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EDITORIAL

A COMPOUND FALSEHOOD.

"Some years ago the people became dissatisfied with our government and they were 'ready for a change.' They elected Grover Cleveland for president. Their experience is still vivid in the minds of all for hunger is a hard thing to forget, and the nation suffered untold miseries for the murmuring of the people. INSTEAD OF A PROSPEROUS DEBT-PAYING NATION WE BECAME BORROWERS FROM OTHER NATIONS."—From last issue of the Gazette.

The above extract is from a column of "hot air" in the last issue of the Gazette, which has the faculty of stating things as it wants them to be, and not as they are; and whether right or wrong, borsts that it "NEVER RETREATS UNDER FIRE." It is "It"—the only thing that happened—the infallible, indisputable. When "It" approves or censures, then and there all discussion should cease, in deference to "Ego" who has spoken.

While we may be guilty of "Lese Majeste" to this modern "Oracle of Delphi" in presuming to comment upon his edict, we hereby wish to call the attention of the Treasury Department of the United States to the gross errors in their annual report of recent years, which contradict Mr. Harter, who hath spoken thusly:

"When they elected Grover Cleveland for president, the nation suffered untold miseries. Instead of a prosperous, debt-paying nation, we became borrowers from other nations."

The U. S. Treasury Reports give the following information on this point for the condition of the Treasury at the end of the fiscal years, (June 30) of the various administrations in recent years:

A DEFICIT.

1885—End of Arthur's term expenditures exceeded the revenues by a deficit of..... \$40,000,000

ASURPLUS.

1886—At the end of Cleveland's first year in office there was a surplus of..... \$30,066,588

ASURPLUS.

1889—Last year of Cleveland's first term the receipts were \$387,565,058, expenditures \$281,996,415, making a surplus of..... \$105,568,643

SURPLUS REDUCED.

1893—End of Harrison's first fiscal year the Democratic surplus of \$105,000,000 dropped to..... \$57,229,702

ALMOST ALL GONE.

1892—End of Harrison's second fiscal year the surplus dropped to..... \$3,944,453

ONLY A DROP LEFT.

1895—The last year of Harrison's term the Cleveland surplus of \$105,000,000 dropped to..... \$2,341,074

1897—Total available funds left by President Cleveland end of first term March 4, 1897..... \$230,348,916

1891—Four years later, March 4, 1891, at the end of Harrison's term the available funds in the Treasury were only..... \$62,450,575

1896—End of Cleveland's second term, March 4, 1896, he turned over to President McKinley, total available funds..... \$137,213,632

A LARGE DEFICIT.

1904—At the end of the last fiscal year, June 30, 1904, there was a deficit of..... \$41,000,000

During the month of July the deficit increased to..... \$21,715,000

COST OF GOVERNMENT.

The following is taken from the annual reports of the Treasury as to the per capita cost of Government.

1860—Under Buchanan, D..... \$2.01

1865—Under Harrison, R..... 5.77

1875—Under Cleveland, D..... 5.19

1901—Under McKinley, R..... 6.56

Under Roosevelt, R..... 7.10

LIST OF FAILURES:

In confirmation of the above government statistics, the reports of the Commercial Agencies show the following business conditions under Harrison and Cleveland. The failures in business in the four years of 1889-92 were:

1889-92—Under Harrison..... 44,496

Total liabilities..... \$642,554,196

1889-92—Under Cleveland..... 40,784

Total liabilities..... \$530,250,357

During the period of Harrison's term 1889 to '92 there was a panic in 1890—one of the minor Republican panics—and the whole of the year 1891 was a poor one in business. The number of bank failures was unprecedented, and the capital of failed national banks had been exceeded only in 1873, one of the greater Republican panics.

Of course the infallible genius who wrote that article in the Gazette can't be wrong, but the officials at Washington, who compile the treasury reports, have grievously erred (?). Honestly we diagnose the trouble as an effort of Harter to "blow off" a little, to stimulate the waning hopes of Judge Love,—did not know exactly what to say for a declining cause and drew on his imagination.

