
 Except during the war and a few
years preceeding and succeeding, free
trade sentiment naver, for the past trade sentiment never, for the past
thiree-quarters of a century, shruak so three-quarters of a century, shrumk so
close to the vanisting point as it has
today. Senator Vest said the other today. Senator Vest said the other
day. In opposing the proposition of
Senator Bucon, of Georgia. to put a senator Bucon, of Georglia, to put
daty on cotton, that if he (Vest) had
thoult thuught the Chicago platrorn of
meant what Bacon said t did he would
not have touched it any more than the not have touched hay more than
would have touched a rattesnake i
there was no whisky within a hundred there was no whisky within a tundred
miles, and he exelaimed: "God help us if the new evangel is to prevait",
Yet probably Bacon is rigit in supposing tits cotton duty makes no as
saunt on the Chicago platform. The saunt on the Chicago platform, The
plat form says that "tariff duties should
pater be levied for parposes of revenue," but
the word "only," which was in pre
te vious national democrattic utterances
for many years, was left out of that of 1896. Semator Tillman, who was nember of the committee whi
framed the platform, said that the frampd the platform, said that the
"only" was omitted on purpose, after
ans a
The tariff plank says that "taxation should be limited by the needs of the
government houestly and economically administered," and condemied the Mc
Kinley law. but the omission of th Word which appeared in many previou
democratic declatations, and whic democratic ecclarations, and whic
restricts tariffs' rigorously to the fur ni-hing of revenue and nothing else, is
a new departure of great importance A tariff wnich lets in goods at all is
tariff which produces revenue, al tariff which produces revenue, al
though protection may be its main purpose and revenue be subsidiary The McKiutey act could come unde
the head of a revenue tariff. and the he head of a revenue tarif. and
same will be true of the Diugley law
Whether Senator Veat is aware
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ tariff. Bryan and his porinctpat the camp paign, and Bryan is doing so still whine many of his supporter are com
ing or have already come over to the protection side. Bacon, White, Till
man, MeEnery and other democratic man. Mcenery ad ather be as ho-
senators would apparently be ho tile to the Walker tarify or the Mill
bill if either should be proposed now as would the rephblicans. Free trade understood from the days of Jackso on to those of Buchanan, as enunciated
in the Cleveland message of 1887 , and as expressed in the Mills bill of 1888 ment of the democracy, and as a squar with silverism and all other questious

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## free employment.

} old output for 1 son will be nearly or quite $\$ 250,900,000$, far exceeding any previous year in history. Etther chere are some of Governo
Holconb's appointees who are abso lutely unfit for the positions they hold by reason of a fondness for strong ond many republican brethren are guilty of making false statements. sponsible position one man who is in the habit of allowing liquor to get the better of him, because he cannot find a place, then it is time that he look though of the ultra gold bug sttipe, if
he be nober and trustworthy. is worth dozen drunken pops when it comes
$\qquad$ beiligerency resolution, but like every other man who has been on the island state of war exists in that locality, de. The ighting is not on a he contrary hut there is fighting, and the insurfact that the spaniards bave. about 200,000 soldiers in Caba shows that
they must have thought something like war was in progress in that spor Whiie the further fact that none of proves that neither Weyler nor the Weyler's' ${ }^{\text {pacification" stories. }}$. Democrat.

