

—The result of protection is reduction.

—\$22,000 per day doesn't seem to be a very big cost for protection does it?

—The "speckled beauties" are no longer caught, they are only talked about.

—When you are at the races the most graceful way to drop your money is to let go of it.

—GROVER CLEVELAND embodies all that is Democratic and that is why he is so corrupt.

—A mixed drink was made the other day when THEOPHILUS MINT married GEORGINA JULEP.

—The ornithological construction of our poor old eagle will be discussed from now until November.

—Twenty-five thousand is a fair estimate for the HARRISON majority in Pennsylvania this fall.

—The apple tree now furnishes a medium through which everyone has a chance to meet his double.

—Being arrested for murder is one of the glories of protection which American workmen are treated with.

—Protection is the jumping jack of American politics and the labor vote is the string that makes it jump.

—The tariff on lumber does not effect the block heads in the ranks of the G. O. P. or it would never have become a law.

—The Democrats who believe in turning the rascals out will be sure of their ground when they vote for Gen. ADLAI STEVENSON.

—The \$18 rates from New York to Chicago are not inducing much travel Windy City-ward. The people can board at home cheaper.

—Though their doors are locked to all of the strikers the CARNEGIE company will be forced to have a few in its blacksmithing department.

—Nothing has been heard of JACK the Ripper for some time. Perhaps he has gone into the insurance business, since he was so good at taking lives.

—The Democracy of New York filled Madison Square Garden with 80,000 people, on Wednesday night, to hear the next President and Vice President talk.

—If we are going to have a World's Fair why not have it right; no niggardly policy should govern congress in appropriating money to make it a success.

—Every good musical organization in the land should put a boycott on the HARRISON boom. BEN is not doing the square thing by blowing his own horn.

—If CHARLEY ROSS and GID MARSH never turn up again we may naturally suppose that they were among the inhabitants of the Great Sangir which was swallowed up by the sea.

—A man one hundred and nine years old died in Minnesota the other day and we are patiently waiting for the next issue of the *Christian Advocate* to see if it wasn't a case of "drink killed him."

—The Homestead workmen have a crude idea now as to what a bayonet election bill would mean, and it will crystallize into an overwhelming sentiment against the candidate who indorses such a measure.

—This man CARTER ain't related to the little liver pills which have grown famous in the patent medicine world under the same name though he promises to be quite as great a purgative to the G. O. P. as they are to humanity.

—The rail-road track as a public highway is all right when you are in one of the trains, but when it becomes a necessity to "count ties," from one place to another, the danger of a speedy exit from this terrestrial ball increases insurance rates.

—If HARRISON keeps on tooting his horn he will soon become proficient enough to join the Marine band. Then GROVER can applaud his play when the White House concerts are given. It will be quite a come down for BEN but anything that is legitimate is honorable.

—Of course the CARNEGIE company will be unable to find workmen to take the place of their 8,000 locked-out employees (?) Didn't the Republican papers tell us that the McKINLEY bill would insure steady work for all our workmen, and if so, where is 8,000 idle men who are after jobs now?

—The National Guard of Pennsylvania has brought honor to itself and its State in the manner in which it has conducted itself throughout the Homestead trouble. When a citizen soldiery can get into battle armor and en route for a point to which it has been ordered in less than ten hours then the need for a standing army is not glaringly apparent.

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## Voiceless Senators.

Homestead is a Pennsylvania town. Its citizens are Pennsylvania workingmen, Pennsylvania tax-payers and Pennsylvania voters. They assist to maintain the state government, and if necessity demanded they would do their share to protect and defend it.

The employers with whom they have had trouble are protected manufacturers of Pennsylvania, grown rich on the sweat of the men they have barricaded their works against, and arrogant over the wealth protection has given them.

Homestead was a quiet, law abiding village until hired thugs attempted to enter it with Winchester rifles and other implements of death, to carry on war against her citizens. They came without authority as a hiring soldiery, to usurp the power of Pennsylvania's peace officers, and deal death to Pennsylvania's citizens. They were the creatures of one man, who, to carry out his own beast, set aside its laws, disregarded its officials, violated its statutes and inaugurated and carried on war for the period of one day.

Six citizens of the state were killed—many were wounded, and peace within her borders was broken.

