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PROTECTION, reciprocity and dollars of equal value.

JUDGE FIELD and W. J. Bryan hold their closing joint debate at Lincoln this evening.

"If the republicans should nominate Christ they could not defeat me"—William Jennings Bryan.

THE HERALD is republican at all times, in all places, and under all circumstances and has no apologies to offer for so being.

Go into your nearest store and price tin goods and learn for yourself that they are cheaper than ever before. Facts count.

If New York democrats had been gifted with foresight equal to their hindsight, they would have left Commissioner Peck alone.

With either Watson or Deles as the nominee for float representative Judge Dennis O'Dwyer would never know he was in the race.

JOHN A. DAVIES will be elected as a representative in the state legislature from Cass county. THE HERALD does not go much on predictions, but here is one you can bet on.

CLEVELAND has decided to drink no more intoxicants during the present campaign—another sign that he is losing the courage of his devotion to democratic tastes and practices.

GENERAL FIELD is now marching through Georgia as Gen. Weaver's substitute, and there are no unfertile eggs thrown at him. He served on the democratic side during the war.

The London papers are not pleased with what one of them terms the "hesitant obscurity" of Cleveland on the tariff issue, but they will continue to support him all the same.

The republicans have done one good thing in Cass county and the state of Nebraska. It has forced the democrats to put up the best tickets they have nominated since Nebraska was a state.

The independent party of Georgia instead of decreasing the democratic vote in that state, increased it, and the democrats carried the state by a larger vote than ever before. They carried the state by a majority of 100,000 votes.

A MILLION busy business men, who desire to continue business, will, without talking, quietly deposit their ballots for Harrison and Ried and continued prosperity. It is this silent ballot that is going to astonish political tricksters.

The latest returns from Florida indicate the election of the entire democratic state ticket by a majority of 26,000. The independent party was going to cut a wide swath in Florida. They succeeded in carrying one county by fifteen votes.

The net gold fund in the treasury is still growing. Two months ago it amounted to \$100,000,000 now it is \$120,000,000. This is about the line of safety. There are no indications that it will drop much if at all below this line again this year.

In view of the fact that young Mr. Bailey of Texas took the United States constitution home with him, so that it should come to no harm, Republicans will rejoice that he is to be sent back to congress bringing it is hoped, the constitution with him.

The Beatrice Express says the meeting held in that town the other night by Shamp and Cundiff didn't attract the attention of the people a block away. All of which shows that the people who reside in the Queen city of the Blue have great heads.

DEMOCRATIC newspapers continue to print head lines about "organizing the Germans." It will take more than a man hired by a democratic committee, calling meetings and forming clubs, to induce the Germans to vote for Cleveland and wildcat money.

A CAMPAIGN OF PROSPERITY.

The campaign in Nebraska this year is a campaign on the part of the republican party for business and individual thrift and general prosperity. The McKinley bill, that stands for the great principle of protection to American industries, is a plank longer than any plank in the stump for itself. No man, however little he may study the basic principles of government needs to do more than look around him to see that this country is prospering as never before. The cry of calamity that is raised and that is encouraged for political purposes by the democratic party, is an insult thrown in the face of every intelligent man who is willing to work, and who wants to better his condition. There has never been in the history of the government such direct prosperity, such inspiration for business growth in the future, as has followed the incorporation into the statute books of the principle of protection and reciprocity, as outlined in the McKinley bill. It is business for every man to stand by prosperity and keep the betterment of his own individual interests uppermost in his mind. The placing of power in the hands of democracy means a tearing down instead of a building up, and retrogression instead of progression. The republican party has never taken a backward step, and it has looked steadily forward, is why the republican campaign this year is a campaign for prosperity. Prosperity is not found in the weeds of last year's growth, and where dead issues are buried. There are evidences on every hand of this developing power that underlies protection. New manufacturing plants are springing up in Nebraska. Two conspicuous examples are the cotton mill at Kearney and the Fremont binding twine factory. Republican legislation makes these evidences of prosperity literal facts, while democratic legislation would abolish them. The development of one own country is republicanism and contribution to foreign interests is democracy. A republican campaign can not be else than a campaign for prosperity.

