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OUR TICKET TO DATE.

For President—
WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN
of Nebraska.
For Vice-President—
JOHN WORTH KERN
of Indiana.
For Representative, Lancaster—
WILLIAM C. NORTON
of Lincoln.

DON'T GET SCARED.

Now the republican bosses are trying to frighten you into voting to continue their little—or big—tariff graft by threatening you with a reduction in wages if Bryan is elected. They are regular old calamity shouters. But, don't get scared. Say, wouldn't you die for your country if necessary? Of course you would—but you are not called upon to do it. Not now. But, what's the reason you are so opposed to living for it? Suppose that Bryan's election would bring a panic—and the man who says it will utter a silly lie—don't you think it time to smash a political condition of affairs that brings on a panic just because a certain set of men are thrown out of office? Of course it is a cruel and silly lie to say that the election of a warm-hearted, capable, earnest, Christian man would precipitate a panic, but if conditions have come to such a pass that the election of such a man would precipitate a panic, don't you think it high time that we willingly endure a little suffering if by so doing we can put an end to this vast and dangerous power wielded by a few men? Suppose Japan, or some other nation, should threaten to blow up our factories, bombard our towns, desolate our farms—say, wouldn't you get a gun? Yet you shudder at the thought of being forced to undergo a little physical discomfort rather than try to break the throttle hold the trust barons have upon the industries of the country. Don't be a coward! And above all, don't be played for a sucker any longer by a lot of fellows who have waxed fat on special privilege and have got the half-Nelson lock on you with injunctions issued by venal courts. The employer who will issue a threat to close down in the event of the election of a certain man is a criminal at heart, and he ought to be battled between the eyes by the employee who is closest to him. There is something wrong somewhere if the election to the presidency of a Christian statesman like Bryan will precipitate a panic, and it is time that we located the wrong and administered the remedy. If you are willing to die for your country, just brace up and be ready to live for it. Don't get scared! Don't get rattled! There are some who really believe that the republican party is responsible for the sunshine and the rain that produced the crops. They belong to the same class as those democrats who believe that Andy Jackson was a second Messiah. And republicans and democrats of this stripe all belong in the lunatic asylum. Don't be alarmed! If Bryan is elected—and he will be—the sun will shine, the rain will fall and the grain will grow, and people will continue to demand food to appease their appetites.

clothes to cover their backs, shoes for their feet and hats for their heads, and the railroads will have to haul the grain, the mills will have to grind it, the miners will have to dig coal for the engines, men will have to work in the factories—and all will be well. If it is within the power of any set of men to interfere with this natural order of things it is high time we deprived them of the power. The man who talks and threatens panic if Bryan is elected is not a patriot. His brain is located below the belt, and he never in his life did any thinking above his ears. If you do your thinking below your belt line, then you ought to give heed to the men who predict panic and depression. If you do your thinking above your ears you will give them the laugh and vote like a patriot—for the best interests of your country and your children.

ROOSEVELT, PROPHET OF CALAMITY.

