

GIBBS ON POPULISTS.

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TEXAS VOTES WILL BE COUNTED

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Ridicule of Pops Don't Pass as Statesmanship any More

Ex. Gov. Gibbs of Texas, who has recently united with the populist party, gave out a stinging interview the other day of which the following is part:

"The average populist may be as big a fool as the average democratic paid organ says he is, but there were 168,000 of him at the last election in Texas, and there will be 300,000 of them this fall at election time, and every son-of-a-gun of him will be counted. If he hasn't been breeding fast enough under a system of raised taxes and arrogant assumption of power by rulers there will be enough democrats and republicans to help him keep the flies off the pie-eaters. They can't play the fellows at the forks of the creek for suckers and at the same time make them stand a raise.

"The populists haven't got many railroad passes or organizers eating the bread of the people, but they will get there all the same. The fools can't get this country in any worse fix than the smart men have, and they haven't got sense enough to spend as much money or doctor up as many contingent funds. When they get that smart the people can turn them out. We gave the smart democrats a chance and they flunked on the first inning. Why not give the fool populist a chance?

"Every vote cast in Texas this year will be counted as cast, and when it is done the syndicate will learn 'great are the people of Texas in search of vengeance.' Noshamsilly-shally democracy will go at par in Texas any more, and if the pie-eating wing of Texas democracy steal any more planks from the populist platform the people will not trust them to execute or carry them out or believe in the nerve or wisdom of leaders that have to be scared into adopting a political reform. No grand stand political plays or grandiloquent appeals to the old guard will fool democrats this year, for the game is stale.

"These fine talking democrats raise taxes to where there is not money enough to pay them and then talk about honest debts. They put pensions and salaries to where their payment requires more money in one year than American dirt pans out in ten years and then they prate about honest money. The Washington city pie-eaters make their big salaries clear by paying for their liquor and everything else out of contingent and stationery funds and other unconstitutional and unconstitutional funds. One of them was recently caught sending by mail every week free of charge, under the democratic franking system, his laundry to New York to have it done up and returned at the mudsillers' expense. In spite of their big pay and blind salaries others of them have been caught selling their pro rata of government seed at five cents on the dollar. We must vote the straight ticket and indorse all these and a thousand similar customs that they tell us the people have approved of for years under the only two parties that can live or be voted for.

"The reason the democrats can't dance together in Washington is because they have one democratic foot and one federalist foot and they are in doubt which is the best foot to put foremost. They think it is safe to curse populists, so that is their only sure game to play. Both Dudley and Hardy are emphatic and certain in their declaration that the other is an ass; if they are telling the truth it would appear that the populist ass is at least not stationary between the bundles of fodder. He knows which one he is after.

"When the populists get an army of county officers and weekly newspapers behind them they will become eminently respectable in the eyes of the world and they will get these things this fall. The peasant politicians who are trying to raise side issues and carry their party to victory by personal abuse of men who will no longer follow a political jack-

lantern into the swamp will have leisure, if not greatness thrust upon them soon. Ridicule of 'pops' won't go for statesmanship any more.

"The dying man, no matter how skeptical he may have been as to the authenticity of its words, will, when he finds all hope of life gone, oftentimes lend a willing ear to the words of a preacher whom he scoffed and ridiculed when he felt the warm blood of active life coursing through his veins.

"The country is sick, the people are sick nigh unto death. Merchants, artisans, farmers and tradesmen all alike complain of hard times and impoverished blood. They have ceased to hope for relief through congress.

People who want to rebuke present political conditions will find a way to get together before election day in every precinct in Texas."

The People's Friend

All hail the Christ of Nazareth; Who came to banish strife; He took the bitterness from death, The hopelessness from life; He gave to faith a mode of speech It ne'er had known before; But, best of all, he came to preach The gospel to the poor.

Although the sun of glory broke Upon his natal morn, He came from poor and humble folk, And he was lowly born, He was a common carpenter, He labored for his bread, On all the earth, he had not where To lay his weary head.

He went about in simple dress; He tramped from place to place; His aim to banish selfishness And raise the fallen race, Although he left a legacy, The richest earth has known, He lived himself in poverty, With naught to call his own.

His helpers were but workmen; He blessed the ones in need, He drove the rich from out their den And cursed them for their greed, He said that Mammon's sordid slaves Could never be the Lord's, He smote the money changing knaves With whip of platted cords.

From Scribe and priest and Pharisee He tore the cloak of fraud, He recognized no royalties, Excepting that of God, Degrees and castos to him were naught; Within his splendid plan He knew but equals; and he taught The brotherhood of man.

