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For Auditor General, J. WOOD CLARK, of Indiana county. For State Treasurer, GEORGE W. KIPP, of Bradford county. For Justice of the Supreme Court, C. LARUE MUNSON, of Lycoming county.

EDITORIAL.

Much dissatisfaction comes from the middle and Western States over the new tariff bill, as the demand in that section is for a reduction of the tariff duties. But then they got what they voted for, these many years. Why should they complain?

IN THE framing and passage of the new tariff, recently, President Taft succeeded in getting in it some good—an entire thimble full. On the other hand the Trusts got an hoghead full. Taft, during the campaign, last summer, loudly promised the reverse, and the platform upon which he was nominated promised that the pickpocket tariff game should end. Cheated again! and the smile of the trusts extends from ear to ear.

Those republicans who are in ecstasies over the new and outrageous tariff bill that further builds up the trusts, should place the author of the iniquity in nomination for next president, the senator from Rhode Island, Mr. Aldrich, and let the robbed people, democrats and republicans, get a whack at him at the polls. The democratic vote, along with the anti-high tariff republican vote, would put a deserved extinguisher upon the fellow from little Rhode Island who opposed the interests of the people.

Taft is sort of a sporting president. He follows football, base ball, and now he is down in Mexico to see a bull fight. A telegram from Juarez, Mexico, says: "The city authorities here voted to appropriate \$20,000 to entertain Presidents Diaz and Taft when they meet on Oct. 16. The city will be profusely decorated. A bull fight will be held for the entertainment of the presidents."

Jos. H. Hoffman, of Millheim, left for Annapolis, Md., where he has enrolled as a cadet in the United States Naval Academy.

TEDDY HAS shipped to the Smithsonian Institute twelve barrels of hides from wild animals he has shot in his African hunt, which are to be cured and placed as an exhibit in that institute. There is one hide he did not get yet—that of the ugly, nasty American Trust which he pretended to be gunning for while he was President. These monsters should have been dispatched years ago and their hides put in the vats and pickle instead of having the animals run unchecked to prey upon the millions of honest American toilers.

It is a well-known fact that during the civil war unscrupulous manufacturers tried to make money out of the poor soldiers who were fighting the battles at the front by supplying them with shoddy clothing. It looked well enough when it was new, but fell to pieces when the soldiers lay soaking in the trenches, or on the long marches through the rain and snow. Shoes were given them with paper or pasteboard soles instead of good honest leather, and a few days of rain and mud showed of what sort they were. Suffering and disease came to the poor soldiers through these dishonest gains. But then, by such business, said these manufacturers, "we have our wealth." They cared only for their own gains.

HARRIMAN, of the New York Central, the railroad king, by a recent dicker, became the greatest railroad head of the world. Well, the CENTRE DEMOCRAT pokes it at Harriman, that he does not have the L. & T., nor the Bellefonte Central, nor the Bellefonte and Nittany Valley railroads under his thumb—and that is something. On reading the following news item from France we concluded we would rather occupy our own shoes than his: "Edward H. Harriman, in a roller chair, was taken from the railroad station to the steamer Kaiser William II and embarked for America. The chair was taken aboard indicating that Mr. Harriman was too weak to walk the deck."

George Graham, a notorious convict who escaped from the Carlisle jail, was shot to death on the street in Harrisburg on Friday while resisting arrest.

The tuition is generally pretty high in the school of experience.

WORD TO FARMERS.

