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An one convention after another is being held to select delegates to St. Louis, in the political outlook is gradually increasing and the political contest is becoming more and more significant. It is evident that the plans of campaign of the different political managers are in a nascent state and on the verge of transformation.

According to O'Brien Moore, the careful correspondent of the St. Louis Republic, Mr. Reed is now satisfied that he made a mistake in sitting back on his dignity and permitting McKinley to have a monopoly of the brass-band campaign. According to all accounts, Mr. Reed will go into the brass band business from now on.

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WITH THE DEAD OF YESTERDAY

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