GERMAN POOR STARVE.

What High Tariffs Have Done for the Wage Workers of Germany.

In 1868, the great economist, Wolowiski, in a work published in that year, declared that he believed that the money power of the world would succeed in their demand for the demonetization of silver. He then wrote a passage which for many years has been known among economists as "Wolowiski's prophesy." In it he says says that the hard times that will come will be attributed to every thing but the right thing. Among the means of relief sought wil be the demand for higher tariffs. That is just what has happened. When tariffs did not bring relief, the wage workers instead of listening to reason, demanded still higher tariffs. The effect of high tariffs is seen in Germany today, where the wageworkers are reduced to the very verge of starvation. A cablegram printed in the Associated Press papers last Sunday describes the situation as follows:

"The inadequate meat supply of Germany, owing to the barriers erected against cattle, hogs, and meats, continue. From Austria solely some 8,000 head of cattle have been admitted and Russia supplies about 8,000 pigs. These imports are quite insufficient to cope with the requirements which the home supply fails to meet. Prices have risen steadily for months past, and they are now 20 per cent above those of 1897. The slaughtering of horses for food has generally increased, especially in the large cities, and dog flesh is openly advertised. In the Chemnitz Neuste Nachrichten "fat young dogs" forms a standing advertisement.

Now there is no scarcity of meat in the world. These people are eating "fat young dogs" because of the high tariffs that have made it impossible to ship meat from the United States and Australia, pay the tariffs and then sell it in Germany. The Germans have certainly found out that "the foreigner does not pay the tax."

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

A Battle is on—Do Not Forget Liberty in the Triumph of Arms.

Editor Independent: A campaign is on. A battle is about to be fought. It is a contest of ballots and not of bullets. The result in Nebraska will have more significance than the result in any other state in the union. Indeed, it will be the decisive contest. A republican majority in this state will be far-reaching and well nigh irreparable in its consequences.

Never lose sight of the issue. Mr. McKinley would like to have a congress in sympathy with the administration in order that there may be no friction in the peace negotiations. Bah! Are we not all for this country as against Spain? Do not be fooled with the syren song of the republican songsters. The Roman plebian was beguiled with the mirage of Roman glory. A Roman camp! What a golrious sight! The poor Roman beheld Titus enter Rome with a long train of spoils and captives; he gazed upon the spectacles and the gladiatorial combats. Was not Rome the eternal city—the mistress of the world? He forgot that the patrician was Rome and Rome was the patrician; that the common people had become nothing but voting cattle. Their masters had coined for them the coarser epithet of "proletarius;" and it survives to this day. It means "child-breeders," and it signifies that the only use the common people had was to beget and breed soldiers to fill the armies of Vespasian or a Constantine. Shall we not learn from history? She speaks from her tombs: "Forget not your liberties in the triumphs of your arms. My foes were not the Hannibals and those who met me in honorable combat. They were men like Crassus who oppressed my poor and crushed out the Roman manhood." Read Roman history and be wise. It is being repeated today.

WILBER F. BRYANT.

NOT EXACTLY THAT WAY.

Editor Independent: In looking over the Nebraska City Press of October 15 I find this: "D. A. Dittmar, the genial gentleman of Nebraska City, who is going to beat the everlasting stuffin out of that swell head cypher, Tompkin, for float representative, made our town a brief visit yesterday." The people of Cass and Otoe counties made no mistake in nominating G. W. Tomkin of Nebraska City. He is a gentleman of good standing and a credit to the fusion forces of Cass and Otoe counties. They are proud of him. After he has made his record in the coming legislature, they will be still prouder of him. No one who votes for him will ever have to say that he voted for the wrong man.

FAIR PLAY.

SAYS ITS WRONG.

Foraker Declares That McKinley Has no Authority for Putting an Army in Cuba.

Senator Foraker created quite a sensation in Washington the other day. He gave out an interview on the line of policy that would be adopted in the senate that made the hair on the head of Mark Hanna stand on end. The following is part of it.

"The resolutions passed at the last session of congress were a demand upon Spain to withdraw her army and navy from Cuba and Cuban waters and a direction to the president, in the event of refusal, to employ the army and navy of the United States to compel her to abdicate. Coupled with these resolutions was another recognizing and declaring that the people of Cuba were free and independent, and still another resolution pledging the United States government to allow the people of Cuba to select their own government.

