Ghoulish Capers of Teddy Roosevelt.

WAVING THE BLOODY SHIRT.

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TOREVER BLOWING HIS OWN HORN.

end Denies His Comrades Their Just Honors-Doing His Best to tweken bettional Differences. Towne's Mental Equipment-Repub-Fincking to West Virginia

Special Washington Letter Palated by the hand that draws the bloody whirt from its dishopored grave And waves it in the face of the American people to stir up strife! That's my septiment and it comes warm from my heart. And that is precisely the ghoultsh raper that Governor Roosevelt is now cuttling before high beaven. For this cuipable and inexcusable persullen sele smid a storm which rocked the world to its foundations, murmuring. "Tete d'armee." The immortal Corsican had a right to be an egotist. He had accomplished mary elousthings, but Teids's achievements, both in peace and in war, are mere bagatelles.

Thackeray save that George IV had knighted so many people for beroism on the field and had presented so many banners to returning regiments during the Napoleonic wars that he finally bewirls of Colonel Brook, had led a tremendens charge of the Scotch highlanders at Waterloo. Teddy seems to labor moder the same sort of hallucingconclude that he captured Vicksburg. conquered at Gerrysburg and compelled for surrender of General Lobert E.

The Men Who Blows His Horn. Mark Twam said. "Blessed is the

first who bloweth bit own horn, leaf-I be not blown." Tedds numer has read that bit of sareastic philosophy. written by the great Missour, humofet, and not only has he taken it to heart, but adopted it we the mile and guide of his faith and practice for asso expited his own born. He blows it long loud and on wil occasions. But that to a vental sin if sin it be and injures no one except his fellow soldiers of honors justly due them: But dragging the bloody short out of its tomb for persound policical reasons in . Noin unpurconside against the Amet. An people By we doing Colonel Roosevelt not only North Edward down as a Cheap John demagogue, but as a pestilent disturber of the public peace.

Two Kinds of Republicans.

There are Republicans and Republic gue becauteen times this summer had joint discussions with Hon. Johntoun fremus- Dolliner, the new sens ter from lows Always in enumerat benefits of the Spanish war If Tedd by right, Jonathan is wrong and there is no "reunited your-If Jonathan is correct. Toldy Abelia for personal gam seeks to be upbroil the various sections of the counwas none of my from the except on ver had received that vice presidential 2 short against him - and abould be in being rescued from an ambush; a hero who dies and discovered strongered has will boasts of shooting a fleeing foe in the back; a tional all the amerigles to reintroducing galleries to obtain a nomination that be does not the error hat which would be the west, a gentleman who charges six and a half greatest culamety that rould befull the millions of his fellow countrymen with lawlessness,

foved to think about, and that is the tisan lariat and yelling like an intellectual Co-8th of March, 1808, when the house of marche. representatives, without a man misstag-Democrats Republicans, Populists as this campaign will furnish. It is and free silverites-performed the most classical, forceful, true and has a stuperdous act of confidence witnessed. Juniuslike unish that is charming. knoong men since the morning stars first sang together for joy by giving in. The Republicans are on the run to the hands of the president without everywhere. They are scared. Straws

dewy eve." elequence - patriotic ele- self back into the senate for another quence-was on tap in the house of term by going about bawling at the representatives that day. It gushed top of his voice that Senator William like a geyser, it overflowed the audi- A. Clark of Montana is endeavoring ence; it enthused the American people. to compass his defeat, just as he re-We thought for sure that we had a re- elected himself once by exhibiting to united country that day, but now comes his sympathizing constituents the ear Boosevelt to labor incessantly to en- which Joe Blackburn pulled nearly gender bad blood. He ought to be com- off. If the New Hampshire people pelied to commit to memory all the can be fooled by any such cheap and patriotic speeches delivered in the transparent trick as that, they are big-

