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## The Ticket

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(Populist, Dawson County.)

New Jersey gets an income of a little over $2,000,000 a year from the trusts she has chartered to prey upon mankind. It is a good republican state.

A king is not the biggest man on earth. The doctors can order a king around, chop him up, dose him, tell him what he must eat and drink, and he is as submissive as a lamb.

Tom Johnson was one of the leading democrats who was invited to the Hill-Cleveland "harmony" banquet and didn't go. Tom says that after reading what was said there he is awful glad that he didn't go.

All the forces of the republican party are now at work to establish a bank standard. But whether they call it a bank standard, a gold standard, or "sound money," it goes with the crowd that votes 'er straight and believes that the administration makes good crops.

The republicans are very fond of making book agents United States senators. They have the requisite gall and swindling propensities to qualify them to manage republican policies. Beveridge was a book agent and so was Carter, whom the republicans once put in charge of the national campaign.

After fixing up his own fences so they were in good shape, Quay made the remark: "I will now have to see to it that the democrats have a candidate that can be easily beaten." Quay thinks a great deal of the democratic reorganizers and no doubt he will be able to keep them in the saddle in Pennsylvania.

The prohibition state convention is called to meet in Lincoln, August 7, 1902. Candidates for state office will be nominated. Total representation is 504 delegates. Lancaster county is entitled to 27. The chairman of the executive committee is C. C. Beveridge, Fremont, Neb., and Mrs. C. C. Beveridge is secretary.

The populist state convention neglected one thing which leaves the delegates open to the charge of inhumanity. It should have passed a resolution of condolence with Whitelaw Reid in the overwhelming sorrow that he suffered on account of the postponement of the crowning of King Ed. That was a very heavy blow to the special ambassador.

The republicans started out proclaiming that they were for a gold standard and they have ended up with a bank standard. When they get the Fowler bill through congress they will have the thing complete. The banks will fix the value of money by the amount they will issue. When they want money cheap, they will make it so. When they want it dear, that will be just as easy for them.

The Philadelphia Ledger in its ignorance talks "of the passing of the populistic craze." If its editor had been at some of the state conventions held by the populists lately in the western states he would have known something of the facts. Conventions of all parties, everywhere, are putting populistic planks in their platforms and that does not signify that populism is passing.

Lieut. Hagehorn of the 28th infantry has been tried and dismissed from the army for embezzlement. This is the same officer that tortured some Filipinos by feeding them on salt fish and then refused to give them water. We know that it is "attacking the army" to publish facts like these, but The Independent will continue to print the facts in the future as in the past without fear or favor or hope of reward.

### PERSISTENCE OF POPULISM

Among some old magazines which had not been disturbed since 1893 the editor found what was evidently the first draft of an article for publication in his own handwriting. The corrected article was likely published in some paper at the time. It is of interest now because it shows the persistence of populist principles and recent events have proven that the principles then advocated were sound. It was in part as follows:

"It is passing strange that the men with patches on their pants who are selling corn for 10 cents or less a bushel should take up the catch words of the bankers and go about declaring that they want 'sound money,' 'money good in Europe,' and all the rest of it. As near as any one can arrive at their meaning, the thing that they are demanding is 'dear money.' One is driven to this conclusion because they frequently denounce 'cheap money' and from their talk it is evident that they believe that the cheapening of money would be the greatest disaster that could befall the world. The strangest thing about it is that these same men will say that the price of corn, hogs and wheat is altogether too low and ought to be higher. No one can convince them that if prices go higher, that of necessity money must become cheaper.

"The price of corn and other farm products is so low in this state that but little can be shipped out, and, in fact, corn is burned for fuel, for it is cheaper than coal. If a farmer should haul a wagon load of corn to market and exchange it for coal, the coal would not keep up a fire in his stove as long as would the corn. As to the facts, there is no dispute. But little money comes into this state, for on account of the low prices the products cannot be shipped out, and much money goes out of the state to purchase those necessities which are not here produced, as well as to pay interest on debts and mortgages.

"It should be evident to any man after a short consideration that if the price of the products of Nebraska were doubled, that the farmers of the state would be immediately relieved of the great distress that they now suffer. But the only way to double the price of farm products is to cheapen money. Yet these men say to cheapen money is to ruin the whole country.

