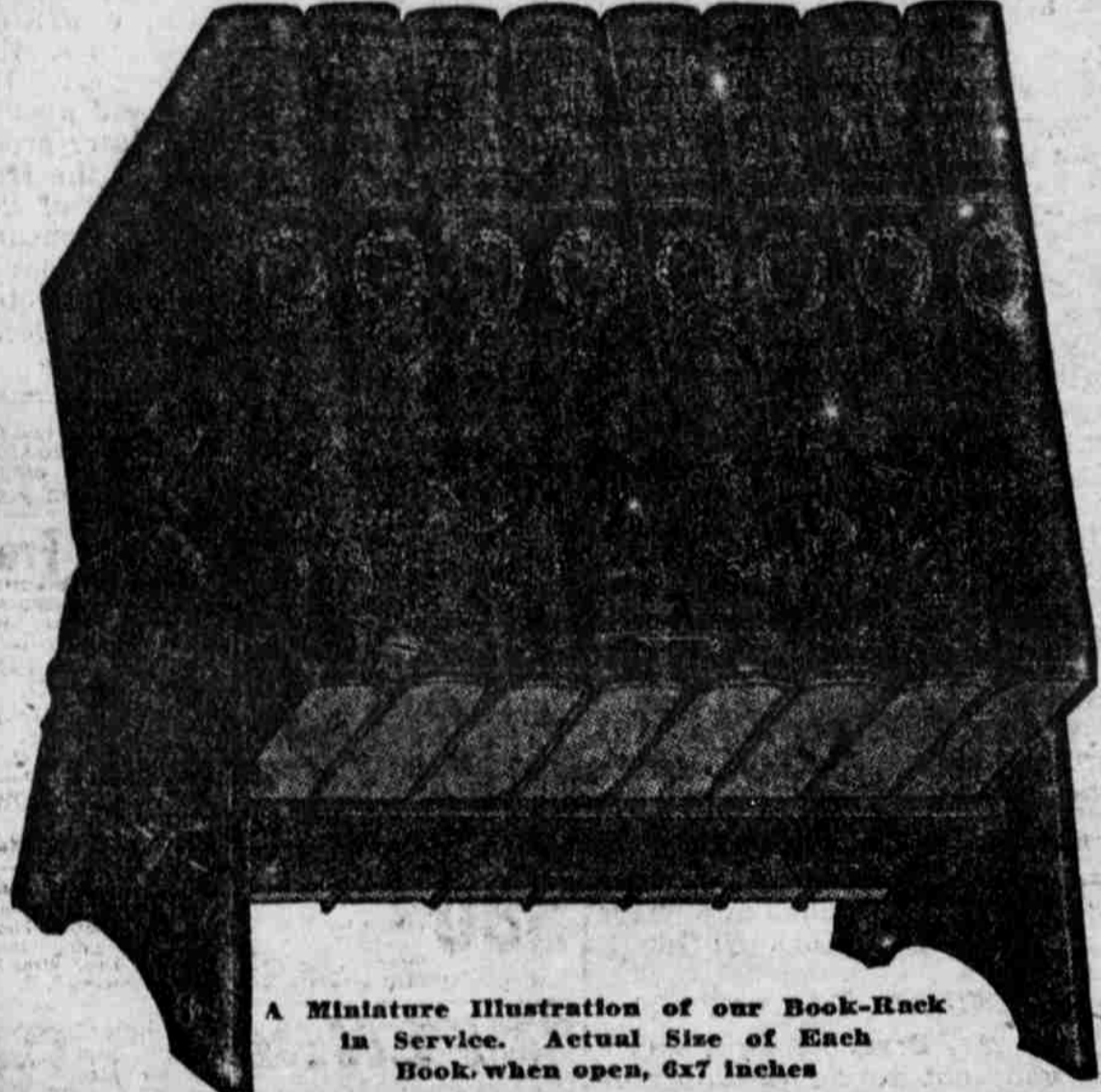


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## Said About Bryan---Kind and Otherwise

### MR. BRYAN AN INSURGENT

It is greatly to the credit of William J. Bryan that he declares that he will not support Mayor Dahlman, the democratic candidate for governor of Nebraska. The conditions are these. The attempt is being made in the state to enact a county option law, and also a law requiring the closing of all saloons at 8 o'clock. In the democratic state convention a resolution opposing a county option law was defeated by the vote of 638 to 202; but yet Mr. Dahlman declared that if the legislature shall enact such a bill, or an early closing bill, he will veto it. Under these circumstances Mr. Bryan will enter the campaign for other democratic candidates, but not for Mr. Dahlman. That is, Mr. Bryan prefers principle to party fealty, and he does it at some risk. Mr. Dahlman reminds Mr. Bryan of twenty years of support given him, and taunts him with the prophecy that he has got hold of the "wrong end of a red-hot poker," and that in the election he "will get the biggest trimming which has been given in this or any other state in several decades." We had not thought so ill of Nebraska, and are glad to think so well of Mr. Bryan.—New York Independent.

