EDITORIAL

BEATEN TO A STANDSTILL.

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THE name of the Socialist Labor Party will appear on the ballot this year, and it is safe for all future time. The Volkszeitung Corporation’s party has been beaten to a standstill; its tortuous scheme to deprive the S.L.P. of its full name is foiled; and all the Timbooctoo jollifications that it started and that its Timbooctoo parrots repeated, concerning the finish of the S.L.P. on the ballot, have run into water.

As has been explained before in these columns, the S.L.P. cares not a rap under what name the A.F. of L. Volkszeitung Corporation’s party sinks into its grave. When upon the inconsequential decision of the Board of Elections in this city the Volkszeitung Corporation dropped its mask, refused the flag of truce held to it by the attorney of the S.L.P., started proceedings before the Secretary of State to deprive the S.L.P. of its name, and, counting its chickens before they were hatched, announced its certain victory, the S.L.P. promptly met war with war, and in short order knocked out the pretensions of the Timbooctooers. The Secretary of State’s decision now stands confirmed by order of the Supreme Court. The S.L.P. is now safely entrenched against any further attempts at monkeying with its name. Elsewhere in this issue will be found the principles and condensed argument upon which the Socialist Labor Party successfully resisted and overthrew the latest intrigue of the A.F. of L. interests centered in the Volkszeitung Corporation.

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