

POLITICS IN INDIANA.

Why Harrison is Sure to Lose His Own State by a Big Majority. All eyes here are fixed on Indiana. In the estimation of the shrewd politicians of both parties the Hoosier State is the pivot on which the Presidential contest will turn.

their gains will be very small in comparison. The Cleveland managers laugh heartily at the story coming from the Republican camp that the Democrats have abandoned the State to Harrison. They regard the Hoosier State as more surely Democratic than any of the so-called doubtful States.

OUR SUCKLING INDUSTRIES.

How Their Excessive Profits Are Divided Between Capital and Labor.

The champions of an eternal war tariff have departed widely from the doctrines of the early apostles of protectionism. Henry Clay, in his time, enjoyed the distinction of being called the great apostle of the "American system."

When would they be established? What would be the test of their adult strength and vigor which would enable them to stand without the maternal support of bounties drawn from the earnings of the people by Government partiality and legislative decree?

But, first, let us look at some facts. The facts touching our industries which are furnished by the census reports are the most accurate and trustworthy, as well as instructive, within our reach.

Capital invested.....\$2,700,223,506
Workmen employed.....2,738,390
Total wages paid in one year.....\$47,919,674
Average yearly wages.....\$17.30

It is herein demonstrated that the wages of the workmen could be doubled and yet leave a fair compensation to the employers for their capital embarked in the business. It is shown that the tariff which has given \$973,405,768 to the employer above his fair profit has added nothing to the gains of his workmen.

Here the question comes forward again: When will these "infant industries" become adult industries? When will they be able to stand without the prop of succor from other men's billings? If a profit of more than one billion a year on a capital investment of two and two-thirds billions, or of more than nine hundred millions above what would be a fair profit, is not a test of their ability to stand alone, what profit will furnish such a test?

—Presidents Grant, Garfield and Arthur all thought the war tariff needed to be judiciously scaled down in the interests of the people and of good government. For agreeing with them the Republicans are exceedingly wrathful with President Cleveland.

FARM AND FIRESIDE.

—Some one suggests that it is better for the man to sneak off and let the woman milk, if he can't do it without swearing at the cow.

—Do not use butter in frying fish, as it is sure to burn, and has a tendency to soften the fish. Oil is the best, next to lard and clarified drippings.

—Banana Blanc Mange: One quart of boiling milk, four tablespoonfuls each of smooth corn-starch and sugar, boil together until thick; when cool, add one teaspoonful of vanilla, and stir in three sliced bananas and mold.

—Old strawberry beds should be mown down after the fruit is gathered. This will give a chance for new and vigorous growth, from which by due cultivation a thrifty bed can be made for next year.

—The farmer who waits until haying-time to get his barns and harvesting machinery in order, will begin his haying late in the season, his hay will be allowed to get ripe and lose its most valuable qualities; he will be behind in harvesting and all the year.

—All birds that feather out early are hard to raise, and only extra attention of the right kind will save a large percentage of them. The severe drain upon the system of the little chicks in feathering is the cause of this.

—It is a hustler of a farmer who will hitch up his team in the morning and drive ten miles in order that he may watch a game of base ball, while on the same day a contest is going on at home between weeds and corn for the championship of his corn-field.

—A very large part of the crops grown upon the farm in the shape of grain should be turned into meats and butter and cheese before it is sold. In this way the land is kept in fertility and the product is very much more valuable and concentrated.

—All forms of intoxicants, however mild, should be avoided in the hayfield. A pitcher of lemonade or cool oat water is relished, but perhaps the best drink to be thought of, is the sweetened water of the old-time days, livened by a little ginger.

—Smoked Beef and Eggs: Shave the beef very thin, having first trimmed it carefully; put it in a frying-pan with a little cold water, and let it freshen and simmer for a few minutes; then drain off the water, wipe the pan dry, butter it and put in the meat again.

FATTENING SHEEP.

An Experienced Farmer Declares That It Pays to Do It.

I will give you my experience in fattening sheep. I have for some twelve years fed either sheep or cattle, and I find the most profit in feeding sheep. Last winter I thought I would try both cattle and sheep. So November 29 we bought 12 head of cattle for \$34. per pound, weighing 1,100 pounds, and on December 6 I bought 157 sheep for the same money that I paid for the cattle, and fed them about the same amount of feed till March 1. I shipped the sheep to Buffalo and sold them and had \$322 profit for their feed. We fed the cattle until the middle of April, when they went off and we had \$271 for our feed on cattle. So you see we had \$51 more profit on the sheep than we had on the cattle, and saved the feed for six weeks, which was 125 pounds of corn and three tons of hay, worth \$60 more, which we can add to the profit on sheep.

