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this country under peculiar circum. Mr. President, how inconsistent this stances. It cost the United States whole subject matter seems when we stances. It cost the United States \$3,000,000 to disarm the insurgents in Coba and to buy their guns. It did not cost us a dollar to disarm any army in Porto Rico, for there was none of the natives; nor were we called upon to pay a dollar for any arms whatever. The people of that island welcomed the American army as those who went before them welcomed the Spanish discoverers, with rejoicing and with every expectation and hope. From the moment of the landing of our army, commencing with General Miles' proclamation, down through all the official declarations upon the subject, they declarations upon the subject, they vantage, and we will not yield it up, have been promised the rights and im. that our coast marine shall have the enunities of American citizens, and our plain duty has been declared to be to give them free commercial intercourse try to the states, from us to our chilwith the United States, with no wall of enstoms duties intervening.

The bill which passed the Senate a few firm as anybody against a sudden, con-Hawaii imposed no tariff duties between that isk ad, which we erected into a servants we are, is heard, through ev-

tween the British West India Islands, Porto Rico the same system or the six in number, and the United Statesislands lying in the same sea with Porto United States. Rico, raising the same products, and having in a great degree the same charschedule after schedule as to the several that the English subjects of Jamaica, the Barbadoes, and the other islands

been ratified

West India colonies upon the free list, and in direct and absolute contradiction of those views it is the view of those

sorts of arguments to sustain this bill. has been taken away by the passage, since this measure passed the House, of

It has been said that this may be a recedent as to the Philippines, and people of this country say and what hat we must now inflict injustice upon the inhabitants of Porto Rico because, orsooth, at some time, perhaps years forsooth, at some time, perhaps years hence or perhaps sooner, when rebellion is crushed in those islands and the authority of the United States is established, there may be some difficult questions of that kind in dealing with the Philippines. Mr. President, suffic-ient unto the day is the evil and also the good thereof. I would not wreak or the good thereof. I would not wreak or bowels every day, you're sick, or will be. Keep your bowels open, and be well. Force, in the shape of violent physic or pill roison, is dangerous. The any such contingent remainder of ap-

sien as to the Philippines. It is said that American labor and American industry need protection by this legislation against Porto Rico. It is too small to consider. But, Mr. Presi-dent, if it is needed, what protection to American labor or American industry is 15 per cent of the Dingley rates upon may theory on which on any protective tariff was ever framed? When the question of the Philippines comes to be considered, I do not care by what party bor will be protected so far as any ap-drehension can be entertained from KEEP YOUR BLOOD GLEAN office a in power, the interests of American la-

-New York Journal Mr. President, how inconsistent this dren and from our children to us.

Mr. President. I think I could be as

too, is a semitropical island; it has the week, and swelling in intensity, volsame range of agricultural productions ume, and indignation, and speaks with as Porto Rico. If there is any reason intelligence to us, it will be well for us whatever to impose a tariff upon the to hear it, for it will make itself heard. products of Porto Rico, there was the It is said that this subject is not unsame reason for imposing a tariff upon derstood. Mr. President, it is well unthe products of Hawaii. Wherein lies derstood. It is in vain that any man the difference? Wherein, on principle can claim-he need not lay the flatter--both of them being outlying possess ing unction to his soul-that the editors ions of the United States, call them of the great journals throughout the what you will-is the situation as to land do not understand the subject just Porto Rico different from that of Ha. as well as we. It is futile to pretend that the mass of the people throughout the country do not understand a ject and conception of imposing tariff subject so simple as this. They unduties upon the dependency of Porto derstand perfectly well the difference Rico self-generates objections wherever between building up a wall, which it is considered, and they also spring bars commercial intercourse between from every point of contemporary his. this country and one of its dependentory. I hold in my hand the convention cies, and a system of taxation such as entered into between the United States I shall propose, which, with no differand Great Britain for reciprocity be ence except in degree, imposes on