"As soon as the Spaniards shall have withdrawn and peace shall be declared the powers of the president of the United States in Cuba will have been brought to an end and he will have no more right of authority to maintain an army in the island than to maintain an army in any other friendly, free and independent foreign country, unless congress in the treaty of peace shall give him additional authority to that effect. I do not believe that any treaty containing any such provision will be ratified by a two-thirds vote.

"This talk we hear of maintaining an army of 50,000 men in Cuba, therefore, after the Spaniards have left the island, is, to say the least, not well considered. There will be no authority for such occupation, to begin with, and in the second place the American people do not want an army in Cuba to watch over the Cubans, who alone will be left in the island, after the Spaniards have evacuted, and who will be as free and independent as we are.

"My idea about Cuba is that we should follow the program of congress as clearly marked out; that is, drive out the Spaniards, give the government that the natives are to choose a steadying hand and a godspeed, bring our troops home, continue friendly relations, recognizing their independence and treating them fairly and justly, and then await events."

Lawyers and business men who are particular about the appearance of their stationery should leave their order for that class of printing at the INDEPENDENT. Doubt it, try it.

THOUGHTS THEY THUNK.

Is it not a little strange to have the wool exchange closing on account of the "depression in the wool business" during a McKinley administration and under a Dingley tariff? Can it be possible that this is the result of the free silver agitation?—Freeport (Ill.) Bulletin.

Addressing a mob of his claquesrs in a Detroit theater the other night Secretary Alger said that he never retreated under fire. Softly, Mr. Secretary, that isn't true. Generals Wesley Merritt, Phil. Sheridan and four other union generals during the civil war said that you did "retreat under fire" in a certain memorable Virginia campaign. They recommended your dishonorable discharge from the service for "retreating under fire." Had you been a private instead of a very rich man with a "pull" you would have been shot as a deserter.—Brazil (Ind.) Mirror.

Under our blessed Hanna administration the favored trusts force the prices of everything the people have to buy—up. And the single gold standard forces the prices of everything the people have to sell—whether of labor, property, or farm products—down. If you want to show that you favor this double action policy of robbing the people both coming and going, vote the republican ticket next November and vote it straight.—Akron (Ohio) Democrat.

Governor Holcomb and General Barry are entitled to the grateful consideration of our citizen soldier. Their efforts in behalf of the soldiers have been untiring. The gallant old veteran, General Barry, has been in the field and camp himself and knows what it means.—St. Paul Press.

The son of General Wheeler was promoted over 1,000 officers above him the day following the giving of the testimony before the investigating board.—Trenton Leader.

It has been boodleism rather than Bryanism that has made the republican party a minority party in Nebraska, and the only hope of the party lies in the keeping to the rear all the boodlers and all the notorious consorts of boodlers no matter how anxious they may be to push themselves to the front.—Omaha Bee.

Parson Andrews is making political speeches in the Fifth district. He spoke at Edgar the other day and upbraided Congressman Sutherland for his "masterly inactivity." He told how Sutherland didn't vote for the Dingley bill, that marvel of modern legislation which puts wheat up one year and shoves it down the next. We regard the information as very expensive. Parson Andrews draws a salary of $4,000 per annum, which is about $15 per day, not counting Sunday. We doubt if the Edgar talk was worth $15.—Adams County Democrat.

Within the last few days the fact has developed that D. E. Thompson is to be the republican candidate for the senate. The people of the state are already disgraced by the election of the attorney of the Union Pacific to the United Sates senate and now the party has determined to add to that disgrace by sending another railroad tool to Washington. It is the duty of every man in Nebraska who does not want the state turned over to the railroads to be robbed for all time to come to get out and help to defeat this plan by working night and day for the election of the fusion candidates to the legislature, every one of whom, if elected, will vote for William V. Allen. The republican party is out on a still hunt for Thompson, but that is what they are up to. He has bossed the machine in Lincoln for many years. Now he wants to be promoted, and every railroad in the state is boosting him. Go for Thompson and down him. You can easily do it by voting for the fusion candidates for the legislature.

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MORE OF IT.

One hundred tanneries are to be closed by the leather trust. This means that thousands of men will be thrown out of work at the beginning of winter and is a striking demonstration of the powers of the plutocrats.

FRAUGHT WITH DANGER.

Professor MacDonald says: "The permanent government of outlying districts as colonies is so foreign to our historic usage and rests upon so different a theory of national organization that the adoption of such a course might be fraught with grave menace to our national constitutional system."

KNOWN AS A THIEF.

