

JUDGE Parker's letter of acceptance is only one-third as long as was that of Roosevelt, but it is full of matter that should be carefully considered by every voter, regardless of party politics.

On the subject of imperialism he utters a most timely note of warning, and truly declares that, "Already the national government has become centralized beyond any point contemplated or imagined by the founders of the constitution."

He exposes plainly the injustice of our tariff law, from which we copy the following extracts:

"It secures to domestic manufacturers, singly or in combination, the privilege of exacting excessive prices at home and prices far above the level of sales made regularly by them abroad with profit, thus giving a bounty to foreigners at the expense of our own people."

"Even now the argument most frequently urged in behalf of the Dingley tariff, and against tariff reform generally, is the necessity of caring for our infant industries. Many of these industries, after a hundred years of lusty growth, are looming up as industrial giants."

"The two leading parties have always differed as to the principle of customs taxation. Our party has always advanced the theory that the object is the raising of revenue for support of the government whatever other results may incidentally flow therefrom."

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We call the above extracts from Judge Parker's letter to the special attention of those voters, who only a few years ago were ardent tariff reformers, but are now supporting the Republican party.

Judge Parker's letter calls attention to the greatly increased expenditures under Roosevelt's administration. In 1886 under Cleveland the expenditures were \$242,000,000, and for the last year under Roosevelt they were \$582,000,000.

The conclusion of Parker's letter is so sensible and so much to the point that we here copy it, as follows:

"I solicit the cordial co-operation and generous assistance of every man who believes that a change of measures and of men at this time would be wise, and urge harmony of endeavor as well as vigorous action on the part of all so minded."

"The issues are joined and the people must render the verdict."

"Shall economy of administration be demanded or shall extravagance be encouraged?"

"Shall the wrongdoer be brought to bay by the people, or must justice wait upon political oligarchy?"

"Shall our government stand for equal opportunity or for special privilege?"

"Shall it remain a government of law or become one of individual caprice?"

"Shall we cling to the rule of the people, or shall we embrace beneficent despotism?"

"With calmness and confidence, we await the people's verdict."

"If called to the office of President, I shall consider myself the chief magistrate of all the people and not of any faction, and shall ever be mindful of the fact that on many questions of national policy there are honest differences of opinion. I believe in the patriot-

ism, good sense and absolute sincerity of all the people. I shall strive to remember that he may serve his party best who serves his country best."

"If it be the wish of the people that I undertake the duties of the presidency, I pledge myself, with God's help, to devote all my powers and energy to the duties of this exalted office."

Very truly yours, ALTON B. PARKER."

The Republican party seems afraid to take an open and decided stand about the Watts law. Wherever that law is popular the Republicans profess to favor it, but wherever it is unpopular they denounce it bitterly.

Their State platform, as published for several weeks, contained a plank denouncing the Watts law, but there was no attempt made to deny its accuracy. Afterwards they found the Watts law more popular than they at first thought it was, and then (and not until then) they began to say that that plank had not been published correctly.

The truth is, the Republicans are playing a double game. They are "all things to all men". Where an endorsement of the Watts law will gain them votes they profess to be zealously in favor of it, and where a denunciation of it will gain them votes they bitterly denounce it. Everybody knows this to be true.

Gov. Aycock will speak for two weeks before the election in Indiana and other doubtful Northern States, and he will add to his reputation as a great orator. His many friends will be highly gratified if he should become a member of President Parker's Cabinet.

Of course Parker will fittingly recognize the South in his Cabinet just as Cleveland did during his two terms, which was in striking contrast to the ignoring of the South by Republican Presidents, Roosevelt included, who has not a single, solitary member of his Cabinet from the South.

THE real reason why many Republicans are opposed to the Watts law is because it has deprived of a job so many revenue doers. In some counties there were several whiskey stills, at each of which there was a storekeeper. These storekeepers were all Republicans of course, and every one was a zealous worker for his party.

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Washington Letter.

The chief political interest here this week still expresses itself in the discussion of the President's letter of acceptance—a topic that is not likely to wear out till election time. It is so insolent, so thronical, so full of charges of dishonesty and hypocrisy, that it will be sure to be widely read and widely answered.

Among the very distinguished foreigners to illuminate our society presently is Major General Prince of Japan, who visited the United States in 1888. He is sent here to assure the President of the Mikado's distinguished consideration for favors received and expected.

Hail and welcome Prince Fuschimi!

Dreadful glad you came to see me. Come right in, for Adam Badeau told us of your boss, Mikado. Are our Washington girls pretty as the maids of Hokovetti? Since you landed, have you fed, O, As you used to feed in Yeddo? And does nectar de Milwaukee reach the spot like fragrant saki? We have heard how John Bull met you, And we are his pal, you bet you! Didn't he gobble the Grand Lama When he heard from Yokohama How Field-Marshal Mi Oyama Kept the Russian army busy Ever northward through Manchuria

Kuropatkin loves to lure you. Crimson hills and valleys smoky Tell the presence of Kuroki. Hail and au revoir, Fuschimi— Glad you stopped an hour to see me!

Picking Cotton at Night.

Augusta, Ga., Sept. 26.—On account of the scarcity of hands to get cotton on the market early, a number of large planters in this section are making arrangements to run day and night forces in the fields. They will start tonight picking the staple by moonlight. Pickers are exceedingly scarce and the work only in day time would keep the staple in the field too long.

The general staff has issued a revised list of the Russian casualties at Liao Yang, showing that 1,810 men were killed, that 10,811 were wounded, and that 1,212 were left on the field. Fifty-four regimental officers were killed and 252 were wounded, two generals were killed and three were wounded.



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