Coupled with protection that builds up and develops, comes reciprocity that extends American commerce and broadens the market of American productions.

Cuba alone takes \$500,000,000 more annually from this nation in food products than ever before. That island placed alike a tariff against European and American food products, but through reciprocity they let down the bars to the American products and the wheat of America, raised on American farms, is eaten in Cuba, rather than the wheat of India. Republican reciprocity means prosperity to the American farmer, and a most significant fact is that the prices of American farm products have increased in the last two years 18 per cent, according to the official report of the department of agriculture.

ENGLISH CHEAPNESS.

The Boston Herald recently advanced the astounding assertion that the cost of living is two and a half times as great in this country as in England. The Boston Journal has had the industry to look up the letters to the Herald of its London correspondent, and finds in one of them a refutation of the Herald's assertion. "When will that egregious superstition about English cheapness vanish?" asks the correspondent, and proceeds:

"American furniture is wanted in London. Bring it here and sell it at American prices and you will undersell the British dealers and carry away their trade bodily. They cannot compete with you."

"What!" exclaims some fellow-countryman of ours, who is a victim to the misty superstition about British cheapness. But let the good man hold his peace. Modern furniture is not only much cheaper in the United States than in England, it is better made, more artistic in design and more suitable for the purpose for which it is intended, and the best of it is from one-half to one-quarter the price of ordinary English stuff. If any one doubts that I will undertake to furnish him with English price lists from the best known dealers, and then he may convince himself. \* \* \* I have bought furniture in the United States and brought it to my home in London, and saved 50 per cent. on the English price—and the goods were 100 per cent. better than the English."

In reality, the president of the United States will not be elected until the second Wednesday in February. The electors, chosen by the people in the several states November 8, will, on January 9, declare the result in each state in the union. The houses of congress will, on the date in February named, canvass the electoral vote, and announce the grand results. However, we shall know pretty well beforehand who are the lucky ones.

Bryan's reputation in congress is great, and by admitting democrats as something grand beyond any previous conceptions of grandeur. Beyond assisting to smother the free coinage bill in the committee, what did he do? Make a speech in favor of free trade. And that same speech with trifling variations has adorned the editorial columns of the Louisville Courier-Journal, in sections, every blessed day for the last twenty years. Not a new idea was woven into the fabric of that long winded dithyramb, and only one thing was established by it, and that was a record of oratorical endurance for the gods to admire.

BILLY BRYAN said in his joint debate here Saturday night that plush goods were not being manufactured in Jamestown, New York, and attempted to back up his statement by the notorious liar Tiffany of Lincoln. The fact is that plush goods have been manufactured in that city and a factory running forty looms and between 400 and 500 men have been working there and manufacturing plush goods, whose equal can not be excelled anywhere. Bryan knew better but had to do something for effect, but such campaign lies as that helps to roll up Mr. Field's majority.

THE prosecution or persecution of Commissioner Peck by the mugwumps at Albany does not seem to lag at all by reason of the fact that his report is buttressed and corroborated by those of the democratic official in Massachusetts, Indiana and elsewhere. Even if the mugwumps should succeed in disposing of this very embarrassing document, they would still be confronted with the current testimony of all other authorities, that times are more prosperous since the passage of the McKinley law than they were before.

The alliance people of the north are having their eyes opened; they see that the democrats of the south all belong to the alliance and profess to be independents but when they come to vote they all vote the straight democratic ticket, which goes to show that the independent party was started by the democrats for the purpose of dividing the republican party in the north. But it has failed.

BOURKE COCKRAN is going to make a democratic speech in Boston, and the News of that city says: "Boston demands of Mr. Cockran his best," and asks him to repeat his great speech delivered in Chicago. Bourke did not promise to come to Chicago, but pleaded of an account of "sore eyes."

THE relations existing between the democratic candidate for governor and the democratic candidate for congress in this district is anything but pleasant. Mr. Norton takes delight in crushing William Jennings Bryan pet hobby at every opportunity.

