial achievement. it whatever has even been attempted There is not in his composition a sin- in any responsible quarter. They exgle grain of smartness, but those who pect rate increases, if made in this secknow him do not dispute his great- tion, to work toward equalization by ness. He is neither quarrelsome nor boastful, but as solid as the rocks."

Utterances like these were greeted by the audience with rival storms the increased schedules, they will enof cheers and hisses, so that a party tertain a very natural resentment. rally in a doubtful State near the close of a presidential contest was We do not perceive in Mr. Bryan's dissolved into factional strife. Considering the relations between Mr. is elected, the administration may be Taft and Mr. Rooseveit, the affair was relied upon to testify in a practical remarkable in the extreme. Amerisome one or another of the policies can history before the politically announced in his platform or speeches notable year 1903 does not present to

Under the caption, "Successful Imor its candidate about everything, but migrants in the South," Mr. R. W. Mr. Bryan has stood in this campaign Vincent, managing editor of The Obfor no un-Democratic doctrine nor server, has an interesting and instructive article in the November the public welfare. Any Democrat, number of The World's Work, just to the naval militia. Neither is in the or any good citizen, should, therefore, hand. It is the story of the estabit seems to us, be able to vote for him lishment and success of "five selfwith heartiness and to entertain an sustaining and flourishing colonies, earnest, honest hope of his election, with more than eight hundred agriculeven though he may have differed turists, and a sixth colony forming" with him in the past. Mr. Taft is an -the work of Mr. Hugh MacRae, of to hear Senator Overman. The numable and excellent man but few men Wilmington. It is in substance the are better than their parties and Mr. same narrative, in narrower compass, Taft's party stands for everything that Mr. Vincent told so well in The that is bad-not that everything it Observer some months ago, and must stands for is bad, but whatever is be of large benefit to North Carolina, evil in the existing or proposed sys- directing to the State, as it will, as an tem it is responsible or sponsor for. inviting field for settlement, the attention of many thousands of readvastly important, involved: (1) This ers. The recital is made attractively has come to be too much a govern- and much profit, in the way of atment controlled by money. The last tracting immigration, and giving the election was largely bought and there State favorable advertising, is certain to result from it.

The Observer will do the very best resentative government will come to it can to-night and to-morrow mornan end. This is a good time to stop ing, to furnish the public the earliest it. (2) The administration has been and most complete election returns. too long in the hands of one party. It is duly impressed with a sense of This begets autocracy and corruption. its responsibility in the matter, and Worst of all is the handing by one because it is so impressed will have President of the office to a successor to ask its friends-who will not conchosen by himself, and this is threat- strue the request as an expression of ened to-day. This means a perpe- inhospitality-not to over-run its working force kingdoms and empires, and should not night, which would be to obstruct be permitted by a free people. Mr. their work and lower the quality of Reosevelt, we will say by way of il- the service which it is hoped to

Bad weather to-day in New York State, by holding down the Republican tate. This continued, as it has been majority above New York City, would render Democrats great service and worth has undoubtedly suggested, will might possibly decide the national mean ultimately the death of our free election. But the government weather meh announce generally fair weather These are serious subjects and we for the whole country except in the refer to them not under the excite- extreme northwestern corner. We alment of the last hours of a campaign | most feel like accusing the governbut in coolness of blood and as mat- ment weather men of pernicious ac-

In advising the support of the for many others which have been dis- Democratic ticket we have of course cussed in these columns from time been understood to mean all of it. to time we find overwhelming reasons if we have said less, specifically, of for voting for the Democratic elections the electoral and State tickets, than of the congressional, legislative and county-and we have-this has been due to no disloyalty to them but be-We reproduce here the language cause they are safe while this is not used a few days ago by Mr. J. L. the case with all the others in all

The very last good man to come to the aid of the party through the agency of The Observer with a conwith a party whose aftiliations are so agency of the Observer with a con-

ments of entertainment as that of Mr. Bickett last night, and no other speaker held his audience together better. It was a captivating speech and of the sort that make votes. Mr. Bickett will certainly be welcome when he comes again

The Observer deplores the death aves, vice presidential nominee, has friend who does not regret that which occurred Saturday evening. He was an accomplished and lovable man and a lawyer of ability and distinction. The Raleigh bar has been stricken within the past three months in three of its conspicuous members: Pabius H. Busbee, S. G. Ryan, and now Captain Day.

