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The Universal Gifts.

An old farmer was talking of his boyhood to a group of young people not long ago. It had been lived—that far-away boyhood—early in the last century, in a country place remote from towns.

Marine Drunks in Oil.

A farmer recently pointed out the defects of a mural painting in the Iowa capitol dealing with rural scenes, and the New Orleans Times-Democrat relates how a sailor upset the notions of a lover of marine objects.

HAS MUCH MEANING

PRACTICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TERM "STAND PAT."

It Meant a Great Deal More When Hanna Injected It Into Politics and It Means More as the Years Roll By.

"But what does it mean to stand-pat?" This is the question propounded in a double-leaded and rather nervous editorial by the New York Mail of July 28.

He saw domestic production increasing at a tremendous rate to meet domestic demand. "Stand-pat!"

He saw domestic labor fully employed, at increasing high wages. "Stand-pat!"

He saw savings bank deposits increasing at the rate of half a billion dollars a year. "Stand-pat!"

He saw railroads carrying more freight and passengers and building more miles of new road than ever before. "Stand-pat!"

He saw 10,000,000 farmers with paid-off mortgages of the tariff revision period of 1893-97 and buying pianos and automobiles. "Stand-pat!"

He saw an internal trade amounting to twenty billions a year and growing very fast. "Stand-pat!"

He saw a foreign trade pass the two-billion mark and growing at the rate of \$200,000,000 a year. (It is now over three billions.) "Stand-pat!"

He saw the outside world taking more and more of our agricultural and manufactured exports. "Stand-pat!"

He saw a big increase in our imports alike of non-dutiable articles for use in manufacture and of dutiable goods of the competitive sort. "Stand-pat!"

He saw that the duties collected on imports were yielding ample revenues for the government's increasing requirements. "Stand-pat!"

He saw the excess of exports over imports bringing to us annual trade balances averaging more than half a billion dollars. "Stand-pat!"

He saw in consequence a vast inflow of gold, which in the past ten years has added \$700,000,000 to our supply of yellow metal. "Stand-pat!"

He saw American securities held abroad sent back to aid in settling our favorable balances of trade, and the amount of American money sent abroad to pay interest and dividends on foreign capital invested in this country reduced to less than half what it was ten years ago in a tariff revision period. "Stand-pat!"

He saw the United States paying off its debts to foreigners and rapidly becoming the money center, as it has become the industrial center of the world. "Stand-pat!"

He saw, in short, the most extraordinary prosperity, the highest rate of wages, the highest standard of living that the world has ever known. So he said, "Stand-pat!"

What Mark Hanna saw five years ago is to be seen to-day on a much bigger scale. If he were living to-day he would again say, "Stand-pat!"

He did not say, nor does anybody now say, as the Mail seems to think, that protection is "a hoop of iron," an inflexible, inexorable thing that will never permit of the change of a single tariff schedule. The Mail ought to know better. That is not the stand-pat attitude. That is not what stand-pat means. To suppose it is to stand pat means. To suppose it is to stand pat means. To suppose it is to stand pat means.

This is a stand-pat year. So will next year be, and the year after that, and many years after that, we should all hope. When a different condition comes, and when revision of the tariff is called for to promote the general good—when a decrease of some of the schedules and an increase of some of the schedules shall obviously work to the advantage of the country as a whole—then tariff revision should come and will come.

Should it come any sooner than that? The best statesmanship of the country says no. The business interests of the country say no. The wage earners of the country say no.

That is what it means to stand-pat.

When the Test Came.

A Democratic contemporary makes the reckless assertion that "the declaration in the Democratic platform that tariff taxes shall be levied for revenue only strikes at the very root of the trust evil." It is well known that this has been the fundamental principle in Democratic doctrine ever since the party came into existence and is inserted in every platform. But we all know how it works. There are some lessons that burn through bitter experience into the dulllest brain, and this is one of them. Those cannot forget if they would that "tariff for revenue only," when given an opportunity for a test during the last administration of Grover Cleveland, struck at the root not of trusts, but of prosperity, that it paralyzed the entire commercial and industrial fabric of the nation, drove millions into financial distress and bankruptcy and caused unparalleled misery and suffering. It is like the old story of burning the barn to kill the rats that are eating the wheat. The barn is lost, but the rats escape and lay low for the coming of another barn.—Bay City Tribune.

Buying Diamonds.

In the tariff revision period of 1896 this country's importations of all precious stones amounted to \$6,712,415. The following year, ending June 30, when the effects of tariff revision were still upon us and the Dingley law had not yet been passed, the importation was only \$2,672,598. After nine years of Dingley tariff prosperity our total importation of precious stones has risen to \$40,247,010, or about 15 times more than in 1897. Of this forty odd millions imported in 1906, \$10,574,654 were uncut diamonds, whose value was doubled and trebled by American labor. Nine years ago almost nobody could afford to buy diamonds, thanks to tariff revision downward. In this stand-pat year 1906 practically one-half of our entire population, counting in babies and paupers, is buying diamonds at the rate of about 75 cents per capita.

