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ANSWER IT FOR YOURSELF MR. VOTER—

The first question you should ask yourself, Mr. Working-man, and we don't believe that you need Mr. Gompers to answer it for you, is whether the policy of the candidate, asking for your vote, will be for the upbuilding of the country or for business uncertainty and confusion?
Taft and progress or Bryan and confusion.
Which it is to be?

RUSHVILLE MINISTERS AND PRIESTS SPEAK FOR WATSON.

WITH A LAST DESPERATE hope of defeating James E. Watson, candidate for governor on the republican ticket, the democratic press of the state has joined together in a hue and cry to hold Mr. Watson responsible for the passage of the county option bill, for the bitter feeling against Governor Hanly; for the defeat of the brewery combine. In other words Mr. Watson is to be made a scapegoat. The brewers have to furnish Tom Marshall with a horrible example and Mr. Watson has been chosen for the title role.
We all remember when the campaign opened that Marshall was going to conduct a clean campaign. In the face of this most bitter and vituperative campaign against Mr. Watson, he has been misrepresented and vilified so much, so that his neighbors and ministers in Rushville, his home town, have risen to Mr. Watson's defense and denounced the slanders that have been uttered against him. One of these was an esteemed and revered Catholic clergyman. He upheld Mr. Watson and criticized the partisan press that was slandering him.
The republicans have refrained from attacking Mr. Marshall, and it is to their credit. What Mr. Marshall once was, matters not now, and the republican press has refrained from personalities regarding the democratic candidate.
The campaign of slander, which has been made against the republican candidate, won't hurt him. If anything, it will make him friends. It will hurt Thomas R. Marshall, for the friends of Mr. Watson will hold Marshall and the brewery interests responsible for the many attacks on Mr. Watson. The latter's speeches in Hammond and up and down the state of Indiana will give the lie to the reports that have been circulated about him and ought to still the foul tongue of slander.

THE NAME OF THE STATE MENACED.
ONE OF TAGGART'S NEWSPAPER supporters in Indianapolis, The Sun, is out with an appeal to all democrats to so vote next month as to assure Tom Taggart's election next winter as United States senator from Indiana. The election of a full democratic lower house of the legislature, it thinks will be sufficient to realize its desire to see Taggart's ambition gratified. There are spots on that Sun for sure. But it is possible that all the voters of Indiana do not adequately appreciate the danger to the state.

If the next legislature has more democrats than republicans in it, on a joint vote, to the United States senate Thomas Taggart will go. Ponder that and what it would mean. Work to have it not so. PLAY TO PLOCK THAT GAME. There are other just reasons for the weal of Indiana why the next legislature should be of the same political complexion as the one that has just passed out. The republican party in the presidency and congress has started out to do great things beneficial to the material progress of the country. It has done much already. A stoppage of its work, even temporary, would be a calamity to the nation. This commonwealth of ours has needs as great as us as the nation's. DON'T STOP THE CLOCK BY ALLOWING THE DEMOCRATS TO MONKEY WITH THE WORKS.
It is the duty of all republicans to vote for their party's legislature and state candidates.

A WELL-INFORMED PAPER, YES? NO!

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS to be admired for its supreme confidence and exhilarating hopefulness. Though they know that the fates are against them they continually spread the news that everything is coming their way. Just now they are taking a great deal of satisfaction in the Bryan statement that "from every state comes encouraging reports." A sample of one of these reports was printed in the Chicago Journal, a democratic paper, which declares that "the republicans in Indiana are panicky." It would be extremely interesting to know where The Journal gets its information. If the rest of the campaign dope it prints is on a par with the statement that "the Indiana republicans are panicky," Heavens help it readers. The republicans of Indiana are supremely confident of the result. They are betting 3 to 1 and 2 to 1 at Indianapolis that Taft will carry Indiana. If The Journal wants to know just how panicky the Indiana republicans are, it should send some of its bright young men into this state, and if The Journal would print what they find out; well, no one would accuse it of being a democratic paper indeed.
Panicky? Piffle!

THE CANDIDATES on the republican county ticket are quite satisfied to go before their constituents on their records. Charges of incapacity do not worry the complaisant voter this year. He has to be shown. There isn't a candidate on the county ticket who hasn't been tested. There isn't a word to be said against him. Lake county must have county officers. Business won't transact itself. The republican party is proud of its candidates. Let them continue the good work.

THANK HEAVEN THE fury of campaign letter-writing is at an end and the people can clear their befogged brains and figure out the real issues. It is doubted whether either party was profited by the mud-slinging.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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ANTHONY COMSTOCK.
A strange man, a strong man, a man of heroic mold, is Anthony Comstock of New York.