The Observer hopes it has a few friends in the eighth district. If this belief is well grounded it asks them and sompel a free and fair to bestir themselves to-day for their to every precinct.

North Carolina this year that Herald at a late hour last night said ns will teel live moving that there is no later forecast for to-

"There is now a very general agreement," says the Washington corres pondent of The New York Journal of In New York and other Eastern States Commerce, "upon the belief that the who entertain bitter hostility toward election will be a turning point in Mr. Rosseveit are supporting Mr. contemporary raliroad policy and that Roosevelt's candidate with some real as soon as it is over rate increases heartiness as a man who could not will be inaugurated in a good many be anything like the Roosevelt type directions. It is known that the Taft 52.60 of President if he would. In tem- managers were easer to have the rate 4.00 perament, in training, in habits of advances held up last summer-so mind, the two men, it is asserted, are much so that there were long and \$1.00 as far apart as the poles. Mr. Roose- anxious conferences on the subject at .50 velt's principles may be Mr. Taft's, Hot Springs and elsewhere. The out-35 but Mr. Roosevelt's methods and in- come was the holding up of many dividual cavortings never. Those hold- of the increases so far as the open ing such views found them proclaim- filing of tariffs was concerned, though ed with more valor than discretion by the surreptitious raising of the rates ex-Gov. Frank S. Black in his Car- went on in the ways already indinegie Hall speech. For an hour and cated. The shrewdest observers here a quarter, without once mentioning will be greatly surprised if there is Mr. Roosevelt's name, Mr. Black not a large batch of rate sheets showsought to damn the President with ing higher tariffs filed with the compointed praise of Mr. Taft. -"He has mission immediately after election re-

The people of this State will wait with a good deal of interest to see treatment so gross that no excusa for exempting them. If the policy of treating them as fit only for exploitation from without is carried into

At all events, important rate increases are reserved "until after the election." Whether or not Mr. Taft manner its appreciation of this highly considerate postponement,

With regard to the rear admiral and the naval commander who participated as marshals in the New York Republican parade Saturday, The Observer is advised by competent authority that one is a retired officer while the other is connected only with

Charlotte's principal regret in connection with the campaign just closed, is that it was denied the opportunity ber of his friends and admirers here is limited only by the number of Democrats in the town.

will be necessary to wait until tonight before hearing definitely. There will probably be a whoop then. The question in process of settle-

The silent vote is the thing. It

ment this day is from which pair of candidates the smile shall come off. Take care of the precincts and the

are of themselves. Now indeed is the time for all good

counties; districts and States will take

nen to come to the aid of the party.

This is the last call for breakfast.

CARD FROM MR. REYNOLDS.

Republican Congressional Chairman to Card of Mr. Hackett Published in Yesterday's Observer. To the Editor of The Observer:

In to-day's Charlotte Observer appears a card signed by R. N. Hackett nfaking charges which he cannot substantiate: He attempts to use the last issue of your paper before the election to give utterance to allegations which the shortness of the time will not passed to a second the shortness of the time will not permit to be answered. The campaign in the eighth has been conducted absolutely free from personalities on the part of Charles H. Cowles and his friends. Hackett, however, if I am correctly informed, innuendoes, insinuations and by dark and sinister nods and becks has bordered upon personalities as nearly

His statement that a conversation overheard between Cowles and myself to publish and circulate slanderous or any other kind of article about Hackett is a complete fabrica-Neither Cowles nor any of his friends are in any way responsible for rumors, false or otherwise, cir-culated about R. N. Hackett. That brandy gaugers are attempting coerce any one into voting for Cowles is a creation of Hackett's fancy.

