

A BIG BOOST FOR OUR JIM

MAJORITY AND READABLE RECORD OF TAWNEY'S INSURGENCY.

Something for the Worst Families of Winona to Peruse and Pass Around and Shake Their Heads About—A Dangerous Type of Man Who Does His Own Thinking.

New York, Dec. 23.—The New York Times' Washington correspondent has turned his attention to Congressman James A. Tawney of Minnesota in the following dispatch to his paper: The biggest news of the week, from a congressional standpoint, has been the announcement that James A. Tawney of Minnesota was at the head of a new revolt. It was well known a fortnight ago that Tawney was the incorrigible untamable wild Indian of the republican reservation, but for a few days the leaders of the house in the fifty-ninth congress had an idea that they had suppressed Tawney by promoting him to the chairmanship of appropriations, the best committee in the house after ways and means—indeed, the best committee, anyway, except when a big tariff bill is under consideration. It was a painful mistake, based on an utterly insufficient appreciation of the extent to which James A. Tawney does his own thinking. He is not an insurgent for the love of it; he is an insurgent because he will think for himself, and on occasion the path of thinking for one's self leads past the machine line of march. If you abruptly ask a discriminating looker-on in Washington who are the men of real brains on the republi-

can side of the house, he will mention Hepburn, Tawney, McCall, Burton and Littlefield in a breath, and then hesitate for the next name. The curious thing about it is that all of them except Hepburn are chronic insurgents, and even Hepburn has been known to revolt. There is a difference, however. Littlefield is a born insurgent, who tries not to be one and does not succeed. McCall is of the class of George Frisbie Hoar. Burton cares not a continental for insurrection. He is engaged in the particular affairs to which he has devoted his congressional attention. If the house machine gets in the way of them, Burton uprisings and fights. Otherwise he does not. He simply treads his own road, and house machines and house kickers are of no interest to him. Tawney, on the other hand, has no antipathy to machines. He likes them. He is the republican whip for the house. He does his best to be a loyal republican. So far as he carried this that Mr. Cannon has had it in his mind to devote upon him much of the leadership which Payne has exercised. But Tawney is the victim of an utter incapacity for supporting anything he does not believe in. He is not a mugwump; he is a bitter partisan. Unlike Burton, he does not concern himself with the matters relating to his own department; he is actively and combatively interested in everything that takes place anywhere in the United States. Unlike Littlefield, he does not try to get along with the machine; he is actively and combatively interested in everything that takes place anywhere in the United States. Unlike Littlefield, he does not try to get along with the machine; he is actively and combatively interested in everything that takes place anywhere in the United States. Unlike Littlefield, he does not try to get along with the machine; he is actively and combatively interested in everything that takes place anywhere in the United States.

notice that he has got the other side "buffaloed." That is another of Tawney's characteristics. He does not enter on losing fights; he enters on winning ones, and he is the only man who has ever driven the house machine to inglorious rout on anything it really had its mighty mind set on. He is what is technically known as a "slogger." No one could do it, looking on that fierce fighting profile, with those flashing black eyes and that dark skin which flushes as the fight goes on. He went west. Tawney saw the light in Gettysburg, Pa. His father was a blacksmith, with the usual blacksmith notions on the subject of race suicide. Hence it came about that when Tawney had learned the blacksmith's trade, he looked about and saw other little Tawneys as far as the eye could reach. He perceived that if he was to do anything with the blacksmith business he must leave Gettysburg, to the other little Tawneys, go west and forge up with the country. Hence the irruption of young Jim Tawney, master blacksmith, in Winona. That town is located in the right lower jaw of Minnesota. There are in it many people who have lived in Minnesota since the Indians quit. It is one of the older portions of the state, one of the portions which are dedicated to the old families. These old families would be looked on in Boston as parvenues, but every state has its own definition for the term. Young Jim Tawney, blacksmith, started at his trade. Then he undertook to become a master mechanic, and he became one. After that he studied law at his forge. The old families thought this hustling and handsome young blacksmith with the fighting face ought to be encouraged, and they encouraged him. Hence he quit the forge and practiced law. Then Tawney was elected to the state senate. He served two terms in a constant turmoil, for he would not vote for anything he did not think right, and when he did not consider anything

right he mixed war medicine, raised the long howl, and quit the reservation. Then they nominated him for congress. That was going a little too far. The old families of the lower right jaw of Minnesota resented the idea that "Jim" Tawney, blacksmith, interloper, stranger, butter-in, should go so far, so high, and so fast. Men who had extended to him the helping hand in his days of poverty, turned in to beat him. It was one of the hottest campaigns ever known in that lower jaw, with the accent on the second syllable. The convention was held in Waseca. If there is anything in omen, Tawney was justified, for he was elected with a whooping majority. He got into congress, and straightway started on his course. They tried to tame him. They usually tame fresh congressmen by refusing them recognition. Tawney was not suppressed that way. He put up with his lack of recognition until he had made himself so troublesome that they had to give it to him. The mighty and omnipotent house machine had no terrors for Tawney. When they concentrated their terrific power on him he went out and fought them. When even the president of the United States, meaning Theodore Roosevelt, undertook to drag Tawney into the right path, Tawney simply hurled disrespectful defiance at the White House and stayed off the reservation. Couldn't Beat Him. Meanwhile the oldest families of Winona were making trouble for Tawney. Year after year he beat them. Finally came the year 1902, when Minnesota did away with nominating conventions, and made her nominations directly from the people, as she does yet. The foes of Tawney said here was their third chance. Tawney had controlled the convention. Now they would go ahead and beat him at the primaries. Tawney carried the primaries by the

