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AT THE close of business on Saturday Mark Hanna closed his desk and remarked: "We have them licked out of their boots, and they know it." Mr. Hanna is supposed to know what he is talking about, and so nothing remains but to get out the vote and cheer.

BRYAN'S favorite argument as the campaign draws to a close is that workmen should favor free coinage because employers oppose it. The boy orator's idea of business is that it is conducted by hostile forces that only need stirring up to bring about prosperity.

GEN. GROSVENOR'S revised estimate gives McKinley 292 absolutely sure electoral votes, or sixty-eight more than enough to elect, with a good prospect of securing fifty-one more; and Gen. Grosvenor has a reputation as a political forecaster that justifies betting on his figures.

It is true, as Rev. Dr. Burnham says, that "we have gone past the day when good men can stay away from the caucus or the ballot-box." Political duties and responsibilities have come to be so important that the citizen who treats them with indifference deserves severe censure.

Don't be prevented from voting for a Republican for Congress through fear of making a mistake in marking your ticket. A mark in the circle at the top of the Republican ticket and a mark in the square opposite the name of the Congressional candidate for whom you wish to vote does the business.

MEMBERS of the Republican County Committee should devote the remainder time between this and the day of the election to getting out the vote. There should be no stay-at-homes this year. It is only a question of majority, but the majority should be overwhelming. GET OUT THE VOTE!!!

AMERICANISM and the best interests of all the people are the key-notes of Major McKinley's masterful addresses. The free-silver candidate meanwhile keeps trying to create a class sentiment and to stir up turmoil. Patriotic Americans know full well which is the better sentiment to follow, and will cast their votes accordingly November 3.

The National Republican Committee requests all of the people of this country who are going to vote for William McKinley to show their patriotism on Saturday, October 31st, by displaying the American flag. This is right, and we trust the suggestion will be carried out in Somerset, and throughout the county. Let every owner of a flag display it on that day to show his love of country and honesty, to show that he proposes to support an American for President, and to show his detestation of anarchy and socialism. Fling Old Glory to the breeze for McKinley and sound money.

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MANY ballots voted under the present election law can not be counted by the election officers because they are marked in such a manner by the voters as to make it impossible for the election officers to determine how the citizens intended to cast their ballots.

When a citizen makes a mark in the ring at the top of any one of the regular tickets, he can not mark a name in any other ticket without invalidating his ballot unless there is no candidate on the regular ticket for the office for which he votes on another ticket.

The regular Republican ticket in this county will not contain the name of a candidate for Congress, therefore, the Republican voter will, in order to vote for a candidate for Congress, have to make a mark in the circle at the top of the Republican ticket and a mark in the square opposite the name of either Mr. Hicks or Mr. Thropp, whose names appear in separate columns, as will be seen by reference to the fac-simile of the ticket which appears elsewhere in these columns. If the citizen exercises the least degree of care there is no danger of his invalidating his ticket by erroneous marking.



REV. T. DEWITT TALMAGE is one of his wonderful sermons very truthfully said, "My brother, your trouble is not with the heart; it is a gastric disorder or a rebellious liver. It is not sin that blots out your hope of heaven, but bile that not only yellows your eyeballs and furs your tongue and makes your head ache but swoops upon your soul in dejection and forbodings."

Talmage is right! All this trouble can be removed! You can be cured! How? By using Warner's Safe Cure. We can give you incontrovertible proof from men and women, former sufferers. But to-day well, and stay so. There is no doubt of this. Twenty years' experience proves our words true. Write to-day for free treatment blank.

The Populists come out for Hicks this morning. This is but another evidence that the friends of free silver recognize the truth of our statement that a vote for Hicks is a vote for McNamara.

The man who hates another simply because the latter has acquired more of this world's goods than himself, belongs with the party of Tom Watson.

Mr. Thropp and Judge Dean. Monday's Pittsburg Commercial Gazette. On Saturday morning the "Commercial Gazette" printed a telegram from Altoona, Pa., stating in effect that it was a request of Judge Dean that had kept Joseph E. Thropp, of Everett, in the field against Congressman Hicks, and imputing to Judge Dean friendship for "the combine" and enmity to Senator Quay as the cause of his effort. We regret the appearance of these statements in our columns.

Mr. Thropp is a reputable business man whose high character is recognized far and near. Judge Dean has a perfect right to support him for Congress if he wishes to do so.

A CARD FROM MR. THROPP. To the Voters of the Twentieth Congressional District:— From the Altoona Tribune.

To the two thousand of your number who so promptly and generously nominated me for Congress I wish, in accepting your nomination, to tender you my sincerest thanks. To you and to the other thousands who reside in our four counties, I desire to make an explanation of the congressional situation, as my attention has been called to Mr. Hicks's letter in this morning's Tribune.

Every step in all these proceedings was in accordance with the requirements of the rules and practices of our party.

Weeks were lost in an effort to deprive me of the vote of the county. A contest was started by Mr. Hicks at Bedford and Tyronne to inject into the conference three men who had no honest claim or right to be there, and which no rule of our party allowed him to appoint, and yet he claims to be a stickler for rules.

In an earnest desire to further an early nomination I consented to submit the question of the rightfulness of my conferees to State Chairman Elkin. The Johnstown Tribune, twenty-four hours before the decision, and Mr. Hicks and Mr. Haderman, before the hearing, announced what Mr. Elkin's decision would be.

Surprising as was the result, and irregular and contrary to our rules as was the admission of the three men, I, as a good Republican, accepted the result, only presenting such a written statement as would keep our records right under the rules.