Hackett and his friends after long and segret conferences yesterday (Sunday), became so alarmed that they went to Cowles and asked if he intended to publish something on Hackett that he (Cowles) had not heard of. Hackett, moved to desperation by anticipated defeat was given ing vent to his own imagination. wicked fice when no man pursueth.
HENRY REYNOLDS. Chairman, Eighth Republican Com

mittee. Wilkesboro, November 2d, 1908.

BIG TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION.

The Democrats of Hickory and Ca-tawba Have a Big Time on Election Eve—Mr. Klutta Unable to Be

Hickory, Nov. 3.—One of the greatest times of the campaign was that of est times of the campaigs was that of a lively Democratic rally and immense torchlight procession here tonight, which reached from Union Square, Hickory, to West Hickory, and which was one of the grandest sights ever witnessed in Hickory. The procession was headed by the Southern Symphony, followed by mounted banner-bearers, illuminated signs, etc. Then followed a half-mile line of men and boys on foot bearing torches.

banner-bearers, illuminated signs, etc. Then followed a half-mille line of men and boys on foot bearing torches, banners and horns, all of which made a most imposing spectacle.

Owing to the large crowds, the Academy of Music was inadequate, so the plan adopted by Mr. Bryan in New York was carried out in Hickory to good advantage. Speeches were made by Mr. W. B. Gaither and Mr. W. C. Feimster, of Newton, first in West Hickory, where the procession marched for that purpose; then after going over-the principal streets returned to Union Square and heard with much interest secural warm apseches by the above gentlemen, as well as several local Democrats.

Hen. Theo F. Klutts, of Salisbury, had been engaged and was expected to speak, but telegraphed at a late hour that owing to some dirty work being put up by the Republicans against Congressman Hackett in his district he would be unable to reach here Chairman E. L. Shuford Brought the long distance telephone into use and arranged with other speakers.

LAST SHOTS FROM BICKETT CAMPAIGN ENDED LAST NIGHT

General Entership Packed Court Home on the Eve of the Presidential Election—Speech Abounds in Wit, Humor and Elegarage—Declares for Justice to the Rallinsafs, But Pair Preight Rates Must Come—Ridicules the Idea That North Cavolina Legislature Had Anything to Do With the Panic and Arraigns the Republican Party For Canadag It, or For Lying on Cleveland and the Democratic Party.

"Oh, consistency, consistency, diffat. "Oh, consistency, consistency, diffist

thou use to be a jewel!"

Caricaturing in convulsing wordpictures the inconsistencies of the Republican party from the Democratic standpoint, arraigning the opposition party as the mother of trusts sounding in clarion tones the warning that failure to check the growing centralization of power and combination of wealth in the hands of a few will inevitably produce either an oligarchy or socialism, declaring for exact justice to railroads as to all other corporations who have the right ment of sense and candor. He is include them. They are sufficiently to a reasonable, even a liberal profit neither vainglorious nor showy, but impatient now under discriminative on their legitimate investments, but for war to the end on the question of discriminating freight rates to townss in North Carolina, proclaiming that William Jennings Bryan, the stone whom the builders twice rejected, shall become the head of the corner, Mr. Thomas W. Bickett, candidate for Attorney General of North Carolina on the Democratic ticket, delighted last night five hundred people at the court house in the most entertaining speech of the campaign. Gifted with a peculiar ability to detect and reproduce for the benefit of his audience the humor in every situation, of making principles, ideas. declarations, breathe with the breath of life and take unto themselves the forms of everyday objects in the animal and vegetable creation, Mr.

> Generalities sprang into life before the eyes of his auditors and lived and moved and had their being, while the crowd laughed until its sides protested or shouted until its throats were hoarse.
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> Every sentence of the speech tingled with human interest. There was not appetrally tion. with numan interest. There was not a line which was not a constribution to the literature of the campaign. Talking for two hours, Mr. Bickett left his auditors as untired as at the