Mr. President, in my opinion there is one thing which has contributed and that the railroad company would reacter of inhabitants. In this treaty, ar. will contribute more than anything ceive ticle after article in a long schedule, in else to the strength and earnestness of treaties, is put upon the free list, so receiving from a people who do understand this subject and understand it well. There are two subjects of sciencen import into the United States the tific taxation out of which all civilized very articles upon which the United nations-the United States included-States proposes to levy its duty in the derive the most of their revenue to-day. interchange of commerce between this Those articles are distilled spirits and country and our own people in Porto tobacco. In the House bill there is not the imposition of a tithe of a mill upon either if those articles while they remain in Porto Rico. Tobacco and Mr. Davis. My friend, the senator rum, the greatest and most fruitful from New Hampshire, remarks that the subject of taxation, while they remain treaty has not been ratified. I did not in Porto Rico are absolutely untaxed. say that it had been but I might feel The subjects of taxation which bear inclined to ask, Is it proposed to reject the heaviest burdens of our United these treaties in order to justify the in- States, state, and municipal governfliction of this tax upon Porto Rico? It ments there, of all the places in our was the view of those intrusted primar- dominion, go absolutely scot-free of ily with the duty of negotiating treaties any taxation whatever. What is the not long age that it was fair negotiation exchange for it? Fifteen per cent and enlightened statesmanship to put taxation on everything else that goes many articles of produce of the British to Porto Rico from the United States to Porto Rico from the United States paper for the benefit of my friends and or comes to the United States from

It is so simple and easy to reverse who are advocating this particular that entire policy and way of doing House bill that a course of conduct as things and make rum and tobacco in to Porto Rico directly the contrary shall Porto Rico bear the weight of taxation. as they do here and elsewhere throughout the civilized world, and make communication between Porto Rico and the At first it was charity. That argument United States as to all goods exported or imported free, as it is between the since this measure passed the House, of United States and Alaska—it is so the bill appropriating \$2,085,000, the access to do it, it would relieve the situa-United States and Alaska-it is so January 1, to the use and benefit of the I am surprised and shall be surprised island of Porto Rico, and of subsequent if the suggestion does not commend accumulations while the law remains in itself to the calm and deliberate re-

Mr. President, what will the good

BOWELS



sider, drawing the contrast between these systems sharply, as I do, that one is a system bitterly contested in this particular instance and upon grounds on which all parties profess to have the greatest confidence, and the other is established upon a principle at least which no one seems inclined dispute; that one subject is a difficult method of taxation and the other the simplest known of all civilized fiscal processes; that the moral sense of the American people will be satisfied by placing the traffic on rum upon the same ground in Porto Rico as in the United States, and that it will not be satisfied if it is not so done; that the yield of revenue from the taxation of rum alone upon the rates of our internal revenue taxation, that island producing 1,500,000 gallons a year, would be over a million five hundred thousand dollars annually, while no living man can tell how much or how little this tariff imposition will yield; when it is a matter of more doubt whether the imposition upon goods going from the United States is not an export duty, and therefore forbidden by the constitution; when with those contrasts it would seem perfectly certain that the American people would approve the internal revenue system instead of the other, it does seem to me, Mr. President, that as a matter of considerate judgment they will not and we ought not to hesitate a moment which way to act. Mr. President, I have said about all

are they saying, and what have they

ment of Porto Rico! As to Porto Rico,

they say free rum; but tax the flour out of which is made the bread that

people eat-we condemn it. They say

we condemn it. They say free rum;

but tax their boots and shoes-we con-

demn it. They say free rum; but tax

I want to say on this bill. It has been imperfectly said, inadequately said, but it has been said with the most thorough and unalterable conviction that what I have said is right, absolutely right, right not in a party sense, but politically, morally, and economically right. In my judgment, the only course that can be logically or wisely pursued under present conditions is to abandon this pernicious mockery of a tariff between Porto Rico and the United States and return to the path of plain duty and pursue it to its logical and beneficial consequences.

THE GOLDEN CALF

value. He had sent in gold to headquarters and had about one-half of it returned to him on account of light

United States and full weight.

bank notes or paper currency. I explained that bank notes were not

tender greenbacks, in fact money, which,

ter all, the blow and bluster and legislaon the subject of sound money, there is any money that is really a legal tender for debts except the greenback or the much despised silver dollar at their face value. Will you kindly explain in your thers, who do not know that the golden calf is not a full sized god if he has rustled around enough to lose the least bit of hair and even Uncle Samuel's

> Yours for information, JACK NEWTON. Foster, Neb.

ROSEWATER'S METHOD

gate to the national convention, Mr. Rosewater has proposed to furnish 'editorial transportation" to all delegates that will support him. In a letter given out he says:

Omaha, April 13, 1900.

