"Until our opponents as a party explicitly adopt the views which we hold and upon which we have acted and are acting, in

the matter of a sound currency, the only real way to keep the question from becoming unsettied is to keep the Republican party in power."—Roosevelt's Letter of Acceptance.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\* WAS DEMOCRACY INSANE?

If So, Bryan Was a Lunatic, According to Mr. Cleveland.

Democracy "has returned to san ity," said Grover Cleveland recently, in an interview.

This statement, made with all the solemn ponderosity of which Mr. Cleveland is capable, would imply that the Democratic party has been insane and its leaders a set of lunatics. In previous interviews Mr. Cleveland contented himself with merely saying that Democracy had strayed from the right path after "strange gods" when it embraced Bryanism, but since the defeat of the Bryan faction at St. Louis he has been secretly rejoicing over the ministration that they do not desire apparent downfall of his most bitter political enemy, and on Oct. 2, at Buzzard's Bay, he virtually declared that Mr. Bryan was a madman.

How do the friends of Mr. Bryan in Indiana, Illinois, Nebraska and other states relish having their leader called a lunatic? Insanity is lunacy, or madness, and if the Democratic party "has ufacturers, for American manufacturreturned to sanity" it must first have been insane, and, by the same reasoning, if the party was insane because Mr. Bryan was its leader Mr. Bryan himself must have been the chief lu-

Candidate Parker is generally admitted to be a nonentity in his partyà tool of Hill, Sheehan and othersand what he says counts for little, but it is different when Mr. Cleveland talks. He is the oracle of the Eastern Democracy, and if he says Bryan is insane it is certain he voices the sentiments of "sane" Democracy.

How can the Bryanites indorse such a slander on their leader by supporting Parker? Mr. Cleveland declined to vote for Mr. Bryan on the ground that the Nebraskan was insane, but he will vote for Parker because he leads the "sane" Democracy ticket.

An important point seems to have been forgotten by Mr. Cleveland. Parker voted twice for the Nebraska "lunatic" and was therefore one of the host of madmen who composed "insane" Democracy. Does Mr. Cleveland improve his position by now supporting one of the madmen who voted for the leader of "insane" Democracy?

Mr. Cleveland's thrust at Bryan was uncalled for, and will, no doubt, be re sented at the polls, for the friends of Mr. Bryan do not think he should be put in the straitjacket class.

#### While David Bennett Hill

Prepares to make his bow. The people with a will. Shout; "You can quit

#### CANDIDATES COMPARED

Why Theodore Roosevelt Is More Popu

newspaper that recently bolted Parker and came out for Roosevelt, in giving the reasons why the Parker campaigr is languishing and the Roosevelt canpaign is booming, says:

"Judge Parker has few of the attributes of popularity; Theodore Roose velt has them all.

"Parker is timid; Roosevelt is brave. "Parker is controlled by friends and

patrons; Roosevelt is independent. "Parker represents no policy and has no political record; Roosevelt is one of the acknowledged progressive statesmen of the century and his record is the record of the sunshine years of militant an' advancing Americanism.

"As there is practically no one to vigorously oppose there is no one to actively defend Judge Parker as a political standard-bearer. Theodore Roosevelt invites the fire of partisan enemies and attracts to his support thousands of patriotic and earnest admirers.

"Judge Parker is a weak candidate, an unwise candidate, an unfortunate candidate for the Presidency. A life of judicial monotony and exclusion from political affairs does not appeal to the allegiance of partisans. Theodore Roosevelt is a strong, a vigorous, an invincible candidate for the Presidency. He is a man of action nominated for an electorate of abounding energy, force and progress. He is, especially, the idol of the young men of

"It is, therefore, not at all surprising that as the voters contrast these two candidates they should be irresistibly drawn to one-to Rooseveltand should be repelled from or become indifferent to his antagonist. Parker. Such is the present trend of the campaign and it is decidedly favorable to President Roosevelt. No reasonable doubt for his election exists or is entertained by anyone familiar with polities. Democrat or Republican."