When the conference was organized at Johnstown my conferees voted for Mr. Hicks, Mr. Kooser and Mr. Evans, so that we did all we could to make possible the nomination of any one of the candidates, and only Mr. Evans's conferees voted in return for me, giving me four and a half votes. Either Mr. Hicks or Mr. Kooser could then have nominated me.

When the proposition was made to adjourn to Harrisburg and interject a gentleman not familiar with the matter, my

County. The Home of Mr. Hicks. From the Altoona Tribune. The Mayor's Position. EDITOR GAZETTE:—The alleged interview with me in the Altoona Sunday News is incorrect. I am for Thropp for Congress and I believe that the only way for Republicans to save the district is to vote for him.

H. C. BROWN. City Saltator's Bower's View. EDITOR GAZETTE:—The present fight for Congress is of such importance to the party that local pride should not prevent the election of Joseph E. Thropp, the only Republican on the ticket who in my judgment can beat McNamara. I am for Thropp.

George B. Bowers. Secretary Republican City Committee. After carefully studying the danger which threatens this district by the election of a free silver Democrat and after considerable correspondence with my friends in the different counties, I am fully convinced that the only thing to do to save the district to the Republicans is to support Joseph E. Thropp. I am for Thropp.

J. D. H. Meyers. Hicks Should Draw Out. I feel confident that it is impossible to elect J. D. Hicks. I believe that Mr. Thropp will carry this city and county. I think Mr. Hicks should heed the request of the 3,000 voters who have signed a petition requesting him to withdraw, and thus insure the election of a Republican to the next Congress.

D. D. Marble. County Committeeman Miller. As a member of the county committee of the Sixth ward, Altoona, after carefully watching the situation, I believe Mr. Hicks will be defeated. I have always supported him in his former contests, but in this fight I think in order to save the district it is my duty to support Thropp, which I propose to do.

Thomas Miller. Ex-Republican County Chairman. I have borne in silence the unprovoked libels and slanders published by J. D. Hicks and his son for two years. I feel that I would possess but little manhood if I did not resent it now to the best of my ability. I have been an active, ardent Republican, and have done for a number of years a great deal of hard party work, and have never drawn \$20,000 or \$30,000 in salaries as remuneration for party work as has Hicks; but, aside from personal feelings in the matter, from my knowledge of the situation throughout the entire district I am convinced that Joseph E. Thropp of Everett is the one candidate who can save the district at this time, and I believe that if Mr. Hicks has any party spirit left he would long ago have relieved the party from its present perilous position.

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W. A. Sontag. Simply Aiding Silver. A vote for Hicks means a vote for McNamara and free silver. W. C. Brown. A Friend of Thropp. I am for Thropp, and will do all I can for him. John Howard. Supporting the Winner. Thropp and victory; Hicks and defeat. I am for Thropp.

John W. Doro. Forcing the Party. Hicks has been well enough treated by Republicans in the past; he should come out of this fight to save the district. I am for Joseph E. Thropp.

W. C. Brown. Short and to the Point. I am for Thropp and against Hicks. Robt. Dool. Only One Possible Winner. I believe Thropp is the only man who can save the district, and will vote for him. T. H. Nickerson. No Doubt About It. Thropp will be a sure winner. Hicks can not win. Wm. Moore. Ought to Take the Hint. Hicks should heed the protest of the 4,000 signers and come out. Wm. B. Miller. Bedford's Just Claim. I think Bedford county is entitled to the member in the next Congress, as it has never had a member since it became a member of this district. G. W. Selwitz. Can't Fool The People. Fake interviews and appointment of bluff committees, half of whom are for Thropp and against Hicks, will not win this fight. I am for Thropp. Malden Valentine. His Best Efforts for Thropp. I will do all in my power to help to elect Thropp. J. L. Evans. Either Thropp or McNamara. I think that the district will be represented by a free silver Democrat unless the Republicans combine on Mr. Thropp, as Hicks can not win. Robert Garey. Know Their Own Affairs. The Republicans of this district are able to take care of their own contests, without any advice from outside parties. G. E. Bates.

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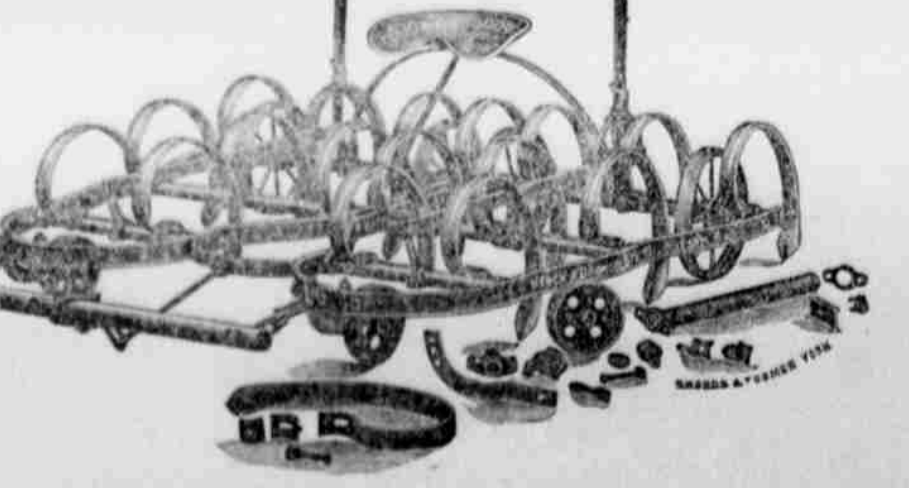
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