

WHY BUSINESS IS BOOMING.

The Situation as Viewed by a Prominent Agriculturist.

HOW FARMERS SHOULD VOTE

Pennsylvanians Must Roll Up a Big Republican Majority and Lead in the Canvass for McKinley's Re-election.

It is not always the experienced business man that puts things in the truest and most forcible English when he has anything to say. The intelligent, wide awake agriculturist, who has an opportunity to study public questions and to form his own opinions from well established facts, frequently has a knack of expressing himself in a manner that leaves no room to doubt his convictions or to successfully controvert his conclusions. John Hamilton, who is secretary of the agriculturist and a consistent Republican as well, in commenting upon the present political situation he said:

"Government is a business. Business upon a colossal scale, conducted by men delegated to act for the whole people, and these delegated men are instructed by the people to carry into operation and effect the great leading principles which the majority for the time professes to believe.

"In 1892 'tariff for revenue only' supplanted as a business principle 'tariff for protection of industry,' and the effect of this radical change of an essential principle was instantly perceived. Mills that formerly run uninterruptedly began to close their gates, fall away. Foreign goods began to pour in upon our shores; labor began to be idle in our streets; building began to suspend construction; money, which had been abundant, began to grow scarce; mines and furnaces began to close out their business; prices began to drop; soup houses began to rise and tramps throughout the high ways; capital grew timid; lenders at home and abroad called for their cash; the sheriff's sales were posted upon every billboard. The whole country was in industrial and social despair. Even the government, to protect itself from utter overthrow, along with that which had overtaken her citizens, was compelled to go out into the markets of the world and borrow money at exorbitant cost, to the extent of \$25,000,000, in time of peace, to meet the expenses of the state. Four long years of this experiment, 'tariff for revenue only,' continued, when again, in 1896, the parties came up before the people for their judgment.

"The Democratic party, knowing and fearing their record, and that the old cry of 'tariff for revenue only' would cause their overwhelming defeat, invented a new issue, with which they hoped to overshadow the old one of 1892, and they called it '16 to 1.' The 'free coinage of silver' was the Democratic war cry, and the Republicans stood, as of old, for 'sound money and the protection of American industry.' The Republicans took up as their candidate and leader that noble representative, William McKinley, the author of the tariff act of 1890, and the Democrats appropriated a man up to that time comparatively unknown, but whose record as a believer in the free coinage of silver, '16 to 1,' was open and pronounced.

"The Democrats contended that the 16 to 1 had been endured during the four years of their administration, and which could not be disguised, were due to the unsatisfactory condition of the currency of the country, and proclaimed that if there could be the free and unlimited coinage of silver, '16 to 1' troubles would be at an end, and all henceforth would be well. To this idea they rallied all the factions and all of the parties, north, south, east and west who were opposed to the Republican idea, and the battle was fought out on this issue as no previous battle had ever before been fought. Foreign nations, as spectators of the conflict, predicted as a result the overthrow of the financial system of the country, and perhaps the ultimate destruction of the republic, and many conservative, thoughtful citizens at home were seriously questioning whether a free people, made up of such diverse elements as composed the American nation, could govern themselves.

"When, however, the election day came, the Republicans had clearly shown that the injury to the business of the country and our other industrial life were not due to the money question at all, but that the tariff policy of the Democratic party was the cause of all our disturbances in business, and promised that if the Republican idea that a tariff for the protection of American industry were related prosperity would return and business resume its beneficent way all over the land.

"McKinley and Prosperity.

"Major McKinley was elected; no change has been made in the financial system; no other part of our business has been seriously modified; all is left substantially as before, except two things: One is that the 'tariff for revenue only' has been stricken off and a 'tariff for the protection of American industry' has been restored. The other is that Republican citizens who believe in this doctrine of 'protection to American labor' have been put in office to carry the law into effect.

"What is the result? Listen to these clippings, taken from Democratic papers in a single day of the current month.

"Here is what the Philadelphia Record says: 'The output of pig iron in July was greater than in any other July since iron was first made in the United States, but the demand is so brisk that buyers complain of a pig iron famine. But for the fact that the markets of all the rest of the world are in practically the same condition

"The 'Plover Boy Preacher,' Rev. J. Kirkman, Belle Reve, Ill., says, 'after suffering from bronchitis or lung trouble for ten years, I was cured by One Minute Cough Cure. It is all that is claimed for it and more.' It cures coughs, colds, grippe and all throat and lung troubles, Health & Killmer.