"Their contention seems to be that prices ought to be higher and that money should continue to purchase just as much as it does now, which is an absurdity.

"Let us reflect what effect would follow from making money one-half cheaper. The farmer would no longer burn his corn. He would sell it. That would give the railroads the freight on the corn and the freight on the coal the other way, while now there is none either way. The running of more trains would employ more men on the railroads, in the shops, the mines, and a long list of trades. The farmer then instead of wearing canvas cotton coats and the cheapest apparel would purchase better and more goods. That would give business to merchants in the towns and work to hundreds of thousands of far away men and women in the mills and shops who make the goods. We should then see the farmer riding to town in his spring wagon or buggy, houses being built, furniture purchased and the smell of burning corn would disappear from these prairies, where now it can everywhere be detected."

That is what the populists taught as far at least as 1893. Since that time the amount of money has been enormously increased and the populist prediction of the result that would follow has been more than fulfilled. But the price of economic independence is eternal vigilance. The financiers whose fortunes were then in interest-bearing bonds have since largely transferred them to industries. At that time they had money cornered and made it scarce and dear. Now by means of trusts they are attempting to play the same game in industrial products that they played with money, and while that is going on, they are laying the foundation for another control of money that will far surpass anything in the past. The passage of the Fowler bill will give them that control and it is pretty sure to pass. Instead of populism having passed away, as the Philadelphit Ledger asserts, it is more persistent and energetic than ever before. Many of its principles are now appearing in planks in the platforms of both old parties. The Philadelphia Ledger is to be excused. An environment of Quayism distorts the vision and dulls the intellect.

### REPUBLICAN PROMISES

Years of failure to fulfill their promises to the people by the republican party will have its effect in the coming election, but how much of an effect it is hard to say. There are many thousands of men who would continue to vote the republican ticket no matter what the party did or failed to do. If it should establish an absolute despotism in the Philippine islands, they would support that. If it should declare for the independence of the islands, they would support that. If it should pass a law legalizing and establishing trusts in every line of production, they would favor that. If it should make a raid on the trusts and utterly overthrow them, that would also suit them. We all know of these men. They can be found in every city and town. There are some others who have supported the republican party who are not of that kind, how many it is hard to tell. In the last campaign the republican party started out with this plank in its platform:

> We condemn all conspiracies and combinations intended to restrict business, to create monopolies, to limit production, or to control prices, and favor such legislation as will effectively restrain and prevent all such abuses, protect and promote competition and secure the rights of producers, laborers and all who are engaged in industry and commerce.

Not only no legislation in this line has been enacted, but the party has refused to enforce the laws already on the statute books and the growth of trusts and combinations has been greater than the world ever saw before.

The party also declared for and solicited votes by a declaration in favor of reciprocity, for "more effective restriction of the immigration of cheap labor from foreign lands," for the "extension of opportunities of education for working children," for "the raising of the age limit for child labor," for "the protection of free labor as against contract labor," and for "an effective system of labor insurance."

This congress has repudiated every one of these promises. Now the men who have acted in this manner will go on the stump and make some more promises. Any man who is so simple to put confidence in them deserves all that he will get.

Besides repudiating their promises, they have favorably reported and have ready for passage some of the most infamous laws ever introduced into any congress, as, for example, the Fowler bill and the ship subsidy bill. If they secure an indorsement at the polls, these bills will most certainly be enacted into law.

### IMPERIALISTIC PATOIS

A correspondent of a Canadian paper says that the 1,000 school teachers which have been sent to the Philippines do not teach the pure and undefiled king's English at all, but a sort of patois, the chief words in which are as follows:

> Anglo-Saxon race, plain duty, providential leading, hand of destiny, fingers of fate, spreading the gospel, letting "the flag stay put," supporting the administration, imperialism, expansion, absorption, assimilation, annexation, pacification, extending benefits of civilization, colonization, industrial supremacy, extension of territory, dominance of the race.

