

## PARKER TO THE EDITORS

Democratic Candidate for President Welcomes a Comparison of Party Records. Calls for Warfare Upon Republican Extravagance and Urges Harmony in Democratic Ranks. 4 4 4 4

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There are questions of great import to be passed upon by the people in November, questions that it will be your duty, and therefore, I am sure, your pleasure, as well, to present honestly and so clearly that the people will understand them.

I shall not take up your time, however, with any reference to the great issues upon which our party, through its platform and candidates, confidently appeal to the people for endorsement, but crave your indulgence while I briefly refer to a single feature of the platform of the Republican party.

That platform opens with a declaration of that party's many years of control of government coupled with the assertion that it has displayed a high capacity for rule and government, which has been made even more conspicuous by the incapacity and infirmity of purpose shown by its opponents.

### WELCOMES A COMPARISON.

This challenge to a comparison of Democratic and Republican administrations since the Republican party came into existence should be welcomed. Fortunately we have eight recent years of Democratic administration of the executive department of the government which we will gladly compare with any similar period since 1860.

The comparison will show that under Democratic control the administrative purity of the fathers was observed in the conduct of the government: that no one of its departments was permeated, as of late, with corruption rivaling the days of the star route frauds; that a successful effort was made to check the growth of expenditures; that it resulted in each instance in cutting down the expenses within the control of the government below that of the preceding administration. The comparison will show, also, that each succeeding Republican administration after 1868, increased expenses, and in some instances so greatly as to indicate reckless extravagance and waste of the people's money.

During Mr. Cleveland's first term the average annual expenditure was about two hundred and sixty-nine millions. For the past three years it has been about five hundred and sixteen millions. The governmental expenditure last year mounted up to five hundred and eighty-two millions, which is not equaled by any year since the civil war with the exception of the year of the Spanish war.

There is an inevitable result of such extravagance. Instead of a surplus in the annual receipts of about \$80,000,000, which the present Executive found on assuming control, there is now a deficit to be found there of \$42,000,000.

The limits of this address will not admit a further reference to the cost of administration, but it should receive careful examination at your hands. And you will be convinced that reform is necessary, and far more necessary than in 1876 in the scale of public expense, and when convinced you will do less than your duty if you fail to make the people understand it. The challenge of the Republican platform permits you to compare the details, the everyday life, so to speak, of the Democratic administration with both the predecessor and successive administrations, and you will not shrink from it.

### CLEVELAND'S CABINETS.

The sturdy honesty, marked ability, and thorough devotion to principle of all those in high places during those Democratic administrations may without hesitation be placed alongside of the qualifications of similar officials in any and all other administrations. Who, I pray you, would hesitate to compare the Cabinet of those years with the present one, or with any one? Is the name of Bayard, Manning, Fairchild, Edgicott, Whitney, Villas, Dickinson, Garland, members of the 1894 Cabinet, and Olney, Carlisle, Lamont, Smith, Francis, Herbert, Bissell, Wilson, and Harmon, of that of 1897, dwarfed when contrasted with the Cabinet officers of to-day? When the compar-

ison is once completed, you will be eager then to ask the people which is the better. They will declare the victor in the contest between administrations to be the one which, in addition to other excellences, saved many millions a year to the nation.

Extravagance is running wild in Federal, State, and municipal governments, in spite of the well directed effort of some excellent officials. The indebtedness of the municipal governments are steadily piling up, bond issues are increasingly frequent, and the people have not the satisfaction, in many instances, of a full equivalent in improvements for the money expended. And the Federal government is leading in the race of great expenditures. Ere long the people will demand a reform in administration expenses. And they will do it now if they are made to appreciate the whole truth.

### UNITED AS TO VITAL FAITH.

The Democratic party is not a machine; it is a body of citizens who believe that on the whole its fundamental principles are best adapted to the conduct of the government. Among so many patriotic and intelligent men it is inevitable that divergence of opinion as to minor questions and differences of view as to the correctness and to the disposition of dead issues should be found. The party is concequently united to-day as to every vital article of faith which can reasonably enter into the peuding canvass.

Our adversaries are entrenched, in full possession of every department of the government, and it is a mistaken policy to drive away voters who would help to oust them. The cause cannot be advanced by attacks on others within the party with whom we have had disagreements, but who are now working with us for a common result.

All men who have attained any degree of prominence have their friends, and the exercise of ordinary prudence forbids the alienation of allies who are willing and anxious to assist. The coming election is not to be determined by the September vote in hopelessly Republican States, where local issues and candidates even are grievously handicapped, but the result in Vermont on Tuesday admonishes us—and there can be no harm in giving voice to the admonition—that a harmonious co-operation of all and the elimination of personal, factional, and unimportant differences involving no surrender of principle, are essential to success.