Very truly yours, office seeks the man in the republican correcting the error.

PLANNING THE FIGHT

a right to say, concerning the bill of the House as it is presented in the body of this bill for the civil governthe Days of the Peter Cooper Cam-

paign Makes Suggestions Editor Independent:-Having noticed in several of your late issues in reference free rum; but taxing their clothingto the coming fall campaign, its importance and how it should be conducted, the medicines which minister to the if you will not consider me a tresick—we condemn it. When you con- I will venture a few suggestions.

1874, two years before the Peter Cooper of naming the candidate for vice-pres-

harmony in all the reform forces, not candidates to fill the state offices, but state senators and members of the lower

I say for one, let no person's ambition be so strong for office, either congres-sional, state or legislative as to endanger success. At each and every convention from state to precinct there should be the best material selected for committee-Change local speakers. Let those who live, we will say, in a certain county, be taken into other counties. By thus doing, the old adage, "familiarity breeds con-tempt," or "a prophet hath honor save in his own country," will lose its sting. I think it will be conceded after a care-ful study of the situation, that it is the voters of the rural districts who should be reached, and you can reach them in no better way than at their own homes, their own district school house. Farmers as a rule, are and will be too busy to travel 15 or 20 miles even to listen to the nost noted speakers. Three good, lively speakers in a county could be changing them around, pass over each county two or three times and hold meetings in each school house as many times. Then near the close of the campaign hold a couple of large meetings near the centre of each county and have for the occasion your most noted speakers to entertain the people and wind up the program with a

grand pienie. not take any more gold coin in payment coming election, every effort possible while you read it don't forget the fate should be made. For one, Mr. Editor, I of the Porto Ricans. of freight because the railroad company am in favor of making these broad praiwould not accept it of him at its face ries ring with facts and figures. Then the country were small "independent"

Cooper's campaign of 1876. got to carry a set of scales and weigh start was made. We sent three good amuse himself with sarcasms, and eslegal tender and no one had to take standard bearear. The delegation re- talk of these meek people sounded when tendered will have to go at its the politics of the county had been so law and phrase they were free men. this to show the possibility of what can their bishop without his permission; tion we have had in the last few years be accomplished in this state this com- they could not prepare their own bread, ing fall with proper organization. Let's hear from some other of the old

guard: Please consider me in the grand fight for the betterment of humanity. E. B. GREEN,

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Wants No Adjournment

Lincoln, Neb., April 14, 1900.

oe impossible to adjourn the populist convention which meets on May 9th to reconvene on July 4th, and if, by a small majority we could adjourn the convention as above stated, I do not Kinley agents are hard at work and the better this matter is managed, the less influence these agents will have to mislead those that would otherwise vote the ticket that will be nominated by the new democracy, free silver reif you will not consider me a trespasser publicans and populists, and I believe that the populists will, in order that Having been in the reform work since we may not have another Sewall or Sibley, be satisfied with the privilege of naming the candidate for vice-president, and as the populist party is composed of Jefferson democrats and Lincoln republicans, advocating the same principles and believing that if they, (Jefferson and Lincoln) were living the importance of the results to be accomplished at our coming election, we say, let there be no mistakes.

It is a recognized fact that the coming campaign, if successful to the reform forces will be, or ought to be begun early. The securing to the reform forces a good working majority in the next legislature is of vital importance. The election of two United States senators and the redistricting of the state and other vital measures demand absolute other vital measures demand absolute where he would stand on these ques-Falls on May 9th, and there nominate Judge Caldwell for vice-president, appoint the new national committee as the other two conventions and empower them to fill vacancies on our ticket, and in so doing, we will not assume to dictate to the other two men; men who will pledge themselves to be up and doing. For one we favor a thorough school house campaign in every legislative district where there is any doubt, or where considered doubtful. empire. I say, that I believe the other

South Africa.