The Independent is inclined to give credence to the story because the republicans have been running just such a school in all the dailies for the last three years. That sort of patois was not known in these United States until a few republican politicians in Washington started this republic on an unknown voyage of conquest after having thrown overboard the chart and compass by which it had been steered for more than a hundred years. This sort of patois became still more necessary after Justice Brown wriggled through the constitution and abolished the Declaration of Independence. We will have to have a new dictionary pretty soon. All these words and phrases have meanings that were not known to the citizens of this republic ten years ago, and some of them are absolutely new.

Rosewater seems to be in very grave doubts this time whether the democrats swallowed the pops or the pops swallowed the democrats. He had quite a lengthy editorial on that subject not long since in which he argued both sides of the question without coming to any conclusion. He should put his massive intellect to work on that important question and come to some settled conclusion. How are the republicans to begin their campaign if they do not know whether the pops swallowed the democrats or the democrats swallowed the pops? If Rosewater can't settle it all by himself, he should call the state central committee together and submit the matter to them.

The introduction of coal oil as fuel on the railroads of California has caused an immense saving to the farmers. Every year heavy losses have been suffered by fires caused by locomotives burning coal and farmers have carried heavy insurance. The wheat stands in the fields in California where it is raised under irrigation until it is dead ripe and the fields will burn like a prairie in autumn. Now there is no possibility of a fire in the fields set by the locomotives.

The cause of the long down pour of rain all over the United States remained unknown until one philosopher announced that he had discovered it. The trusts had been watered until the dams had all given away and the country was flooded. Whether that is it or not, it can be put down as a fact that the time is not far distant when the water will be let out of the trusts and the disaster will be far greater than a wet summer can be.

### DISTINGUISHED HYPOCRITES

The republicans of Nebraska and a few reorganizing democrats make constant charges against fusion officeholders for taking money that the courts have decided belonged to them and try to establish an ethical standard to which they themselves and no one else ever lived up to. Every honest man wants to look out for the holy fellows. Clem Deaver was one of them. When an officer takes only what the law entitles him we shall have made a very great advance on present conditions and it is all that the people have a right to demand of their public servants. If they can get them to stop there, they will do better than was ever done in this nation before. But while these sanctimonious hypocrites are calling down curses upon their opponents in this state, they have nothing to say about their own men who take all that is in sight. There used to be a good deal of criticism because the Dolphin, one of the revenue cutters, was always at the service of the president and his friends for a sea voyage, at the cost of the people, whenever they thought that they needed a little recreation. Now a steam yacht has been fitted up for that service and with her crew of United States officers and seamen lies at her wharf awaiting the pleasure of His Excellency, the president of the United States, who is supposed to draw only $50,000 a year salary out of which he is to pay his household expenses and summer excursions. For the convenience and comfort of the president the Mayflower has been practically remade and more than $50,000 has been spent on fitting up her interior in a style that rivals the royal and imperial yachts of European princes and potentates. Not the Hohenzollern itself can outdo the presidential yacht in splendor, luxury and beauty of appointments, upholstery and decoration. The president's personal apartments, in the aft of the vessel, are a dream of princely beauty and comfort. He has six staterooms for his own use and for the use of his family. Silk hangings, soft carpets, the most expensive of fancy wood, fine mosaics, glittering art bedsteads and other equipments of this kind wait on the presidential pleasure when he sees fit to take the sea air. Similarly with the culinary department. The kitchen and dining room staff can serve on short notice a feast fit for a king. The Mayflower was formerly the property of Mrs. Ogden Goelet. It was purchased by the government at the time of the Spanish war and had been lying idle since then. Recently the president decided to have it fitted for his personal use. The presidential yacht has a displacement of 2,690 tons, is equipped with twin screws and has a horse power of 4,700. It is one of the fastest steam yachts afloat.

The cost of that yacht while in commission cannot be less than $1,000 a day. Get out in the cornfield to work a little earlier and be sure that you are at the polls to vote 'er straight on election day.

In one day during the last week of June the degree of LL. D. was conferred on Theodore Roosevelt, Henry Cabot Lodge and Leonard Wood by different colleges. That all of them had the decree conferred upon them before did not interfere with the performance in the least. Now we suppose that each of them has a right to write after his name LL. D. LL. D. If not, what was the use of the performance? In the imperialistic colleges the degree of D.D. is still supposed to have some connection with theology and the clergy, but they have cut the LL. D. loose from all connection with the teaching of law. The colleges should invent a new set of letters to confer honor on those who have abandoned the constitution and relegated the Declaration of Independence to the waste-basket—one that would have some remote connection at least with distinguished services for which it is conferred. The letters D. I. would be much more appropriate for they would represent "doctor of imperialism." Let us have a D. I. degree by all means, so that those who work in the fields and raise corn and wheat and the others who toil in the factories or the mines can be truly proud of the great men of this republic.