beginning, and apparently could have

Bickett's sentences were shot through and through with vitality. Abstrac-

tions at his touch became concrete

talked with especial ease until gray dawn broke over the eastern hills (only there are not any). If any one doubted the effective-ness of Scriptural language, this speech alone would have convinced Never cheers rang more spontaneous than at the close of some Scriptural condemnation in Scriptural language was hurled at the sinning and erring Hamiltonian. Cool slow, deliberate, with measured earnestness. Mr. Bickett delivered his message. In the relation of the funniest of his many stories, not once did his impassive face permit a smile. But ef-fective as were the climatic bursts of humor in his jokes, as interest compelling as was the vein of natural compelling as was the vein of natural humor that permeated his well-wrought sentences, there yet alter-nately smouldered and blazed a vivid fire of passion which flashed forth ever and anon, accompanied by the

thunder of his expressive voice. A UNION NATIVE. Introduced in happy fashion by Mr. E. T. Cansler, Mr. Bickett began with a reference to the beginning of his political career within Charlotte's gates, eighteen weeks before the night of his speech. Pleasure was ex-pressed at his return here and the hope given voice county would sit at the head of the Democratic table. Born and reared at Monroe, he had been reared with an abiding faith in the Union county possum, the birthplace of Andrew Jackson and the Mecklenburg Decla-ration of Independence. He has one thing in common with the gander which has played no small part in the present campaign. That noble fowl at the first opportunity given him by the tightwads into whose midst he was placed, made a noble break for Charlotte, thereby enshrin-ing his name among those of the lovof liberty.

Expressing gratification at the presence of ladies, Mr. Bickett said that "H's a good thing to have them It doesn't matter so on our side. much which side the men are, wherever the ladies are, there the men will be also. If by the exercise of the divine power all the women were transferred to the moon, in less than six months, airships would be

making their daily trips,
'I' know that a few years age we had troublous times and in an evil hour many good men listened to false prophets and false prophecies and went away, like the predigal, into a far country. But they grew weary of the mire of the Republican party. They have grown tired of the husks and are coming back. I give them the giad hand. We need them and to-night I'll run three miles down the road to meet any returning prodigal. ers, new shoes upon his feet and a Democratic ticket in his hand."

(Laughter and applause).
"I haven't anything to say about the young man who is my opponent," he said later. "I don't know anyhe said later. "I don't know any-thing against him. But if he wants to do the graceful thing, I'll pause and recognize him for the purpose of making a motion to make my election

HAS NO SEEDS TO GIVE.

"Mine is the only office which has no perquisites and no patronage. They don't give me any seeds to distribute to my constituency. (Laughter). But certain learned scientific men are laboring to invent a watermelon whose seeds will contain all the ingredients of a mint julip. I know that after January 1st those learned men will have the prayers of a great many pious people. I promise you if they are successful I will go to Washington and try to get my office placed on the same basis as the others and I'll send a package of the seeds to every one of you. (Laughter).

"That's about as far as I can go. They won't allow me to pardon convicts. (Laughter). I can't help you there. My influence with the Republican party is especially at a discredit on this account."

Proceeding then to his speach proper, Mr. Bickett said that Democracy is a principle and one to which as the North Carolina bill of rights declares, a frequent turning back is essential. Though the spirit of the age lusts after the new, the startling the sensational, the speaker said he came with ne new lams. "Democracy is of no date. It was and it and shall he." When a few weeks age William J. Bryan was a third time named as the choice of the Democratic party for President. Mr. Bickett's mind HAS NO SEEDS TO GIVE.

SEARCHLIGHT WILL TELL THE HEWS

From the top of the Tompkins flower The Observer will
announce to the people of
Charlotte and Mecklenburg
county at midnight the result
of the national election. At 12
o'clock, midnight, the powerful
scurchlight at the top of the
lower will be directed toward
the South if Mr. Bryan is
elected, and toward the North
if Mr. Taft is the choice of
the people of the country. In
the event that the election is
close or the returns slow, and
definite news consequently delayed, the final result will be
made known in the manner
indicated above as soon after
midnight as definite returns
are obtainable. The searchlight will be fixed toward the
North or the South, as the
case may be, for a period of
30 minutes, so that the people
of the city and county may be
fully apprised of the result.

