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WHY WHEAT AND FLOUR DECLINED

Them Down and They Will Never Rise Until That Cause is Removed

Editor Independent: I stated in price of a barrel of flour from \$9.46

In order that I might be able to show in a clear, concise and tangible way just what caused the decline of flour to Brazil I have had to first show ber, as well as nearly all the arguments based on them for the last thirty years failed utterly to explain what caused the decline. The reader must not think for one moment that this

produce it. tent than any one of the six natural and what is true of the Brazilian is created by the decline in the commerforces, or all of them combined, that also true of all the countries in South cial value or selling price of the matook absolute and complete possession | America, Mexico, Cuba, China, Japan, | terial in the dollar used by threeof the export prices. This force which nearly all the islands of the sea and forced down the export price of the barrel of flour as shown in the table of our flour as they wanted at the from \$9.46 to \$4.10 I will explain un-

While it, was only one force, the re- the American farmer. sult was produced through two channels. One of the channels was the condition of the people of Brazil and their power to purchase the flour in this country. The facts are as follows: Brazil was originally a part of 1873 to \$4.10 in 1901. It is claimed by Soain and that the population is of Spanish descent. The prevailing wages are and have been for years very low. The power to purchase our flour was stretched to about its farthevest limit in 1873, when the Brazilian naid \$8.20 (column No. 4) in his money for our flour at our ports, making the flour in Brazil about twelve dollars. By examining column No. 4 you will find that the average price paid by the Brazilian for 29 years, from 1873 to 1991, was \$7.60 per barrel. This average for the 29 years of \$7.60 per barrel at our ports proves conclusively that the Brazilian cannot and will not pay any more than this price as an average for any length of time. The average retail price of the flour in Brazil \$1.29, then all of the people above that cost \$7.60 per barrel in this country would be more than \$11 per barrel in that country. In our country the average wage-earner earns on an average of about \$1.50 per day and buys his flour for less than \$4 per barrel, while the average wage-earner in Brazil earns less than 50 cents per day and has to pay about \$12 per barrel for his flour. The reader will see at one glance that as a physical proposition, the purchasing power of the Brazilian's earnings will not admit of any advance in the price of flour in his

Such were the conditions in 1873 and such are the conditions today. I repeat again that the Brazilian cannot and will not pay any more than \$11 to \$12 per barrel for his flour at re-Now for the real and tangible force that caused the decline in the export price of the barrel of flour to Brazil from \$9.46 in 1873 to \$4.10 in

What was it that the Brazilian purchased the barrel of flour with in this country in 1873? It was with the commercial value of the ounce of silver and that the commercial value was about \$1.29 per ounce in 1873. During 1901 the Brazilian also paid for his barrel of flour in this country with the ver which had declined in its commercial value as selling price from \$1.29 1901. This shows that the decline in the purchasing power of the ounce of sfiver had been reduced about 55 per cent. Now one of two things had to happen if the American farmers sold four to the Brazilian during 1901, was, either the American farmer would have to take about 55 per cent less for his flour than they did during 1873 which would mean that our farmers would have to take 45 per cent of \$9.46 For over sixty years Mrs. Winslow's his private dining room because of the ter further and decide on election day. which would be \$4.26 per barrel for Soothing Syrup has been used by delay in bringing him his breakfast. He As a specimen of republican demahis flour. If the Brazilian paid enough mothers for their children while teeth- made some investigation and learned gogy this is quite in keeping with that of his money so the American farmers ing. Are you disturbed at night and about the gymnastic performances of his party's tactics. Even the sacred precoald get the \$9.46 per barrel for the broken of your rest by a sick child co-laborer. He didn't care about the four during 1901 the Brazilian would suffering and crying with pain of Cut- high kicking, but he did hate to lose invaded simply to gain a point in have to pay \$21 of his money for a bar- ting Teeth? If so send at once and that breakfast. So he promptly dis- state politics. Populists and demorel of flour at our ports. I have shown get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Sooth- charged the matron. conclusively that the Brazilian could ing Syrup" for Children Teething. Its But the matron knew a thing or two not and he would not pay much more value is incalculable. It will relieve herself about matters political and she for his flour during 1901 than he did be poor little sufferer immediately. Wended her way to Eincoln and made be poor little sufferer immediately. Wended her way to Eincoln and made be poor little sufferer immediately. Wended her way to Eincoln and made be such vehement protests to Governor little sufferer immediately. Wended her way to Eincoln and made such vehement protests to Governor Savage that the upshot of the whole affair was that the Governor returned that and propositions are true. The Art are ican farmers, finding that the Bra tans would not pay much, if any me for their flour in 1901 than in 1 had to reduce the export price of t flour from \$9.46 to \$4.10 and at the price of \$4.10 the Brazilian pay about \$k in his money to in this country and after to his country would reta

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his country.

