

REVIEWING THE FLEET.



—Macaulay in the New York World.

UNITED FOR VICTORY

DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS ABOUT TO RETURN TO POWER.

On a Platform of Tariff Reform and Progressive Government Successful Appeal to the Voters Will Be Assured.

Four questions were submitted to leading Democrats of the country by the World:

"What are the prospects of the success of your party candidate for the presidency if existing conditions continue as at present?"

"Who in your estimation should be the candidate of the national convention of your party in order to enlist the support of the majority of voters in your state?"

"What in your judgment should be the issues upon which your party should make its appeal to the voters of your state for their support?"

"Do you believe that a 'Conservative' or a 'Progressive' policy would best contribute to the success of your party?"

The answers to these questions show an astonishing unanimity of sentiment.

So far as issues are concerned the Democratic party is united as it has not been united since 1892. It is for tariff reform and progressive government.

So far as candidates are concerned, the sentiment of the party is divided only on the question of availability, with Woodrow Wilson and Judson Harmon decidedly in the lead.

The blunder of 1904 is not to be repeated, when Wall street Democrats were allowed to go to the front long enough to discredit the ticket, although Wall street itself was secretly financing the Roosevelt campaign.

Whether the majority sentiment swings toward Wilson or Harmon or Woodrow Wilson or Harmon or Judson Harmon is a minor question at this time. The important fact is that the country again has a united, progressive, militant Democratic party capable of restoring the balance of government.—New York World.

Mr. Taft's Confession. Explanation and apologies are feeble planks for a platform on which a president must stand for re-election, and Mr. Taft's confession shows that he realizes his mistakes. This is creditable to the man, but does not justify the president.

Why should the people re-elect to the greater office of president a man who frankly avows his serious blunders, but pleads that they were due to ignorance and lack of thoughtful deliberation? Would Mr. Taft ever have tried to amend or even have discovered his errors if popular condemnation had not brought him to a realization of their importance and of his own responsibility?—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Point Not to Be Overlooked. While the American Anti-Trust League is hiring halls to denounce men in official station who "Surrendered to Steel" it should not overlook Theodore Roosevelt. Not that anybody is likely to forget it, but merely that the biggest surrenderer of them all deserves the main load of blame whenever the subject is discussed. If the American Anti-Trust League really wishes to do the country a service it should pound away everlastingly at the question: "How much, if anything, did steel contribute to Cornelius Bliss for Roosevelt's campaign fund?"

Roosevelt's Plan Unwise. Any tyro will perceive that Mr. Roosevelt proposes nothing new. His plan is a most ambitious scheme of government control of practically all important business. The more beginnings of such control would mean a tremendous bureau exercising tremendous powers, and if it were adopted we should have a stupendous administrative agency in Washington which would make all others pale into comparative insignificance.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Taft view of the trust situation is excessively hopeful. It is too sanguine to be convincing. It is too much to believe that the great combinations in restraint of trade have been permanently and completely defeated without grave danger of serious dislocation of business conditions which have turned so largely upon their activities. It is difficult to share the president's faith that the eggs which have been "unscrambled," more or less, have been so separated that they lose most of their fattening properties for those who live on that diet.

TOO PROLONGED AN INFANCY

Some Facts as to Iniquities of "Protective" System Which Will Appeal to All Taxpayers.

The first tariff act under the Constitution became a law July 4, 1789. It was the only such act that congress ever expressly declared to be intended in any degree for protection.

This act laid specific duties on 38 enumerated articles, and ad valorem duties on 31 enumerated articles. It put 19 others on the free list. On all other articles it laid a level five per cent duty.

The highest ad valorem rate was on carriages—15 per cent. The principal articles on which specific duties were laid were spirits, wines and malt liquors, tea, coffee, tobacco, iron and steel. Some of these specific duties were for protection, and some were for revenue only. Some of them were equivalent to more than 15 per cent, and some were not.

The duties of both kinds in fact produced revenue equal to 3 1/2 per cent of the value of all imports. The excess of this over the level five per cent rate—that is 3 1/2 per cent—was about the measure of average protection.