Pennsylvania has two Republican United State Senators at Washington. They were elected by the aid of the votes of the workingmen at Homestead, whom the PINKERTON invaders attacked, and the workingmen of other sections of the state. They knew that their state had been invaded by an armed mob from without, and that her citizens—their constituents—had been shot down like so many wild beasts, and her laws and officials treated as if they were naught.

A resolution of inquiry into the outrage was offered by a Democratic Senator from a distant Commonwealth. What had Pennsylvania's Senators to say in defence of Pennsylvania's honor, or in sympathy with Pennsylvania's workingmen? What word of comfort, of explanation, or excuse had either CAMERON or QUAY, for the men whose votes placed them where they are and whose support has for so many years fastened Republican rule upon Pennsylvania?

Can or will the workingmen of Homestead and their brother laborers throughout other sections of the state forget, that the only words of condemnation for the outrage upon them and the laws of Pennsylvania by PINKERTON thugs, was uttered by Democratic Senators—PALMER and VOORHEES? Will they forget that from the Republican side of the Senate came no expressions but in denunciation of them and in palliation of the brutal work of this hired gang of assassins?

It is in times of trouble that we find our friends. What friendship has Senator QUAY, who expects the workingmen of the Republican party to vote for Senators and Representatives in November next, who will re-elect him, shown for them in this the hour of their tribulation? Their wages could be cut down to starvation rates, and he had not a word of sympathy, for them; their organization could be attacked by over-protected and arrogant employers, and he had no defence to make for it; they could be shot down on their own door-steps by a hiring mob of spies and detectives, and he has no voice to denounce the outrage or condemn the crime.

He is the representative of a party that deceived them with the promise that "protection," would secure them increased wages and steady employment—a party that chooses him as its mouth-piece and representative in the United States Senate.

It will ask the vote of these workingmen again this fall, that it may continue QUAY in the Senate, and secure continued protection for CARNEGIE and his Pinkerton hirelings.

Will it get them?

—SENATOR WASHBURN indignantly denies that he is a grain or stock speculator. Well, we don't know that this will elevate him any in the public estimation. Any one who, thinks he can be a Republican politician, as Republican politician now goes, and still maintains his standing, don't need to trouble himself about the charge of being a speculator. The latter is fully as respectable as the former.

## Some People Have Rights as Well as Others.

Republican newspapers are rolling their eyes in holy horror because CARNEGIE's workmen who were receiving large wages, as workingmen's wages are reckoned, refused to accept a reduction when there was no reduction in the price of the article their labor produced. To the public, they hold up the \$144 per month, that HUGH O'DONNELL received as evidence that the most liberal wages were paid and that he and his brother workingmen had no excuse for refusing to agree to the reduction demanded.

These papers seem to forget that the day laborer, the skilled workman, the mechanic and any other employee have just as much right to get all they can for their labor, as has the employer for the article that that labor produces. It was not the liberality of the CARNEGIE company that fixed the rate of pay O'DONNELL and other skilled workmen in its mills received. It was the value of the kind of work they were competent to do—the worth of that kind of labor in the labor market, and upon this labor, even at the seemingly high price paid for it, the company made its great profits and its members millionaires.

The earth and all the good things thereon were not made for one man, or one set of men. Labor should have the same right to demand and secure its share of the profits of a common product that capital has. But Republicans assume that a workingman has no right to ask for more than a pitiful living during a life time of labor, and that all the profits and all the ease and enjoyment belongs to him whose capital is invested. They act upon the theory that for labor to combine to secure a portion of the profits of its own toil is a conspiracy, while a combination of capital to reduce the earnings of labor, that its income may be increased, is but a right that individuals and companies have to manage their own concerns as suits them best.

And just here is where the Homestead trouble comes in. Labor has combined and stands together to secure as large a share of the profits it produces as possible. Capital combined seeks to hold the profits it now has and to take a portion of that which it formerly recognized as belonging to labor.

Under the circumstances what reason has the public to look upon the workingmen as wholly in the wrong, or why should the people be taxed to enforce the demands of capital at the expense of labor?

There are two sides to this question, and the workingmen's course is not the only one that is to be charged with the trouble and cost at Homestead, as Republican papers would have believe it is.

