

the markets was not equal to the market price of the goods. So the people by millions are out of work, and the money which ought to be in their hands is piled up in the banks. Under the net profit system of production panics and periods of business depression are regular, unavoidable results. The cooperative, Christian system of production will alone prevent them, and make care, under consumption, and contagious or transferable poverty impossible.

TO THE POPULISTS OF NEBRASKA.

The conference to be held at Hastings Nebraska, January 3d, should be attended by every member of the party that can possibly come. Matters of great importance to the people of this state will be taken under consultation there, and methods no doubt will be adopted by which the next campaign can be won. Our predictions of a few years ago are being fulfilled to the sorrow of the masses. The principles embodied in our platform are being accepted by more and more people every day of the year. As time rolls on we are gaining in membership, and just as soon as we can demonstrate to the general public that we are right we will be given the reins of government. Therefore it is our duty to educate on economic lines, and to gain faster we must work systematically. In order to win the next campaign we must have a thorough and working state organization. There is much at stake in the coming campaign and I hope to see the proper interest manifested in the coming campaign which if properly guided will be the starting of the campaign for 1893.

D. CLEM DEAVEIL, Chairman Ex. Com.

BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

(From the Arena Publishing Co., Boston.) Albert Brisbane: A Mental Biography, by Redelia Brisbane, pp. 377, cloth \$2.00. The Finished Creation, and Other Poems, by Benjamin Hathaway, pp. 209, cloth \$1.25. Railways of Europe and America, or Government Ownership, by Mrs. Marion Todd, pp. 285, cloth \$1.25; paper 50 cents. For Today: Poems by Frances Margaret Milne, pp. 137, cloth \$1.00. Salome Shepard, Reformer, by Helen M. Winslow, pp. 256, cloth \$1.00; paper 50 cents. An Apocalypse of Life, by W. T. Cheney, pp. 313, cloth \$1.25; paper 50 cents. A: A Social Vision, by Charles S. Daniel, pp. 296, paper 50 cents. Bondholders and Breadwinners, by S. S. King, paper 25 cents. Industrial Freedom. Containing four papers. I. The Money Question by John Davis, M. C. II. The Railroad Problem, by Gov. Lionel A. Sheldon. III. The Sub-Treasury Plan, by C. C. Post. IV. Should the Government Own the Railroads? by C. Wood Davis, pp. 60, price 25 cents. Money, Land and Transportation. Containing three papers. I. A New Declaration of Rights, by Hamlin Garland. II. The Farmer, Investor, and the Railway, by C. Wood Davis. III. The Independent Party and Money at Cost, by R. B. Hassell, pp. 64, price 50 cents. The People's Cause. Containing five papers. I. The Threefold Contention of Industry, by James Baird Weaver. II. The Negro Question in the South, by Thomas E. Watson. III. The Menace of Plutocracy, by B. O. Flower. IV. The Communism of Capital, by John Davis, M. C. V. The Pending Presidential Campaign, by James H. Kyle and Thomas E. Watson, price 25 cents.

What One of Them Think.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 22, 1893. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:— DEAR SIR:—In your last issue 21st, inst, you introduced to your readers, under the head, "The Omaha Railroad Organ," a "new" paper entitled "Trade and Traffic devoted to political economy, financial and commercial interests, etc." The quotations you make from this sheet very clearly show that the political economist who wrote the article from which you quote belongs to the bourgeois school of economists the capitalistic school—the school best defined by Sebastian Mercier in his dictionary of new words published at Paris in 1802. It was not till the 18th century that capitalist prosperity began to assert itself, to acquire a preponderating influence in society. It was the social predominance of capital that led to the French Revolution. At the time of the Revolution the capitalists were cattle so newly raised by society that Mercier thought it necessary to introduce and define the word capitalist. This is his definition. "Capitaliste. This word is well nigh unknown out of Paris. It designates a monster of wealth, a man who has a heart of iron, and no affections save metallic ones." Capitalistic property is profit without labor of the owner. The profit is plus value appropriated from the exploitation of labor. This "political economist" is an advocate and defender of that system. What he says is in entire harmony with the theory of his school. Does his spirit and method of reasoning differ essentially from that of our great Secretary of Agriculture, who has recently instructed the farmers in respect to their legitimate business? You ask what Nebraska farmers say of the lesson of the "political economist" and for reading the quotations twice

and with due reflection, my own opinion is that the "political economist" of Trade and Traffic is either insincere, or an ignorant, or a "phool". Yours Truly, ONE OF THE FARMERS.

The Thoughts of a Thinker.

Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:— DEAR SIR: If you will kindly permit me the use of a little space in your valuable paper I will state a few of my views as to the best methods of procedure that, in my opinion, could be employed to place our party in a position to wrest victory from the corporation vampires that have been controlling the state institutions and plundering the tillers and toilers. At the next general election the voters of this and other states will have another opportunity of showing the voters of other lands whether or not they are competent to govern themselves. It is an open question, which I have not yet solved, whether our celebrated Republican form of government is any improvement over the old monarchial governments of Europe; for in free trade England and high protected America the industrial classes are the ones that receive the poorest wages, and the least of the enjoyments that go toward making life worth living. And the question I have often asked myself is, why is this thus? The only answer I can find is this: "That the wealth-producers of this and other lands have been misled and divided on the tariff and other issues. For the privileged loaning classes of both Europe and America appear to prosper as well under a low tariff as under a high tariff. Will some wealthy laboring man rise and explain why this is thus? While wheat is quoted at 63 cents per bushel, and labor goes begging, a drug upon the market at any price, methinks that the tariff is something like what a man in the saloon business once told me. He said when he was in a Republican district he was a Republican, and when in a Democratic district he was a Democrat, and I thought that man anything for the dollar. As to the tariff it is an indirect tax levied for the purpose of raising revenue to run the government, and the only change that can be made by the Democrats is to take the tariff off of one kind of commodities and place it upon another, or raise on one and lower on the other, as the case may be, unless they should take it into their heads to raise revenue for government expenses by levying an income tax, a tax on inheritance, or a single tax on land. For weeks and months the wages of the mechanics and laborers have been gradually declining, as well as the products of the farm. In the past the wages of the workmen in the cities and towns have only been maintained by the constant efforts of labor organizations. But now many bodies of workmen have had to disband through lack of employment, thus leaving them an easy prey to the vultures that live on the toll of others, and it is apparent to the most careless observer that thousands of honest men, women and children will have to appeal to the charity of the public for bread this winter, and that in a land that has produced plenty for all. Men, arouse yourselves to action. This universal stagnation in business is not the result of chance, but has been brought about by the dishonesty of public officials. It is not necessary to here enumerate them; you are fully conversant with what has taken place in this state. And now I will state my views as to how I think we can become united for a successful campaign in 1894. Let us when we meet in conference in the city of Hastings January 3d, be fair in our actions and liberal in our views. Let us extend the hand of fellowship to all of the organized and unorganized workers throughout the state, and let us ask them to select honest men to represent them. Then let us have a conference of the different committees that would be thus chosen, with the state central committee of the party, and let us try and unite upon a state platform for 1894 that will insure the laboring classes of this state just representation in the next campaign on the state ticket and the different county tickets. I think that the time is about ripe for success, provided we are fair with each other. Let us when we attend the conference in Hastings go prepared to stay two or three days at least, and do our work in such a manner that it will add strength to our cause. I know that there will be some men present that will want to rush everything through in a hurry, and adjourn, but let me say in addition that careful deliberation and just action with all will insure us success in 1894. Yours for success, A CARPENTER.

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Clipped From Our Exchanges.

Cleveland's "tidal wave of prosperity" that was to follow the repeal of the silver law is slightly over due. But everybody is anxious that he should prove a true prophet.—Sutton Register.

We read of the "stone age," the "bronze age," the "iron age," "age of steel," etc., and now all these have been succeeded by the "bond age," and the bondage gives good promise of being more distinctly characteristic than any of its predecessors.—Loup Valley Alliance.

The banking and currency committee has asked the national bankers what they want to make them happy. They reply that they want the national government to go out of the financial business entirely and turn money manufacture over to the national banks. It is well the common people should know what the money power desire.—Rocky Mountain News.

There is one thing we want every every Populist reader of the Journal to make a note of, and it is this: The Populists have saved the state the vast sum of \$1,318,948.80. You will find the facts set forth on our first page, in the letter of Assistant Secretary of State Zercher. Remember this, because you want to be prepared for that, adulated, pin-headed, chronic Republican neighbor, that whines out every day, "Well, what have you Populists done anyway?"—Ottawa (Kan.) Journal.

This is a great and powerful government, but there is one thing it cannot do—it cannot create money.—John G. Carlisle.

Will John please tell what nation it is that can create money? If no nation can create it, where did the money come from? Did it grow? Did it just spring up spontaneously? Did God make it? If so, don't you think that congress took considerable responsibility upon itself when it demonetized one-half of God's money in 1873? Can Europe make money and we not? John, you are an old fool.—Alliance Gazette, Kansas.

During the meeting of the American Federation of Labor, held in Chicago last week, the Common Council passed a resolution tendering the delegates a banquet, and appropriating \$1,000 for that purpose. To the credit of the delegates the proffer was promptly rejected, and the councilmen told to give the money to the suffering poor of their city. In sharp contrast with this action of these right-hearted workmen comes the account of a magnificent revel of New York's 400, described as by far the grandest ever held. Hundreds of thousands of dollars were squandered by these luxuriant dukes and dukes in wines, dresses and the richest of menus for one night's dissipation, while hundreds of thousands of honest workmen are suffering for the bare necessities of life. These are the class of people who profit by two-bushel-of-wheat dollars. We wonder if they see the handwriting on the wall.—Farm, Field & Fireside.

As a gold-bug prophet old Grover is a fake. Just get his message to congress last August and read it over again; see what predictions he made; how he charged the financial troubles to silver; how he said an honest 100 cent dollar would restore confidence and credit; how much more appreciative foreign countries were of gold than we were, and it had left us on account of our using silver under the Sherman law; how quickly gold would return to us if the law was repealed; how much prosperity depended upon the business interests of the country; how the wise financiers, (the interested bankers) demand repeal; how wise and far-seeing he was, and then compare all this with the results. Hardly times, money scarcer, gold leaving in large quantities, one shipment last week of \$1,700,000, the hoarding of the money in the east, and the trouble attributed to the proposed revision of the tariff. Verily, is Grover, the gold-bug prophet, an oracle of wonderful wisdom, of far-reaching perceptiveness and deep penetration of mind.—Cretan Democrat.

County Alliance Meeting. The Clay County Farmers' Alliance will meet in Clay Center, Nebraska, January 6, 1894. Following is the program: Address—Logan McReynolds, Ad. Soc.—By Sutton Glee Club. Paper—By N. M. Graham. Discussion—By E. O. Brown, George Sworth. Paper—By L. S. Johnson. Discussion—By A. P. Randall, A. M. Lothrop. Paper—By S. M. Elder. Discussion—By F. M. Brown, D. B. Gillette. Speech—L. Hoekins. Paper—By Sutton Glee Club. Speech—J. L. Hodges. Paper—L. R. Chapman. Discussion—By members of Clay County Alliance. Order of Committee. E. T. COWEN, Chairman.

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