Astonishing Bryanphobin,

brain of the editor of The Globe-Democrat. Its Bryanphobia is so astonishing that it undertakes to make people the seeming falling off of population in Omaha and Lincoln. I say "seeming again, falling off" advisedly, for people at all familiar with the facts know that not only in Omaha and Lincoln, but in a there was a systematic and wholesale padding of the census in 1890. The rivalry among cities led to that result. But The Globe-Democrat labors under the delusion-a species of midsummer madness-that because Omaha and Lincolu have shrunk in population-if they have shrunk-the country is depopulated to that extent! What consummate idiocy! Does The Globe-Democrat suppose - really does it - that because a few thousand people left Omaha and The Deluded Globe-Democrat-Solid Lincoln they expatriated themselves Delegation From Texas - C. A. and sought homes in foreign lands? And doesn't The G.-D. know that it on the Run - Repeaters writes itself down an ass-a malignant one at that-by attributing loss of population-if loss there be-in Omaha and

Lincoln to William J. Bryan?

A Fighter From Texas. Certain Republicans are laying the flattering unction to their souls that they can defeat that brave old Democratic warnerse, Colonel Rudolph Kle berg of the Rio Grande district of Texas, but they are reckoning without their host, for Colonel Kleberg is a fighter from away back. There are no frills or fuss and feathers about your Uncle Rudolph. He quietly whets his snickersee and goes after them, and when he gets through they are not. The reason why the enemy thinks he can capture Kleberg's district is that the Democrats had a big fight for the nomination. Wonder these Republican editors never learn that Democrats are like cats a fighting-"more fight, more cats." So true is this that when the Texas Democracy was split in twain some years ago The Globe-Democrat mournfully remarked, "Perhaps the Democratic majority in Texas can be kept below the 200,000 mark this year."

It's a 10 to 1 shot that the Democrats of Texas will redeem Colonel Hawley's district and send a solid Democratic dejegation to congress instead of losing Kleberg's district.

Dr. Richard Bartholdt of St. Louis will get his congressional tail pulled. server it looks as if he had, as he has been receiving 8,000 and 10,000 majorities, but if the doctor depends on past majorities be is likely to find himself ausgespielt." for the Democrats have acted with rare good sense and have nominated against him Licutement Governor A. H. Bolte, who is a splendid man and a magnificent campaigner, especially strong with the Germans, who are not stuck on Dr. Bartholdt's imperialistic ideas. He is a jolly good fellow. I count him among my personal friends, but I do not believe that he represents the sentiments of his constituents on the political issues as they now present themselves. Germans love liberty, and, what's more, they came to this country to secure liberty, and I have never believed and do not now believe that they will indorse McHanna imperialism.

Charles A. Towne. Of all the Republicans and Populists

now co-operating with the Democrats none has more brains than Charles A. Towne. He is a man of the highest character and highest capacity. His conduct in refusing a vice presidential nomination and in putting his services where they will do the most good is proof positive that he is a patriot. There is no better political literature than Towne's speeches. His silver speech in congress gave him an international reputation as an orator. He campaign. maintains on the stump and on the

pound of scoid and scullion. As to its facts, it abounds in inaccuracies which, if accidental, are meaplicable as coming from a man who has performed creditably work in history and biography. But the world is accustomed to inconsistencies from Mr. Hoosevelt. It has long looked upon him as a predestined and incorrigible eccentric. It has given up attempting to explain him or to reconcile him with himself. It is quite impossinot, to make an entirely satisfactory diagnosis of Mchinley be elected by any a civil service reformer in partnership with though it looks like a 2 to menduntees, a leader in battle who finds glory amdidate who plays and poses to delegates and dishonesty and cowardice; a statesman who, mounted on a holby, rides roughly at grave ques-There is one day that I have always tions in economics and politics, swinging his per-

That is as neat a piece of skinning

Republicans on the Run (88) to be used for the public defense. Up in the old Granite State Hon. Wil-From more to noon, from poon to liam E. Chandler is trying to pull him-

house that day. It would do him good ger fools than Thompson's celebrated unless his habit of self worship is ab- colt, which swam the Mississippi river to get a drink. Chandler says that Clark has sworn to spend \$100,000 The intense heat of the last two to compass his defeat. The chances mouths has apparently affected the are that Clark wouldn't give 100 cents to beat Chandler, and nobody knows it better than Chandler hims if. He is simply making his race under false believe that Bryan is responsible for pretenses in order to keep a Democrat out of the senate and to lift himself in

