

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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For County Attorney:

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Russia has applied to the United States for a loan of \$150,000,000.

Fact brother Brown, and we have it, we sold goods to Europe and got it under a gold standard.

Less than 20,000 troops have accomplished that which pessimists said would require 100,000 to do in China. The United States, Great Britain, Russia and Japan, following the determination of President McKinley to advance on Pekin with a small force if a large one was not at hand, have succeeded in carrying out our presidents ideas and the legationers are rescued. This proves the old Yankee theory, that the way to do a thing is to do it, to be correct.

It makes all the difference in the world with bankers are in the pop party or not. Now we know a man who served two terms as a pop county treasurer and made enough money to buy an interest in a bank and build a brick residence and "He's all right." He is a pop. Then there was A. T. Nichols, he was a pop and that party kept \$5,000 in his bank until they lost it, although they knew he was going to the wall, but then "He was all right." Say boys that guff is too thin people are laughing at you.

Yes brother, the United States got her money to lend principally from her export trade during the past 4 years and the influx of gold consequent upon her open industries, and bless your gizzard the government did not loan this money it was private parties who could not receive any ducats realized from your "stamp act." So you imagine our great beneficiary orders are about to succumb to this "stamp act." Well you are wise beyond your generation and people, who are posted, will rise up and call you looney some day if you don't look a leedle oud. Please tell us how those orders are effected out side of a 2cent stamp for checks and drafts.

What has the fusionists given us that was worth the powder since they have been running things in Nebraska that indicates a reason for again electing them. Is our tax any lower since they have been masters? Has our state been run on a more economical basis? If so for all that is right show us. Has peace, harmony and good government been advanced? If so we again desire to be shown, for a continual scramble for place, charges and recharges have been made by one state officer against another. One says his colleague is a thief and the next in line don't deny it, the next one says its a lie and the only conclusion that can be drawn, judging from their own declarations is that they should be retired for the sake of the good name of the state.

A LARGE DEFICIENCY.

Poynter's Term Will Close With a Deficiency of at Least \$100,000.

Facts and Figures Taken From the Official Records Which Will Admit of No Dispute.

Important Statistics Bearing on the Wealth and Resources of the Farm.

Omaha, Aug. 27.—It is a low estimate to say that at the close of the fiscal year the state of Nebraska will be facing a deficit in the funds for the maintenance of the various state institutions of not less than \$100,000. If anything, the amount will be larger.

Neither is this mere conjecture. Already the records in the auditor's office at Lincoln reveal a large shortage, and, assuming that there will be no increase in the rate of expenditures, the deduction leads up to these figures. At best the shortage cannot fall below the \$100,000 mark.

This is certainly a bad showing for the Poynter administration, considering the fact that the last legislature appropriated for general purposes more than \$2,000,000.

More than \$500,000 was appropriated for salaries and wages alone and yet, generally speaking, there will be a large shortage in these funds.

The records in the auditor's office at this very time, with six months' expenses unprovided for, show a shortage in the funds appropriated for the Normal School at Peru, the Institute for the Blind at Nebraska City, the Fish Hatchery at South Bend, the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Millard, the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Grand Island, the Institute for Feeble Minded Youth at Beatrice, the Asylum for the Insane at Norfolk, the Industrial School at Kearney, the Asylum for the Insane at Lincoln—in short, they show a shortage in the funds of every state institution.

These facts are taken from the official records and they cannot be successfully refuted. The records also show an utter disregard for law in the matter of diverting funds. While the law contemplates that specific appropriations shall be used only to meet obligations against such funds, the practice in general is to use many specific funds as general funds. The custom is, where a fund is exhausted, to draw on some other fund specifically appropriated for other purposes, an act clearly in violation of law.

That the present fusion administration has been an expensive luxury to the people of Nebraska can no longer be denied. It is a fact, which the official figures will substantiate, that at the end of Governor Poynter's present term the state of Nebraska will have paid out more money and incurred more indebtedness in the way of deficits and unpaid bills for the maintenance of the public institutions than for any other two years since the state was admitted to the Union.

Neither is there any excuse for this large deficiency. The last legislature was liberal in its appropriations, and, while it did not appropriate the large amount demanded by the heads of the various state institutions, for the simple reason that it would have imposed a hardship on tax payers, it appropriated an amount which, had the institutions been honestly and economically managed, would have been abundantly sufficient.

Fallacious Prophecy.

Back in the olden times, when the people were less tolerant and the lamp of reason and intelligence shone less brightly than today, false prophets were frequently exiled and false prophecies were put under a ban.

Not so today. The spectacle of today is that of a false prophet running for president on the Democratic ticket with his false prophecies recast into a platform of principles.

Of all the prophets, Bryan has been the most prolific and at the same time has made more and greater mistakes. In the campaign of 1896 he said that a Republican victory would bring untold distress and suffering. Is there one man in Nebraska who believes it today? On the contrary, isn't it the universal belief, and is it not an established fact, that the country is more prosperous in general than for many years?