Whatever may be said of his methods, the sincerity of the man and his fidelity to his mission cannot be contradicted.

At tremendous personal cost he has devoted his life to the suppression of vicious literature.

Comstock began his career in 1873. The business of painting and distributing obscene books and pictures at that time was highly organized and flourishing. In a single campaign in New York he seized and destroyed the plates of 109 vice books and pictures.

The vendors of moral cancer then began their work of misrepresentation and slander of Comstock. They have persisted ever since in their abuse and ridicule. They resorted to personal violence.

But Comstock has never flinched. Once he got a score of the sellers of filthy stuff in Ludlow street jail. Influential friends offered bribes. Failing in this, they caused smallpox scars to be sent through the mails to his home. At this time he narrowly escaped being blown up by an infernal machine.

One night at Newark a man whom he had in custody drew a knife at the jail door and severed five arteries in Comstock's face.
At one time he was assaulted and beaten into insensibility. On several occasions hired assassins have tried to kill him on the street or at his office.
For years this staunch cleanser of society's sewage has refused to speak of himself generally. Not long ago he gave his first interview. Speaking of the desperate encounters of his career, Mr. Comstock said:

"Shed blood, broken bones, assaults, ridicule, obloquy and libel have been my portion. I am content. . . . In thirty-four years I have made 2,601 arrests and seized more than ninety-eight tons of vice literature and pictures." It reminds me of St. Paul's recital of his life's perils.

Anthony Comstock may have made mistakes. At times he may have been indiscreet or finical. His conscience is the Puritan conscience. He cannot abide even the appearance of evil.
But—
One cannot read the history of his grim persistence in well doing, his patient, almost pathetic bravery, and withhold respect for the man and his accomplishments.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.
October 8.
1782—Independence of the United States acknowledged by Holland.
1812—Capture of the Detroit on Lake Erie.
1831—Great earthquake along the western coast of South America.
1854—Thirty-two lives lost by the burning of the steamer E. M. Collins, en route from Sault Ste. Marie to Cleveland.
1862—Repulse of the confederates at battle of Berryville, Ky.
1869—Franklin Pierce, fourteenth president of the United States, died in Concord, N. H. Born in Hillsboro, N. H., November 23, 1804.
1871—Beginning of the terrible Chicago fire, by which 18,000 buildings were destroyed and 100 lives lost.
1888—Melville W. Fuller took the oath of office as chief justice of the United States supreme court.
1907—Secretary Taft was welcomed at Shanghai, China.

THIS IS MY 54TH BIRTHDAY.
John M. Clark.
John M. Clark, a member of the cabinet of Prince Edward Island and a prominent figure in the public life in that province, was born in Bedeque, P. E. I., October 8, 1854. After completing his education in the public schools he entered commercial life. His public career did not begin until 1904, in which year he was elected to the provincial legislative assembly. He soon became recognized as one of the best debaters in the house, making himself master of his subjects, and presenting his arguments fluently. Mr. Clark has been conspicuously identified with the temperance movement and has been one of the most determined supporters of the prohibition law which was introduced into Prince Edward Island by the present government.

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RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

The Hammond city council deserves a vote of thanks from the merchant and the housewife for barring out the pestilential faker and vendor.

THERE ARE NO WALKS IN LIFE ANY LONGER. EVERYBODY HAS TO RUN FOR IT AND RUN LIKE H—

We believe it would be a good plan for Mr. Roosevelt to use the big stick on his son-in-law.

So far, neither Mr. Bryan nor Mr. Taft have their chubby chins kissed.

So far they haven't succeeded in teaching either politics or football by means of a correspondence school.

A Model Husband.

In a Town That Has No Evening Paper—He went home from his downtown office every day at the noon hour

For President WILLIAM H. TAFT

"He is as strong as he is gentle. His reputation is simply spotless. In all the agitation of a heated campaign for the greatest office in the world, no one has ventured to intimate a doubt of the absolute honesty of this man who has been before the country for a quarter of a century. Nor can any one successfully dispute the simple proposition that in the whole history of the United States no one was ever named for the presidency who was so fitted by nature, by training and by experience for the duties, dignities and responsibilities of that unique office—CHARLES HOPKINS, in 'The Independent.'"

