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**A GOOD SHOWING.**

Despite some desultory notes of depression in the past year, there has been a large net increase in the exports of manufactures from the United States. Tables have just been issued by the Department of Labor and Commerce through its bureau of statistics, which include all manufactured articles or groups of articles whose exportation aggregated, in the last fiscal year, as much as one million dollars in value, or seem likely to aggregate that sum in the present fiscal year. In one table are brought together all items showing an increase for the nine months ending March 31, 1904, as compared with the nine months ending March 31, 1903, and in another table the decreases are exhibited.

The first table comprises twenty-two articles or groups, with an aggregate value of \$280,762,453, for the period ending in 1904, against \$241,344,962 for the period ending in 1903, an increase of \$39,417,551. There are but seven articles or groups in the table showing decreases, the aggregate value for the last nine months being \$36,307,076, against \$44,835,897 in the corresponding period of the previous fiscal year. The total decrease is \$8,528,821. Thus the net increase in export of manufactures, taking articles or groups of articles up to the million mark, is \$30,888,730. It should be said here that the twenty-nine articles tabulated include about 95 per cent of the total exports of manufactures. Among the groups showing an increase is that of sugar and confectionery, with a value of \$2,568,526 in 1904, against \$2,310,660 in 1903. Nearly eight millions of the decrease was in manufactures of cotton.

Altogether the showing is not a bad one to be made in a presidential year. It will have its value in neutralizing any efforts of the calamity howlers to cry down the Republican administration.

**INTELLIGENT ENDORSEMENT.**

The Republican State Convention of California, which endorsed Mr. Roosevelt and elected a delegation to the Republican National Convention, presented a striking contrast to the Democratic State Convention, held at Santa Cruz, which, by a very narrow majority, instructed the delegates to the Democratic National Convention to aid in the nomination of William R. Hearst.

The Republican Convention was practically a unit. Its chairman was Judge Burnett of Sonoma, whose introductory speech was one of the most cogent arguments for the choice of the Republican party that has appeared during the present campaign. He referred to Mr. Roosevelt in a manner that effectually answered the only point that has really been suggested against him, by emphasizing the fact that he had quelled all the doubts that had accompanied his translation to the highest office in the Republic by rigid adherence to the policy of President McKinley, which has been sanctioned throughout the country, and by "a calmness and conservatism and equipoise of temperament that have shown him to be one of the safest as well as one of the strongest men who ever occupied the presidential chair."

"Neither capital nor labor," added Judge Burnett, "has any just ground to fear the administration of this patriotic and fearless leader, because he will treat them both with absolute fairness and an unselfish desire to do right."  
 These are the keynotes to the success that is already assured. Mr. Roosevelt has declined utterly to use his exalted position with any reference to his own political future and his administration has been stamped by judicial fairness, by genuine conscientiousness, and by a firm reliance upon the people. These are elements that, in a presidential year especially, in American history have always proved to be controlling.

The Democratic Convention, on the other hand, simply illustrated the political atomism that has characterized the Democratic party since 1892. On the first day of its session, the Hearst forces were beaten and an anti-Hearst chairman elected. In a single night, through methods that have been justly excoriated in the California press, a sufficient number of plastic delegates were secured to pass the instructions for Hearst, which antagonized the action of Democrats in nearly every great state in the Union. The platform adopted had scarcely any evidence of identity with American democracy, as it formerly existed. It advocated the election of Federal senators by the direct vote of the people, which is not a party question, and which eminent lawyers and statesmen, of both parties, consider a serious disturbance of the constitutional balance. It further presented the socialistic doc-

trine of government ownership of railroads. It also in effect denounced the Panama canal, now in process of construction. The result is that the leading aspirations of American citizens were condemned and a government reversion to an antique and exploded type, inconsistent with American institutions, advocated.

Hearst will not and Parker, the respectable though unknown leader of the negative quantity in American politics, will be nominated. But Theodore Roosevelt, the representative of positive and advancing Americanism, within the lines of the constitution and of definite and successful politics, will not only be nominated but elected. The result has long since passed beyond the region of uncertainty.

**MIGHTY BATTLE COMING**

There is every probability that the attack on Port Arthur, which the Japanese have planned for just a fortnight hence, will involve an encounter to make one of the greatest battles of history. We know already the determination and unflinching courage of the Japanese, also the importance of the position to both sides. The following report of an order issued by General Stoessel, who commands at Port Arthur, to the defenders will give a good idea of what is expected of the Russians when the hour of decision strikes:

"I shall never give the word to surrender. Further, we have absolutely no place to retire to. Even the most timid must appreciate these points, and I warn you all that you must fight to the death. Those that go into battle ready to lay down their lives are the men that accomplish great things and make a name. On the contrary, those who shrink from the combat and seek cravenly to save their own persons, these, too, must die, but die ingloriously, for from this fortress there is no escape. It has the sea on three sides and the enemy on the fourth. There is nothing for it but to fight, and the Japanese will long remember the blow our soldiers will give them."