"Eat plenty, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will digest what you eat. It cures all forms of dyspepsia and stomach troubles. E. R. Gamble, Vernon, Tex., says, 'I relieved me from the stars and cured me. It is now my everlasting friend. Health & Killmer.

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of under supply the boom in prices might be esteemed close to the point of collapse, but the condition of the industry gives no sign of weakness."

STEEL FOR INDIA.

"Here is another from the Harrisburg Patriot of the same day, headed, 'More Steel for India.' 'Thirty-nine Carloads Moved Last Night—Rail Shipments.' 'Another big shipment of steel for India was made from Steelton last night. Thirty-nine cars of the heavy steel were sent east over the Pennsylvania railroad. Contrary to former announcements this will not be the last shipment made for the big viaduct. The 39 cars sent east last night raise the entire shipment made to date to about 100 carloads. This, it is now announced, comprises but one-half of the metal to be used and will make up the cargo of one steamer. The rest will be shipped later, but the exact date is not known. The metal will go by way of New York, thence across the Atlantic and east by way of the Suez canal route. This has been a busy week at the works, and the mills have had difficulty in getting enough raw material to keep them in operation. Yesterday the first instalment of about 200 cars of iron ore arrived. It was lake ore and came from Erie by way of the Pennsylvania. It will be turned into iron as quickly as possible and given out for consumption to the different departments. The rail mill has been busy, but the shipments during the past few days have been light. Earlier in the week the shipments were heavier, and as high as 26 carloads going out in one train. These rails are of the best type."

"Here is still another, taken from the Philadelphia Record, headed, 'Big Cargo of Locomotives.' 'The Puritan Will Sail Today for Russia With Forty of Them.' 'The British steamship Puritan will clear today for China and Siberia with the largest cargo of railway material that has ever gone from any port in the United States. Her destination is Vladivostok and New Chung. She will take out 49 Baldwin locomotives and tenders and 18 steel bridges for the Chinese Eastern railroad, besides several thousand tons of miscellaneous cargo. She will proceed via the Suez canal direct to Vladivostok, afterward returning to New Chung to complete discharging her cargo. The Puritan will be followed to the Russian Black sea ports by an almost similar cargo which the British steamship Uplands is now loading."

"Where in all the long doleful four years from 1892 to 1896 could such articles as these have been clipped? If you were to search all the files of all the papers, Democratic, Republican, Populist, Prohibition and insurgent, printed in that time, where could such statements as these be found? But now, every page of every paper is filled with advertisements of business, until one can scarcely find the news in the midst of the elaborate display. The mills and mines are overwhelmed with orders, and day and night, Sunday and Monday, wet and dry, hot and cold, in season and out, on they go in the wild race to overtake their orders, given from six months to a year ahead.

WHAT CAUSED THE CHANGE.

"Who did all this? Well, it was not the Democratic party. What did all this? Well, it was not '16 to 1,' or the issue of additional money, either, to inflate or corrupt our currency.

"To convince you that it was not the Democratic idea of more money that wrought this change, listen to some facts. In 1894, when business was at its lowest ebb, the per capita of money in this country was \$35.39. In 1899, on the 1st day of August, it was \$33.01, or \$2.38 less than it was in 1894. The amount in 1894 in circulation was \$24.28, and on the 1st of August, 1899, it was \$25.31, or only \$1.03 more than it was in 1894. It is, therefore, clear to every reasoning man that the prosperity which is now upon us has not been due to the amount of money present in the country nor to the amount in circulation, for there is less today than there was in 1894, when the country was in the depths of business despair, and it must be owing to some other cause not directly related to the money question at all.

"What change was made by the Republican administration when it came into power in 1897? Only this one. A tariff schedule was protected by wise tariff schedule. This is all that was done, and to this, and this alone, is due the marvelous prosperity which we now experience and enjoy. The business management was changed. Experiments with the people's occupations by which their livelihood is secured were abandoned, and the old and well tried and effective doctrine of 'protection to American industry' was restored. This is all, and as the Democrats look on today and hear the deafening whirl of business around them on every side, and see the activity and cheerfulness of men, where only three short years ago all was still and silent as the grave, they explain with astonishment with one accord whenever they suppose that no one can hear, 'it certainly beats the band.'