The above tabulated statements are food for thought. It shows where extravagance has occurred and when economy has been practiced in public life.

Ten years of politics on the Bench, is enough.

ROOSEVELT'S IDEAS.

What He has Said of Former Presidents and Others.

"In a great crisis it may be necessary to overturn constitution, to disregard statutes"—Roosevelt's "Oliver Cromwell," page 52.

The foregoing quotation heads a four-page campaign pamphlet which the Democratic National Committee intends to place in the hands of every voter in the United States.

President Roosevelt has been a prolific writer of histories and biographies in which his political comments have been candid and emphatic. The remarks about the crisis and their effect upon constitutions and statutes is pointed out in the little documents as the "keynote" of the President's policy.

A page is devoted to the derogatory phrases coined by Author Roosevelt about President Roosevelt's predecessors. Jefferson is called by Theodore Roosevelt a "timid and shifty doctrinaire," in his life of Benton (page 73), and "the most incapable executive who ever filled the President's chair," in the "Naval War of 1812." Other quotations from President Roosevelt follow:

BIG STICK FOR PREDECESSOR.

Madison—"Incapable," results of his administration brought "shame and disgrace to America" in the war of 1812.

Monroe—"With 'no special ability' as Secretary of War under Madison, a 'triumph of imbecility to the last.'"

Jackson—"Ignorant."

Harrison, Taylor, Fillmore—"Small Presidents."

Tyler—"He has been called a mediocre man, but this is unwarranted flattery. He was a politician of monumental littleness. His chief mental and moral attributes were peevishness, fretful obstinacy, inconsistency," etc.

Polk—"Excepting Tyler, the very smallest of the line of small Presidents who came in between Jackson and Lincoln."

Pierce—"Small politician, of low capacity and mean surroundings."

Buchanan—"One of the 'small Presidents.'"

John Sharp Williams referred in his Davis notification speech to Mr. Roosevelt's application of the word "cattle" to Congress. Here is the paragraph from Roosevelt's speech before the Syracuse Chamber of Commerce in 1899:

RAPS THE LABORERS HARD.

"Just at this moment Congress, in Washington, seems to have made up its mind that having provided for the fact that we must take care of the Philippines and of Cuba there is not to be any army with which to take care of it, and that the armed resistance is to be made by proclamation. Well, it is a little soul-harrowing to have to deal with cattle who take that view of the responsibility of the nation."

Other contemptuous phrases quoted include:

The Quaker—A class of professional non-combatants is as hurtful to the real healthy growth of a nation as is a class of fire-eaters, for a weakness or folly is naturally as bad as a vice or worse and in the long run a Quaker may be quite as undesirable a citizen as is a duelist.

Laboring man—They (the cowboys) are much better fellows and pleasanter companions than small farmers or agricultural laborers; nor are the mechanics and workmen of a great city to be mentioned in the same breath.

Farmers—Mr. Bryan and his adherents have appealed to the basest set in the land—the farmers—speech before New York Wool Exchange, October 27, 1896.

COMMENDS LYNCH LAW.

The "speak-softly-and-carry-a-big-stick" speech and the order to Latin-American Republics to "pay their obligations" are quoted together with less familiar sayings, such as these:

In many of the cases of lynch law which have come to my knowledge the effect has been healthy for the community.

A merchant or manufacturer works his business, as a rule, purely for his own benefit, without regard whatever for the community at large.

Political economists have pretty generally agreed that protection is vicious in the ordinary and harmful in practice.

In old days, when I first came to little Missouri, there was a motto on the range: "Never draw unless you mean to shoot." That is a pretty sound policy for a nation in foreign affairs.

The peace which breeds timidity and sloth is a curse and not a blessing.

CAUSE OF PANICS.

The republicans are making use of the following glaring untruth:

"A Democratic tariff has always been followed by business adversity; a Republican tariff by business prosperity."

