ALTGELD AGAINST PATTISON.

Ex-Governor Says Candidate Must Be the Counterpart of the Head of the Ticket.

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CHICAGO, April 13.—The Democratic leaders are having great difficulty in finding a candidate for the Vice Presidency who will please all factions of their party. Judge Tarvin of Kentucky and Congressman Sulzer of New York have been suggested, but they did not appear to fill the long-felt want. Then some of the National leaders brought out ex-Gov. Pattison of Pennsylvania, and for a time Mr. Pattison's bark floated smoothly down the political stream. Now the radicals are rebelling against Pattison.

Yesterday Mr. Altgeld was asked what he thought of Pattison as a candidate, and his reply was not encouraging to the Pennsylvania man's ambition. Said Mr. Altgeld: "Personally I believe that the nomination of Mr. Pattison for the Vice Presidency would be as great a misfortune as the nomination we made in 1896 for that place. Mr. Pattison has not been with us on any proposition, and it is safe to say that at least 85 per cent. of the Democrats of America would be disappointed at such a nomination.

"Our people are in earnest all over the country, and they demand not only the enunciation of definite and progressive principles, but they demand the nomination of men whom they know to be intense in their support to those principles. The Republican Party is catering to every influence that is controlled by concentrated and corrupt wealth, and the Democratic Party cannot hope to gain anything by entering into competition with the Republican Party in that line.

"The hope of the Democracy to-day depends not on money and not on politics, but depends on the dynamic force of ideas, and on the conquering power of justice. The Democratic Party must name a man for Vice President who possesses the same character, the same convictions, and the same aggressive force as the man at the head of the ticket."

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