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"As for fusion, I am in favor of it."-Abraham Lincoln in a letter to Dr. Theodore Canisius, May 17, 1859.

Mark Hanna says that he won the fight last time without an argument and he will do the same thing this over them. time. Well, we shall see.

is a fact that no one denies. In the eyes of the republicans the

trusts are all infant industries, not yet four years old, and they must all have protection until they become of age.

Republican orators and writers seem to have arrived at that stage of degennatural thing to do upon any and all fore congress would have killed it. occasions.

Within a year there will be but one sleeping car company in all the United States. Like the first one, "it will have nothing to arbitrate." It will be owned by the Vanderbilts. Wonder what Pullmen thinks about arbitration now?

Sliver Creek, Colorado, will produce \$39,000,000 of gold this year and give turns and afterward will make no pre- if he had proclaimed to the world that tense of having a residence in Colo-

The fusoin forces have ever had but one purpose, that of electing W. J. Bryan president of the United States and now they have but one ticket in the field for which all of them will vote. That is the way the thing

What's the matter with Hanna? He complains of apathy; he says the trusts are not putting up half what they ought to, and he has sent word out to Illinois that both Cullom and Tanner must be dropped or the state will go Bryan sure.

*Senator Pettigrew says that when Teddy Roosevelt comes out to South contest. They want to find out whether he is a real cowboy, or only a fraud parading around the country.

The national bankers are prosperous. Nobody doubts it. The last republican congress made them a gift of \$500,000. 000, of which something over \$82,000, 660 has already been handed over to them by Secretary Gage in national bank notes. The rest of it is to follow and they feel happy.

Beltrich was up in Tekamah the other day and posed as a statesman and prophet. He said that Bryan Let him settle with his God for the cused or a bystander, should be prosewould not receive one electoral vote. Deitrich is the candidate of the republicans for governor, and he fairly represents the intelligence of that party as it is at present constituted.

Beveridge's great speech and the nugget of gold found in a Philippine creek did not have the effect that Mc-Kinley expected they would upon a waiting world. That speech is not circulated as a campaign document. Mark Hanza has repudiated it and all the republican editors now declare that they never had any idea of inaugurating imperialism.

"Farmers being the most numerous class, it follows that their interest is the largest. It also follows that that is most worthy of all to be cherished and cultivated-that if there be inevitable conflict between that interest and any other, that other should yield." wankee, Wis., September 30, 1859.

again. That is the history of William in circulation among the people,

MCKINLEY RESPONSIBLE.

should be withdrawn, that people every six months. would have been forever our friends and in a short time would have been asking admission to the union as a state. But no such declaration was made and the people of the island became suspicious and worried over the situation until they have well nigh lost respect for this country. It is extremely doubtful yet whether they are to be entirely free or whether McKinley will not demand that the constirutional convention that is soon to assemble shall be coerced into offering the United States a sort of suzerainty

In Porto Rico, whose inhabitants welcomed us and who, after General Hanna says every crank in the coun- Miles' proclamation guaranteeing to ary is for Bryan. Every mullet head them all rights which we enjoy under in the country is for McKinley, which the constitution, cut up their clothing to make flags and waved them from every window to express their loyalty and gladness at becoming American citizens-these Porto Ricans who welcomed us with so much gladness have been made subjects and taxed without representation, by the power of William McKinley acting as eracy in which they actually believe president of the United States. One that abuse is argument and lying the word from him when the bill was be-

In the Philippines he has waged a war without a declaration of war from congress for two years upon men who were our allies and helped us to drive the Spaniards out of the islands. He is at the present time trying to make them subjects, forcibly annex them, and after that tax them without rep-

If he had proclaimed freedom to the to set up an independent government, the United States still stood for the principles enunciated in the Declaration of Independence, and that it would maintain the doctrine that all men were created eared and had inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, there would have been no war in the Philippines and no American Ireland in Porto Rico. Furthermore, ten or twelve million of people, now our enemies, who would have been our undying friends. They would have been lovers of old glory and willing at any time to fight and die defending the colors that first brought liberty to them.