Ed. Democrat: Like the seasons of the year, regularly come the fluctuations of the grain market. Recently the price of wheat went way up, but then only a few farmers had the grain to sell. The report then was that the rise was normal, due to a world scarcity; but the price is now going down, down, and still the people are eating up, what was then reported scarce. Strange, isn't it; but you know since the farmer has harvested his wheat and has the stuff to sell it wouldn't do to have the price high. The report now goes out that there's a bumper crop, hence the decline in price. The price will stay down until next spring, when reports will go out that the wheat is "a poor stand, winter killed, flooded, eaten by fly;" or some other old tale of woe will do to make you think there is going to be a failure and the price will go up. Then, as usual, farmers at that time will have little to sell; the gamblers have bought your grain during summer fall and winter when the price was low, now have it to sell so they boost the price by howling calamity every spring. There is universal crop failure every summer; after harvest begins there is a bumper crop being cut—ever notice it? Until a law is enacted that will stop gambling in food products this will go on as usual. The only way we see to put a stop to it is to quit selling grain right after harvest, store all you can and hold it until the price goes soaring in spring; then let loose of it and you'll see some rascals go broke. A few lessons will stop the nuisance. But better than breaking a few gamblers, which also hurts legitimate business, will be the method of selling grain in the spring. If you dump on a full market you get low prices and give the gambler a chance to bet on farm products. If you hold it and sell along through the winter gradually, holding a good portion until spring then the gamblers never know what the farmer has up his sleeve to break any corner with and they will be cautious about trying to make a corner.

Nittanyvalley Farmer.

GUESSING AT A TARIFF.

"The true principle of protection," says the Republican platform, "is best maintained by the imposition of such duties as will equal the difference between cost of production at home and abroad." That has long been the cardinal theory of protection. So it would seem that, in framing a tariff bill on true protective principles, the first step would be to ascertain the difference between cost of production at home and abroad.

No such step has ever yet been taken. All the tariff bills have been based substantially upon the ex parte testimony of interested persons. Even after it was well settled that a new bill would be framed in 1909, the protectionist party in Congress refused to authorize a scientific investigation of the facts in the case. Even now the country is without authoritative information as to the relation between a given duty and the difference in cost of production at home and abroad. It may have Mr. Gary's statement on one side and Mr. Carnegie's on the other, or a glove manufacturer's allegations and the contradictory allegations of a glove importer; but there is no impartial, determinative finding to which it can turn.

A revision of the tariff is a fearful thing; but one revision will be followed by agitation for another until the country knows the truth. If we have the report of an impartial scientific tariff commission, this subject of import duties will continue an open and lively one.—Saturday Evening Post.

CLOTHING UP, WAGES DOWN.

The manager of A. B. Kerschbaum & Co., one of the largest clothing manufacturers of Philadelphia for the wholesale trade, is quoted as saying that men's clothing will be 10 to 15 per cent. higher this fall than it has ever been, because of the increased tariff on wool. But there has not been an increase of 10 or 15 or any other per cent. in the wages of the men and women in the textile mills.

The wage worker gets none of the benefits of the increased tariff. The manufacturer gets it all and the working men of Pennsylvania keep on voting to give it to him year after year. He is rich and getting richer, while they are poor and have increasingly hard work to make both ends meet because the tariff has outrageously increased the cost of all the necessities of life; absolutely nullifying so far as the wage earner is concerned, all the benefits that otherwise would come to him because of prodigiously bountiful

GETTING CHEAP.

Well, you've got your tariff, and I suppose have been lying awake nights listening to the crash of prices on their way down. Maybe you have even tried to catch sight of them in their rapid descent.

Or did you dream it? The shoe men say there will be no reduction in the price of shoes, and the lumber men say boards will cost just as much. Stockings will be held for the old price, and gloves will be there or thereabouts. Other things too numerous to mention show symptoms of solidity comparable only to the Rock of Ages.

But dragon's blood is down, as is that other sterling old stand-by, nuxvomica. People can now buy their dragon's blood by the bushel, if it comes that way, and nix vomica by the carload at a reduced rate, with a further reduction for cash in ten days. Great revival of the nuxvomica trade is predicted just as soon as folks can sweep out their woodsheds so they will have a place to store the stuff.

FAIRVIEW.—Beggs Twp. Emma Watkins, of Bellefonte, is spending a few days with her parents, Wm. Watkins.

Lizzie Lucas has returned to her work at the home of Foster Bates, at Canada.

Carrie Beomet, of Summit Hill, spent Sunday with Mrs. Amelia Chapman.

Mrs. Tom Heaton, of Glen Harris, spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. A. J. Lucas.

ROBBER HOLDS UP PENNSY EXPRESS

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to be slightly damaged, glass in cab and also the headlight being broken, the front end of the pilot was also damaged to some extent, and there were some other slight breaks.

