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TARIFF HYSTERIA.

A DISEASE ALWAYS ATTENDED WITH BAD CONSEQUENCES.

It Produced Widespread Woe In the Epidemic of Seven Years Ago, and Its Effect at This Time Would Be Worse Than Ever Before.

It may be true that the Hon. Joseph Sibley has had a rather peripatetic po-litical career. It is much more to his redit that through devious ways he has found the light than that he should have remained forever immersed in the darkness of Democracy. When, therefore, he warns the country against tariff reform hysteria, his words are to be taken in the light of his present knowledge and not of his former igno-rance. Some Democrats of the Bourbon type may think it a great joy to refer to the time when Mr. Sibley thought otherwise, and they may thought otherwise, and they may shrick themselves hoarse over proofs of his inconsistency, but the sensible men will rejoice rather that the Penn-sylvanian has adopted sound doctrine than that Mr. Williams, his Mississippi critic, remains oblivious to the most patent facts. It is true that occasionally from the

The that occasionally from the lecture rooms of universities and from the platforms of discredited parties there bursts forth a sort of hysteria demanding "tariff reform." Our Iowa friends had some views on this subject which were greatly distorted by Dem-ocrats for political effect, but the inci-dent was of no importance and is closed. There is no more general de-mand for tariff reform than there is for the admission of Chinese coolies, and both are equally undesirable. In this connection tariff reform, of course, re-fers to the nonprotective ideas of Democracy. The honeyed words are used to mask an attack on the whole protective system. No one claims that the Dingley bill is an inspired work or that it is perfect, but the majority agrees that it is an excellent document and that it is much better to maintain a system even with slight imperfections than to do great injury to many interests by attempting to tinker up weak spots.

In this connection it is not necessary to do more than refer to the unfortu-nate event of 1892 and its conse-quences. At a time when the nation was enjoying a theretofore unexampled prosperity the people went after the strange gods of Democracy and plunged it into the slough of despond of 1803, from which it did not emerge for four years, or until triumphant Republicanism had restored protection as the basis of our industrial system. The tariff reform hysteria of 1892 produced widespread woe. A similar attack at this time could only accomplish a much worse situation. Mr. Sibley is right in his warning. Not unless the American people forget will they allow them-selves to be carried away by this dead ly political disease.—Philadelphia In-quirer.

Hoofs Upward.

With Gorman at one end of the hal-ter and the Democratic donkey at the other lively pulling and hauling may be expected, but the latter will at leas and at last have a muleteer very fa from being so complete an ass as itself Gorman possesses some discourse or reason and a looking before and after and can give the party a kind of leader ship from which it parted some time ago, but which restored does not prom ise to keep it out of the ditch. It tends to that, hoofs upward, all the time, no matter who leads it before or kicks it behind .- New York Tribune.

A Bad Habit. Some Democratic quacks have form-ed such a habit of laying all the blame for every sort of calamity on the pro-tective tariff that if they were to see a neighbor's house on fire they would not think of a thing to do but rear back

The Bogy Man. Bryan sounds a warning pretty near-ly every day now, but people have got so hardened to it that they just go right so nardened to it that they just go right on with their business, and the warn-ing never touches them. The Nebraska bogy man ought to try to get up some-thing that will fit the conditions of the property of the source of the property of the present time.-Philadelphia Press.

Able to Care For Himself. There is satisfaction in knowing that Mr. Roosevelt is able to take care of himself under most dreumstances with-out any especial law for the protection of a president.—Terre Haute Tribune.

Democratic Opinion of Hill. If the Democratic party must split, it is probable that Dave Hill will be lost in the yawning chasm. It will be the best job a yawning chasm ever did. Denver News

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