If McKinley had thrown the worldrepublican institutions and liberty for all men, England would never have Dakota the cowboys will challenge him dared to overthrow the two little reto a steer-roping and broncho-busting publics of South Africa and there would have been no bloodshed upon the velts and in the mountains of that continent. That same influence would have prevented the desolation of

When the United States forsook its ancient traditions and started in for land-grabbing and empire, it gave a stimulus to all the monarchies and autocracies of the whole world to go on with their devastations and so, on William McKinley rests the main responsibility for the world-wide wars that are now devastating the earth. evil he has brought upon the world.

THEY SWEAR THEY LIED. Every republican paper in the United States asserted when the act of March 14, 1900, was passed, that the gold standard was at last firmly established and no secretary of the treasury or president could hereafter pay out silver to the government's creditors until the law was changed. Most of them asserted that the law could not be changed for six years, although some admitted that a free silver senate lication of the details of brutal prize might be secured in four years.

Now they have all changed their tune and are singing a new song all out of harmony with the old one. Professor Lawrence Laughlin of Rockefeller's university declares that there is, if refunding should stop, \$721,000,--Abraham Lincoln, speech at Mil- a new convert and sends forth a warning cry of impending dishonor and

at the ratio of 16 to I; has piedged are payable under the law and writ- because Mark Hanna bought the pa- enemy of the people's party. If after himself to promote free coinage by in- ten contracts in silver, where is the per. A man who has read a good fu- ten years of constant fighting and fearternational agreement; has advocated disgrace and dishonor in so discharg- sion paper for a month would know ful sacrifice by hundreds of the best the single gold standard; has declared ing them? Another question is: How better than to be caught with such bait men in the union, both of time and of for the constitution and the Declara- is a free silver secretary or president as that. tion of Independence, for freedom and going to get the millions of silver to liberty for all men, for the subjuga- pay out on these obligations? No one tion and conquest of alien peoples, for denies that the law absolutely pro- Journal's "hogs in the parlor" style found impossible to elect a president free trade with Porto Rico and for a hibits the coinage of silver except in of campaigning which was so popular of its choice, the party will die. tariff on Porto Rican products. With small amounts and on government ac- in the republican party in '90 and '93. elected once president of the United is only \$16,000,000 of silver belonging find out what hit it ever since, and up hope and try some other plan. The States and now wants to be elected to the government and all the rest is Roosevelt won't know whether he has hope of the populist party is in the

now proclaiming to an astonished More than any other man in this world that they lied like villians when yet unborn and the weeping mothers they are not lying now? But there is and widows and orphans that can be no use of bothering further about it. found in every land today. If at the There are some things about these close of the war with Spain he had de- distinguished gold bugs that no pop clared to the Cubans in unequivocal can find out. Let us all go to work Carpenter in his last letter says: language that they were to be free and elect Bryan and Stevenson. Then and independent and that as soon as we will have men at Washington who they could establish a government of will not advertise to the world that remit a different amount than was left with their own the United States troops they are the most distinguished liars

WE STAND THERE STILL.

The Independent does not discard or n he least modify any of the declarations of principles that it has ever defended. The result of the gold standard was even worse than it ever said it would be. It brought not only distress to millions in this land, but produced famines and distress in other lands. Every man knows that most of the suffering in India which we have been called upon to help relieve, was the result of the attempt to set up the gold standard there. All the accumulated wealth that the poorer classes in India had accumulated was in silver. made into ornaments or in other forms, which they relied upon as hoard on which to draw in years of crop failure. The British government destroyed half of that hoard and the

people died of starvation. In this country the continual fall in prices for twenty years, the result of the act of 1873, was such suffering as this country never knew before. The result is just what we said. We have nothing to take back.

The productive power of this country is the greatest of any nation in the world. A series of good crops with shortages in other countries has somewhat relieved the distress. Tens of thousand of bankruptcies have cleared up the books, except as to government, state and municipal bonds and railroad mortgages. An increase in the volume of money, said by the treasury department to be \$250,000,000 in gold and \$80,000,000 in bank paper, started the wheels of commerce to some extent. But who has benefitted by this? The trusts. farmer pays more for everything that per cent more, while the price of his products have advanced but slightly. Hundreds of mills have been closed by wage-earners out of work, and they pays back. find that while wages have not advanced, the trusts have raised the cost of maintaining a family. Who have been benefitted? The banks which have been made a gift of \$80,000,000 with more to follow, and the trusts which have cornered the industries and doubled the cost of their goods. With wars all over the world and crop failures in many countries, wheat ought wide influence of this government for to be worth \$1.50 a bushel, but it isn't. Why? Because of the gold standard.