Railroad officials on receiving the news of the holdup immediately notified the head of the middle division police department, and several officers were immediately rushed to the scene and began an investigation. They found that the highwayman in planning the holdup had enough dynamite to have blown up the entire train. They found eight sticks of the dangerous explosive lying along the track and arranged in such a manner that had the engine and train not stopped when they did that they would have been blown from the track. They soon located the point where the highwayman had compelled the trainmen to carry the bullion and Lincoln pennies. They found the bag containing the bullion, the fellow evidently concluding that it was valueless to him as was also the big bag of pennies, which he had ripped open. There were also a couple of the smaller bags and some of the other packages that had been dropped into the highwayman's express car. From this point the officers traced the man right up the side of the mountain, over the rocks and through the underbrush, following him by the trace of pennies that he had left behind. On the way along they picked up some \$24 in pennies. Near the top of the mountain and where all trace of the highwayman was lost Lieutenant Springer found two of the \$10 bags of pennies and quite a number of loose ones lying about on the rocks. It was evident to the officers that the man had ripped open some of the bags in order to fill his pockets with the now much sought after coins. Yesterday afternoon the officials reported that all the bullion and all of the \$200 in pennies had been recovered with the exceptions of six bags containing \$60 worth of pennies and \$5 worth that was lost or stowed away in the bandit's pockets.

The trainmen could not get a good view of him in the darkness on account of the mask he wore. It was made out of a portion of a gunny sack, with holes cut in it for eyes. It was worn in such a manner as to hide the entire face and head from view of the trainmen. It is reported also that the police found a pair of blue jumpers that the man wore.

The robber missed a chance to acquire a half million dollars or more in government funds. The five iron safes in the car were filled with currency and their contents totalled \$500,000.

A despatch from Pittsburg says that Pittsburg banks have lost at least \$15,000 by the robbery. There were delivered at the local office of the company Tuesday morning a bundle of rifled envelopes which were found some distance from the robbed train, and each of them is said to have contained money consigned from New York to Pittsburg banks.

That the hold-up was thoroughly planned by men who knew the railroad is the general belief of the train crew. No better place than the Lewistown Narrows could have been selected on the entire Pennsylvania system. With the Black Log mountains on the one side and the Juniata river and Jacks mountains on the other, it is the loneliest spot between New York and Chicago, and the point where the train was stopped is three miles from a block station which is located near the Lewistown Junction.

A pack of trained bloodhounds reached Lewistown before daylight Wednesday morning. They were started on the trail at once. The trail of the fleeing highwayman was kept clear of trespassers. The dogs caught the scent as soon as they were taken to the spot and it is believed they will run the man to earth.

TRUTHFULLY SPOKEN

"That the cost of living is unconscionably, unprecedently, alarmingly high and that it is steadily getting higher are facts with which all of us are familiar by more or less painful experience.

Nearly everything that enters into our daily existence is costing from 30 to 50 per cent. more than it did 12 or 15 years ago. Wages have risen in that time, but hardly in the same proportion, and it is becoming a serious question with millions of hard working men to make both ends meet; what are they going to do if this thing keeps up?"

The above is from the Philadelphia Inquirer, and is a remarkable admission from a high tariff organ. Since the last tariff was enacted all woolen goods have advanced, cotton fabrics went up with a leap. All along the line there has been an advance—except wages. We voted for these things; why should we complain?

The recent announcement made by a railroad president that railroads are friendly to farmers is not so surprising. They ought to be. Farmers furnish a generous slice of the railroad business, and at the same time contribute a pretty penny toward paying the freight.

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THE LEAGUE DEFUNCT.

Friday, when the Lock Haven base ball team came to Bellefonte with a battery from Atlantic City and \$800 in their pockets to bet on the game, was the straw that broke the back of the Central Pennsylvania League. Before the game started the cat jumped out of the bag, and instead of playing the scheduled League game the large audience witnessed nothing more than a contest or exhibition game. In hiring professional men from the Atlantic team of Philadelphia, just for speculation was going a step too far, and the Bellefonte team wisely withdrew from further contest with Lock Haven. On Saturday Renovo, for like reasons, withdrew from the league, and on Monday the manager got together and decided to abandon and close up shop. In the following letter J. M. Cunningham, manager of the Bellefonte team, clearly defines his position:

Bellefonte, Pa., August 30th, 1909. Dr. George D. Green, Pres. of the Cen. Penna. League, Lock Haven, Pa.

