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It doesn't take very much effort to rattle an empty head.

Well, will we have that democratic banquet? Say yes or no, and be done with it.

The hotel inspector is on his rounds. It will be well to see that your bed sheets are full size.

Why not Roosevelt and Yeiser? Wouldn't John make a daisy candidate for vice president? Well, I guess yes!

Information accumulated during the last ten years has convinced the public that the past sense of the steel tariff is stole.

January may consider that it was very lucky to be permitted to serve out its term without having petitions circulated for its recall.

But few farmers were in town Saturday. The roads were so blocked that it was impossible to get here. The worst drifts in many years.

"The situation as far as President Taft is concerned," says the Hon. James Schoolcraft Sherman, "has improved wonderfully in the last few weeks."

The only safe way to travel over the railroad tracks nowadays is by means of a hand-car, which can be pulled off one side when you see a train coming.

W. R. Hearst has engaged eighteen rooms for the democratic national convention. As he can go to bed in but one at a time, this is just seventeen too many.

The Colonel is a grandfather, but there is no sign of a disposition to stop going out evenings and settle down in the chimney corner.

Owing to the fact that the Sherwood bill has not yet become a law, the pension appropriation bill which passed the house carries with it only \$452,000,000.

Why don't some of our agricultural societies buy the throne of China, which can be had cheap now? It would be fine for a judge's stand for the horse trots.

People who suffer from the rise in kerosene can use candles, but the sufferings of the motorists over the advance in gasoline cannot be helped, as there is no substitute.

If the groundhog called around Oyster Bay or Marse Henri's sanctum, he surely must have hid himself to the deepest corner of his hole, seeing the indication of stormy weather.

Champ Clark, in the New York Independent, says that the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill costs the people of this country \$500,000,000 a year, needlessly. This amounts to \$27.50 for each family. When we remember that the average income of each family in this country amounts to only \$420 a year we see what a burden is this that the republicans have foisted upon the country.

It is becoming customary to put a store in the front window of a store and let him make a marathon run on the piano for thirty hours or so. This, however, is no novelty in the residence neighborhoods.

G. W. Cheney of Union has filed as a republican candidate for representative. No one on the democratic side of the house has yet signified their intention of running.

Let modern weather prophets discredit the groundhog as they will, but it must be observed that the old Mr. Hog saw his shadow early Friday morning, and the next day it snowed.

Governor Aldrich commands Roosevelt to speak up or quit. And, of course, Teddy will do it. He is used to following the dictates of such "small fry" as Aldrich—in your mind.

The president of Princeton says a student just graduated from that college is worth only \$6 a week. It often takes a persistent advertising campaign to dispose of him even at that figure.

Business men are said to be terrorized by the feeling against the trusts. If they can't support their families under present conditions they can help out by keeping chickens in the back yard.

During the last few days President Taft has been suffering from a sore throat. Anyone who has been getting it in the neck as frequently as the president must necessarily have a sore throat.

The strike of the woolen mill employes in Lawrence, Mass., seems to be without any good reason. Many of the workers have been receiving as high as \$5.50 a week, whether they needed it or not.

The first thing the democrats want to do in order to succeed is to get rid of those deadbeats who are always hanging around for places to drop in in case the party is successful. They are coming to the front now, and some of them have even filed for state offices. If nominated someone will have to pay their campaign expenses.

Aldrich is determined to raise another row in Omaha, and has ordered the attorney general to go there and "stir up things" in general. When the governor can't find anything else to keep his name before the people of the state he raises Cain with Omaha. Aldrich seems to be revengeful. He hasn't forgotten the small vote he received for his present position, and if he keeps doing as he has been doing he won't get a corporal's guard at the next election.

All the democrats want this year is a ticket composed of good, reliable candidates—whose records and characters will bear inspection. There are some candidates already filed for state offices, who, if nominated, will carry the entire ticket down in defeat. Under the primary election system you can't help their being candidates, but the voters should post themselves on the character of the men who are running, and then vote for those whom they know are well fitted for the various positions.

The fact that Metcalfe "bolted" the nomination of Dahlman during the last campaign is, of course, working against him in certain quarters. But, on the other hand, may it not be equally true that his "bolt" has strength-

ened him in other quarters? If the opposition to Metcalfe's candidacy is basing its hopes solely on Metcalfe's bolt, it is due for a shock. There is no disguising the fact that Metcalfe's candidacy for the nomination is growing in strength every day. It is being managed by a master hand, and it is achieving unusual publicity. Whether Metcalfe as the nominee would be as strong as Metcalfe for the nomination is beside the present question. Those who sit down and quietly figure that because "Met" bolted he cannot be nominated would better wake up. —Will Maupin's Weekly.

Senator Banning has filed with the secretary of state. There will be no opposition to him for the nomination of senator.

These straw votes that are being taken in some of the cities can't be any indication as to how the people will vote. For instance, in Lincoln, Roosevelt, in a straw vote, received 160 votes and Mr. Bryan only 10. But Bryan is not a candidate.

The railroads offer to give Denver \$50,000 for its Auditorium in return for the use of a certain street. Although the money would have to pass through politicians' hands the offer may be a good one, and Denver can get a \$12,500 pipe organ for nothing.

Ex-United States Senator William V. Allen has declared his intention of supporting Governor Harmon of Ohio for president. The republicans don't like this action on the part of ex-Senator Allen, but why we are unable to fathom. And we don't suppose the senator cares who objects to his support of Mr. Harmon, either.

Some people have views on the presidential question, and they think they are right, but they are not willing to concede to others the same privileges if they disagree with them. Every voter has a right to his own views and is privileged to vote for those candidates whom he desires to see nominated. This is yet a free country, and will be as long as the American flag is allowed to float over it.

