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A NEW ERA IN TAXATION.

Profits of Government Owned Public Utilities and the Annual Rental Value of Land.

There is a great change in the systems of taxation in vogue in the United States near at hand. The great changes which science has wrought within the last half century has almost entirely revolutionized the modes of industry throughout. This change has unjointed old systems and produced such friction as threatens to smash the whole machinery of government. The natural propensity of the majority for holding on to old ways and old usages is being wrested and twisted as never before. Gradually they are relinquishing their old preconceived ideas and beginning to wonder if they might not have been mistaken in their inherited beliefs, and if it may not be possible that their old things, like former generations' old things, may not be out of date, and if it may not be unwise to try to adjust to them the new civilization which has sprung up around them, and is fighting for more room and more freedom to expand.

This thought is steadily breaking up the crust of conservatism and weakening the opposition to the new era which is to lift the twentieth century to a loftier eminence than ever has been occupied by the human race.

The reign of rascality under old party discipline has never attained such proportions as it has in this country within the last thirty-two years. It commenced in the middle of the war of the great slaveholders' rebellion and has steadily progressed till now. The last session of congress did more to open the eyes of the common mass of people than any one development of rascality in all this period of the third of a century. The open bribery and corruption practiced in the framing and passage of the last tariff law has acted as the waters of the blind man's eyes. The republican party has well nigh abandoned their run-to-seed theory of making a nation rich and prosperous by high tariff. The fact that a few rich manufacturers do not constitute the prosperity of a nation is demonstrated by the widespread well nigh ruin which is witnessed on every hand. Within the last few months there has been a greater accession to the partisans of free trade which aims at the destruction of the custom house, than in years before. The free trade of the politician, which meant nothing, is rapidly giving way to the aggressive advance of the come-out free traders. Other means of raising revenue are being examined and the more they are looked into the more simple and equitable they appear. A statistical examination of the modern means of transportation, shows that taken out of the hands of corporations and placed under government ownership the fare and freights of the railroads could be reduced two-thirds from present rates and furnish abundant means to defray every expense of government.

The telegraph and telephone system, which should be a branch of the post office department, would yield a handsome revenue for public use with the present charges reduced one half. And then the almost limitless resources for public use could be drawn from the rental value of land is being urged by a rapidly increasing phalanx of advocates.

All these new sources of taxation present the strongest reasons for a radical change in creating a fund for the public use, while at the same time wiping entirely out of existence the antiquated system of raising revenue by the inquisitorial and feudal mode of personal property tax.

The advocates of all these reforms are steadily coming together and finding expression and consideration in the people's party, while the two old parties have nothing but the dry husks of antiquated systems to offer to the people, who are wearily turning away from them to the living issues offered by the people's party. It will be a bright day for the honest toiling masses who have been voluntary slaves so long for the benefit of an idle, wasteful few, when the tax assessor ceases to call on them to render an account of their little property and pay down a heavy tax to the collector, and all taxes are collected from public utilities and every one pays in proportion to the opportunities he enjoys by their use.

These changes will mark the new era that is about opening up for mankind, when the old parties are driven into the wilderness like the scape-goat, bearing their dead issues which are the sins of the people.—Midland Journal.

WHO DO THEY MEAN BY "WE"?

If They Mean the People They Lie, and That Is the Truth.

It is true, as the republican speakers are claiming, that "we" had marvelous prosperity under Harrison; but—who do they mean by "we"?

If they mean national bankers, they are right. "We" national bankers were prosperous under Harrison.

If they mean interest-mongers, they are right. "We" interest-mongers were prosperous under Harrison.

If they mean landlords, they are right. "We" landlords were prosperous under Harrison.

If they mean protected capitalists, they are right. "We" protected capitalists were prosperous under Harrison.

If they mean coal barons, they are right. "We" coal barons were prosperous under Harrison.

If they mean the robber trusts, they are right. "We" robbers of the trusts did prosper under Harrison.