> Out in Indiana the friends of Hon. Charles B. Landis are also scared and, strange to say, are endeavoring to work on the Hoosier voters a game of bunko very similar to the one Senator Chandler is playing up in New Hampshire. The Landis rooters, seeing him about to lose his seat in congress to a Democrat, have raised the bue and cry that Brigham H. Roberts of Utah is raising beaven and earth and expending a large sum of hard cash to beat Landis. What arrant nonsense! What cheap demagogy! What miserable claptrap! Landis bad no more to do with putting Roberts out than did a dozen others, not much more than about 200 others, and Roberts knows that. Then why should Roberts single out Landis for vengeance any more than Judge Lanham of Texas? It's all bosh and shows the sore straits in which Republican candidates find

> not the only Republican statesman who uses Roberts as a bogy man. Hon. Robert W. Taylor of Ohio started the same canard to save himself from being defeated for the nomination, and, wonderful to tell, the trick worked like a charm. I really wonder how many more of them are going to try to save their congressional bacon by yelling: "Help, good people; help! That man Roberts is after me." Roberts, even if fool enough to undertake it, would have to be richer than Cræsus to do much toward punishing the men who bounced him. I helped to do that thing myself. I took a humble part in the purification of congress. I helped to keep him out, but I am not idiot enough to believe that Roberts could control even one vote in the congressional district which I have the honor to represent. Landis must have a marvelous lot of constituents if he fears the malign influence of Roberts upon them. He really believes nothing of the sort, and the Roberts business is a bold, bald play to the galleries.

Repeaters In West Virginia. But in West Virginia the badly scarwill have to keep his optic peeled or he ed Republican leaders are playing a The doctor thinks he has a lead pipe early date they are importing colored You will feel better if you voluntarily cinch on that district. To a casual ob- beelers and repeaters by the carload pay and we will be saved the labor and they will "work on the railroad" -one the wise is sufficient. day-the day of the election! After "working on the railroad" the first half of that day they will journey over into Kentucky and "work on the railroad" thousand nomadic colored brothers "to see it. work on the railroad" on election day Republicans are scared, but it should be remembered that they are most dan-Democratic managers everyfair deal this time and that no such wholesale colonization and stuffing of the ballot box are permitted this time as took place in 1896. If elections are always to be conducted on the corrupt plan of 1896, we might as well save the expenses of the farce and boldly and openly put the offices up at auction and knock them down to the highest

Victors Jab at Teddy.

But Mr. Towne is not the only person that seems disposed to take a fall out of Colonel Roosevelt. That bright and sparkling independent journal, the Washington Post, makes this vicious jab at Teddy:

This is not the first time Teddy the Terrible has been compelled to wriggle out of an unpleasant predicament. It will be recalled that the question of tax paying slipped into his gubernatorial

As a friend and constant reader of platform the vast reputation then and The Post I voluntarily and without there made. In his Duluth speech charge advise it to "look a leedle out" Towne tackled "Teddy the Terror." or the hero of Oyster Bay will swoop and the artistic manner in which he down upon Washington, lasso it and flayed that self constituted hero adds dump it into the Potomac. Just as he largely to the gayety of nations. In is blossoming out as the great apostle speaking of Teddy's St. Paul barangue of purity and light, it is bad manners in The Post to jog the people's memory The speech is with rare exception, an alternation about Teddy's career as a tax dodger, of evanion and assertion. In spirit it is a com- and recalls Bourke Cockran's great argument against the income tax, to wit: "That the passage of the income tax bill would force the poor persecuted downtrodden plutocrats of New York to commit perjury in order to escape payment." If a hero is not permitted to dodge his taxes, what's the use in being a hero? Let the Washington Post answer that or forever hold its

The Globe-Democrat is the Mark Tapley of American politics. It is always cheerful, forever hopeful. Just at present it is trying to delude itself and its readers by asserting that Democratic leaders in Missouri fear a slump if not a defeat. I commend to it a careful perusal of the following beautiful poem by my friend Ripley D. Saunders

HOT TIMES IN OLD MISSOURL Hot times in old Missouri When August days come round.