SHALL BRYAN FIX THE TARIFF?

If He Gets the Chance Every Vestige of Protection Will Be Eliminated.

Mr. Bryan is a free trader. In his latest generalized manifesto he says the tariff is one of the issues he will discuss hereafter. But this is not a question on which he is likely to change his record in the least, nor can he modify it essentially without violating all Democratic precedent.

In all that he has said or written in the past Bryan has wholly condemned the principle of protection in a tariff. His most noted speech in congress was a long and elaborate argument against any protection in any schedule. He contended that the constitutional rights of the people forbid the inclusion in any tariff rate of a purpose to build up American industries or to protect American wages against open foreign competition. He held that a tariff should be based entirely on public revenue requirements, and that American manufacturing interests and the wage earner connected with them should adjust themselves as best they can to foreign production and wages. This is free trade and the Bryanites should not balk at the only term that squarely expresses their position on the tariff. They are not tariff revisionists. All parties are for tariff revision as occasion arises. Republicans have revised protective tariffs again and again, but always kept them protective. Bryan and his party are against any protection.

In half a dozen words Bryan could have stated that he is now, as always, a free trader. He prefers to postpone a statement of his tariff position. If this delay could mean that he would consent to any protective schedule, he would be on Republican ground. He may juggle and beg his tariff views, but multiplying words will not change his free trade intent. Business men should realize this fact. Wage earners should keep it in mind. In protection Bryan is an absolute destructionist. With such a man at the head of executive affairs the policy would be to sweep away every vestige of protection, a purpose that appears in everything he has ever said in discussing the tariff. A business upheaval would necessarily be the result. American industries would halt until they could get their bearings in the markets and in margins of profit. With this condition would come a corresponding loss in the scale of wages and opportunities of employment.

Mr. Bryan is trying to retreat from his former paramount issue under cover of what he calls the quantitative theory of the money supply. He maintains that he was right about free silver, but that the unexpected increase in the output of gold relieved the strain without lessening the soundness of his chief financial theory. Some quantitative things have happened since 1896 in American industries and foreign trade also. Exports of American manufactures in the fiscal year just closed were about \$600,000,000. The total in 1896 was \$229,000,000. The quantitative jump in selling our manufactured products abroad has been 160 per cent. since Bryan made his cross of gold speech. Our whole foreign trade is larger than ever before. Another quantitative point is that steamships are much larger than in 1896 and cross the ocean in less time. With free trade they could pour in a mountain of foreign merchandise every week, compelling our industries to close down and our workmen to hunt a new vacation. Mr. Bryan may defer talking about the tariff, but he cannot change his spots.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Southern Tariff Sentiment.

H. Clay Evans, nominated for governor by the Republicans of Tennessee, is not unknown to Iowans. He spoke in Grimes hall, Burlington, several years ago and made a favorable impression as an able debater and attractive orator. He is a man of a good deal of force of character and will undoubtedly make a lively campaign. The Republicans of Tennessee and North Carolina are organizing for strong campaigns and are not without hopes of success, due in part to Democratic dissensions in those states, and in part to a growing protective tariff sentiment in the south.

A half century ago Tennessee and North Carolina were whig states and the inherited protective tariff beliefs have been reinforced by favoring industrial conditions under the Dingley law. It will be hard work for the Iowa revisionists to convince either Tennesseans or North Carolinians that the time has come to scale down the customs schedules to let in foreign merchandise which those states are now producing.—Burlington Hawk-Eye.

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CAME BACK.

W. H. Latimer, Notorious Swindler, Returns

TO PHILADELPHIA.

Man Who was One of the Organizers of the Provident Investment Bureau Surrenders.

Philadelphia, Aug. 31.—William H. Latimer, familiarly known as "Handsome Harry," manager of the Provident Investment Bureau, which was forced out of business 18 months ago, and who has since been a fugitive from justice, surrendered Thursday. He was held in \$2,000 bail by United States Commissioner Craig for trial in the federal court.

With Frank C. Marrin, alias Judge Franklin Stone, and Stanley Francis, alias Arthur S. Foster, Latimer was jointly indicted in September, 1905, charged with conspiracy and using the mails to defraud. These three were alleged to have been the organizers of the Provident Investment Bureau, a get-rich-quick concern. They were also accused of being the principal officials of the Storey Cotton Co., a swindling scheme which failed in March, 1905. Francis was arrested, convicted and sentenced to five years. Marrin and Latimer escaped.

