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What a Well Known Economist Declares the Republican Party Has Done.

Theodore Justice, the well known Pennsylvania economist, writes as follows in a recent issue of the Philadelphia Bulletin:

There is no need any longer to wait for prosperity; it is here now, and things are going right. The day for calamity howling is over, and we have a fair and well balanced tariff law which promises to be reasonably permanent. Manufacturers and merchants can now conduct their business with relief from that crushing anxiety that accompanied the Wilson tariff act.

The wool schedule of the new tariff, which is practically the re-enactment of the McKinley rates with no changes, except such as were improvements, is generally regarded with satisfaction by those in business, and the wool growers of the United States are delighted with the result. Many of them never expected to again see adequate protection to their industry.

The Wilson act caused prices to fall to the foreign level, and also caused the closing of one-half of the American mills, thus narrowing the market for American wool one-half, as well as causing a shrinkage of one-half in the value, but under the prospect of the restoration of the McKinley rates on wool, under the name of the Dingley act, mills began to start up and the consumption of wool is now almost back to normal conditions. It is believed that for the coming year the consumption of wool by domestic manufacturers will exceed that of any previous year, not only making a market for wool, but giving employment to labor, furnishing with ability to purchase much needed household supplies, which spreads money in every direction, thus increasing the general prosperity.

For the first time in four years there is not a cloud on the horizon to menace business prosperity. Those who are anticipating an immediate boom, however, may be disappointed. The improvement, it is hastening, must be gradual. The tendency of prices will be upward. The prospect of higher cost for material acts as a spur upon the demand. Since the Wilson law was contemplated the tendency of prices for merchandise has been downward, acting as a check to business expansion, for merchants then looking their shelves were confronted with the prospect of having merchandise shrink in value before it could be disposed of. Shrinking prices has been a rule, so that loss fell upon the manufacturer, and upon the merchant; and nothing encouraging accompanied the conduct of business until good times were brought in sight by the election of President McKinley, who, although derisively termed "the advance agent of prosperity," has proven that many a word is spoken in jest. "The advance agent of prosperity" is followed by the successful realization of more than was promised, and both employer and employe can now confidently look forward to a return of the time when America is again to be the most prosperous nation.

ONE OF TWO WAYS.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles. So the womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if not doctored too much is not liable to weakness or disease, except in very close to the bladder, therefore any pain, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. A remedy is easily made and may be easily avoided. To find out correctly, set your urine aside for twenty hours, a sediment or settling matter, kidney or bladder trouble, and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the kidney and bladder remedy is realized. If you need a medicine should have it. At drug stores fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention the Middleburgh, Post and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., P.O. Box 539, Hamilton, N. Y. The proprietor of Swamp-Root guarantees the genuineness of the medicine.

WILL SOUND THE KEYNOTE.

The Ground Gained in 1896 to Be Held.

PENNSYLVANIA REPUBLICANS ARE AWAKE.

There Are No "Off Years" For the Party of Progress, Protection and Prosperity.

The sweeping swell of last year's great Republican victory in Pennsylvania will repeat itself this fall in a majority as large or greater than that polled for McKinley and Hobart. The Republican standard bearers, James S. Beacom and Major Levi G. McCauley, candidates for state treasurer and auditor general, respectively, inspire confidence among all classes throughout the commonwealth. Both are gentlemen of the highest character, and were placed at the head of the ticket because of their honor, integrity and eminent fitness for the positions to which they aspire. Pennsylvania will sound the keynote for the whole Union, retaining every inch of ground won in 1896.

Side issues, that have their origin in a search for scandal, will receive little consideration in this year of prosperity, when business men and workmen of every party are congratulating themselves on their escape from Bryanism, Coxeyism and Altgeldism. There are no perfect men on earth, and there never will be a perfect legislature, but the Republican party having furnished the state the best government it has ever had, has a right to claim the confidence of the people and ask for an old time majority for her candidates.

Prohibition as a political issue in Pennsylvania breathed its last when the late Hon. Charles S. Wolfe, with all his earnestness and courage and great ability, could not convince the people that the lamentable failure of Prohibition in the western and New England states would not be repeated in Pennsylvania. It gave its last gasp as a political issue and died. It is a moral question and belongs in the pulpit, and must be settled by the common sense of the masses themselves. For 5,000 years this question has been discussed, and it is altogether improbable that a solution will be immediately found, especially as the result of scandal searching. One thing is certain, and that is that few voters will be enticed into the camp of the political prohibitionist on the thin subterfuge of aiding the cause of temperance through the office of state treasurer! It does not take very profound intellect to comprehend the fact that the office of state treasurer is executive and not legislative, and that the latter branch of the state government is the proper and only branch that can deal with the suppression or regulation of the liquor traffic.

And while prohibition in Pennsylvania is dead as a political issue, Democracy shows the same state of coma. The Reading convention, with delegates thrown out of the windows, pushed off the platform and knocked down, was disgraced quite sufficient for a large per centage of Pennsylvania Democrats, but the free silver platform and endorsement of Bryanism so far spoiled the stew that thousands will either vote the Republican ticket or remain away from the polls.

