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WORKINGMAN'S GAIN.

It Comes In the Shape of Better Wages and Shorter Workday.

In contending that prices have increased in much greater proportion than wages, a contention that is absolutely untrue, the Democratic managers do not take into consideration the shorter hours now enjoyed by the workingmen of the country as compared with a few years ago. This hour or two more of leisure to spend with the family circle or with his books or in any other manner best suited to his inclinations and conditions is a great gain for the American workingman in many ways. In some cases it means more employment; for others it means a much larger demand for the luxuries of life; it means perhaps the cultivation of the little garden and various amusements, all tending to a higher standard of living and a far larger average of the enjoyment of pleasures unknown to the workingman abroad.

Regarding this question of comparative increase in wages and prices, the Democratic managers forget that some 30,000,000 and more farmers are reaping a double benefit, which must be reflected eventually in their own increased consumption of the necessaries and luxuries of life. It will be absolutely impossible for the free traders in the coming campaign to throw any discredit whatever upon the Dingley law and its most successful operation. The government and the people are better off today, far better off, than ever before in the history of the nation. Never before in our history could we have withstood the abnormal conditions which one after another have succeeded during the past twelve months. These conditions, sufficient in themselves in other years to have created a business panic, have either been discounted in advance or met at their occurrence without any perceptible change in general business conditions.

This feature of the tariff law under which we are living cannot be too fully emphasized. So prosperous is the country at large and the whole people that in spite of having an unusual shrinkage of values in Wall street, in spite of strikes involving several hundred thousand men and consequent largely decreased purchasing power, despite great conflagrations, despite abnormally high priced cotton and despite various other unusual conditions which have come, yet it has made no ripple whatever upon the prosperity of our farmers in particular and the whole people in general. This feature of our present fiscal policy should be continually kept in mind, and the Democratic demagogue must not be allowed to deceive the people in 1904 as he did in 1892.

Two Kinds of Reciprocity.

There is a tendency in some quarters today to accept almost any tariff project that is proposed in the name of reciprocity. It ought to be needless to say that there are such things as real reciprocity and bogus reciprocity. Real reciprocity, from the protection point of view, is never at war with the defense of national industries. It is invariably complementary of and supplementary to protection. This is the only sense in which reciprocity is indorsed by Republican national platforms. Any reciprocal trade arrangement that sacrifices one class of protected industries for the benefit of another class is merely a partial application of free trade or revenue tariff principles. It amounts to class legislation, something that no honest supporter of protection can consistently sanction.

There is a species of reciprocity that looks very alluring on paper. It results in an extension of foreign trade and often cuts an imposing figure in statistics of exports. It does not show, however, how many home industries have been crippled or ruined or how many domestic wage earners have been thrown out of employment by means of it. This is the sort of reciprocity that is often advocated by professed friends, but secret foes, of protection. It is the kind that is generally favored by persons who believe in protection for whatever they produce themselves, but in free trade for whatever they consume. Anybody who urges reciprocity of this character is an interloper in the camp of protection.—New York Commercial.

Steps Toward Free Trade.

"Bargain and sale free trade" is what a pungent writer calls the scheme of reciprocity in competitive products. The designation is aptly chosen. It fits the case. Under that vicious system tariff tinkerings would become a matter of dicker and barter. Industries would be selected one by one for sacrifice on the altar of "more foreign trade" until at last no industry would remain untouched which foreign competition could strike and injure. Thus would be demonstrated the entire accuracy of the Free Trade league's definition: "Reciprocity is free trade. Partial reciprocity is a step toward free trade." When once we shall have begun taking those steps, who can tell where we shall stop?

Damon and Pythias.

David B. Hill is said to be secretly promoting a Cleveland boom in the hope that the Princeton man will be overwhelmingly defeated. How these Democrats love one another!—Philadelphia Inquirer.