"In view of facts like these, are the farmers of Pennsylvania interested in the business management of this country? If they are, then how should the farmers of Pennsylvania vote? Shall they be guided simply by the inherited tendencies and traditions of their fathers, or shall they awake from the sentimental side of politics and throw their influence, their voice and their vote in favor of that organization of their fellow citizens which has uniformly and consistently given good government, sound money and prosperous conditions to the commonwealth, and to the whole nation, whenever they had control, or will they as business men use their influence, raise their voices and cast their votes in favor of that organized portion of their fellow citizens which has failed continuously and uniformly in their administration of both state and national affairs, whenever their party has been in power?

"When the Republicans of Pennsylvania assumed the reins of government in this state the legacy they inherited from their Democratic predecessors was a debt of over \$40,000,000. On the 30th of November, 1898, this debt had been almost wholly extinguished, the balance that was left

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of \$3,000,000 of Democratic debt paid from 1891 to 1898, and if the present deficiency in the revenue is added to this legacy of debt which the Democrats have left us, the entire debt of the commonwealth will not exceed over \$4,000,000. How is that for business management, during all the turbulent times of war, and the alleged mismanagement of the Republican party in Pennsylvania? Surely no business man within the limits of this commonwealth can show a better balance sheet in all these years than the good old commonwealth under the business management of the Republican party from 1861. If a lifetime of integrity and business success is a strong endorsement of the capacity and integrity of a business man, is it not also true that 38 years of business success and political integrity upon the part of a great political party entitles it to the confidence and respect of all right thinking citizens and business men who love their commonwealth and desire only her highest good? With history so recent and with a record so pronounced as these two parties present, no intelligent citizen can long hesitate upon which side to cast his vote. The Republican party has deserved support, and in view of her efficient and progressive spirit, as manifested in the past, the great body of patriotic, liberty loving and progressive people of this dear old commonwealth will continue as heretofore to give her their very cordial and most enthusiastic support.

"Pennsylvania should this fall roll up big Republican majorities for Colonel James E. Barnett, the candidate for state treasurer, and his colleagues on the Republican state ticket. The Keystone state shall lead in the movement for the re-election of President McKinley next year."

PRINCIPLES THAT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN PENNSYLVANIA STAND FOR THIS FALL

Under the leadership of President McKinley the Republicans of Pennsylvania look with confidence to the result of the election in November next. They presented the issues boldly in their platform adopted at the Republican state convention held at Harrisburg on Aug. 24, 1899, when they declared:

"That we congratulate the American people upon the results of the campaign of 1896, the establishment of a sound currency, the securing of proper protection to American industries, and the election of that champion of the common people, William McKinley, to be president of the United States. The Republican party has been in control of the national government for little more than two years, and



during that time every promise made by it has been fulfilled. Business is active and remunerative, labor is employed at good and increasing wages, capital has an ample field for investment, and an era of unexampled prosperity has been inaugurated. Much of the success of the Republican policy adopted in 1896 is due to the good judgment, wise counsel, administrative ability, far reaching diplomacy and broad minded statesmanship of our patriotic president. We firmly support and fully endorse his administration and place on record the wish of the Republican people that he be re-nominated to lead our hosts to victory in the campaign of 1900, and to this end we recommend the election of delegates who will give his candidacy earnest and vigorous support in the next national convention.

REPUBLICAN CHAIRMAN HANNA.
Here is what the chairman of the Republican national committee says:

"There is no doubt that the state elections this fall will be taken as an index of the sentiment of the American people upon the issues of an approaching national campaign. It is, therefore, important that every Republican vote shall be cast in November for the candidates on the Republican state tickets in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Iowa and in other states in which there are local contests for important offices. All our Republican majorities this year should be as large as possible to emphasize the popular feeling.

"Of course, I believe that President McKinley will be re-nominated. I think that industrial conditions and the Philippine war will prove factors in the coming campaign. The Philippine war will be made an issue by the Democratic party, but we have nothing to fear. I would as lief have so-called anti-expansion made an issue as I would have the silver question, for silver is an old man of the sea. I am not afraid of the outcome among the people. I have reasoned out that the sound judgment of the people is that they do not want to bring about a change. They will not, I believe, by their own act change the conditions of the country.

"The United States has entered on an era of prosperity. The promises of the Republican party have been kept. The commercial conditions of the country are sound, and this prosperity is based on confidence. I am confident of sweeping Republican victories."

M. A. HANNA,
Chairman Republican National Committee.

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KEEP UP THE VOTE.

