

The quiet remark made by Mr. W. C. Whitney, just before sailing for Europe lately, that the Democratic party was without a man or without an issue, continues to reverberate.

There is no tariff in England, yet the singular fact remains that a few days ago a great civic congress in London demanded action looking toward the control of trusts. How can the Democrats explain that state of affairs?

A CONVINCING test of the relative merits of the Democratic and Republican method of administration can be seen by the recent record of business failures made public. In 1896, as the effects of a Democratic administration, there were over 15,000 failures. In 1901 there were not quite 7,000 under Republican administration.

ONE of the signs of the times can be encountered any day in the West. The Democratic members of Congress who voted against an appropriation for the shelter and protection of American troops in active service are talking to empty benches in this campaign. This is true in every state in the West.

THE story of prosperity under Republican policy is told best in the increase of money used, money earned and money saved. In what period of the country's history can the Democratic party point with pride to anything that has been done to promote prosperity in the land?

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT stated concisely that while the big trusts would be damaged somewhat by depriving them of a protective tariff, the smaller producers and wage-earners would be damaged as well. This is the exact truth, but the President might have gone further and stated with safety that the American workman is too well satisfied with the present conditions of affairs to go back to the dark days of 1893-96 when free trade prevailed.

"THE Democratic party can not stand the tests of time and experience. Its assertions are always denied by the event. It is always explaining why it was wrong." There is a great deal in that. The Democratic party does not wear well. Occasionally it flashes up a policy which is attractive to thoughtless people, but before election day comes, their wiser neighbors argue them out of it, so no one is harmed. But if by some accident, the Democrats win, the country suffers and the party gets into disrepute.

THE efforts now being made by the Democratic party to return a majority of members of the House of Representatives should furnish food for reflection for thoughtful people. In the first place, the Democrats have avowed in text book and platforms that they would abandon the Philippines; that they would adopt free trade, and that they would change the present gold standard to the crazy free silver plan. Who would care to vote for a candidate embodying these principles.

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## Lest We Forget.

William McKinley when fighting for protection ten years ago said: "Call the roll of nations which are for protection. At least 430 million people are in favor of protection and 38 million Britains are against it; to whom must be added those Americans whose numbers are unknown, who, while living under our flag, seem to follow another."

That McKinley statement of ten years ago, fits the situation today. England is the only free trade nation among the civilized people. Not even the British colonies follow the mother country in free trade policies. Canada and Australia have protection. The number of Americans who follow the British idea is smaller today than ever before, because the American people cannot forget the distress that followed the Wilson-Gorman tariff law.

But among this small number of free traders are the men in control of the Democratic Congressional Committee, the men who have formulated the Democratic policy which shall be made effective if the Democrats secure control of Congress. Chairman Griggs is an open and avowed free trader. So are the Democrats who are associated with him in the management of the Democratic campaign. They are following the British idea if not the British flag. They would have the American people forget that the bank clearance which measures the value of business went from \$60,000,000,000 in 1892 down to \$45,000,000,000 in 1894—a decrease of 35 per cent in two years, as a result of Democratic tariff policies, and that they rose to \$114,000,000,000 in 1901, or more than doubled under the stimulus of the Dingley law.

The Democrats expect the people to sacrifice this enormous business at home and give free trade another trial because about one-tenth thousandth part of our business is in sales made abroad at prices less than those ruling in the home market.

WOULD it not be the height of indiscretion for the busy and prosperous producers of this wonderful country to heed the calamity cry of the Democrats and stop in the march of progress for the sole purpose of "making a change?"

THERE is nothing about the Republican platform this year to befuddle the average voter. Stripped of all the outside flourishes of oratory it is simply: "Abundant work and good wages to be perpetuated."

THE tenor of the speeches being made by Republican orators on the stump is not that the tariff shall not be revised if found necessary, but that the action shall not be ill-advised and precipitate. Another point is that it shall be done by a friendly hand.

HOPE springs eternal in the breast of the average Democrat. United States Senator Carmack loudly predicted a Republican disaster in Maine. After the severe fall he gathered himself together, and now loudly predicts the downfall of the entire Republican party. This is where the people laugh.

SENATOR CARMACK asked on the floor of the senate: "How long will it be before the American army shall furnish a fit companion to relieve King Herod of the solitude of his infamy?" and yet the Democrats assert that they have not slandered the army. Would they have the people believe that Carmack stated a fact?

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## Beautiful Thoughts

The sweet, pure breath of the babe is suggestive of innocence and health. A mother's yearning for children is inseparable from a love of the beautiful, and it behooves every woman to bring the sweetest and best influence to bear on the subject of her maternity.

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## Prosperity and Republican Party.