One can make a political point by bookkeeping about as cheap as any other way. When the railroads charge up taxes as operating expenses the trick costs very little. So it is with imperialism. Secretary Root's bookkeeping of the cost of the Philippine war is after the railroad style. He says that the war in the Philippines has only cost about $174,000,000. There has been over $1,000,000,000 appropriated for war purposes since the war with Spain was declared. Did it cost $800,000,000 to whip Spain? That seems somewhat ridiculous since Dewey's testimony. What became of that enormous amount of money? Has $500,000,000 been stolen by the republicans?

Corporations defy the law whenever it is their interest to do so in the most arrogant manner. The Providence, R. I., street car company forced a strike because it refused to obey the state ten-hour law for employes. The managers said that they had passed upon the law and it was unconstitutiinal. But the supreme court promptly handed down a decision declaring the law constitutional. Then the managers said that the state supreme court was no good and they would appeal to the United States courts, meanwhile they would defy the state court and the workingmen. If that isn't anarchy, what is it? They will do as they say, for Rhode Island is governed by the high tariff imperialist barons and the population is mostly mullet heads.

The frauds perpetrated in the New York custom house amount to millions every year. Gen. O. L. Spaulding, first assistant secretary of the treasury, has been so mixed up with them that he is to be retired on account of frauds discovered in the importation of silks. Advalorem duties furnish the greatest inducements to fraud, and the republican tariff fixers always see to it that there is plenty of them in every tariff bill.

The British have concluded that instead of hanging the citizens of Cape Colony who sympathized with the Boers, as they swore by the holy horn spoon they would do, have concluded that the severest punishment to be meted out to them will be disfranchisement. That is not much of a punishment since the British cabinet has established the precedent that it can proclaim martial law and suspend the constitution when every South African objects to British policy. What is the franchise worth in such a country as that anyhow?

They seem to have the same sort of railroad magnates in Canada that flourish in this country. The commissioner appointed by the Canadian parliament to investigate rates reports: "Rates on short distance traffic have been so high that commodities have been moved by wagon. In the case of many commodities there is an extreme disproportion between the carload rate and less than carload rates." All these evils exist in the United States and will continue to exist until the government owns the railroads.

Western bankers have giving Wall street so many digs in the last year or two that the financial pirates down there are determined to stop it by the passage of the Fowler bill. Only a few years ago every bond issue, county, state or municipal was, as a matter of course, made payable in New York. The cent per cent bankers who were always whooping it up for Wall street did not have sense enough to demand their rights until after The Independent began poking fun at them. In these days a very large per cent of bond issues are made payable in some western city.

Some of the eastern dailies have become so English that the editorial writers indite sentences like the following: "The corn harvest in Kansas has been greatly delayed by the heavy rains." Doesn't that sort o' jar you? That is outdoing the English themselves, for they use the word only in the generic sense. When an Englishman writes the word "corn," he means grain of all kinds—wheat, barley, rye, maize, etc. If he means wheat, he says wheat. These ignorant persons really think that they are "English, you know," when they make such idiots of themselves.

A few months ago the British press was telling us what a disgusting, dirty, cowardly and treacherous set the Boer leaders were. Now the British correspondents at Pretoria unite in declaring that "it would be impossible to get together a finer body of men" than these same Boer leaders. There must have been a marvelous transformation wrought in the Boers in a few weeks, for as one of these British correspondents remarks: "It is surprising how intimate is the friendship which has sprunk up between the British officers and the Boer leaders." The fact is that the newspaper press of both hemispheres is a disgrace to the age in which we live.