Earlier in the night—as soon
as the returns begin coming
in—the searchlight will be
used to indicate the drift of
the election. For instance—if
the news from Ohio is to the
effect that Bryan is in the lead
in that State or will probably
carry it, the searchlight will
be directed toward the South;
if Taft's star is in the secendency the light will shine
toward the North. In the indication of these temporary advantages the searchlight will
stand at the given point, North
or South, for 3 minutes;
during the Iulia in the bulletins,
indicating that there is "nothing doing," the light will be
perpendicular. When the result is definitely known, probably at midnight, the light will
be directed toward the North
or the South for 30 minutes,
so there need be no mistake as
to the outcome of the day's
battle.

all the glory and honor which an adoring people could bestow, he declared that the principles of Democdisciple of Democracy, as he stood before Egypt's stubborn monarch and cried out, "Let my people go." And to-day the same spirit is standing with a fiaming sword in every city of the land before the Pharsons of greed and graft, demanding the freedom of all the people."

A UNITED FRONT. And the revolt is taking place in the North, in the West, in the South, where the plant that clothes the where the plant that clothes the world is made to wait, while the gamblers in Well Street juggle with the nation's money. We are presenting a united front. The speaker expressed gratification that The Charlotte Observer after long hesitating on the brink had at last taken the jump. With accustomed and becoming dignity, Elder Caldwell first entered the fray. But soon his dignity was lost and growing enthusiastic as he warmed to the fight he has been sheuting to the brethren day by day "Come in boys the water".

by day, "Come in boys, the water's fine!" (Laughter and appliause).

On the other hand the Republican party is trembling in its strongholds on the eye of the election. Its leadon the eye of the election. Its leaders have seen the hand writing on the wall, "Mene, mene, tekel, upharsin." "This, being freely translated means, The Republican party in the United States has been lying and stealing and the people have found it out." (Cheers).

Our government will become either oligarchical or socialistic, declared

Mr. Bickett, if trere be no check to the centralization of wealth and pow-If oligarcy comes, the people er. If oligarcy comes, the people will rebel and the pendulum will swing to the opposite extreme of so-cialism. Beither is equally detrimental to true individualism. In either case manhood, character, originality and industry will be at a discount.

The fundamental difference between

the parties on these questions were outlined. The typical Republican thinks the government owes him a living and some of them spend most of their lives trying to collect it. Ten per cent. of the country's population own 90 per cent. of its property. How long before it will own the other 10 per cent. and the American people will be mere chattels? The speaker will be mere chattels? The speaker predicts a giant combination of all the other combinations which to-day dominate America's industrial life. It socialism comes it will be not through Emma Goldman, but through the Harrimans and Rockefellers. They are inviting the deluge and unless they are checked some day the blind Samare checked some day the clind Sam-son will grope for the pillars of the temple and these men will experi-ence the truth verified by all history that he who is often reproved and stiffeneth his neck shall be suddely destroyed and that without remedy."

(Applause).

PEOPLE NOT TRUSTED. Accepting Aldrich's definition of Republicanism as Hamiltonism, Mr. Republicanism as Hamiltonism, air.
Bicket; said Hamilton never granted
the ability of the people to rule themselves. He wanted the President to
serve for life, the Senators to serve
for life, the Governors to be appointed by the Federal Congress and to

for life, the Governors to be appointed by the Federal Congress and to have complete velo power. The power of the Bederal government cannot be increased either by judicial interpretation, legislation or executive interference without an assault on the Constitution of the United States.

The speaker scorched Roosevelt for his denunciation of Parker's charges since proved true. And yet he has never written Cortelyou a letter rebuking him for pernicious activity. "Oh, consistency, consistency, didst thou use to be a jowel!"

The Republicans say, "Give the trusts to us. They belong to us. The Democrats would kill them too quick. We'll handle them tenderly, all them with care." "Who are the trusts? there they stand, headed by Aldrich in the Senate, and Cannon in the House—Cannon, the cussing chief of the standpatters and the alksocked gamblers in Wall Street, led by The New York Sun, while the band plays, "I've Got Mine."

Treating the panic exhaustively the speaker arraigned the Republican party, deciaring it must accept the responsibility for this one or else acknowledge that it has died on Cleveland and the Democratin party for afteen years. He rediculed the idea

e Little-Long Co

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