

form. He will be held to a strict accounting of this stewardship. There can be no doubt of Taft's honesty or his ability. It will be his part to decide whether his party shall become progressive or remain conservative or reactionary. Upon that decision will depend much in the political future of this nation and of his party.

The future of the democratic party, of Mr. Bryan, the effect of this election upon the growth of socialism, its effect on third and new party movements, and many other topics readily suggest themselves to the editorial mind at this time. In due season we will discuss these matters at length.

We can not close, however, without a word as to Mr. Bryan. Any one who thinks his career is closed is blind, indeed. Mr. Bryan will probably never be president of this country. With Clay, Webster and Calhoun, Blaine and Reed, he will pass beyond with a great and worthy ambition unrealized. But William J. Bryan does not need the presidency to insure him a great place in history. The future will be kinder to Mr. Bryan than the present or the past. When a few generations shall have gone by and we all shall be no more, Bryan and his career, Bryan and his principles will be properly revered. They say Bryan is defeated. We say a noble career like his can know no defeat. If we are the one paper in the nation to say it today, the Union is still for Bryan and the things for which he stands.—New Haven Union.

**COMMISSIONS UNDER SCRUTINY**

One item of federal expense that seems to be attracting some attention in Washington during the general revision of estimates that is now in progress is that which covers the cost of the various commissions appointed during the past few years. There are more than a dozen of these bodies in existence and in one way and another the total outlay involved by them is annually raised to an exceedingly high figure. Some of the commissions are now firmly established as parts of the governmental mechanism, others are confessedly temporary, though showing no signs of terminating their labors, and still others will supposedly pass out of being as soon as the exigency which called them into operation has passed. What is apparent, however, is that the habit of doing work through such organizations, nearly unknown a few years ago, is growing, and as some of those now in existence pass away others will be likely to take their place. That is why the cost of this method of administration is now under scrutiny.—New York Journal of Commerce.

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**SENATOR ALDRICH**

Thousands will gladly hear the news that Senator Aldrich will not be a candidate for re-election four years hence. Perhaps his age begins to tell upon him; perhaps he reads the signs of the times aright. If so, he must know that the day has passed when a senator in such conspicuous relations with some of the greatest business interests can remain peacefully and comfortably in Washington. It is the presence of Senator Aldrich and Speaker Cannon as party leaders which makes it so hard for Mr. Roosevelt to convince everybody that his is a reformed republican party. It is but half reformed; it is a house divided against itself, with a process of elimination going on which a few years hence may have really separated the party from its Siamese twin, the protected interests. It is a comforting reflection for every one who wishes to see business and politics kept at a safe distance from one another that this process of regeneration will go on.—New York Evening Post.

**MAY KEEP MILLIONS HERE**

It would seem that there has been hardly any stronger argument adduced in favor of postal savings banks than these figures, showing how much money is sent abroad by alien laborers on this continent. Last year over \$17,000,000 went to Austria-Hungary, and nearly \$10,000,000 to Russia, in postal orders. That money was all earned here, and, of course, the men who earned it had a right to do what they chose with it; but it does seem a shame that the American people, who paid this money in wages, should be deprived of the benefit that would accrue from its being deposited in American banks. Undoubtedly the question will come up before the approaching session of congress, and such has been popular education and argument on the subject that it seems more than likely that the necessary legislation will be enacted.—Washington (D. C.) Herald.

**A NEW USE FOR CHEESE**

An English farmer recently went into a restaurant in Liverpool and called for some bread and cheese. "What kind would you like, sir?" inquired the waiter. "Cheshire, Yorkshire or Gorgonzola?" "Fancy name, that last," said the farmer; "I'll try a bit of that." He thought it so tasty that he bought a pound, took it home for his wife late at night, and left it for her on the sideboard in the kitchen. Next morning he came in from his before-breakfast round and asked her if she had found the parcel. "Oh, yes," she replied, "I saw it there all right, and very good mottled soap it is, no doubt, when you know how to use it. But I couldn't make it lather very well when I washed the children, and after I'd done they smelled so strong that I've turned 'em out for a breath of fresh air, just to sweeten 'em a bit before they go to school."—Everybody's Magazine.

**A CONCESSION**

A certain college president was entertaining a freshman at dinner, when the conversation turned upon football. To the student's surprise, the president displayed a thorough familiarity with the game, and proceeded to discuss it as earnestly as though it had been Greek or mathematics. Indeed, his treatment of the topic brought out so many points that the freshman had overlooked, that the youth was moved to remark to his hostess: "Well, this talk with President Blank has showed me how true it is we never meet any one from whom we can't learn something."—Lippincott's.

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