#### THE TARIFF IS A TAX.

PARENT AND SHELTER OF TRUSTS AND OTHER CONSPIRACIES.

The Sugar Bountles a Standing Object Lesson to the People That the Tariff Is a Tax and That Consumers Pay It on Both Imported and Domestic Products.

The exact amount paid out of the United States treasury for sugar bounties during the last fiscal year was \$7,-830,046, cents omitted. Of this total \$7,-835,285 was paid on cane sugar and \$6,870,506 went to cane planters in Lou-

The attention of the New York organ of the American Protective Tariff league is invited to this fact. That organ for many weeks has been printing a series many weeks has been printing a series of pictures and short comments as conspicuously as possible on its first page under the heading "The Tariff Not a Tax," the purport of which is that the retail price of the articles pictured is less than the tariff rate. Now if the tariff is not a tax—if it lowers prices instead of raising them, as the organ represents-what excuse is there for taking more than \$7,000,000 of the money contributed by taxpayers and handing it over to the growers of sugar cane, beets and sorghum and the people who boil down maple sap?

The same McKinley congress which

took the revenue duty, averaging two cents per pound, off from raw sugar, voted a bounty of two cents per pound upon sugar made in America. The same act that takes off the duty grants the bounty. This is an admission on the face of the McKinley act that the tariff is a tax. It is the plainest possible admission that the tariff is not only a tax collected by the government on imported articles, but an equal tax on like articles produced in the country, collected not by the government for public purposes, but by the home producers of the articles for their private enrichment. It is the plainest possible admission that both the tax collected by the government and the tribute collected by individual producers, with the help of the governm is paid not by foreigners, but by American consumers of the taxed articles.

And the facts correspond with the admissions of the men who made the Mc-Kinley tariff. No sooner had the duty been taken off than down went the price to the same extent. Consumers could get their sugar cheaper by the amount of the duty or a little more. And the price has staid down ever since, except as the remaining duty on refined sugars has enabled the refiners to put up the price by conspiring together for that

And right here is another fact that egatives the organ's standing assertion that the tariff is not a tax, and also proves that the tariff is the parent and the shelter of trusts and like conspiracies against the earnings of the people. For some time after the McKinley sugar schedule went into effect the sugar refiners' combine was incomplete. Not very long ago the combine was perfected, competition ceased, and up went the price of refined sugar to the full extent of the remaining duty on that article.

With these facts in plain eight the people will not be led astray by the standing falsehood of the McKinleyites that the tariff is not a tax. They have a standing object lesson, as well as the admission of the McKinley congress, to teach them that the tariff is a tax, and that consumers pay it on both imported

Government by Minority.

A lot of expert election thieves of the north could be sent into Tennessee to hold the elections, and on their certificates would members of congress be admitted to their seats. The certificate of the governor of a state and the officers of the state would not be worth the paper it was written on. In the south the beautiful anomaly would be presented of a minority having control of the elections. We should have absolute government by minority.—Appeal-Ava-

A Band of Brothers.

In comparison with the bickerings of the various factions of the Republican party, how beautiful is the harmony that pervades the Democratic organization! Democrats are a band of brothers this year, and even the Mugwumps are inclined to "mix" a little. For humanitarian reasons The Herald indulges the hope that the high taxes will not postpone for too long a time the selection of soft places to drop on .- Chicago Herald.

Bats. This is the answer that the more or less satisfied Republican voters make to the disgruntled bosses:

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QuAy. Plat T. Clark Son. -Chicago Mail.

Strong Hope of Illinois. Now is the time for all Democrats to get together and work together. The somination of Stevenson for second

place greatly strengthens the ticket and gives us a hope of Illinois.-Birmingiam (Ala.) Age-Herald. The Men Have Learned.

They will fix up that Carnegie-Homestead business by and by. But they will not vote their workingmen any more for protection. The men have found out that McKinleyism only protects Carnegie.— Sincinnati Enquirer.

Very Becoming Indeed. J. Sloat Fassett has registered a vow that he will not cut his hair until Benjamin Harrison has been re-elected. Long hair will be very becoming to his style of beauty.—Chicago Mail.

Like a Sensible Woman. Kate Field is out for Cleveland, of course. Like about all others of her sex, she is opposed to the McKinley tariff and every other contrivance that makes shopping expersive —Boston Herald. Carnegie's Philanthropy.

There is a vein of grim common sense in Mr. Clarkson's comments upon the situation at Homestead. Mr. Clarkson recalls that Mr. Carnegie has written a great deal to the magazines and said a great deal more in public speeches about the responsibilities of wealth; he has now the opportunity to "sustain his reputation as a philanthropist" by being just if not generous to the men who have made his great fortune. For, as Mr. Clarkson observes, "the workmen must be right in their contentions. There has been no such convulsion in business as could possibly make necessary these great reductions in wages."