## A Doctrine for Fools.

Our Republican friends are in a peculiar dilemma over the effects the tariff has on the wage question. When the labor troubles first arose and it was discovered that the ostensible reason for them, was the proposed reduction of wages, by protected industries, they were "quick as a cat" to aver that the tariff had nothing to do with it, and that the matter was an entirely personal one between the employer and employee. The congressional investigation made public the fact that a couple of hundred of highly skilled workmen at Homestead received from \$100 to \$250 per month each, and now the Republican press and Republican politicians are troubled to know how they can credit their tariff legislation with this kind of wages, and not make it responsible for the beggarly rates paid by protected industries to the mass of their workingmen. It is an interesting sight to watch them attempt to wiggle out of the one position into the other. But the cheek of the ordinary Republican politician has brass enough for anything, and many of them are standing up boldly and pointing to these seemingly high wages as the effect of protection, at the same time they are swearing that this same protection has nothing to do with the general reduction in wages that is taking place all over the country. And as the fools are not all dead, there will be doubtless some to believe them.

—There is relief ahead. Congress adjourns next Monday.

## Have Changed Their Tune.

This time four years ago every Republican paper in the country was telling the workmen how a tariff would give them steady employment, and secure them good wages. Now they are just as busy trying to make them believe that a tariff has nothing whatever to do with wages, and that the labor troubles, that are thicker over the country than hypocrites are at camp-meetings, are due to other causes than a want of protection under our tariff laws. Just what "other causes" they do not explain.

Whether the workingmen are blind enough to keep believing just as these pap-fattened organs keep preaching, time and results will tell. To the ordinary man, a promise that peters out in four years, as did the promise of better times and bigger wages for workingmen, appears as a deception that can only be covered up by the greatest amount of gullibility on the one side, or the most persistent and intense lying on the other. This last we are certain to have. It is the pleasure as well as the province of Republican newspapers to lie, and they will do it no matter what amount of inconsistency it shows them to be guilty of. Consequently it is not to be thought strange of that they are now attempting to have the masses believe just the reverse of what they insisted was the facts four years ago.

But are the workingmen fools enough to be gulled again? They voted for "HARRISON and protection," with the idea that such action was to benefit them. They understood that protection was intended to increase the price of the materials their labor produced, and of that increase they were promised a share. Their share has not been made visible, and when, under the highest "protection" our industries have had for years, they are obliged to accept lower wages for the same amount of work or if they object, they are written down as "strikers," violators of law and anarchists, is it not about time that they see how they were gulled, and if they have the manhood they pretend to have, or the intelligence they have a right to be credited with, cut loose from the party that told them four years ago that the tariff was intended to protect them, and to-day tell them it has no connection with the question of labor or wages.

If "protection" is not to protect the laboring classes, what does anyone but the few who benefit by it want it for?

If it is to protect labor, why has it not done so?

These are pertinent questions that each workingman should answer for himself. If he does this honestly and intelligently, there will be no question as to what will be done with BENJAMIN HARRISON and his tariff for the CARNEGIES and PHIPPS of the country, or of the Republican party and the Pinkerton protection it offers to workingmen, when the November election takes place.

—When Mr. Millionaire PHIPPS was on the witness stand last week before the Congressional investigating committee, and was asked what the profit of his company on a ton of steel amounted to, he flatly refused to answer. When a few minutes later he was questioned as to the amount of wages his employees received, he cheerfully and promptly replied, giving the amount each man was paid during the preceding month. Now, if there is anything wrong in the public knowing the amount of income there is for men who have their money invested in steel works, why is it not also wrong to advertise the pay of those whose labor produces it. Should the profits of the millionaire be kept a secret and the wages of workingmen paraded before the public, in the settlement of the wage question?

—Capt. W. H. ANDREWS started on his trip across the ocean in his fourteen foot dory on Tuesday last. Had he waited a short time he might have taken with him what will be left of the Republican party if these lock-outs, and strikes, and PINKERTON protection, continues. A fourteen foot dory will be just about the size of the vessel needed to carry the remains of this once great organization to its last resting place, after the deceived, disappointed and discouraged American workingmen get an other chance at it.

## Reduce the Duty.

From the Columbia Herald.

The Carnegie Steel Works enjoy protection to the amount of from 50 to 75 per cent.

They refuse to share this bounty equitably with their workmen.

Their political agents in the last Congress rejected an amendment offered by the Democrats making all increase of duty contingent upon a corresponding increase of wages.

As the monopolists will not share their bounty either compulsorily or voluntarily with their workmen, for whose benefit it is claimed that high tariff exists, why not repeal or reduce the duty?