We had a very good gain on our cattle. They gained 50 pounds a month per head all winter. The gain was not so much on the sheep. More laid on fat, and the fat got out of them and they brought a better price in the market. It is not the number of pounds that you put on that makes the profit. It is the flesh that they are in that makes them sell well in the market. I think that a poor sheep sells meaner than any other kind of live stock that is shipped to market. You may ship an old, poor cow, and some butcher is ready to buy her. But it is not that way with an old sheep. He will have to be sold to the pelt only for his pelt. But if he were kept at home for six or eight weeks and fed well he would bring a good price.

I have never tried feeding sheep on pasture, but I think if one could fatten a sheep in winter he would surely do better in summer on good pasture and feed than he would on dry feed. Now, my manner of feeding: As a general thing, I cut up corn in the fall, then when it is dry and the ground is frozen, haul out the shock corn and feed it on a sod where we want to farm next season, and give our sheep all they can eat of corn and fodder. When it is bad weather we stable our sheep, and give plenty of good hay to eat, and plenty of water, and they will do very well. This is the way we feed our cattle the fore part of winter, and the last part of feeding we grind their corn, and stable, and feed all they can eat. I had some experience in feeding hogs, and found it very uncertain business, on account of cholera. It takes more and labor to feed hogs than it does to tend to sheep. I am looking for some way of living without so much hard labor and wearing out our land, and I think I found it when I took up sheep.

TRADE TOPICS.

SAWDOGS is now sent to market in bales, very strongly compressed. CHEMICALLY prepared cigarette paper is imported into this country at the rate of \$1,000 worth a day.

WISCONSIN ships large quantities of mud turtles to the East, where they are converted into mock turtle soup. CLAUSS SPRECKELA will have his new refinery in Philadelphia in running order in one year, with a capacity of 2,000,000 pounds of raw sugar daily.

ABOUT ninety-six per cent. in value of the annual exports of the United States to India, which amount nearly to \$4,000,000, consists of petroleum.

EVERY minute 600 pounds of wool grow in this country, and we have to dig 61 tons of anthracite coal and 300 tons of bituminous coal, while of pig iron we turn out 12 tons, and of steel rails 5 tons.

SOMETHING very like a peach trust is talked of in Delaware. It comes in the guise of a central bureau, through which the entire peach crop shall be placed upon the various markets as the actual demand dictates.

It is said that more than half of the cheese now consumed in Great Britain is made in this country and in Canada. The American and Canadian cheese pays the freight to England and then undersells their articles on its solid merits.

A TREMENDOUS business is done in pineapples in New York each season. From April until August the fruit comes in at the rate of ten thousand barrels a week. It is estimated that five million pineapples are imported each year.

UNCLE SAM has been asked to help establish a steamship line with Jerusalem and the far East—at least with the coast. The Eastern products are wool, licorice and silk. Last year's shipments reached \$15,000,000, but reached us via Liverpool.

A BRITISH writer declares that not a kernel of the best Mocha coffee ever got further west than Constantinople. All the best grains are picked out for use nearer home, and only the pale, shriveled and broken seeds are left to reach any foreign shore.

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Why is a wise man like a pig? Because he has got a good head, and comes to a point.

A bad fit—a fit of despondency. THE successful manager should thank his stars.

THERE is no tick in the silent watches of the night.

WITH defaulters it is fly-time at any season of the year.

THE left bower—the man who isn't recognized by the lady to whom he lifts his hat.

HANT a man who is accounted according to his clothes is in no hurry to close his account.

How to cut a person—look daggers at him.

MOURNFUL numbers—a balance on the wrong side of the sheet.

THE baker, strange to say, more than any other man kneads bread.

It is quite consistent and proper for the sea-side belles to come off the bathing beach wringing wet.

AMONG the books that have helped him the literary man who finds consolation in the soothing weed always includes the chique.

THE richer a man makes his food, the poorer he makes his appetite.

TENNIS suits are made loud to go with the racket.

A TOOTH may be very pale and white, but that's no sign it hasn't plenty of nerve.

Did it ever occur to you that, although the bass drum doesn't make good music, it drowns a heap of bad?

A RISE, some one ventures to assure us, does not always denote affection. No; it may denote an awkward billiard shot or a kind of ostrich.

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