JUDGE FIELD has the facts on his side as has also every other republican. Mr. Bryan has eloquence, wit, and artful dodging on his side. We will shall see which shall win before an intelligent and discriminating constituency.

No intelligent orator will hesitate one minute in placing an (X) after the names of John A. Davies and A. S. Cooley as against Geo. Harshman and Joseph Mullen.

The democratic governors when they appoint labor commissioners hereafter should compel them to pledge themselves not to tell the truth in a presidential year.

JOS. MULLEN had better wait and accepted the nomination for commissioner. He would have stood a good deal better show of election.

SINCE the democratic county convention was held, republican stock has taken a rise of ten per cent and is still going up.

JUDGE FIELD and Congressman Bryan have one more joint debate before the campaign closes. They will speak at Lincoln next Tuesday.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN repeated his free silver speech at the Elmwood fair yesterday to a good sized crowd.

BECAUSE Peck told the truth all of the democratic orators are accusing him of being a traitor to his country.

PENNSYLVANIA was visited yesterday by a regular snow storm which held forth for over an hour.

THE JOURNAL always remains silent when THE HERALD has shown the fallacy of its arguments.

COMRADE BENJAMIN HARRISON.

"When Commander-in-Chief Palmer, in behalf of the thousands assembled at Washington, and the 500,000 members of the Grand Army of the Republic, referred to "Comrade Benjamin Harrison," he touched a chord whose strength only the veterans comprehend. In talking it over, not only in Washington but everywhere in the quiet homes of the land, around their camp fires and around their hearth stones, they will say to each other "Comrade Harrison marched with us. He fought with us. He was in the cold and the heat, the storm and the sunshine with us. He slept in his blanket in the fields wherever bivouacked. He ate hard tack, when he could get it, as we did. He went hungry, as we did. We saw him in the hospital. We followed him into the flashing of the enemy's guns. We know him. He knows how soldiers feel. He is our president but better than that he is our comrade." And through their tears, as they think of his recent words to them, they will say one to another, "He can never cease to be the one, and, please God, he shall be continued the other."

JUDGE FIELD in the debate Saturday evening stated that there was a plush factory at Jamestown, New York that was in operation and manufacturing plush goods. To this assertion Mr. Bryan denied the fact and produced a letter from the notorious liar Tiffany of Lincoln to bolster up his drooping cause. The Bryan-Tiffany combination positively asserts that there is not, and never has been any, plush goods manufactured at Jamestown, New York. Upon inquiry THE HERALD learns from L. L. Hanchett, postmaster, Jamestown, New York under date of October 4th, that the Jamestown plush mills are in operation and have been for a long time and that they run forty looms. Also that there is a much larger factory undergoing completion. Mr. Bryan willfully and maliciously tried to deceive the people of the workings of the McKinley bill. The next time that Mr. Bryan talks to a Plattsburgh audience he should remember that they are a progressive people and cannot be led astray by his wilful lying.

THE Hill and Tammany democrats in New York find themselves in this unpleasant predicament. If Cleveland carries New York the whole mugwump anti-snapper pack will burden the air with their exultant shouts that he did it with out Tammany, owes Tammany nothing and should repay it for its attempted treachery. On the other hand, if he loses New York, the anti-snappers will set about to make Tammany a stench and a by-word among the democrats of the country, as they tried to do at Chicago. They will do this in spite of the honeyed phrases of their organs and leaders at this time about "Hill's loyalty," and the "gratifying assurance that Tammany will not betray Cleveland."

SECRETARY ELKINS is carrying the fight for protection into West Virginia with a spirit and vigor that promise the happiest results. His talk is of business, and is directed to subjects that concern the nearest interests of those who hear him. His keen, practical insight into conditions existing strikes the understanding with trip-hammer force and the breadth of his grasp and comprehension of the possibilities for the south can not but stir and enthrall those who listen to him. They have besides the best assurance of his deep interest in those possibilities and conditions in the fact that he invests his money with them and is dependent upon their advantage for his future fortune.