### VINDICATION FOR BRYAN IN NEBRASKA

One of the interesting features of the election was the result in Nebraska, where Mr. Bryan, former leader of the democratic party, had waged a campaign against Mayor Dahlman, of Omaha, the democratic nominee for governor.

A month ago, when Mr. Bryan bolted the head of his party ticket, he was roundly denounced throughout the country. The democratic committee in Nebraska, while it maintained silence, was deeply grieved. Individual democrats criticised the Lincoln statesman severely.

Mr. Bryan's objection to Mayor Dahlman was that Dahlman was the candidate of the Omaha liquor interests. He hired a hall in Lincoln—after the democratic committee had declined his services as a campaign speaker—and delivered an address, in which he urged the election of Chester H. Aldrich, insurgent republican, to the governorship. He also urged the indorsement of Representative Gilbert M. Hitchcock, of the Omaha congressional district, for United States senator. Both of these men stand for political progress and clean government.

On Tuesday Nebraska elected Aldrich and indorsed Hitchcock.

The result is more than a vindication of Bryan. It is a display of that intelligent independence which has been developing so rapidly among the people of America in the last decade, and which must ultimately be the foundation upon which our political and economic problems are met. It required discernment and a real conception of the duties of citizenship for Nebraska to select a republican governor and a democratic United States senator, and Nebraska demonstrated that it possessed those two prime requisites.—Washington, D. C. Times.

### ARIZONA'S GREETING

While the republican leaders of the nation are gazing into the horizon to discover the cause of the many disasters that are overtaking their party they might call a halt for a time and study W. J. Bryan—study from cause and effect; look carefully at the man whom Mark

Hanna's trust badly defeated for president—and if they are not blinded to reason, if they will look along the political horizon from California to Maine, they cannot fail to see the handiwork of Nebraska's matchless leader—W. J. Bryan—in every village and hamlet in the republic.

The debauchery of the ballot, bull-doing, falsifying and the free use of money deprived Mr. Bryan of a seat in the White House; but it could not stay him in his matchless efforts on the stump. For twelve years Mr. Bryan has persistently, ably, logically and grandly held up the shortcomings of the republican party. In every city in the union he has thundered forth the shortcomings of the republicans; he has demonstrated to the people that they had betrayed them—broken their pledges—legislated in the interest of trusts, and betrayed their constituents for the benefit of organized capital.

The long years of effort on the part of the gentleman is bearing fruit, and the Democrat is firm in the belief that William J. Bryan, single-handed and alone, without hope of reward or gain, destroyed the republican party.

The people of Arizona send greeting to Nebraska's gallant son, and trust that God will spare his useful life for many years.—Arizona Democrat.

### CONGRATULATIONS

The verdict rendered by the people yesterday when they elected a democratic house of representatives and several governors, while gratifying to those people who have fought almost hopelessly for years, has its responsibilities. That the people would, sooner or later, rebuke the republican party and its high protective tariff policy (the only excuse for its existence) is not surprising to students of economics. That a high protective tariff protects a few people, but does not benefit the masses, is conclusively shown by the fact that the rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer. This publication does not regard the defeat of the republican party in a personal sense—that is so far as President Taft or former President Roosevelt is concerned, but views it as a condemnation of the cardinal principle of that party—a high protective tariff. Had William H. Taft kept his promise to the people in 1908 that the tariff would be revised downward and had his party enacted such a law, such a revolt as exists today, would not have been possible. Had Bryan traded with the trust interests in 1908 and deceived the people as Taft did, he would have been president. Today, however, Bryan out of the White House is honored, while Taft, according to the verdict of the people rendered yesterday, stands discredited—even in his own state.—Washington, D. C., Bulletin.

### SOMEBODY FOOLED YOU

Colonel Bryan is to make a speech in St. Louis in the near future, if present plans can be put into effect. But this time he is to talk as an "elder."

There is a gratifying note in the announcement. The eminent Nebraskan is, we feel sure, well qualified for the new service which he is to render. In order to be an elder, we assume, one should have learned the lesson of humility, the mutability of fame, the many-pathed journey which mortals must take before they