

# OPENS THE CAMPAIGN.

## VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE WATSON SPEAKS.

He Declares that the Populists are Going to Vote for Bryan Whether Sewell is Withdrawn or Not—He's Going to Manage His Own Campaign in a Way that is Going to Insure the Populist Vote for Mr. Bryan.

### Tom Watson Speaks.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 8.—Thomas E. Watson opened his vice presidential campaign last night with an address two hours in length, delivered before an audience of 3,000 people in the rough shed used for the Moody revival meetings several months ago. Mr. Watson appealed at the outset for a non-partisan hearing, declaring that he spoke with bitterness to none and in behalf of the men who held the plow, who used the hoe, who wielded the hammer. If God gave him strength, he declared, he would plead the cause of these people through pens of reporters present before 65,000,000 people in the morning.

He entered into an enumeration of the reform demands of the Populists, indicting the government for high crimes and misdemeanors in the granting of the governmental power of making money to a special class; in the unfair levying of taxes which laid the heavy hand of tribute upon those least able to sustain it; in closing the mints to the free and unlimited coinage of silver; in leaving the great public highways of the country in the control of grasping corporations, who levied tribute upon the people who were compelled to use them, and in the corruption of the ballot.

Mr. Watson explained at length his course in leaving the Democratic party after having been elected to Congress as a Democrat and by the machinery of the Democratic party. He said that his opponent had run as a straight platform Democrat, while he had made his race on the Alliance platform and was pledged to stand by that platform though the heavens fall. Furthermore, the national Alliance convention had instructed those Congressmen elected on the Alliance platform not to go into the caucuses of either of the two great parties. Not only had he felt bound to stand by principles rather than party, but he had seen then as he saw now that the only chance for Jeffersonian Democracy was to unite the farmers of the South with the farmers of the West. To do that required a new party. The Southern Democrat could not be induced to go into the Republican party, nor could the Western Republican be induced to enter the Democratic party. A common rallying point was absolutely necessary. When Congress met in 1892 eleven Western Congressmen stepped out of the Republican party.

"Of the thirty Southern Congressmen elected on the Alliance platform, how many stepped out of the Democratic party?" exclaimed Mr. Watson. "Only one, and thank God I can say it, I was that one."

He explained further that he had allowed himself to be run for speaker simply to emphasize the South's desire to meet the West half way in the common battle against the East. In conclusion Mr. Watson made this significant statement: "We are not going to put up any candidate against Bryan. We are going to vote for Bryan, whether Sewell is withdrawn or not. I'm going to manage this campaign so that W. J. Bryan gets every vote we've got. I see the dread evils of McKinleyism threatening us and I fear that if we are defeated in this fight, McKinleyism will be entrenched forever and the battle for freedom had just as well be given up. I shall tell my people to stand by the contract made at St. Louis. Let Bryan have every vote you can muster. Let Jones say what he likes. Let him insult you if he will. Make no answer. Pray for your country. Work for her interests. Do your duty. Here's what we're going to do in our state convention: We're going to put out a full electoral ticket for Bryan and Watson. We can't vote for Sewell. Then we'll empower our committee to take off a part of our electors and put on a part of yours whenever the Democratic committee retires Mr. Sewell. The Democratic managers may have made up their minds to put Tom Watson down and keep him down, but I thank God the people of the South have entered him into no such contract. Let it be known, henceforth that the South and West will never again sit at the footstool of the North."

## FUSION DEAL CLOSED.

Democrats Indorse the Populist Nominations as Past as Made.

HUTCHINSON, Kan., Aug. 7.—The Democrats of Kansas, in State convention here, adopted the report of the conference committee which was sent to Abilene to meet with the Populists, and every Populist nomination was indorsed as fast as made.

### Russell Sage an Octogenarian.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Wednesday was Russell Sage's 80th birthday anniversary. He was besieged by congratulatory friends an hour before the stock market opened. He has thrown away his glasses, bears himself erectly and looks as vigorous as most men at 50. He attributes his health to methodical habits and early rising. He has not had a vacation the last decade because, so he says, he has been too busy.

Fire at Swift's Kansas City Packing House—Loss \$30,000.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 8.—A fire at the Swift packing plant in Armourdale last night burned out one of the smoke houses. The total loss was about \$30,000, fully covered by insurance. Joseph Hoblitzel, the night watchman at the smoke house, was burned to death and buried in the ruins, and eight other men were seriously injured. The eight men had narrow escapes from death and it was only because there was scarcely a breath of wind blowing that the fire did not spread to other buildings of the plant.