THE ANCIENT TRUSTS

How the Independent Farmers of Old England Were Robbed by Methods Similar to Those of Modern Plutocracy

The following extracts are from Mark Twain's book: "A Yankee at King Arthur's Court." Read it over and see how similar many of those the voters on a move, but all mentality conditions are to the manner that the will be boiling. Let me say to all those people or this country are robbed. who fully grasp the situation that con-Editor Independent:—I heard a who fully grasp the situation that con-freight agent today say that he would fronts the reform forces in our state this great combinations of wealth. And

"Seven-tenths of the population of

believe it advisable, as the Mark Mcplutrocracy, that we may help save this republic from being converted into an two conventions would nominate Judge Caldwell and then it would be no trouble to place their nominee, Mr. Bryan upon the head of our ticket, and with such a ticket in the field, we can put up a fight for liberty and independence that could only be equalled by our brother republican Boers, of

Yours for Bryan and Judge Caldwell. J. M. WHITAKER.

for once let us have a campaign such as farmers, artisans, etc., which is to buried him at midnight at the cross- she became so stout that she had to leave characterized the times of yore i. e. Peter say, they were the nation, the actual nation; they were about all of it that and his master the barron or the Permit me to reproduce a little past was useful, or worth saving or really bishop confiscated all his property and nostrums without avail. The more antiweight and he had received orders not history in order to show what is possible respect-worthy; and to subtract them turned his widow and orphans out of fat remedies she swallowed the fatter to accept gold unless it was of very re- under conditions far more favorable to- would have been to subtract the nation cent date and not worn. The agent day than at that period. It was in and leave behind some dregs, some re-says he will vote for Bryan and free sil- Branch county Michigan in the year of fuse, in the shape of a king, nobility, ever-memorable and blessed revolution. One day she found a perfect cure, and ver if the only legal tender money we 1875. Coldwater, a city of 7,000 was its and gentry, idle unproductive, ac which swept a thousand years of such in two months thereafter she appeared have is not good at its face value. A county capitol. The county comprised quainted mainly with the arts of wast- villainy away in one swift tidal-wave in a high-class young girl part, weighing business man, to whom the freight agent 16 towns, having two legislative and one ing and destroying, and of no sort of blood one: a settlement of that just 128 pounds, and the reduction in made the above declaration, said that senatorial district. The population was use or value in any rationally conhe would have to accept gold as it was about 78,000. Its politics was democrat structed world. And yet, by ingenious a drop of blood for each hogshead of it health or purse. legal tender, he would pay his freight in gold if he could get the gold and see in the county was near 750 or 800. There stead of being in the tail of the prosame principle that is imposed in the whether he would not have to take it. were several, at least five, quite good cession where it belonged was march of ten centuries of wrang and shame freight until he got his pay in money that the railroad company would rethree persons one Saturday in October, the nation, and these innumerable two "Reigns of Terror," if we would one dollar. There is no other charge 1875. After a consultation it was agreed clams had permitted it so long that but remember it and consider it; the I helped them out by explaining to divide the county as per legislative they had come to accept it as a truth; one wrought murder in hot passion, the that gold being the only legal tender, it district. One of the three was to take and not only that, but to believe it other in heartless cold blood; the one would have to be accepted if tendered in the western district, one of the other right and as it should be. The priests lasted mere months, the other had exactly the right amount with proof two were to take the eastern district. had told their fathers and themselves lasted a thousand years; the one inthat it was genuine gold coin of the The other one was to arrange for the that this ironical state of things was flicted death upon ten thousand permeetings and see that no mistakes oc- ordained of God; and so, not reflecting Well, says the business man, "if I've curred. That winter being 1875, a good upon how unlike God it would be to every coin I take or pay out, I want and true men who participated in nomi- pecially such poor transparent ones as mentary terror, so to speak; whereas, nating one of the grandest philanthro- this, they had dropped the matter there what is the horror of swift death by phists-Peter Cooper, for their national and become respectfully quiet. The the axe, compared with life-long death from hunger, cold, insult, cruelty, and them. Then he said he wanted legal turned from the convention and opened strange enough to me. They were not heart break? What is swift death by up the fight, and in less than two years slaves, not chattels. By a sarcasm of lightning compared with death by slow fire at the stake? A city cemetery changed that the reform element elected They were free men, but they could Now, I am in doubt as to whether af- 23 supervisors out of 24. I only mention not leave the estates of their lord or diligently taught to shiver at and mourn over; but all France could but must have their corn ground and hardly contain the coffins filled by that their bread baked at his mill and his older and real terror-that unspeakbakery, and pay roundly for the same; ably bitter and awful terror which they could not sell a piece of their own none of us have been taught to see in property without paying him a handits vastness or pity as it deserves. some percentage of the proceeds; nor buy a piece of somebody else's without remembering him in cash for the privilege; they had to harvest his grain for him gratis, and be ready to company are always interesting docucome at a moment's notice, leaving their own crop to destruction by the ments. The fifty-sixth annual report bronchial tubes, heart, lungs, liver, threatened storm; they had to let him of the Mutual Life's condition, on the gasoline stoves, window shades stomach, kidneys, bladder. uretha, plant fruit trees in their fields, and 31st of last December, shows that in spinal and nervous troubles, yield read then keep their indignation to them 1898 the old Mutual had a prosperous then keep their indignation to them- 1898 the old Mutual had a prosperous carpets, queensware, glassware, reputation as a teacher and the hearty ers trampled the grain around the of \$277,517,325, nearly twenty million tinware and granite iron ware, indersements of his instructions with trees; they had to smother their around. indorsements of his instructions, with trees; they had to smother their anger more than its largest competitor; its his offer to start all his graduates in a when his hunting parties galloped surplus to \$44,458,684, a gain of \$8, lucrative business, is bringing new stu- through the fields laying waste the re- 950.490, which exceeds any company, as dents every Monday. Teaching and sult of their patient toil; they were does also the amount of surplus made; healing by mail a speciality. Call or not allowed to keep doves themselves, its income to \$55,006,629; its insurance and when the swarms from my lord's and annuities in force to \$971,711,997. dove cote settled on their crops they exceeding all other companies in "paidmust not lose their temper and kill for" business (insurance merely writa bird, for awful would the penalty ten being discarded as misleading), be; when the harvest was at last gath- while its payment to policyholders ered, then came the procession of rob- within the year reached the enormous bers to levy their blackmail upon it; figure of \$24,751,659, making the total first the church carted off its fat tenth amount since organization nearly five then the king's commissioner took his hundred million dollars, or nearly the twentieth, then my lord's people made combined amount paid by its two larg-Dear Sir:—If you will grant me a mighty inroad upon the remainder; est competitors.