Republicans of Pennsylvania Have a National Duty to Perform This Year.

"The candidates on the state ticket," says Colonel A. Nevin Pomeroy, of the Franklin Repository, "represent the Republican party of Pennsylvania, and no Republican who has given the matter serious thought will think of voting against that party this year. Even if the candidates were not what they are it should be remembered that they represent a party that has brought so much prosperity to us, and one which has exceedingly grave issues to dispose of. The people have placed the disposition of these matters in the hands of the Republican party, and they owe it to that party to uphold its hands until the affairs of so much importance are finally adjusted.

"If ever in the history of the country it was necessary for the Republican party to roll up a big majority it is this year. No one denies that President McKinley should be elected next year. His record of the past three years entitles him to a re-election; the future prosperity of the country demands it. A reduction in the Republican vote this year simply gives encouragement to the opposition for the battle of 1900. The Republican vote in Pennsylvania this fall should be larger than it has ever been in the past."

Barnett's Welcome.
"Colonel Barnett's welcome at the Academy of Music," says the Philadelphia Call, commenting on Barnett's Philippine speech at the Grand Army encampment, "was a tribute of the old soldier to the heroism of the new and a worthy recognition of Pennsylvania's part in the war history of the present day."

WHAT A BIG VOTE FOR THE DEMOCRACY IN PENNSYLVANIA IN NOVEMBER MEANS

From Pennsylvania's Democratic organization, through the state convention held at Harrisburg on June 14, 1899, came the first official declaration of the issue of William Jennings Bryan that was given in the present movement to make Bryan the Democratic nominee for president in 1900. The Democratic machines of Iowa, Nebraska, Kentucky and other states have since fallen into line and already the opening guns are being fired in the skirmishing throughout the country for next year's greater battle between McKinley and Bryan. While those Democrats favoring a state issue campaign in Pennsylvania this year fought vigorously to keep Bryan's name out of the state platform, the silverites had control of the party organization,



and they were determined to place on record their loyalty and devotion to their Nebraska champion. They did this in an unequivocal and emphatic declaration in the first plank in the platform. Since the adoption of this platform, the state organization having been placed on record for Bryan, the state chairman has been trying to make the contest a state issue campaign in the hope of getting the sound money Democrats for the ticket. A big vote for the Democratic candidates next month will be hailed with delight by the Bryanites. The Pennsylvania platform says:

First—The Democracy of Pennsylvania in convention assembled, again renewing our pledges of fidelity and devotion to the sacred rights of the people; true to the faith and principles of our party, as declared in the platforms of our several national conventions (not the iniquitous Chicago platform not excepted), and PROUD OF OUR NATIONAL LEADER, WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, realize that the issues involved in the coming campaign in Pennsylvania are honest government, clean politics and the redemption of our state from Republican misrule and corruption.

DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN JONES.
The chairman of the Democratic national committee has this to say, in an interview just cabled from London, where he is recuperating from his recent attack of sickness:

"Democrats everywhere, according to my correspondence, are falling into line for the great national campaign of 1900. The vote in the state elections this fall will demonstrate that our party is getting into splendid shape for the coming presidential election.

"The Democratic party in the next presidential campaign will fight on a platform of anti-imperialism, free silver, anti-trusts and the reduction of tariffs. These are of prime importance, and I believe will be unequivocally indorsed by the convention. Other issues will be met as they arise. I personally believe in giving the Philippines absolute self government and in telling the world to keep its hands off in the Philippines.

"William J. Bryan will surely be the Democratic nominee for president. Goebel is the regular nominee of the Kentucky Democrats, and therefore should be supported. Goebel will win.

"McLean, by his splendid service to the party in 1896, ought to carry everything in Ohio." J. K. JONES,
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TAX ACCOUNTS INCREASED.

A Gratifying Showing Made by State Comptroller William J. Morgan.
ALBANY, Oct. 10.—State Comptroller William J. Morgan has just balanced the tax accounts for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1899. The showing is a very gratifying one. The total tax collected from corporations in 1899 is greater than in any other year since the corporation tax laws were enacted and the receipts from the transfer or inheritance tax are greater than in any preceding year, with the single exception of the year 1893, when the total reached \$3,071,687. Of this latter amount however four estates paid into the treasury \$1,056,137.