There has been but one Democratic tariff in forty-three years. The greatest panic of this period followed a moderate revision of the tariff by the republicans, in 1872. A Republican tariff law has been on the statute books at the beginning of every other period of hard times since, and has remained on the books through all but one of these periods. There is only one way in which a close connection can be established between Democratic Administrations and industrial and financial depression.

Will our republican friends kindly inform us what democratic tariff caused the panic the past summer?

POLITICAL Judges should be driven from our courts.

ANOTHER SPLIT.

The Bituminous Record (Rep.) of Phillipsburg, says:

"The long delayed rupture in the Republican party in Phillipsburg has occurred. A faction, headed by Gowland has kicked over the traces at the poor treatment and recognition they have received and have come out flat-footed, saying we are done with the old faction. It is a case with them, whole hog or none; with us, get everything we can. This rupture comes at a bad time; at a time when the party can least afford to have it; at a time when the democrats are using every trick at their command to elect the judge, and if possible, their two representatives from this county."

The outlook for the Republican party is very black in Centre, but this rupture comes not as a surprise; the only surprise being that it did not occur sooner. It has been known for some time that considerable dissension and dissatisfaction existed with a large number of voters with treatment accorded them.

It is hoped that before the breach becomes too wide wisdom will be used and the evil obviated—before any serious results arise from it."

THE voter must not forget that the republicans have been in power for forty years, almost uninterruptedly, and under tariff laws of their own enacting, yet in that period there has been a constant recurrence of labor strikes and distress among working men. Such a condition of affairs never existed in the good old days of democratic rule. Then every man could follow his trade and occupation; now, under constant republican rule and high tariffs, all the small trades, occupations and industries have been frozen out by the tariff protected trusts, and the working man, including the farmer, has not got a decent living, for the millionaire trusts have been fattening upon that which fairly belongs to the masses of the people, the toiling millions. The tariff protected policy is what causes the strikes and sufferings and the present discontent and suffering. Who will undertake to deny this?

MORGAN and Roosevelt had a conference last week and Morgan went away pleased. From this time forward the Roosevelt grand stand demonstration against the Trusts must be taken for what it really has been—a mere feint. There will be no running amuck. The Steel Trust, the Beef Trust and all the other Trusts can send in their campaign contributions and go on with their plundering unchecked.

SHERIFF TAYLOR now insists that Harter accept that position as cook for the prisoners—he may bring his dogs along, too.

When a man holds an office for ten years, that is about long enough.

The hotel landlords will be glad when Love gets off the bench.

W. C. T. U. Convention.

The 23rd annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of this county was in session in Petriken Hall from Monday to Wednesday of this week, presided over by Mrs. A. M. Clees, of Phillipsburg. The address of welcome was made by Mrs. R. V. Pugh, responded to by Mrs. Kathryn Parker. The address of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt of Boston, was a treat. Tuesday morning the various reports of the society were received, which was satisfactory. Mrs. Hunt then conducted an interesting question box, and was followed by some interesting papers.

Tuesday afternoon interesting papers were read by the following ladies: Mrs. Earle Siegfried, Mrs. Cora Files, Mrs. A. M. Clees, Phillipsburg; Miss Clara Valentine and Mrs. F. M. Gainfort, Bellefonte; Mrs. M. M. S. Latshaw, Howard; Mrs. Evelyn R. Huston, Clintondale.

Tuesday evening five young ladies took part in the oratorical contest. They were Misses Hawkins and Taylor, of Phillipsburg, and Misses Jones, Meyer and Wagner, of Milesburg. The first prize was taken by Miss Hawkins, of Phillipsburg, and the second prize a handsome book by Miss Wagner.

Co. E, 45th Reunion.

A reunion of surviving members of Co. E 45th Regiment was held at Phillipsburg at the home of Lieut. A. W. Harper on Monday and was attended by the following: A. W. Harper, J. R. Lemon, J. G. Heberling, Wm. Ellenberger, J. R. Pheasant, Jacob Barto, W. H. Musser, Joseph Meyers, I. M. Mingle, George C. Deters, Perry Cupp, James Dennis, T. A. Jackson and W. H. Fry. A number of comrades' wives were also present, as were some other guests.