## GOLD DEMOCRATS MEET.

A National Convention Sure and a Third Ticket Likely.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 8.—The provisional national committee of the gold standard Democrats who positively refuse to accept the Chicago platform and ticket, began its initial meeting here this afternoon, first considering the question of calling another national Democratic convention.

That a convention will be called there is almost no reason to doubt, but whether another ticket will be called for is still an open question, for several of those present are strongly in favor of ex-Congressman Bourke Cockran's plan of adopting an old line Democratic platform and indirectly indorsing McKinley by not naming another ticket. The members of the executive committee, General Bragg of Wisconsin, ex-Minister Broadhead of St. Louis, Editor Halderman of Kentucky, Mr. Robbins of Illinois and ex-Congressman Bynum of Indiana, are all opposed to anything but the most decisive action, though it will present letters from several men of national note in the East and South in favor of only a national sound money platform.

While over two-thirds of the States have representatives here as members of the provisional national committee, there are more advisory visitors than committee men, for the occasion is more in the nature of a general conference of the gold standard Democrats than that of a committee meeting.

The executive committee has received the following credentials: Alabama, J. M. Falkner of Montgomery; California, E. B. Pond of San Francisco; Connecticut, David Wells of Norwich; Florida, J. L. Gaskins of Jacksonville; Illinois, John M. Palmer of Springfield; Indiana, John R. Wilson of Indianapolis; Iowa, L. M. Martin of Marshalltown; Kansas, Eugene Hagan of Topeka; Kentucky, R. T. Tyler of Hickman; Massachusetts, Nathan Matthews, jr., of Boston; Michigan, Thomas A. Wilson of Jackson; Minnesota, F. W. McClellan.

There is talk of Senator Palmer, Secretary Carlisle and General Bragg for the nomination for President, and General Buckner of Kentucky, ex-Governor Francis of Missouri and ex-Congressman Bynum of Indiana for second place.

## KANSAS POPULISTS.

A Straight Ticket Nominated After an All Night Session.

ABILENE, Kan., Aug. 8.—Yesterday afternoon the Populists in state convention, after a bitter attack had been made on Cliggitt, the Democratic nominee for presidential elector in the first district, because of charges that he had carried a gun against the striking miners of Cherokee county in 1893, adopted the fusion agreement offered by the Democrats with the understanding that if the Cliggitt charge should be proved true his name would be dropped.

Following is the ticket complete: For Governor—John W. Leedy of Coffey county.

For Chief Justice—Frank Doster of Marion county.

For Congressman-at-Large—Rev. Jerry Botkin of Wilson county.

For Lieutenant Governor—A. M. Harvey of Shawnee county.

For Attorney General—L. C. Boyle of Bourbon county.

For Secretary of State—William E. Bash of Jewell county.

For State Treasurer—D. H. Heflbower of Miami county.

For State Auditor—W. H. Morris of Crawford county.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—W. D. Stryker of Barton county.

The State central committee was named as follows: First district, G. W. Herington and J. L. Simpson; Second, Chris Ritter and H. S. Clark; Third, J. M. Allen and M. L. Walters; Fourth, Taylor Riddle and William Tipton; Fifth, P. H. Dolan and D. E. Ballard; Sixth, F. E. Johnson and C. M. Ross; Seventh, E. J. Westgate and Rufe Cone.

## WISCONSIN REPUBLICANS.

A Candidate for Governor Named on the Sixth Ballot—Thurston's Prediction.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 8.—The Republican State convention nominated Major Edward Schofield, of Oconto, for Governor on the sixth ballot. The result is a victory for the Filibusters' caucus of the party and a corresponding defeat for ex-Governor Heard and his followers.

United States Senator Thurston addressed the convention, saying, among other things: "I received word today from a trusted friend in my state confirming what I already knew, that William J. Bryan, great as he may appear to other parts of the country, on election day in November next, will be defeated in his ward, in his city, in his county, in his congressional district and in the state where he lives."

## NO ADVICE BY CLEVELAND.

The President Denies Having Expressed Any Gold Ticket Opinion.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—In answer to an inquiry as to the truth of a report published in this city yesterday that President Cleveland had made known his disapproval of the proposed gold standard ticket project, the President telegraphs as follows to the Evening Post: "Bazzard's Bay, Mass., Aug. 6.—It is absolutely untrue that I have given any advice touching the course of the Indianapolis conference."