parrel of flour from \$9.46 to \$4.10 was er's products I will add the following: the force created by the decline in the commercial price of the ounce of silver from \$1.29 in 1873 to about 58 Brazil and the people of all the other cents in 1901. As a further proof that countries I have mentioned would it was the decline in the selling price amount to in round numbers about She Was Afflicted with Rheumatism and

rel of flour 56 per cent. There is only one way to raise the Emissions Hydroccie, Varicoccie, Gonorrhes, export price very much of the barrel of the pear 1901 in the pea the American farmers on the same terial in their money during 1873 was plain in the markets of the world as a little more than its coinage or face of the ounce of silver must be placed of 100 cents would sell in the markets at \$1.29.

flour. But outside of starving famines there is only one force and that There was Only One Cause That Forced is the force that would be created by commodity in the markets of the ounce to \$1.29 per ounce. If that were done and conditions of crops as to my last week's article that I would ex- quantity were normal in the world, plain in your columns this week just wheat would advance in its export his flour. That being the case, he had what caused the decline in the export price to about \$1.30 per bushel and to make the 45 cents buy just as much

This is no fancy sketch. The ad-\$5.26 in the export price of a barrel of cents to \$1.29 would certainly pro- world's people that wanted to buy our port price of wheat would be about \$1.60 per bushel, while the barrel of great fall in the export price was pro- The reader can see that this great adpeople of the world would buy as much same price as they do now while the price would be more than double to

> I proved conclusively in my last week's article that the quantity of money had practically nothing to do with the decline in the export price of the barrel of flour from \$9.46 in some if we could discover a large quantity of gold and could place Brazil and other countries on a gold standard that would settle the money question. enough gold could be furnished the Brazilians, the Chinamen, the Japs, the Cubans, the Mexicans, the people of India and the people of many other countries so that they could pay the ports from \$8 to \$9 in gold for a barrel now in the money they have. No human being thinks for a minute that the above proposition could be ever accomplished. There is only one possible way and that is to place the commercial price of the ounce of silver to mentioned could pay the \$8 or \$9 in silver which would be the same as paying that much in gold and this could be done as easy as they now pay about that much in the money

I stated in my article of last week that there were three things that the American farmers want to know.

First, just what caused the decline in the export price of the barrel of flour from \$9.46 in 1873 to \$4.10 in 1901. Second, just how to prevent a fur-

Third, how to restore prices.

read the article I wrote in your last week's paper as well as this one, will question that I have shown just what caused the decline in the export price of the barrel of flour from \$9.46 to It will be an easy and a short matter to explain the other two points are "how to prevent a further decline and how to restore prices." As it was the decline in the commercial price of the ounce of silver from \$1.29 caused the fall in the export price of the barrel of flour from \$9.46 to \$4.10 in order to prevent a further decline in the export price of the barrel flour as well as nearly everything else that the American people export, the decline in the commercial or selling price of the ounce of silver must be stopped. This would

certainly stop the further general decline in the export prices. In answer to my third proposition, how to restore prices, there is or can be practically only one way and that is to restore the commercial or selling price of the ounce of silver to \$1.29.

the poor little sufferer immediately. wended her way to Lincoln and made cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. evening with her to Beatrice, and, after reading the Superintendent the riot act, reinstated the matron and left shortly dren teething is pleasant to the taste lovely at Beatrice.

This proves beyond all question that As a complete and final analysis of the force, and the only force, that the money question as applied to the ressed down the export price of the export prices of the American farm-

of the ounce of silver that caused the three-fourths of all the people in the decline in the export price of the world. Not only the people of Brazil, flour we find that while the ounce of but all the people in the other counsilver fell in its selling price from tries that have been named several \$1.29 to about 58 cents, which was a times in this article who buy their WEAK MEN sexu- \$1.29 to about 58 cents, which was a times in this article flour of the American farmers, buy it All private diseases and dis-cline in the price of the barrel of flour not with their money as our money, from \$9.46 to \$4.10 was about 56 per but they buy it with the commercial cent. The facts set forth in this short | value or selling price of the material statement proves almost in a tangible that is in their international money. way that it was the fall of 55 per cent | The reader should especially note this in the commercial value, or selling one point. The flour that they bought price of the ounce of silver, that caused of the farmers of our country during the fall in the selling price of the bar- 1873 as well as that which they bought during 1901, was bought with the commercial value of the material in their of the ounce of silver and to place the markets of the world of the mafarmers from many other value or in other words, a dollar of countries. The commercial price their money that had a coinage value of the world as a commodity for more Of course wide-spread crop failures | than 100 cents, while during 1901 that would raise the price of wheat and same dollar being the international money of about three-fourths of the people of the world, was sold as a advancing the commercial price of the world at an average price of about 45 ounce of silver from about 58 cents per | cents. I have shown in several different ways that the condition of the Brazilian was such that he could not pay any more than he did in 1873 for the barrel of flour would advance in | flour in 1901 as the 100 cents did in its selling price to about \$8 per barrel. 1873. The American farmer had to and did sell as much flour and of all vancing of the commercial price of other farm products to the Brazilian the ounce of silver from about 58 and to those of three-fourths of the duce effects about as stated above. flour for the 45 cents in 1901 as they With the conditions of the crops as at | did for 100 cents in 1873. There has present in the world, being much be- been millions of columns and pages low the normal as to quantity, the ex- written since 1873 (most of which has been political rot) on and about the facts, results and causes contained in flour would be exporting for about \$9. the last few lines. I have made it as clear as the noon-day sun in a cloudvance in the price of the barrel of less sky that the force that caused the flour to the American farmer did not | decline in the export price of the barincrease the cost any to the Brazilian rel of flour from \$9.46 to \$4.10 was surths of the people of the world from 100 cents in 1873 to 45 cents in