A bill to this effect passed by the House would be a healthful admonition.

## Will Vote as They Shot.

From the Chambersburg News.

The employment of Pinkerton Hessians to murder within the bounds of Pennsylvania is forever an end. Law and order will be preserved but not through a Pinkerton agency which sent 300 armed thugs to shoot down citizens of the State at the instigation of Carnegie & Co. The Pinkerton Hessians will vote this fall as they fought, on the side of Harrison and monopoly tariff. They are likely to come out of the next fight in about the same condition of the one at Homestead last week.

## The Winchester Policy.

From the Clearfield Spirit.

The Republican press has howled continually about the "shot gun policy in the south" and annually asked Congress to protect the poor black man with the bayonet when his ballot was needed. Now the same moral press upholds the Winchester policy of the monopolists, who in their attempts to force the wage earners down to the bottom notch in the scale, spill more blood and cause more suffering throughout the land than all the southern outrages (?) of the past twenty years combined.

## Don't Mind Due to Protection.

From the Delaware County Record, (Rep.)

If by any chance in the world a workingman's wages are increased it is said to be due to protection. If he is lucky enough to have his wages remain at an ordinary standard that is said to be due to the tariff. When his wages are reduced the tariff is said to have nothing to do with it. Somebody ought to be kind enough to explain just where and how a hypothetical tariff increases the price of labor. The present strike at Carnegie's iron works in this state affords an opportune time to demonstrate this beautiful, prismatic hydra headed theory.

## They Might Use Campaign "Fat."

From the Wyoming Democrat.

If the Republican managers want to hold the negro vote this election they would better try to get up a bull movement on cotton. Having been disappointed in the "forty acres and a mule," the cotton-patch negroes cannot be expected to keep voting the Republican ticket on hockeac with any bacon. And present prices for cotton means dry hockeac for a good many of them.

## The Only Raised Wages.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It was a wise man who said some months ago that the only men who have had their wages increased by reason of the tariff are the Pinkerton guards. A few more experiences like that at Homestead and Pinkerton will be forced to pay fabulous wages or go into more honest business.

## The Supreme Issues.

From the New York Sun.

Nevertheless, the truth remains and will remain that the supreme issue of this election is not the tariff, nor silver, nor Chinese civil service, nor anything except free elections everywhere, and white government and not negro government in the South.

## His Candidacy Knows No Bounds.

From the Providence Journal.

The Boston Traveller asks: "Is it Grover Cleveland, of New York, or of New Jersey, or of Massachusetts?" A glance at the detailed vote of the Chicago Convention indicates that it is Grover Cleveland of pretty much the whole country.

## The Only Right Left Them.

From the N. Y. World.

The Republican organ has an essay on "The Rights of Workingmen." According to the protected tariff barons of Pennsylvania the rights of workingmen are limited to taking what wages are offered them and asking no questions.

## A Very Cold Fact.

From the Philadelphia Herald.

It is remarkable that even in this hot weather Mr. Harrison experiences a difficulty in finding some one willing to drive the "ice wagon."

## Spawls from the Keystone.

—Berks County was visited on Sunday night by light frosts.

—Free text books agitate Harrisburg's Board of School Control.

—Barber Jeremiah Simons, of Allentown, is mysteriously missing.

—Peter Rohy hanged himself in a barn at Mercersburg on Saturday.

—The Carbonade Leader claims a population of 15,000 for that city.

—A new electric railroad from Weisport to Mauch Chunk is being surveyed.

—Reading is preparing to make its German Songfest next week a great event.

—A loaded mine wagon killed Miner Frank McBride near Towson City, on Tuesday.

—Thomas H. Greery, of Altoona, has been nominated by the Democrats for Congress.

—The Delaware and Hudson Railroad Company is to erect large repair shops at Wilkes-barre.

—Packer No. 1 Colliery, at Shenandoah, idle since last December, resumes work on Monday.

—Randall Lentz, aged 14, Allentown, died of lockjaw, resulting from a fourth of July accident.

—John W. Tobias, of Harrisburg, had both legs cut off in the Pennsylvania Railroad yard on Saturday.

—A champagne bottle exploded in the hands of John Meyer at Williamsport, and the glass cut him badly.

—While learning to swim Eugene Kline, aged 10 years, of Easton, was drowned Tuesday in Martin's Creek.