Average protection today, after nearly a century and a quarter of progress in industrial efficiency and the accumulation of vast capital in the protected industries, is nearly eight times as great.

Does any intelligent man who has given serious attention to the subject believe our industries need eight times, or twice, or even as much protection as they did 123 years ago, when they were indeed in their infancy?

If so, what does he think they will need after another century and a quarter of dry nursing?

People Are Not So Stupid. That ancient and many times defeated subsidy proposition makes appearance in new form.

Among the many suggestions for insuring a large amount of business for the Panama canal comes the recommendation of Mr. Stimpson, secretary of war, that rebates be allowed on the tolls charged for American vessels.

In other words, Mr. Stimpson would have subsidies distributed in the shape of rebates instead of in the way of direct payments from the national treasury. He would have the people make a present of cash to the favored shippers and shipowners in advance instead of after possible service.

The people are not so stupid that they will not be able to see through this ingenious proposition for whipping the devil round the stump. They are not prepared to put out their good money for the benefit of any class of men.

True Business Prosperity.

Why, asks Congressman Redfield, in view of the triumphs of American manufacturers abroad, should their fellow-countrymen be prohibited from buying goods beyond the seas? The question cuts to the very bottom of the Chinese Wall theory of business prosperity. Men grow rich, as a matter of fact, by buying and selling among each other, not by being prohibited from doing so.

Getting Wise.

"The people yearn for facts," said Victor Murdock in Washington. Surely. But the congressional leaders didn't realize that when they passed the tariff act of 1890. So they were shocked when they failed to get away with it as they always had done before.

Vice and Wages.

All that Raymond Robins says about the steel trust's beggarly wages is true. It is a highly protected industry which makes war upon union labor, most of the time successfully. But Mr. Robins cannot prove that vice is due to low wages.

There is more vice in this country where money is plenty than where it is scarce. If the idle rich and their dependents were as decent morally as the overworked and underpaid poor there would not be much ground for complaint.

It was to be expected that President Taft's frank explanation of the manner in which he dictated his famous "Wilsons speech" would provoke some criticism. Explanations rarely explain to the satisfaction of every one. Mr. Taft frankly admits that the preparation of so important an utterance "between stations" was not the course he should have pursued. He does not, however, explain why so important a task was left for such a time and consequently, perhaps, invites the charge of procrastination.—New York Tribune (Rep.).

KING OF DETECTIVES

William J. Burns the World's Greatest Sleuth.

Common Sense is the Secret of His Success—The McNamara Case Has Made Him Famous the World Over.

Los Angeles, Cal. — Common sense the most uncommon thing in the world, is the secret by which William J. Burns, whose work in connection with the McNamara cases made his name world-wide, has risen to be crowned king of American detectives. Although he has dealt with some of the most hardened criminals in the country he has never fired a shot at a human being.

Burns is the essence of the ordinary. A man about middle height, broad shouldered, with prominent features and a pair of gray eyes that bore through you and the wall beyond, reddish brown hair, untouchable by age; his mustache tinged with gray, attired probably a bit more carefully and up to date than the average business man, and with a manner alert and positive, he presents not the appearance of a detective, but to the unknowing passes off for a prosperous citizen of fastidious taste regarding dress.

Burns was appointed to the government secret service in 1890 and was located in the west, working in Indian territory, Texas, Arkansas and the south. He was soon placed in charge of that district, and in 1894 was transferred to Washington, where he was promoted for good work, and got a roving commission, going wherever there was an unusually important case.

One of the biggest feats in those days was the running down of the principles in the Brockway-Bradford-Courtney gang of counterfeiters. When this gang was run to earth and cornered in a building in West Hoken, N. J., they had in their possession more than \$2,000,000 in gold certificates and a lot of Canadian counterfeit notes. So accurate were the gold certificates the government had already accepted \$80,000 worth of them, and in order to pick the bogus from the genuine it was necessary to summon one of the counterfeiters to Washington.

Another brilliant piece of detective work by Burns was in connection with



extensive land frauds in the west. He was more than three years on this case and when he had finished and turned the evidence over to the government it resulted in the conviction of United States Senator Mitchell of Oregon and of two wealthy land owners, Hyde and Benson of California.

