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Carnegie having made his millions by the tariff, got his money and gone out of business, now says "the tariff is a back number."

Senator Platt of New York has long been called the "easy boss," but his title has been changed. He is now universally called "the uneasy boss."

If you want to live to a ripe old age just get elected governor of Nebraska. Every one of the Nebraska governors is still alive except one.

In answer to several letters the editor of The Independent desires to say that he is not interested in the colony advertised in this paper.

That heathen Chinese who represents the celestial empire at Washington is bound to get himself into trouble.

Every week since the republicans took charge of the penitentiary there is a report of a row or mutiny among the convicts.

The independent is proud of the pops of Cuming county. Mr. De France told the joint state committee of the fusion parties at the beginning of the last campaign that there were no pops in Cuming county.

The government offers a bounty of \$500 to every soldier in the Philippines who will re-enlist.

A close reading of the speech of President Hadley and the subsequent interview given to the press cannot fail to convince one that he has exactly the same opinion of the general apostasy of the church that has been so often expressed in The Independent.

Great Britain got into a quarrel in China about the ownership of a little piece of ground, less than an acre in extent and her army was drawn up to defend the rights of property.

DEMOLISHING POPULISM

Many of the great plutocratic dailies and magazine writers begin to realize that the next great contest in the United States will be over the public ownership of monopolies and are beginning a fight on that subject.

The force of the argument lies in the action of certain old world municipal authorities which have departed from the populist doctrine of the public ownership only of natural monopolies or such industries that are of a purely public character.

The things denounced as populist and resulting in disaster wherever tried, are not populist at all. The ownership by the public of a natural monopoly and the public ownership of those things where there is no monopoly—where there is free and unrestricted competition—are two entirely different things.

The principles of populism are very hard to attack in a direct way and this attack, like all the others that have preceded it, is by indirection.

SNEAKS AND COWARDS.

There was a scene in the Nebraska state senate last Friday which was too disgraceful for words to describe. It has been known to a few that orders had been sent to the different legislatures in which the republicans had a majority to pass a resolution demanding the submission of an amendment to the constitution of the United States which was necessary on account of our marvelous commercial growth and territorial expansion.

These men, one and all, are sneaks, cowards and traitors to the principles of this government. They are the only ones in the whole United States who have proved themselves vile enough to vote to eliminate the principles of Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln from our constitution and not one of them had his courage to defend the proposition or attempt to defend it with reason or logic.

ECONOMIC ROT.

J. Sterling Morton has one distinction that differentiates him from all other men. He can put more economic rot into three sentences than any other living man.

"Laborers are paid wages for working in starch factories, cereal mills, packing houses and other western industries out of the prices of the commodities which those plants put on the market. Now, the prices of pork, starch, corn grits and oat meal depend entirely upon the relation of the supply of those goods to the demand for those goods.

Suppose "a law, edict or decree" should be made that the mints of the United States should stop coining gold and silver and that no more national bank notes or notes of any other kind should be issued, how long would "the economic law of supply and demand" sustain the prices of the products of starch factories and cereal mills?

within a year there would be a decline of prices of those and all other products and if the law or decree remained in force, it would be but a few years until there would not be enough money in circulation to pay half the price that now prevails.

The Independent made strenuous efforts to get the facts about recruiting for the new army—even going so far as to employ a clipping bureau—but the result was only to get the places where recruiting stations had been established. Not a single line in the whole press of the United States about the number of recruits enlisted, except what had appeared in this paper.

GLORY AND CONQUEST

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The republican experts who were engaged to coin phrases for the purpose of befuddling and befogging the intellects of the honest voters did a very good job when they sent out that phrase: "The foreigner pays the tax."

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Rockefeller has clapped his hands on the new oil field just opened up in California. The investors there have felt his heavy hand already.

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TRY SOME OTHER PLAN.

The time was when to call a thing socialism was all that was necessary. That ended it. The same was true of commercial transactions. Just brand it free trade and the whole community would hold up its hands in holy terror, only equalled by that other terror which seized the hearts of all good people when some man was branded as unbeliever in a hell of fire and brimstone.

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off the earth, you will have to prepare for a trip to the moon. "You can't do anything." You can't own the railroads and make them treat all alike. You positively can't. That is what all the plutocratic dailies and magazines say.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson seems to have made a wonderful discovery. He declares in a recent magazine article that "the American farmer is a business man, keen and alert."

When speaking of the Philippines, the plutocratic papers always affirm most solemnly that we have pledged the honor of the nation to set up a stable government and maintain order in those islands and that the pledge must be kept.

McKinley is undoubtedly doing very much the same service for the republican party that Cleveland did for the democratic party. He is driving the best men in it into opposition.

The country merchants are calling upon the editors in their various towns for any amount of space to defend them from the encroachments of the supply houses.

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DEAD DUCKS

The real character of the present president of the United States and emperor of the Philippines was well illustrated by his appointment of commissioners for the fair to be held at St. Louis.

defeated gold bug senator from Oregon, whose course in the senate had made him so unpopular that he didn't have a ghost of a show for re-election. John A. McCall of the New York Life Insurance company, demanded the appointment of Martin H. Glynn, a discarded newspaper man who was once connected with the Albany Times-Union as managing editor.

The St. Louis fair fellows are said to be in the dumps. To get a \$5,000,000 appropriation they agreed to let McKinley make the appointment of all the executive officers, upon whose ability the success of the fair wholly depends.

The privilege of eating out of a tin pail is not a very high ideal, but it seemed to satisfy the aspirations of very many thousands who voted the Hanna ticket.

HANDY COLUMN

National Law—Single Tax—Future Uncertainty—Empire and Not Republic—Russia and the Powers—Ghost and Hobgoblins—Maple Sugar.

There are many customs and practices that are national and should be regulated by national law or prohibited. No state can establish slavery now, while it was optional with each state a few years ago.

When we look over the city of Lincoln, count up the vacant lots, we are half inclined to think the single tax system, for city purposes, would be best. Tax a vacant lot the same you do the occupied lot by the side and there would not be so many vacant lots—the city would not spread all over creation.

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When the boxers first commenced their trouble in China the five great powers agreed, among themselves, that the missionaries and the several government legations must be protected at the same time it was agreed that the empire of China must remain intact.

It is really laughable to think how foolish and superstitious people were a few years ago. What queer ideas they had of ghosts and witches. They

PILES advertisement with text: "I suffered the tortures of the damned with protruding piles brought on by constipation with which I was afflicted for twenty years."



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