



Mansfield (O.) Shield: Bristow furnishes the words and Roosevelt should furnish the deeds.

Ironton (O.) Irontonian: Even the mills and furnaces have taken Hanna's advice and are "standing pat."

Steubenville (O.) Gazette: The adulation of Cleveland by professed democrats shows that they are as false as he is.

Middletown (O.) Signal: The republicans claim the credit for our past prosperity, but they say that the present business depression has nothing to do with politics.

St. Clairsville (O.) Gazette: Mr. Hanna's boom is not assuming the proportions his friends hoped. Teddy was smart enough to put Mark on record before the Ohio election.

Manson (Ia.) Democrat: Chicago bids \$50,000 for the next republican convention, with good chances of getting it. What would be more appropriate than the Windy City for a republican gathering?

Wilmington (Del.) Jeffersonian: It was no fault of the democratic party that Grover Cleveland made a fool of them in 1892. But it will be their fault if they permit him to make a fool of them in 1904.

Chillicothe (O.) News-Advertiser: Creator Hanna's attacks on General Wood recalls to mind that when a democrat made the least mention of an American army officer's shortcomings Hanna called it firing from the rear.

Fostoria (O.) Times: The disposition of our republican friends to give all the glory of the late victory to Senator Hanna must jar on the egotism of a few disaffected democrats who claim they did it with their little hatchets.

Carrollton (Ill.) Gazette: There is yellow journalism and there is white-livered journalism. The former sympathizes with the plain people and the latter advocates the interests of the highly respectable (?) rich. You pay your money and you take your choice.

Aurora (Neb.) Register: The farmer is getting less for stock, the expenses of living are not decreasing. The public was wheedled into voting that "confidence," not money, was all that the country needed and they are now learning how close the resemblance between "confidence" and "trust."

Elkader (Ia.) Democrat: All this talk about the trusts being opposed to President Roosevelt is perhaps manufactured for effect, mere pretense, to throw the great body of the people off their guard. Hanna, Platt, Quay, Elkins, Gas Addicks, and scores of other trust magnates, including Morgan Rockefeller et al., intend to support him.

Portsmouth (N. H.) Times: If Han-

na is to continue as chairman there is every reason why Heath should continue as secretary and absolutely no reason why he should get out. Moreover, the chances are that he will thus continue or Hanna himself will refuse to hold the rudder and guide the republican hulk over the breakers that threaten its safety.

Madison (Mich.) Gazette: President Roosevelt is as two-sided on the tariff question as the late President McKinley was on the financial question. There is nothing that pleases the republican party so much as leaders who are able to ride two horses at the same time. It is a regular circus for them and all in one ring for the same price of admission.

Glouster (O.) Press: It is said that President Roosevelt will appoint John Mitchell, president of the Mine Workers, to a place in his next cabinet. If this rumor is founded on the truth, it seems nothing more than a case of the president counting his chickens before they are hatched. Some other man may have the choosing of the next cabinet.

Anoka (Minn.) Free Press: Grover Cleveland does not want to be president any more. He says his determination to that effect is "unalterable and conclusive." This determination on his part will save Mr. Cleveland a great deal of unnecessary worry, for the democratic party would as soon think of electing Mark Hanna as Grover Cleveland for president.

Jefferson City (Mo.) Democrat: Under no conditions or circumstances could Grover Cleveland be prevailed upon to become a candidate for the presidency, and under no possible condition could he be nominated were he desirous of such honor. In other words, Mr. Cleveland's boom has subsided into a state of innocuous desuetude. Thou harmless boom, sleep thou a quiet sleep.

Crete (Neb.) Democrat: The Twentieth regiment left San Francisco, December 1, for Manila. The transport Sumner arrived November 21 in New York with 162 bodies of dead soldiers. We send them out and bring them back for the cemetery or the pension roll. This is a good sample of the fruit the empire tree bears and it is conclusive proof to the plungers that we are a world power.

Mt. Gilead (O.) Register: Men who vote to sustain Mark Hanna, the head and heart of trusts and monopolies, must not now complain when hard times strike them, as the Ohio Patriot suggests. Idleness and want stare thousands of laboring men in the face. Trust magnates must have their dividends. They cut wages and they squeeze the consumers. Between the two the "captains of industry" wax rich.