President Roosevelt is now engaged in writing letters to workmen in which he warns them that it will be a sad day for organized labor if Taft is defeated. He predicts all sorts of calamity to the workers if Bryan wins. But before we rely too much upon the president's prophecies, and take his interest in the welfare of union men too seriously, let us remind ourselves of a few things. Wasn't it Theodore Roosevelt who wrote that "undesirable citizens" letter in which he prejudiced the case of two union men on trial for their lives and sought to influence popular opinion and the court against a couple of men who were afterwards triumphantly acquitted? Wasn't it Theodore Roosevelt who took the part of the "scab" bookbinder, Miller, and issued an official ukase making the government printing office an "open shop"? "Words are good when backed by deeds—and only so." Ever hear that before? It is an utterance of Theodore Roosevelt's, the man who now poses as the friend of unionists but who tried to prejudice the public and the courts against two men who were on trial for their lives, and who fought the battle of the "scab" Miller. And this same Theodore Roosevelt is trying to annoint as his successor that staunch old friend of labor, Taft, the judge who denies the right of trial by jury, who sent Phelan to jail on the testimony of a hired spy, who fined union bricklayers for refusing to patronize an industrial enemy and who called railroad brotherhood men a band of conspirators. Beware of the Greeks bearing gifts! If you kill your companion they have to prove it before a jury of twelve men. If you disobey the order of a puffed up judge, off to jail you go for a term that suits the fancy of the judicial czar. If you like that sort of thing, vote for Taft, the candidate of the party that endorses it and the man who practiced it. The ship subsidy bill that Pollard voted for in defiance of the wishes of his constituents provides for the impressment into the navy of the sailors on board the ships receiving the subsidy. If you believe in forced enlistment, vote for congressmen who favor the ship subsidy. The democratic state committee is putting money into the coffers of republican newspapers that have fought and abused Bryan. The newspapers that have supported Bryan and defended his principles can look out for themselves. If they can not, let 'em suffer. Funny, isn't it, that if Mr. Taft is such a good friend of the unions he should be having the enthusiastic support of such fine old friends of unionism as VanCleave, Post, Parry, Otis, et al? Keefe, who sold out for a mess of political pottage, or Gompers who stands four-square for a principle? You'll have to choose between them, Mr. Union Man. Mr. C. O. Whedon, a lawyer of Lincoln, is having a lot of fun attacking Bryan. But it wasn't so funny the night Bryan called him down at the meeting of a Lincoln literary club. If Bryan is elected people will not have to eat, consequently there will be no market for the farmer's wheat. The union printer who votes for Taft votes with Otis. What do you think about it? Representative Pollard evidently expects a fat committee from Uncle Joe Cannon. Gompers is for Bryan. VanCleave is for Taft. Under which flag, Mr. Union Man? On November 3 try voting like you marched on September 7. Talking about the price of corn un-

der republican and democratic administrations—the lowest price ever paid for corn in Nebraska was under a republican administration and a high tariff law. But only a fool believes that the price was due to the administration. Only a fool will believe that the present price is due to the administration. On the square now, wouldn't you be proud if you could say you lived in the home town of a president of the United States—provided he was as good a man as Bryan? Elsewhere The Wagerworker prints a speech of a certain man when he introduced James S. Sherman, republican candidate for vice president. It should interest union men. The New York Central railroad managers threaten a reduction of wages if Bryan is elected, and promise an increase if Taft is elected. That is the worst form of bribery. "I am going to vote for protection," exclaimed a member of a Lincoln union the other day. I say, ol' cove; wobble it about a bit, don't yer know. I'm getting it all. A vote for "Billy" Norton for the legislature is a vote against the emancipation of the child labor law and a vote for the repeal of the iniquitous garnishee law. The election of "Billy" Norton to the legislature will mean one man in the legislature who will look after matters of concern to the workmen of Lancaster county. In case of Bryan's election people will not want to travel, consequently there will be no need to run passenger trains and trainmen will be out of work. Of course people will not have to wear clothes if Bryan is elected, so the garment workers will be out of work. A lot of men who vociferously declare they would die for a principle are almighty afraid they may have to miss a meal or two for a principle. The great labor leaders quoted by Judge Taft as admitting that his decisions were just and right are all dead. Mr. Union Man, knowing the candidates as you do, which would you sooner trust your case with—Bryan or Taft? Arthur, Sargent and Phelan dead are quoted by Judge Taft. Quote some live ones, judge! November 3, 1908, should go down in history as "Labor's Emancipation Day." WHAT GRAND MASTER SARGENT SAID. "It has hitherto been conceded that railroad employes possessed all the rights as citizens which attached to the employers, that is to say, that if employers possessed the right to discharge employes, when it pleased them to exercise such authority, the employes also possessed the right, unchallenged, to quit work when they elected to exercise that right. If a judge of the United States court may abolish this right of an employe, he remands him, unequivocally, to a servitude as degrading as the Spartans imposed upon their helots and it is this phase of the strike which has aroused such intense concern and alarm." GOMPERS ON INJUNCTION. Labor Leader Writes a Timely Article for the Independent. In an article in a recent number of the New York Independent, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, discusses the injunction from the viewpoint of a labor leader. Mr. Gompers sets forth what purports to be the views of this much disputed legal instrument as seen through the eyes of the toilers. In part his article follows: "It is notorious that the abuses of government by injunction are flagrant and 'cry to heaven.' Only plutocratic attorneys and bigoted, power lusting judges refuse to admit this. Even political trimmers are forced to give their approval to planks favoring some limitation of the use of the writ of injunction in so-called labor cases. "The greatest legal authorities have held with labor's contention in the injunction process. The supreme court of the state of Montana, in a decision rendered last month, upheld in its entirety every contention which labor makes upon that subject. "The writ of injunction was intended to be exercised for the protection of property rights only. "There must be no other adequate