One of the blackest features of the science of war is the fathomless depth of treachery into which it drags men. Le Martin, a Paris newspaper, states that "eighty-five genuine plans of the fortifications of Toulon have reached M. Cambon, the French Ambassador in London. They had passed through the hands of two Italians, who are acting as spies for several of the Powers, including Germany." How did they reach the hands of the spies?

It is satisfactory that there is not going to be an interregnum in the Supreme Court. All sorts of injustice might run loose should a hiatus occur in the continuity of the highest deciding tribunal of the Territory. Even if an appeal, for instance, be ill taken on the legal merits it may serve a purpose of real justice in restraining undue impetuosity of men in getting their adjudicated "pound of flesh."

A lock of Napoleon's hair is on exhibition at St. Louis. What is the matter with Russia's taking the cure, for her military distempers, of a hair of the dog that bit her? No difference though the bite nearly killed the dog.

When the great are mean, they are meaner than the mean. M. Pavloff's return of slander for the kind offices of American Navy men at Chemulpo is an instance.

If the present season of social festivities is not brisk enough for Honolulu, will not some one kindly suggest what may be lacking?

**JAPAN'S AIMS.**

**Baron Suyematsu Defines Her Policy if Victorious.**

A cablegram from London says: Baron Suyematsu, son-in-law of the Marquis Ito, and former Japanese minister of the interior, who recently arrived here by way of the United States, in the course of an interview with reference to the fears expressed on the continent as to the effect of Japanese successes on Japan's policy after the war, said emphatically that Japan's policy was well defined, and that her success would not change it.

The future status of Korea would be that of a Japanese Cuba, or a Japanese Egypt. To Russia would not be allowed the least political or territorial hold there.

Regarding Manchuria, Japan desired no rights there beyond those enjoyed by other powers. Manchuria would be given back to China, but under conditions rendering those before the war impossible. Manchuria might be made a buffer state under China's sovereignty.

Discussing China's neutrality, M. Suyematsu said the chief danger was Russia, which was either willingly or unconsciously irritating the Chinese, thus tending to a breach of neutrality. He did not believe that any change in China's attitude would involve France or Germany in the issues of the war.

Japan's aims, he said, were perfectly legitimate, her policy being to insure absolute freedom for all the powers in the far east, and no accidental power need have the slightest anxiety that Japan would suffer from "swelled head" as a result of the conflict.

**MORE ABOUT THE MOORISH BANDITS**

TANGIER (Morocco), May 20.—Ion Perdicaris' family has received a letter from the brigands requesting food and clothing for the captives, the wealthy American and his stepson, Cromwell Varley, a British subject, stating that both are well. The captives are detained four hours outside of Tangier, where Correspondent Harris, of the London Times was confined. A tribe loyal to the Sultan has offered to rescue the captives, but the offer was declined, because the Sultan feared that it would imperil the captives' lives.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Mr. Perdicaris, the wealthy American resident of Tangier, Morocco, and his stepson, a British subject, who were captured by brigands, have been carried into the mountains, where pursuit is almost impossible. The State Department has been advised to this effect by Mr. Gummere, United States Consul-General at Tangier, in cablegrams reaching the department overnight. He also reports that no terms have been received from the brigand chief. Gummere said that the Moorish authorities are assisting in every way they can, and adds that a war vessel will be of great assistance.

PARIS, May 20.—The French Government does not intend to send a warship to Tangier or otherwise intervene in connection with the capturing of Perdicaris and Varley by brigands. The right of France to intervene would raise a direct issue with the Sultan of Morocco concerning the exercise of police powers. Moreover, the Government advises are that Mohammed el Torres, the representative of the Sultan at Tangier, will meet the brigands' demands in order to secure the prisoners' release.

Unofficial advices say that Mohammed el Torres has already recalled the Moorish troops, as the brigands demanded. United States Consul-General Gummere, at Tangier, Morocco, telegraphs confirming the reports that the brigand band which captured Perdicaris and Varley is the same that captured Harris, the London Times correspondent, last year. Besides capturing the women of the Perdicaris party, the British and American representatives at Tangier are taking energetic measures to obtain the release of the captives and the Moorish authorities are assisting them.

GIBRALTAR, May 20.—A British torpedo boat, No. 88, sailed today for Tangier in connection with the kidnapping of Perdicaris and his stepson, a British subject, by armed Arabs, headed by Raissouli, the notorious brigand chief.

**NEW TRIAL ASKED.**

**Cotton Brothers Will Argue Motion on Friday.**

A new trial in the Territory vs. Cotton Brothers case, in which plaintiffs were awarded \$25,000 for the loss of the Government dredger at Pearl Harbor, has been moved on the ground that the jury failed to "deduct from the amount awarded the sum of \$10,800 shown by admitted testimony to be the value of that portion of the property, returned by defendants to the plaintiff." Argument on the motion will be presented before Judge Gear on Friday morning by A. S. Hartwell; Assistant Attorney General E. C. Peters for the Territory.

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