HAVE SOWN DRAGON'S TEETH.

Another mob and riot occurred at Gilman, Ill. This time the mob attacked a woman who was accused of murder and who shot one of a posse sent to arre st her. Two citizens were killed and one mortally wounded. The Independent again calls attention to the bloodthirstiness everywhere manifesting itself in this country. If this thing goes on at this rate much longer, we will soon have a government by mobs. Any citizen who gives the least encouragement to a mob or joins in one which results in death to the accuted without mercy and if found guilty, should be hung for murder. Order must be preserved and the law enforced. Any man who gives the least encouragement to a mob or in any way palliates the crime, is a traitor to his country, and just as villainous a traitor as if he engaged in war upon it. Everyone of them should be punished to the limit of the law. The daily press and imperialist agitators have sown dragon's teeth by the pubfights and the approval of the murder of whole villages of innocent people under the name of war, and now the penalty is being inflicted by the demoralization of whole communities.

How can these gentlemen who are when the votes are counted.

THE FARMER NOT IN IT

States should furnish the most of the \$130,000 in gold."

and their talk about "trade" is all a ty will be no more. blind. What they want is to get a chance to exploit the Philippine islands -get hold of the franchises, lights, waterworks railroads, electric lighting and hold the offices.

Carpenter says that besides Ausralia, France, Switzerland and Austria are shipping largely to the Philippines. Of course they are and will continue to do so. They have the shorter route by way of the Suez canal. The American farmer has not now and never will have any share in this Philippine "trade." A great deal of American beer is shipped there, but it is all

The American farmer has no inter- ing its boundaries? est and never can have any interest in this "Philippine trade." Why

THE OLD RE-LIABLE.

in the same edition of the paper Aug-

"The evident intent of Bryan to abandon the national campaign and make a fight for the legislature is having a depressing effect on the fusion forces here."

the democrats in the central and eastern states. He will take command next week in Chicago and then will begin an invasion of republican territory, for he has decided to stump Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, New Jersey, Maryland and West Virginia."

No creature under heaven, save a mullet head, is capable of firmly believing both of those statements, but they can do it and never wink an eye.

George W. Berge was twice a candidate for the nomination for congress in a very short time. paign if he had been the nominee him- not. self. That sort of loyalty to the principles that we all hold dear has ena lousing majority.

money, and after having obtained the assistance of three or four other par-Roosevelt has adopted the State ties and many organizations, it is

goes into any sort of an organization show that they were merciful.

Every man of common sense knows from him, is helping to screw down wide world. McKinley is responsible the act of March 14 was passed, ex- that whatever trade we may gain by the lid of the coffin of a party of the dict that McKinley's policy toward stock that went to foreigners was a

whose object is to keep votes away

We take more of the exports of the in the east and to some extent in the church have been opposed. Philippines than any other country, south who, when they get their men but we get less in return. Last year into congress under the name of demall the United States goods sold in ocrat, will do all that is in their power Manila were worth, in round numbers, to defeat the main measures that Bryan will propose. In that condition of That is the truth about the much- things there is a field for useful work vaunted trade in the Philippines. The for the populist party and no one will American farmer never can compete be gladder that it lives than W. J. in the Philippines with Australia and Bryan himself. But let Bryan be de-New Zealand. We are too far away. feated and the populist party will only That fact is known to the men who be a memory. The work that it has are pushing this imperialism business done will live in history, but the par-

THE WHOLE THING WRONG.

This whole theory of empire-the extending of one government by one autocrat or one parliamentary body over vast spaces of the earth's surface-is wrong and will wrok out evil and not good to the human race. The larger the area of any government when it is extended beyond reasonable limits, the less beneficial will that government be. The United States today spreads over such a vast extent of country that many parts suffer for consumed by the American soldiers. want of legislation because it is im-The natives of that country won't possible for congress, in the limited touch it. Unless we keep a large army time of its sessions, to pass the necin the Philippines, there will be no essary laws. Alaska has been left shipment of beer. To send soldiers without a government for many years over there to consume beer is a pretty for that very reason. What possible dear way of getting a market for the good can come to the people of the

the system of government in all Eu- itself into if he is re-elected. ropean countries and that of this republic. If we are to have an empire, "W. J. Bryan will lead the fight of them by one congress, then of neces- ises and changed his policies that no able failure last year, Harrison is established in its place.