For V-President JAMES S. SHERMAN

"We certify to all the great electorate that when their votes in November shall have chosen James S. Sherman to be vice president of the United States, the senate will be assured of a president worthy of the best traditions of that great deliberative body, and that which God forbid—the sad contingency were to come which should for a fourth time call a vice president from New York to the executive office, the interests of the whole country would be safe in good hands, and the great office of the presidency would suffer no decadence from the high standard of dignity and honor and competency of which we are so justly proud."—ELIHU ROOT, at Sherman Notification Ceremonies.

UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

BOY BURNS IN BARN.
The 4-year-old son of Erastus Wright of Nebraska street, Marion, set fire to a barn yesterday and was burned to death. Two playmates escaped. The firemen found the charred body of the child after extinguishing the flames.

BRIBED TO STEAL PACKAGE.
James Rotgeron told on the witness stand in criminal court in Indianapolis yesterday of an alleged attempt by Eugene F. McDonald to bribe him for \$500 to steal a package from the Adams Express company. McDonald was placed on trial yesterday before a jury on the charge of conspiracy to obtain money under false pretenses.

STRIKE CLOSES PLANT.
The larger part of the Penn-American Plate Glass works in Alexandria, was forced to close down last night due to a strike of the men who rebelled against a new rule requiring them twice a month to work eighteen hours continuously.

INCENDIARIES BURN PLANT.
The box factory and one warehouse full of bottles of the Citizens' glass plant of Evansville burned at 1 o'clock yesterday morning with damage of \$30,000. The fire was started, Manager Derbyshire declares, by incendiaries. The factory will not have to close. The insurance is about \$20,000.

MATCHES; CHILD DIES.
While playing with matches yesterday afternoon, Lavone Butts, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butts, of Rushville, set fire to her clothing and suffered burns which resulted in her death several hours later.

MARSHES ON FIRE.
The marshes west of South Bend again are on fire and the great volume of smoke arising from the plating over the city. The fires were unusually bad Sunday and Monday morning. Just west of the city the blaze could be seen throughout the town.

to enjoy the noonday meal with his family, and never failed to take the morning paper in order that the patient wife might glean from its columns all the local happenings of the day and night previous. Little was said of the matter until the local gossip told it abroad that he was a model husband, that his wife did not half appreciate his worth. Ere long all the ladies of the town heard of this man's one noble trait—that of taking his morning paper home regularly—and these decided that such a lofty virtue deserved public recognition and merited reward. A convention was called, and by unanimous consent a gold medal set with diamonds was presented to the gentleman whose kindly forethought prompted him to always take his morning paper to his wife at the noon hour. —San Angelo (Texas) News-Press.

People generally are very nice, but there are a few who deserve some criticism.
Wait till Mr. Hearst's emissaries get through with Mr. Kern and Mr. Taggart.

If a woman finds out ten things her husband was keeping from her, she guessed seven of them.

Well, go ahead Mr. Bryan, make Mr. Roosevelt the issue if you wish. His democratic admirers will be simply tickled to death.

Lots of handsome women pose as beauty specialists just as a lot of bald-headed barbers claim to have a sure cure for bringing back defunct hairs.

An Indomitable Worker
During the past week, annoyed by the many little trials and vexations of life toiling beneath the rays of a blazing sun, in the struggle for grits and existence, we for once find our never too brilliant literary ability at a very low ebb, but we will in our usual style enlighten our readers with a few of our daily happenings—Sarasota (Fla) Times

Economy
May be wealth.
But nine-tenths of those who are compelled to travel
It never reach
The goal

If there are any more veterans to be entertained, Hammond will gladly tackle the job

The echo of that 500 republican majority

POLITICS CAUSE DEATH.

In a dispute over the merits of the county local option law, Absalom Young today stabbed and perhaps fatally injured his partner, Edward Barr. The trouble took place in a house in Roanoke, Ind., where the men had a plastering contract.

INDIANA NOT REPRESENTED.

The fact that Indiana was unable to make an exhibition at the international congress on tuberculosis, in Washington recently, was deplored last night by Dr. J. N. Hurty, secretary of the state board of health, who gave an account of the meeting of the congress before 150 members of the Indianapolis Medical society meeting at the Commercial club.

FESTIVAL IS OPENED.

Richmond's fall festival was opened today. Thousands flocked to the city and a continuance of good weather will make the event a great success. All the exhibits were opened this morning and the judges began making awards.

DOG WRECKED AUTO.

Dr. Jewett and Harry Colter of Rushville narrowly escaped death when Dr. Jewett's touring car was wrecked. A dog ran from the front wheel and the driver lost control of the steering gear. The machine ran into the ditch at the side of the road and turned turtle.

