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BREAD AND BUTTER.

Look here, Brother, we want to talk a little business with you. Being a subscriber to the Y. J., we presume that you are a Republican, or, at least, that you are a Democrat who has the backbone to read both sides of the question. We take it that you know a good thing when you see it, and that you are not so selfish as to deny your neighbor a good thing when it doesn't cost you anything for him to obtain it. Now the point we are striking at is this: Do you believe in the doctrine the Yellow Jacket teaches and in the fight it is making? Do you desire to help in defending the cause of Republicanism? If you do, then we want to ask you to help circulate the Y. J. a little further among your neighbors. You know its politics. It speaks for itself. It costs but 50 cents a year, and it never "rips, rusts nor runs down at the heels," but comes forth every week brim full of Republican truths which will help to make your Republican faith stronger and enable you to vote more intelligently. We want to ask every subscriber to make one square, honest effort to secure us one new subscriber to the weekly Y. J. Take a copy of the paper when you go to the store, the shop or mill, show it to your neighbors and persuade one or more of your Republican friends to take the paper. Don't slight the Democrats either. Some of them love to read the Y. J. The campaign of 1900 is drawing near, and you want your neighbor as well as yourself to be prepared to vote with a clear understanding of the issues.

If you are interested in this matter we shall expect to hear from each of you with one or more new subscriptions. Don't throw this matter aside but act to day or to morrow. We are not talking to that other fellow, but to you. Now get together, everybody. Let the Yellow Jackets fly.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Men often make bluffs for which they are sorry. Senator "Billy," Mason for instance.

Those Ohio returns furnish ample explanation of the new democratic attack on Senator Hanna.

Senator Caffery, of La., says his party will nominate Bryan again, and that he will gladly assist in defeating him.

The democratic party deserves congratulations for one thing at least. It has been denounced by Eugene Debs.

It begins to look like Kentucky will have to adopt the old fashioned town-meeting mode of securing justice.

Whoever puts up the money to pay for Mr. Bryan's New England speeches will buy a gold brick.

Having fooled his doctors by getting better, we trust that Vice President Hobart may go further and get well.

We haven't seen any announcement of the departure of Senator Mason for South Africa to fight for the Boers.

The cool nerve of Gov. Bradley seems to have been a little too much for the bluffing Goebelites, of Kentucky.

The oftener Mr. Bryan congratulates men of the Goebel stamp, on their attempts to steal offices, the worse he will be defeated, next year.

We wonder if the Hon. Fred White has not changed his mind concerning the Iowa voters of German descent since the election.

Were arguments necessary, every puff of smoke from a factory chimney would furnish an argument against the Chicago platform.

While Jerry Simpson succeeded in disposing of his fat cattle at a good price, he still has that lean populist newspaper on his hands.

It begins to look as if they will still be stuffing ballot boxes in Kentucky about the time when the rest of the country will be stuffing turkeys.

Bereft of his private secretary and his wife's wardrobe in the hands of the enemy, it would seem that Aguinaldo is in pretty bad way just at present.

Billy Mason is kept pretty busy just at present chasing the beer microbes, and incidentally acquiring a good "blush" for the coming session of Congress.

It would be safe to wager that Mr. Bryan will kill more wild turkeys, during his Texas hunting trip, than he will get electoral votes next year.

Jones and Coxe would be an excellent combination for the middle of the road populists next year. The platform might be "The world owes us a living."

The question has been asked, who would be the democratic candidate should Bryan die. We risk the assertion that in such an unfortunate event the party would die too.

Col. Henderson shows his level head by declining to be interviewed on what he intends to do when he becomes Speaker of the House, saying that his acts must talk for him.

Democratic Chairman Jones expresses some peculiar views on book-making, when he says the result of the Ohio election "speaks volumes for Democracy."

It required several days for Mr. Bryan to find some one to congratulate in the state of Maryland. The congratulations were received by the silver men. That's the joke!

The despicable yellow journalists who are trying to arouse a hubonic plague scare in this country would deserve little sympathy if they were stricken down with the plague.

It is said that Mr. Bryan intends to spend his winter building up the democratic party in the east. The republicans will push him along in the good work and pay his expenses.