And campaign speakers make the state A big debating ground. Hot times! Hot times! But the game must still be played-Hot times with oratory at

When August days chip in With politics to make the blood Like lava in your skin. Hot times! Hot times! But not a soul dismayed! Bring on your oratory at One hundred in the shade!

Hot times in old Missouri

He's At It Again

W. E. Curtis, the Chicago Record

least thing to help in the election of Bryan. Then he wrote some letters and found that they were destroying his reputation as a liar, for in them he acknowledged that Croker was in earnest and that there was danger that he and Hill would carry the state of New York for Bryan. Then he went over into the anthracite coal region and took up his old trade again. The following are the most recent specimens of his work:

'Eight or ten cars of coal are the result of an ordinary day's work, for which the miner is paid from 70 cents a car upward, according to the character of the vein of coal in which he gets \$7 a day. From this he pays his assistant \$1.60 a day and his powder bill, which is \$1 or so, and finds himself with \$4.40 or thereabouts as the net earnings of the day.'

"The women claim that when their husbands are paid in cash they speed-By the way, it appears that Landis is lily seek the saloons and generally come home drunk, with empty pockets. on pay day, whereas if they are paid in store orders such misfortunes cannot occur. As a rule the miners are drinking men, and pay-day always is attended with more or less domestic disturbance. The dissolute miners are said to be behind the demand for the abolition of the company stores.'

These "pluck me" stores in which miners are forced to trade have long since been abolished in every civilized country except this, but now comes W. E. Curtis, chief staff correspondent of the Chicago Record, and says that the dissolute miners are the ones who want these skinning shops abolished.

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The PoetFor Bryan

W. A. Crofut of Saratoga Springs, gerous when most scared, and Demo- N. Y., the author of the World's Fair poem, who was formerly editor of the Minneapolis Tribune, and who now where should see to it that we have a proudly describes himself as a Bryan republican, has reached South Dakota and will meet the democratic leader at Yankton. He has been on the stump for Bryan for several weeks and will spend some days in South

What Steuffer Did

Editor Independent: I write you to recall a little of the record of William Steuffer, candidate for state treasurer on the republican ticket.

As a member of the senate of 1895. he served on a committee to investigate the solvency of Bartley's bondsmen. Bradstreet's agency furnished all the information the committee got hold of, which was to the effect that of all the men on the bond only two were solvent and they together were worth to the bond about \$700,000.

Notwithstanding this adverse report on the part of the agency, the republican majority of the committee consisting of Messrs. Akers and Steuffer reported to the senate that the bond was absolutely good for the \$2,000,000 it called for. When Bartley went out short \$600,000 he had the money farmed out to friends. Dietrich and Steuffer are bankers. If elected they would be members of the board of school lands and funds. This shows connection between the present and old gang of republicans and the possibilities in store if they are elected. J. N. CAMPBELL.

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correspondent, seems determined that the reputation he has acquired as the most accomplished liar of the last decade of the Nineteenth century shall not become deteriorated. A while ago he went down to New York and fairly maintained it by writing letters to the effect that Croker and Hill were the effect that Croker and Hill were conflict to the death and conflict to the death an

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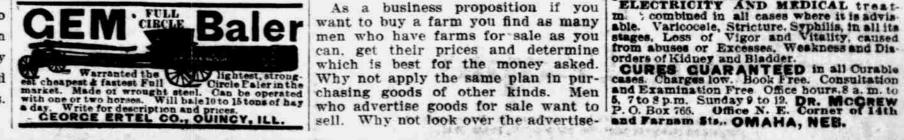
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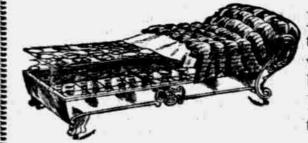
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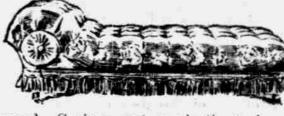
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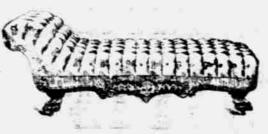
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