The Democratic Campaign Committee announces that it is short of orators for the campaign. The Republican party is held responsible for this dearth of Democratic spell-binders. In 1896 there were calamity howlers to be found on every street corner, insisting that the "Crime of '73" had plunged the country into distress and that "16 to 1" was the only remedy. We had "Coin" Harvey and his financial primer, and a host of other financial experts to aid Mr. Bryan in his free silver campaign. There are Jones of Arkansas, Hoag of Texas, James Hamilton Lewis of Washington, Gov. Atgeld and Buck Hendrickson of Illinois; Sockless Simpson of Kansas, Teller of Colorado, Steward of Nevada, George Fred Williams of Massachusetts, Charley Towne of Minnesota, and a host of other picturesque orators and teachers of finance. They made the country ring with their dismal forebodings of what would follow the firmer fixture of the gold standard. But few of these orators are to be heard today in connection with the Democratic campaign.

The Republican party by the revival of protection and the establishment of the gold standard, has restored prosperity and even the Democratic calamity howlers of 1896 and 1900 have become busy with other and more remunerative employment. Tom L. Johnson, the picturesque mayor of Cleveland, is the only old time Democratic spell-binder to be heard in the campaign, and he is Bryan's heir to the Presidential nomination. Mr. Bryan is busy making money with his newspaper and lecturing. He has little time to spare to the cause of the Democratic party. "Coin" Harvey is coining wealth down in Arkansas; James J. Jones, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee has become a trust magnate operating in cotton presses; Charley Towne has made money in Texas oil and now has his office in Wall Street where he no longer fears to walk among the gold bugs. Hogg of Texas has been busy in England floating Texas oil stock and hobnobbing with royalty; James Hamilton Lewis is too busy handling gold mining properties in the northwest to care whether there is a Democratic campaign or a silver mine in the world; George Fred Williams has been discarded by the Democrats of Massachusetts; Henry Watterson has turned his attention to the morals of the "Four Hundred," Dave Hill is at Woolfort's Roost waiting to see what the roost will bring forth; Gorman of Maryland is also keeping silent; Altgeld is dead; Buck Hendrickson has turned his talents to legitimate fiction; and the Democratic Committee has to look for a new crop of orators.

And this is the work of prosperity and the Republican party. They have robbed the Democratic party of its most picturesque campaign orators.

## SALOON MEN FIGHT MICKEY

### Deal With Fusionists to Defeat Republican Candidate.

#### WOULD LET DOWN ALL THE BARS

Liquor Dealers Not Satisfied With the Present Liberal Laws—Their Real Ambition is to Dominate Political Affairs of the State.

Lincoln, Oct. 13.—There is substantial evidence at hand to show that the fusionists have entered into a deal with the liquor interests to accomplish the defeat of J. H. Mickey, the Republican candidate for governor. Mr. Mickey is charged with the terrible offense of being a temperance man and the saloon element regards this as sufficient cause to marshal their forces against him.

The people of Nebraska placed on the statute books a law that represents a compromise with the liquor interests. It is not as drastic a measure as most people prefer, and, if anything, it grants liberties to the liquor dealers largely in excess of the expressed wishes of a large majority of the electors of Nebraska. Mr. Mickey voted for that law, hence he cannot be charged with entertaining intemperate hostility to the liquor traffic.

But this does not seem to satisfy the saloon element. They want all the bars that protect the home and society thrown down for them. They are not satisfied with trafficking in the vile liquids that steal away the brains and debauch the conscience of their fellow-man, but they want to traffic in politics and dominate the political affairs of the state.

The manhood of Nebraska will not consent to any such sovereignty. There are thousands of temperance men who have opposed prohibition because they doubted of its efficacy who will not hazard the risk in the event the saloon undertakes organized and concerted warfare against the principle of temperance. A saloonkeeper has the same right that any other voter has to vote for whom he pleases, but when an organization composed of saloonkeepers representing every political faith unites to defeat the candidate of a party, individuality is extinguished and the aspect changes. When this is done the question is at once raised of the rights of the business represented and the subject should be dealt with accordingly.

The liquor interests are playing with dynamite when they undertake the subversion of public sentiment. No line of business that obtains its right to exist through the good offices of popular suffrage is exempt from condign discipline when thrust beyond the bounds of propriety. Those best informed on the sentiment of the people of Nebraska are well aware that the enactment of prohibitive legislation has been stayed only by herculean efforts on the part of the opposition. It would require but little antagonism on the part of the saloon element to kindle an opposition and hostility that would not abate or be appeased until every saloon in the state was closed. In sentiment, Nebraska is a temperance state, with a potent tendency toward prohibition, and nothing is better calculated to focus this opposition on the saloon than the saloon element to undertake by concerted action to control the political machinery of the state.

Mr. Mickey enjoys the distinction of being a fair-minded man and the attempt of the liquor dealers to defeat him merely because he abstains from the use of intoxicants, will, if pursued to the end, bring down upon them a storm from whose withering blasts Nebraska will afford no shelter.