Star Route Elkins, who by the narrowest margin escaped serving the United States in the penitenriary instead of the senate made a speech the other day in advocacy of the annexation of Cuba in which he declared that its admission as a state and the removal of all tariff on sugar would do our sugar interests no harm, but a 20 per cent reduction on sugar from a Cuban republic would ruin us. Then this sanctimonious person, who, like certain Nebraskans, belongs to the "holier than thou" crowd, attacked Senator Teller for the resolution declaring that "the people of the island of Cuba are, and of right ought to be free and independent," which was passed at the beginning of the war. It was perfectly natural that this old monument of crime should attack the announcement that every lover of liberty throughout the whole world hailed with shouts of joy. But Elkins is only a specimen of the political cattle that go to make up the republican majority in the United States. There are many more just like him.

### STRUCK A WOMAN

There are several kinds of courage in this world. One kind that is much admired is that which enables the man who, surrounded by friends and when he knows that the eyes of all the world are centered upon him, dares to charge a fort while the shouts of battle and roar of trumpets sound in his ears. Of that kind of courage the president is not lacking. There are also several kinds of cowardice. One instance of political cowardice on the part of the president was noted a week or two ago in The Independent. He seems capable of a much lower and mean kind of cowardice. The president made an imperialistic speech. A woman made a criticism of that speech and the high and mighty president reached down from his position of power and struck this woman. Struck her a blow that deprived her of a living. The cowardice of the act has seldom been equalled. She was a clerk in a department at Washington, and the president had her dismissed. The president in that speech had referred to the "splendid work" of the army in the Philippines. The woman replied in the following words:

> Is it "splendid work" to hold up a people and rob them of country and nationality at the point of the bayonet? Is it "splendid work" to turn the cannon upon allies because they decline to yield their inalienable rights? Is it "splendid work" to sweep thousands from the earth because they take up arms in defense of home and liberty? Is it a "splendid work" to apply the torch to the homes of earth, while helpless women and babes and tottering age flee before the flames that blot out those hallowed spots? Is it a "splendid work" to make God's fair isles a "howling wilderness?" Is it a "splendid work" to slay the wounded on the battlefield, to spare no prisoners of war, but to make them a target of a three-days' shooting match? . . . Long will Theodore Roosevelt drink to the health of those who wrought the "splendid work" of death ere the spirit of liberty shall be crushed from the souls of the infant heroes of the Philippines, but not till the land is left desolate, not while humanity lives in the American heart, not till the doctrine of the brotherhood of man dies in Christendom, not until God forgets his brown children, will the flag "stay put" on the blood-soaked soil of the Philippines.

The degenerating effects of imperialism on the citizenship of America is shown in the president as everywhere else. Ten years ago Theodore Roosevelt would have blushed at the thought of such an act. Today he commits it without any compunctions of conscience. His act in taking from this woman her livelihood was not only a cowardly act, but it was anarchistic, for he had to flagrantly violate the law in doing it. In a few short years imperialism has made a coward and an anarchist out of the splendid Theodore Roosevelt. A few years of it will end this republic.

### THE ELKINS PLAN

The deviltry of the Elkins plan to which Dietrich and Millard have given their adherence is well described by a New York writer, who says:

> These sugar monopolies propose to withhold concessions until the island is ruined, until the plantations and refineries are abandoned, and their owners bankrupt. Then they will purchase all such properties at the merest fraction of their real value. Finally, they will, in one way or another, drag Cuba into this union as a state, for they expect the ruined Cubans will be glad to accept negotiation as their only hope, or will revolt again as they did against Spanish commercial oppression, and then appeal to the United States to come in forcibly and take control. This is the scheme, and the allied sugar trusts will first ruin Cuba, and then steal the island.

That the two mullet heads from Nebraska in the United States senate should take up the cause of Elkins has astonished even the republicans themselves. The giving over of a party to the control of railroads, as was done in Nebraska, is liable to develop in anything, but never in anything worse than Dietrich and Millard.

Mr. O'Brien of the Manila Freedom has been convicted by the court that tried him. He was refused a trial by jury and when he took exception to that, the judge told him that "the president of the United States, as commander-in-chief of the army and navy, is the supreme authority in the Philippine islands." If therefore follows that if His Gracious Majesty who presides at Washington did not see fit to grant O'Brien a trial by jury or allow him to prove the truth of the charges which he made in his paper, he had no remedy and must take whatever punishment was meted out to him. The mullet heads in the United States truly believe that the party that sets up that sort of despotism is following in he footsteps of Lincoln.