Mr. Clarkson may not be so well versed in economics and the iron trade as Mr. Carnegie, but at least he is a more consistent protectionist than the multimil-Mr. Carnegie professes the tariff doctrine as the salvation of high wages for American workingmen, but refuses to divide the fruits of protection with his workingmen. Mr. Clarkson, who possibly still believes what Mr. Carnegie professes, wants the protected manufacturer to do the square thing by the "protected" workingman and so vindicate the protectionist propagands. If Mr. Clarkson were himself a beneficiary of the tariff he might think otherwise. There are men in Homestead today who believe as Mr. Clarkson believes and are shedding their blood and the blood of others in the defense of their belief. The end will not be told before November. Meantime every bullet that is fired and every drop of blood that is shed will help to prove the wisdom of Mr. Clarkson's advice to Mr. Carnegie. - Chicago Herald.

Must Judge by the Record.

Some of the Republicans who say that the force bill plank of the Minneapolis platform does not mean a force bill may be sincere in their belief, but the country must judge by the record. A similar declaration in the Republican platform of 1888 was followed by the force bill of the Reed congress, drawn by John I. Davenport, Harrison's New York agent, under the supervision of the Harrison administration. Its passage was strongly urged by Harrison in two of his messages, though in the campaign of 1888 no Republican would admit that the plank sdopted at Chicago meant a force bill. w when a platform made in a convention controlled by Harrison's officeholders declares that they "will never relent" in their purpose, it is idle to say that they do not mean it. -St. Louis Republic.

Promise and Fulfillment.

Andrew Carnegie has been one of the pronounced howlers for "protection" in the Republican ranks. The McKinley bill gave it to him, but evidently not enough, as now he is preparing for pro-tection of quite another kind—that of hosepipes, barricaded walls, and so forth, brought into use and erected to protect him against the outraged workmen who. according to Republican theory rather than practice, were expected to be protected equally with the owners by the system formulated at Washington. But Republican fulfillment does not always follow Republican promise.-Chicago

Dropped Back Into Obscurity. President Harrison dropped the "pre-fessional lobbyist" whom he picked out for chairman of the Republican national committee. It will be as useless to pretend that the Armours put a veto on his appointment as to claim for the president that he has awakened to a sense of its indecency. He is managing his own that Campbell will be a load to carry since Vest's and Farwell's exposure of his record. So, without hesitation, he dropped him back into the obscurity from which he fished him out .- St.

A Ticket of Weaknesses.

Louis Republic.

The Republican party made the infamous force bill a part of its platform; it nominated the champion of that measure for president, and, as if the Democratic cup of joy were not already over-flowing, it nominated Whitelaw Reid for vice president. Mr. Harrison is acknowledged to be weak in states which he Republicans must carry to win; but Whitelaw Reid is weak everywhere .-Atchison Patriot.

The Force Bill Issue.

There is no disposition to dodge the force bill issue in the Democracy. Let it be fairly put before the people of the country and let them determine whether they will have federal bayonets present at our elections, and whether they will renew that negro domination in the south which proved so injurious and so disgraceful in the famous period of carpetbag government .- New York Sun.

Reid's "Devotion" to Unionism. Instead of sanding Chris Magee to settle the Carnegie war the president should have commissioned Dr. Depew's "candidate of the workingmen" for vice president to tell the Homestead puddlers about his devotion to labor unionism, and how it has brought him-or will do-his reward. -New York World.

Until After Election? Mr. Clarkson thinks that Carnegie ought to be generous with his striking steel workers at Homestead, Pa. "Generous!" asks Mr. Carnegie. "What does that mean?"-St. Louis Republic.

A High Average.

If the troops had been called out for every labor conflict there would have been an average of five calls per week since the McKinley tariff began to raise wages.—Philadelphia Record.

Very True.

It may be said of President Harrison's cabinet that it would be hard to change it without improving it.-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

That "Same" Campbell.

Now President Harrison will be oblig-sl to seek another Campbell to carry him across the political desert.—Chicago

#### THEFORCEBILLISSUE

THE SOUTH ALARMED AT THE PROS-PECT OF NEGRO DOMINATION.

The Safety and Political Freedom of the South Depends Upon the Success of the Democratic Party-Defeat Means Political Thraldom, Slavery and Ruin.

"We are not worrying ourselves over the threat of such a measure," says the Charleston News and Courier, referring to the force bill. Yet who will worry over the threat of such a measure if the southern people do not? Manifestly, The News and Courier is not speaking for the people of South Carolina, and it pertainly is not speaking for the Democratic party of that state. There is no commonwealth in the south that has more to fear from federal control of elections by the Republicans in behalf

of the negro party.
We are not discussing the matter with the Charleston paper. There is no room for discussion. We are merely quoting the remark of The News and Courier to show how exceptional it is-how it flies in the face of the facts-how it misrepresents the situation. The Republicans have made the threat of force bill legislation the chief issue in their platform, and the south will have to accept it as such, however anxious they may be to avoid it. In Georgia, as in South Carolina and all over the south, circumstances will make the force bill the absorbing issue for the reason that the interests at stake are incomparably more important than those affected by any other issue.