Capt. W. H. Fry, in a neat little speech, in behalf of the company, presented to Lieut. Harper a beautiful cane, bearing the proper inscription. A motion was carried to hold the 44 anniversary at Comrade Lemon's home at Gatesburg next year.

Two stalwart republican papers, in this county, are complaining bitterly, charging that the county seat bosses are running things regardless of the wishes of the rank and file of the party. These two republican organs are the Howard Hustler and the Phillipsburg Bituminous Record. This confirms what the Centre Democrat has all along alleged, viz, that the republican party of this county is bossed by a local machine and that is the simply carrying out orders of the state bosses. The rank and file of the republicans in this county have no say or voice.

"STARVING PRISONERS" is a word out political gag; was played many years ago.

O. T. Lingle Killed.

Wednesday of last week a telegram was received by W. L. Lingle, of Spring Mills, stating that his son, Oliver Thomas, a brakeman on the Connelville Central, a branch road of the Monongahela Railroad, was killed. The body arrived Thursday accompanied by eight members of the Brotherhood of Trainmen of which he was a member. Mr. Lingle was standing on the abutment of a large newly constructed bridge, waiting to jump the train as it passed him. It is possible he made a misstep, landing on the cinders surrounding the abutment, and they giving away, precipitated him down an embankment forty feet high.

Mr. Lingle was twenty-eight years of age. He leaves a father, mother, one sister and three brothers to survive him. Interment was made on Friday at the Cross cemetery.

\$50 Reward.

To the person who will find John P. Hennessey, who left his home in Gallagher township Clinton county, Tuesday evening, 30th. The missing man is supposed to be in the woods in that section. He is 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighs about 190 pounds; has lightcolored mustache and has not been shaved for several weeks. Wore a dark suit, derby hat and light-colored shirt.

JOHN HENNESSEY FOUND.

John Hennessey was found Sunday evening lying in the woods a half mile from his home, in Gallagher township, by Howard Pepperman. He was in a somewhat stupefied condition.

Does Sheep Raising Pay?

The Bloomsburg Daily says that William Chrisman spent Monday at his Madison township farm. Upon returning he brought three lambs with him, which together weighed 263 pounds and netted him \$17.09. These lambs were purchased with a herd of five lambs and five ewes, for which Mr. Chrisman paid \$30 but two months ago. Having good pasture he turned them out and now has seven left which practically cost him but \$12.91.

Passing of the Veterans.

The Grand Army of the Republic still has a membership of 246,261, but its numbers declined 10,249 last year, and the posts fell from 6,426 to 6,149. Ten years ago the membership was 403,024. The annual loss by death grows rapidly. A man who enlisted at the age of 20, at the beginning of the war, would now be over 60 years old. Not many will take part in the parade ten years hence; and the fact that they can now all get pensions, if needed, is a consolation to the nation.

"Uncle Her" at the opera house tonight.

Leveled Circus Tent.

The Sautell Circus, that exhibited at Lock Haven Saturday, was nearly annihilated by a wind and rain storm that passed over the city shortly after the conclusion of the afternoon performance. The concert was on when the severe wind that came rushing down the valley leveled every tent on the ground. Three of the cages were overturned and a large black bear escaped, but was afterwards recaptured. All the tents were more or less damaged and the main one torn to shreds, and the trappings badly damaged.

If the storm had come half an hour earlier the loss of life would have been great, as the tent had been crowded.

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The Treasury deficit grows. For the first two months of the fiscal year the Federal expenditures have exceeded the revenues \$23,799,886. Last year the deficit for the corresponding months was \$868,935. The Roosevelt organs are very quiet on these deficiencies. This is the result of a military administration. Imperialism is taking the money out of our purses.

A Bad Stomach

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High prices don't make fine clothes. Low prices don't mean "cheap."

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