#### WANTON EXTRAVAGANCE.

Compare That Record of the Fusionists With Present Administration. Those who are interested in the welfare of those who by misfortune have become inmates of the state institutions and those who believe that these institutions should be honestly and economically conducted have every reason for supporting the Republican ticket and every reason for opposing the fusion ticket.

Everybody remembers the last fusion administration as an administration of extravagance, disharmony and scandal. The records show that it squandered the funds and contracted debts in excess of the appropriations to the extent of \$149,000.

In regard to disharmony the newspapers of both parties bear abundant evidence of an unceasing wrangle over spoils. There was not an institution that was not torn up all the time by internecine warfare with spoliation as the bone of contention. This resulted in poor and expensive management, in a waste of property and money and in the unfortunate inmates being sadly neglected.

In regard to scandal, the facts are still fresh in the realm of public opinion. Open and direct charges were made in the public prints of dishonesty. Nearly every state institution was included in the bill of impeachment. Here a superintendent was charged with dissipating the funds and there with emboldened thievery. It was so apparent that no one attempted to deny the charge and it was so widespread and general that it engrossed the entire state administration and the only way it could have been suppressed was by the appointment of a receiver.

When an administration spends all the money appropriated by the legislature and \$149,000 besides, as was done by the last fusion administration,

there is just one of two things responsible for it—wanton extravagance or wholesale dishonesty. As a matter of fact the evidence shows both.

The incumbent Republican administration stands without a mark of dishonesty or extravagance against it. There have been no quarrels over spoils and no scandals in the state institutions. The very best men to be found in the Republican party were placed in charge of these institutions. Honesty and fitness were two things that were always considered in making appointments. This has resulted in the inmates being well treated and in the institutions being well managed. The institutions were never in the history of the state afflicted by a better class of superintendents. Every one of them was chosen because of special fitness. Every one of them has established a record for honesty, economy and efficiency. Those who have had occasion to visit the institutions are profuse in their praise of the officers in charge.

It means a great deal to the state whether the state institutions are well managed. An increase of 1 per cent per capita per day to the average mind would appear too trivial to take notice of, and yet an increase of 1 per cent per capita means a daily loss to the state of \$32. One cent a day increase at the Hastings asylum means a loss to the state of \$8 per day.

There are over 3,000 inmates in the various institutions of the state. An increase of 5 cents per capita per day would mean a loss to the state of over \$58,000 in a year.

It was by watching these seeming trifling things that the Republicans made a large saving.

#### Dare Any Farmer Say He Has Not Prospered?

With all the talk and clamor about oppressive trusts, the fact remains that the people of Nebraska generally are more prosperous and are making more money than ever before. Owing to the high price of farm and meat products, the farmers and stock growers of Nebraska will receive 50 per cent more for their surplus products this year than they did in 1896.

Everything that is grown on the farm has gone up in price and has increased in purchasing capacity. A few hogs will sell for enough to build a good barn and a few more will bring enough to build a house. An ordinary hog will bring \$30 and an ordinary steer, \$60 to \$80. In 1896 pork was \$3.75 per hundred and beef cattle \$4, or about 40 per cent less than now. Corn has gone up, wheat has gone up and interest rates have fallen.

The crop this year will sell for \$20,000,000 more than it would at the close of the Cleveland administration. The merchant, the farmer, the laborer, the professional man—everybody is more prosperous than ever before. Do you want a change?

#### A Remarkable Spectacle.

If the fusionists overlooked anything during the Poynter administration it was because it was invisible to eyes that were keen and beyond reach of appetites that were ravenous.

In one of the congressional districts one of their number was elected to congress. He celebrated the event by moving his family into a state institution that happened to be located in his district. When he went to Washington his family remained at the institution and was kept at the state's expense during his term. When he returned from congress, he made his home at the institution with his family. Finally sickness overtook him and the very remarkable spectacle was presented of a member of congress being buried from a state institution. This story is recited merely to illustrate to what extent the fusionists while they were in power foraged on the taxpayers.

#### Diet of Plug Tobacco for Infants.

The bill of fare at the Home of the Friendless during the last fusion administration must have been one distinguished principally for variety. The population of that institution consists of homeless children, but during the fusion administration bills were rendered for whole boxes of plug tobacco and wagon loads of oats. Oats and tobacco is a rather strange diet for little children, but then that administration is noted for all sorts of innovations. At Beatrice it bought harnesses for the inmates and at the Soldiers' Home at Millford, where the inmates were at that time all males, it bought ribbons, laces and fancy underwear, devised, adopted and designed for the opposite sex.