Bryan said Republican victory meant industrial slavery. Where is it? Bryan said Republican victory meant low prices for farm products. Has that come true—is there a farmer in Nebraska today who believes it? Bryan said a gold standard would impoverish the masses and decrease the purchasing capacity of labor and farm products. Has this come true? Is there a farmer who will say that he is getting less for his cattle, hogs, corn, wheat, oats, butter, wool or any other product of the farm, than he received four years ago? Is there a laborer who will say that he is getting less pay for his work than he received four years ago?

Bryan's philosophy was fallacious then and it is just as fallacious now. There is no more logic or truth in his philosophy of today than there was four years ago. It was without foundation in fact then and it is without foundation in fact now. It was intended to frighten the people then and

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Everybody admits that he was wrong in 1896, not in one prophecy, not in one instance, but in all. What right, what excuse has any one to offer for pretending to believe in his vagaries today? Bryan has himself deserted his philosophy of 1896. He has taken another tack, not of his own volition, but his philosophy of 1896 has been shattered by the logic of events and there is nothing left of them but the reverberating echoes of the calamity forebodings of the "boy orator," so he has been forced to seek shelter behind a new orthodoxy. He has taken cover behind "militarism" and "imperialism," something new to the voters and something therefore with which they may be more easily duped. If elected, his peculiar brand of "militarism" when analyzed would be found to be that hydra-headed monster, free trade; and his "imperialism," free silver. Bryan and his party may rant about "militarism" and "imperialism," but behind it all, and the hidden motive, is to get into position to promote the cause of free trade and free silver. No one knows better than Bryan that his free trade and free silver sophistry has lost caste with the people. No one knows better than he that it would be political suicide to attempt to conduct a campaign in defense of these principles. Free silver and free trade are dead. Republican prosperity has discredited them in the minds of the people and has stamped them out forever. Mr. Bryan still adheres to them, but, with all his boasted fortitude, he dare not attempt openly to impress them upon the minds of the electors.

The Farmers Prosper.

The American Agriculturist will hardly be accused of being a partisan publication. It is one of the oldest, as well as most substantial of the periodicals devoted to the interests of the farmers, and whatever appears in its columns is worthy of credence and consideration. In the issue of this magazine for March 17, 1900, an article appeared which gives very clearly the condition of the farmer today as compared with his condition during the years of Democratic supremacy in the '90s. These figures were in most part derived from sources which the Agriculturist vouches for as accurate. The editor indulged in a rather independent investigation along these lines and from answers from a list of many hundred correspondents, in whom he placed great faith, he derived the figures which he gives in the article from which we condense the following:

The advance in farm values in the United States in the year 1900 as compared with the years of Democratic depression, 1894-96, is shown by the following figures:

Gain in value live stock	\$698,000,000
Gain in value staple crops	401,000,000
Gain in value live stock products	370,000,000
Gain in value other products	200,000,000

Total gain	\$1,669,000,000
Gain in real estate	\$2,550,000,000

Total advance \$4,219,000,000

The above figures show that the produce of farms of the United States in the year 1890 realized to the farmers \$1,600,000,000 more than in any of the years 1894-96. The farm values for 1890 are given as follows:

Land, buildings, etc.	\$14,500,000,000
Live stock	2,558,000,000
Improvements and machinery	500,000,000

Total	\$17,558,000,000
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The total of these items in the Democratic year 1895 was \$14,260,000,000 and the highest previous figure reached was in 1889, when the total was \$15,984,000,000.

The prices received by the farmers per head for live stock in 1900 compared with the lowest point since 1892, which was during the years of Democratic depression, is shown in the following table:

	Low Point	1900
Horses	\$83.65	\$45.00
Mules	39.69	48.67
Cows	21.40	31.12
Cattle	14.15	24.83
Sheep	1.00	2.97
Hogs	4.13	4.96

The editor of the Agriculturist turns from these figures, showing the prosperous condition of the farmers, to another line of argument, which is also a very telling one. He takes up the question of farm mortgages and he finds that ten years ago the farms of the United States were encumbered to the amount of \$1,086,000,000. This year this large amount has been reduced to \$800,000,000. In 1890 the average size of each mortgage was \$1,224. In 1900 the average size was \$1,000. In 1890, 74 per cent of these mortgages were for purchase price and improvements, the rate of interest was 6.3 per cent and the percentage of value of the farms mortgaged was 36. This year 78 per cent of the mortgages are for purchase price and improvements, the rate has declined to 6 flat, and only 27 per cent of the value of the farms of the United States are covered by mortgage. These figures are undoubtedly as nearly correct as it is possible to obtain. They were gathered, as stated above, by a periodical which is non-partisan and the results given were not shaded in favor of either party. That they indicate, however, a large gain in all that goes to make for the prosperity of the farmer is a fact, and one which should call the attention of the people benefited to their duty to vote the Republican ticket.

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