

conditions from the far east we simply waste labor in transportation; and even if we fill our needs at less money outlay we by the same act restrict the market for our products, force down the price of what our own people make and thus cheapen labor in our country, with the result that nothing is gained, something lost. For these reasons there exists between the United States and the countries and islands to the south all the elements for a mutually advantageous trade. The Dominion of Canada needs coal from the United States and we need Canadian lumber. I cite these needs as illustrations—there are many other mutual needs, as many as between the United States and the countries to the south and, therefore, Canada and Newfoundland should come into the American Zollverein.

Revival of Shipping

From such an economic union there would come at once a very great revival of American shipping, because trade between nations in the union would be held by ships sailing under the flags of the several countries, for, of course, the present navigation laws of the United States would be made the navigation laws of the great economic union—and as the shipping of all is small the field would be open to all—none having any material advantage. Of course British and German shipping interests would suffer.

Annual exports from the United States would probably increase under an American Commercial Union more than \$500,000,000, therefore, we should encourage this trade to the utmost.

I repeat that such a commercial union as I propose does not contemplate a political union. In fact, I consider that political union would be both unwise and impossible.

It is Not Utopian

Men who give only little attention to the study of public questions; men who are only opportunists, will, of course, declare that such a union is Utopian, and as such hardly worth serious consideration. But British and German trade aggregations in South America make it a live question; and America cannot without permanent loss set aside the opportunity to declare a general commercial policy that would be as permanent and as far-reaching as the political policy known as the Monroe doctrine. Unless this great step is taken at this time, the United States must soon meet British and German aggression with naval and military force, or give up the great position heretofore held in American affairs.

A declaration in favor of an American commercial union by the Chicago Reciprocity conference of 1905, will command immediate attention of congress and probably lead to prompt action by congress. I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

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HILL HITS THIEVES

PRESIDENT OF GREAT NORTHERN SCORES LAND GRAFTERS

Declares That the Present Laws Help Speculators and Monopolists to Exhaust the Public Domain and He Urges Reform

James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad, denounced the "dishonest men," "the lumber kings and the cattle barons," who are absorbing the public lands of the country and depriving settlers of land on which to build homes, in a letter of address to the National Irrigation congress at Portland, Ore. Mr. Hill said in part:

"The rapid settlement of the country, aggravated by the insane policy of our land laws, which helps the land monopolist and speculator to exhaust the public domain, creates the present pressing need of more land space for the home builders.

"Except in a few secluded spots where the influence of the railroad company as colonizers has been exercised to secure actual settlement on their lands, the influx of actual cultivators is so small as scarcely to be reckoned with. Those who go upon government land in our day for the purpose of making homes are a handful.

"In contrast, the following table, giving the increase in area of public lands passing into private ownership each year, shows how rapidly our patrimony is vanishing:

Year.	Acres.
1898	8,453,896
1899	9,182,413
1900	13,453,887
1901	15,562,796
1902	19,488,535
1903	22,650,928

"Doubtless congress will repeal the land laws now employed solely to increase the holdings of dishonest men and to give rise to such scandals as have lately thrown shame upon the American name. But if the future is to be judged by the past this access of wisdom and of honesty will come only when there is no longer any land left that is coveted by the lumber king or the cattle baron.

"It is therefore of the utmost moment that the lands capable of reclamation shall be as a patrimony for the days when the land hunger that is as old and as indestructible as man shall find no food for its reasonable satisfaction."

Mr. Hill added that the irrigation enterprises now regarded as feasible will reclaim about 60,000,000 acres capable of supporting a settled population.

MOODY SPRINGS A BIG SURPRISE

Has Beef Trust Men Cited to Appear at Once

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 2.—Instead of waiting until October, the government will begin prosecution of the indicted packers next Tuesday.

The eighteen men under indictment have been summoned to appear in court Tuesday and plead to the true bills found against them.

This action is a disagreeable surprise to the packers and their attorneys. They have believed that there would be no move made until October.

The attorneys for the beef men will exhaust every legal technicality in an attack on the indictments before allowing their clients to plead.

There are several ways in which the prosecution could make motions

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to quash; they could enter demurrers; they could file pleas in abatement.

Attorney General Moody spent the day in the office of District Attorney Morrison at the federal building. He said he would remain in Chicago until after Tuesday in order to direct the proceedings.

"This is one step forward," said Attorney General Moody. "It is the earnest policy of the administration to expedite the trial of these cases just as much as possible. I came to try to press the cases along and we decided not to have an hour's unnecessary delay on the government side.

"The government is ready for trial and we wish to dispose of all preliminaries just as soon as possible. I cannot say what the proceedings will be on Tuesday.

"The defendants are simply notified to appear and plead to the indictments. This will show what the defendants propose to do, and allow us to proceed to meet their moves."

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Sympathetic

"Why did you set your cup of coffee on the sofa, Mr. Newcomer?" asked the boarding house landlady.

"It is so weak," was the reply, "that I thought it would be a good idea to let it rest a while."

Hope for Him

"But," said the lawyer, "your case seems hopeless. I don't see what I can do for you. You admit that you beat your wife."

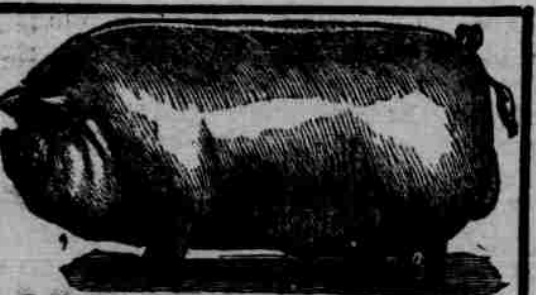
"Yes," replied the defendant, "but my wife's testimony will discount that. She'd never admit that she was beaten."—Philadelphia Press.

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