From these land cases Burns went to San Francisco to dig amid the mass of political and municipal corruption in that city. Three years were necessary for the investigation. It resulted in sending Mayor Schmitz to the penitentiary for five years; Ruef, the political boss, for fourteen years; Glass, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific State Telephone company, and several others to prison for various periods.

Burns, notwithstanding the nature of his profession, has a strong belief in the integrity of human nature. "There never was a time," he says, "when the moral sentiment of the people was more easily and quickly aroused than at present, or when there was a finer sense of honesty in the various relations of daily life. Even bad men want good government—If they are not making money out of bad government. Nor do I believe in the heredity of crime. Lombroso and other scientists speculate and write essays, but coming right down to common experience, which is a better test than philosophy or long tables of figures, I know that environment and not birth is the one great cause of criminal conduct."

He has always held that the detective business was simply a matter of common sense. He is continually telling his subordinates that every crook, no matter how clever he is, always leaves a trail behind.

Intellectually, Burns is the most resourceful and brilliant detective in the United States. Nowhere else on earth, perhaps, can anyone match him in the ability to think out the snarled problems of mystery and crime.

Sentenced Six Times to Die.

Wahacite, Tex.—One of the most remarkable criminal cases in the history of this state is that of Hurrell Oates, a negro, who has just been sentenced for the sixth time to be hanged. Oates has been tried seven times for the murder of a man in Dallas in 1904 and was convicted five times, the jury in one instance failing to agree. His case after each conviction was appealed and new trials were ordered because of errors. It is probable that another appeal will be taken from the sixth and last conviction.

Splendid Crops

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Arnold Bennett, the novelist, has a joke about race suicide in his new play, "The Honey Moon." His leading lady says, apropos of the birth rate: "What, in the poor, dear thing still declining?"

Mr. Bennett, apropos of his joke, was discussing race suicide the other day in New York.

"A woman," he said, "looked up from her evening paper and remarked: 'It is stated here that a babe is born every time the chronometer ticks off a second.'"

"Her husband, as he wiped the ever-moist mouths of the tiny twins, set one on each of his knees, muttered almost fiercely: 'Bad luck, then, to the Rooseveltian duffer who invented chronometers!'"

BURNING ITCH WAS CURED

"I deem it my duty to tell about a cure that the Cuticura Soap and Ointment have made on myself. My trouble began in spots breaking out right in the edge of my hair on the forehead, and spread over the front part of the top of my head from ear to ear, and over my ears which caused a most fearful burning itch, or eczema.

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"I will say that I have been suffering with an itching on my scalp for the past few years. My hair fell out in spots all over my head. My scalp started to trouble me with sores, then the sores healed up, and crusts formed on the top. Then the hair fell out and left me three bald spots the shape of a half dollar. I went to more than one doctor, but could not get any relief, so I started to use the Cuticura Remedies. I tried one bar of Cuticura Soap and some Cuticura Ointment, and felt relieved right away. Now the bald spots have disappeared, and my hair has grown, thanks to the Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I highly recommend the Cuticura Remedies to all that are suffering with scalp trouble." (Signed) Samuel Stern, 236 Floyd St., Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 7, 1911. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. 9 K, Boston.

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Old-fashioned physicians have plenty of reliable remedies for cholera. An agate in the pocket and a hyacinth on the neck are much esteemed, but the bone of a dead child carried in the pocket is nearly as efficacious. Cholera, we learn, is caused by the moon. Therefore drink decoctions of laurel while Mars or Mercury is in the ascendant, since these planets are unfriendly to the moon. We are glad to know this, as we have always had our doubts about the moon.

Justly Punished.

"Why have you discharged Richards? Do you think because he has reached the age of forty-five that he is no longer useful?"

"No, that isn't it. When I was coming into the city on my car the other morning he got in front of it at a crossing and was so slow that I had to avoid running him down I had to lose nearly half a minute."

The wise man never hits the nail on the head.

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA, SECURES DRY FARMING CONGRESS FOR 1912.