JERKS ARM FROM SOCKET.

Found unconscious last night at Kokomo with his arm torn from the socket, Justice Creed of the Salem neighborhood died early this morning. He sustained the injury while handling a fractious horse.

TO INSTALL MACHINERY.

There has been a revival of work on the factories being erected in Anderson this week. Seven plants are nearly ready for the installation of machinery. A number of the older factories have increased their forces.

Forjory for Gary, predicted by THE Times six weeks ago, echoes throughout Lake county.

WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE OLD-FASHIONED MAN WHO ALWAYS "PUT ON HIS THINKING CAP" WHEN HE TACKLED AN OBTRUSE PROBLEM?

You can bank on it that Mr. Bryan has exhausted all his arguments, and Mr. Taft has just started.

JUST REMEMBER, DEAR GARY READER, THAT THE TIMES GIVES YOU MORE NEWS THAN ALL THE REST OF THE GARY PAPERS PUT TOGETHER, AND THEN LET THE "GAILED JADE WING."

About the weather? Lovely billiards.

The political pot is slopping over.

Guess Mr. Crumpacker has the situation well in hand. No?

E. W. Kirkpatrick, president of the Texas Farmers' congress, has won out in his fight to become the independence party candidate for governor of his state.

Condemnation of Speaker Cannon and a plea for his defeat were the features of resolutions passed by the recent annual conference of the Methodists of northeast Iowa.

Democrats of Michigan believe that the republican imbroglio over the gubernatorial nomination will result in the election of the democratic candidate, Lawton T. Hemans.

The first trial of the new direct primary law in New Jersey resulted in the complete repudiation of local option and a general defeat of the "bosses" in both parties. Senator Colby, the leader of the "new idea" reform element, was victorious over the republican machine in Essex county.

Edward Doan, the republican nominee for governor of Montana, is a self-made man in the broadest sense of the term. He has been a resident of Montana for twenty years. When he settled there he was practically penniless, but by hard work he managed to succeed in business and is now a man of large affairs.

The activity around republican headquarters in the Commercial Bank building continues. Chairman Dick Schaaf is the busiest man in Lake county, and is leaving no stone unturned nor brick in the road for the party to stumble over at the last moment.

Portland—Representative James McKinney of Redkey, was in the city on Tuesday morning en route to Richmond.

Federation Is Repudiated

ATTACKS ON JAMES E. WATSON RESENTED BY UNION LABOR MEN.

For its attack on James E. Watson, as the Federation of Labor, opposed the nomination of Mr. Watson. In all fairness to Mr. Watson and the organization of which I have the honor to be a member, I wish to state that the Indiana Federation of Labor has been misinformed, as no local subdivision has any power to favor or condemn any candidate for office as a body, as party politics is absolutely prohibited by the constitution of said organization.

"We have always been very careful to avoid being dragged into party politics and cannot afford at this time to give our support to a resolution coming, as I see it, from the saloon element in the state of Indiana."

WATSON NEVER THEIR CHAMPION.
Harry Markie of Tipton, another leading member of the railroad men's organization, wrote:

"I find that most of the railroad men, both democrats and republicans, are favorable to Mr. Watson because the brewery and saloon element has undertaken to drag the railroad men down with them by accusing Mr. Watson of being unfair to their cause. The railroad men well know Mr. Watson has always been their champion in every measure introduced in their behalf."

The Flint Glass Workers' union at Dunkirk, which adopted resolutions last year denouncing Watson, has revoked the resolutions by almost a unanimous vote, only three members voting against revocation. A. C. Meier, a member of this union, who brought this information to Indianapolis, says the union decided, after an investigation, that President Perkins of the State Federation had failed to make a case against Watson.

NO POWER TO FAVOR OR CONDEMN.
H. L. Fidler of Indianapolis, an engineer and a delegate to the Vincennes meeting, in his statement, says:

"The anti-Watson resolution adopted by the State Federation in part reads that the railroad organizations, as well as the Federation of Labor, are in accord on a business trip. It is understood that McKinney has given up the project of living in Washington state. A petition has been filed asking that the name of Nathan H. Baker of this city be placed on the county ticket as the candidate of the independence party for congress from the eighth district.

Columbus—William F. Barrett, republican, and Robert F. Everroad, democrat, have been appointed election commissioners for Bartholomew county. A day or two before election the commissioners will make a tour of the county in an automobile, set the count of each machine at zero, and then lock them to remain locked until the polls open on the morning of the election.