In a great empire, covering vast areas of the earth's surface, inhabited and has kept it up ever since. His by various races of men, it would be "blain duty" toward Porto Rico he impossible to allow local self-govern- repudiated. What he intends to do in umns of plate matter to all papers that ment and preserve the authority and power of the central government. Such an empire could not stand for two decades. The conflicting interests of various peoples, widely scattered, governing themselves, would make many people will approve, he will go right governments and not one government

and was defeated. Both times he went | The charge that the present policies out and canvassed the district with all of McKinley will destroy our form of the vigor for his successful opponent government is true and that will be that he could have put into the cam- the result, whether it is so intended or velop these United States. If Mc- considerable deficiency to be met by

Every young man should be a polideared him to voters of this district tician. Not a schemer to get office, and gives him a place in the hearts but a worker for his own self-interest. of the people held by no other man ex- The future marked out by the trusts cept it be W. J. Bryan. If all the de- for the young men of this generation that boasted of the excess of exports mates, and that a small deficiency will feated candidates for congressional is that of hirelings. When all the innominations will do as George W. dustries are controlled by the trusts, their fingers so badly that they have it is the actual expenditures that tell Berge did, a complete fusion delega- as they surely will be, if present pol- dropped it like a hot poker. There is the tale, and we intend to see if the tion will be sent to congress from Ne- icies are pursued, there will be no nothing to be found in their speeches "present fusion administration has braska, every one of whom will have ladder to climb up by to a higher posi- or even the literature expressly pre- been an expensive luxury." There is but one thing that can de- avenue of advancement will be closed. quiry how it was possible that our ings, Lincoln and Norfolk; soldiers stroy the populist party and that is No business can be entered upon with- exports show a balance over imports and sailors' home, Grand Island the election of William McKinley. If out large capital. The little concerns to the enormous amount of about \$3,- school for blind, Nebraska City: school Mark Hanna bought some more he cannot be beaten with the demo- will all be crushed out. But few of 000,000,000 since 1860. How could the for deaf, Omaha; industrial school for 000 of government indebtedness that newspapers last weex. We hope that crats, silver republicans and anti-im- them remain and in the near future foreigners manage to get that much of boys, Kearney. can, under the present law, be paid in the fellows who sold out got a good perialist league all helping us, what there will be none. In the Bryan clubs American wealth without returning During the period of three years silver dollars. Secretary Gage is also big price. The time for switching vot- prospect is there that the people's par- young men should be invited to speak. anything for it? ers over with newspapers that have ty will ever succeed? Any man who They should be encouraged to study been bought with republican campaign does anything that will aid in the the questions that effect their future that matter has been managed. In under the control of republicans and boodle has passed. A man who has election of McKinley, either by voting welfare. They should be given active the first place they came over here a republican state administration. Ev-William McKinley has vociferously The question about this matter that been reading a fusion paper for a candidate impossible of election work. Let the young men take hold. and bought millions of government ery cent expended during this period demanded the free coinage of silver bothers a populist is: If these debts or two is not going to change his vote or by refusing to vote, is a deadly 'they have more vital interests at bonds with paper money that was for maintenance of these institutions stake than the older men.

Men will not fight a losing fight for freedom in 500 years, was like that of this increase in the value of bonds ual cost of maintenance, all items for the aid of Mark Hanna he has been count. Secretary Gage says that there The State Journal has been trying to more than one decade. They will give a tender-hearted jury, which, not for which the foreigner never rea lariat around his neck or his heels election of W. J. Bryan. Any man who him for ninety-nine years, just to Then our railroads are largely owned the cost during the period mentioned