It is about time for the state inspector of stallions to come around and yank \$5 out of each stallion owner in Cass county. This is certainly the biggest graft ever perpetrated upon the owners. Now, we desire to ask the question, and would like for someone who knows to answer: Who gets this money—the state or the examiner? It is an imposition and the law making such compulsion should be repealed by the next legislature.

There is no use of trying to force upon the party a candidate who cannot command the united support of the party at the general election. This has been tried and would not work, and you can't force the voters to do something they do not want to do. It is always best to nominate men whose records as democrats are clear and clean. There is no use to run any risks on this matter when we have plenty of true and tried democrats who can unite the party in their support.

The public will hardly fail to regard the steady increase in the price of oil and oil products as an attempt on the part of the owners of the various component parts of the Standard Oil trust to discipline the public. Three times in the thirty-odd days that have passed since the end of 1911, the price of crude oil has been advanced, and each time there was a corresponding raise in the price of the refined products. Gasoline and petroleum now cost 2 cents a gallon more than they did on January 1.

Valentine day will soon be here —February 14.

Oldest empire at an end, and a republic now assured for China.

The rubber trust announces that it will not stretch prices this year.

The campaign has become too strenuous for Senator La Follette, and he is compelled to take a rest.

Old weather prophets insist that we will have an early spring. We hope so. It's certainly due us.

Teddy is a clever politician, all right, but Dorothy Dix can write rings around him on the subject of woman's rights.

Sheriff Gus Myers of Lancaster county has a first-class damage suit filed against him and only in office a little over a month.

The beef barons couldn't get even any other way, and now they are accused of destroying the records. That's one way of defeating the government.

The potato crop having failed, people are urged to eat rice. Newly married couples can get several meals from the offerings made at their wedding.

Congressmen who are anxious for a nice summer trip begin to prick up their ears when this international commission on the cost of loving is mentioned.

The Moderator, published at Omaha, is not slow in speaking its sentiments, and the way it goes for the fellows who need "jacking up" and get it right straight from the shoulder is a caution.

The expenditure of \$20,000 for the Lake Champlain celebration is being criticised, but anything that keeps a number of congressmen out of mischief for several days is to be regarded tolerantly.

There is nothing to indicate, if Thomas Ryan walked up to Tammany Hall with a campaign contribution, that they would throw the money indignantly into New York harbor.

While dissolution of trusts might not start competition among the dissolved members, some of the retailers might feel that they could handle independent goods without hiding their heads between the partitions.

A Lincoln minister declares the church's influence must be utilized in solving problems of labor. Perhaps if this question had been taken up in the church years ago there would not be so much suffering in the country now.

From reports over the country we do not think "Fatty" Taft need be alarmed about his renomination. With the postmasters and federal officers booming him, is a great power within itself that is hard to down.

Sausage makers are petitioning the government pure food authorities for permission to keep their process a secret. Sausage makers are foremost among those who should not be allowed to do anything of the sort.

The democratic party has always opposed machine politics, and the men who undertake to establish such a system within the ranks of that party will get it where the chicken got the ax, sooner or later.

A new source of food supply has been found in petroleum. The public, however, may view it with suspicion, remembering what it did to John D. Rockefeller's stomach.

Yeiser and Rosewater! Now, candidly, isn't that a pretty pair to draw to?

It cannot be said that the American people fail to do their presidential shopping early.

The price of rubber, they say, has fallen, but we see no evidence of this fact in the price of rubber goods.

People would be more comfortable if they threw away the thermometer, but what would become of the soda fountain man?

Egg-shaped hats are to be among this season's Easter millinery offerings. It is to be inferred that the price, also, will be egg-like.

Harper's Weekly now knows the folly of supporting a candidate for the presidency without first having a license from the proper authority.

Senator Hitchcock will be a candidate for delegate-at-large to the national convention. Well, we don't know of anyone that has a better right to go as such.

The seed corn proposition is a matter now to be looked after. And the farmers who look after this matter in time are the ones who will profit by good crops next season. There's no mistake about that.

It is rumored that the express companies may be required to reduce rates on packages. It would conform with their reputations as philanthropists if they soon came down before Uncle Sam blazes away.

People all over the state are getting ready to open the good roads campaign as soon as the proper season opens. More road work will be done this year in Cass county than in any two previous years.

AN AGGRESSIVE INDUSTRY.

When the automobile first came into popular favor in this country, most of the cars were imported from Europe. Year by year up to 1906, the imports of machines exceeded the exports, although the margin of difference showed a gradual decrease. In 1906 the imports and the exports were about equal. That year was the last of the ascendancy of the foreign-made car. The imports into this country began to decrease rapidly, while the exports grew by leaps and bounds, until in the calendar year 1911 the balance of automobile trade in favor of the United States was more than \$19,000,000. The total of exports was \$21,600,000, while the value of imports was only \$2,400,000.

No better statistical statement than this can be made of the progress of the automobile manufacturing industry of America. The increased consumption of cars in this country is being more and more supplied by domestic manufacture, while the growing demand abroad is being more and more satisfied by our production.

It can be said now that the American automobile leads the world, and the crack cars of France, Italy, Germany and England are suffering in competition with America's best.

The enterprise that has enabled this country to take the lead over the rest of the world is no better exemplified than by the circumstances under which the automobile shows will be held during the coming season.

Though the exhibitions are of nature of a public enterprise, the automobile men have gone ahead on their own hook, soliciting no public aid save that of sympathy with their purpose, and general co-operation with them.

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