### "GROVER CLEVELAND."

Discouraged and Committed Suicide.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 8.—Discouraged because of his poverty, unable to secure employment and physically almost a wreck, T. P. Witten, formerly a clerk in the city treasurer's office, committed suicide at the boarding house kept by Mrs. Nichols at 311 Cherry street this afternoon.

### 106 at Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 8.—The heat hereabouts was almost unbearable to-day, the thermometer reaching 106 degrees, the highest recorded since 1872.

## HOW CAN BRYAN ACCEPT?

So Asks Senator Jones as to the Populist Nomination.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Senator Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the Democratic national committee, has returned to Washington. When asked: "Will Mr. Bryan accept the nomination offered him by the Populists?" he answered slowly and deliberately: "How can he? He was nominated with Mr. Sewall on the Democratic platform, and he will do nothing that will reflect upon him as a gentleman or as a Democratic candidate."

"I see that some of the Populists are declaring that unless Mr. Bryan accepts their nomination by August 5 the central committee will withdraw his name and nominate some one else in his place. Well, let them do so. Mr. Bryan having been the nominee of the Democrats, and of the silver party, common decency would at least suggest the propriety of his accepting those nominations first. But suppose the Populists do nominate another candidate for the Presidency, what would be the situation? Mr. Bryan received a thousand votes in their convention, and in this central committee, composed of a few men, comes along and nominates a new man. It will simply mean the disruption and disorganization of the Populist party."

"We all know that we are going to have either Bryan and Sewall or McKinley and Hobart. The best men and the most intelligent of the Populist party will vote for Bryan and Sewall."

In conclusion Senator Jones complimented the Populists of the North and West as broad-minded and patriotic men. On the other hand, he said the Populists of the South were out for "nothing but spoil." Mr. Jones said he did not propose to allow Mr. Watson to "bluff" him into withdrawing Sewall. He said he was willing to make fair and proper arrangements with the Populists in the matter of electoral tickets, but he did not propose to consent to any improper arrangements.

## MORRISON FOR BRYAN.

The Noted Illinoisan Does No Fear a Panic if Silver Should Win.

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Congressman W. R. Morrison, member of the interstate commerce commission, in an interview in the Journal, is quoted as saying that he will vote for Bryan and free silver. He added: "I did not favor the adoption of a free silver platform, it is true, and I do not believe that the success of free silver would in any way realize the expectations of those who are urging it. But I do not believe that the adoption of free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1 and the election of Bryan would necessarily precipitate a panic. It would if the men who control the money market chose to have a panic, but not otherwise. If these men should in that event do as they are doing now, and do their best to strengthen the credit of the government, things would run along without a financial jar during the four years of Bryan's administration. Of course, if a president and Congress were elected who were bent on smashing things right and left, they could undoubtedly do it."

## FILIBUSTERS SHOT.

Spaniards Deal Summarily With Americans of the Three Friends Expedition.

HAVANA, Aug. 4.—A Pacifico, who lives near Jaruco, arrived here yesterday with the report that a number of Americans of the Three Friends expedition which landed upon the island recently were captured by General Ochoa, tied in lines along a roadside and shot to death. One body was left unburied. It had been mutilated with macietes almost beyond recognition, but was supposed to be that of Perry Atkinson. The belongings of the victims were sold in Jaruco. Consul General Lee has been urged to demand an investigation.

It is said the naturalized American insurgent leader, Capero, whose release was ordered by Campos and countermanded by Weyler, has been sentenced to pass the rest of his life in chains in a Spanish dungeon in Africa. Other tales of injustice and cruelty are coming in constantly.

### Crazed by the Silver Issue.

COLUMBIA, Mo., Aug. 4.—Thomas Wilhite, a negro living in Rocheport has become violently insane after reading "Coin's Financial School." He says that he is Bryan and is going to be President. He was captured Friday on the banks of the Missouri river, with a copy of Coin's book in his hand and speaking on the financial question to the bluffs. He will be taken to the asylum.

Shot and Almost Beheaded in Church.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., Aug. 4.—Colonel James F. Tilley was shot down in the Baptist church at Metcalf, ten miles from here, yesterday afternoon by John T. Rusk, who then taking a razor from his coat pocket, almost severed the prostrate man's head from his body. Rusk then attempted to commit suicide by taking laudanum, but failed.