Upper Sandusky (O.) Chief: A Columbus republican paper in its telegraphic news columns states that 72,000 mill operatives in the New En-

gland states were cut 10 per cent in wages this week, and that the International Harvester company, with headquarters at Chicago, had decided to lay off 7,500 of its 19,000 employees, thus affecting a saving to the trust of \$5,000,000 a year in wages. This is what is called prosperity.

Cameron (Mo.) Sun: In a letter to the Brooklyn Eagle, Grover Cleveland announces that his determination not to be a presidential candidate is "unalterably and conclusive." It may be a consolation to the great Grover to know that the determination of the democrats of this country is equally as "unalterably and conclusive" that he shall not be a candidate. This is the first instance on record where Grover has been in perfect harmony with the democratic sentiment of the United States.

Tiffin (O.) News: Some one should whisper in the ear of Arthur P. Gorman that if he expects the vote of any considerable number of the Ohio delegates in the next democratic national convention, his Ohio campaign should be placed in other hands than those who have become recreant to the cause of democracy. Men who have been honored by the democratic party and afterward have turned and rended the hand which has caressed them, have no place in the democratic councils and precious little influence with democratic electors.

Emmettsburg (Ia.) Democrat: Grover Cleveland has at last announced that under no circumstances will he be a candidate for the democratic nomination for president in 1904. Though he has had his ear to the ground for a long time to make up his mind about the advisability of declining. He was never seriously in the race. He lost his standing with democracy in 1896 when he sold the party out to the money lords of Wall street. People respect a frank, manly opponent, but they have little use for a political trader or traitor.

Comments on the Message.

Joplin Globe: From beginning to end the document makes apparent the fact that Mr. Roosevelt is quite pleased with Mr. Roosevelt's administration.

Kansas City World: The message lacks much of being a "ringing one." It is wanting in the forceful initiative which usually distinguishes the utterances of Roosevelt. The president is put in the attitude of a defender, rather than an augur, of policies.

Houston Post: The president's message is a sort of hit or miss document. It strikes the governmental earth in the high places, enlarges upon favorite themes with characteristic cock-sureness, and between the lines sings a song of rejoicing that the country is so fortunate in its presidential equipment.

Mobile Item: The president's message was but little more than a rehash of what has been often said before. It is an imperfect review of the acts of the administration, with explanations that do not explain, and some

indefinite promises of the future. It will not appear an especially brilliant illumination beside other messages that have been filed for future inspection.

Birmingham News: The effort is that of an academician rather than that of a statesman.

Detroit Times: We frankly confess that we cannot conceive of a more miserable "flunk" on the part of a president from whom so much was expected in this particular. Given the additional anti-trust legislation for which he asked and \$500,000 with which to enforce it, Mr. Roosevelt has not begun a suit of any kind against any of these corporate robbers, gives no explanation of his failure to act, asks for no more legislation and then has the gall to ask the permission of congress to divert from its original purpose the \$500,000 that was appropriated last year for the prosecution of the trusts.

Buffalo Courier: The message is not an interesting state document, apart from the special plea to the people in behalf of the Roosevelt doctrine as enunciated in the Panama affair. Plainly, Mr. Roosevelt has learned the apprehensive feeling of the public excited by his strange new policy, and would like to allay it; but it will increase rather than subside when the whole subject matter is ventilated in the course of the discussion of the proposed treaty by the senate.

Milwaukee News: The "buster" has been curbed and shackled and cunning and greed roam at large.

The Negro in Revelation.

This is a book that needed to be written. It is bound to have wide circulation. It will do good wherever it is read. It is a capital book for the negro himself to have. It is eminently fitted to inspire rational self-respect, and above all, hope. For never was a truer word uttered than that saying of Paul, "We are saved by hope." This is as true of the colored man as of any other man. Whatsoever tends to build up hope makes for the salvation of his manhood. The first great epoch-making book ever put forth by any southern man was that by Dr., afterwards Bishop, A. G. Haygood, some thirty years ago, entitled, "Our Brother in Black." Since then the best book of the kind is this one by Rev. J. J. Pipkin, "The Negro in Revelation, in History and in Citizenship."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Must See Hanna.

The reference to Perry Heath in the president's memorandum accompanying the Bristow report was taken to be an invitation for Heath to resign his position as secretary of the republican national committee. Before Heath is removed, Senator Hanna will have to be consulted and Hanna has never yet abandoned one of his thieves. He will stand by Heath just as he has by Rathbone. There are constant tilts between the president and Hanna, but "Brer Hanna he lay low and say nuffin'."—Nebraska Independent.

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