THE intellectual war which is now in progress between those stalwart political opponents and intimate personal friends—Editor Murat Halstead and Editor Henry Watterston—is one of the greatest treats we have been allowed to enjoy in this life. Both are able men, both are generous men and the word-painting of each is something of which every American journalist is proud. The tariff issue, about which they write, is lost sight of in the intensely interesting personalities in which they each try to excel the other. Long may Murat and Henry live.

CASS will be represented in the lower house next winter by Cooley and Davies, two of our eloquent and stalwart republicans. Include Hon. Orlando Tefft in the senate and we have a trio that will look out for the welfare of their constituents. They are men of clean character, pure motives, honest purpose and clear heads. With such men to represent us, Cass county will know that her interests will be carefully attended to.—Weeping Water Republican.

DAN SICKLES' BLOW.

One of the most significant speeches at the Grand Army Reunion was made by that famous democratic soldier, Gen. Sickles. Added to the significance of the words themselves was the further fact that they were vociferously applauded. He first praised President Harrison as a brave soldier whom he knew and honored, and as the applause over his earnest and graceful treatment of his subject subsided he added: "And he did not send a substitute to the war." At this the cheering became mighty and continuous.

Just at the close of this assembly of his old Third Corps the General rose again and proceeded as follows: "There was a point which I intended to make, but in the rambling nature of my remarks I neglected to do, which I will take this opportunity of stating. You have heard, no doubt, some cranks and some scoundrels who complain about your little pensions. They say the amount is becoming immense, and talk about reducing it. I will prove to you, my boys, that you are entitled to every bit of it, and deserve more. It is yours by the law, and I would be willing to leave the case to any fair-minded jury.

"You are undoubtedly aware that maritime law especially provides that should any one find a vessel in an imperiled or dangerous condition and bring her safely to port, thus saving the cargo and vessel, that the person or persons acting thus are entitled to a salvage. This salvage amounts to a quarter, a half, or even a greater proportion of the entire value of the cargo and vessel.

"Now that is just the case with you, boys. Your little pension is your salvage, and a mighty small one it is. You found the great ship of state imperiled and on the brink of destruction. It was your heroism and bravery that saved it and salvage is due you.

"Go back to your homes, and when your quibbling neighbor, who probably sent a substitute, talks to you about your pension, remember what I have said to you. If you sensible, you will not aid to place in the executive chair anyone who opposes the payment of pensions to the soldiers who put down the rebellion."

In opposition to this position of Gen. Sickles comes the Durham (N. C.) Globe with his platform:

"THE PENSION FRAUD IS THE GREATEST OF THE AGE—AND CLEVELAND STRUCK THE BEGGARS IN THE FACE. HE SHOULD BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO HIT 'EM AGAIN."

PECK AND THE MUGWUMPS.

Labor Commissioner Peck replies to his mugwumpian persecutors by an avowal of his intent to hasten the publication of that report which has excited their anger, and to reinforce it by an elaborate indorsement in statistical form of the beneficent workings of the McKinley bill.

In default of argument or fact where-with to answer his report, the mugwumps are striving hard to have the learned and undismayed commissioner committed to jail. This is putting back the shadow on the dial of time with a vengeance! When the southern democrat can not silence a political opponent by calling him "a nigger lover" he proceeds to pelt him with rotten eggs, and if that fails to silence him, or to drive him out of southern territory, murder is invoked as a last resort. When a New York mugwump can not silence a political opponent by calling him "a traitor" he proceeds to pelt him with the rotten eggs of foul rhetoric; if that fails to silence him he seeks to cast him into prison. The northern mugwump and the southern democrat hold like ideas as to the limitation of freedom of speech and of the press.

MATTHEW GERING, Plattsburgh's greatest orator-lawyer has been having a triumphal march through the northwestern part of the state last week, and returned home Saturday evening full of confidence "that if any man on the democratic state is elected I will be that man." Several republican newspapers which are supporting the rest of the republican ticket have hoisted the name of Cass county's favorite. While THE HERALD does not believe that any democrat on the state ticket can be elected this year it has no hesitancy in saying that if one must be the republicans of Cass hope that man will be Matthew Gering. Gering will be a credit to Cass county if elected, but he is too good a boy to be a democrat.