COURT PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, HON. E. M. DUNHAM, President Judge, Honorables John D. Reeser and Jacob Meyer, Associate Judges of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Common Pleas for the County of Sullivan, have issued their precept, bearing date the 29 day of Feb, 1904, to me directed, for holding the several courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the 23 day of May 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Therefore, notice is hereby given to the Coroner Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county, that they be then and there in their proper person at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, with their rolls, records, inquisitions examinations and other remembrances to those things to which their offices appertain to be done. And to those who are bound by their recognizance to prosecute against prisoners who are or shall be in the jail of the said county of Sullivan, are hereby notified to be then and there to prosecute against them as will be just.

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A Harmony Conference Suggested.

Mr. Bryan also manages to carry his own state committee by three votes, and can now confer with ex-Governor Hill on the subject of Democratic harmony in Republican states.—Brooklyn Standard Union.

A Warm Quartet.

Bryan, Cleveland, Hearst and Parker! Well, there's enough inflammable material in that grouping to burn down the Democratic shanty.—Owego Times.

Nothing Else Will Provide an Issue For the Democrats This Year.

The Democrats need an issue for the campaign this year, and it begins to look as if they would be compelled to fall back upon the old question of the tariff. The wiser among them will do so with reluctance, but it is not easy to see what else is left to them. The silver issue is as dead as the question of territorial expansion, and Senator Gorman has been instrumental in making it plain to the dullest comprehension that the party cannot be rallied on a platform of opposition to the construction of the Panama canal. There does not really seem to be anything left for the Democrats to take up but the old tariff issue and on that ground they are to all appearances hopelessly divided. Ex-President Cleveland is still confident that his free trade policy did not get a fair trial and that the transformation it experienced at the hands of Senator Gorman in the senate prevented it from being the complete success he had anticipated; therefore, he is eager to try it again. Senator Gorman knows better. He, at least, has not forgotten 1896, and he is anxious to trust to any conceivable issue rather than to again fool with the tariff. And there is coming to the front in the south a school of young Democrats, of whom John Sharp Williams, the minority leader in the house of representatives, is one of the foremost, who insist that the party shall permanently abandon its traditional free trade attitude and take up, with such modifications as may serve to make a distinction between the two parties, the Republican policy of protection. It is well known to those who are familiar with recent political developments in the south that the most progressive among southern Democrats realize the advantages that the south has reaped from protection, and that only their inveterate prejudice against the Republican party because of civil war memories and also because of the Republican attitude on the negro question has held them solid for the Democratic party, even while they realized that the supremacy of Democratic policies would mean disaster to the south. If they could contrive to shunt the Democratic party on to the protectionist track they would gladly do so.

But with the most laudable intentions they are likely to blunder as badly as ever. The Washington correspondent of the Times speaks of Williams as being disposed to favor reciprocity with Canada. From a southern standpoint that might suit very well, for Canada does not compete with the south in the production of any of the great southern staples, but if it is the object of Mr. Williams to make the north solid against his party he could hardly do better than to get that party to adopt a platform in favor of reciprocity with Canada. We have had an apple out of that bag before.—Brooklyn Times.

The Tariff and Exports.

Mr. Chamberlain's speeches give us some interesting facts regarding the result of free trade in Great Britain for the last half century as compared with protection in the United States during a considerable portion of that time. For instance, he shows that, although free trade was expected to make Great Britain the workhouse of the world, yet in the twenty years from 1880 to 1901 her imports of manufactured goods increased over 71 per cent, while the increase in imports of manufactured goods to the United States during the same period was only 20 per cent. When it comes to exports of manufactured goods it is found that the increase of the United Kingdom was only 11 per cent, while the increase of the United States was 300 per cent during the twenty years from 1880 to 1901. During the same time Germany increased her exports of manufactured products 73 per cent, and even France increased her exports of manufactured goods by 22 per cent, or just double the increase shown by Great Britain. This is a most terrible indictment against the contention that free raw material is necessary for the increased sales of manufactured goods abroad.

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