### Gorman to Lend His Aid.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Senator Gorman has decided to aid Chairman Jones in the conduct of the Democratic campaign. He has stipulated, however, that he shall be a silent partner, giving his advice and the benefit of his experience as a political general, but not being known publicly as a member of the executive or any other committee.

### Sugar Bounties Paid.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The warrants for the payment of the sugar bounties earned in 1894—except maple sugar—the payment of which were provided for in the appropriation of \$5,000,000 in the last deficiency act, were issued to-day. The proved claims were paid at the rate of each claimant receiving 81 per cent of his claim. The number and amount of the beet sugar payments are insignificant. In all 495 warrants were issued for \$4,985,036. Three warrants amounting to \$11,941 were withheld.

## TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"ANOTHER CHANCE" WAS LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

"Text: If the Tree Fall Toward the South, Or the North, in the Place Where the Tree Falleth, There It Shall Be—Ecc. 11: 3.



HERE is a hovering hope in the minds of a vast multitude of people that there will be an opportunity in the next world of correcting the mistakes of this; that however complete a shipwreck we may make of our earthly life, it will be on a beach upon which we may walk to a palace; that as the defendant may lose his case in a Circuit Court and appeal it and have it go up to the Supreme Court or Court of Chancery and all the costs thrown over on the other party, so a man may lose his case in this world, but in the higher jurisdiction of eternity have the decision of the earthly case set aside, all the costs remitted and the defendant be triumphant forever.

The object of my sermon is to show you that common sense declares with the text that such an expectation is chimerical. "If the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there shall it be." There are those who say that if the impenitent and unfortunate man enters the next world and sees the disaster, as a result of that disaster he will turn, the distress the cause of his reformation; but we have ten thousand instances all around about us of people who have done wrong and disaster suddenly came upon them—did the disaster heal them? No, they went on. There is a man flung of dissipations. The doctor says to him: "Now, my friend, if you don't stop drinking and don't stop this fast life you are living, you will die." The patient thanks the physician for his warning and gets better; he begins to sit up, begins to walk around the room, begins to go to business and takes the same round of groggies where he got his morning dram and his evening dram and the drams between. Down again. Same doctor. Same physical anguish. Same medical warning. But now the sickness is more protracted, the liver more obstinate, the stomach more irritable, the digestive organs more rebellious. But still, under medical skill, he gets better, goes forth, commits the same sacrifice against his physical health. Sometimes he wakes up to see what he is doing, and he realizes he is destroying his family and that his life is a perpetual perjury against his marriage vows, and that that broken-hearted woman is so different from the roseate wife he married that her old school-mates do not recognize her on the street, and that his sons are going out in life under the taunt of a father's drunkenness, and that his daughters are going out in life under the scarification of a disreputable ancestry. His nerves are all a jangle. From crown of head to sole of foot he is one aching rasping, crucifying, damning torture. Where is he? He is in hell on earth. Does it stop him? Ah, no. After awhile delirium tremens pours out upon his pillow a whole jungle of hissing reptiles. His screams horrify the neighbors as he dashes out of bed crying: "Take these things off me!" He is drinking down the comfort of the family, the education of his children, their prospects for this life and perhaps their prospects for the life to come. Pale and convalescent he sits up. Physicians say to him: "Now, my good fellow, I am going to have a plain talk with you. If you ever have an attack of this kind again you will die. I can't save you, and all the doctors in creation can't save you." The patient gets up, starts out, goes the same round of dissipation and is down again; but this time medicines do not touch his ease. Consultations of physicians says there is no hope. Death ends the scene. That process of inebriation and physical suffering and medical warning and dissolution is taking place within a stone's throw of where you sit and in every neighborhood of Christendom. Pain does not reform. Suffering does not cure. What is true in regard to one sin is true in regard to all sins, and yet men are expecting in the next life there will be opportunity for purgatorial regeneration. Take up the printed reports of the prisons of the United States and find that the vast majority of the criminals were there before, some for two times, three times, four times, six times. Punished again and again, but they go right on. Millions of incidents and instances working the other way, and yet men think that in the next world punishment will work out for them salvable effects. Why you and I cannot imagine any worse torture from another world than we have seen men in in this world, and without any salutary consequence.