### Outposts Around Mukden.

They are getting close in New York. There is no question about that, and on whichever side the outposts are, they have got in, oplitically. That's all right. They are past the underorush and they are close together. The political grapple will be a fierce one, but it can go but one way. The vote on Manhattan Island cannot overcome the vote of the farmers and thinkers up-state. New York will go Republican.

It is freely predicted by those who ought to know that Ulster county, New York, Judge Parker's home county, will give Roosevelt a good majority.

#### DO NOT WANT A CHARGE

People Are Willing to Continue the Pro ont Adminis

The constitution of the United States requires an election for president and vice president every four years. The provision is mandatory and cannot be escaped. Under it the people are called upon to vote for president and vice president every fourth year without regard to politics, the record, or the work of the administration in power. The election must be held

whether a change is desirable or not. There is reason to believe that a large majority of the American people do not desire a change in the national administration at the present time, and that if it were a matter of choice with them no election would be held this year. A national election always interferes with business more or less, and as the business of the country grows the feeling increases that, in the absence of any reason for a change, a presidential election is a disturbing factor that might well be dispensed with if the constitution permitted. That is the situation at present. The great mass of the people are so well satisfied with the present ad-

a change, and if the constitution did not require an election to be held they would regard it as unneces Who wants a change? Not the farmers, for they never were more prosperous or better satisfied than they are at present. Not the business men, for business is satisfactory. Not man-

ers are outstripping those of all other countries. Not wage carners, for there are more men employed at good wages today than ever before in the history of the country. Not railroad men, for the transportation business has grown enormously during the last few years and still gives promise of future growth. In short, no large class of our varied population can be named but has good reason to desire a continuance of present conditions. If it were not for the constitutional requirement the people would have preferred

that no election took place this year. The only exceptions are the Democratic party leaders and those fortunate people who have not the sense to let well enough alone.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* "To say that action against trusts and monopolies should be limited to the application of the common law is equivalent to saying that the national government should take no action whatever to regulate them."—Rossevelt's Letter of Acceptance.

#### \*\*\*\*\* THE "BIG STICK" LIB

Seapartisan Testimony That Ressevelt Is Leader of Peace Mevement.

Apropos of the silly Democratic charge that Mr. Roosevelt is a "war lord," it is interesting to note how the Interparliamentary Union views the president. The union is composed of some of the leading parliamentarians of Europe, who visited this country in the interest of international arbitration and peace. The visitors were entertained at luncheon by the National Civic Federation of New York recently. Here is what Thomas Lough, The New York Sunday Democrat, a an Irish member of the union, in proposing a toast to the president of the United States, said, as reported by the New York World, a newspaper that has been picturing Mr. Roosevelt ... a veritable god of war:

We, who are visitors here, after a few days regard him as a ruler of one of the mightiest powers on the earth, whe has taken a more distinct step in the interest of peace than perhaps any other power has taken. He is not only a great value, himself, but it a more than a great ruler himself, but is a worthy representative of a great line of rulers who have done much for the liberties of mankind

W. Randall-Cremer, a noted member of the British parliament, also praised the president. The sovereigns of Europe, he declared, were ready to listen to "peace propositions," alwa-with a 'but, " He then said:

Not so your young president; no, but, but, but, with him in any of his utterances. He talked in a clear, manly tone, straight from the shoulder—nobly words—and we all rejoice in his statement of Saturday and in his assurance that the great United States will significant the great un what we failed eighteen years ago

Others spoke in the same strain, giving nonpartisan testimony that President Roosevelt has done more to a' the universal peace movement than

any other president. The "big stick" bugaboo is not wor rying anybody but those Democrats who are foolish enough to think they can beguile the voters by mutilating the president's speeches and twisting their meaning into the opposite of what he said. Democracy has never yet been able to conduct an honest campaign. Hypocrisy, deception and forgery are the chief tenets of its

#### "Swing Law."

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The Railway Employes' Twentieth Century Club of Illinois is up to date. It adopted a resolution indorsing President Boosevelt and denouncing the Democratic national platform as "devoid of sincerity." It's hard to fool a good railroad man.

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