Dear Sir:— I write to confirm my conversation by telephone today with Mr. Reilly, the secretary of the league, in which I informed him that the Bellefonte Base Ball Club has withdrawn from the Central Pennsylvania League, and in doing so we desire to state our reasons.

Our conception of the purpose of the league was to play good, but clean, base ball in honest and straightforward rivalry among the communities interested in the respective clubs, and we think that we have maintained that standard throughout. Recent developments have convinced us that this original purpose of the league is not being maintained. In support of this assertion we would particularly refer to the disregard which has lately been shown to a resolution adopted at a recent meeting of the league at Lock Haven, to the effect that any players signed by any of the clubs from and after the date of that meeting were to be bona fide players of such club and should remain with the club and upon its salary list for the balance of the season.

We regret very much that we are forced to take this position, but we are satisfied that it is no longer possible to maintain the character of base ball intended when we entered the league; and this is the only kind of base ball which our club will play, or our community countenance.

We regret this the more because our communities are deprived of the character of base ball which this league presented to its supporters and patrons before such practices were indulged in. The contests were close, good ball was played and our communities had a sport that was fair and clean between evenly matched teams. The practices that are now indulged in can do nothing else than degrade the spirit of the game and are calculated to produce nothing more than a mere gambling contest.

Very truly yours, J. M. Cunningham, Mgr. of Bellefonte Base Ball Ass'n.

The Williamsport Grit, an independent paper says: "The \$100,000 given Secretary Knox to hire experts to inform American manufacturers how they can extend their foreign commerce would have been spent much better informing Americans how they could keep from having Congresses to enact criminal tariff laws." That is another pointer as to how the tariff recently was revised.

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J. S. GILLIAM, Prop. Bellefonte, Pa. Sept. 2, 1909.

ALMOST A PERFECT RECORD

Result of Efficiency Tests Made by Penna. R. R. For Six Months.

Over 156,000 efficiency tests were made by the Pennsylvania railroad in the first six months of this year, and practically a perfect record was made by the employees. These figures are shown in a report issued Saturday by the railroad. The average number of tests made each day was 862, and of the total for the six months, 99.6 per cent. were perfect. In the 4 per cent. of failures are included the cases where enginesmen passed signals by a few feet before stopping the trains, and similar cases, which though technical violations, were not such as would make possible an accident to the train.

Efficiency, or surprise tests, are conducted by officials of the Pennsylvania railroad, who, at unusual times and places, set signals at caution or danger extinguish signal lights, display fuses or place torpedoes on the track, with a view to keeping enginesmen constantly on the alert for any and all signals. In conducting surprise tests the officials sometimes extinguish signals lamps and while enginesmen may stop at the signal, failure to report the dark lamp at the next station lays them liable to suspension. Failure to observe any of the rules regarding the operation of trains is disciplined.

The tests made in the first six months of this year were divided into four classes, in which the following records were made by the men: Block signal rules, 24,292 tests, of which 99.6 per cent. showed perfect observance on the part of employees; rules governing flagmen, and the use of fuses, torpedoes, and other signals, 25,042 tests, with 99.5 per cent. perfect; trains ahead of schedule time, 53,503 tests, with 99.7 per cent. perfect; signalmen relieving each other, 99.9 per cent. perfect out of 56,112 tests.

The New York division—the line between New York and Philadelphia, showed a perfect record in all signal

tests, as did the Cresson and the Central divisions. On the Sunbury and Shamokin divisions a total of 8,732 signal rule tests were made and in only nine cases was the observance imperfect. Nine of the 26 divisions reported perfect observance of all block signal rules; five were perfect in other signals, twenty-one of the trains running ahead of schedule time and ten in signalmen relieving each other.



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