If they mean the extortioners of private railroads, or private telegraph, or private express or pine land robbers, or the Havemeyers, Carnegies or Pullmans, they are right. All these prospered under Harrison and prospered at the expense of the people.

But if they mean the people, they lie. The people were as systematically and effectively robbed "under" Harrison as under any other republican. And how could it be otherwise? Is not Harrison one of those "patriotic" American "statesmen" who believe in "making the rich secure and the poor content"?—Freeland.

SCIENCE OF THE DEVIL.

It Belongs to Perdition and Is Entitled to the Name.

If we may not call the present economic system the science of government nor moral science, can we say it is in any sense a Christian element? Of course not; well then if it is not political honesty, nor the science of government nor moral nor Christian science, it belongs to perdition and is entitled to the name of "Science of the Devil." Some people work to support this system who are loud in their pretensions to morality, while others style themselves Christians, some even claiming to be ministers of the gospel. It is a notorious fact that our fabric of government is in direct violation of every moral principle, to say nothing of any resemblance to the Christian idea. Not only this, but the government as administered is absolutely unconstitutional in every respect as it relates to the rights of the people. Our courts are with few exceptions all on the side of Mammon. Congress and senate fawn at the feet of Mammon. Money, and not character, constitute the basis of our system and the people begin to realize it.—Western Critic.

HOW MUCH LONGER?

The Plutocratic Press Tries to Make It Appear That the Farm Mortgage Indebtedness Does Not Amount to Much.

How much longer the census bureau is to continue to send out its mortgage reports and how much longer the daily capitalistic press will parade the statistics thus furnished to show that the farm mortgages do not amount to a continental fly speck, nobody can guess. But another batch of "comforting" figures has just been received, another tornado of journalistic comment upon this "mortgage nonsense" has swept the country and the source of supply is still in good working order. This time it is Illinois mortgages that are held up as evidence of the remarkable prosperity of the farmer. It appears that there are only \$99,000,000 in mortgages on Illinois farms. What is \$99,000,000 to an editor who is hired to write "pieces" for a newspaper that is owned by a national banker or an English or American syndicate of capitalists? It is just a mere bagatelle. It will only require an insignificant 200,000,000 bushels of wheat to pay that trifling incumbrance; and the fact that it has cost more to produce the wheat than it can be sold for is a matter of no importance. The suggestion, too, that in consequence of the bandit financial legislation of the country, the dollar of to-day is worth more than it was when most of this mortgage indebtedness was contracted, is positive anarchy. Besides all this, this indebtedness represents

only one-third the average value of the mortgaged farms according to the census report and the newspaper comment. As the value of farm property has shrunk about fifty per cent. in the last two years, it would seem that the holders of farm mortgages are a pretty lucky set of fellows, if their security is still three times the value of their claims. But the census bureau nor the venomous editors who are determined to make the people believe, if possible, that when the sheriff stands at the door with an execution or foreclosure paper, his visit is simply an element of our general prosperity, take any notice of the shrinkage of values. They do not seem to know and do not want to know that everything has shrunk except the mortgage. They proceed upon the utterly loose and senseless plan of estimating property at former valuations, as most people do. In any community ask what farm property is worth, and you will be told \$50, \$75 or \$100 an acre perhaps. But nobody is buying it at that price. There may not be a single farm for sale in the whole township. The price given is that which prevailed when wheat was worth more than hog feed, when there were not several hundred thousand men out of employment, and when our industries were not paralyzed. If only one-third of the farms in Illinois are mortgaged we are glad of it. If the enormous sum of \$99,000,000 represents the entire farm mortgages indebtedness of the state, we rejoice that it is not more. But how is this \$99,000,000 to be paid with 50-cent wheat and cheap cattle and cheaper wool? That is the question that interests us. If the blatant apologists for Shylock oppression can tell us how and when, under reasonably prudent management, the owners of the farms that are mortgaged can pay the indebtedness, it is all we require.—Farmer's Voice.

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