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THE Sultan of Turkey shares the Democratic fear of President Roosevelt's impulsiveness.

WESTERN Democrats insist that the silver question is as sound a theory as ever. Yes, nothing but sound.

DEMOCRATIC campaign managers should keep Champ Clark off the stump until he agrees to carry a safety razor.

RUSSELL SAGE is 88 years of age and rated at \$170,000,000. He should be eligible for the Democratic Vice Presidential nomination in 1908.

JUDGE PARKER promises to be satisfied with one term in the Presidency. The voters will ask him to be satisfied with less than that.

CHAIRMAN TAGGART will not open a Western headquarters. The Democrats have no hope of carrying any state west of the Alleghenies.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON is going to make a fourth hopeless effort to lift the American cup. Such a cheerful loser should be in Democratic politics.

"Ours is a world power" said Judge Parker in his speech of acceptance, and he might have added, "thanks to the wisdom of the Republican party."

JUDGE PARKER assures the voters that the Democracy is the coming party. The only trouble is that it always arrives four years behind time.

THE Western Democrats who were clamoring for Judge Parker to break his silence did not expect him to break their political hearts at the same time.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND professes to fear President Roosevelt and the army. Mr. Cleveland should remember that Coxe's armies do not march under Republican administrations.

THE Panama Canal is another achievement of which the Democrats complain only because it represents Republican ability to grapple with perplexing and difficult problems.

THE claim of certain Democrats in the West that silver should be worth as much an ounce as wheat is a bushel should be classed with the humors that always mark the progress of a political campaign.

It is folly to criticize David B. Hill for his plan of managing a Democratic campaign. He fully appreciates that his party shows to the best advantage when diplomatic concealment is applied to its record.

JUDGE PARKER is perfectly safe in declaring for one term. Experience has taught the American people that one Democratic administration is all they can ever afford, without going into bankruptcy proceedings.

THE Republican party will make no claims of credit for the splendid crops which are now being harvested, but the Republican party has made possible the splendid prices which the farmers will get for their products.

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THE average number of failures during the last Democratic administration was about fourteen thousand annually. Since 1897, with a large increase in the number of business concerns, the average has been between ten and eleven thousand annually.

WHEN W. F. Sheehan bolted the Democratic candidate in 1896, he started a "roll of honor" upon which were written the names of Democrats who wanted sound money. Judge Parker's name is not on that roll. He voted for Bryan in 1896 and again in 1900.

TOM WATSON says that the 6,500,000 Democrats who followed Bryan in two campaigns can not be delivered to the Clevelandites. Watson should at least subtract one from that number, as Judge Parker has been delivered to the Clevelandites and the charges paid.

HENRY G. DAVIS complains that the expense of maintaining the federal government is constantly increasing. He fails to understand why it should cost more to keep a family of 80,000,000 than it did the family of 30,000,000 that Uncle Sam had when Mr. Davis was a boy.

A MAN who was once congratulated on the high standing he maintained in his community, and also upon his unusual taciturnity, remarked naively, that if a person succeeded in keeping quiet, people would never discover how commonplace his ideas were. Judge Parker seems to have heard of that man.

THE whole question of unionism is put into a nutshell by President Roosevelt when he says, "We recognize the organization of capital and the organization of labor as natural outcomes of our industrial system, which is to be granted the full protection of the law and which in turn is to be held to a strict obedience to the law."

MANY people question the propriety of estimating the chances of success by the odds speculators are willing to give, but it is, perhaps, worth while calling attention to the fact that in New York City bets are being made daily with increasing odds in favor of Roosevelt and Fairbanks. No well-informed Democrats are willing to give even chances on the success of the sphinx of Esopus.

THE history of the Democratic party has been one succession of failures. Whenever it has been given power with the opportunity to inaugurate and carry to completion some great national issue, such as a tariff law, a financial policy, or a lesser national issue, it has proved not only disastrous for the party and policy itself, but has carried with it disaster to the financial and commercial interests of the country.

THERE is not a single act in the administration of Theodore Roosevelt, there is not one single act in his public or private record, for which he needs to apologize. On the other hand the editorial columns of the Democratic papers now supporting Judge Parker are filled with apologies and explanations of the inconsistent course of not only the candidates, but the party which they are endorsing.

"We each and all owe a duty to the community and to the state. It is a positive duty, and that is to aid in securing good laws and their faithful enforcement. We are not menaced by foreign foes. We have no fear of alien attack. We have nothing within to dread except the indifference of the intelligent citizen to the discharge of his civic obligations."—Hon. C. W. Fairbanks, at Freehold, N. J., June 27, 1903.

OUR old friend Lucifer Ananias Smith seems to think that because he has followed political bunglers over a precipice, that others ought to do the same. Good Republicans never follow erring friends into the Democratic party or into any fool bolting movement. The way to be a Republican is to stick to the party, and of all the political parties under the sun, the Republican party is far and away the best and the safest to tie to.

OUR expenses during the past few years have been about \$6.30 per capita. This is considerably less than were the per capita expenditures during the early seventies, and then we had no large pension account, we had no Panama canal, we had no Philippine, and we had no wish to maintain our position as the foremost nation of the world with its responsibilities and necessarily increased expenditures.

NO TRUER words were ever spoken than those of Senator Fairbanks in his

speech of acceptance wherein he said: "President Roosevelt has been confronted with large and serious questions. These he has met and solved with high wisdom and courage. The charges made against him in the Democratic platform find an irrefutable answer in his splendid administration, never surpassed in all the history of the Republican party and never equalled by the party which seeks to discredit it."