> There is only one course to pursue, and that is to raise the selling price of the material in the dollar that The Plausable Pleas That He Makes While three-fourths of the people of the world are using from 45 cents, where it is at present, to 100 cents, where it was in 1873. The American people have it in their power and can very easily restore the purchasing power of amount being about three-fourths of smooth, suave, melancholically elothe people of the world) can pur- quent grafter in the party has been at chase our products and pay us in 100cent dollars just as easily every way as ulists and democrats in quiet converthey are now paying us in 45-cent dol- sation regarding the state campaign lars. There is only just one way to accomplish what I have set forth in the first sentence above, and that is to place the selling price of the ounce of silver at \$1.29. No political party in this country can live for any length of of flour just as easily as they can pay time that does not do everything it can to restore the dollar mentioned above to its original purchasing



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story has reached Lincoln from the Institute for Feeble Minded at Beatrice. I presume that no person who has It will be remembered that the notorious president." Milt Metzgar is steward at that institution. It does not matter about the a good deal. He can't see exactly why superintendent's name, because he is he should become a republican, even only a figure-head anyway.

It seems that the new republican administration filled the office of matron which the farmers want to know which | with a specimen of feminity best defat, and forty." It does not matter much about the fair and forty but there is not a particle of doubt about the fat. One day the cook at this institution had occasion to carry a tray laden with delicious viands into the Superintendent's private dining room-for it must be confessed that the Superintendent feels rather above eating at the same table with his employees. The matron, fat and fair, was promenading the corridor at the time the cook passed through on the way to the dining room. Suddenly the cook was astounded to find the tray lifted high above his head and its contents spilled all over the waxed corridor commendable feat of high kicking.

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Anyone who has suffered from either rheumatism or indigestion can appreciate the condition of a frail-woman whose body was racked by the agonies caused by a complication of these diseases. Such was the experience of Mrs. J. T. Sloggy, of 107 East Jassamine street, St. Paul, Minn. Happily she found relief by taking the advice of a friend and now, moved by gratitude for her delivery, she tells others how she was cured. To a reporter she said:

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THE WILEY GRAFTER

on a Still Hunt for Votes out in the State

Reports from out in the state give an interesting bit of news regarding this dollar that I have described so party is clutching in a mad endeavor that the 1,200,000,000 of people (this to elect its state ticket. Every 72-inch all linen damask, cream, work for some time in engaging pop-

"You know, Jones," one of these grafters will say to his fusion hearer. "that this is an off-year in politics. It really cuts but little figure either to your side or ours which side elects the supreme judge. Your fellows have a majority of the court now, and if Sedgwick is elected it won't change that majority-for you'll still have Sullivan and Holcomb. And as for the regents, that doesn't matter much, because the university ain't in politics anyhow. But you know, Jones, that the assassination of our beloved president has cast a gloom over the whole country (here a few well directed sniffles adds to the dramatic effect) and we republicans have thought that Nebraska ought to go republican this fall out of respect for our martyred president. You're a broad-minded man, Jones, and not a blind partisan, and you're no anarchist, either; why can't you vote for our state ticket this time just to show your loyalty to the gov-EDITOR INDEPENDENT:-A charming ernment? It's about time, Jones, that we Americans vote together-make it unanimous, by gad, sir-just to show these anarchists that we stand by the

And Jones ponders over the matter for one election, because a crazy anarchist murdered our president. Neither he nor any of his party associates were in any way responsible for the murder. And he doesn't quite underscribed by the threadbare terms, "fair stand why he should now indorse the policy of McKinley on the money question, on the Philippine question, on the constitution and the flag question, on a dozen others, simply because Mc-Kinley is not alive.

But Jones is a loyal American citizen. He has a profound regard for American institutions and traditions. He is well aware that the shots fired by the assassin were fired at McKinley, the president, and not at McKinley, the man. He knows that McKinley's martyrdom was the result of an attack on our government, by a man who believes in no government, and floor. He was astonished, dumbfounded. who believes that the killing of offi-Just to show that even if she is short cials is a noble act. New, Jones aband fat the matron was responsible for hors anarchy and anarchists, and he the wreck-she had performed a very listens to the specious arguments of the republican grafter with consider-The Superintendent sat growling in able attention. He will study the mat-

crats believe in certain principles and policies; republicans believe in certain principles and policies; and these beliefs clash at many points. It is natural that they should do so: And it is a healthy sign to see these contending forces so nearly equal in strength, Every true believer in democratic gov-ernment is willing to abide by the decision of the majority, yet it does not follow that he shall become a convert

to the majority opinion. banks. A large minority still believes (Continued on Page Seven.)

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