The term, "dry farming" does not indicate all that might be implied. It does not mean a system of irrigation, but one where all the rain fall and precipitation is stored up and conserved in the soil, to be drawn upon by scientific and sane processes when it may be required to forward and increase the growth of grain.

In certain sections of the Canadian West as well as in the American West, there is a portion of the country in which the soil is the very best for the growing of cereals, but the geographical locations and relative position to the rain avenues, do not give the advantage that other parts possess in the matter of precipitation.

Agricultural science, however, has been making rapid progress during the past few years, and it is now ascertained that it is not altogether the number of inches of rain that is essential to the growing of crops, but its conservation, and that is the meaning of "dry farming." "Dry Farming" may well be applied to districts where there is a heavy rain fall and better results will follow. The education of the public into these new methods, not new exactly, but such as have had satisfactory demonstration, is not alone the purpose of these dry-farming Congresses. One idea is to bring into life and into operation the great areas of splendid land lying within what might be termed semi-arid, without placing them under the restrictive and expansive process of irrigation.

The Congresses are attended by thousands and they bring representatives from all parts of the world. The Province of Alberta, and also of Saskatchewan, has taken a vital interest in the Congresses which have been held in the past two or three years. The Province of Alberta has made provincial exhibit districts have shown their products, and last year several hundred dollars were taken in prizes; this year the Province of Alberta took prizes ten to one in excess of any state in the Union. Alberta has won eight out of twenty special cups, that province taking one, Lethbridge one, Arthur Perry six, and John Baxter, Edmonton, carrying off one sweepstakes. When it came to a matter of location for the Congress for 1912, the City of Lethbridge, which had put up a splendid fight for it, secured the Congress by a unanimous vote. It is expected that the Lethbridge Congress will be the largest yet held and will be the biggest convention in the history of Western Canada.

In emphasizing his invitation to Lethbridge, one of the speakers said he had just received a telegram from Magrath (near Lethbridge) stating that just thrashed Hetheredew and Bradshaw had thrashed 47,000 bushels.

Literature sent out recently by the Canadian Government Agents, which will be sent postage free on application, tells of hundreds of splendid yields in all parts of Western Canada.

She Needed It. One of the little swarthy cherubs from sunny Italy, whose great eyes and sweet mouths can be so appealing to their teachers in the great primary schools in the North end, was introduced to the public bathing plant the other day, in accordance with the hygienic regulations of the public schools. She was so delighted that she asked her teacher the next day if her grandamma could go and enjoy a bath there. "You see, grandamma has not had a bath," said the innocent, "since the first came to this country, and that was 12 years ago." Another little girl objected to taking the prescribed bath just now; because, as she explained, her mother had just sewed on her under-flannels for the winter. Still another little Latin remonstrated less decidedly to the bath. She knew it was wrong to be dirty, she admitted, but "it is so warm in the winter time."—Boston Transcript.

Unwritten Law. According to the Standard Dictionary, "The unwritten law is a rule or custom established by general usage, etc." The unwritten law, as the term recently has come into use, is the assumed or supposed right of a person to punish even with death the author of a gross wrong committed against a member of his family. Courts do not countenance it, but justices frequently act upon it, and several instances have occurred within recent years in which persons accused of homicide have been acquitted.

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Belboy's Suggestion Would Seem to Be Natural Way to Get Around Situation.

The Englishman who has been wearing a top hat and a frock coat impressed all who saw him with his distinguished appearance as he strolled about with an expansive air in one of the more expensive hotels. On Wednesday morning he came up to a clerk.

"I would like to have a shirt laundered," he said. "I must have it back by five o'clock."

The clerk told him that the time was unusually short, but he would do what he could, and the shirt was delivered on time.

He came down Thursday morning and said he wanted another shirt laundered, but that this one must be back by two o'clock in the afternoon.

The clerk said that would be too short a time. The Briton grew angry and demanded to see the proprietor.

He got as far as the bellboy's captain, to whom he protested that he would not stand for such treatment. The bell boy suggested the purchase of a third shirt.—New York Sun.

During the Spat. Wife (complainingly)—You're not like Mr. Knagg. They've been married 20 years, and Mrs. Knagg says her husband is so tender.

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