Latimer said he fled to London, where he met Marrin and Miss Sophie Beck, a friend of Marrin's. He traveled through England, France and Canada and was finally arrested in Calgary, province of Alberta, Northwest Territory, but was releasable, as his offense was not extraditable. Weary of wandering he finally determined to come back and give himself up to justice.

HIPPLE WAS AN EMBEEZLER.

Startling Statement Made by the Receiver for the Real Estate Trust Co.

Philadelphia, Aug. 31.—Examination Thursday of the list of securities held by the defunct Real Estate Trust Co. developed the fact that Frank K. Hipple, president of the institution, who committed suicide, was an embezzler. The authority for this statement is George H. Earle, receiver for the Trust Co. Mr. Earle declined to say what securities are missing, but he declared that Hipple had hypothecated \$65,000 worth of the paper, securing \$50,000 for the securities, which he never returned.

Receiver Earle further declared that President Hipple embezzled the \$5,000,000 he loaned to Adolf Segal, the promoter. These loans, Mr. Earle asserted, were personal transactions. "Although made in the name of the bank the directors had no knowledge of them, consequently the money was stolen by Hipple," said Mr. Earle.

The suspicion entertained that Hipple committed suicide was confirmed Thursday by Joseph King, coroner of Montgomery county. When he made the announcement Dr. Albert H. Read, the coroner's physician, was standing near and he added: "You can say that Mr. Hipple blew out his brains."

Must Give Full Weight.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—City Sealer Joseph Grein, in whose department is the supervision of weights and measures, has issued an ultimatum to the packers, to butter factories and wholesale and retail dealers in lard and butter, that the public must be given full weight in all packages of lard and butter, or the city will prosecute them in hundreds of cases in which it has secured evidence against them. The ordinance calls for a fine of \$100 on every package of lard or butter in which the weight is short.

Ohioans Won Five Prizes.

Sea Girt, N. J., Aug. 31.—In the national military tournament yesterday a feature of the day was the performance of riflemen representing Ohio, who carried off second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth prizes in the off hand military match from a field of 227 competitors. The Second troop, Philadelphia City cavalry, won the carbine team match, the Denver City Troop won second prize and the First team of Squadron A, New York, third prize.

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DEPARTURES.

What in the Bible days of old, Did the ungodly man when told To take himself without the fold? Tarried not.

Requested by the ancient Greek Some other spot on earth to seek, How did the rude barbarian sneak? Exephotized (Lighted out).

What, when we had our civil strife, Did Reb or Yank to save his life, If frightened by the drum and fif? Skeddaded.

What did the hostile Moro man When chased by the American, He from the prickly bayonets ran? Liked.

How doth the yellow dog to-day, If loitering idly or at play, Proceed when kicked across the way? Beats it.

What does the corner loafer do When ordered by the cop in blue To disappear, and quickly, too? Gets a move on.

When coming home at break of day, The husband hears somebody say: "Please, burglar man, do go away?" Takes a sneak.

The aged lover bends above The hand of his young lady love— With what word does he get the shove? Scat!

When little boys and girls at play Wish one of them to go away What do the precious darling say? Skiddoo!

What will the editor give me When these poor rhymes he has to see? Who'll bet my number will not be 23? —N. Y. Sun.

When Fortune Frowns. The man, relying on the adage, naturally supposed he had nothing more to fear, so you can imagine his consternation when Opportunity knocked at his door a second time. "Farewell, a long farewell, to all my goodness!" he exclaimed, and then, without another word, for he was a brave soul, he went out, and became rich, and lived happily ever after.—Puck.

Discriminating.

A thoughtful hostess gave a children's party, and decided it would be healthier to serve only mineral waters. One little girl tasted of her carbonate and laid the glass down. "What's the matter, dear? Don't you like charged water?" "No, ma'am. Please may I have some water that you've paid for?"—Life.

The Dog's Fault.

"So Jinx is drinking again, eh?" "Yes." "But I thought he had sworn off?" "So he did; but he started drinking again because of his dog." "Because of his dog?" "Yes; the first night he went home sober his dog didn't recognize him, and he had to go away and get drunk before he could get in the yard."—Houston Post.

The Last No.

"See here, Mr. Popper, I've told you 'no' for the last time," said the fair maid, severely. "Hurrah!" ejaculated the persistent suitor. "What do you mean by that?" "I'm going to ask you again, now!"—Cleveland Leader.

Ought to Sell.

"Have you any books on fishing?" asked the man, entering the book store. "Why, yes," replied the wise clerk; "here's a very good work called 'The Liar's Companion!'"—Yonkers Statesman.

Yet Once Again.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going a-fishing, kind sir," she said. "May I go with you, my pretty maid?" "I don't fish with clams, kind sir," she said. —Chicago Tribune.

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