MCKINLEY'S CHINESE POLICY

for the devastating wars, the suffering pect a guileless public to believe them holding the Philippines, little or none highest ideals ever organized. It has China will be anything that he says or gift, and to pay the interest on it, and death, the increasing of national now? If they lied then, as they now of it will come to farmers. The farm- in it the hope of humanity and the men anything given out by the state depart- many millions more of exports had to debts to be a burden on generations say they did, how are we to tell that ers are not in it now and never will be. who will help to destroy it are the ment. European diplomacy has been be sent abroad for which not a cent We have held the Philippines for two enemies of mankind. They may not adopted and we all know what that ever was, or ever will be returned. years and even now the supplies for know what they are doing, but that is. We must look elsewhere for facts About sixty or seventy millions of our army are furnished by British sub- does not lessen the evil that will re- upon which to found an opinion. If our exports have to go abroad every jects, residents of Australia. Frank sult from their action. You may not one can find out what the men who year to pay the expenses of our milknow that there is polson in the cup, manipulate McKinley intend to do or lionaire globe trotters. Nothing ever "You would think that the United but if you drink it, you will surely die. to have done, then may we form some comes back. In that, and other ways, If Bryan is elected, a brighter vista just opinion upon the subject. One of have the \$3,000,000,000 of exports disbutter and canned goods of the Phil- opens up before the party than ever the potent influences that has hither- appeared from the wealth of this ippines. It does not. The bulk of the before gladdened the eyes of those who to shaped his policy in the Philippines country. It is that much wealth canned stuff comes from Europe, but have so long worked and waited for has come from the bishops of the created by American toil which has Australia is pushing its way in far reform. Bryan, and the men of his Methodist church. The men who hold gone to add to the accumulated wealth ahead of the Americans. We have belief, will have to rely upon it to ef- the big paying pulpits in that church of Europe and for which we have re-Australian canned fruits on our din- fect every reform for which they have almost without an exception have ceived nothing. The mullet heads ing tables and our army is now eating labored. Everyone knows that there backed up the bishops, while a large think that its something to brag Australian butter and Australian beef. is an element in the democratic party section of the humble members of the

Bishop Fowler arrived in Denver the other day and when approached by the reporters, he said:

"I won't talk about church affairs. I will talk about politics, if you want | licans would come to that, but did not

The reporter suggested China as a fit subject.

"I believe in keeping every soldier we have there at present," the bishop said, "and more, too, if necessary. It was not enough to put our ambassa- from that book embodied verbatim in dor in safety, as we have just done. There are other considerations besides. We must maintain our treaty rights. We are, according to these, one of the most favored nations and we must see to it that Russia, Germany, England, France and Italy are not given more than we get.

"In that is our internal safety, too. produce ten times more than we need. We thus must have a market. The only open market is China. Let Russia and Germany and the others actaken away from us. What follows. Hard times come from over production, for we cannot dispose of our surplus goods. Famine arrives, discontent prevails. Mobs then come and destruction at home goes on. We shall need an army of 100,000 men to keep the peace here.

"So I favor a protectorate. Let it be by the United States, England and mental affairs, its authorship was im-Japan, and the other nations can come in if they want to. But this must be insisted upon and must be had, be the consequences what they may."

The Independent believes that Bish-United States by unreasonably extend- op Fowler indicated the policy that McKinley will pursue. It contains the The best government is local self- economics of the republican party moving spirit in the campaign. Well, government. Europe has no knowledge plainly stated. The common people he was. His was the spirit that planned he buys, in some cases as high as 100 should he vote to retain the islands of such government. Everything there of this country, that is the millions, a most vicious campaign of mudand tax himself to sustain an army must come down to the people from are to be kept in such a state of povthere when it is all a dead loss to him? the central power. The people of a erty that they can consume but a small Scarcely anything was urged in behalf He will never get a cent of profit out of city there cannot dig a sewer or open part of the products of the industries. the trusts, throwing thousands of the trade or a dollar of the taxes he a street until they have secured the We must have an army of at least passage of a law by the central gov- 100,000 to keep the dissatisfied in suberning power permitting them to do jection to this order of things. We the boar black pig and the spotted cow so. Dr. Edward Everett Hale, in a must have an enormous army for ser-That re-liable old liar, the State speech before the Nebraska university vice in Asia to help the trusts to ex- astrous. With the strongest candidate Journal, had the following two items three or four years ago, clearly ex- ploit them. That is what the McKinplained the great difference between ley policy toward China will resolve Chairman Tefft, the wooden man, and There are good grounds for the

statement that no confidence can be 15.000. that is to gather people of different placed in the statements of McKinly upon a policy of forcible annexation paign. lic as long as he thinks that there stuff. will be a considerable opposition to it. the time that he thinks the American ahead in the administration of what hunt for Asiatic empire and trade will to the people of Nebraska." stop and we will go to work and de-

EXCESS OF EXPORTS.

