

more capital could be made for their candidature trust by pitching into the starch works at Nebraska City, and for no other reason was this suit first begun. But because it has been commenced others will now be started by Bryan and Smyth to make this one seem decent and defensible. Other factories will be assaulted. No factory should pay out a cent to defend its legal right to do legitimate business. Every one should withdraw from the state.

Disaster is desired by Bryan and Smyth. They are evolutions from calamity. They cannot live without calamity. And now in the blessed year 1900, when God and Nature have made normal calamity impossible by kindly giving good crops, health and prosperity to the people, Bryan and Smyth propose artificial calamity by legal process. It is essential to fusion success.

For that success these two men would sacrifice capital, labor, property and wage-earners, and Nebraska City itself. They are twin dynamos to generate discontent, to paralyze prosperity and shatter thrift. They are exponents of the corrupt camps of Croker and Tammany Hall, whose money is backing their ticket. They are mere phonographs of political piracy in the city of New York, which has corrupted and robbed that municipality for a generation. Their chief cashier is Croker, the plunderer, the blackleg and the outcast.

And this brace of philanthropists have the unspeakable gall to appear before a Nebraska City audience as appointed prophets and protectors, and to admonish Nebraska City to beware of citizens who for forty years have been faithfully at work to build up a prosperous and contented community. Against the acts of men who have contributed to every good and successful enterprise in Nebraska City, Bryan and Smyth utter their maledictions and institute their inquisitorial proceedings.

They say:

"No trust can run factories or do any business in Nebraska City or elsewhere in this state.

"The Argo factory is in a starch trust. Therefore, it must close up and quit."

And in the next breath both declare:

"But we seek only to prevent your factory getting into a trust. We would not for the world have it stop work."

These are the guardians, self-appointed, to look after the economic and manufacturing welfare of Nebraska City. They ask you to vote for them and in voting for them and their local, state and national ticket to vote for the destruction of Nebraska City—for desolation instead of thrift, for silence and

solitude where now the hum of whirring wheels, the rattle of machinery and the songs of contented industry are a constant symphony.

Between those journeymen exhorters for discontent and disaster on the one hand, and men and interests on the other hand who have established your best industries, donated your city a park, a library, furnished a theatre and in labors and in dollars demonstrated their fidelity to your material, moral and intellectual welfare for more than a generation, CHOOSE YE!

By your votes your choice will be known.

That choice will be either for those who tear down or for those who build up.

In Nebraska City and all over the state you may look in vain for an industrial plant, or any great wage-paying, labor-employing enterprise than either Smyth, Allen, Bryan, or any other eminent exemplar of fusion has conceived, established or operated.

"No trust shall do business in this state. All successful combinations of capital are trusts.

Therefore no such combinations of capital shall be permitted to exist in Nebraska."

This is Bryanarchy, interpreted by its authorized expounder, Smyth. Those who love it must vote for it. Those who prefer thrift to indolence, growth to decay, and life to death must vote against it.

THE CONSERVATIVE is perhaps in contempt of court for having discussed a cause pending in court. It is said that

similar discussion under like circumstances caused the Daily Omaha Bee to be fined five hundred dollars. But THE CONSERVATIVE enters the discussion after Bryan and Smyth have got into contempt and will not therefore be arraigned probably and punished until after those orators shall have been dealt with by the Supreme Court of which Smyth is the attorney-general and a principal irritant for developing contempt.

Gen. Smyth and Colonel Bryan jointly say to the hundreds of men who signed the averments about this suit and asked respectfully, for good reasons, that it be dismissed: "You are liars."

And Smyth, not content with saying that in a speech, reiterates the insult in his published letter to Hon. John Mattes, the mayor of Nebraska City, who, by judicious acts, prevented the circulation of stale eggs during the oratorical extenuation, explanation and equivocation which Bryan and Smyth evolved at the meeting in Nebraska City on Wednesday, the 26th day of September, A. D. 1900.

SELDOM.

Deacon Smails of Fremont, in his daily religious journal, remarks:

"Mr. Morton had openly threatened to close up the factory and move it to Kansas City, but Mr. Bryan reminded them that they had an anti-trust law in Missouri, also, and a democratic state, and that they might get into still hotter water. He said, too, that if the democrats got the next administration the trusts couldn't light anywhere on American soil, because he would enforce the laws that already exist.

"The Morton 'bluff' didn't work."

It is seldom that THE CONSERVATIVE notices falsehoods relative to its editor. It would not have replied to the above had nobody but Bryan uttered it. But when repeated by Deacon Smails it is serious and weighty enough for positive denial.

Mr. Morton has never owned a starch factory, never threatened to close one up, and never declared that he would deport one to Missouri.

What the deacon means by "the Morton 'Bluff'" THE CONSERVATIVE cannot understand. It is presumed, however, that the word "Bluff," used by the pious deacon, is a technical term in the vocabulary of Bryanarchy meaning honesty and courage, like that which animated Colonel Bryan when he enlisted for the Spanish war.

YOKE FELLOWS.

Bryan said exactly these words also: "I want [he never forgets to want] to tell you I am as much opposed to trusts as Mr. Smyth [who holds all corporations of monetary magnitude to be trusts] and I will fight them [i. e. all large corporations] as hard as he will. [Great cheering by automatic applause] If, by the aid of the people of this county and this state I am made president of the United States [reviling voice of sinner in the crowd, "but you won't be"] I will promise you that I will do all I can to dissolve the starch trust."

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"The Federal government has power enough to protect the people from these trusts that deal in interstate commerce." Then how can Bryan and Smyth interfere by state law with "interstate commerce?"

IMPERIAL POWER. Bryan and his followers advocate a monetary system which will permit each succeeding congress to reduce or expand the volume of the currency. No emperor can do that. There is no despot who can shrink or enlarge the currency of his realm at will. But the 16-to-1 Bryanarchists seek to give that power to congress. It is more than imperialism and far worse for it leads directly to anarchy.