After three years of panic and ruin and desolation, scores of thousands of Democrats voted for McKinley and Hobart, and do not wish to be called Democrats again, and this fall these same voters will cast their ballots for Beacom and McCauley, because they are anxious to endorse and commend the party that led them from the night of despair to the full noon of prosperity and happiness.

Independent of national issues the Republican party of Pennsylvania deserves the support of her voters.

Under the domination of this great party, wisely led forward with progressive strides, ever following the constructive policy, which is the policy of advancement and enlightenment, we have seen the burden of state taxation pass from the shoulders of the individual to the corporations; we have seen the great public school system expanded and nourished by the state until the princely sum of \$11,000,000 is now appropriated by every legislature for their maintenance; we have seen the poor man relieved of the burden of buying school books for his children, which has made it possible for all, rich and poor alike, to have an equal chance of acquiring an education. The Republican party did these great things, which are a few among the countless acts of beneficence and lofty achievements, without regard to tariff or the war or the money question.

And all these years of increasing taxation for the corporations, and relief for the masses, with millions upon millions to be handled and accounted for by our state officers, the commonwealth has never lost one cent! Such a great party and such economical and careful housekeeping may well challenge the admiration and confidence of all fair-minded citizens.

So that when you cast your vote for the whole Republican ticket you justly give your support to the party of progress, the party that stands nearest the people and that has approached nearer to perfection in the wise and safe direction of public affairs than any other.

No Republican should be misled by the cry of alleged reformers that this is an "off year" and that there is no danger to their party if they just this once compliment an outsider. The Republican party needs you as much this year as any other. If reforms are needed in the Republican party it will be found, as in the past, to be great enough and good enough to accomplish them without any help from the outside. And Democrats who do not approve of the Reading platform should not hesitate to come out clear and straight in advocacy and support of Republican principles. It is the only place they may go with safety to their interests and for the welfare of the

commonwealth. The Republican party needs the votes of all her old supporters and will welcome the votes of Democrats and others, and on the other hand, the farmer, the mechanic, the business man and the working man need the Republican party to give them good government and prosperity.

In the light of recent events the path of duty for every voter is made plain.

IT WAS "REGULAR."

As Viewed by an Editor in Far Off Kansas.

From the Topeka (Kan.) Capital.

The late Democratic state convention of Pennsylvania, dominated by the silvercrats, is described by leading papers of that state, including such old time Democratic organs as the Philadelphia Record and Times, as the worst exhibition of political ruffianism ever witnessed in Pennsylvania. Duly accredited delegates were thrown out bodily without ceremony or investigation, in order to secure a sufficient majority to remove Harry, ex-chairman of the national Democratic committee. Chairman Garman and other silvercrat leaders are sharply attacked for their violent and lawless methods of securing the needed majority. These gentlemen, however, have the highest authority for their proceedings. Mr. Bryan himself was admitted to the convention that nominated him for president over the regular delegation from Nebraska, which was not allowed seats in the hall. The regular accredited delegation from Michigan was turned out bodily and a delegation admitted that had never been voted on, much less actually elected to the convention in that state. This and other outrages were perpetrated for the purpose of securing the necessary two-thirds majority to adopt a platform and nominate candidates. It would be difficult to imagine anything more "regular," therefore, than the proceedings of the Pennsylvania Democratic convention which ousted Harry.

A Modern Lazarus.

Inherited blood diseases are much more difficult to cure than those which are acquired. One of the most common hereditary diseases is Scrofula, which the medical profession admit is most obstinate and deep-seated, and their efforts to cure it meet with little success. A child afflicted with Scrofula is always puny and sickly, and can never grow into healthy manhood until the disease is eliminated. Scrofula leads into consumption nine times out of ten, so that it is important for this reason that immediate attention be given to all children who inherit the slightest taint.

Mrs. S. S. Mabry, 360 Elm St., Macon, Ga., writes:

"My boy, Charlie, inherited a scrofulous blood taint, and from infancy was covered with terrible sores, his sufferings being such that it was impossible to dress him for three years.



CHARLIE MABRY

His head and body were a mass of sores, and his nose was swollen to several times its natural size; to add to his misery he had catarrh, which made him almost deaf, and his eyesight also became affected. No treatment was spared that we thought would relieve him, but he grew worse until his condition was indeed pitiable. A dozen blood remedies were given him by the wholesale, but they did not the slightest good. I had almost despaired of his ever being cured, when by the advice of a friend we gave him S.S.S. (Swift's Specific), and at first the inflammation seemed to increase, but as this is the way the remedy gets rid of the poison, by forcing it out of the system, we were encouraged and continued the medicine. A decided improvement was the result, and after he had taken a dozen bottles, no one who knew of his former dreadful condition would have recognized him. All the sores on his body have healed, his skin is perfectly clear and smooth, and he has been restored to perfect health."

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