#### Fowler's Record Becoming Famous.

The voters of Nebraska made a wise choice when they elected Prof. W. K. Fowler superintendent of public instruction. Prof. Fowler is one of the most thorough school men in the state. He has exercised a keen interest in school work for many years, and since he has been at the head of the department of public instruction he has devoted every minute of his time to the educational interests of Nebraska. It is admitted by those interested in education the state over that the schools have made splendid progress under his direction. He is devoted to the work and allows no opportunity to improve the system of instruction to escape him.

#### Repudiation of Bryan.

A solid Republican delegation to congress will be a notice to the whole country that Nebraska has been forever and unconditionally divorced from doctrines that beget industrial depression and unstable currency. Nebraska has enjoyed exceptional prosperity and the more the world at large is impressed with the understanding that Nebraska repudiates and has no sympathy with Bryanism, the greater will be the degree of prosperity.

## REMARKABLE LAKE.

### A Body of Water With a Roof of Solidified Salt.

A lake with a salt roof isn't frozen salt, and it isn't underground. On the contrary, this remarkable lake may be seen at any time during the year, fully exposed, being even at its best when the sun is shining directly upon it. This wonderful body of water is one of the saltiest of the salt lakes and is situated near Obdorsk, Siberia. The lake is nine miles wide and seventeen long and within the memory of man was not entirely roofed over by the salt deposit. Originally evaporation played the most prominent part in coating the lake over with salt, but at the present time the salt springs which surround it are adding fast to the thickness of the crust.

In the long ago rapid evaporation of the lake's waters left great salt crystals floating on the surface. In course of time these caked together. Thus the waters were finally entirely covered. In 1878 the lake found an underground outlet into the river Obi, which lowered its surface about three feet. The salt crust was so thick, however, that it retained its old level and now presents the curious spectacle of a salt roofed lake. The salt coat increases six inches in thickness every year. The many islands with which the lake is studded are said to act as braces and to help keep the arched salt crust in position.

#### Unique Hotel Rules.

Following are the rules and regulations posted in a certain hotel in Illinois:

Board, 50 cents per square foot; meals extra; breakfast at 6, supper at 7.

Guests are requested not to speak to the dumb waiter; guests wishing to get up without being called can have self rising flour for lunch.

The office is convenient to all connections; horses to hire, 25 cents a day. Guests wishing to do a little driving will find hammer and nails in the closet.

If the room gets too warm, open the window and see the fire escape. If you are fond of athletics and like good jumping, lift the mattress and see the bed spring.

If the lights go out, take a soda—that is light enough for any man.

Any one troubled with nightmare will find a halter in the barn.

Don't worry about paying your bill; the house is supported by its foundation.—Detroit Free Press.

#### Modifying It.

Mrs. C. was horrified to discover that her little seven-year-old daughter was acquiring the habit of alluding very freely to the devil, and at last she told her determinedly that a repetition of the obnoxious word would bring severe punishment.

The child knew that her mother was in earnest, so she set a seal on her lips. At last she seemed to have forgotten it, but one Sunday Mrs. C., who had been too ill to go to church, asked her if she could tell what the minister had preached about in his sermon.

"Oh, yes'm," she answered. "He preached about our Lord going up into the mountain and being tempted by—by—the gentleman who keeps hell!" She didn't intend to run any risks of being punished.—Francis E. Wadleigh in Lippincott's.

#### They Never Imbibe.

The Ona Indian is deserving of a higher place than he has hitherto occupied in men's esteem if but for one trait. He forms the almost solitary exception among aboriginal tribes in refusing to touch alcohol in any form. This policy of total abstinence is rigidly adhered to in the face of cold, hunger and illness and even during the excitement of ceremonial rites. Whatever his faults may be, judged from the white man's standard, the Ona of South America has at least the saving virtue of manliness. His ideal is one of bodily prowess, hardihood and endurance.—Scottish American.

#### Their Fate.

The late Dr. Talmage once called on his lawyer and found two of his parishioners there on legal business of a private nature.

"Ah, doctor," called the lawyer in greeting, "good morning! Here are two of your flock. May I ask without impertinence if you regard them as black sheep or white?"

"I don't know as yet," replied Talmage dryly, "whether they're black or white, but I'm certain that if they remain here long they'll be fleeced."

#### Very Sad.

"Yes, it's very sad."  
"How is that?"  
"Why, he always held that to train a wife properly you should catch her while she's young. So he did."  
"Well?"  
"Well, it seems that she had the same idea about a husband, and now there's a crossness of training ideas that is simply home wrecking!"—Chicago Post.

#### Why He Objected.

"But, papa," pleaded the millionaire's daughter in behalf of the poor young man she wished to marry, "surely it is no disgrace to work for a living?"

"No, my dear—no. What I object to is being the one who is worked for it!"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

#### Perpetual.

Wigwag—My wife threatens to go on the lecture platform.  
Henpeck—My wife doesn't need a platform.—Philadelphia Record.

We have often wondered which comes first—the thought in the widower's mind of marrying again, or the story on him.—Athlison Globe.