IT will not do to rely upon the political complexion of the United States Senate to save us from tariff agitation. Should Messrs. Parker and Davis be elected in November and a Democratic House of Representatives, we should have a tariff law framed within twelve months and the business interests of the country would feel the effects immediately, even if it was impossible to repeal the present law. So great is the fear of Democratic tariff tinkering that the smallest cloud on the horizon would bring a storm of commercial disaster long before any tariff law could be enacted.

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CRIPPLE CREEK TROUBLE DESCRIBED BY A CITIZEN.

From the Somerset Standard. Visitors at the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. B. Hough are Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Moore, of Cripple Creek, Colorado, Mrs. Moore being a sister of Mrs. Hough. Both of them are natives of Fayette county, and they have been visiting through the East for the past seven weeks. At New York Mr. Moore participated in the annual National Bunker Hill Shoot, and carried away some of the medals. There were twenty-seven hundred contestants, the shooting being done with rifles at a distance of two hundred yards. Coming from Cripple Creek where Mr. Moore has been in business for the past eighteen years, he is full of information concerning the miners' strike that has been in progress there for about eighteen months, the like of which has probably never been equaled in this country. He says the city of Cripple Creek has a population of about 20,000 inhabitants and that it is dependent upon the mines. The present strike is the first one in that district for ten years. When the last strike was settled an agreement was reached between the mine owners and the Western Federation of Labor, a compact that was faithfully kept until the present trouble, when about six thousand men went out on a sympathy strike with union men who have a grievance at Colorado City. Since then the strikers have not stopped in their lawlessness short of murder. Lives have been taken by the wholesale and property has been destroyed. Governor Peabody, at the solicitation of the business men of Cripple Creek, called out the State guard to suppress the disorder. To make matters worse some of the county and city officials, who were elected largely by the vote of the union miners, have sided the strikers in this trouble. It came to such a pass, Mr. Moore says, that an alliance of the business, professional and better men of the community was formed, and a course of action decided upon at a public meeting. A committee of twelve was appointed to call upon the Sheriff, one of the sympathizers, and demand his resignation, one of the arguments used to persuade him being a rope in the hands of determined men. The officer resigned then and there, and his successor was elected on the spot. This same course was taken with several minor officials, and more than one hundred of the strike leaders were either deported or driven from the community. The lowest wages paid to the union men at Cripple Creek before the strike, was \$3 for a day of eight hours, and from that up to \$6.

The above should be read and thoughtfully considered by a lot of fellows in this vicinity who are allowing their minds to be poisoned and their judgment warped by the ravings of an unprincipled and unreliable socialist and semi-anarchist sheet published at Girard, Kansas, and erroneously called "Appeal to Reason." The Kansas paper is a monstrosity that appeals to the ignorance and narrow prejudices of men, and to be influenced by the worthless and unreliable slush that appears in its columns from week to week, is simply showing a very low order of intelligence on the part of the persons so influenced. Men who waste their time reading such damnably worthless and corrupt literature are never benefited thereby, but they are poisoning their own minds and the minds of their posterity, shriveling their souls and helping to betray themselves into final oblivion and damnation.

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A Fool Howl from a Howling Fool.

In last week's Meyersdale Commercial, E. S. McCullough, the big-mouthed jackass and erstwhile Mormon elder from Michigan, attacks the Meyersdale Republican and its editor with all the venom and hog language at his command. He denies that he advised the organized miners of this region to boycott the Republican and the many business men of Meyersdale who declined to go into the Labor Day parade on Sept. 5th. His denial, however, is like the man, it doesn't count for much.

McCullough seems very much afraid that the Republican will turn the Meyersdale business men against him. He needs have no fears along that line, for the business men of this entire region have been against the imported Michigan jackass ever since he started to bray in this coal field. The reason is plain. A jackass is detested on general principles, and especially so when he is continually doing a lot of useless braying a la McCullough.

In his last bray, Jackass McCullough acknowledges that he can't win the strike for the miners, and he calls on Editor Bishop to use his good offices with the coal companies to effect a compromise, and he says that the strike will be called off if 55 cents per ton is offered and full recognition of the union granted.

The proposition comes too late, we fear, and it would be folly to ask the operators to pay 55 cents and grant full recognition of the union. Had the strike managers made that proposition in the outset, there is little or no doubt that it would have been accepted. But instead of using good sense and good diplomacy, the strike managers refused 60 cents a ton when John Meagher made the initial offer, which, if accepted, would likely have established that as the scale price for the region for one year.

The truth is, the strike managers wanted nothing but a strike, so that they could hold down fat jobs that are not to be had when there are no labor troubles. Had the miners of this region acted on their own judgment, instead of being governed by the jaw-smiths and worthless agitators from abroad, they would not now be in the sad predicament that they have allowed the labor grafters to lead them into. The Creek miners used better judgment, and if you go to Frostburg and mingle among them, you will hear them poking all sorts of fun at the miners of this region. They say the miners here are fools for striking when the Creek region is working, and that's just what the strike managers think themselves, but will not admit it on account of their own good jobs, which they are holding at the expense of the poor miner and his family, who must suffer while the strike managers feed at the best hotels and continue to rub their well filled bellies against the beer and champagne counters of the hotel bars.

This is not intended as a defense of Editor Bishop, for he needs none. It is merely to show you that McCullough's tirade is only a fool howl from a howling fool, and even that is self-evident and needs no showing up.

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Their antithetical temperaments are legitimate issues in the campaign, as are their public acts and their political records; but it is not necessary to denounce one as a fraud or to permit anybody to insinuate that the other has been the knowing beneficiary of election frauds.

The American people are in no mood for a mud-slinging campaign. They won't tolerate it.—New York World (Dem.).

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