### OPENING OF LENOIR COLLEGE.

The Best in Its History—Hickory a Prosperous, Progressive Town.

To the Editor of the Gazette:

Hickory, Sept. 12th.—Hickory is making much material progress in the way of street improvements, building, etc. Water works are being installed and asphalt side-walks are being laid in the business part of town. Two or three store buildings are also in the process of erection. The twentieth annual opening of Lenoir College took place the 5th inst. The enrollment of students up to the present is very encouraging. The dormitories are inadequate to accommodate the new students arriving daily. We are free to say with the greatest degree of confidence that, so far, the indications are for the most prosperous year in the history of the college.

Some changes have been made in the faculty since last session. The chair of English, which was formerly occupied by Prof. A. L. Moser, is now filled by Prof. L. B. Rudisill of the State University. Miss Koenig, who comes from Charleston, with high recommendation, has been elected teacher of instrumental music to succeed Miss Mabel Little. While we regret much to lose our former instructors, we feel fortunate in our choice of their successors, and most cordially welcome them to their respective departments.

STUDENT.

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### DECLINE OF POPULISM.

Middle-of-the-readers no Longer Able to Command a Following. Indianapolis News.

The middle-of-the-road Populists, fifty-six in number, met in this city and nominated a complete State ticket. They divided honors with their brethren of the fusion variety, who are, by the way, to hold their convention September 15. The convention of yesterday showed very clearly that as far as Indiana is concerned, the Populist movement, as an independent political force, has worn itself out. No well-informed man believes that the ticket nominated yesterday—if it ever gets on the official ballot—will poll an appreciable vote. The ticket itself may be torn to pieces by the refusal of the fusionist candidates to allow the use of their names.

Populism has in truth seen its best days. It is the legitimate successor of the Grange, the Greenback party, the Farmers' Alliance, and it has followed them into oblivion. Of course, the Populist party will have successors, and it may even be that it will take on new life when times get hard again, for it seems to be necessary to the happiness of certain people that there shall be a calamity party. So the convention was not important, though it was interesting. Populists always are and always have been interesting, and often amusing. Had it not been for them many a gifted cartoonist would have had to go out of business. When we recall the solemn Peffer, the sprightly Simpson, of Medicine Lodge and others equally remarkable though less famous, we realize how much joy faded from life with their disappearance. And the things these men were going to do! We were to have billions of irredeemable currency, loans to the farmers on their crops, government store-houses, government ownership of railroads and telegraphs, the free and unlimited coinage of silver, etc. The programme was ambitious, and the men advocating it were earnest and enthusiastic—but they attempted the impossible.

And now we have reached the end of the movement. It was killed by prosperity. There are of course individual Populists still surviving. But as an organized political force the Populist party will henceforth exert small influence. It is well that it should be so. For we believe that by their extravagance and radicalism the Populists have actually impeded the cause of political reform in the United States. Most of our people realized that the measures they advocated never could and never ought to be adopted, although the evils to which they called attention were, many of them, real. In the hard times of the far West did suffer from railroad extortion and discrimination and from a scarcity of money. They were burdened with debt, and their distress was keen. But the remedies were not government control of railroads, nor loans to the farmers, nor a flood of worthless money.

Now the farmers have worked their way out of their troubles, and consequently Populism has lost its hold on them. What we need now is a proper regulation of the railroads, lower taxes, economical government, a better distribution of currency, and credit through an extension of banking facilities—all exceedingly modest, but very practical reforms. Populism has failed, failed even as a protest.

### The Great Barlow Minstrels.

The Barlow Vocal Quintette with the great Barlow Minstrels this year is one of the strongest features of a most clever and enjoyable entertainment. The Cincinnati Enquirer states of them, "The harmony, volume and blending of the Quintette of vocalists with the great Barlow Minstrels Co. is by far the best heard in this city for years." Sentimental, comedy, ragtime and imitations of church organ, bell, banjo and other effects making up a specialty of great enjoyment, and one thoroughly enjoyed by every person with a love of vocal harmony. An unusually strong programme with entire change of songs, specialties and costumes, together with the new military opening spectacle presents an attraction hard to equal and impossible to surpass in this line of theatrical entertainment. At the opera house Wednesday night, Sept. 12.

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### NEVADA'S NEW FIND.

Storm Center of the Silver Movement Turned to a Gold Producer. Kansas City Journal.

Marvels never cease to appear in the United States. The productivity and unlimited resources of the country are facts which are continually gaining new proofs. Agriculture, mining, almost every industry and calling adds each year some startling sensation in the way of development, improvement, discovery, or invention.

The report of a big find of rich gold ore in Nevada is now interesting the Western papers. The truth of the report seems to be beyond question. The ore is yielding more than \$6,000 to the ton, and the vein shows an indefinite length with a probability of holding out for a very long time. The end is of especial interest to Nevada for it shows that her mineral resources, which were supposed to be working to an end, still furnish opportunities for the prospector. Activity in prospecting and mining for precious metals will again be resumed, and this means an increased population for this State.