Unto the toiling multitudes He opened heaven's gate; But said the rich should not intrude Into that bliss estate, He yearned for those in misery, He bled for the oppressed, "O, ye who labor, come unto me, And I will give you rest."

He strove to make this warring earth More like the world above, He sought to bring a state to birth, Built on the law of love; A state of charity and peace, Of good will unto men; Where all should share the world's increase, An Eden come again.

He pointed to the highest good, The truest liberty, He taught that love and brotherhood Alone can make us free, If men would follow his commands, The clouds would roll away, And breaking over all the lands, Would come the grander day.

He was the poor man's dearest friend, The truest ever known, The things he taught would bring an end To selfishness, bond and throne; Would put a stop to greed and war; Would free the world from hate; And near upon the future's shore, Would plant the social state, O, carpenter of Nazareth, We need thy message now, Thy people still are led to death, The thorns upon their brow, We need it here upon the earth, To help the toiling throng, To bring the better day to birth And free the world from wrong.

J. A. EDGERTON.



And they might run until they died, 'Twould only give the plutocrat a ride.

ALL REFORMERS SHOULD UNITE

A Colorado Populist Colony a Success DENVER, Col., March 18, 1896.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—I send you a money order for one dollar to pay for the INDEPENDENT for another year. I consider it one of the best reform papers published. It certainly needs such a paper to fight the battle in a monopoly ridden state like Nebraska.

Although I am a staunch believer in the Omaha platform, I believe all the reform elements should sink their differences and come together in one grand organization at St. Louis in July. If they do not do it, then there is no hope for the common people through political action.

If by united action, we can secure the free coinage of silver and government banks at the next election, we can go on to other reforms dear to the hearts of every true populist. If we fail next fall, our case is a hopeless one, for four more years of McKinleyism will reduce the common people to such hopeless poverty that they will never be able to make a successful fight again.

I believe that this is the sentiment of a great majority of the populists of Colorado. Another thing I wish to speak of and that is the Colorado Co-operative colony. It was organized two years ago last February and is comprised of some of the best men and women, not only of Colorado but many other states are represented.

Professor E. G. Brown, a graduate of the Kansas University, is president, Ex-congressman, John G. Olin of Topeka, Kansas, is vice president. Its manager is B. L. Smith who was the first populist senator elected to the Colorado legislature. Mrs. Annie L. Dgigs is also a member and is now lecturing in the east in the interest of this organization. Its outlook for the future is very flattering.

The colony headquarters is at Naturlia, Montrose county, Colorado. It has about 35,000 acres of land and a ditch to irrigate the tract is now being constructed. The water will be taken from the San Miguel, one of the finest rivers in the state, and practically inexhaustible as its source is in the ever lasting snows of the Rocky Mountains. The valley is surrounded on all sides by mountains and is from two to five miles wide and about twenty long. There is abundant pine and aspen timber near by and the colony has a fine new saw and shingle mill now running. This mill is owned by all the colonists as will be the ditch and in fact all the public utilities, but the land, up to forty acres to each family, or the lot in the village will be owned by the individual. So you see it is no communistic affair. It is in the midst of one of the most wonderful mining regions in the world. It is out of debt and will keep out. It is in the finest fruit belt in this state or any other.

The land is Ceded Indian land and can be entered under the desert land act. But as the land is worthless without the water, and the company will sell no water to others than members, the whole tract will be located by members of this company. Every person joining the colony must pledge themselves not to speculate on the land.

The colony will put in all kinds of crops this spring on lands they have rented for three years. Last year on a small piece of land they raised 700 bushels of fine potatoes and other vegetables. Its success has been a great surprise even to the original organizers.

Many people are now looking to this favored spot for homes.

Yours very Sincerely,

C. E. SMITH,

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City Populist Ticket.

For City Attorney, A. S. Tibbets.

For Police Judge, Wm. F. Schwind.

For Water Commissioner, W. F. Hardy.

For Councilman 2d ward, Joseph Whitman.

For Councilman 4th ward, H. P. Lau.

Hon. Henry Harkson of Davey was in Lincoln this week attending to some business and incidentally looking after his legislative boom. He is deserving of another nomination by the republicans of this county.

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THE GREAT WAVE.

The General Tendency of Industries and Prices is not Encouraging.

In 1893 we were told by all the single standard papers in the country that the repeal of the Sherman law would bring us prosperous times. The operation of the Sherman law was simply the adding of about \$3,500,000 of new currency to our volume of money each month. The man is either a fool or a knave that would say that it would boom the business of the country to stop that supply of new money. The president called congress together during the month of August, 1893, for the sole purpose of repealing that law, thereby stopping the above addition to the currency. We have been told by the plutocratic gold-bug press many times since 1893, that by doing this or doing that, that prosperity would follow.