During the tax year just closed 358 companies were added to the list of tax paying corporations. The net increase for the year, however, was only 417, as 541 corporations that had previously paid taxes had either been declared exempt by the courts or had gone out of business. There is a steady increase in the number of corporations coming within the purview of the corporation tax laws.

Comptroller Morgan, in addition to giving close attention to tax matters in this state, has extended his observations elsewhere and has collected some very interesting data. During the past year the number of corporations organized in this state and in New Jersey, with the amount of organization tax collected, was as follows:

In New Jersey there were 1,928 incorporations organized, paying a tax of \$728,000, while in New York there were 1,839 incorporations organized paying only \$474,000 tax, giving New Jersey an excess in taxes of \$254,000.

The feature of this exhibit which should attract the attention of the people of this state is that, while the number of corporations organized in the two states is nearly the same and the tax rate vastly higher in this state, being one-eighth of one per cent in New York, in one-fifth of one per cent in New Jersey, the amount of tax collected in New Jersey is one and one-half times greater than here. This shows that the small corporations sought organization in this state, while the wealthy ones went to New Jersey. At the rates charged for organization in the two states, the amount of tax collected indicates that about \$2,000,000 of capital sought organization in New Jersey to about \$300,000,000 in this state.

Comptroller Morgan is of the opinion that about 80 per cent of the \$3,000,000,000 incorporated in New Jersey last year was New York money. He is also of the opinion that if the bill introduced in our legislature last winter had passed, reducing the rate of the organization tax to the figures charged in New Jersey, a large proportion of this immense amount of new capital would have been organized in this state, where it is employed in business. By charging a low rate for organization New Jersey not only collected more money for organization than this state does but it also brings the immense amount of capital incorporated within reach of its annual tax of one-tenth of one per cent.

The receipts from the transfer or inheritance tax, during the past three years were as follows: Fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1899, \$2,194,612.24; fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1898, \$1,997,210.24; fiscal year ended 1897 or 1898 was \$197,402, and over 1897, \$364,670.41.

MOTORS ON THE CANAL.

A Test Will Be Made as Soon as Permission Can Be Obtained.

ALBANY, Oct. 7.—Frank W. Hawley of the Erie Canal Electric Traction company, which controls the use of storage batteries for canal boat propulsion as well as patents covering electric tractors, came to Albany to see Superintendent Partridge of the department of public works relative to the making of a test of his company's new motors on the canal.

Superintendent Partridge was sitting in an executive session of the canal advisory committee and Mr. Hawley left for Troy with a party of the company's engineers.

From Troy he will go along the tow path of the Erie canal to Schenectady and make a survey of the route preliminary to a test of the motors.

As soon as he can secure permission from Superintendent Partridge Mr. Hawley intends to make a test of these motors on the canal.

W. C. T. U. Officers Re-Elected.
BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Oct. 6.—At the state W. C. T. U. convention, the former officers of the association were re-elected, as follows: President, Mrs. Ella A. Soole of West New Brighton; first vice-president, Miss Celia S. Hutcheon of Pen Yan; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Frances Graham, Lockport; recording secretary, Mrs. Nellie H. Hutchinson of Oswego; treasurer, Mrs. Ellen L. Tenney of Albany; secretary of the young women's branch, Mrs. Cora E. Seberry of Brooklyn; secretary of the loyal temperance legion branch, Mrs. H. A. Metcalf of Brooklyn. The total enrollment of the official delegates at the convention is 350.

A Battle Flag Restored.
DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 7.—The tattered battleflag of Terry's Texas rangers, captured by the Indiana soldiers during the civil war, was restored to the remnant of the gallant Confederate band, the ceremonies taking place in the auditorium at the fair grounds. Governor Mount, of Indiana, and staff; Governor Sayers, of Texas, and staff, and an immense crowd of G. A. R. men, ex-Confederate and Texas citizens were present.

Thirty Mile Electric Line.
ALBANY, Oct. 10.—The state board of railroad commissioners has granted the application of the Newark Belt Line traction company for permission to construct an electric road from Minneola through Hampstead, to Long Beach a distance of 30 miles. The company's capital stock is \$300,000.

Knit Underwear Trust Forming.
ALBANY, Oct. 5.—A knit underwear trust is in preparation. The officers were elected in this city and the final meeting is to be held on Thursday next at the Ten Eyck hotel.

Secm Satisfied With Their Mayor.
SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 10.—At the Democratic city convention, James K. McGuire was unanimously re-nominated for mayor. He has served two terms as mayor of this city.

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