The tariff is important and interesting as a subject of discussion, but to make it an issue at the south with the force bill impending would be nonsense. Tariff reform cannot be an issue here where it has no opponents. The minds of the voters are made up on it. They indorse the Democratic declarations in favor of a tariff for revenue only, and that is suf-

The threat of force bill legislation is the chief, the absorbing issue in the south because it is the first challenge of the people in the Republican platform; because the reply to this challenge holds the first place in the Democratic platform, and because it is the one issue which, on account of the tremendous in terests involved, will keep the Democratic party of the south together.

In this all Democratic leaders and repesentative Democratic editors agree We have not seen the gist of this great issue more pithily put than in the following extract from a resolution presented to the convention of Democrats in Bibb county and unanimously adopted:

Realizing that the safety and political free-dom of this section depend upon the success of the Democratic party in November next; that the chief plank of the piatform of the Republican party is hostility to the south and her people; that the political battle of 1800 is to be wared by the Republican party to be waged by the Ropublicans under the same battle cry, and under the banner of leader-ship, which for a quarter of a century has been made against the liberties, property and happiness of the southern people, we urge all true Democrate to sink all local differences out of stight, formst everything also oi sight, forget everything else except that their own safety and the safety of their homes and institutions depend upon freedom from the interference of federal marshals and federal interference of federal marshals and federal bayenets, as well as upon the overthrow of the Republican party in the coming contest. To be united is to win success; to be divided is to court failure. Success means prosperity for this section, political freedom and control of our own affairs. Defeat means political thrai-dom, slavery and ruin.

This covers the whole ground briefly and clearly. It outlines the situation paign now, and he has discovered and points to the responsibility which reets on all Democrats-the duty they owe to themselves, their neighbors, their state and their country .- Atlanta Constitution.

Rats Leave; Reid Remains.

The refusal of William J. Campbell to serve as chairman of the Republican committee reminds us that rats leave a sinking ship. If this thing is kept up Reid will be the only rodent on board the Harrison craft when it goes down next November. -St. Louis Republic.

And Its for Republican Gore. Tammany appears to have got on its war paint, and the New York Republicans who have been counting so confi-dently on aid from that quarter would do well to look out for their scalps. Grand Sachem Croker has sounded the warwhoop.-Boston Herald.

What His Candidacy Means.

The candidacy of Mr. Harrison stands for the force bill, interfering with the right and duties of the states, violating the principle of self government and home rule and tending to sectional trou-ble and commercial disaster.—Scattle Telegraph.

Barricades of Ballots.

In a free country like this, where manhood suffrage rules, most evils and abuses can be voted summarily out of existence. Barricades of ballots will effectually check the cohorts of the party of monopoly next November.-Boston Globs.

Two Deep, Dark Stains.

Harrison is uneasy about the force bill and Reid about his labor record. No doubt each in his troubled dreams has exclaimed, "Out damned spot!" But all the tears of Republicanism cannot wipe these stains away.—Birmingham News.

"Cleveland All the More Surely." No state is doubtful for purposes of a

Democratic victory because of a heavy Alliance element. The steady Democratic consolation in such cases is that it means Mr. Cleveland all the more surely. Boston Globe.

They Were There for That. The census enumerators counted 63. 979,766 people in this country in 1890,

but they overlooked a considerable num-

ber in Der:ocratic districts.-St. Louis

Post-Dispatch. And He's Alded by Protection. Carnegie has undertaken to crush or-ganized labor. He seeks to cheapen its work and put it completely under his control.—Macon (Os.) Telegraph.

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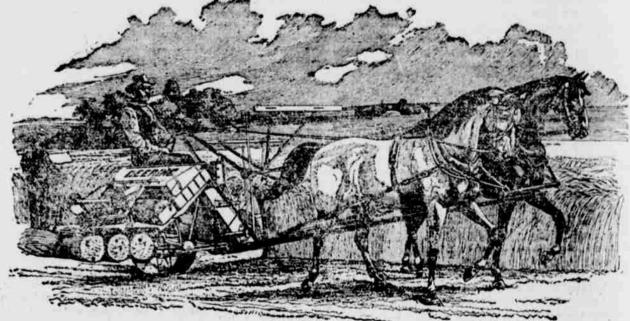
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The grain was just ready for harvest, The land was not hilly or rough; But one round of the field they were cutting Convinced them she'd gotten enough.

As they pushed and they pulled, and they twisted To get the thing up on its truck.

At last they got ready and started And, as slowly they lower the bars We turn from that poor vanquished Binder And "we smile" as we contemplate ours.

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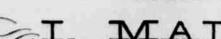
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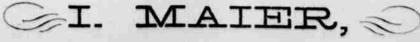
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