Furthermore, the prospect of reformation in another world is more improbable than here. Do you not realize the fact that a man starts in this world with the innocence of infancy? In the other case, starting in the other world, he starts with the accumulated bad habits of a life time. Is it not to be expected that you could build a better chip out of new timber than out of an old hulk that has been ground up on the breakers? If starting with comparative innocence the man does not become godly, is it possible that starting with sin a seraph can be evolved? There will more prospect that a sculptor will make a finer statue out of a block of pure, white Parian marble

than out of a black rock that has been cracked and twisted and split and scarred with the storms of a half century? Could you not write a last will and testament, or write a deed, or write an important document on a pure white sheet of paper easier than you could write it upon a sheet scribbled all over with infamy and blotted and torn from top to bottom? And yet there are those who are so uncommon-sensical as to believe that though a man starts in this world with infancy and its innocence and turns out badly, in the next world he can start with a dead failure and turn out well. "But," say some people, "we ought to have another chance in the next world because our life here is so very brief; we scarcely have room to turn around between the cradle and the grave, the wood of the one almost striking against the marble of the other. We ought to have another chance because of the brevity of this life." My friends, do you know what made the ancient deluge a necessity? It was the longevity of the antediluvians. They were worse in the second century than in the first, and worse when they got three hundred years old, and worse at four hundred, and worse at five hundred, and worse at six hundred, and worse at eight hundred; until the world had to be washed and scourged and scrubbed and soaked and sunk and anchored a whole month under water before it was fit for decent people to live in. I have seen many pictures of old Time with his scythe to cut, but I never saw any picture of Time with a chest of medicines to heal. Seneca said that in the first few years of his public life Nero was set up as an example of clemency and kindness, but he got worse and worse, the path descending, until at sixty-eight years of age he was the suicide. If eight hundred years of lifetime could not cure the antediluvians of their iniquity, I undertake to say that all the ages of eternity would be only prolongation of depravity. "But," says some one, "in the next life the evil surroundings will be withdrawn and good influences will be substituted, and hence, expurgation, sublimity, glorification." But you must remember that the righteous, all their sins forgiven, pass right up into a beatific state, and then having passed up into the beatific state, not needing any other chance, that will leave all those who have never been forgiven, and who were impenitent, alone—alone! and where are the salvific influences to come from? Can it be expected that Dr. Duff, who spent his whole life in pointing the Hindoos to heaven, and Dr. Abel, who spent his life in evangelizing China, and that Judson, who spent his life in preaching the Gospel to Burmah—can it be expected that they will be sent down from some celestial Missionary Society to educate and to save those who wasted their earthly existence? No. We are told distinctly that all missionary and evangelistic influences will be ended forever and the good having passed up to their beatific state, all the morally bankrupt will be together, and where are the salvific influences to come from? Will a specked or bad apple put in a barrel of diseased apples make the other apples good? Will one who is down be able to lift others up? Will those who have miserably failed in the business of this life be able to pay the debts of other spiritual insolvents? Will a million wrongs make one right? Poneropolis was the city where King Rufus of Thracia, put all bad people of his kingdom, and whenever there were iniquitous people found in any part of the land they were all sent to Poneropolis. It was the great capital of wickedness. Suppose a man or a woman had opened a primary school in Poneropolis, would the parents of other cities have sent their children there to be educated and reformed? \*

Again, I wish you further to notice that another chance in another world means the ruin of this. Now, suppose a wicked man is assured that after a lifetime of wickedness, he can fix it all right up in the future. That would be the demoralization of society, that would be the demoralization of the human race. There are men who are now kept on the limits of sin by their fear. The fear that if we are bad and unforgiven here it will not be well with us in the next existence, is the chief influence that keeps civilization from rushing back into semi-barbarism, and keeps semi-barbarism from rushing back into midnight savagery, and keeps midnight savagery from rushing back into ex-limits of sin. But this idea coming into his soul, this idea of another chance, he says, "Go to, now; I'll get out of this world all there is in it." Come gluttony and revenge and uncleanness and all sensualities, and wait upon me. It may abbreviate my earthly life by dissoluteness, but that will only give me heavenly indulgence on a larger scale in a shorter length of time. I will overtake the righteous before long. I will only come in heaven a little late, and I will be a little more fortunate than those who have behaved themselves on earth and went straight to the bosom of God, because I will see more and have wider excursion, and I will come into heaven via Gehenna, via Sheol!" Hearers! Readers! Another chance in the next world means free license and the demolition of this. Suppose you had a case in court, and all the judges and all the attorneys agreed in telling you the first trial of it—it would be tried twice—the first trial would not be of very much importance, but the second trial would decide everything. On which trial would you put the most expenditure? on which trial would you employ the ablest counsel? on which trial would you be most anxious to have the attendance of all the witnesses? "Oh," you would say, "if there are to be two trials, and the first trial