Nevada has been the least fortunate of the old mining States and Territories. Everywhere else when the mines played out the workers remained. They turned into ranchmen, farmers, shopkeepers, business and professional men, and by their new occupations added a more stable prosperity to the country. The Dakotas and Montana have become great farming and grazing States; Utah and Colorado also developed importantly in that direction, while California and all the Pacific States have formed an empire of industry capable of producing anything which can grow or be manufactured in their clime.

But Nevada, when the mining fever subsided, lost its population and energy. Other fields offered fairer attractions and the people left. This new find, however, if it "pans out" according to expectations and present appearances, will bring in immigration at a very advantageous time for the State. Nevada has many valleys. There is no question about their productivity if water can be procured. The Federal irrigation scheme promises to supply this need. So the people who go to Nevada now will go to stay.

### Marriage Affected Her Appetite.

Washington Post.  
"There is something about getting married that works on a woman's sentiments no matter how often she's been through the ceremony," says a lawyer whose home is in Tidewater Virginia.

"There is an elderly woman down our way who is near enough kin to me to come to my house whenever she drives in from her farm. She has been a widow three times, and about a month ago she decided to have a justice of the peace perform the ceremony, and my wife insisted on giving the newly wedded couple a breakfast in honor of the occasion. The bride seemed to me to be doing justice to the meal, but after a second helping of chicken she pushed her plate away.

"I ain't hungry," said she plaintively. "There's something about getting married that just naturally takes my appetite away. I can't eat no more than if I'd never been married before."

A cyclone struck Durham Wednesday morning, uprooting trees, unroofing houses, and causing other damage. It lasted only two minutes and was very severe while it lasted.

### POVERTY AS A CURIOSITY.

Starvation Looked Upon as a Matter of Course in England. Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The British reviews have been filled for months with descriptions of economic conditions as arguments for and against Mr. Chamberlain's proposal. These masses of details doubtless interest Englishmen, for they bear directly on the question in hand. Having no similar political controversy, most Americans find them wearisome.

Once in a while one of these British writers generalizes his details in a way interesting to American readers. Such a generalization has been achieved, with American assistance, by Montague Crackanthorpe in the Nineteenth Century and After. He quotes as an indictment, terrible but near the mark, an American writer's assertion that "the people of England have come to look on chronic starvation as part of the social order—as a matter of course." He confesses that many Englishmen "have come to look on pinching poverty as an arrangement of Providence, to be readjusted in the next world rather than in this—as a curiosity rather than as a trouble."

The attention of those Americans who argue that national institutions make no particular difference, and that those of one civilized nation are practically as good as those of another, is invited to the British mental attitude thus disclosed by a trained British observer.

Whatever the faults and failings, governmental and social, of the American people, regarding chronic starvation as necessary and inevitable—looking at it as a curiosity for wonder rather than as a trouble to be helped—is certainly not general or even common among them.

Regarding any man as doomed by the natural order of the social universe to live and die in pinching poverty—so inevitably doomed that his fate becomes the subject merely of curious observation—is certainly not an American habit of mind.

For the opposite habit of mind—for the habit of regarding poverty as a trouble to be helped by opening to it the door of economic opportunity—the American people have to thank those founders of their republic who by asserting and establishing political equality as the foundation of their liberty, created the institutions whose logic prevents their successors from accepting economic inequality as natural and inevitable.

The fundamental difference between the British and American national character seems to be that the American regards poverty as a trouble to be helped while the British regard it as a sorrowful or unpleasant curiosity.

The special grand jury investigating the lynching at Huntsville, Ala., of Horace Maples, the negro who killed John Waldrop, has reported ten indictments against alleged members of the mob.

### WHAT IS CATARRH?

Hyomei Only Guaranteed Cure for This Common and Disagreeable Disease.

Hyomei cures catarrh by the simple method of breathing it into the air passages and lungs. It kills the germ of catarrhal poison, heals and soothes the irritated mucous membrane and effectually drives this disease from the system.

If you have any of the following symptoms, catarrhal germs are at work somewhere in the mucous membrane of the throat, bronchial tubes or tissues of the lungs.

offensive breath	hoarseness of voice
dryness of the nose	discharge from the nose
rawness across the throat	stopping of the nose
itching in the back of the throat	itching of the body
rawness in front of the throat	itching of the face
rawness in the throat	itching of the eyes
rawness in the chest	itching of the ears
rawness in the stomach	itching of the hands
rawness in the arms	itching of the feet
rawness in the legs	itching of the skin
rawness in the feet	itching of the hair
rawness in the hands	itching of the nails
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