The wage-working vote of Massachusetts is probably larger than in any other state in the union. The representatives of labor went before the recent legislature with three requests. They asked for some protection against government by injunction which has gone to a greater extent in Massachusetts than anywhere else. They asked for the payment of wages in cash and for the referendum on important laws affecting them. Every one of their requests have been refused. Now while they have votes enough to elect every state officer and every member of the legislature, there is no doubt that they will return to office the men who have refused to grant them any relief whatever. Why such a state of affairs should exist is one of the things that no pop can find out.

A full report of the resolution adopted by the republican state convention of Minnesota shows that the republicans of that state fully indorse reciprocity with Cuba and also greatly rejoice over its defeat. That is the old republican way. Once they were all for scarce money and plenty of it.

Milwaukee merchants are importing sugar from Austria and after paying a tariff duty greater than the original cost, get it cheaper than they can buy it for from the sugar trust. Any man is free to form his own conclusion, after viewing a situation like that. The mullet head, after cogitating over the subject, will undoubtedly come to the conclusion that the only remedy is to vote 'er straight. The Austrian sugar comes via Montreal.

The Independent has no sympathy with the attacks on General Wood which have been made in some opposition papers. While General Wood was a military governor, he was bound to administer the government in the interest of the Cuban people and not the sugar trust or beet sugar combine. He spent about $15,000 of the Cuban revenues in circulating literature in this country advocating reciprocity with Cuba, and it was properly spent. The fault lay with those persons in the war department who undertook to apply their theory that the people should be kept in ignorance while they ran things. If there had been no attempt at secrecy, there would have been no criticisms.

Hosea Bigelow was a populist. The only difficulty with that statement is that he was born nearly a century before the populist party was organized. Nevertheless his statements on all public questions are those now entertained by all populists. More than 100,000 Filipinos dead, makes his words on war and fuss and feathers exactly to the "p'int" in these days. Listen to him:

'Tain't your eppyletts an' feathers
Make the thing a grain more right;
'Tain't a follerin' your bell-wethers
Will excuse ye in His sight;
Ef you take a sword an' dror it,
An' go stick a feller thru,
Guv'ment ain't to answer fer it—
God'll send the bill to you.

Wut's the use o' meetin'-goin',
Every Sabbath, wet or dry,
Ef it's right to go a-mowin'
Feller men like oats an' rye?

### STIRRED THEM UP

Bryan's article on Cleveland has created more stir in the eastern papers than anything that has happened of late. The Springfield Republican misrepresented Bryan's language and as good as accused him of lying outright. Afterward it laid the blame on the Associated press and apologized. A good many of the dailies make the remark that it is the first time that the gentle Bryan has shown any temper or vindictiveness. The Boston Advertiser says:

> Under the guise of criticising the ex-president, the ex-candidate goes to the verge, to say the least, of accusing members of the federal court of sitting on the nation's judicial bench for corrupt purposes. Even if he says he does not mean to imply that those judges do what he says they were appointed to do, he cannot help realizing, we should hope, in his calmer moments, that it is an unseemly thing for a man who has twice been the candidate of a great national party for the presidency thus to revile, with damning accusations, which are incapable of proof, a man who has twice been president of the United States.

When a man who has been twice president appears in public to advocate the very policies that ruined not only his party, but tens of thousands of business men and threw the greater part of the workers in the nation into the direst distress of hunger and want for years, he is no more exempt from criticism than any other man. The attempt to make a saint of the vile old wretch who disgraced every attribute of manhood, shows that there is something wrong with the men who do it. Not one of these men is ignorant of the career of Cleveland during the first two years after his second election. It is about time that the facts were known. Henry Watterson could give an account of an episode in the White house, of which he was witness, if he had the mind to do so, that would forever damn the old Stuffed Prophet in the eyes of every decent man. Every charge that Bryan brings against Cleveland is true and he did not tell half the truth either. This writer was in Washington at the time and knows something of Cleveland himself. However, it is perfectly proper that Cleveland should be the saint of the men who foster trusts and would make the independent men of this nation all hirelings of moneyed magnates. He is a very fit saint for them.