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 7.—It is announced that John E. Lamb will begin a speech-making tour of Indiana in a few days. When he was here Sunday he denied that there was any friction at the Chicago Bryan headquarters, where he has been in charge, or that he was to be superseded by Charles Bryan. The Terre Haute Tribune, which is friendly to him in this campaign, says: "The active entrance of Charles Bryan into the active affairs of the committee is understood to be a part of the preparation for Mr. Lamb's temporary leave-taking." Mr. Lamb's first speech will be at Linton tomorrow.

This is the way a democrat lined it out to THE TIMES:
"Indiana will be for Taft and Marshall, and Lake county will be so divided that Ed Simon will be seated and one or more other democratic candidates, is the conservative estimate of democrats. Ask any good democrat you meet on the street how the situation is going to turn out and he will tell you that a Bryan landslide is looked for; that Marshall will be the state's next governor, and that the election in Lake county will surprise the republicans."

"It is well said and no other answer is expected, but deep down in his heart democrats are having their own little doubts about Bryan. But they are confident of Marshall's election. They admit that there are good republican candidates in the county field and they admit that it will be hard to beat these. Still they figure on seating a few candidates at that."

Merrill Moores of Indianapolis has given a legal opinion to the republican state committee in which he says that township advisory boards are not to be elected this year. He says that under the law the next time for the election is 1910.

Governor Hanly has announced the names of marshals who will receive the returns of the presidential electoral vote from the county clerks at the next election. One marshal is appointed for each congressional district. After receiving the returns they will carry them to Indianapolis. In the tenth district the governor appointed Lawrence Lybns of Brook.

"Lake county gave 2,300 republican majority at the last election. Gary will give 500 more, making nearly three thousand republican majority," said a republican last night. "Now, how can you figure that Lake county will elect any democrats, making all due allowances? I can't see where a democrat has a chance."

More or less misunderstanding exists regarding the naturalization laws, which now are extremely stringent in many particulars. Although a foreigner may make a declaration of citizenship immediately upon coming to this country he cannot vote in Indiana until he has been in the United States one year, in the state six months, in the county sixty days and in the township and precinct thirty days. Declarations of intention may be filed with the county clerk at any time before election day, but the applicant for papers must personally appear before the county clerk. Second papers cannot be taken out before a person who has declared his intention, has lived in the country five years. At that time the application is subject to a severe examination by an expert examiner.

Undisputable Truth.
"There are lots of ways to get results," says the Philosopher of Jolly, "but after all, it's the red rag that always hits the bull's eye."

Thirteen persons are killed in an explosion of grain elevator at Richmond, Va.

Cardinal Gibbons arrives from eucharistic congress and blames British government for barring host.

Harriman lieutenant, speaking at trans-Mississippi congress, claims for roads great credit as regards development of western country.

Campaign to educate the public and insurance men on the problems of the business is planned at annual meeting of the Fire Underwriters' Association of the Northwest.

Grain values higher and trades uneasy over European war rumors; cattle strong; hogs and sheep lower.

Stocks in Wall street are highly irregular, with London a heavy seller and strong support given steel common.

LABOR NEWS

The engineers of the Canadian Northern have applied for a Dominion arbitration board, and ask for an entirely new schedule, which includes a revision of work hours, a rearrangement of routes with respect to senior and junior employees, and an increase in the wage schedules of 10 to 15 per cent. There is said to be no possibility of any serious trouble between the company and the men.

It is reported that some 4,000 joiners and carpenters in Buda-Pesth, Austria-Hungary, have been locked out. The reason alleged is that the men boycotted the work of fourteen firms who refused to concede the advance of 30 per cent in wages, as demanded by the men. The other firms resented this and all agreed upon a lockout.

The Boston Roofers' Protective union, after an existence of forty years under its present charter, and a total life of more than eighty years under various forms of organization, last week voted to disaffiliate with the Boston Sheet Metal Workers' union, and thus bring the men engaged at all forms of roofing in one big union under the protection of the Boston C. L. U. and its building trades department.

The Canton of Zurich, Switzerland, has by 49,412 votes against 35,928, passed a general strike act, prohibiting picketing and dictating punishment for preventing persons from working by bodily force, threats or libel. Other cantons are contemplating the introduction of a somewhat similar measure, and all over Switzerland this move has been received with warm support on the part of most of the inhabitants.

At the seventeenth annual convention of the United Brewery Workers of America, held in New York, there were delegates present representing 378 local unions, with a membership of approximately 40,000. The international union of the brewery workers was organized in Baltimore in 1886, when there were but eight local unions and a membership roll of barely 5,000.

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