remedy at law. "It must never be used to curtail personal rights. "It must not be used even in an effort to punish crime. "It must not be used as a means to set aside trial by jury. "Injunctions as issued against workmen are never used or issued against any other citizen of our country. "It is an attempt to deprive citizens of our country, when these citizens are workmen, of the right of trial by jury. "It is an effort to fasten an offense on them when they are innocent of any unlawful or illegal act. "It is an indirect assertion of a property right in men when these men are workmen engaged in a lawful effort to protect or advance their natural rights and interests."

OUR IMMIGRANT BROTHERS.

Rev. Mr. Steizle Tells Us Something About These Freedom Seekers. Hungry, oppressed, exploited, deceived, born in land where the word "government" means oppression—the immigrant is coming to America at the rate of a million a year, looking upon our country as the land of promise. Like a great wave they are coming, threatening to flood our eastern

states, swelling the tide toward the west, and splashing the spray everywhere. Even though immigration should at this time be absolutely restricted, the present generation of Americans will have all it can do to adequately meet the needs of those who are already here. But they will continue to come. Every law which affects human life—physical, social, political, economic—seems to have conspired to make America the Mecca of the oppressed races of the earth. Settling principally in our cities, they form their "Ghettos" their "Little Italys," their "Bohemian Hills," often retaining their old country ideas and customs. But what kind of folks are they—these foreigners? Some call them "the scum of the earth," the "off-scouring of Europe," "the criminal refuse of the old world," "reeking with disease and immorality." At the recent Tuberculosis Conference held in Washington, Commissioner Watchorn of Ellis Island, said that of two million immigrants examined very critically by the medical experts on Ellis Island during a certain period, only 208 were afflicted with any form of tuberculosis. Suppose that Americans could show the same record? In the state of New York there are about two million depositors in the savings banks, these having deposit-

ed enough money to pay off the debt of the United States government, and having about \$75,000,000 to spare. Seventy per cent of these depositors are foreign born! Doesn't look much like a pauper class, does it? The cry is being raised that we are now getting the very worst element from Southern Europe. But our immigration officials declare that they are just as good as any class that ever came to America. Those who have been in this country for even a comparatively short period, usually look with contempt upon those who follow them. The Pilgrim Fathers despised the "riff-raff" which came here shortly after they landed. These in turn disliked the class which followed them. The Germans scorned the Irish, the Irish hated the Italians, the Italians despise the Slav,—and so it goes. How hard it seems for men to learn that we are of one blood, and that we have one Father, through whom we are all brothers. True enough, the immigrant brings his problems with him. But they are such that they can be solved by friendship and sympathy. And that is the least that they deserve. They ask no special favors—they want simply a man's chance to make a living. In this desire they should have the hearty help of every fellow-man who is making the same fight.

Which Store

---There are several stores in Lincoln---which store is your store?---which store sells the best clothing?---which store sells the most clothing?---which store gives the best satisfaction?---which store offers the greatest values?

Armstrong's

sells the famous Henry J. Brock union-made clothing---this answers the question of "best"---an because this store sells the best it sell the most---and because it sells the most it is in a position to offer the greatest values---so all the questions are answered with the one word

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