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THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY STILL LIVES.

There is nothing in the result of the presidential election to dishearten any true Democrat. The principles which the Democratic party is identified by its history and achievements have not been repudiated.

When Abraham Lincoln fell under the assassin's hand, James A. Garfield, to an excited multitude in New York, exclaimed: "The president is dead; but the government lives!"

The candidates who bore the colors of Democracy were overwhelmed yesterday, but the Democratic party survives.

The party is no more extinct now than it was just after its overwhelming defeat in 1872, or its disaster in 1888. There were those then who presumed to write its epitaph and to rejoice over its assumed decease, but at the next national election, after each of the defeats which we were told had finished the Democratic party, it swept the country like a cyclone.

Let no enemy of the Democracy cherish now, unchallenged, the delusion that it has received a blow from which it will not recover. The election of McKinley is not the victory of the Republican party; it is not the vindication of the protective tariff system. The issue which overshadowed all others in the recent campaign was that of a sound currency, and to it the Democratic party was committed by Jefferson, its founder, and to it the party has been true under Jackson, Tilden, Cleveland and every other leader under whom it ever marched to victory.

It should be remembered that the Democracy has met defeat wherever it has deserted its original principles and whenever, for the sake of supposed expediency, it has made an alliance with any element which did not fully accept and represent its faith. Nor can it be forgotten that the Democracy has recovered with wonderful rapidity from the effects of every such false step when it returned to its old pathway.

Whenever it has been beaten under a new flag it has gone back undismayed to the conflict under its old standard and renewed its triumphs. That the lesson this election will be properly understood and wisely used we cannot for a moment doubt. Those who won Tuesday proclaimed principles for which the

most illustrious Democrats in the history of the party have contended. The distinctive Republican doctrine of protection was shrewdly obscured by the Republican nominee and his followers. The country was confronted by the danger of a debased currency and the Republican party pledged itself to defeat it from such a calamity. In this sign it conquered; for this reason, and for this alone, did the people of the United States consent to trust that party again.

Concerning those who led the Democracy into the road to inevitable disaster we have nothing to say in the way of accusation or rebuke. We concede to them honesty of purpose and courage of conviction, but they must realize from the lesson of Tuesday, as well as from the result of the past divergencies of the party from the straight and narrow path that leads to life, that the best political expediency is that which adheres most closely to sound political principles.

We tried a fusion with Republicanism in 1872 and were deservedly defeated, we dickered with Populism in 1896 and have given the only parallel of Greeley's defeat this generation has seen.

We recovered from the disaster of 1872 by doing battle squarely for Democracy; we can regain our lost control of the government by being equally wise and courageous at the next opportunity.

WHAT WILL THEY DO?

Now the Republican party will have every branch of the national government again. Eight years ago they came into power after an administration of normal prosperity with little signs of portending evil save a contraction of the currency from hoarding in the national treasury. Governmental affairs were in good shape, save a tariff needlessly high and productive of a large and growing surplus. It was easy to spend the surplus as a reckless heir does a legacy, but like such prodigals, it came about to the husks when they turned affairs over to Mr. Cleveland again. With an anxiety to circumvent the Democracy in which it seems many Democrats themselves took a ready hand, it was easy to keep the administration from getting order out of chaos. But now that they have gotten the government again, they can be expected to restore the condition of lasting prosperity that had surely set in under the first term of Mr. Cleveland.

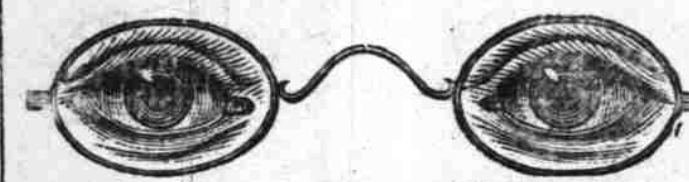
We will see what they will make out of it. If they do well we will not need a change in 1900, if they do not it is to be hoped a wiser and more united Democracy will be equal to the task.

Governor Ed. Altgeld goes down in defeat as he should, and of course finds a scapegoat in President Cleveland. The News and Observer also has not lost his venom and sees sacrilege in the President's proclamation. Not a few within the last four years have sought the path of greatness through the abuse of a great leader who should have had the sustaining influences of the Democratic household. Hightoned criticism of ten well, but low and malicious slurs leads to no good and Democracy lies prostrate now with wounds more from her own making than those of the enemy. When will we learn wisdom, loyalty, fairness and fidelity?

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