Does not amount to much, the second trial being everything, everything depending upon that, I must have the most eloquent attorney, and I must have all my witnesses present, and I will expend my money on that." If these men who are impenitent and who are wicked felt there were two trials, and the first was of no very great importance, and the second trial was the one of vast and infinite importance, all the preparations for eternity would be post-mortem, post-funeral, post-sepulchral, and this world would be jerked off into impenitency and godlessness. Another chance in another world means the demolition of this world. \* \* \*

A dream. I am in the burnished judgment hall on the last day. The great white throne is lifted, but the Judge has not yet taken it. While we are waiting for his arrival I hear the immortals in conversation. "What are you waiting for?" says a soul that went up from Madagascar to a soul that went up from America. The latter responds: "I was in America forty years ago, and I heard the Gospel preached, and I had plenty of Bibles in my house, and from the time that I knelt at my mother's knee in prayer until my last hour, I had great opportunities; but I did not improve them, and I am here to-day waiting for another chance." "Strange, strange," says the soul just come up from Madagascar. "Strange; why I never heard the Gospel call but once in all my life, and I accepted it, and I don't want another chance." "What are you waiting for?" says one who on earth had very feeble intellect to one who had great brain and whose voice was silvery, and who had sceptres of power. The latter replies: "I had great power on earth, I must admit, and I mastered languages and I mastered libraries, and colleges conferred upon me learned titles, and my name was a synonym for eloquence and power; but somehow I neglected the matters of my soul, and I must confess to you I am here to-day waiting for another chance." Now, the ground trembles with the advancing chariot. The great folding doors of the burnished hall of judgment are thrown open. "Stand back," cry the ushers, "and let the Judge of quick and dead pass through." He takes the throne. He looks off upon the throngs of nations come to the last judgment, and to the only judgment, and one flash from the throne reveals each man's history to himself, and reveals it to all the others. And then the Judge says, "Divide!" and the burnished walls echo it, "Divide!" and the guides angelic answer, "Divide!" and the immortals are rushing this way and that, until there is an aisle between them, a great aisle; and then a vacuum, widening, and widening and widening, until the Judge looks to one side of that vacuum, and addresses the throng, and says: "Let him that is righteous be righteous still, and let him that is holy be holy still." And then, turning to the throng on the other side of the vacuum, he says: "Let him that is unjust be unjust still, and let him that is filthy be filthy still." And then he stretches out both hands, one toward the throng on each side of the vacuum, and says: "If the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be!" And then I hear something jar with a great sound; it is the closing of the Book of Judgment. The Judge ascends the stairs behind the throne. The Hall of the last Assize is cleared and shut. The High Court of Eternity adjourned forever.

### The Church in Politics.

The time is coming when the church will demand that all the chief places in the city government shall be filled with men whose personal character does command high respect. It is high time to cease tolerating the presence of any man as a city official who is himself hand and glove with that which is most degrading. The Democratic Christian church has a right to make demands and enforce them.—Rev. E. M. Fairchild, Unitarian, Troy, N. Y.

### SOME STRANGE TREES.

There is an oak tree in the state of Georgia that is twenty-seven feet in diameter.

A blue gum tree in New South Wales, 482 feet high, is thought to be the tallest tree in the world.

At Oroville, Cal., there is a cherry tree only 18 years old, which is six feet through the trunk.

The magnolia tree was named after a French professor, Magnol, a naturalist, who died in 1715.

One variety of the Indian rubber tree has bright green leaves that are edged with flaming red.

The sacred bot-tree of Ceylon is said to have sprung from a slip of the tree under which Buddha was born.

The estimated age of a dragon tree at Orotava is 5,000 years, but it is not authentic, like the record of the Lombardy cypress.

Two large white gum trees in Guatemala have grown in such a manner that the foundations of a church have been shifted seven inches.

The empress of Russia recently chose a white veil with a fine v-b-like ground and a black border, consisting of a single row of black chenille spots.

The combination of black and white is to be much worn this summer. It has the advantage of looking cool and being stunning as well.

Some of the pretty veils selected by European royalties soon to be married are crescent-shaped and drawn up to fit the hat. They are of brown with white spots, white with black spots and pure white.

There is no truth in the rumor that black stockings are no longer to be worn. Though brown are often worn for cycling, the black are just as fashionable as ever, and open-work especially so.