That part of the republican platform with their increased number of inover imports seems to have burned be necessary. But, deficiency or not tion than that described by the pluto- pared for the mullet heads about it. crats as "the condition to which it The editor of The Independent has re- shall take eight state institutions as has pleased God to call you." Every ceived one or two letters making in- follows: Insane hospitals at Hast-

worth from forty to fifty cents on the is a matter of record both in the audi Bradley, he of Texas, was out mak- made payable in gold. Of course this Each superintendent, during the pering a speech the other night. He increase in the value of the bonds held lod, made a semi-annual report under told them the mercy of McKinley in by foreigners was a gift outright to oath to the governor. These reports providing that the Sulu slaves might them. The republicans called that, have been checked over carefully with purchase their freedom at the market "the strengthening of the public cred- the auditor's records and are found price, when a slave, while he was a it," and all the mullet heads thought correct. slave, couldn't earn the price of his it was an awful good thing. To pay To arrive at what has been the actwanting to sentence a crimanal for turned a cent, many millions of ex- and improvements have been cut out. life, brought in a verdict sentencing ports had to be sent across the water.

watered to the amount of many mil-There is no use at all trying to pre- lions more. The share of the watered about, but the pops know better.

> The State Journal prints a passage from one of Bryan's speeches and as a refutation of it quotes a passage from Jeff. Davis. We knew that the repubexpect it so early in the campaign. Whenever they undertake to make an argument for imperialism, Jeff. Davis' book furnishes them with their chief authority. We have seen passages republican editorials several times.

EXTRAVAGANCE.

The republican state committee is spending a great deal of Mark Hanna's money in a futile attempt to deceive the voters of Nebraska regarding We are producing and are going to the present state administration. A "boiler-plate" factory has been opened at Omaha with one F. A. Harrison, commonly known as "Thunder-Maker" quire their slices, and this market is Harrison, as chief boiler-maker. For a number of years Harrison represented the Omaha Bee at Lincoln and his distortion of facts regarding matters of state government became so notorious that when any particularly outrageous lie appeared in any republican paper concerning state governmediately laid at Harrison's door.

Last year Uncle Orlando Tefft and Harrison attempted to conduct Judge Reese's campaign. Uncle Tefft is little supposed that Harrison would be the slinging against Judge Holcomb. of Judge Reese's qualifications for the supreme bench; but a whole campaign was waged on "house rent. Slippery Si. called Speck." The result was disever put up by the republican party. Secretary Harrison, the "thundermaker," lost the state by more than

It seems that the republican party races, far separated from one another ley or his department of state. He in Nebraska will never learn by exunder one government and govern has so many times ignored his prom- perience. Notwithstanding his misersity, local self-government must be trust can be put in him. "Forcible again the biggest toad in the puddle abolished and the system of Europe annexation is criminal aggression," he and is again resorting to his disreputsaid. And then he started immediate- able methods of conducting a cam

Each week the republican state com mittee is sending out two to four col-China will never be given to the pub- will use it-and Harrison writes the

One of his latest productions is an While he will make announcements all imaginary news item from Omaha, under date of August 27, declaring that "Poynter's term will close with a deficiency of at least \$100,000" and averthe great money men of the United ring "that the present fusion admin-States want. If Bryan is elected, this istration has been an expensive luxury

Whether or not there will be any Kinley is elected, then the exploitation | the next legislature we purpose to disof the workers of the world will be- cuss in full next week. It may be that the republican legislature of 1899 did not appropriate enough in certain places to maintain the institutions

from January 1, 1892, to December 31, There are several ways in which 1894, all these eight institutions were dollar in gold, and then had the bonds | tor's office and in the governor's office.

The following table gives in detail by foreigners. The stock has been and for the period of three years un-