ABUSE does not win votes, and while democrats may admire the aggressiveness of The Journal, when the votes are counted it will be found that such aggressiveness as The Journal uses is not a paying investment.

GEORGIA AND THE SOUTH.

The expected has happened once more. Georgia went democratic Wednesday, and that by nearly the usual majority. The populists did not fare much better than the republicans west of it. The southern democracy does not propose, says the Inter-Ocean, to give up to any other party, by whatever name called. If compelled to do so it will be after a desperate and no doubt a bloody struggle. The opposition of Wednesday was feeble and half hearted, yet several cases of murder have been reported. Probably others occurred which have not been reported, and may never be. The retirement of General Weaver from the state, driven out by mob indignities, was the end of the Georgia campaign, and the shots since fired were of the random sort.

It was thought that Congressman Watson might be elected, but he was defeated. His fate is unimportant. He differs from the regular democrats only in being cranky. As for statesmanship or respect for the principles of free and honest elections he is no improvement on the average Georgian. He shot off on a tangent because he entertains absurd notions of taxation and finance, especially the latter. His popularity, so far as he has any, lies mainly in the fact that his constituents are as ignorant and prejudiced as himself. The truth is, that had it not been for the rotten eggs and hoodlums, Georgia would have attracted less political attention than almost any other state in the union.

Alabama may well be watched with interest. It is thoroughly aroused to the importance of restoring the right of suffrage. The counting out of Kolb kindled a flame which is still burning brightly and fiercely. It is of interest to know the real significance of that fire. It reddened the whole horizon of the state a short time ago. Was it a bed of anthracite or a pile of shavings? November will make answer.

So far as the pending election goes it would be unsafe for the republicans to count on a single vote south of the old line which divided slavery from freedom. Tennessee, West Virginia, Alabama and Louisiana are deeply interested in protection, and would be especial sufferers if the democratic platform were carried out, but for all that their electoral colleges will probably all be controlled by the supporters of Cleveland. The republican battle fields are all north in states which never knew the blight of slavery, or, if they did, had the decency to adopt emancipation voluntarily. New York and Connecticut at the east and Indiana at the west are doubtful states usually, but the prospects are very encouraging in all three now. Even New Jersey is fighting ground. With a score or two of the democratic heelers in the penitentiary for election frauds the republicans have hopes of carrying the state for Harrison and Reed. It looks now in fact, as if the republicans would carry every northern state.

HOW THE TARIFF WORKS.

New York Sun (Dem.) Our esteemed and rampant democratic contemporary, the Kansas City Times, makes a very odd effort to prove its opinion that the "tariff is the issue."

"That the tariff is the issue is further illustrated in the lumber regions of Maine. The tariff on lumber was reduced somewhat by the McKinley bill, and the republican majority in Maine sinks from 17,000 to 13,000. Lumbermen took to the woods literally on election day."

If all that is so, how does the Times figure up republican majorities in states which have not been so harshly dealt with in the way of lower tariff? The tariff is about the finest thing for democrats to belt alone this year that the campaign affords.

A WARNING FOR UNION SOLDIERS.

The Columbia, S. C. State, in speaking of the pensions now being paid to disabled rebel soldier by South Carolina, says: "The Confederate veterans of South Carolina do not wish to be put in the same category as the G. A. R. beggars." That is a fair sample of the "fraternal feeling" that Calamity Jim prated about in his silver dollar collection tours in the north and west, but is keeping very quiet about since he and the unexpiring Lease were not permitted to speak in Georgia or South Carolina. No union soldier should ever cast a vote that will aid the solid south in gaining executive and legislative control of the United States, unless he desires to see the "lost cause" reassert its pernicious doctrines and enforce the states' rights plan of paying pensions to those who so heroically saved the life of the Nation and so magnanimously restored all their rights to the beaten but still defiant rebels.