Quay has been known to the world as a public thief for a dozen years. The more he was shown up, the more he was backed by the republican party, and the greater his influence in its councils became.—Pittsburgh Kaiser.

MISSION OF POPULISM

There is More in it Than the Free Coinage of Silver or the Tariff.

The Lincoln Journal is out with an editorial in Monday's edition intimating, among other things, that the populist party is like Othelo in that its occupation is gone by virtue of the utter annihilation of "free silver and tariff reform."

As to the same annihilation opinions differ widely, but leaving that aside for the moment and granting that those two ideas are, Samson-like, shorn of their strength, is the Journal's position that the populists have no further usefulness in the political arena, correct?

Have they no work to do while the danger to human life is greater from the economic, the hunger, the cold and want side than from the physical?

That nation forfeits all claim to the support of the citizens thereto which fails to provide for their safety in every way—person, property and existence.

Does ours? Let us see.

While we surround each citizen with a cordan of laws to protect him from physical violence, we utterly neglect the danger to him and his from the economic forces which are arrayed against him.

Has the populist party nothing to do here?

The average citizen armed with a revolver is better able to defend himself against the superior physical strength of his neighbor, if he is a fairly good shot, than he is to protect himself and his against the superior mental strength of those same neighbors as exercised in strict acordance with our present economic laws.

Has the populist party nothing to do here?

We overlook entirely the plain fact that anyone who in any way, by any means, it matters not how remote or indirect, takes away or lessens ones means of subsistance, attacks his life as truly and as dangerously as could possibly be done with the knife or the bullet; nay, more so, seeing that the opportunities and legal means of defense in the latter case are so much fuller and more effective.

Has the populist party no work to do here?

As now constituted, the government, yes, and society, too, is devoted without stint to protecting the citizen against that form of wrong from which he can the most easily defend himself, and leaves exposed and wholly unguarded the most easily assailed and at the same time the most vulnerable side of his life's citidel.

Has the populist party nothing to do here?

Now don't throw up your hands in well stimulated holy horror and cry "anarchism" and "treason" because of the above statements. The populists are not anarchists, but today advocate the enforcement of every law of our land, but opposed to such of them as are unjust and not founded on the eternal rocks of truth and right, they are and always will be. We are opposed to every law on the statute books which runs counter to the higher laws of God. In taking that position we stand beside that great and reverend man, Abraham Lincoln. He opposed those laws which allowed the unholy traffic in human life while they were still a part of the laws of our land and the people cried "amen."

So now we stand oposed to our false (because falsely based) economic laws and in God's good time all the people will cry AMEN in a mighty shout that shall echo around the world and reach even to the stars.

As at present constituted our laws are such that in strict accordance thereto ninety per cent of the wealth of our country is owned by barely four per cent of its inhabitants.

Has the populist party no work to do here?

Fully seventy-five per cent of our inhabitants have not a foot of land they can call their own, not even enough to receive their wearied bodies after this life has left them, and twenty-five per cent have, in strict legal ways, mayhap, obtained control of all the land of this fair country.

Has the populist party nothing to do here?

At present no one thinks of raising the cry of "paternalism" or of claiming that it is not eminently fit and proper for the state to support and control the public streets and carriage roads, the post offices and the schools, and yet if these are the logical and legitimate objects of governmental control, is there not some work for the populists to do while the railroads, telegraph, telephone, express and other public utilities are outside that control?

No, sir, Journal. You are wrong. The populist party has a great and God-given work to do, and you may rest asured that will do it. You may say these questions are all settled, perhaps, but remember that nothing stays settled until it is settled right, till it is settled in God's way; and while any of the laws of our land are the very antithesis of the golden rule, you may be asured that the Author of that rule rule will not let His followers rest till all that are oposed to it are over thrown.

If you wish to escape the inevitable consequences of opoolition to God's laws you had best array yourself on hot side in the conflict for justice and right.

Though the mills of the gods grind slowly,
Yet they grind exceedingly small.
Though with patience stands He waiting
With exactness grind He all.

Such work, Mr. Journal, is only work of which our Saviour approved and as it is the fundamental basis of populism, you and your ilk stand before the world as opposed to our Maker.

What in common with the second great commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," has the existing laws of competition to which you and your party are pledged?

What in common with the golden rule have those children of your party, the trusts?

Have a care, Mr. Journal, "lest, haply, ye be found even to be fighting against God."

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Davenport wool Blankets, 10-4, regular $3, sale price..... $2.67
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