most tremendous majority that anyone got that year, they raised the cry against him that he was an enemy of the president. He supports Mr. Roosevelt, but when Mr. Roosevelt gets in the way Tawney lowers his horns, just as he does for anybody else. In 1902 Tawney did not think Cuban reciprocity right. He organized the opposition. In those days everybody laughed at the idea of ever beating the house machine under any circumstances, and in this case the president was with the Henderson-Payne-Grosvenor-Dalzell machine. It would do some assorted constituents—carefully assorted so that they did not come from one spot in the country—much good to come here some time when they are complaining because their congressmen are not great statesmen and not getting enough for the district. They should stay here long enough to see the mighty power of the house machine as it crushes and treads all individuality out of helpless congressmen. Tammany Hall is a baby to it. After watching the reduction of the house to putty the assorted constituents would repair to their various homes with a better feeling toward their representatives. They would have some idea of how all that impossible it is for the strongest man to stand up against the irresistible and tremendous power of the speaker and the committee on rules. Tawney, by sheer force of his fighting personality, got enough insurgents in line to fight this great machine for months and to bring it to the verge of defeat before the White House and the house machine together by all the arts of the bullying and patronage could get them away from him. Then, as usual, the insurgents began to weaken. They fell away from Tawney in droves. George B. McClellan, now mayor of New York, stood up and taunted him. "You know of the soldier," he said, "who when Napoleon asked what had become of the old guard, stepped forward and saluting respectfully, replied, I, sire, am the Old Guard." On the day

this bill comes to vote, and the speaker derisively demands, "Where now are the insurgents?" the gentleman from Minnesota will step forward and say, "I, Mr. Speaker, am the insurgents." On the day before the bill came to vote the machine was triumphant and McClellan's prediction on the verge of vindication. They had won away all but half a dozen of his followers, and the chances were that that half dozen would disappear when the vote came to be taken. Won Them All Back. In those twenty-four hours Tawney won them all back with his bare hands. He had no patronage to give; no threats of his would be enforceable, and all the insurgents knew they were taking their political lives in their hands. Such is the force of that fighting personality that in defiance of probability, in defiance of everything that had hitherto been reckoned as possibility, he got them all back. When the test vote came thirty-one men arose from the republican side, and headed by Samuel W. Smith of Michigan, marched down the aisle to join the democrats, amid the wildest cheering that had been heard in the fifty-seventh congress. They put thru their amendment taking off the differential on refined sugar by a vote of 171 to 130, and the bill was killed so far as the fifty-seventh congress was concerned. The effect of Tawney's wonderful victory was such as to threaten the house machine with utter destruction. It was not until the retirement of Speaker Henderson and the election of Speaker Cannon that the old autocracy was safe. Early in 1905 Tawney started out to make a crusade against the house machine on the subject of tariff revision. He was on the ways and means committee. At first the speaker regarded him with tolerant amusement, and then was brought up standing with a jerk that shook all the complacency out of him. This happened by reason of the discovery that Tawney had started in to make a canvass of votes and that

he was winning away some of the speaker's strongest supporters. When Seteno Payne himself began to wobble, the speaker fell into a panic. So he took Tawney off the ways and means when he came to make up the committees and put in his place a violent standpatter, Mr. McClary. But for that it is highly probable Tawney might have got some sort of a tariff revision bill out of the committee. The speaker loves a good fighter, however, and is fond of Tawney, anyhow; so he promoted the man from Winona to be chairman of appropriations. "Placated," the insurgent in harness," was the universal comment. Not a bit of it. The republicans called a caucus to decide on their policy in regard to statehood. When the caucus convened it learned with horror that Tawney did not think the statehood bill right, and had not let the grass grow under his feet. He was off the reservation, and had already collected sixty-five republican votes. He was in a position to beat the house machine again, and make hash of its statehood policy. When the leaders and digested this they decided that they would not call the meeting a caucus but a "conference," which destroys its binding quality. Uncle Joe still thinks it's binding, but Tawney doesn't, so the speaker is helpless. Hereafter efforts to make Tawney subside by giving him high honors will be at a discount. There is nothing on earth that can shut him up, or take away one inch of his capacity for trouble-making. He is the same unsuppressible fighter, the same yesterday, today, and until the oldest families in Winona can get some one here who stands more distinctly for the simple life. Low Rates. To all points on the Soo Line for the Holidays. Tickets on sale Dec. 22 to Jan. 1st, 1906, good to return until Jan. 2d, 1906. For further particulars call at ticket office, 119 Third street S. Hoodwinks the Oculist. Madden Eye Medicin cures eyes. (Don't smart.) 25c.

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LOT 3—E. J. S. price to \$1.50, Rec. Price, 62 1/2c
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