The single standard fellows will tell us to burn up the \$346,000,000 of green backs. Thurston told us that the selling of \$100,000,000 of bonds would boom the business of this country. There is a screw loose some where. The business of the country was more depressed in some ways last week than it has been for years, and the end is not yet. The following report shows that there are breakers ahead:

"R. G. Dun & Co. in their weekly report say:

Failures for two weeks of March cover liabilities of \$6,799,307 against \$7,372,471 last year. Failures for the week were 261 in the United States against 278 last year and 49 in Canada against 35 last year.

The general tendency of industries and prices is not encouraging and those who were most hopeful a month ago are still waiting, not so hopefully, for the expected recovery.

A troublesome feature of the situation is the stringency in commercial loans, not because of scarcity of money, but because banks are disturbed by failures of some importance.

The bankers are getting scared, and they may be. There will be no prosperity in this country until silver is worth about \$1.29 per ounce.

More Brains

Are often required to determine what shall be "kept out" of a harvester than to say what shall "go into" it. It is so easy to do the wrong thing—and the wrong thing has such an inviting appearance—that less experienced manufacturers than the McCormick Co. frequently find themselves "putting their foot in it" and building a machine one season which they are obliged to abandon a season or two later.

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HASTINGS ITEMS.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 24, 1896.

The Methodist Episcopal church people will begin work on the addition to their church building in the near future.

R. A. Batty is fast recovering from his recent mishap, and will soon return to his ranch.

The furniture and fixtures of the Union club room were sold at auction on the 18 inst. for \$300.

The recent snow storms have made a demand for rubber boots.

J. H. Loefer, a prominent farmer and leading Populist of Highland township this county, we are glad to say is again on our streets, having recently recovered from a spell of laggrippe.

The Republicans of this county will meet in county convention on April 4th, for the purpose of appointing delegates to attend the republican congressional convention to be held at Minden April 8, 1896. And also to appoint delegates to the state convention to be held at Omaha April 15. It is generally understood that W. E. Andrews the present representation in congress will have the united support of the republicans of this county for a renomination and will probably have no opposition in the convention. He will be easy prey in the race for reelection against Prof. W. A. Jones as a populist candidate.

The closing scene of the city campaign will no doubt be a very interesting and exciting affair.

We are glad to see our farmers interested in the alfalfa question.

Personal interest prompts a great many to take an active part in the city politics.

Not many years since Illinois, Iowa and Missouri were furnishing horses for Nebraska. Now Nebraska sends her own surplus to the southern states.

The crystal lake ice now measures six inches. This insures Hastings plenty of ice.

Mrs. Binderup, wife of Gustave Binderup died at her home 714 Belvue Avenue, March 21. Mrs. Binderup was much beloved by all who knew her.

The entertainment given by the Busy Bee and Willing Workers at the Presbyterian church Friday night was a grand success from start to finish and reflects much credit to the queen bee, Mrs. L. A. Remer. Proceeds for the church debts.

It is a pleasing fact that the increasing population of our city continually demands additional school room.

What is the matter with Omaha, that her dressmakers have to come to Hastings?

Archie Cole, of Hastings has signed with the Peoria, Ill. ball team for this season.

Miss Lund, a patient at the asylum, accompanied by her sister and one attendant started for her home in Sweden.

Miss Annette Newcomer, the state organizer of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, addressed a very appreciative audience at the church of Christ Monday evening.

Hastings circle No. 19, of G. A. R. held an anniversary meeting in G. A. R. hall on Wednesday evening March 25. All old soldiers and families are cordially invited. A good time will be had.

Prof. I. L. Lyman, of Lincoln addressed the farmers institute at this place on last Saturday on the poultry industry of this and other countries. The Professor's talk was to the point and it is to be hoped that all those who were present will give this subject more careful consideration and take hold of the business in a business like manner. Good and profitable results are sure to follow.

Prof. Moritz, of the Hastings college delivered a very able lecture last evening on the development theory of astronomy at the Y. M. C. A. rooms to a large and appreciative audience.

Business Directory.

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Will he do it?

If Ex-Governor Boies of Iowa votes in accordance with his recent declaration of financial principles, he will be found among the populist boys next November.—Silver Knight

Grover's Sermon.

The place of this discourse was appropriate. It was in Carnegie Hall, a hall named after the most arrogant, grasping, impudent, alien, goldbug that ever infested this country, and in a city so notorious for its corrupt practices of every name and nature that every American deplores the existence of such a plague spot in the great republic. In this speech for the benefit of the missionary work of the Presbyterian church of New York, he undertook to destroy the influence of the western states by proclaiming the people of those states in effect a wicked band of outlaws.—Silver Knight.

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