space in your valuable paper I will after which, the skinned freeman had Messrs. Fleming Bros., are managers Dear Sir:-Will you kindly sound give my views on the solution of cor- liberty to bestow the remnant in his for the Mutual Life for Iowa and Nethe leading republicans of ---- recting the error that was made by barn, in case it was worth the trouble; braska, with headquarters in Des and incidentally of your county regard- calling the conventions of the three there were taxes, and taxes, Moines, and branch offices in Omaha ing their disposition to support me reform parties on different dates. As and more taxes, and taxes again, and and Dubuque. Under their manage for member of the national committee I am an alternate to the peoples inde yet other taxes—upon this free and in ment the company's business has in competition with Mr. R. B. Schnei- pendent party national convention, I dependent pauper, but none upon his shown greater increase in insurance in der of Fremont. I have the backing of anticipate attending the Sioux Falls lord the barron or the bishop, none force and premiums collected than any the solid Douglas county delegation convention, and as above stated, I be upon the wasteful nobility or the all other company represented in this and practically of this district and feel lieve a mistake was made as those con- devouring church; if the barron would field, since this general agency was orsure that with my experience I could ventions should have been called to sleep unvexed, the freeman must sit ganized, January 1, 1893. It is safe to render the party much more efficient meet on the same day, then all could up all night after his day's work and predict that with the new cash sur-service than my opponent. If you can have participated in nominating one whip the ponds to keep the frogs render policies its progress in 1899 conveniently do so I should also like and the same ticket as did the reform- quiet; if the free mans' daughter-but will discount all previous records, for to have you get on the state delegation ers that were opposed to slavery in no, that last infamy of monarchial these liberal policies are attracting and will forward you editorial transsecuring the nomination of Lincoln. government is unprintable; and finally, to it the best class of life insurance portation if you should be elected.

But inasmuch as this was not done, I if the freeman grown desperate with solicitors. am in favor of doing the next best his tortures, found his life unendur-E. ROSEWATER. thing and I disagree with my friend, able under such conditions, and sacri-This shows how persistently the Mr. Geo. Abbott, as to the method of ficed it and fied to death for mercy and In the first place, I believe it will him to eternal fire, the gentle law ing lady parts from 1890 to 1896, when

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roads with a stake through his back, the stage. She tried many medical remedies and doors. Why, it was like reading about she became, and in July, 1896, she

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