If there is one qualification that fits a man for democratic leadership, it is when he shows a fondness for the sound of his own voice. Judged by this standard, the Hon. Wm. Salzer seems to be among the leaders.

Rear Admiral Philip's recommendation of Bible study to the Annapolis cadets, which will receive the commendation it deserves from Christians, is likely to bring out a few howls from the unbelievers.

If the republican leaders in Maryland cannot get together, they should make way for men who can. While that state is by no means necessary to insure republican success next year, its electoral votes ought to be found in the republican column.

Mr. Bryan is wise in having two strings to his bow, in laying the wires to go to the U. S. Senate, if he fails to be elected President, as there is not the slightest doubt that he will be defeated by a much larger majority than in '96.

Now that Americans have undertaken to erect an earthquake proof palace for the Crown Prince of Japan, we shall not be surprised to see an advertisement guaranteeing to make us death proof.

It would appear that immediately after election day, Senor Aguinaldo, escorted by his three feathers, took to the woods and has remained there. Perhaps he is busily occupied in the attempt to figure out a democratic triumph in Kentucky.

Why should the democrats feel that they have a "kick" coming to them because the House and Senate, both with republican majorities, intend to legislate in accordance with the recommendations of a republican President.

Because everything points to the reelection of President McKinley is no reason why republicans should allow overconfidence to make them indifferent. Eternal vigilance is the price of political success as well as of liberty.

Senora Aguinaldo's bustles, hoop-skirts and bonnet strings having fallen into General Otis' hands by the barrel full, we may now look for a democratic charge that the Philippine commander contemplates starting a bazaar in opposition to Brother Wana-maker.

Those journalists who saw treachery to the President and Senator Hanna on the part of Senator Foraker, will have to revise their ideas. No citizen of the Buckeye State labored more zealously for Judge Nash than did the eloquent senior Senator.

Mr. Bryan is to make a lecture tour through New England this winter, and no doubt will exhibit to the New Englanders his hydra headed skeleton of free silver, anti-expansion and free trade, as well as giving frequent displays of the octopus as he is pleased to designate the trusts.

In the history of American elections, there has been no spectacle more disgraceful and abhorrent than that now presented by the Kentucky Democracy. What makes it especially odious is the fact that Goebel, who devised the machinery of fraud, is to be the beneficiary of its operation.

Now that Mr. Bryan has foreclosed his mortgage on the democratic nomination next year by his victory in Nebraska, and Mr. McKinley is generally looked upon as the republican nominee, the ambitious newspaper men are turning their speculative faculties toward finding the probable running mates for the heads of the tickets.

It will require a long running chain stitch to hem in Aguinaldo.

The enthusiasm for Bryan and Aguinaldo seems to be confined to Nebraska and the Philippines.

The announcement is made that the windmill of Col. Wm. J. Bryan's farm is out of order. This is not given out as "news."

Another democratic conference in Chicago is booked for the future. This time it will partake of the features of an inquest.

From Mr. Bryan's latest remarks it is very evident that he feels that he is a consecrated martyr to the cause of Bryanism.

Notwithstanding all the noise in Kentucky, one can catch, even at this great distance, the strains of that touching song, "Steal Away."

Now that South Dakota has come back into the republican fold, it is presumed that the result will serve to accentuate the blushing-for-his-country act of the Hon. Mr. Pettigrew.

Perhaps the flight of Aguinaldo was in consequence of a peremptory demand on the part of Mrs. Aguinaldo that George Washington Aguinaldo be taken out for the airing in perambulator. General Otis should not take too much credit for the precipitate flight of the new papa.

New York green goods men have been profiting by the country's prosperity, since it has increased the number of "come-ons" who have good money to invest in packages of sawdust. The republican administration and Congress can keep the country prosperous, but they can't put common sense into the heads of gullible fools.

The anti-imperialists have repeatedly circulated the report that Aguinaldo and his followers were our allies, loyal and true, in the capture of Manila, and that their opposition did not begin until they learned that the Philippines were to be transferred by Spain to the United States. Prof. Dean C. Worcester of the Philippine Commission in a recent speech said that the fighting of the Spaniards preceding our occupation of Manila was "perfunctory and designed only to save the honor of the Spanish troops" and that Aguinaldo did not assist because his assistance was neither required nor desired, his actions for some months previous to that time having been the reverse of friendly to us.