—Eight-year-old Willie McDowell fell and was killed while trying to get a bird's nest up a tree in Reading.

—John Martin had his skull fractured by a stone from a blast at Pomeroy, Lancaster county, on Saturday last.

—The Pennsylvania Railroad's new line to its Schuylkill County coal fields will be opened for traffic on July 25.

—The Pennsylvania Association of Fire Insurance Agents will hold their annual meeting at Reading on July 20.

—A number of girls charged with stealing silk worth \$5 a pound from the Reading silk mills were discharged Tuesday.

—The towboat Jim Wood was nearly blown up at Beaver, the furnaces, igniting a broken gas main which crosses the river.

—One year-old Alfred Dougherty fell out of a second-story window at South Bethlehem, on Monday, without breaking a bone.

—The Gernym (Lackawanna County) Poor Board charges ex-Tax Collector Michael Roberts with having illegally retained \$1,600.

—Mrs. Michael Clemens, of Pleasantville, York County, was found dead in the woods on Friday night, her body riddled with bullets.

—Four tramps attempted to break into a car at Carbonade, when Watchman Wills opened fire on them. Two were wounded, one fatally.

—The Reading Iron Company's two blast furnaces will go out of operation indefinitely this week, throwing 150 men out of employment.

—Stepping on a banana peel thrown on the pavement caused Lottie, a daughter of Levi G. Graham, of Huntingdon to fall and break her arm.

—Justice of the Peace Jesse Knox was robbed of \$341 on the mountain near Uniontown by three highwaymen, presumably of the Cooley gang.

—The dangerous spire surrounding Trinity Lutheran Church, Reading, will be taken down, and a new spire will be erected at a cost of \$10,000.

—A 15-year-old son of Albert Smysler, of Manchester, York County, had several fingers blown off on Monday by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge.

—The National Retail Jewelers' Association of the United States was formed in Pittsburgh Tuesday, with Arthur S. Goodman, of Philadelphia, as president.

—Joseph Burkner, a miner, was fatally and William Swens, a laborer, seriously injured by a premature explosion in the mines at Mahanoy City, on Saturday.

—The Baltimore and Ohio depot at Hyndman, Bedford county, was destroyed by fire on Saturday morning, caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp. Loss, about \$1,600.

—Ex-Superintendent John H. Cessna, of Bedford, has been elected by the School Board of Logan district, Blair county, to superintendent and manage their schools during the coming term.

—Montgomery county's School Superintendent reports that thirty of his school districts have either increased the school term, raised the salaries of their teachers, or adopted free text books.

—Colonel James Young harvested 117 loads of grain from one field on one of his farms near Middletown last week. The loads averaged twenty-five dozen sheaves, making about 35,100 sheaves.

—Aged Levi Lessig's recovery from a copperhead's bite on the Rosemont farm, near Reading, is marvellous, in view of the fact that a dog bitten by the same snake swelled to twice its normal size before death.

—A break in the water belt of No. 5 furnace of the Cambria Iron company, at Johnstown, on Saturday afternoon, caused a rush of water into the molten metal. Jacob Marsh, of Copersdale, one of the workmen standing near by, was terribly burned, but will recover.

—George Hicks, of Coalmont, Huntingdon county, has a ewe in his flock which gave birth to a lamb which has two faces and corresponding mouths, two ears and four eyes, one good eye under each ear and at the right place, and two rather dull eyes in front and between the two faces. It feeds with either mouth and drinks with both at the same time.

—Rev. Daniel Sanner, pastor of the German Lutheran Church at Trumont, has assigned the World's Fair officials at Chicago one of the oldest Bibles in existence. It was printed in 1587. The Bible was one of the first copies of the translation of Dr. John Eek, professor of Ingolstadt, Bavaria, from the Latin into the German.

—Huntingdon Local News: John Schneider a farmer, just east of town, claimed \$1,000 damages from the Pennsylvania railroad company by reason of the latter corporation encroaching upon his land in the improvement of the road. The matter was given into the hands of viewers, who met on the premises on Monday and gave an award in favor of Schneider in the sum of \$100.

—Accounts from the Cumberland Valley go to show large numbers of young rabbits in that region, greater than have been known there in years. The North and South Mountains are also said to contain unusual numbers of squirrels, especially of the gray species, which are preferred by gunners. The coming fall gunning season in the regions referred to will be made up of profitable hunts.